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Milford police offering ride service for vaccine appointments

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI
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MILFORD — The town of Milford’s Police Department and Senior Center are teaming up to offer a new program offering free rides to and from vaccination appointment for residents 75 years and older.

The rides will be on a limited daily basis to vaccine locations both in and out of town, announced Police Chief James Falvey and Senior Center Director Sue Clark. Milford currently has two vaccination sites in town and a few in nearby towns including Hopkinton, Uxbridge, and Foxborough.

“Please note we will be following all health and safety protocols during this program. We ask that masks will be always worn during the ride to and from the

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LADY RAMS CLOSE OUT SEASON UNDEFEATED
 Congratulations to the Northbridge Girls Varsity and JV Basketball teams, who both went undefeated this season. Both teams posted identical 8-0 records in their shortened season. Congratulations to the Lady Rams on a fantastic 2021 season!

Scams, fraud on the rise during pandemic

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI
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REGION—An increase in scams and fraud has prompted the Worcester County District Attorney to release a series of videos addressing these scams and local police agencies to continue to warn residents of scams, such as “phishing” and the “sweetheart scam.”

“Throughout the pandemic, we have seen an increase in scams and fraud,” said Worcester County District Attorney D. Early, Jr. “Check out our series of videos that specifically address the Covid-19 scams that have been targeting people during these challenging

and uncertain times.”

These videos will be airing on local cable access channels and have been shared with senior centers across the county, the District Attorney’s Office reported.

Northbridge Police have also warned of scams and recently shared a message from Unibank regarding “phishing,” the most prolific scam today.

“‘Phishing’ is a technique fraudsters use to try to collect personal and financial information from individuals, such as passwords and card numbers. The fraudsters send out a bogus communica-

tion, sometimes by email, using legitimate materials such as the company logo and website graphics in an attempt to gather personal financial information from individuals,” the statement reads. “UniBank will never ask you to verify personal information via email, we already have that information.”

Residents can take simple precautions to make sure they don’t get scammed. Never give out personal financial information to an unsolicited phone call, fax, or email, no matter how official it may seem, and never respond to emails that

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Uxbridge police K9 assists local partner agencies

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UXBRIDGE — While many members of the community were digging out from last week’s snowstorm, Uxbridge Police Officer Thomas Stockwell and K9 Bear were busy assisting several local partner agencies.

“Today was a busy day for the K9 Unit. Starting in the early morning hours we travelled to Paxton to assist their department with [a] warrant. After the warrant service we went to Marlborough for training,” the Uxbridge Police K9 team reported. “After a great day of training, we reported back to

Uxbridge for our evening shift. Shortly after we responded to Webster to assist their officers with a narcotics search.”

In Webster, Officer Stockwell and K9 Bear responded to the scene after “observations were made of drug packaging” during a traffic stop. Webster police initiated a motor vehicle stop after a vehicle was observed to have no inspection sticker.

“Officer [Kaitlyn] DiBuono pulled behind the vehicle and was confirming the fact that the vehicle had no inspection sticker by checking its information on her mobile data terminal. It

then began taking several abrupt turns down various side streets, as if it was trying to evade being stopped by Officer DiBuono,” Webster police reported.

The car eventually stopped just over the line in Dudley; in addition to the operator, there were three other passengers in the car. Dudley Detective James Annesse arrived on scene to assist. The passengers, none of whom had seat belts on, were all identified, according to reports. Officers asked one of the passengers to exit the car, and at that point, observations were made of drug packaging

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BVT senior ready to launch aviation career



Courtesy

Trin Astrella of Sutton, a senior in the Engineering & Robotics program at BVT, demonstrates the flight simulator experience.

UPTON – Trin Astrella of Sutton, a senior in the Engineering & Robotics program at Blackstone Valley Tech, has always been fascinated by flight. Growing up with parents who work in the aviation industry, he felt that he was born to fly.

“Interested in aviation from a young age, I would draw cool-looking airplanes and build models to hang from the ceiling. I tried to make a flight simulator once using a cardboard box and plastic syringes filled with water to create motion as the joystick moved, but it didn’t end well,” said Astrella. “As a young adult, I’m still passionate about planes. Having access to STEMPilot flight simulators in our classroom is not only a fantastic enhancement

to my education, but it’s also a dream come true.”

“As a vocational-technical educator, it is exciting to observe when students are engaged in the curriculum and are passionate about furthering their education to pursue careers based on their shop experience. I am proud of Trin and his growth, adding wings to his dream; I know that he will soar,” said Engineering & Robotics instructor Brian Rhodes.

With Skills Capital Grant funding, the engineering lab could acquire four STEMPilot Edustation Pros and a Pilot Pro 6 flight simulator to enhance the curriculum. Now, as students explore lift and drag principles while designing airfoils, they can also experi-

ence it, flying anywhere in the world, virtually.

“I remember freshman year, Mr. Rhodes talking about how great it would be to have a flight simulator in the shop to enhance our Aerospace Engineering course. I’m beyond excited to have an opportunity to experience STEMPilot in our Engineering & Robotics program, which continues to grow, transform, and evolve,” said Astrella. “We are lucky to have this new technology in our state-of-the-art engineering lab. While it is educational, getting to fly from any airfield on the planet certainly makes our classroom learning fun.”

“One of the best parts


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Simple ways to maintain braces

Many adults recall having braces as children. While braces have evolved dramatically over the last few decades, modern braces benefit teeth in much the same ways as those adults recall from their youth.

Braces are often recommended to help straighten crooked teeth, correct misaligned bites and/or address overcrowded teeth. Maintenance is essential to ensure braces are effective and provide long-lasting benefits, and the American Association of Orthodontists offers these tips to protect braces and prevent patients from developing tooth decay

- Avoid certain foods. Hard, sticky, crunchy, or chewy foods should be avoided. Many candies and snacks fit that description, so parents of children with braces and adults with braces of their own should make sure these foods are not readily available around the house. The AAO specifically mentions foods such as caramel, gummies, licorice, jelly beans, and even soft drinks among the foods to avoid when wearing orthodontic braces.
- Be extra cautious around Halloween. The days surrounding Halloween can be an especially difficult time to maintain braces. Candy is everywhere come the end of October, but people with braces must be diligent in avoiding hard-shelled peanut candies and nut-filled candies.
- Brush twice per day, but be careful. The experts at Oral-B® note that careful cleaning is required when wearing braces. Plaque bacteria can be easily trapped inside and around braces, so it's especially important that people with braces carefully brush each day. Removable parts, including elastics, should be removed prior to brushing. Clean each tooth individually in a circular motion, tilting the brush as necessary to reach small front teeth.
- Continue regular visits to your orthodontist as well as your dentist. Regular visits to the orthodontist are required when wearing braces. These visits are necessary so braces can be adjusted and orthodontists can make sure there are no signs of gum disease. But Oral-B® notes that it's just as important to continue visiting the dentist while wearing braces. Dentists can perform routine services designed to protect tooth surfaces from decay while wearing braces, making dental visits a vital component of orthodontic maintenance.

Orthodontic braces help people have healthy, beautiful smiles.

Maintenance while wearing braces is vital to avoid disease and produce a mouthful of pearly whites.



How parents can get kids excited about brushing their teeth



Dental hygiene is an important component of a healthy lifestyle, but it's an element youngsters rarely embrace with open arms. Parents know that getting kids, especially young children, to brush their teeth is not always so easy.

In recognition of that, the American Dental Association suggests the following strategies to make brushing teeth something kids will look forward to.

- Make it fun. Brushing teeth may not be considered a fun activity, but who's to say it can't benefit from a little levity? The ADA recommends turning tooth brushing sessions into dance parties and/or sing-alongs. Youngsters might be so busy cutting a rug or listening to mom and dad belt out a few hits that they don't even realize they're cleaning their teeth at the same time. If singing and dancing aren't cutting it, then incorporate another fun activity, like reading a child his or her favorite story, into daily brushing sessions. The ADA advises adults and children to brush their teeth for two minutes twice a day, so activities need not be too advanced. But a fun activity that allows kids to do something other than brush their teeth can be a great way to help them meet the "two minutes, two times" guideline.
- Reward good behavior. Parents can reward youngsters who brush their teeth without incident by offering praise or allowing them to pick a bedtime book when brushing at night.
- Put kids' favorite characters to work. The ADA notes that many popular children's television shows and books have stories about brushing teeth. Watch these stories with your children, then reference the stories and characters if kids are reluctant to brush their teeth. Parents also can find toothbrushes and/or toothpaste that feature kids' favorite characters to get youngsters more excited to brush.
- Become a storyteller. Parents also can make up their own stories, explaining to kids how they can be superheroes who brush away the bad guys that cause cavities.
- Brush alongside your children. Kids love to mimic their parents, so moms and dads can brush alongside their youngsters in the hopes they'll follow suit.

Many children may never jump at the chance to brush their teeth. But parents can employ a few savvy strategies to make daily brushing sessions more fun for youngsters.

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HEARTS OF BAY PATH PN STUDENTS ON DISPLAY

CHARLTON — According to research, “spreading kindness not only helps others feel better about themselves -- it can also boost the giver’s health and happiness.” Feb. 17, the National Random Act of Kindness Day was celebrated by the Practical Nursing Class of 2021 at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy by displaying their “RAKtivism” or being a “Random Acts of Kindness Activist.”

Gretheline Bolandrina, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director, is grateful for the PN Class of 2021 and their kind gestures. She strongly believes in kindness’ many health benefits such as lower blood pressure, pain reduction, happiness, and the ultimate “helpers’ high.

“Our student nurses are making the world a better place,” she said. “Any act of kindness, no matter how small changes the world, and any kindness given to others is also a gift to yourself.”

“A random act of kindness I’ve done a couple of times when I have extra money: at the Dunkin’ Donuts drive-thru, I paid for the orders behind me! Hopefully made someone’s day better!” — Brianna Pincince-Mcleish, SPN of Brookfield

“Sometime back, on a Thursday morning while driving on Route 31 in Spencer. The two cars in front of me got into a collision. I pulled over and made sure the police were called. The accident involved a middle-aged man and an older woman. I had the woman stay in her car and not move in case she had any injuries as she was affected more than the male was. The male was anxious and really worked up. I did what I could to reassure him that he needed to be calm. I waited until the police arrived.

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Fortunately, both collision survivors left with only minor bumps and bruises.” — Brianna Cloutier, SPN of Charlton

“When a neighbor’s dog, ‘Juda’ (a German Shepard) passed away (of old age), my eight-year-old daughter who had a small stuffed animal that looked like Juda gave the neighbor her stuffed animal in remembrance. It made Juda’s mom (who is in her 50’s) so happy, she gave my daughter daisies with thanks. She makes me so proud.”

“On Christmas Eve I gave a homeless man in downtown Worcester (under a bridge) a variety box of homemade cookies. There were chocolate chips, snowballs, thumbprints, peanut butter balls, peanut butter cookies, and sugar cookies with frosting. Small acts of kindness warm the heart.” — Tianna Welcome, SPN of Oxford

“On term 1, an alumna provided me with textbooks which I was missing for the program. It filled my heart with extreme gratitude to know that someone could do such an amazing gesture for someone who they do not know personally. I am forever grateful! It also served as a life lesson to show kindness towards others, it is a very rewarding feeling!” — Digmery Sanchez, SPN of Worcester

Brought in pastries (Quesitos and Pastelitos de Guayaba) specially ordered from ‘Whisk Me Away Treats’ to share with the class. Whisk Me Away Treats is a “family-based business striving to bake the world a better place one goodie at a time.” Supporting a small business is great for the environment because they have a smaller carbon footprint than larger companies! Bringing so much joy by sharing sweets made daily, from scratch. A win-win!” — Monique

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Bull, SPN of Worcester

Stopped at a traffic collision that involved a nursing student on their way to clinicals. She waited with the student until police officers arrived and until the totaled vehicle was towed. She then gave her classmate a ride to clinicals, all along giving emotional support to allay anxiety. — Grace Mwangli, SPN of Worcester

Picked up (and delivered) prescription medications (and over-the-counter pain meds) multiple times for an ill neighbor. Cleared the driveway after a snowfall for the same ill neighbor and brought to ER! Makes it a point to walk with faculty at the end of the night making sure faculty is not alone and feel unsafe at the end of long lectures at night. — Khamphan Houatchanthara, SPN of Southbridge

Brought flowers to cheer up and celebrate milestones for staff and faculty! “Floriography, the language of flowers, was developed as a form of communication at a time where it was not appropriate, polite or proper etiquette for an individual to fully express their emotions with another.” — Brianna Laforest, SPN of Webster

ARC blood donor! She’s definitely someone’s type! “Blood donors report feeling a sense of great satisfaction after making their blood donation.” — Elizabeth Larson, SPN of Webster

The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation lists kindness ideas organized by work, community, environment, animals, strangers, kids, seniors and more. For more information visit <https://www.randomactsofkindness.org>.

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Not yet legally freed for adoption, Tatiana will benefit from joining a loving family of any constellation who can provide her with stability, structure and a dependable routine. She will do best as an only child or with older siblings. An ideal family will be comfortable navigating the mental health and educational systems, and be able

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Blackstone Valley Chamber hosting virtual job fair

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Premier Virtual is an online platform that allows job seekers to view employers’ virtual booths, view the companies’ information, review their job openings, and submit their resumes. Job seekers and employers can also instant message and video chat each other through the platform.

Interested employers: Upon registering for the event on Premier Virtual, employers must also create a Virtual Booth.

Interested job seekers:

Upon registering for the event on Premier Virtual, job seekers must provide their names, emails, phone numbers, and upload their resumes or a typed professional summary in PDF format in order to participate. Job seekers have the option to include a professional headshot on their Premier Virtual profile. On the day of the event, click the “register here” button below, and you will be directed to the event page. Click “Login” to join the event.

Some of the virtual job fair featured companies include: Omni Control Systems, Inc., Interstate Specialty Products, and Riverdale Mills.

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and enhance the economic vitality of the Blackstone Valley by addressing her needs and concerns of businesses and providing leadership, support and resources in connection with issues which impact commerce and the quality of life in the Valley.

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24. Junior’s father
25. Go up or climb
26. Concern
27. When you hope to get there
28. Iacocca and Oswald are two
29. Plant of the lily family
30. Male college organization
31. National capital
33. Raccoonlike animal
34. Symbols of fertility
38. Astronomy unit
39. Series of ridges in anatomy
40. Hebrew leader
43. A portent of good or evil
44. Supreme goddess
45. Gelatinous substance
49. Engage in a contest
50. Famed ballplayer Ruth
51. Pledge
53. - __, denotes past
54. Revival
56. Spanish surname
58. Gold
59. Elsa’s sister
60. Workplace
63. Large quantity of something
64. Engraved
65. Discount

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1. Shoe
2. Disquiet
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6. Joins two pipes of different diameter
7. Exist
8. Overdose
9. Pleat of fabric
10. Predict the future
13. Burgeoning technology
14. Having made a valid will
15. Having no fixed course
20. __ route
21. Lethal dose
22. Indian musical pattern of notes
23. Athlete
27. Geological times
29. Atomic #21
30. In support of
31. Brew
32. Certificate of insurance
33. Taxi
34. Type of saying
35. For cigars
36. Phil __, former CIA
37. Local area network
38. Gym class
40. Philippine Island
41. Not great or bad
42. Eastern part of NY state
44. Gov’t lawyers
45. Constructions
46. Former British gold coin
47. Unkeyed
48. Rechristen
50. Threaten persistently
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54. Removes the leaves
55. Regretted
57. Thus
61. Relief organization (abbr.)
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ON THE PROWL

A bobcat was spotted on the prowl along Hazel Street in Uxbridge last week.

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UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

UXBRIDGE — Uxbridge High School has released its honor roll for the second quarter of the 2020-2021 school year.

Grade 8
High Honors: Ali Alomar, Hannah Benson, Elyse Bouchard, Cate Bouvier, Arya Burke, Victoriana Chapman, Ava Chartier, Shayna Cohen, Charles Criscola, Larissa DaSilva, Sydney Daniels, Maxwell Deary, Rogan Devlin, Timothy Devlin, Mason Dorr, Bailey Dzivasen, Ewan Fortin, Alicia Gauvin, Addison Griffiths, Brady Hamm, Samuel Kirby, Isabelle Kling, Thatcher Kling, Sumeyye Koyuncu, Milla Mace, Tessa Masnyk, Aidan Nolan, , Darren Oliver, Natalie Orr, Om Patel, Maxwell Roy, Stella Roy, Hunter Schiller, Phoenix Silva, Michael Stark, Landon Sweet, Aurora Tripp, Sienna True, Julia Wilczewska, Denning Yoffe, Stephanie Zaitoun
Honors: Ryan Amorum, Giana Bannon,LaylaBettencourt, Christopher Bouvier, Thomas Carlson, Carson Denietolis, Hunter Fontaine, Arianna Fortier, Sofie Hall, Chase Henaault, Liam Kaferlein, Alexis Kammerer, Samantha Makynen, Macen Martone, Alexis Morse, Abigaile Oliveira, Briana Pare, Olivia Pirrotta, Lily Ramage, Talen Rosborough, Jonah Scott, Dominic Silva, Jamal Uddin, Caroline Usenia, Ashton Watt, Nicholas Whitlock
Honorable Mention: Maria Aprili, Catherine Buma, Arielle DeMarco, Jenna Devine, Jillian Dimo, Lillyanna Gallant, Shame Guillette, Hunter Levesque, Jaden Ravanales, Bruno Sampaio, James Sanford, Madison Silbor, Colin Spencer, Ashton Watt

Grade 9
High Honors: Rylie Beland, James

Bernard, Aidan Blood, Benjamin Bourgeois, Kathryn Cahill, Braden Cammuso, Cameron Caso, Matthew DiLibero, Syrianna Dousangsavanh, Luke Esposito, Madison Fairweather, Olivia Gray, Olivia Holden, Catherine Hughes, Kahlea Lachapelle, Kellen Lachapelle, Kamryn Leroy, Grace Linsley, Jessica Lutton, Aiden Marquez-LeRoy, Brianna Moss, Gage Nichols, Nathan Noyes, l, Shane Okenquist, Ella Pezzullo, Phetmany Phianesin, Cooper Phoenix, Avari Powers, Benjamin Roerden, Payson Roy, Lincoln Schiller, Christopher Szajna, Siobhan Twohig-Mann, Emma Walker, Brayden Wilcox, Zoe Wojnowski
Honors: Luke Bergeron, Tyler Bergman, Luke Boisvert, Ashlee Brodeur, Emma Demers, Brynn Doherty, Brianna Hughes, Hailey Kinyanjui, Sophia Mone, Samuel Noel, Lukas Ritacco,
Honorable Mention: Evan Arsenault, Nathan Fuoss, Jalyn Gingras, Jackson Livingstone, Sara Morton, Sean O'Day, Frank Osimo, Mikayla Ouellette, Jack Phoenix, Liam Rigney, Mason Sandford

Grade 10
High Honors: Dominick Alicea, Lily Brayman, Kelsey Brooks, Victor Cardoso-Collins, Julie Compston, Sophie Compston, Myah DeLang, Jessie DeMalia, Tyler Erickson, Jason Fontes, Carl Nathan Gallowan, Drew Gniadek, Evan Grube, Avery Guillette, Briana Hawes, Samantha Hinchcliffe, Paige Irving, Tia Jacobs, Eleanor Kimball, Lex Lovell, Maximus Martone, Patrick McDonnell, Isabella Nolan, Matthew O'Neill, Grace Orr, Morgan Ouellette, Kylie Paul, Julia Philbrook, Audrey Phillips, Casey Prior, Tyler Richardson, Aidan Russell, Abigail Sanches, Sadie

Schultzberg, Meghan Smith, Troy Spencer, Sabrina Tivedo, Khalil Torku, Madison Tousignant, Lindsay Vario
Honors: Alberto Bruce, Maren Anderson, Nathan Cole, Sean Costa, Joshua Cristina, Domenic D'Araujo, Logan Donnelly, Tanner Gauthier, Sameer Khan, Ethan Linsley, Alan Mages, Olivia Phillips, Theodore Rigney, Aidan Ross, Makayla Ross, Jack Tasick, Megan Wingfield, Coral Young
Honorable Mention: Emma Brothers, Anthony D'Araujo, Samuel Mason, Tyler McIsaac, Zachary Oliveira, Laela Pendleton, Jack Trask, Braeden Watt

Grade 11
High Honors: Madison Arsenault, Peyton Bly, Grace Boisvert, Madison Departie, Hunter Fabri, Saige Frazier, Matthew Healey, Zoe Jones, Chloe Kaeller, Madigan Lame, Luke Little, Bethany Loach, Maria Lowandy, Macarious Mansour, Maegan Morrissey, Hannah Nordstrom, Gracie Nummela, Andrew Oliveira, Cristian Oliveira, Jessie Paxton, Natasha Prachith, Madison Ramage, Cecilia Schleinitz, Liam Sweeney, Ava Turner, Keku Wheelock, Alexandra Wojciechowski
Honors: Mya Asante-Opoku, Brian Babin, Destiny Berthiaume, Brooklyn Chludenski, Maia Harris, Maya Henry, Xavier Hicks, Jeremie Hodgdon, Charlotte Johndrow, Makayla Lehtola, Thomas McCarthy, Marcus Oliver, Jaymee Peloquin, Jack Polando, Angelina Rodriguez, Madison Ryan, Jack Sander, Anthony Venuit, Samuel Walton
Honorable Mention: Dylan Alexander, Daniel Buabeng, Abigail Deary, Reagan Guillette, Briana Joyce, Cameron Snay,

Audrey Tanner, Mia Volpe, Emily Westberg

Grade 12
High Honors: Anastasia Achiaa, Nicholas Allegrezza, Haley Archambault,SamanthaArroyas,Aiden Ayers, Hailey Bergman, Bella Borjeson-Troupe, Kayla Brooks, Jeremy Bullock, Connor Chartier, Sydney Costa, Elise Croteau, Maline Demers, Ella DiMarco, Ashley Dube, Jonathan Fabian, Acadia Farrell, Nicholas Fernandes, Drew Gauthier, Devon Gokey, Shaylin Gonya, Ramsha Gul, Jocelyn Hinchcliffe, Sallie Hogan, Anna Horne, Sarah Johnston, Samantha Kauzens, Wiley Kimball, Cassandra LaBaire, Allen Lamphere, Liberty Lewis, Eilish Linnehan, Maeve Mahoney, Madison Manning, Mikenna Manz, Ella Moscatelli, Brenna Neill, Jeremy Okenquist, Rory Paul, Valasi Petri, Jalyssa Pizarro, Braden Pomeroy, Colleen Prior, Daniel Redgate, Kiley Robertson, MarthaAnn Rolandelli, Stephen Sanches, Thomas Schreiber, Jack Streichert, Clarice Stumpf, Alyssa Sylvia, Emily Taylor, Brenden Thompson, Carlee Veinotte, Cayden Walker, Benjamin Wiersma, Benjamin Wojciechowski

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Honorable Mention: Emily Landini, Karla Mendoza-Ruck, Jaeden Morales, Jared Peniche, Kelly Rush, Liam Russell, Hunter Taft

Mass vaccination center opens at Worcester State

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

REGION – With last week’s opening of a mass vaccination center at Worcester State University, area residents now have a resource much closer to home.
Opened on Feb. 16, the site will operate on Tuesdays through Saturdays (9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.). Residents who are currently eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine can make appointments using the statewide reservation portal.
For university and city officials, it means a lot to help local residents reduce drive times. Previously, hundreds of area seniors had to drive out to Springfield and wait in long lines at the Eastfield Mall vaccination site.
“As the city of Worcester’s public university, Worcester State

takes service to our community to heart,” read a statement released by the university. “We are pleased to host a large-scale vaccination center in the Competition Gym in the Wellness Center to help speed the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine to Massachusetts residents.”
Officials remind residents that you must schedule a vaccination appointment ahead of time. As of press time, the state was only vaccinating residents in the 65-plus age group, as well as those with two or more health conditions.
Appointments, though significantly limited at this time, can be scheduled online by visiting www.mass.gov/COVIDVaccineMap. Residents will be asked to enter their zip code or select a location from the map on the website, then follow prompts to schedule an appointment

online.
Residents 65 and older who are unable to use the online model can call the Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line (877-211-6277).
“Individuals ages 65 and older will be able to speak to a representative live on the phone to assist them with an appointment through the state’s online system,” read a statement released by Governor Charlie Baker’s office. “If no appointments are available, callers will have the option to be placed on a call-back list for the mass vaccination sites. The caller will receive a call when an appointment becomes available for them at a mass vaccination site.”
The Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is only meant for individuals seeking to schedule an appointment.

Representatives are not able to answer general questions about COVID-19 or provide individual healthcare advice.
If you are attending the Worcester State University location, park in the north parking lot and enter through the designated door no more than five minutes before your appointment time.
If the Worcester State campus is closed or has a delayed opening due to weather, the clinic will be shut down and appointments will be rescheduled. Any changes to the campus status will be posted on the school’s homepage.
The university thanks Commonwealth Medicine, which is providing logistics support, project management, and volunteer staffingsupport at the mass vaccination site. Meanwhile, Saint Vincent Hospital will serve as the clinical part-

ner, providing daily clinical and operational leadership at the site.
“Numerous members of the Saint Vincent team will assist Commonwealth Medicine’s volunteer corps in staffing the site in both clinical and non-clinical roles,” read the university’s statement.
Volunteer opportunities are available for both clinical and non-clinical personnel. Medically trained and certified volunteers will administer vaccinations and monitor recipients for any adverse reactions. Non-clinical volunteers will help with check-in services, directional assistance, and cleaning of high-touch areas.
State officials urge eligible residents to schedule their appointments as soon as possible. As more priority groups are added in the coming weeks and months, vaccine centers will likely be booked throughout the day.
“Due to extremely high demand for appointments and limited vaccine supply, appointments are getting booked quickly,” read a statement issued by the Mass. Department of Public Health. “New appointments will be added to the website regularly, and the mass vaccination sites have the most availability for appointments.”
No one will be denied the vaccine due to lack of insurance. You will not need to provide a Social Security card or government issued identification to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.
You will never be asked for a credit card number to make an appointment.
Additional mass vaccination sites include Gillette Stadium, Fenway Park, the Eastfield Mall in Springfield, and the DoubleTree Hotel in Danvers.

Zoom boating safety courses offered

REGION — Our local United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Tri-State Flotilla, Massachusetts will be instructing four upcoming boating safety classes through the Zoom video conference platform, due to COVID-19 restrictions. Registration is managed through the Milford Community School Use Program, Adult-Boating, at <http://mcs.milford.ma.us> or (508) 478-1119 at least 6 days prior; keep-

ing in mind that availability is limited and you will receive course materials prior, covered by the registration fee. Participants under the age of 16 must be accompanied online by a registered parent/guardian. For additional USCGAux. information: phil.uscgaux@verizon.net or (508) 478-3778.
About Boating Safely
Saturdays: March 27 & April 24 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

(\$45)
A one-day course developed to provide the skills and confidence needed to explore the coast and inland waters by boat. Basic knowledge and skills are needed to have safe and enjoyable boating experiences. This course is perfect for families that have just purchased any type of boat or are planning to in the future, and also for the boater keeping up with changes to boating

regulations and laws. Successful completion of the course will also temporarily certify (until a proctored exam is completed)any minor,from12 to 16 years of age, to operate a powerboat, including a Personal Water Craft / Jet Ski for 16 & 17-year-old operators, on allMassachusettswaters; in conjunction with the Mass. Environmental Police. Rhode Island residents born in/or after 1986 can also take the “Challenge Exam” for the RI Boater Education Card to operate motor vessels over 10 horse power, along with anyone, any age, from any state, wanting to operate a PWC on RI waters. It will also

cover the requirements to operate a vessel in most other states & many countries where boating safety education is mandatory. Several of the boating insurance companies offer a discount on premiums for successful completion of this course. The Zoom ABS class is limited to 20 students.
Suddenly in Command Wednesdays: March 17 & April 14 7 – 10:30 p.m. (\$5)
Imagine you are out on the water when the boat’s captain somehow is incapacitated or falls overboard and can’t swim back to the boat. Are you prepared to take basic actions to get help,

stop or start the engine and take the helm? A little knowledge could save lives and make you feel more comfortable boating when you’re not generally at the helm.
Misfortunes can and do happen while on that fishing, diving, adventure, or party charter. Being out on your own boat with that significant other at the helm, or going out on a friends’ pontoon boat can also turn to horror if the skipper is suddenly out of commission. This is a boating safety primer for those not generally at the helm but would like to know what to do, to be better prepared.

Bianca DiVitto named to Dean’s List at Stonehill College

EASTON – Bianca DiVitto, of Whitinsville, a member of the Class of 2021, has been named to the Fall 2020 Dean’s List at Stonehill College.
To qualify for the Dean’s List, students must have a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better and must have completed successfully all courses for which they were registered.
Stonehill is a Catholic college located near Boston on a beautiful 384-acre campus in Easton. With a student-faculty ratio of 12:1, the College engages over 2,500 students in more than 80 rigorous academic programs in the liberal arts, sciences, and pre-professional fields. The Stonehill community helps students to develop the knowledge, skills, and character to meet their professional goals and to live lives of purpose and integrity.



University of Maine announces fall 2020 Dean’s List

ORONO, Maine — The University of Maine recognized 4,133 students for achieving Dean’s List honors in the fall 2020 semester, including Jacob Chaplin of Blackstone, Max Dubeau of Douglas, Cole Mueller of Millbury, Patrick Fitzgerald of Millville, Peter Dupuis and Ciara Larence of Northbridge, Kyle Bernero, Julia Gustavesen, Katie Luck, Noelle Ott, and Becca Rinaldo of Upton, Elizabeth Bernard, Joe Bernard, and Dylan King of Uxbridge, and Jack Tivnan of Whitinsville.
Of the students who made the Dean’s List, 2,670 are from Maine, 1,366 are from 38 other states and 97 are from 35 countries other than the U.S.
Due to the unusual and challenging circumstances faced this semester amid the global pandemic, the university has modified its Dean’s List policy for the fall 2020 term. The requirement that students earn 12 calculable credits to be eligible for Dean’s List has been waived. Instead, students will be eligible 1) if they earned Dean’s List recognition in spring 2020 and have placed all of their fall 2020 courses on pass/fail; or 2) if they have earned a minimum GPA of a 3.5, regardless of the number of credits taken, in fall 2020.

UMF announces Dean's List for fall 2020 semester

FARMINGTON, Maine — The University of Maine at Farmington proudly announces its Dean's List for the fall 2020 semester, which includes Heather Janson of Northbridge and Grace DiMarco of Uxbridge.

UMF maintains a Dean's List each semester for those students completing a minimum of 12 credits in courses producing quality points. Students whose grade point average for the semester is equal to or greater than 3.8 are listed with High Honors. Students whose grade point average for the semester is less than 3.8 but equal to or greater than 3.5 are listed with Honors. Any incompletes must be satisfactorily completed before the student is honored with Dean's List status. Academic achievement awarded at commencement is based on all course work taken at UMF.

More on University of Maine at Farmington

A nationally-recognized public liberal arts college, UMF enjoys a 150-year tradition of providing a quality academic experience combined with the personal attention and close student / faculty collaboration that help prepare all students to be successful. Rooted in a tradition of teacher preparation, UMF offers top quality programs in the arts and sciences, teacher preparation, and business and pre-professional studies. UMF is located in the heart of Maine's four-season outdoor recreational region and is a welcoming, close-knit academic community that prepares students for engaged citizenship, enriching professional careers and an enduring love of learning.

RIDES

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appointment," Milford Police released in a statement.

Cruisers have already been equipped with barriers to help protects residents and officers, police said, and vehicles will be disinfected before and after each ride. Members of the same household with appointments that are near the same time at the same location will be able to ride together.

The officers will wait for residents at the appointment location to bring them home afterwards. Residents will need to set up their own appointment before requesting a ride and have confirmation.

Residents currently have two ways to schedule a vaccine appointed—the first is through the new statewide Unite Way 211 hotline. It can be accessed by dialing 2-1-1 and selecting the prompt for "Help Scheduling a Vaccine Appointment," police said. Calls can be made Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and translators will also be available to

help through the 211 hotline.

Callers will be able to speak with a live representative who will help them find a nearby vaccination location and make an appointment.

The second way to schedule an appointment is online through the state's website, www.mass.gov.

The police department is unable to assist residents with setting up their appointments, the department added. If residents need assistance setting up appointments, the Milford Senior Center has offered to help and can be contacted at 508-473-8334.

"Those with any questions about the ride service may contact the police department directly anytime," the department added.

Those residents who wish to request a ride may call the Milford Police Department at 508-473-1113 ext. 0 and speak to a dispatcher. The department asked for at least a two-day notice for rides. Citizens may also call the Milford Senior Center at 508-473-8334 to arrange for a ride.

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Local students named to Western New England University Dean's List

SPRINGFIELD — Close to 750 students have been named to the Fall 2020 Dean's List at Western New England University. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must achieve a GPA of 3.30 or higher.

"We are so proud of our Dean's List students who demonstrated an unwavering commitment to excellence in their studies despite the unique challenges of our fall semester," commented Dr. Robert E. Johnson, President.

"Of the roughly 3,000 colleges and universities tracked by the College Crisis Initiative, Western New England University was

among just 27% nationwide that resumed primarily 'in-person' teaching last fall. Our Dean's List students stayed focused and engaged; they should be very proud of their achievements. Well done, Golden Bears!"

The following students have earned their place on Western New England University's distinguished Dean's List:

Amanda Keith, of Douglas, working toward a degree in Business.

Mark Spain, of Douglas, working toward a BSE in Computer Engineering.

Julia Klisiewicz, of Whitinsville, working toward a

BSE in Biomedical Engineering.

Having just celebrated its Centennial, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,690 students, including 2,486 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

Students named to Dean's List at RIT

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — The following local residents made the Dean's List at Rochester Institute of Technology for the 2020 Fall Semester. Undergraduate students are eligible for Dean's List if their GPA is greater than or equal to 3.40 for nine credit hours of traditionally graded coursework; they do not have any grades of "Incomplete," NE, D, or F; and they have registered for, and completed, at least 12 credit hours.

Keegan Tonry of Uxbridge, who is in the physics program.

Matthew Blanc of Douglas, who is in the electrical engineering program.

Matt Ganley of Northbridge, who is in the civil engineering technology program.

Rochester Institute of Technology is home to leading creators, entrepreneurs, innovators and researchers. Founded in 1829, RIT enrolls about 18,600 students in more than 200 career-oriented and professional programs, making it among the largest private universities in the U.S.

The university is internationally recognized and ranked for academic leadership in business, computing, engineering, imaging science, liberal arts, sustainability, and fine and applied arts. RIT also offers unparalleled support services for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. The cooperative education program is one of the oldest and largest in the nation. Global partnerships include campuses in China, Croatia, Dubai and Kosovo.

AVIATION

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about being a student at BVT is that you get to try many different career pathways," said Astrella. "I wouldn't trade that experience for the world. It has helped me to decide the best direction for me."

Whether it's traveling the world like his parents or making sure an airplane is mechanically sound, Astrella is ready to launch his aviation career by furthering his vocational-technical education with a double major

in Aerospace Engineering and Aviation Maintenance Science at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida. He also wants to join the Naval Reserve Officers Training Core and is taking the necessary steps to become a fighter pilot for the U.S. Navy.

About Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School (BVT) Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School serves the towns of Bellingham, Blackstone,

Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton, and Uxbridge. Located in the heart of the Blackstone Valley, BVT creates a positive learning community that prepares students for personal and professional success in an internationally competitive society through a fusion of rigorous vocational, technical, and academic skills. The school's Web site is www.valleytech.k12.ma.us.

K9

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where the passenger was sitting, police said.

"At this point, everyone was ordered out of the car and a narcotics detection canine was requested. Uxbridge Officer Thomas Stockwell and his partner Bear responded to the scene," Webster Police reported. "Bear did indicate through his behavior that there may be narcotics inside the vehicle."

Officers then began a search of the car and found a digital scale that had some white res-

idue on it, which is believed to be residue from crack cocaine, "a golf ball sized piece of what is believed to be crack cocaine," and a large amount of cash, along with two small packets of what was believed to be heroin. Also found was another large bundle of cash, police said.

In Paxton, police conducted a search warrant at a residence in town after a months-long narcotics investigation. As a result, evidence was recovered that lead to the arrest of the occupant. Paxton Police thanked the Uxbridge Police Department and the Rutland Police Department for their assistance.

"It was a busy day, but the most rewarding part came from the most unexpected source. As we were leaving Webster, a young man came up to us and said, 'That dog saved my life,'" the K9 team reported. "He went on to explain that he had recently been arrested for narcotics charges, after Bear had located them in a search. He said he probably wouldn't have made it through the night if Bear hadn't intervened.... Good boy Bear."

"Teamwork and partnerships are key to ensuring the safety of our communities," Uxbridge Police released in a statement.

SCAMS

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may warn of dire consequences.

"Check your credit card and bank account statements regularly and look for unauthorized transactions, even small ones. Some thieves hope small transactions will go unnoticed. Report

discrepancies immediately," the statement continues. "When submitting financial information online, look for the padlock or key icon at the bottom of your Internet browser. Also, many secure Internet addresses, though not all, use 'https.' to signify that your information is secure during transmission."

The District Attorney's Office also shared information regarding the "Sweetheart Scam," which involves a scammer convincing someone that they are in love, using the emotion to bilk money from the unsuspecting person—oftentimes an isolated older person. This scam can be perpetrated online or in-person, according to reports.



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How about this weather?

“How about this weather?”

If ever there was an easy, non-challenging conversation opener, this is it. You can be in line at the grocery store, serving jury duty or pushing papers around at work – it doesn’t matter where you are - this line never fails.

Everyone seems willing to talk about the weather. It’s a built-in, slam-dunk, easy topic that allows complete strangers to either commiserate or celebrate, depending on the daily meteorological situation.

So, what is it with the weather? Why do we love to discuss, comment and re-hash it?

Weather is complicated, frustrating and ultimately uncertain. Weather breaks our hearts and lifts our moods and forces daily choices for everyone. Weather drives our decisions, affects our attitudes and makes fellow survivors out of strangers.

Weather is our most true common denominator. No matter what our life circumstances - student, professional, retiree – when you live in the same geographic area, you and your fellow community members have the weather in common.

Weather doesn’t care about politics or sports teams or vacations or the date on the calendar. It is an equal opportunity annoyner and a great equalizer – everyone has to drive in snow, or dash to the car in the rain, or stand in long lines at the fair in the hot sun. Almost everyone has had a picnic cancelled, a vacation spoiled or a ball game rained out.

But weather is also the unexpectedly warm, sunny, sweet-smelling spring morning that causes smiles and banter with co-workers. It’s the light snow flurries that add sparkle to early December and prompts holiday greetings between shoppers. It’s the crisp, snappy feel of fall football games and the slow, sultry, humidity of summer evenings spent on backyard patios. It’s the backdrop of every day of our lives.

So, what is it with the weather? Maybe we love the topic because it’s universal. Maybe we love the excitement of something that will change – either for the good or the bad. Maybe it’s that it is temporary and fleeting and something to either be withstood or enjoyed, knowing that it will not last. Maybe it’s simply because weather is always with us...whether we like it or not.

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A MOMENT IN
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At this moment in history, there is much discussion over the issue of Native American names on schools, teams, weapons or aircraft. Whenever these names have been applied to schools, teams, weapons or aircraft, they denoted strength, bravery, pride, nobility, honor, respect, brilliance, and agility, to list just a few words of praise.

We have never named our schools or weapons such things as Blue Bird High School or the fighting Reptiles. Blue birds just hang around the feeder all day, eating, mating, and doing other unmentionable things. Not the name of any school I would wish to attend. And as for the fighting Reptiles, it does not denote strength or success. It denotes a sneaky, crawly thing that bites you when you least suspect it, which - as my learned friend reminded me - is exactly what our Sidewinder missile does. The missile was aptly named after a desert rattlesnake that detects its prey by the prey’s heat emissions. The Sidewinder missile is the most important heat-seeking missile of the last three decades and is the standard against which new missiles are judged today. Okay, so we can name really neat things after snakes.

U.S. Army helicopters have been named Apache, Black Hawk, and Chinook. We love to say those names aloud because of the sound: brave, fierce, unyielding, enduring. We do not name our helicopters after our Native American tribes because we intend to be insulting or demeaning. Far from it.

The tradition of naming helicopters after Native Americans started with General Hamilton Howze, head of U.S. Army Aviation in 1947. Howze did not like the names of our first two helicopters, the Hoverfly and the Dragonfly. Sounds a little like the Blue Birds.

Howze developed instructions for naming helicopters based on their abilities. He said since choppers were fast and agile, would attack enemy flanks and fade away, they were similar to the way Native American tribes fought on the Great Plains. He decided the next helicopter would be called the “Sioux” in honor of, not in disrespect of, the Native American tribe that defeated the 7th Calvary Regiment at the Battle of Little Bighorn. Let me repeat, the first time a U.S. Army helicopter was named after a Native American tribe, it was named in honor of the tribe that defeated an American cavalry division. Who does that?! Americans do that. Unafraid to give credit where credit is due. Show me a Communist or Socialist helicopter named after a country or a people who defeated them? I am waiting...

As recently as 2012, the Army named its current primary training helicopter the “Lakota”, after the Lakota tribe of the Great Sioux Nation in North and South Dakota. On June 10, 2012, the Lakota elders blessed two new South Dakota Army Air National Guard Lakotas at a traditional ceremony on the Standing Rock Reservation in North Dakota. Ceremonies such as these happen repeatedly. This blessing is significant, and cannot be dismissed.

Here is the reason:

Native Americans and Alaska Native tribal members serve in the Armed Forces at five times the national average of all ethnic groups. Native American women serve in higher proportions than women from all other groups. In World War I, Native Americans served and won praise for bravery and achievement. At home, 10,000 Native American women joined the Red Cross. By November of 1918, Native Americans had bought \$25 million in war bonds. During World War II, Native Americans employed their languages for secret coded military messages. These codes and secret messages were never broken. For their service in World War II, Native Americans earned countless Air Medals, Distinguished Flying Crosses, Silver Stars, Bronze Stars and Medals of Honor.

Since 9/11, 19 percent of Native Americans have served in the military, compared to an average of 14 percent of all other ethnicities.

So, the next time someone objects to naming a school, a team, a weapon, or an aircraft after a Native American tribe or Native American tool (Nipmuc Regional, the Warriors, Tomahawk missile, Iroquois helicopter), bravely and objectively consider this history and the continued service of Native Americans to our country.

How about the fighting Hedgehogs? No, they are cute, not very brave, and they eat tiny, pink, baby mice. No, thank you.

As for me, I prefer to be protected by the Tomahawk missile, the Iroquois helicopter, and the Native American soldiers. How about you?

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Purpose-driven retirement needs a financial strategy



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Today’s retirees, and those of tomorrow, have had a sense of purpose their entire lives – and they don’t intend to give it up just because they’ll no longer be working full time. In fact, 55 percent of recent retirees said retirement is the time for “a new chapter in life,” compared with just 22 percent who said it was “a time for rest and relaxation,” according to the 2020 Edward Jones/ Age Wave Four Pillars of the New Retirement study. And the same study found that 95 percent of retirees said it was important to keep learning and growing at every age. But however they find their purpose – contributing to the community, growing intellectually, gaining new experiences and so on – retirees will need to be financially prepared.

How can you prepare for a purposeful retirement? You may want to start by asking yourself these questions:

Will I need to prioritize some of my goals? As a retiree, you may hope to do any number of things. You might want to learn new skills through hands-on training at a local vocational school or crafts organization. You might want to take up a hobby such as collecting rare wines. You may even want to fix up old houses. And you also might want to expand your view of the world by traveling extensively. If, like almost everyone else, you won’t have unlimited financial resources during your retirement years, you may need to prioritize these goals, worthy as they may all be to your sense of purpose.

Can I still afford to retire at the age I planned? When you first calculated your ideal retirement age, you might have been counting on your investment portfolio having returned a certain percentage. Or you might have had different goals in mind than you do now. Or you might have had a somewhat different family situation. Changes in any or all of these factors could affect the age at which you choose to retire. But if you conclude that you may need to postpone retirement for a couple of years, your decision could offer some advantages, such as the ability to contribute more to your IRA and your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan. In any case, it’s a good idea to review your retirement plans periodically, perhaps at least once a year.

How can I incorporate philanthropy into my financial strategy? Giving back to your community may be a key element of your purpose-driven retirement. Yet, with so many educational, civic and cultural groups in existence – including many in your own area – you probably can’t give as much as you’d like to all of them without affecting your own lifestyle today and the legacy you’d like to leave for your family. So, you may want to take two distinct steps. First, consider establishing a budget for how much you will give to charitable groups each year. And, second, think about including philanthropy in your estate plans. Because there are many vehicles and techniques available, you should consult with your legal, tax and financial professionals when drawing up your estate-planning strategies.

It can be extremely rewarding to live your retirement purposefully – but you’ll find it a lot easier to do when you make the right financial moves.

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Celluloid collectibles



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Celluloid was considered the first semi-synthetic plastic. According to Britannica, “some historians trace the invention of celluloid to English chemist Alexander Parkes, who in 1856 was granted the first of several patents on a plastic material that he called Parkesine.” The Atlantic magazine attributes development to the United States inventor John Wesley Hyatt who is said to have created celluloid in 1869.

Celluloid was created to replace ivory billiard balls but proved to be unsuitable for that purpose. According to the Atlantic, “because celluloid could be made to imitate expensive or rare materials -- such as ivory, tortoiseshell, and mother-of-pearl -- it was soon employed in the manufacture of fancy goods affordable for the growing middle class.” It increased in use during the 1880s and it was used to make postcards, game pieces, toys, advertising novelties and souvenirs, jewelry, knitting needles, straight razor handles, and imitation linen collars and cuffs.” “In 1882, John H. Stevens, a chemist at the Celluloid Manufacturing Company, discovered that amyl acetate was a suitable solvent for diluting celluloid,” according to Britannica. The new clear celluloid was used to create flexible films. Celluloid was used in motion picture films into the 1930s.

Because celluloid was so widely used, we often find it in local estates. Dresser/vanity sets are some of the more common celluloid items we encounter. Years of heat exposure often affected the sets and they can become very brittle. A typical set in good condition sells for around \$20. A vanity set in a color other than ivory can bring a little more.

Most celluloid is affordable to collect, but there are some celluloid collectibles that command strong auction prices. For example, cels (Merriam Webster: “a transparent sheet of celluloid on which objects are drawn or painted in the making of animated cartoons”) from older cartoons can be quite valuable. In 2017 a cel from 1937 of the Evil Queen from Snow White sold for \$25,000 and a Charlie Brown Christmas cel sold for \$50,000. Because celluloid deteriorates over time there aren’t a large amount of advertising signs in pristine condition. Three nice examples sold very well at auction.

A Chancellor Cigar sign depicting a 1910 woman went for \$12,000. An Ingram’s Witch Hazel Salve sign sold for \$13,000 in 2012 and a 1902 hanging celluloid Coca Cola sign reached \$19,000 in 2011. Rare celluloid toys can also bring high auction prices. A 1930s waddling Donald Duck toy went for \$13,000 in 2014 and a celluloid Mickey Mouse on a metal scooter with the original box brought \$37,000 in 2008.

Older pinback buttons were also made of celluloid with metal backing. Some have brought astronomical prices. A rare “Buck Rogers 25th Century” celluloid pinback went for \$2,700 in 2019. A Franklin D. Roosevelt for Senate pinback brought \$3,750 in 2016. As you might expect, sports pinbacks are very popular. Few examples of a one and a half inch Mickey Mantle Fan club button are known to exist. One sold for over \$23,000 last year. A pinback advertising a Detroit beer company is even more rare. The pinback is the only one known to exist depicting Babe Ruth and the 1916 World Champion Boston Red Sox. It sold for nearly \$63,000 last year. I’m sure celluloid manufacturers weren’t expecting the objects they made inexpensively for the middle class to sell for five figure sums over a century later.

We will have some celluloid objects from the estate of a long-time collector in our May multi-estate auction. We are still accepting quality items such as antique paintings, gold jewelry, sterling silver and older collectibles such as coins, sports memorabilia, advertising signs, and comic books for the May auction. We are also currently running an online auction of model railroad trains, die-cast cars, pressed steel trucks, and models that ends on March 10th. See our Web site for details: <https://centralmassauctions.com>.

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Discussing duck boxes



The recent cold weather has made a lot of ponds safe to fish on, and it also made the ice safe enough for Mass. Fish & Wildlife personnel to visit the hundreds of Wood Duck boxes that are erected throughout the state. Each year, repairing and cleaning out boxes in numerous bodies of water needs to be addressed. The state is not the only entity that has taken on the interest in helping the Wood Ducks by erecting boxes. Numerous Fish & Game Clubs have taken on the task of placing Wood Duck boxes on their property, and in local rivers and swamps. When checking and cleaning boxes, it is like opening a gift, revealing weather the box was successful in a duck hatching her eggs. The sign of empty shells in the box is very satisfying.

Paul Soars has maintained a number of Wood Duck boxes on



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the Uxbridge property for years. Efforts by both Fish & Wildlife and local clubs and private citizens have kept the Wood Duck population in good shape. At one time, the Wood Duck population was in bad shape, but with the erection of Wood duck boxes over the years, the population is high enough to allow a three-bird daily bag limit during the hunting season. At one time, only a single Wood Duck was allowed in the daily bag limit of ducks.

Over the years, Boy Scout troops and other outdoor groups have built numerous duck boxes, and actively moni-

tored and repaired them every year. Any group that is interested in finding out more about building and monitoring them should call the Mass. Fish & Wildlife in Westborough. They can get you started, and also have plans, as to building the boxes and all other information that you will need to get started. This writer contacted the Boys Trade school back a number of years ago, and was successful in getting the carpenters section of the school to build more than 100 boxes in one year. All we did was to supply the wood from a local sawmill and passed them out to sportsmen that erected them in suitable habitat. The Wood Duck is a migratory bird that will return to New England every spring. This year's migration is due to arrive in a few weeks.

This past week, ice fishermen were out in force again trying to enjoy the

outdoors and to catch the big one. Reports were coming in from all over the state about lunger bass, pike, pickerel, perch and some large trout. One local angler caught a two pound rainbow trout at the Whitinsville Fish and Game Club's fishing derby this past Saturday, that netted him a \$500 purse. More than 80 anglers entered the derby which was a record turnout. This week's picture shows Patrick Soullier with his derby winning trout.

There were a lot of youngsters also fishing, which was nice to see. The second picture shows young Sophie, waiting patiently for a bite on her jig stick! She was social distancing and wearing her mask. The bite was a bit slow, but everyone had a great time. A report of more than five or six anglers that fished Wallum Lake this past Saturday caught nothing, while another

group caught a couple of bass, but no trout. That is the way Wallum Lake is. Do not forget that Wallum Lake closes to all fishing on Feb. 28!

Mass. Fish & Wildlife released their proposals for an increase in 2022 hunting and fishing licenses, permits and stamps and a new stamp for pheasant hunting for 2022. They are only proposals! The partial list is as follows: Resident fishing license \$40, Resident hunting license \$40, Resident sporting license \$75, all stamps and permits \$20 each. A new Pheasant and Quail license will cost \$20. Most Non-Resident permits could be \$40 each! For a complete list of all license changes and permit changes, go to the Mass. Fish & Wildlife Web site. Saltwater licenses are also up for an increase for 2022.

Mother Nature had been kind to all wildlife this winter, until this past

couple of weeks. With very little snow this year, finding food was relatively easy after the heavy acorn crop of last year. Female deer are now carrying their young, but should have no problem finding food and navigating the recent snow left by the last two storms. The snow should be gone in the next two weeks.

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their annual Game dinner on March 27. The event will be a takeout only dinner with all of the usual great food. Tickets are \$20 each. Go to their Web site at www.whitinsvillefishgame.com to purchase your tickets. A raffle will also be held. At this time of Covid-19, numerous Rod & Gun Clubs are doing everything they can to keep the lights on, and they need your continued support.

Take a Kid Fishing & Keep them Rods Bending!

An Array of Handy Tips

This week's column will feature a potpourri of assorted tricks and tips to make everyday life a little easier. From fix-it hints to painting pointers, read on for an array of tried and true strategies:

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During the long, cold winter creativity often results in a room redo! Here's a tip from pro painters: If you are painting a baseboard or old fashioned radiator with enamel paint (made for this purpose) the finish will last longer if the surface is warm. The enamel will "bake" on the metal for a chip-proof finish.

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One more another painting tip: Here's the best way to quickly and easily remove latex paint from your brush. Immediately after use, swish brush vigorously

in a pail filled with a quarter cup liquid fabric softener to a half gallon of water and watch paint disappear! As a bonus, the fabric softener makes bristles silky again!

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Salt has many virtues way beyond seasoning! New toothbrushes soaked in salt water don't need to be replaced as often. Did you know if you marinate fish in salt water the scales will come off easier?

And, to extend the life of flower blooms, simply add a little salt to your fresh flower vase.

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Attention Do it Yourselfers: Did you know nonstick vegetable spray such as Pam can be used to lubricate sticky locks, metal gears, and even bicycle chains? And never use oil for squeaky



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door hinges, use a dab of Vaseline - for a dripless job well done!

And don't toss out those rusty tools. Soak them in hot vinegar for a quick fix.

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Go for Garlic: Garlic is praised as an antibacterial, anti-viral and anti-fungal remedy but before you gorge on garlic, take note: Garlic must be fresh for optimal benefits. Garlic's active ingredient is destroyed within an hour of smashing the clove. So eat fresh garlic, or run it through a juicer in a vegetable drink for

best results.

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Is that squeaky floor board are driving you crazy? You can tighten loose boards by using 50 mm screws instead of nails. Just Pre-drill the boards to stop the wood splitting.

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Frosting a cake can be "a piece of cake" with this top tip from bakers! If you're frosting and the tiers of your layer cake lean like the Tower of Pisa, prop them back up by inserting strands of uncooked spaghetti through the cake for support. Just be sure to pull them out after the frosting has set.

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Cut cleaning time in half with these tips: After washing grout and tile, rub liquid turtle wax car wax on, and polish when dry. It makes the tiles

twice as easy to clean next time.

When you clean your refrigerator or freezer, wipe the inside down with straight white vinegar and allow it to air dry. It will discourage future growth of mold and mildew and instantly deodorize your refrigerator.

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Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a great dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. One winner per month will win a fabulous three course dinner for two at the 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.

The positive power of influencing others

A few weeks ago, we spoke of the power of influence and that we become the average of the five people we spend the most time around. People often brush aside the idea that they are influenced by others. To do so is foolish. We are all influenced, and we all influence others.

Today, I want to speak with you about the power of influence we have over others. Let me first break down the difference between casual influence and purposeful influence. Casual influence is the impact you have on others by just who you are. Purposeful influence is in mentoring others. Let's focus on the power of influence you can have on others and we will call it mentoring.

Mentoring is about helping another person learn through a one-to-one relationship. It's a common practice for transferring knowledge

and promoting best practices and procedures in the workplace, as well as being an effective way to develop new leaders. Serving as a mentor can play a powerfully influential role in younger generations and can benefit you as well as the mentee.

We spend a lifetime learning, gathering information and experiences. My oldest son once told me, "When a person dies, it's as if a library full of one-of-a-kind books burns to the ground. Unless shared, all your knowledge, information and experience are lost." If we allow that to happen it's as if a lifetime of learning is wasted.

What experience and information do you have that can benefit others if shared?

I don't care who you are, what your education level is or what you do or have done for a living, you have something



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inside your head and heart that would benefit others to know.

A few years ago, our community was desperate for substitute teachers. I have a degree in education, so I began. I continued doing so two days a week until I was diagnosed with stomach cancer.

I also started a drum line and color guard in association with Youth for Christ and found weekly opportunities to set an example and share life experiences with eighth grade through high school age students. Many of those students came from broken homes and did not have a father

figure in their lives. I found it to be an incredibly rewarding experience for me as well as them.

What experience do you have to share? Are you a musician, athlete, business professional or tradesperson? If so, you have experience to share. Do you know how to cook or work in a kitchen? Do you know how to repair cars? Are you a computer coder or hardware tech? We all know something that will benefit others.

What I've learned most of all about mentoring, is what young people want and appreciate most is your time. They may not express it in words, but when you connect with a young person, they benefit from the experience and are grateful whether they express it in words or not.

Where can you go for mentoring opportunities?

Your church, service club or fraternal organi-

zations often have opportunities. I know most, if not all school districts, need substitute teachers. Organized sporting activities or community dance, theater, or musical organizations ... the list is endless. All that is required of you is to take the step to let them know you are available ... and be available to spend time. I know of no studies to verify this, but I believe those who volunteer find happiness and joy in the experience.

Once I'm a little further along in my healing process, I'd enjoy starting a young writer's group to provide mentoring and encouragement to those interested in the craft as a hobby and/or career. I don't want my library to burn to the ground without sharing the information and experience in my head and heart. When we do so, we live on through the lives of others.

What about you? Are you a "Hey you kids! Get off my lawn!" kind of person or would you like to make a positive difference in the lives of the next generation? That's a serious question and I'd like you to answer. If you are willing to share your experience and time with others, jump in.

There's never been a time when optimists are needed more to provide positive mentoring to the next generation. Will you answer the call? Will you share what you know?

Will you join me?

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 20 Johnston Avenue, Whitinsville, MA 01588

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Kimberly Hazzard and Michael Hazzard to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for New England Regional Mortgage Corporation, and now held by **1900 Capital Trust III, by U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Certificate Trustee**, said mortgage dated November 24, 2010 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 46729, Page 343, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for New England Regional Mortgage Corporation to Wells Fargo Bank NA by assignment dated February 14, 2012 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 48548, Page 272; said mortgage was further assigned from Wells Fargo Bank N.A. to The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development by assignment dated November 28, 2014 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 53916, Page 350; said mortgage was further assigned from The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to V Mortgage Acquisitions, LLC by assignment dated May 7, 2015 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 53980, Page 373; said mortgage was further assigned from V Mortgage Acquisitions, LLC to Wilmington Trust, National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee for VM Trust Series 2, a Delaware Statutory Trust by assignment dated July 13, 2015 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 54038, Page 187; said mortgage was further assigned from Wilmington Trust, National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Trustee for VM Trust Series 2, a Delaware Statutory Trust to Trifera, LLC by assignment dated August 3, 2016 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 56280, Page 101; said mortgage was further assigned from Trifera, LLC to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee for Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A by assignment dated October 17, 2017 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 59280, Page 92; said mortgage was further assigned from Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, As Trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A to 1900 Capital Trust III, By U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Certificate Trustee by assignment dated February 14, 2019 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 60149, Page 367; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction** on March 18, 2021 at 12:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land situated on the westerly side of Johnston Avenue, southerly of East Street in the Village of Whitinsville, said Northbridge, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the westerly side of said Johnston Avenue at the northeast corner of the granted premises, said point being 82.0 feet distant from measured S. 16° 40" E., from the intersection formed by the westerly line of said Johnston Avenue with the southerly line of East Street; Thence S. 74° 40' W., by land now of formerly of Dertorosan, 57.58 feet to land now of formerly of Thomas Muradian; Thence S. 16° 40' E., by said land now or formerly of Muradian, 58 feet to land now or formerly of the Grafton Bank; Thence N. 74° 40' E., by land now of formerly of said Bank, 57.58 feet to the westerly line of Johnston Avenue; Thence N. 16° 40' W., by the westerly line of said Johnston Avenue, 58 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 3335 square feet, more or less. Being the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagors by deed of Kevin M. Stacey and Laura A. Stacey dated October 26, 2008 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds at Book 43430, Page 334. The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

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

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Brock & Scott, PLLC
1080 Main Street, Suite 200
Pawtucket, RI 02860
Attorney for 1900 Capital Trust III, by U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Certificate Trustee
Present Holder of the Mortgage
401-217-8701

February 19, 2021
February 26, 2021
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Donna D. Graham, Richard E. Graham, Jr. to Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts, Inc. d/b/a Norwest Mortgage, dated December 10, 1998 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 20790, Page 21 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts, Inc. d/b/a Norwest Mortgage to Norwest Mortgage, Inc., recorded on December 14, 1998, in Book No. 20790, at Page 30

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. s/b/m Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. f/k/a Norwest Mortgage, Inc. to The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, recorded on February 14, 2017, in Book No. 56741, at Page 195

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee for Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A, recorded on February 14, 2017, in Book No. 56741, at Page 199

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee for Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A to Elizon Master Participation Trust I, U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Owner trustee, recorded on April 12, 2018, in Book No. 58655, at Page 161 for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on March 19, 2021, on the mortgaged premises located at 220 Alana Drive, Northbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT:

The land and buildings thereon situated in the Town of Northbridge, County of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being lot 115 as shown on a subdivision plan entitled "Brendon Woods", dated October 30, 1987 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 601, Plan 86*, being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the easterly line of the subdivision roadway, Alana Drive, being the northwesterly corner of the lot herein described;
THENCE S. 87° 42' 15" E., 150.00 feet by the southerly line of Lot 114 as shown on said plan to a point;
THENCE S. 02° 17' 45" W., 148.50 feet by the westerly line of land now or formerly of Gerald M. & Carry J. Violette to a point;
THENCE S. 87° 42' 15" E., 188.01 feet by the southerly line of said land now or formerly of Violette to a point;
THENCE S. 04° 46' 13" E., 25.15 feet by the westerly line of land now or formerly of Frank and Isabelle Pedro to a point;
THENCE N. 87° 42' 15" W., 339.85 feet by the northerly line of Lot 1A as shown on said plan to a point;
THENCE Northeasterly by a curve to the right the radius of whose arc is 250.00 feet, a distance of 25.00 feet by the easterly line of Alana Drive to a point;
THENCE N. 02° 17' 45" E., 148.50 feet by the easterly line of Alana Drive to the point of beginning.

Containing 30,739 square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan.

*See also "Plan of Land in Northbridge, Mass., Property of Heritage Park Development Corporation," dated June 27, 1988, by Gurriere & Halnon, Inc., recorded with said Deeds in Plan Book 05, Page 91.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 17147, Page 2.

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, Massa-

chusetts 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.

ELIZON MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST I , U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION , AS OWNER TRUSTEE

Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
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February 19, 2021
February 26, 2021
March 5, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 48 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 6:45 P.M.** BY VIA ZOOM, **Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/95851207871?pwd=VkJMR\VRqKzRVQ3IweEFhMjZWVFRhZz09>**

Meeting ID: 958 5120 7871
Passcode: 860882
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To consider the petition of Jason Ball & Donna Marie Evans regarding 246 No. Main Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588 for a Variance (03-V-21) to install a pool, shed & deck on a corner lot that do not meet the setback requirements, Article X, 173-48, Table of Area Regulations 173 attachment 1 Note 7 of the Town of Northbridge Zoning Bylaws. The property, shown on Assessor's Map 7 as Parcel 137 is located in a residential -2 zoning district and is owned by Jason Ball & Donna Marie Evans. The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for public comment. Anyone wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office of the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Douglas Curving, Chairman
Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
February 26, 2021
March 5, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 47 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 7:15 P.M.** BY VIA ZOOM **Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/95851207871?pwd=VkJMRWRqKzRVQ3IweEFhMjZWVFRhZ7-09>**

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To consider the application from Ralph St Germain- Redit-Letters Express LLC, 1051 B Millbury St, Worcester, MA 01607 for a Special Permit (06-SP-21) pursuant to Article VII, Section 173-22 Table of Use Regulations in order to replace existing signs throughout the property. The property is shown on Assessor's Map 7 as Parcel 254, is located in a Residential, -1 zoning district and is owned by Blu-Point Healthcare Realty, LLC. The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for public comment. Anyone wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office of the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Douglas Curving, Chairman
Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
February 26, 2021
March 5, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 47 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 7:05 P.M.** BY VIA ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/95851207871?pwd=VkJMRWRqIuRVQ3IweEFhMjZWVFRhZz09>

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To consider the application from Eskar Cultivation LLC, 8 Janice Ave., North

Reading, MA 01864 for a Variance (0S-V-21) pursuant to Article V, Section 173-18.6, E-(2) Table of Use Regulations in order to operate a marijuana cultivating Business 500 feet from child care facility & Town playground at the location of Commerce Drive Building #5, Whitinsville, MA 01588. The property is shown on Assessor's Map 28 as Parcel 73, is located in a Industrial-I zoning district and is owned by V.E. Properties IX, LLC. The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for public comment. Anyone wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office of the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Douglas Curving, Chairman
Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
February 26, 2021
March 5, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 47 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 6:55 P.M.** BY VIA ZOOM **Join Zoom Meeting: <https://i:oom.us/j/958S1207871?pwd=Vk,RWRqKzRVQ3IweEFhMjZWVFRhZz09>**

Meeting ID: 958 5120 7871
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To consider the application from S & A Holdings, Inc. dba AA Trinity Signs & Awning, 221 Jefferson Blvd, Warwick, RI 02888 for a Variance (04-V-21) pursuant to Article VII, Section 173- 23, Table of Use Regulations in order to install a new rebranded Burger King Sign at the location of 1141 Providence Road, Whitinsville, MA 01588. The property is shown on Assessor's Map 23A as Parcel 81, is located in a Business-1 zoning district and is owned by Jan Co Inc..

The purpose of this hearing is to provide

an opportunity for public comment. Anyone wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office of the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Douglas Curving, Chairman
Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
February 26, 2021
March 5, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200

Docket No. WO21C0035CA

CITATION ON PETITION TO

CHANGE NAME

In the matter of:

Nicholas Aaron Anderson

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Nicholas Aaron Anderson of Blackstone MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Nicholas Aaron Fortier
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/09/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: February 08, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate

February 26, 2021



Why seniors are at greater risk for COVID-19



It has been more than a year since the world learned about the novel coronavirus COVID-19. Since December 2019, there have been tens of millions of reported cases and nearly two million deaths worldwide attributed to COVID-19, according to data from the Johns Hopkins University Center for Systems Science and Engineering.

Experts are still unclear how prevalent the virus really is because a large number of cases are not reported due to mild or asymptomatic infections. But there's no denying COVID-19 can be very risky for one large segment of the population.

The chances for severe illness from COVID-19 increases with age, with older adults at the greatest risk, offers the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The CDC further indicates that eight out of 10 COVID-19 deaths reported in the United States have been in adults who are 65 and older. Compared to younger adults, older individuals are more likely to require hospitalization if they contract the illness. People between the ages of 75 and 84 are at eight-times more likely to be hospitalized and 220 times more likely to die from COVID-19 than the youngest patients.

There are some key reasons why older adults are at higher risk. Vineet

Menachery, an immunologist at the University of Texas Medical Branch who studies coronaviruses and their effects on aging immune systems, older adults are more likely to suffer from underlying conditions that can hinder the body's ability to recover from illness. In addition, a greater propensity for inflammation in the body and changes in the way the immune system responds with age are other mechanisms that increase seniors' risk for COVID-19. Furthermore, COVID-19 affects the part of the lungs that delivers oxygen to the bloodstream and removes carbon dioxide. As a person gets older, the lungs are not as elastic and this can affect gas exchange and other functions. Being older coupled with having cardiovascular disease, asthma and diabetes also can raise the threat level of COVID-19.

Seniors must be extra diligent to engage in behaviors that reduce their risks. Epidemiologists recommend the following:

- Wash or sanitize hands whenever possible, especially upon entering and leaving public buildings.
 - Shop and travel during off-peak hours, such as early in the morning, to avoid crowds.
 - Use contactless payment methods rather than handling money.
 - Ask friends and family to do your shopping and run errands for you.
 - Wear masks over the nose and mouth and stay at least six feet away from others.
 - If the COVID-19 vaccine is available to you, ask your doctor more about it and get vaccinated if it's safe to do so.
- Learn more about at-risk groups at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/index.html.

OBITUARIES

Helen J. Rosborough, 90



U X B R I D G E - Helen J. (Woucuzk) Rosborough, 90, died Sunday, February 14, in the Milford Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband of 70 years, Paul Rosborough; a son, James Rosborough, and his wife, Linda, of Nottingham, NH; two daughters, Judith Morvan, and her husband, Gary, of Northbridge, and Shirley Iacovelli, and her husband, Gary, of Milford. She was loving Babci to Stephanie Morvan, Katie Leigh Morvan, and Nicole Morvan DiLuca. She was predeceased by her brothers, Frank and Stanley Woucuzak, and her sisters, Jennie Sotek, and Lillian Desjourdy.

Mrs. Rosborough was born in Northbridge, March 8, 1930, a daughter of Michael and Victoria (Rutana) Woucuzak, where she grew up and graduated from Northbridge High School. She worked as an assembler at G.E. Telechron in Ashland for over 30 years, retiring in 1990.

Helen and her husband loved to travel, enjoying cruises to Europe, Alaska and Hawaii, and drove cross country with their family several times. They

loved to polka, traveling to polka festivals in Michigan and 40 consecutive years in Pennsylvania. She loved the casinos and playing bingo.

The Rosborough family thanks the staffs at Blackstone Valley Health and Rehabilitation, and Atria Draper Place for the care and compassion they showed Helen.

Funeral services will be held privately, and there are no Calling Hours. Memorial donations are requested to the Uxbridge Senior Center, 36 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA, 01569. Carr Funeral Home, 24 Hill St., is entrusted with arrangements. To share a memory or condolence, please visit www.carrfuneralhome.com



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LEGALS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 47 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 6:35 P.M.** BY VIA ZOOM **Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/95851207871?pwd=VkJMRWRqKzRVQ3I-weEFhmJjZWFRhZz09>** **Meeting ID: 958 5120 7871** **Passcode: 860882** **Dial by your location +1929 205 6099 US (New York)**

To consider the application from Brendon Griffin, (Brentuning) 276 Lincoln Circle, Northbridge, MA 01534 for a Special Permit (02-SP-21) pursuant to Article X, Section 173-47, 173-12 Table of Use Regulations in order to operate an Automotive Business at the location of 300 Commerce Dr. Whitinsville, MA 01588. The property is shown on Assessor's Map 28 as Parcel 73, is located in a Industrial-I zoning district and is owned by V.E. Ploperities IX, LLC. The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for public comment. Anyone

wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office of the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Douglas Curving, Chairman
Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
February 26, 2021
March 5, 2021

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

**225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO21P0391EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Alfred M. Staples, Sr.
Also Known As:
Alfred M. Staples,
Alfred Marcel Staples
Date of Death: 04/25/2020**

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Scott A. Staples of Blackstone MA**

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that:

Scott A. Staples of Blackstone MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/09/2021.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.

Date: February 09, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

February 26, 2021

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Donna M. Molinaro, Peter J. Molinaro, Jr. to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., dated October 5, 2005 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 37528, Page 343, as modified by a certain modification agreement dated August 13, 2015, and recorded with said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54578, Page 95 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, recorded on June 5, 2012, in Book No. 49082, at Page 142

Bank of America, N.A. to Federal National Mortgage Association, recorded on October 17, 2012, in Book No. 49798, at Page 141

Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP to Federal National Mortgage Association, recorded on November 14, 2012, in Book No. 49948, at Page 328

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 3:00 PM on March 19, 2021, on the mortgaged premises located at 110 Jefferson Avenue, Northbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

A certain parcel of land situated in Northbridge, Worcester County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on

the southeasterly side of Jefferson Avenue, shown as Lot 44 on a plan entitled "Definitive Plan of Land in Northbridge, Mass., property of: Daniel J. Heney" Scale 1" = 40', dated June 12, 1984, drawn by Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., Engineering and Land Surveying, Whitinsville, Mass., recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 534, Plan 117, and bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the southeasterly side of Jefferson Avenue at the northerly corner of the herein described premises as shown on said plan; THENCE South 55 degrees 29' 21" E., a distance of 94.30 feet to a point in a stone wall at land now or formerly of Armstrong; THENCE South 29 degrees 09' 08" W., by said stone wall and by said Armstrong land 105.84 feet to a drill hole in said stone wall; THENCE South 7 degrees 18' 32" E., by said stone wall and by said Armstrong land 140.99 feet to a drill hole in said stone wall; THENCE South 6 degrees 37' 32" E., by said stone wall and by said Armstrong land 130.33 feet to an iron pipe at land now or formerly of Burna; THENCE North 86 degrees 05' 54" W., by said Burna land 40.00 feet to a point at Lot 45 as shown on said plan; THENCE North 21 degrees 34' 30" W., by said Lot 45, a distance of 324.12 feet to a point on the southwesterly side of Jefferson Avenue; THENCE Northeasterly by said Jefferson Avenue and by a curve to the left the radius of whose arc is 475.00 feet a distance of 136.55 feet to a point; THENCE North 34 degrees 30' 39" E, by said Jefferson Avenue, 13.45 feet to the point of beginning. Being the same premises in a deed Book 11599, Page 304.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 11599, Page 304.

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.

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.

150 California St.

Newton, MA 02458

(617)558-0500

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February 26, 2021

March 5, 2021

March 12, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court**

**Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court**

**225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200**

**Docket No. WO21P0512EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

Estate of:

Ann Marie Reynolds

Date of Death: 12/21/2020

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Jessica Chauvin of Northbridge MA**

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that:

Jessica Chauvin of Northbridge MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/23/2021.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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Date: February 18, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

February 26, 2021



REAL ESTATE

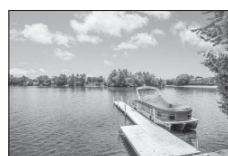


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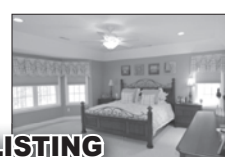
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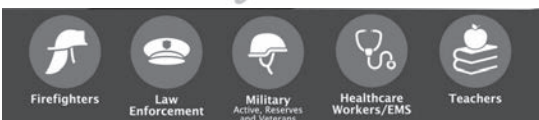
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