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Airport formally opens new runway



Gus Steeves

Airport Manager Ron Plouffe, center, and several dozen others prepare to formally cut the ribbon on the new runway on Monday. It actually opened for flights last week.

BY GUS STEEVES
CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — Mother Nature gave the official reopening of Southbridge Airport a flyover Monday, sending a flock of geese to check out the proceedings.

Below them, several dozen people turned out to celebrate the airport's rebuilt Runway 220, the latest in a string of projects that have revitalized the facility since the tornado of 2011.

"This airport has seen some real great times, some terrible times,

but look at it now," said Director Ron Plouffe. "It's gorgeous."

John Henry, the engineer from Stantec who "inherited" this as a client when he started in 2012, noted the tornado "was a little bit of a blessing for the airport, a catalyst for the town to take an interest in it." Since then, the federal, state and local governments have invested about \$13.5 million in revamping it, replacing the fuel farm, hangar, administration building, pavement, fencing and

other necessities.

The runway itself made up a huge chunk of that total — about \$7.7 million. Originally, the town was going to pay 5 percent, which the Council had voted to set aside at least a year ago, but "FAA called and said 'We've got a change,'" Plouffe recalled. "I immediately thought, 'Uh-oh,' but they said, 'No, it's good. We're going to pay 100 percent.'"

Actually, the state had

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Charlton Scouts named Troop of the Week during annual camp



Courtesy

The scouts of Troop 338 in Charlton were named Camp of the Week during their 2022 visit to Camp Yawgoog in July.

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — The Boy Scouts of Troop 388 in Charlton have a lot to be proud of after attending Camp Yawgoog in 2022. The annual week-long visit to the Rockville, Rhode Island reservation saw Troop 338 named Troop of the Week for the week of July 17 camp session.

The Troop, which is comprised of scouts from Charlton and

Southbridge, earned the honor for the first time in seven years after collectively proving to be a shining example of camp spirit and enthusiasm while competing in a week-long tournament against other troops from across New England and New York. Senior Patrol Leader Daniel Harris said the award goes to the Troop that best exemplifies the Scout Oath and Law meaning Troop 338 was determined to have embraced the spirit of scouting the most during their week of camp.

"As a leader, seeing the Troop get this recognition was a huge honor, even just to be a part of it and lead them to

the point where they themselves were worthy of receiving the award," Harris said. "As a member of the Troop, it just felt amazing for us to be recognized for something as amazing a Troop of the Week."

Harris, who is retiring as Senior Patrol Leader to spend his last few years in the Troop seeking his Eagle Scout rank, called it a "proud accomplishment" for all involved and while other Troops may have excelled in the camp tournament, he considered it an honor that Troop 338 served as the best example of what it means to be Boy Scouts.

"I'm extremely proud

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Charlton Cultural Council accepting Art Show submissions

CHARLTON — The Charlton Cultural Council is pleased to announce that they are now accepting submissions for the 42nd Annual Art Show! The Show will occur during Old Home Day on Monday, Sept. 5 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Charlton Town Hall and Senior Center. The council has also announced the addition of three new submission categories — Remembrance Pieces, Special Art Ability, and Fabric Arts.

To submit artwork to the show and to learn more about the categories, go to <https://rb.gy/3yte33>. The form to register can also be found on the Charlton Cultural Council's webpage. All Art Show participants must complete this form to be officially entered into the show. Forms will be accepted through Sunday, Aug. 28. If you are submitting multiple entries to the Art Show, then you must complete a new registration form for each entry.

For questions or additional information on the Art Show, please contact the Charlton Cultural Council at Cultural.Council@townofcharlton.net.

The Charlton Cultural Council is a part of the Mass Cultural Council. To learn more, please visit their webpage, www.townofcharlton.net/322/Cultural-Council. You can also follow the council on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CharltonCulturalCouncil, on Instagram @charltonculturalcouncil, or on Twitter @CharltonCouncil.

Redcoats and Rebels event returns to after two-year hiatus



Courtesy

Redcoats and Rebels event at Old Sturbridge Village.

STURBRIDGE — On Saturday, Aug. 6 and Sunday, Aug. 7, Redcoats and Rebels — the largest military re-enactment in New England — will return to Old Sturbridge Village. For two days, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Village Common will transform into a military camp from the time of the War for Independence, showcasing what it was really like for those who fought to win America's freedoms — and for those they fought against.

Hundreds of costumed Revolutionary War re-enactors will set up camp at the Village, portraying both soldiers and civilians from the time of the war. Visitors can explore exhibits, galleries, and demonstrations, see special presentations, talk with costumed historians about everyday life in early New England, and enjoy fife and drum music.

Furthermore, they can learn of soldiers' and civilians' motivations for joining the war and their individual roles, tour the camps, and witness recreated skirmishes and battles.

Guests will learn about the daily life of a Revolutionary War soldier, including the delivery of uniforms, pay calls, and prisoner exchanges. In camp, visitors can immerse themselves in the daily lives and trades of early New England, as reenactors demonstrate historic methods of cooking, baking, and the making of common household items such as soap, brooms, muskets, balls, buttons, and bowls.

On Saturday, Aug. 6, the Village will offer special extended hours from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for a "Twilight Encampment" and additional time with

the troops. There is no extra charge for this experience, all events and demonstrations are included in the museum's standard daytime and member admission. Historic buildings will be closed during this time.

"After a two-year hiatus, we are thrilled to welcome our Redcoats and Rebels event back to Old Sturbridge Village," says Jim Donahue, President & CEO of Old Sturbridge Village. "Previously the largest recurring event in the Revolutionary War community, ours is a favorite among re-enactors and our guests because they are secluded from the 21st century and immersed in the experience through our Village atmosphere. We expect this year's event to be a popular return to our

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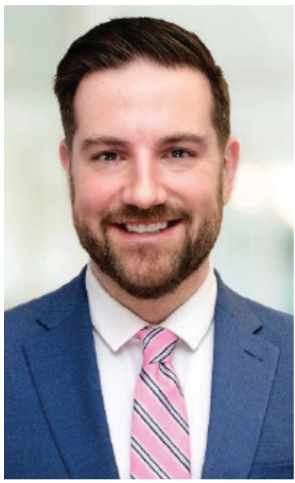
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Central One Federal Credit Union appoints Devon Lyon as next President and CEO



Devon Lyon

AUBURN — Central One Federal Credit Union's Board of Directors has announced the selection of their next President/Chief Executive Officer, Devon Lyon. Lyon will be succeeding David L'Ecuyer on Aug. 22. L'Ecuyer has led Central One as the CEO since 1994. He joined Central One as an assistant manager in 1990, was promoted to manager of operations in 1991, and was subsequently named to his current position in 1994. He has served the credit

union and the credit union industry for well over 30 years, and will be retiring at the end of August.

"The Board of Central One is very excited to have a strategic, results-oriented, and personable leader like Devon join the organization. His enthusiasm for the industry will help drive Central One forward into the future, and we are looking forward to Devon stepping into this role. David will be missed by the board and the staff,

but the credit union will remain in good hands with Devon at the helm," said Anthony Pini, Chairperson of the Board of Directors.

Lyon is currently the Chief Operating Officer of Direct Federal Credit Union, which he joined in 2018. Before joining Direct Federal Credit Union, he had been in senior leadership roles at several financial services institutions, including being the Director of Education at the National Association of Federally Insured

Credit Unions. Lyon holds a Juris Doctorate from Albany Law School of Union University, and a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Binghamton University.

When asked for a comment on his new position, Lyon said, "I am honored to be named the CEO of Central One Federal Credit Union as this tremendous organization has a proud history of providing world class service for our members. I have seen the positive impact credit unions have made in

the lives of their members my entire career. In the current economic environment, it is more important than ever for individuals to choose to bank locally with a credit union. I look forward to working with the board and the team to continuing to help all members of the community we serve by providing a great mixture of products designed to fit their specific needs."

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This program is supported in part by a grant from the Southbridge Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council,

a state agency.

Thursday, August 18 at 6 pm
Imagine 2050: on the GO Visioning Session

The Greater Southbridge community is invited to another Imagine 2050 on the GO Visioning Session on Thursday, August 18th at 6 pm (please note the earlier start time). All welcome! Imagine 2050: A Vision for Central Massachusetts is a region-wide comprehensive planning initiative that will establish long-range strategies for the 40- community region. Working with residents, business owners, governments, and institutional partners, CMRPC will facilitate development of the community-driven plan. The project aims to identify the resources, problems, possibilities, and needs of the region; these findings will inform

a plan to improve the welfare and prosperity of those who live, work, and visit Central Massachusetts.

September 8 at 6:30 pm
Quintessential Brass Celebrates Composer John Williams

Quintessential Brass will be celebrating the 90th birthday of John Williams with many of his beloved movie themes and famous fanfares and marches, with music from Star Wars, Superman, ET, Jaws, Schindler's List and others. Program will also include music from the movies Psycho, The Big Country, the Wizard of Oz, Blazing Saddles, Willy Wonka and TV shows such as Star Trek, the Thunderbirds, Peter Gunn and some of the greatest music ever written that just happens to be from TV and movies. Band mem-

bers: Mike Peipman, trumpet Adam Mejaour, trumpet Robin Milinazzo, horn David Lindsey, trombone Leslie Havens, bass trombone and tuba.

This concert is supported in part by a grant from the Southbridge Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Camera to add security to sewer treatment plant

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — The Charlton Water & Sewer Commission has agreed to allow a longtime partner of the town to install new camera around the sewer treatment plant to increase employee security and accountability for those who decide to illegally encroach on the property.

Water & Sewer Superintendent Peter Boria told the Commission during a July 12 meeting that Kenneth Hahn, President of Micronet Associates, offered to install new security and monitoring cameras around the plant. Micronet is responsible for cameras at numerous other town buildings. Boria said the installations would greatly enhance the plant's current security replacing the single older and outdated camera currently in operation.

"What they're proposing is

to do four cameras with wide fields of view at corners," Boria said. "We'll pretty much have 360-degree coverage around the building which will allow us to see what's going on and, if need be, go back and review what might have happened."

Water & Sewer Commission Chairman David Cantwell lauded the idea wondering why they hadn't installed new cameras sooner. Member Cameron Coleman asked what prompted the need for increased security in the first place. Boria said that unfortunately the plant has been the target of at least one vandalism since the pandemic began in 2020.

"There was one (situation) where a couple of kids crawled under the gate and got into the headworks building and discharged a fire extinguisher and left it down by the end of the road by Route 20. That was almost two years ago now. We obtained the footage from the

camera, and you couldn't really get a good enough picture to identify who it was," said Boria. "This will also provide a sense of safety for the employees as well. If something were to happen to somebody, we could look back at the cameras to identify how it happened."

Boria did not indicate there were any prior work-related incidents that prompted the need for camera.

The Water & Sewer Commission approved the new installations with no timeline given as to when they will be up and running. Boria also clarified that these will be external cameras only after a commissioner inquired about whether or not the devices would allow for recorded meetings at the plant.

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Local students named to the President's List at Western New England University

SPRINGFIELD — Southbridge resident, Angel Martinez and Auburn resident Emily Wambach have been named to Western New England University's President's List for the Spring 2022 semester.

Martinez, who is working toward a BA in Psychology, is one of over 250 students who achieved this mark of academic excellence. Students are named to the President's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.80 or higher.

Wambach, who is working toward a BSE in Biomedical Engineering, is one of over 250 students who achieved this mark of academic excellence.

Western New England University (WNE) is a private, nationally ranked, comprehensive institution with a focus on preparing work-ready and world-ready graduates. Founded in 1919 in Springfield, Massachusetts as a division of Northeastern College, WNE's 215-acre suburban campus serves more than 3,700 students,

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WNE is classified among nationally ranked universities in US News and World Report, and among the Top 100 Undergraduate Engineering programs, and in the Doctoral/Professional Universities category in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

Sportsmanship principles all young athletes should know

Competitive sports have a lot to offer young people. In addition to exposing children to the thrill of competition, competitive sports can set a foundation for a lifetime of healthy living. One study published in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine in 2014 found that after-school physical activity programs were the most effective strategy to reduce childhood obesity among children between the ages of six and 12.

Competitive sports also teaches valuable lessons about humility and respect. Sportsmanship is a vital and valuable component of competitive sports, and that's a lesson no athlete is too young to learn. Coaches and parents can work together to emphasize these principles of sportsmanship to young athletes.

- Always respect officials. In the era of instant replay in professional sports, criticism of officials has become more common. Such criticism can easily move from the professional to the amateur arena if players are not taught to always respect the officials. Unfortunately, many amateur sports officials continue to be the victims of overaggressive behavior on the parts of coaches, parents and athletes, and many

have simply chosen to walk away rather than subject themselves to abuse. Estimates from the National Association of Sports Officials indicates that the group's membership has dropped by more than 20 percent since March 2020. Coaches and parents can practice what they preach when teaching young athletes to respect officials at all times, regardless of how games unfold on the playing field.

- Respect the rules. Respect for officials should coexist with respect for the game itself. Every game has rules, and knowing and adhering to those rules is a vital component of good sportsmanship. Coaches and parents can set the tone for this by encouraging kids to play by the rules during the games, but also by adhering to rules governing practice times and off-season workouts when no one is watching too closely.

- Respect opponents. Showing respect for opponents is another principle of good sportsmanship. Social media provides a readily available platform for athletes to disparage their opponents before and after games. Such platforms have even proven too tempting to resist for some professional

athletes. But showing respect for opponents, even in defeat, illustrates to parents and coaches that young athletes are mature and cognizant of the fact that participation in sports requires good sportsmanship.

- Respect coaches. Good sportsmanship also involves respecting coaches, even when they make decisions players and their parents do not necessarily agree with. That respect has been dwindling in recent years, and it's contributing to a coaching shortage in youth sports. One survey of more than 200 coaches in the Syracuse, N.Y., area found that nearly 60 percent of coaches had considered quitting over conflicts with parents. Many coaches volunteer their time to teach young people the game, and players should be taught to respect coaches at all times. That includes those times when players feel like they aren't getting enough playing time or when they disagree with coaches' in-game decisions.

Sportsmanship is a vital component of sports participation. Teaching young athletes the principles of sportsmanship adds one more unique benefit to sports participation.

Friday's Child



Savanna

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Savanna has done well in school in the past. She is now attending school on the campus of the program in Western MA where she now lives and it is much easier for her to attend her classes.

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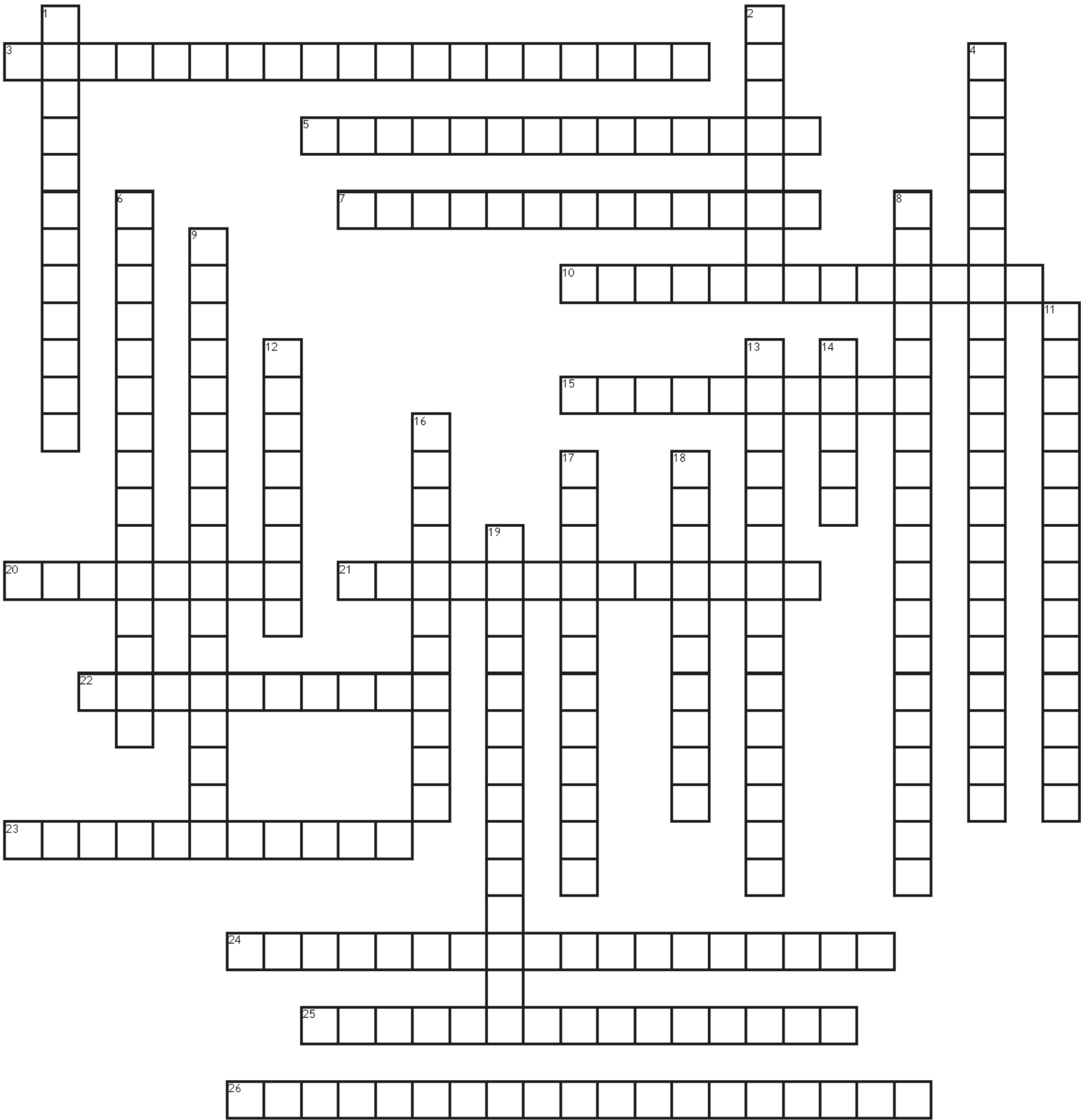
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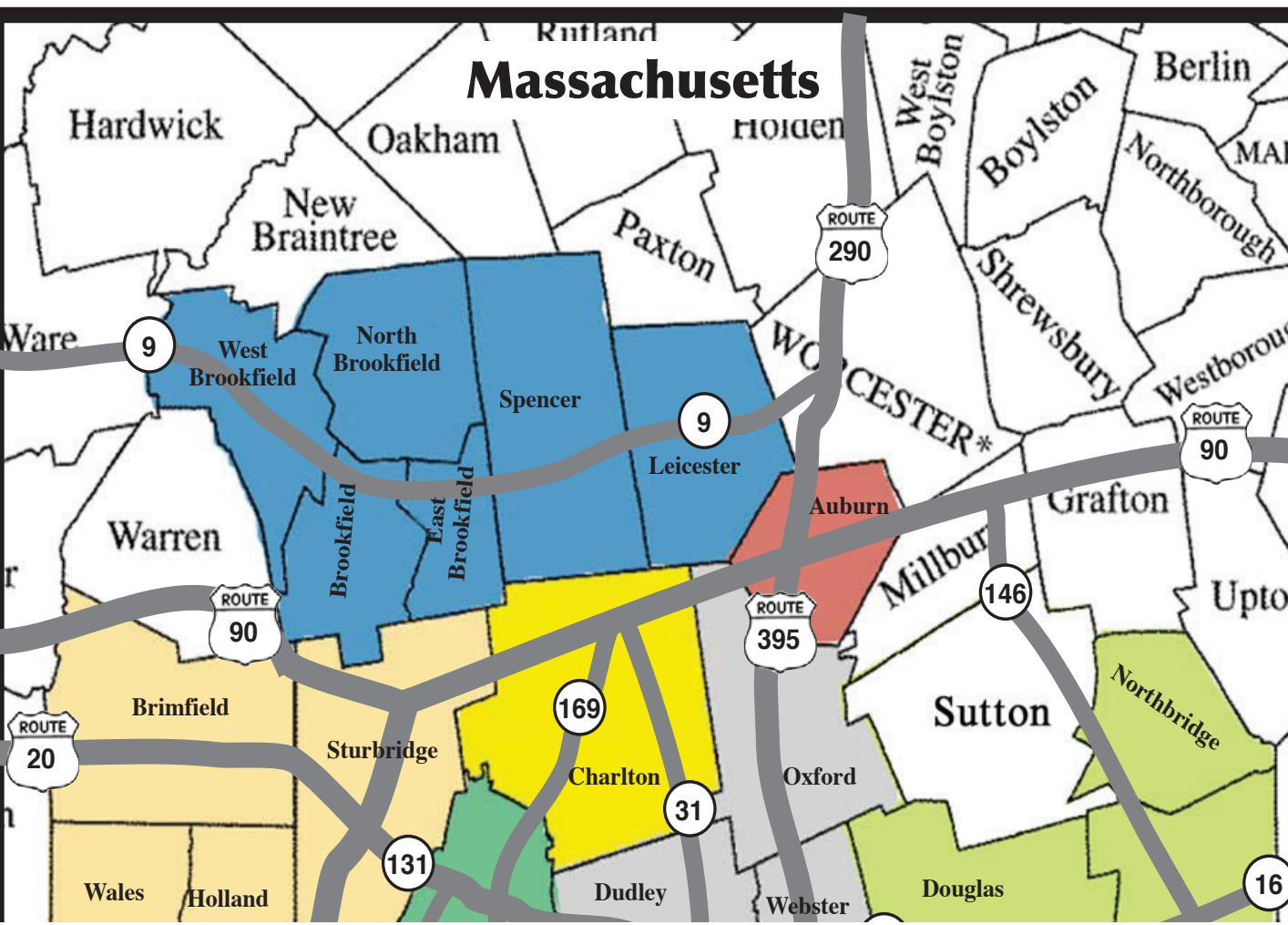
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EDITORIAL

Here’s to the Dog Days

It’s a typical New England summer evening, with a warm breeze blowing through the open windows. the sun is setting with the back drop of dancing leaves hanging on the trees in the distance. Paul Simon, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Led Zeppelin, Edie Brickell and The Doors are taking turns on the five disc CD player recently picked up from a local secondhand shop, and well, here we are, in the dog days of summer. What a great place to be.

But what exactly does that term mean?

The “Dog Days” of summer was coined for the period from July 3 to Aug. 11, typically the hottest days of the season. We found that not many know where the expression comes from. Some thought it simply meant that it’s too hot outside for dogs; however, that is not the case.

The phrase stemmed from Sirius, the Dog Star. During the “Dog Days,” the Sun occupies the same part of the sky as Sirius, the brightest star visible from Earth. Sirius is a part of the constellation Canis Major, the Greater Dog.

Since the Sirius star is so bright on July 23, the ancient Romans thought it added extra heat to the sun, making this span of time hotter. Of course, we know that the heat is because of the Earth’s tilt.

Speaking of summertime and keeping things light as we should during this season, we wanted to dispel some old myths some of us still carry with us from childhood.

Our parents told us we could catch a cold from air conditioning. The extreme changes in temperature from going outside to inside could wreak havoc on your immune system, especially if people around you are sick. Keep your air conditioner at a moderate level and all will be A-OK.

They also told us you can’t get sunburned on a cloudy day; however, we do recall some of our parents actually telling us that we could! Thick clouds cannot block harmful UV rays, leaving you at risk for a bad burn. One of us had an aunt, who told us that putting butter on a bad burn would soothe the pain. Butter may actually cause an infection and make the healing process take longer, keep it on your popcorn.

The old “Don’t swim after eating” line we’ve all heard from about Kindergarten through high school? Well, it turns out that jumping back into the pool with a freshly full stomach might be a bit uncomfortable, but the notion that you will suffer cramps debilitating enough to drown you is a myth.

Saltwater does not heal wounds faster; in fact, it makes them worse. However, dried beach hair after a dip in the ocean is always a ten.

Eating garlic does not keep the bugs away. For a natural repellent, try placing some lavender behind your ears.

Hopefully, these myths brought you back to your summers as a child where back then, you had to be home before the lights went on, catching lightning bugs and putting them in a jar was a nightly activity and jumping through actual inter tubes where the tire valve had better be faced down was what those days were made of, oh and pogo sticks!

OPINION

Viewpoints and commentary from the Tri-Community and beyond

Be Aware!

Be aware – don’t be fooled by their plotting schemes. They’re trying to win, but it’s all in their dreams.

The battles we’ve won, time & time again. God decides when it’s over – not them.

Begging and pleading they’ll be down on their knees, Praying they won’t catch that dreadful disease.

Crying out loud now – they want to be saved, Since the road to paradise has finally been paved.

Destroying God’s earth – desecrating it all, They cut down the trees just to hear them all fall.

Moving around and digging the dirt, They’ll find out how much it really did hurt.

Electricity was meant to make everything bright. God doesn’t need it – He can see when it’s night.

By going to extremes satan made everything beep, Soon only bells will be what we keep.

Yes, wedding bells shall play, announcing the Groom. He said He’d come back after building our room.

Trials & tribulations will be over for us, Going back to our Father – we won’t need a bus.

That’s all for now, I won’t rhyme any more. Soon He’ll come back and settle the score!

SJ Shepherd
Auburn

Imagination

For the last three weeks, I wrote about the three characteristics you’ll need to develop to accomplish your dreams. The first is desire, the second is faith, and the third is specialized knowledge. I say you will need to develop these qualities because you can cultivate and grow them.

Initially, you may only have a little desire, a small faith, and only an ounce of specialized knowledge. You can, if you choose, become a person of great desire and faith and eventually become a well-versed expert in the specialized knowledge you’ll need to know to accomplish your objective.

Your imagination will be the fourth quality you’ll need to nourish. It’s a common belief that you either have a mind for imagination or you don’t. Undoubtedly, some are born with more imagination than others, but that is true with anything.

How much imagination will you need? It depends on the dream, but you will need at least a little.

You can feed your imagination in many ways. In part, you can feed your imagination from years of specialized knowledge. Still, even with that knowledge, you may only have a vague idea of how to accomplish your dream. You may need to exercise your imagination to pinpoint precisely how you will achieve it and the trail you will need to blaze to get there.

We’ve all seen a business offering a service and had an idea of how the service could improve. When you had that thought, you exercised your imagination. What if you expanded on that thought? What if you sat down and wrote how you could improve that service? What if you worked out the details so clearly, day in and day out, that you discovered exactly how to accomplish your dream?

Transforming your dream into reality will need a plan. To create your plan, you will need to use your imagination.

One of the most effective ways to imagine is to write your plan on paper.

In my life, I knew what I wanted to accomplish but didn’t know how to get there. One day I sat down to write, and I didn’t stop for two years.

During the two years, I wrote a 178-page paper. Every night, I came home from work and wouldn’t sleep until I spent a couple of hours writing. What was I writing? A plan based on an idea.

I imagined the fine details of what my business would be. All the problems it would solve, the people it would help, all the services it would offer, and how

I would integrate my dream with this business and use it to get where I wanted to go. I wrote over ten drafts of my paper, complete with charts, graphs, illustrations, facts, figures, ideas, and detailed visions of what I planned to do. Every night while I wrote, I exercised my imagination.

Don’t be discouraged; you don’t have to spend two years writing a huge detailed paper to accomplish your dream. All dreams are different. You may only need to write your plan on one piece of paper. The more details you can add, the better. It will become more concrete with every word you write.

Some of the greatest innovators may have only written their plan on a chalkboard and meditated on their ideas daily until their imagination provided them with an exact solution or path they would need to take. Every dream requires a different amount of creativity and planning.

If you find yourself writing a detailed plan of action, know it’s well worth it. I didn’t intend to write something that would bring investment; originally, it was only a plan. This paper I wrote ended up being the reason I found my first investor.

Use your imagination and write down a plan to accomplish your dreams! Don’t rush yourself through the process; take your time. Inevitably your project will need to change a little. Every time it does, go back and refine it!

An idea, when combined with desire, faith, specialized knowledge, and mixed with imagination, can bridge the gap to make your dream a reality.

Tune in to next week’s edition to find the fifth thing you’ll need to accomplish your dream.

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529 plans: Underused but valuable



In just a few weeks, students will be heading off to college – and parents will be getting out their checkbooks. Without a college-bound student in your home right now, you might not be thinking much about tuition and other higher education expenses, but if you have young children, these costs may eventually be of concern – so how should you prepare for them?

It’s never too soon to start saving and investing. Unfortunately, many people think that they have a lot of “catching up” to do. In fact, nearly half of Americans say they don’t feel like they’re saving enough to cover future education expenses, according to a 2022 survey conducted by financial services firm Edward Jones with Morning Consult, a global research company.

Of course, it’s not always easy to set aside money for college when you’re already dealing with the high cost of living, and, at the same time, trying to save and invest for retirement. Still, even if you can only devote relatively modest amounts for your children’s education, these contributions can add up over time. But where should you put your money?

Personal savings accounts are the top vehicle Americans are using for their education funding strategies, according to the Edward Jones/Morning Consult survey. But there are other options, one of which is a 529 plan, which may offer more attractive features, including the following:

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Flexibility in naming the beneficiary – As the owner of the 529 plan, you can name anyone you want as the beneficiary. You can also change the beneficiary. If your eldest child foregoes college, you can name a younger sibling or another eligible relative.

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Payment of student loans – A 529 plan can help pay off federal or private student loans, within limits.

Keep in mind that state-by-state tax treatment varies for different uses of 529 plans, so you’ll want to consult with your tax professional before putting a plan in place.

Despite these and other benefits, 529 plans are greatly under-utilized. Only about 40 percent of Americans even recognize the 529 plan as an education savings tool, and only 13 percent are actually using it, again according to the Edward Jones/Morning Consult study.

But as the cost of college and other postsecondary programs continues to rise, it will become even more important for parents to find effective ways to save for their children’s future education expenses. So, consider how a 529 plan can help you and your family. And the sooner you get started, the better.

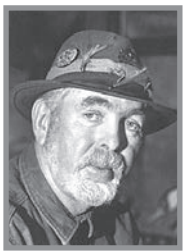
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Summertime, and the fishing is easy

Here we are in August already, and fishing so far this year has been right on schedule. These next few weeks are considered by many as the dog days of summer, when the waters warm and fishing normally slows down, but so far this year, fishing has been pretty darn good for most anglers.

Tuna fishing remained hot as of last week, with many 70 & 80-pound tuna being caught, by numerous anglers. Seabass fishing is red hot if you know where to find them. This past week my buddy and fishing partner Mat Fontaine fished outside of Westport River, and found fishing a bit slow for the first hour. We had caught a few undersize seabass, and were about ready to move when this writer's fishing rod tip bent down into the water. I knew immediately that it was not a seabass, as the reel was screaming releasing the line from the reel.

I told Matt that he should start the motor soon if the fish did not slow down, so that I could retrieve some line back onto the spool of the reel. After three long runs, I finally started to



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gain some line, but he was not done yet. Suddenly, he started to make another run, and came out of the water like salmon for a brief moment, trying to shake the hook that was imbedded in his lip. I knew then that

the huge fish was about ready to give up, and I reeled the fish to the side of the boat, where my buddy did a terrible job netting the large bluefish.

After a couple of missed attempts to get the fish into the net, he finally succeeded and he was lifted into the boat. I heard a bit of grumbling that it was my fault he was unable to put the big fish in the net the first time! This week's picture shows Matt holding my 12-pound bluefish. What a thrill, catching the huge fish on light tackle! After catching a few dog fish, we decide to move to another location and found some great seabass fishing, but most were shorts giving up a few keepers. Numerous large fish were hooked but failed to stay on the hook. We later tried fishing for some fluke, but came

up empty handed. All in all, it was a great day on the water.

During the last few minutes of fishing, I managed to get my line caught in the motor's propeller. After cutting the line we were able to navigate back to the dock. After loading the boat on the trailer, we took a look at the motors propeller, and easily removed the fishing line. I was using 40-pound test power pro line, which was not easily broken. It was the captain's fault!

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their annual Field Day on Sept. 17 this year. A chicken barbecue will be served, as well as other food delicacies.

Numerous other clubs are planning their annual events for the fall. Stay tuned.

The instant award program for antlerless deer permits became available this past Monday. All a person needs to do is to go online and bring up your account. The instant award of an antlerless deer permit is available until the end of the year. If you did not apply for a permit before July 16, you cannot apply for a permit now. Do not forget the permits increased to \$10 this year. The surplus deer permits will go



on sale in August, at a later date.
Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Summertime Strategies

The dog days of summer are here, and it's more important than ever to ensure carefree hours enjoying the sunny season. The only thing that can put a damper on these bright, warm days are some seasonal hassles. From beating the heat to banishing bugs, the following hacks and hints are sure to make summer a little easier!

**** Foil Garden Bugs:** Are bugs in the garden having a daily feast at your expense? To repel squash bugs that attack squash, cucumbers or pumpkins, place strips of aluminum foil under the vines. As a bonus, some growers claim the foil also makes the squash ripen faster.

*** Attention gardeners:** Plants that grow best in alkaline soil such as geraniums and hydrangea, will bloom better if you water them with a mild mixture of baking soda and water. Is powdery mildew on your roses or lilac bushes? Spray them with a mix of one quarter cup baking soda in two quarts of water to remedy the problem.

**** Alleviate the Urge to Itch:** When mosquitos munch, try these natural ways to alleviate the urge to scratch! A dab of rubbing alcohol on a cotton ball or Q-tip relieves itching instantly for less than a penny per use. To make travel size bottles, refill a clean shampoo sample bottle with straight alcohol. Or, try rubbing a clean bar of soap over the bite, to lessen the itch.

**** Car Washing FYI:** Did you know more frequent waxes are needed if

your car is red, black or white? It's because these colors are more susceptible to acid rain and UV rays. And be sure to wash your car right after a rainfall. When the rain evaporates, the acid rain residue remains on your finish.

**** Fab Fruits on the Grill:** Cooking vegetables on the grill is a tasty way to stay on a diet! If you season vegetables with a coarse salt before grilling, it will draw out extra moisture from the veggies, which will intensify its sweetness and flavor. And you can prevent vegetables from drying out on the grill by soaking them in cold water before cooking.

**** Sun Blockers:** If you're sweating under the summer sun, Here's something to think about: Did you know cotton shirts are 50% more effective at blocking the sun's rays after they'd been washed a few times. And blue clothing was discovered to be five times more effective than white clothing at blocking UV rays because blue absorbs more light.

**** Heat Wave Hints:** Hating a heat wave? To cool off a home, install white window shades, drapes, or blinds to reflect heat away from the house. And close curtains on south and west facing windows during the day. Window fans are a good option if they're located on the downwind side of the house facing out.



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Sunscreen 411: Before you slather on the sunscreen this season, listen up: Did you know recommended application for adequate protection is about a handful! And sunscreen should be applied to clean, dry skin 30 minutes before exposure to the sun. That gives it plenty of time to absorb properly and do its job.

**** Anti Ant Trap:** Got ants? Here's an fashioned ant trap that will literally halt the tiny pests in their tracks. Mix together one third cup molasses, six tablespoons sugar and six tablespoons active dry yeast. Mix to a paste and set on a plastic lid near ant hills or where ants congregate.

Divide and Conquer: Not sure if's time to divide your perennials? It is if they start taking over other plants, the center of a plant looks weak, or when blooms are smaller than they have been in previous years. Spring blooming perennials are best divided in the fall. Mid summer or fall blooming perennials should be divided the next spring.

*** Go Green to be Lean:** Did you know green tea has been shown to speed up the body's calorie-burning ability without spiking the heart rate. In a Swiss study, three cups of green tea provided a four percent increase in daily energy expenditure for a typical male, the equivalent of walking approximately 17 minutes!

*** Cool It!:** The best way to keep a house cool is don't let the heat in! You can help get rid of unwanted heat simply through ventilation if the temperature of the incoming air is 77 F or lower. And keep in mind caulking and weather stripping will keep cool air in during the summer. Due angle of the sun, trees, a trellis, or a fence will best shade west-facing windows.

*** Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House**

Your tips can win you a great three course 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.

Extend your cilantro harvest and enjoyment



Melinda Myers
Cilantro ready to be harvested.

Cilantro is a favorite ingredient in guacamole, tacos, rice dishes and of course salsa. But as summer temperatures climb, the cilantro quickly goes to seed. This can be frustrating but using all parts of the plant or growing a heat tolerant cilantro-flavored substitute can help.

Gardeners in cooler climates can sow seeds every three to four weeks throughout the summer for continual harvests. Those with hotter summers will have the best results growing cilantro in the cooler temperatures of spring, fall and even winter. Grow cilantro in full sun or light shade as temperatures climb and moist well-drained soil for best results.

Mulching the soil to keep the roots cool and moist will help delay flowering. Avoid overwatering that can lead to root rot.

Harvest the leaves when they are four to six inches tall and before the plants flower for the best flavor. Harvest as needed a third of the plant at one time to allow it to keep producing or cut the whole plant back to an inch above the ground and wait for it to regrow.

Store freshly cut leaves like a bouquet of flowers in a glass of fresh water. Place in the refrigerator to use for the upcoming week. Hang leaves upside down to dry or freeze. Just wash the leaves, pat dry and place in a freezer bag or air-tight container in the freezer. Or chop up the rinsed cilantro into smaller pieces, place in ice cube trays and top with a splash of water before placing in the freezer.

As temperatures rise, the plant will flower and set seed. Do not discard it but rather look at utilizing the other parts of this plant. Enjoy the beauty and flavor of the lacy white flowers

that also attract beneficial insects to the garden.

After the white flowers fade, green seeds appear. Wait for the plants and seeds to turn brown when using them as coriander. Cut off the seed heads, place in a paper bag, and allow the seeds to drop to the bottom. The seeds are ground and used in breads, cakes, pickling spices, and Asian food. Store in sealed containers until ready to use.

Otherwise allow the seeds to drop to the ground in the garden and grow new cilantro plants to harvest and enjoy. Cilantro seeds sprout readily when soil temperatures are 55 to 68°F and the plants can withstand a light frost.

Don't forget to harvest the roots and use them for seasoning Thai and Vietnamese food. These taste best when harvested in fall.

In the future, consider buying seeds of slow bolting cilantro varieties like Slow-Bolt, Leisure and the 2006 All-America Selections award winner Delfino Cilantro.

Or try growing Papalo, also known as summer cilantro, in next year's garden. It has a similar but stronger flavor than cilantro with a hint of citrus and mint and thrives in hot



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weather. You will only need one or two plants as this annual grows up to five feet tall and several feet wide. Harvest young leaves for the best flavor and use only half or one third the amount

of cilantro called for in recipes.

You may need to start your own plants from seeds if none of the garden centers in your area sell plants. Start seeds indoors or directly in the garden once the danger of frost has passed and the soil is warm.

Extend your cilantro harvest and enjoyment by utilizing every part of the plant. Adjust your cilantro growing techniques as well as plant selection to help beat the heat.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released *Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD instant video series* and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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Charlton Blueberry Festival returns



Jason Bleau

The Hip Swayers provided the music for the early portion of the blueberry festival playing a selection of classic tunes for visitors.



A pair of young visitors to the Blueberry Festival enjoy a delicious blueberry shake.



The Derry Family of Dudley beat the crowd to the Blueberry Festival for a bit of blueberry shortcake.



Fay Mountain Farm provided a fine selection of freshly grown and picked blueberries as well as blueberry pies for visitors to purchase and enjoy.



A volunteer prepares the snack of the day, a blueberry shortcake!



Cornerstone Bank sponsored the baking contest and awarded rolling pin trophies to the adult and youth winners at the end of the day.

CHARLTON – The Charlton Arts and Activities Center celebrated the return of the annual Blueberry Festival after a two-year hiatus during the COVID-19 pandemic. Similar to neighboring Dudley’s apple and strawberry festivals, the yearly community event provides a variety of treats and activities revolving around blueberries while also including a craft fair, vendors, kid’s activities, music, and more. The return of the event was clearly welcomed by locals who filled the parking lot barely half an hour into the day. The festival highlights included a baking contest, fresh blueberries and pies for sale, and the highlight treat of the day, blueberry shortcake.



Melissa Flaherty Cakes brought a fine selection of blueberry theme baked goods to the Blueberry Festival.



A pair of baked blueberry creations await judging as part of the festivals baking contest.



Complimenting the Blueberry Festival was a craft fair that filled the nearby green adjacent to the Charlton Arts and Activities Center.



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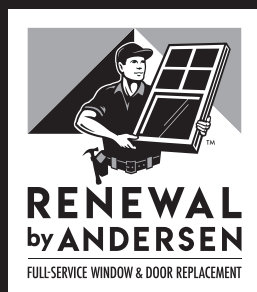
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OBITUARIES

Arthur W. “Bill” Olson Jr., 95



Southbridge-Arthur W. “Bill” Olson Jr., 95, passed away on Thursday, July 28th, at UMass Harrington Memorial Hospital, after a brief illness. Bill was predeceased by his loving wife of 65 years, Julia A. (Liro) Olson, who passed away in 2020. He leaves his two daughters, Susan Olson and her companion Michael Bordogna of Shrewsbury and Judith Olson of Dudley; and many nieces and nephews. Bill was predeceased by his two brothers Carl and Donald Olson; a sister, Arlene Small. He was born in Norwich the son of Arthur W. and Ruth (Ericson) Olson. Bill was a graduate of Mary E. Wells High School, Cole Trade School, and Worcester Junior College. He worked many years as Tooling Manager at Zero Corporation in Monson and as a tool and die designer at Brookfield Machine in West Brookfield. Bill was a U.S. Army Veteran of WWII, serving in the Philippines and later in the U.S. Army Military Government of Korea. He was a member of Elm Street Congregational Church and American Legion Post 31

in Southbridge. Bill loved spending time at the camp on the lake in Holland, which he finished with his grandfather in 1951. He enjoyed just putting around the house and could build and fix anything. His Model A Ford truck, Myrtle, which he restored himself, was a favorite pastime. But most important to him was his family. While in his 90’s, he cared 24/7 for his bedridden wife, Julia, for 3 years. He was a constant help to his daughters and extended family. A calling hour for Bill was held on Monday, Aug. 1st from 6:00 to 7:00PM in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, August 2nd at 11:00AM in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home. Burial followed in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Southbridge. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Elm Street Congregational Church, P.O. Box 723, Southbridge, MA 01550. www.morrillfuneralhome.com



Gertrude O. Leduc, 102



Southbridge-Gertrude O. (Dubreuil) Leduc, 102, died Monday, July 25, 2022, at the Rose Monahan Hospice Home in Worcester. Her husband of 69 years was the late J. Cleo Leduc who died December 17, 2014. She is survived by her sons Guy Leduc (her primary caregiver) and Thomas (and Regina) Leduc, both of Southbridge, as well as her four grandchildren, Amy McKinstry of Auburn, Kristin (and Brian) Sandberg of Auburn, and Thomas R. Leduc and Lindsey Leduc, both of Southbridge. She also leaves five great-grandchildren, Thomas “TJ” (and Alyssah) Gentry, Kegan Gentry, Zoey Sandberg, Saige Sandberg and Vaeda Sea Miano, as well as many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her daughter Judith (Leduc) McKinstry Carmel, as well as her seven siblings (in order of their birth) Doris Montville, Camille “Cam” Dubreuil, Rachel Bastien, Gerard “Gerry” Dubreuil, (Gert), Paul Dubreuil, Lucille Lvoff, and Arthur Dubreuil. She was born in Southbridge, daughter of Henry and Julie (Lemoine) Dubreuil, and was a proud lifelong resident who loved her community. She was a member of Notre Dame

Church (St. John Paul II Parish) and a graduate of the former Mary E. Wells High School. She worked for several years as a switchboard operator for New England Telephone Company and then for 20 years at the former American Optical Company, from which she retired. Gert enjoyed spending time with her family, helping to raise three generations. A staunch Democrat, she enjoyed following (and arguing) politics. She was an avid Red Sox fan and supported Southbridge High School football, not missing a Thanksgiving game for many years. Gert enjoyed playing cards with friends and family. She was a Good Samaritan to everyone in her community, and you could find her at Big Bunny Market almost every day since they opened their doors. She will be deeply missed by her family and all those who were touched by her vivacious life. The funeral service was held on Friday, July 29, 2022, with a mass at 11 AM at Notre Dame Church on 446 Main Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. Burial will follow at Saint George Cemetery, Paige Hill Road in Southbridge. Calling hours were Thursday, July 28th, at Sansoucy Funeral Home from 5-7 PM. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Rose Monahan Hospice Home, 10 Judith Ave. Worcester, MA 01602

Lucille L. Blood, 71



WEBSTER-Lucille “Teo” (Trahan) Blood, 71, died Monday, July 25, 2022 at home in the presence of her family. She leaves her husband of 33 years, Robert W. Blood, Sr.; 4 children: Heather Casey and her husband Mitch of Dennis, Nequel Germano and her husband Anthony of Webster; Barre Yeagher and his wife Shayna of Woodinville, WA, and Nova Frank and her husband Damian of Bothell, WA; 12 grandchildren: Jennifer and Joshua Casey, Ryan, Isabelle, and Iris Lathrop, Angela Miller, Nathan Yeagher, Gabriel, Gregory, and Kailey Frank, Emily Sasner and Nicholas Germano; 3 great-grandchildren: Nora, Ronan, and Lincoln; a brother, George Trahan and his wife

Gladys of Arizona; 5 sisters: Patricia Matte, Shirley Splaine and her husband Ronald, and Marie Paine, all of Southbridge, Jeannette Leazot of Texas, and Carol Sullivan of Dudley; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Robert W. Blood, Jr. in 2014 and by her brother, Roland Trahan. She was born on April 11, 1951, in Southbridge, and raised there. She was the youngest child of George and Genevieve (Wetnicka) Trahan. She graduated from Mary E. Wells High School. Lucille lived all of her adult life in Webster. Lucille owned and operated a Montgomery Ward catalog store in Webster. Later, she owned and operated TEAL Realty until 1990. She also worked as an independent health care aide. She was passionate about helping patients and was close with them and their families. She was a member of the Webster/Dudley Historical Society and the Dudley Grange. She enjoyed leading Girl Scout troops with her children when they were young. She was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Oxford. She liked to play Facebook games, watch game shows, and bake banana bread for her grandchildren. Her life was dedicated to her family. Visitation was held from 4:00-7:00 PM Wednesday, July 27, in the Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St, Webster. A funeral service was held on Thursday, July 28, at 11:00 AM in Scanlon Funeral Service. Burial was in Zion Cemetery. Donations in her name may be made to Care Central VNA/Hospice, 534 School St., Webster, MA 01570. Flowers are welcome. www.scanlonfs.com

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
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Auction on September 21, 2022 at 12:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: *The land in Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, situated on the easterly side of Appleton Road, Auburn, Massachusetts, being shown as an unnumbered lot on Plan of Land in Auburn, Mass., owned by Warren Berg, et ux, dated April 13, 1959, by William C. Taylor, Reg. Land Surv., recorded with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 240, Plan 87, more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point in the easterly line of said Appleton Road at the Northwest corner of the tract to be conveyed, which point is one hundred (100) feet southerly of the intersection of the southerly line of Athens Street and the easterly line of Appleton Road; THENCE North 78 degrees 16’ 40” East, two hundred thirty-one and thirty-four hundredths (231.34)*

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 72 Route 15, Sturbridge, MA 01566

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Daniel Richard Angell to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, and now held by **Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC**, said mortgage dated June 12, 2018 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58934, Page 88, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment dated January 16, 2019 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 60005, Page 76; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction** on September 8, 2022 at 10:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A Certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon located at 72 Route 15, Sturbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, being more particularly described as follows:

TRACT I: The land in Sturbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, situated on the easterly side of the state highway to Union, Connecticut, Route 15, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the northwesterly corner thereof, at the southwesterly corner of land now or formerly of Teddy R. Gawron and Jo-Ann Gawron on the easterly side of said state highway as relocated in 1950; THENCE S. 77 17' 31" E. by land of said Gawron three hundred seventy-four (374) feet to a wall at land of Public House Corporation, formerly Farguhar; THENCE S. 6 43' W. along the wall by land of said Public House Corporation one hundred five and 3/100 (105.03) feet to an iron pipe in said wall; THENCE N. 77 34' 31" W. by land now or formerly of Lemoine as Executor three hundred seventy-nine and 1/10 (379.1) feet to a stone bound on the easterly side of said state highway; THENCE N. 12 25' 29" E. by the easterly line of said state highway one hundred seven and 36/100 (107.36) feet to the point of beginning. Together with a right of way over and right of way over and right to maintain electric and telephone wires over and sewer, water and gas pipes in a strip of land 30 feet in width easterly of and immediately adjoining the 1950 layout of said state highway, extending from a part of said highway which was formerly the easterly portion of land of George B. Lynch et ux, at the southeasterly corner of said Lynch land, southwesterly to granted premises and reserving a like right of way and like rights in continuation of said strip 30 feet in width easterly of and immediately adjoining the easterly line of said state highway across the granted premises to land now or formerly of Lemoine as Executor.

Tract II The land in said Sturbridge situated on the easterly side of the state highway to Union, Connecticut, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the ground on the easterly side of the state highway to Union, Connecticut, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the ground on the easterly side line of said highway situated n. 12 E. a distance of five hundred twenty (520) feet from a Massachusetts Highway bound opposite station 296 & 99.23 on the 1929 layout of said highway; THENCE N. 12 E. by the easterly side line of said highway two hundred (200) feet southerly from the southeasterly corner of land of George C. Lynch et ux; THENCE S. 77 17' by land now or formerly of Lemoine as Executor about four hundred ninety-six (496) feet to an iron pipe on a wall at land of Richard D. Treadway; THENCE S. 6 43' W. along said wall by land of said Treadway two hundred one and 15/100 (201.15) feet to an iron pipe in said wall; THENCE N. 77 W. by land of unknown about five hundred sixteen (516) feet to the point of beginning.

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated June 7, 2018 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58934, Page 84.

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 Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Present Holder of the Mortgage
401-217-8701

July 21, 2022
July 28, 2022
August 4, 2022

Town of Sturbridge Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing Notice Variance Russell Corriveau

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 40A, §10 & §11, the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing at the **Center Office Building located at 301 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566 on Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 6:35 PM** on the application of Russell Corriveau. Pursuant to Article XVIII §300-18.2(3) of the Zoning Bylaw, the applicant is requesting a Variance from Article XV §300-15.13 – relief from Driveway Regulations to permit a driveway off of the frontage on Cedar Street, where the legal frontage is on Westwood Drive for property located at **25 Westwood Drive**.

The proposed request can be viewed at <https://www.sturbridge.gov/zoning-board-appeals/pages/recent-filings> or arrangements can be made to view the application and plan by contacting the Sturbridge Planning Department at (508)347-2508 or by email at jlacy@sturbridge.gov. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this proposal should appear at the time and place designated.

Elizabeth Banks, Chair
Sturbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
July 28, 2022
August 4, 2022

CHARLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the Wetland Protection Act of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Charlton Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on August 10, 2022, on the application of Matt Nowak – Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC. The applicant has submitted a Notice of Intent to install two taps from the existing natural gas pipelines to interconnect with the recently approved NEC meter station at 190 Southbridge Rd. This will require approximately 500 sf of excavation to access the pipelines. The taps will be enclosed in a 1,500 sf fenced area with a gravel yard. Temporary construction workspace will also be required in the pipeline easement. The project site is located at 190 Southbridge Rd, Charlton, MA. Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting of the Charlton Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote means. Members of the public who wish to participate can access the meeting remotely, via Zoom Conferencing by calling 1-646 558 8656 and using meeting ID # 892 9898 0343 Passcode 458971 or using the link below <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89298980343?pwd=VjIMZGllhU-GRnYzRkR1c2eTJTL3lWZz09>. Copies of the Notice of Intent may be examined electronically by visiting this Website: <https://www.townofcharlton.net/262/Conservation-Commission> Thomas O'Malley Chair, Charlton Conservation Commission
August 4, 2022

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. WO22P2233EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Florence G. Lacroix Date of Death: 04/05/2022

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with** has been filed by **Donald R. Pion** of **Southbridge MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Donald R. Pion of Southbridge 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 attor-

ney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/16/2022**. 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: July 20, 2022

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
August 4, 2022

Town of Brimfield Notice - Request for Bids Trolley Trail East Pedestrian Bridge Project

The Town of Brimfield Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Brimfield Trail Committee is seeking qualified bids to construct the north abutment for a 100' pedestrian bridge to cross the Quinebaug River including pile installation, reinforced concrete footing, abutment, wing walls and associated site work. A mandatory pre-bid site visit will begin at 10:00 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 2022, located at the Trail Gate between 34 and 40 East Brimfield Holland Road, Brimfield, MA.

Sealed bids, appropriately marked, will be received, publicly opened and read on Friday, August 19, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. in the Brimfield Town Hall, 21 Main Street, Brimfield, MA. Bid's received after 1:30 p.m. shall not be considered. At a duly posted meeting, the bid will be awarded by the Board of Selectmen at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, August 22, 2022.

Bid specifications will be available for pickup beginning August 4th, 2022 at the Brimfield Board of Selectmen's Office, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday or by emailing the Selectmen's Office at selectboard@brimfield-ma.org.

The Board of Selectmen reserve the right to reject any and/or all bids, or, accept that bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Town of Brimfield.

Respectfully Submitted:

Martin J. Kelly
Board of Selectmen, Chair
Town of Brimfield
Brimfield, MA 01010
(413) 245-4103
August 4, 2022

CHARLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the Wetland Protection Act of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Charlton Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on August 10, 2022, on the application of John Santos. The applicant has submitted a Notice of Intent for the construction of a driveway for a single family home. The project site is located at Pumpkin Lane, Charlton, MA.

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting of the Charlton Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote means. Members of the public who wish to participate can access the meeting remotely, via Zoom Conferencing by calling 1-646 558 8656 and using meeting ID # 892 9898 0343 Passcode 458971 or using the link below <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89298980343?pwd=VjIMZGllhU-GRnYzRkR1c2eTJTL3lWZz09>. Copies of the Notice of Intent may be examined electronically by visiting this Website: <https://www.townofcharlton.net/262/Conservation-Commission> Thomas O'Malley Chair, Charlton Conservation Commission
August 4, 2022

CHARLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the Wetland Protection Act of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Charlton Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on August 10, 2022, on the application of Timothy J Pac Living Trust

The applicant has submitted a Notice of Intent for the construction of a single-family home with associated site work within the 100ft buffer zone to

a Bordering Vegetated Wetland. The project site is located at Daniels Road, Charlton, MA

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting of the Charlton Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote means. Members of the public who wish to participate can access the meeting remotely, via Zoom Conferencing by calling 1-646 558 8656 and using meeting ID # 892 9898 0343 Passcode 458971 or using the link below <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89298980343?pwd=VjIMZGllhU-GRnYzRkR1c2eTJTL3lWZz09>.

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August 4, 2022

Town of Holland Zoning Board of Appeals Notice of Public Hearing

The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on August 24th, 2022 at 7:30 pm

at the Holland Town Hall, 27 Sturbridge Rd, Holland MA 01521 or remotely for more information please refer to the town website at <https://town.holland.ma.us> under Zoning Board of Appeals under agendas for the date specified above. The purpose of the hearing is to consider a request from John Looney for a variance according to Bylaw section 7. Relief requested: Special Permit. The property is located at 66 Sturbridge Rd, Holland MA 01521 Parcel ID # R21-B-4.

Don Beal, Chairperson, Zoning Board of Appeals
Date: 7/26/2022
August 4, 2022

CHARLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the Wetland Protection Act of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Charlton Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on August 10, 2022, on the application of Timothy J Pac Living Trust

The applicant has submitted a Notice of Intent for the construction of a single-family home with associated site work within the 100ft buffer zone to a Bordering Vegetated Wetland. The project site is located at Lot 1 T Hall Rd, Charlton, MA

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting of the Charlton Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote means. Members of the public who wish to participate can access the meeting remotely, via Zoom Conferencing by calling 1-646 558 8656 and using meeting ID # 892 9898 0343 Passcode 458971 or using the link below <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89298980343?pwd=VjIMZGllhU-GRnYzRkR1c2eTJTL3lWZz09>.

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August 4, 2022

CHARLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the Wetland Protection Act of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Charlton Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on August 10, 2022, on the application of Francis H. Aldonis Estate


The applicant has submitted a Request for Determination of Applicability for the installation of a new septic system. The project site is located at 87 Little Muggett Road, Charlton, MA


Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting of the Charlton Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote means. Members of the public who wish to participate can access the meeting remotely, via Zoom Conferencing by calling 1-646 558 8656 and using meeting ID # 892 9898 0343 Passcode 458971 or using the link below <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89298980343?pwd=VjIMZGllhU-GRnYzRkR1c2eTJTL3lWZz09>.

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DUDLEY – 5 Elizabeth St! 6+ Rm Ranch! Featuring Frp'd Liv Rm w/Recessed Lighting & Guest Closet! Eat-in Kit w/Tile Flr! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwd Flrs, 2 w/Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Hall Bath w/Tile Floor! Finished Lower Level! 20x25' Frp'd Fan Rm w/Recessed Lighting & 2nd Bthrm w/Shower! Possible Kitchenette or Office! Laundry & Utility Rm! Wired for a Generator! Economical Gas Heat & Hot Water! 3 Season Porch! Garage! **\$364,900.00**

DUDLEY – 67 Southbridge Road! 6 Rm Ranch Set on 16,875' Lot! Appliance Eat-in Kitchen! Dining Area and Fireplace Living Room w/ Hardwood Floors! 3 Bedrooms w/ Hardwood Floors and ample Closet Space! Spacious 11X14.5 Master! Full Tile Bath! Oil Heat! Garage! **\$279,900.00**

SUTTON – 90 Armsbury Rd! 8 Rm Meticulously Maintained 4 Bdrm/2.5 Bath Colonial, Pleasant Valley Country Club Near, is Ready for You! Formal Living Rm w/French Doors, Spacious Family Rm w/Gas Fireplace, Recessed Lighting & Slider Out to Private Deck! Formal Dining Rm! Fantastic Kitchen Featuring Stylish Ivory Cabinets, Stainless Appliances, Tile Backsplash, Wine Bar & Adjoining Dining Area! All w/Gleaming Hrdwd Floors! Spindle Staircase to the 2nd Flr Featuring a Huge Master w/Cathedral Ceiling w/Dble Walk-in Closet, Master Bath w/Dble Vanity, Tiled Shower & Soaking Tub! 3 Additional Comfortable Bdrms w/Ample Closets & Additional Full Bath! Expandable Walk-Out Lower Level w/Roughed-in Bathrm Ready to Complete! 2 Car Attached Garage & Recent Generator! Listed by Another, SOLD by Lake Realty! **\$829,900.00**



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CHARLTON – 42 Harrington Rd! Beautiful 6 Rm Colonial w/3 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths Colonial set on .35 Acre Lot! 1st Floor w/9' Ceilings! Living Rm w/Bump-out, WW Carpeting & Crown Mouldings! Tile Foyer! Dining Rm w/Frplace (never used), WW Carpet, Crown Molding & Wainscoting! Open Kitchen & Dining Area out to Wood Deck! Kit w/SS Appliances, Granite Island! 1/2 Bath off Kit w/Laundry! 2nd Floor w/3 Comfortable Bdrms! Master w/Vaulted Ceilings, Ceiling Fan, Walk in Closet, Master Bath w/Jetted Tub & Separate Shower, Skylight, & Double Vanity! 2nd Floor Hall Bath w/Skylight! Full Basement has Walk-out to Second Deck, Third Full Bath, Utility Rm! 2 Car Garage! Horseshoe Driveway w/Plenty of Parking! Deep Wooded Lot! **\$419,000.00**

SHREWSBURY – 34 Monroe St! 8 Rm, 4 Bdrm Colonial is Situated in a Sought After Neighborhood! Tree Lined Street w/Sidewalks, Close to Schools, Town Center & Highway! The Foyer Welcomes You into the Formal Din Rm w/Gleaming Hrdwds! Bright Liv Rm w/Vaulted Ceilings & View of its Park Like Grounds! Large Eat-in Kit w/Pantry & Gas Appliances, Perfect Gathering Place! Laundry Rm & 1/2 Bath Nearby! 1st Flr Frplac Fam Rm w/Sliders out to Deck! 2nd Flr w/4 Comfortable Bdrms w/Full Shared Bath plus the Master Bath! Full Lower Level w/Came Rm Awaits Your Finishing Touch! Workshop & Plenty of Storage! 2 Car Garage w/Plenty of Room for Storage & Work! Outdoor Living on the Deck Overlooking Yard! Shed! This Home is Ready to call it Yours! **\$699,900.00**

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DUDLEY – 16 Joseph St! Spacious UPDATED 8 Rm Center Hall Garrison Colonial! Nicely Landscaped 25,561' Lot Set on a Cul-De-Sac "Dead End"! Ideal Residential Neighborhood! Dble Glass Door Tiled Center Hall Entry Foyer w/Guest Closet! SS Appliance Cherry Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Corian Counters, Tile Flrs! Din Rm w/Hrdwds, Crown Mouldings & Bay Window! Frp'd Liv Rm w/Pellet Stove, Custom Shelving, Hrdwds & Bay Window! Fam Rm w/Hrdwds, Custom Cabinetry, Ceiling Fan, French Doors & Slider to Deck Overlooking Private Backyard! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry Closet! Hall w/Dble Closet to the 2 Car Garage! 2nd Flr w/4 Spacious Bdrms w/Hrdwd & Vinyl Plank Flooring! MASTER w/2 Walk-in Closets, Ceiling Fan & Custom Tile MASTER BATH! Hall Bath w/Custom Tile Tub/Shower Surround w/Linen Closet! Don't Delay! **\$449,900.00**



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WEBSTER LAKE - 0 BLACK POINT RD



WATERFRONT LOT! New to the Market! Hard to find 6500 +/-sf corner Lot. Beautiful view & setting. Sandy Beach! Few tall pine trees for shade. Town Water & Sewer Lateral Connections already on the land. **\$333,000.**

WEBSTER LAKE - 0 PATTISON RD



LAND - Terrific opportunity 14,798 Sq. Ft. of LAND. CONSERVATION APPROVAL for proposed Building, MASS DEP# 313-1167. 248+/- Road Frontage, 279+/- Water Frontage. Town Water & Sewer accessible. **\$250,000.**

WEBSTER - 6 GREYSTONE



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New Listing: Complete Remodeling taking place. Beautiful Ranch! A Must See! 5 rooms, 2+ bedrooms, 1-1/2 Baths, Garage, Level Lot. **\$329,900.**

WEBSTER LAKE - 27 SOUTH POINT ROAD



OOH! WHAT A VIEW!!! Middle & South Ponds! Unique opportunity to Own Water-front Property with an 80' +/- ft sandy beach! Fireworks from the comfort of your deck or lawn! .22 Acre & 100' rd frontage - allows for expansion possibilities! 2 Bedrm, 2 1/2 Bath, Garage, open floor plan. 3 Season Porch for added enjoyment! Walk-out L/Level is heated with Full Bath! New Price **\$955,000.**

WEBSTER - 7 BRODEUR AVENUE



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Seller will sell land, with improvements, Foundation w/Water & Sewer connections in. **\$140,000.**

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LAND: WEBSTER/OXFORD/PUTNAM

OXFORD - LAND - General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! LAND with 4,095 SF Metal Building! 124 SOUTHBIDGE RD (RTE 20). Town Sewer Project Plans are Approved. 22,884 sq. ft. Level Lot. 140 ft of road frontage. **EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES! \$795,000.**


OXFORD - LAND - RTE 20 General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! Vacant LAND, Level & cleared. 39,549 SF. **\$419,000.**

PUTNAM - LAND Zoned General Business 29 acre 103' frontage. Water, Sewer, & city gas available. 2 street entrances. **\$125,000**

OXFORD - 2 Merriam Rd 80+/- Wooded Acres in Oxford & Charlton. **ON DEPOSIT \$329,000**


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WEBSTER LAKE - 13 LOVELAND ROAD




Eastern Exposure & Amazing Sunrises! Beautiful shoreline, on highly sought after South Pond. 3 bedroom Cape features eat in kitchen w/island, fireplace living & dining room. 2nd floor, 2 bedrooms with 1/2 bath! Lower Level walkout, fireplace Family Room!! Half bath. A home for all seasons. New Shore Master Docks & Ramp. **NEW PRICE \$839,900**

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DUDLEY: 2 units. 1st floor, 3 bedrooms, 2nd & 3rd level has 3-4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, Sided, 2 car garage

38 Oxford Ave ~ \$449,900

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already kicked in its 5 percent share, so that really meant the town didn't have to, Airport Commission Chair Rick Clemence later added.

Henry agreed, saying "Mass DOT is very supportive of all the GA [general aviation] in the state." He noted this project's contractor "battled through a ... tough inflationary environment and supply chain issues" to finish under budget and on time.

When asked why it cost a lot more than an equivalently-long road project, Clemence said the runway is much wider (75 feet vs 24-30) and the work included about 7,000 feet of drainage. The next step is to finish the apron north of the terminal, which is now quite obvious with its tracery of crack sealant next to the new runway pavement. Plouffe also noted they're clearing trees along and within the fence line.

Clemence said the facility is just about to begin seeking public input for its next master plan, with potential projects including lengthening the runway north to handle small jets, adding another hangar and a second fuel tank for aviation gas, and maybe planning public events on the land. In years past, it hosted air shows and fireworks, but the most recent were those for the Bicentennial in 2016. FAA needs to approve such events and many plane owners don't like the idea of having a lot of people near their planes, he noted.

"This is yet another cog in the wheel of the revitalization of Southbridge," Town Manager Michael McCall said. "... Things don't get done without a team effort here."

For him, the next step is opening the bid for managing the diner next week. Recent publicity in the Worcester business press has drawn several bidders, when prior attempts got few or none.

Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.

SCOUTS

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to see the type of scouts these kids have become. It's amazing," said Harris. "This was the scouts being who they are. We didn't place very well in the tournament, but overall, our Troop had great enthusiasm. With my term as Senior Patrol Leader ending

on such a high note, it's amazing and I'm excited to see what our new Senior Patrol Leader has in store of us."

The Troop of the Week honor wasn't the only accomplishment the scouts achieved during camp. In total the scouts of Troop 338 earned a collective 35 merit badges and achieved four rank advancements. Three of the scouts hiked the entirety of the camp's grounds, two scouts complet-

ed the mile swim, one scout earned a marksmanship rifle award, and three adults achieved overnight leadership training. Troop 338 is always seeking new members. Any interested prospective scout between the ages of 11 and 17 can join with meeting held every Thursday at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church in Charlton. More information on Troop 338 can be found at stjosephscharlton.com/scouting.

REDCOATS

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regular programming."

This year marks the 17th Redcoats and Rebels event hosted at Old Sturbridge Village. Due to the event's popularity, visitors are asked to purchase tickets online and in advance, reserving a specific time block for Aug.

6 or 7 to spread out the arrival of guests through the Visitors Center. Once in attendance, guests are welcome to stay through the event until the Village closes for the day. In August, up to three kids ages 17 and younger are admitted for free when accompanied by an adult paying full admission. For more details on the event or to reserve tickets and time blocks, visit: <https://www.osv.org/event/redcoats-and-rebels-2022/>.

The 2022 Redcoats and Rebels event is sponsored exclusively by Dexter-Russell, the largest and oldest manufacturer of professional cutlery in the U.S. Dexter-Russell is headquartered in the town of Southbridge.

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AUBURN RECREATION AND CULTURE SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE RESULTS



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The Auburn Recreation and Culture Girls' Summer Basketball League concluded regular season play on Tuesday, July 26.

AUBURN — It's playoff time at Auburn High, as the Auburn Recreation and Culture Summer Basketball League has finished up regular season play. In the girls' league, back on Tuesday, July 26, the 14 teams had their final game before playoffs began on Thursday, July 28. In the boys' league, both Monday, July 25 and Wednesday, July 27 were the final regular season dates for the 16 teams (with one makeup game being played on Tuesday, July 26), with playoffs beginning on Monday, Aug. 1.

Girls' Summer League Results
Tuesday, July 26 — Regular Season Finale
Grafton 34, Worcester Tech 23
Northbridge 37, Notre Dame Academy 28
Quabbin 34, Uxbridge 28
Sutton 41, Blackstone Valley Tech 18
Worcester South defeated David Prouty (forfeit)
Tantasqua 55, Leicester 31
Auburn 36, Quaboag 30
Final Regular Season Standings
Worcester South (9-0; first round bye)

Northbridge (8-1; first round bye)
Sutton (7-2)
Notre Dame Academy (6-3)
Quabbin (6-3)
Uxbridge (5-4)
Tantasqua (5-4)
Blackstone Valley Tech (4-5)
Auburn (3-6)
Quaboag (3-6)
Leicester (3-6)
Grafton (2-7)
Worcester Tech (2-7)
David Prouty (0-9)
Thursday, July 28 — First Round of Playoffs
Uxbridge 42, Leicester 12
Sutton 47, David Prouty 12
Auburn defeated Blackstone Valley Tech (forfeit)
Tantasqua 25, Quaboag 16
Notre Dame Academy 41, Worcester Tech 32
Quabbin 45, Grafton 35
Boys' Summer League Results
Monday, July 25
Millbury 81, Quaboag 44
Uxbridge 50, Shepherd Hill 33
Southbridge 47, Sutton 43



Quabbin 47, Leicester 38
Tantasqua 38, Bartlett 25
Oxford 48, Bay Path 43
David Prouty 48, Grafton 29
Auburn 74, Tahanto 58
Tuesday, July 26
Oxford 67, Shepherd Hill 60 (OT)
Wednesday, July 27 — Regular Season Finale
Southbridge 39, Shepherd Hill 28
Quaboag 48, Quabbin 39
Auburn 75, Bartlett 44
Uxbridge 84, Tahanto 60
Grafton 67, Oxford 45
Millbury 50, Leicester 25
Tantasqua 40, Sutton 38
David Prouty 42, Bay Path 37

Final Regular Season Standings
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Sutton (1-8)
Leicester (0-9)

RED SOX LEGEND ORTIZ INDUCTED INTO BASEBALL HALL OF FAME



David Ortiz delivers his induction speech at the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Photos courtesy Dick McGrath



From left, Kim Kaat, Tony Oliva and David Ortiz proudly display their plaques after being inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.



From left, Mike Lowell, Dustin Pedroia, Chaim Bloom and Brian O'Halloran were at Cooperstown to watch David Ortiz formally get inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.



At the Baseball Hall of Fame, Johnny Damon was on hand to watch David Ortiz's induction speech.

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. — On Sunday, July 24, Boston Red Sox legend David Ortiz was honored by being inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame, and local photographer Dick McGrath of Douglas was on hand to capture all of the special moments of "Big Papi" and others from Cooperstown. Please enjoy McGrath's photos.

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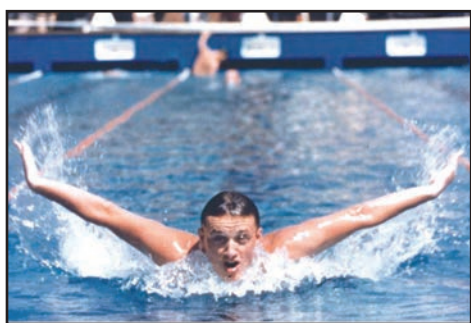


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Wild Bill Swim Challenge offers some- thing for everyone

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BROOKFIELD — Organizers of the Wild Bill Swim Challenge to be held at the public beach on Lake Quacumquasit (aka South Pond) in Brookfield on Sunday, August 7, say the event is going to offer something for swimmers of all ages and ability levels, including new swimmers who are interested in putting their toe in the open water swim game for the first time.

Event creator Jennifer Yorzyk Triger says she hopes a lot of local swimmers will register for the “Everyone Can Swim Novelty Swim,” a 400-yard, dock-to-beach swim for first-timers. “For this event, we’re encouraging participants to use buoys, noodles, kickboards, or other floatation devices if they need to,” says Triger. “Just get in the water! Swimming is for everyone!”

A one-mile paddleboard/swim relay for two entrants with a 10:30 a.m. start will provide another opportunity for novice swimmers to test their skill.

The deadline to register for the paddleboard/swim relay, three-mile and one-mile open water swims is Monday, August 1. The three-mile and one-mile events have an 8 a.m. start time. Participants will be required to sign a waiver confirming that they can swim the distance they register for. All participants in these open water swims will receive a complimentary swag bag.

Entry fees and registration information may be found on the event website at wildbillswim.org.

The “Everyone Can Swim Novelty Swim” has a start time of 11 a.m. Advance online entry is encouraged, but registration will remain open up to and including the day of the event to allow everyone an opportunity to join the fun.

Open Water Interview Series Starting Mid-July

Beginning in mid-July, Triger will be interviewing top open water coaches

and swimmers about topics such as the story of open water swimming, going from pool to open water, and how to train for an open water swim. The interviews will be posted on the event’s Facebook and Instagram pages @WILDBILLSWIM.

“We’re eager to help introduce new people to the sport of swimming,” said Yorzyk, “so we’re doing what we can to provide the encouragement people may need to come to the conclusion that now is a good time to start.”

Family Fun and Raffle
There will also be fun activities for the family, entertainment, food trucks, a Vintage Bathing Beauties & Blokes Pageant, and a celebration of winners on the South Pond beach.

Following the event, participants are invited to gather at nearby Oakholm Brewery which is donating a portion of every “Wild Bill” brew sold in the beer garden on August 6 and 7 to the fundraiser.

A drawing will also be held with over \$500 in prizes including a one year membership to the new Planet Fitness in Sturbridge, gift cards to area restaurants, pottery, gourmet food baskets, floral arrangements, and a spa gift certificate. Raffle tickets are six for \$5, fifteen for \$10, and 30 for \$20 and are available now by emailing info@wildbillswim.org.

The Wild Bill Swim & Paddle Challenge

Yorzyk-Triger created the event as a tribute to her father, Olympic Gold Medalist Dr. William “Bill” Yorzyk, who died in 2020. Dr. Yorzyk, a long-time resident of South Pond, took the gold in the 200-meter butterfly at the 1956 Summer Olympics in Melbourne, Australia, just seven years after learning to swim as a freshman at Springfield College. He was a five-time NCAA All American who set a total of 11 World Records. Yorzyk swam competitively into his 70s and passed on his love of the sport to his sons and daughter.

Proceeds from this first Wild Bill Swim & Paddle Challenge will help fund a matching grant to benefit the Quacumquasit Pond Phosphorus Inactivation Project that was recently approved and funded by the Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Grant Program.

Gold sponsors include SnowMagic, St Germain Investments, Cornerstone Bank, Keep Secure, Tasses Oil & Propane, and the Quaboag Quacumquasit Lake Association.

Yorzyk-Triger says volunteers and additional sponsors are still needed. For more information, email her at jenn@wildbillswim.org. Donations are also being accepted at gofundme.com/the-wild-bill-swim-and-paddle-challenge.

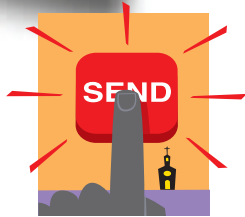
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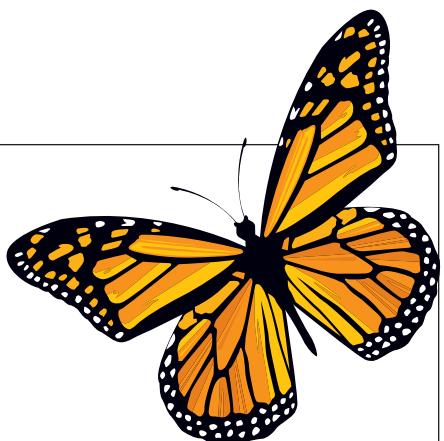
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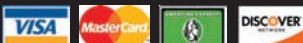
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