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## Meet the candidates

Kay and Mitchell  
vie for unexpired  
BOS term

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**NORTH BROOKFIELD** – The annual town election has four candidates seeking to fill two vacant seats on the Board of Selectmen.

Candidates Ralph Kay and John P. Mitchell are both seeking election to an unexpired two-year term following Selectman Vaughn Schlegel's resignation. Jamie Gilman and John Tripp are running for a three-year term.

The annual town election will be held on Monday, May 5 at the Senior Center, 29 Forest St.

### Ralph Kay

Kay is a retired high school math teacher who has lived in town for about five and a half years. He was a longtime soccer coach, teaching athletes at the youth, high school and college level; in addition to coaching high school softball.

"I became a member of the School Committee because I wanted to try and help my town," Kay said. "With my teaching background I thought I could help out on the School Committee, and it seemed like a good fit."

Kay said after he was appointed to the School Committee, a vacancy occurred on the Board of Selectmen, and he decided he would run for that position at the annual town election.

"I felt I had to make a decision on what position to

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## Weather fails to dampen Earth Day celebration

**BARRE** – On Saturday, April 26, Kate Hall called together local vendors and Barre Community Resilience to celebrate Earth Day on Barre Common.

The much needed persistent rain did not dampen their spirits. There were good things to eat, displays about the importance of native plants and pollinators, plastic recycling and regenerative farming, art projects and plant give always for children.

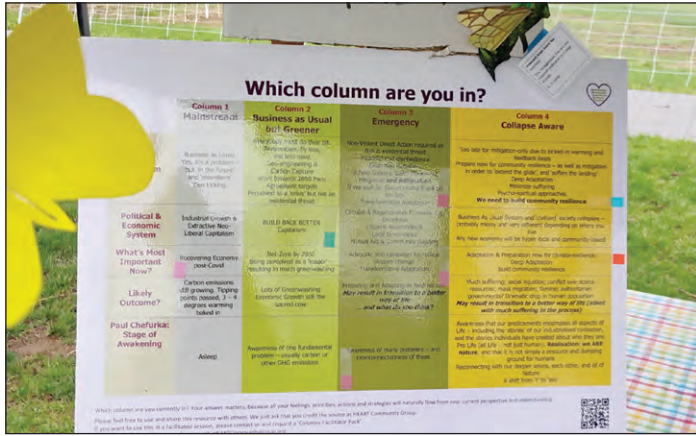
There was a demonstration of movable electric fencing to manage and protect your livestock. The Boy Scouts and others volunteered to collect trash in public areas.

Donated clothing was sorted and freely given away. Because of the generosity of donors, there is still lots for the taking. The Clothing Swap will remain open for several days at Commonplace Market, 56 Common Street, Barre, Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m.-4 p.m.



Submitted photos

Marissa Gabriel holds illustration of a monarch butterfly, a local pollinator, at 'Tending Tomorrow Farm' table.



Poster asking people to indicate where they see us regarding our current climate predicament decorated with local pollinator butterflies.



Lisa Marcelle distributes gloves for trash pickup.]

## Select Board ok new tractor purchase from Chap. 90

By Ellenor Downer  
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**OAKHAM** – The Oakham Select Board approved the purchase of an Energreen tractor with mower, a loader and bucket using Chapter 90 money at their Monday, April 14 meeting.

Highway Superintendent Patrick Mardirosian said he got Massachusetts

Department of Transportation approval to spend \$325,000 from Chapter 90 for the purchase. He said the tractor with mower head will be used primarily for roadside mowing, but it will be used all four seasons as it will have a loader and bucket as well. It comes equipped with a backup camera. A ditch bucket would be purchased at a later date.

The Select Board also

approved the trade in of two pieces of equipment towards the purchase, 1984 Case and a 1994 Kubota tractors. The Board signed their initials to the invoice for the tractor from Ahearn Equipment, Inc. in Spencer. The tractor should be available in about three weeks and will be delivered when payment in full is received.

### Mower head

Highway Superintendent Mardirosian said he had

enough money in his hired equipment account to purchase the mower head now instead of waiting for Annual Town Meeting and approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 budget. The account has a balance of \$5,850 and the mower head costs just under \$5,000. The Select Board said he would need to request a line item transfer. Line item transfers must be requested after May 1 and required approval of

both the Select Board and Finance Committee. This way Highway workers can start roadside mowing before July 1, the start of the new Fiscal Year.

### ATM date

The Select Board set the date of the Annual Town Meeting for Tuesday, June 24 at 7 p.m. They opened the warrant on Tuesday,

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Turley Photo by Paula Ouimette

Hardwick Elementary School student Serenity launched a bucket of rainbow trout into the Quabbin Reservoir Fishing Area 3

## Students helped stock Quabbin Reservoir fishing area

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**HARDWICK** – The Department of Conservation and Recreation and MassWildlife teamed up with area elementary school

students to stock fishing areas at the Quabbin Reservoir with trout.

Just prior to April school vacation, students from Petersham Center School, Shutesbury Elementary School and Hardwick Elementary School visited Fishing Area 3 off Hell Huddle Road on the Petersham/Hardwick line.

MassWildlife arrived with a truck full of 600 rainbow trout to stock the

water on April 17. Joining MassWildlife and DCR were Hardwick Elementary School Principal Emily Soltysik, teacher Elecia Bray and a busload of fourth graders.

Jim Lagacy, MassWildlife's Aquatic Resource Education Coordinator, said his agency and DCR have a common goal to get people outside. He explained the purpose of his role with MassWildlife

and how it is both a fishing program and an environmental education program.

Lagacy explained how to get the trout from the truck to the water by using buckgraders, and he demonstrated the proper technique to ensure the fish acclimate to their new surroundings after the drive from the hatchery.

"We want their 'fight or

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## Town approves all articles at STM

By Ryan Drago  
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**HARDWICK** – A special town meeting was held at the Town House last Thursday evening, with six articles on the warrant.

Prior to the meeting there was a statement and temporary discussion brought up by Select Board member William Tinker about the limited time for residents getting to review the warrant.

Tinker said in his statement that the warrant for the special town meeting was not published on the website until five days before the meeting.

Moderator Ryan J. Witkos explained to the residents and the boards that were present that copies of the warrant were published in the three post offices at least two weeks before the date of the meeting. Witkos also explained it is mandatory by law to have the special town meeting and the warrant was published and distributed properly.

The special town meeting continued and began with a discussion of article 1. This

article was sponsored by the Planning Board and was about definitions in Section 1.4 of the Zoning Bylaws.

The residents would vote to possibly amend Section 1.4. The corrections were highlighted in red bold letters and strikethroughs were placed on what was being removed from the definitions.

Prior to the vote the Moderator and the Planning Board took questions from the public regarding some of the definitions. After being asked several questions about dwellings and day care centers, Witkos explained that the "definition explains what it is" and uses based off the definitions could be amended.

Article 1 passed unanimously and was accepted as printed in the warrant.

The meeting then moved to article 3 regarding special permit procedures. The residents were voting on

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News of the Towns



ROUND TOWN

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Democratic Town Committee

The Barre Democratic Town Committee will elect delegates and alternates to attend the 2025 Massachusetts Democratic Convention on Thursday, May 1 at 6 p.m. in the basement meeting room at the Woods Memorial Library, 19 Pleasant St. The caucus is open to all registered and pre-registered Democrats, 16 years of age or older, living in Barre. This year's Massachusetts Democratic Convention is scheduled to take place on Saturday, Sept. 13 in Springfield. For location and more information people may email [BarreDTC@gmail.com](mailto:BarreDTC@gmail.com).

Historical Society Meeting

The Barre Historical Society will hold their annual meeting on Thursday, May 8 at 6:30 p.m. in The Heritage Center, Barre Historical Society, 20 Common St. After they complete the annual business meeting, they will gather to share and discuss favorite tools. People may bring theirs from the kitchen, sewing room, garage or elsewhere and view tools from the collections. All are welcome to attend.

Designer pancake breakfast

Cradle Rock Chapter Order of Eastern Star will hold the last designer pancake breakfast or the season on Saturday, May 3 from 7:30-10:30 a.m. at Mt. Zion Masonic Lodge, 71 Pleasant St. Cost is \$9 per adult and \$5 for children 6 and under. The breakfast is open to all. People may design their own pancake with chips, nuts, fruit, etc. The complete breakfast menu includes, designer pancakes, waffles, sausage gravy with biscuits, bacon, sausage, juice and coffee.

Circle of Song

The Circle of Song will hold their spring concert on Saturday, May 17 at 7 p.m. in the Barre Town Hall, Exchange Street. Circle of Song is finishing up its 24th year with an eclectic and quite fun line up of songs from many genres, mostly of American music. People are invited to come and celebrate mid-spring with Circle of Song. The concert is free and refreshments will be served. Donations are graciously accepted. People interested in joining should email Julie Rawson at [julie@mhof.net](mailto:julie@mhof.net) or call 978-257-1192.

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Are you having difficulty communicating with your partner, struggling with boundaries, and healthy relationships?

We invite you to join us Friday afternoons from 1-2:30 pm to explore these topics and more.

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Submitted photos

The Barre/Hardwick Senior Center had a table at the Information Fair they held Wednesday, April 23.

Senior center sponsors Information Fair

BARRE – The Barre/Hardwick Senior Center Information Fair, which took place on Wednesday, April 23 was very successful, with over 25 vendors providing significant resources to the community. This event is in accordance with the Senior Center's mission to identify needs, educate and engage the community, advocate for the aging population, and offer programs and resources that support aging and independence. The Council on Aging thanks all of their vendors and participants for coming out and supporting the fair.



This participant in the Information Fair provided information on Medicare plan options.



Worcester County Sheriff's Office had a table at the recent Information Fair.

HUBBARDSTON

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Unitarian Church holds indoor yard sale

The First Parish Unitarian Church of Hubbardston, on the Common, will hold an indoor yard sale on Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. There will be spices, bake sale, white elephant and plants. There will something for everyone.

Animal Adventures

An education presentation at Animal Adventures, 39 Burnshirt Road, will take place Monday, May 12 at 10 a.m. Families must pre-register by emailing Rhianna at [rburke@mocinc.org](mailto:rburke@mocinc.org) or Pam at [pbernard@mocinc.org](mailto:pbernard@mocinc.org). MOC's coordinated family and community engagement is a program of Making Opportunity Count and is funded by the Department of Early Education and Care.

Hubbardston Lions Scholarships

The Hubbardston Lions Club Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for 2025 annual scholarships. Hubbardston seniors graduating from Quabbin Regional or Monty Tech Regional Schools and going onto higher education are eligible for two \$1,500 scholarships. They may pick up applications in the Guidance offices at the schools. Applications must be completed and signed and sent to Lions Scholarship Committee by Monday, May 5 for review and selection of winners.

Senior Center

The Hubbardston Senior Center, 7A Main St., events include: Bingo from 12:30-3 p.m. on Mondays; Knitting Group at 10 a.m. every Tuesday at 10 a.m. and WiiBowling beginning at 8:30 a.m. every Monday and Wednesday beginning at 8:30 a.m. Eggs may be picked up on Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. in the Senior Center. Cribbage is played on Thursdays from 1:30-3 p.m. Pitch is played the first and third Friday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Art group meets every Friday at 9 a.m.

Editorial deadline reminder

Deadline for e-mailed press releases is noon on Monday. Deadline for hard copy is noon on Friday.

Barre Dining Center

BARRE — Elder Services of Worcester Area Nutrition Program welcomes guests to dine at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Road. The following meals will be served for the week of May 5. Lunches are back at the senior center, but require a pre-sign up. Volunteers are needed at the Barre dining site. Volunteers are needed for Meals on Wheels (mileage reimbursement) and in the kitchen. People should contact 978-355-5027. MONDAY – Cinco de Mayo chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, black beans and corn, sour cream, pineapple, pita bread TUESDAY – Meatballs with onion gravy, bowtie pasta, Roman blend vegetables, Lorna Doone cookies, whole wheat bread WEDNESDAY – Lentil stew with cheddar cheese, steamed white rice, peas and carrots fresh orange, marble rye bread THURSDAY – Mother's Day Meal chicken royale with gravy, mashed sweet potato and carrot, Capri vegetables, double chocolate cake, diet = cheesecake mousse, Italian bread FRIDAY – Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, pumpernickel bread \*Higher sodium entree Meal includes milk and margarine. Menus are subject to change. All meals are served at about 11:45 a.m. each weekday. Reservations should be made the day before by calling 978-355-5027 before 10:30 a.m. The donation of \$3.00 per meal helps keep the program running.

dar cheese, steamed white rice, peas and carrots fresh orange, marble rye bread THURSDAY – Mother's Day Meal chicken royale with gravy, mashed sweet potato and carrot, Capri vegetables, double chocolate cake, diet = cheesecake mousse, Italian bread FRIDAY – Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, pumpernickel bread \*Higher sodium entree Meal includes milk and margarine. Menus are subject to change. All meals are served at about 11:45 a.m. each weekday. Reservations should be made the day before by calling 978-355-5027 before 10:30 a.m. The donation of \$3.00 per meal helps keep the program running.

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## PUBLIC MEETINGS

### BARRE

Select Board – May 5 at 6 p.m.  
Board of Assessors – May 6 at 6 p.m.  
Finance Committee – May 6 and May 20 at 6:30 p.m.  
Felton Field Commission – May 6 at 6:30 p.m.  
Planning Board – May 6 at 7 p.m.  
Board of Health – May 12 at 5 p.m.  
Water Commission – May 12 at 6:30 p.m.  
DPW Commission – May 12 at 7 p.m.  
Conservation Committee – May 13 at 7 p.m.  
Council on Aging – May 14 at 12:30 p.m.  
Library Trustees – May 14 at 6:30 p.m.  
Barre Housing Authority – May 15 at 1 p.m.  
Cemetery Commission – May 22 at 11 a.m.  
Cable Advisory Committee – June 10 at 7 p.m.

### HARDWICK

Paige Library Trustees – May 1 at 7 p.m.  
Recycling Commission – May 6 at 6:30 p.m.  
Board of Health – May 8 at 7 p.m.  
Planning Board – May 13 at 6:30 p.m.  
Council on Aging – May 14 at 12:30 p.m.  
Gilbertville Public Library – May 14 at 4 p.m.  
Capital Planning Committee – May 19 at 3 p.m.  
Gilbertville Water District – May 20 at 5:30 p.m.  
Conservation Commission – May 21 at 6:30 p.m.  
Master Plan Steering Committee – May 22 at 6:30 p.m.

### HUBBARDSTON

Memorial Day Committee – May 2 at 9 a.m.  
Board of Parks Commissioners – May 14 at 5:30 p.m.  
Council on Aging – May 21 at 6:30 p.m.

### NORTH BROOKFIELD

Annual Town Election – May 5 from 7 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Board of Selectmen – May 6 and May 20 at 6 p.m.  
Rep. Berthiaume/Sen. Duran t office hour – May 13 from 9-10 a.m.  
Planning Board – May 21 at 6 p.m.

### OAKHAM

Board of Selectmen – May 12 and May 27 at 6 p.m.

### PETERSHAM

Select Board – May 1, May 8, May 15, May 22, May 29 and June 5 at 5:30 p.m.  
Advisory Finance Committee – May 1, May 8 and May 15at 6 p.m.  
Board of Health – May 1 at 6 p.m.  
Open Space and Recreation Committee – May 6 at 6 p.m.  
Conservation Commission – May 6 at 7 p.m.  
Board of Assessors – May 8 at 9 a.m.  
Council on Aging – May 12 at 10 a.m.  
Cemetery Commission – May 13 at 10 a.m.  
Petersham Historic District – May 15 at 6 p.m.

## New Braintree Library holds story time

NEW BRAINTREE – The New Braintree Public Library, 45 Memorial Drive, is offering a story time program for preschoolers on Monday, May 12 beginning at 9 a.m.

The readings will include “A Seed Grows” by Antoinette Portis and “Plant the Tiny Seed” by Christie Matheson. Children will be given the opportunity to plant seeds to bring home, care for them, and watch them grow. This reading and crafts program is held at the library, 45 Memorial Drive, New Braintree. Parental supervision is required. People may call the library at 508-867-7650 during regular business hours for more information.

## Barre Food Pantry to hold distributions

BARRE – Once or twice a year, a month begins on a Thursday.

This makes the third Thursday of the month the day right after the second Wednesday. This May is such a month. As a result, the Barre Food Pantry’s two distributions in May will occur on successive days, Wednesday morning May 14 from 10-11:30 a.m. and Thursday evening, May 15 from 5:30-7 p.m.

Clients are invited to pick up groceries from the food pantry either in the morning on Wednesday, May 14 or in the evening on Thursday, May 15, whichever is the more convenient for them.

The Barre Food Pantry volunteers strive to continue to fulfill their mission to get food to hungry and food insecure clients. The pantry must also continue to protect clients, volunteers and the larger community from the renewed spread of COVID-19 and other viruses.

Many clients and volunteers are classified as high-risk due to their age and/or underlying health conditions. The Barre Food

Pantry Board of Directors considered changing how the pantry currently operates, but with the continued prevalence of ultra-contagious variants of the virus the Board decided that the most responsible path forward is to continue to operate as we have since March of 2020.

In order to maintain safe physical distances between volunteers and between volunteers and clients May 14 and May 15 will again be “drive-through” style distributions. Clients will line up in their vehicles on Park Street and proceed into the right hand (east) entrance driveway of the Barre Congregational Church, 30 Park St. They will remain in their cars. They’ll drive up and be checked in by a volunteer, then continue up to the church building where their groceries will be put into the trunk or wayback of their vehicle by volunteers at multiple stations.

Based on the success of distributions so far, the Food Pantry volunteers believe this “drive-through” style is the safest possible way to get

food to clients and to help keep everyone well.

The Barre Food Pantry needs volunteers. On Tuesday night, May 13 at 5 p.m. the Barre Food Pantry will be gathering volunteers at the Barre Congregational Church to unload incoming groceries from their truck, to sort through donated groceries, to pre-fill grocery bags and in other ways to prepare for the distribution the following morning. If people can help pitch in for an hour on the May 13, they should call Sonja Blaney at 978-355-6921.

Volunteer on May 13, 14 or 15 should not arrive without first contacting Sonja Blaney at 978-355-6921, Dave Petrovick at 978-355-4519 or Chuck Radlo at 978-355-6463.

Because conditions have been changing rapidly, people should continue to check for updates on the Barre Food Pantry website by visiting <http://www.barrefoodbank.org/index.htm> and the Barre Food Pantry Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Barre-Food-Pantry-100156068300314/>.

## Historical Society holds bookmaking workshop

BARRE – In an effort to provide traditional hands-on programs annually, for all ages, this year the Barre Historical Society will offer a workshop on bookmaking, which will be led by Director Kellee Murphy on Saturday, May 10 from 10 a.m.-noon.

This is fifth installment in traditional arts series. Attendees will be given the basics of book making and all materials will be provided for this free class fit for ages 4-104. Advance registration is not required but it’s helpful to know if people plan to attendby emailing [barre-history@gmail.com](mailto:barre-history@gmail.com). They should reply with the number attending.

## Get ready asparagus chowder is back

WEST BROOKFIELD – On Saturday, May 17 during the town of West Brookfield’s Asparagus, Heritage and Flower Festival on the town common, the First Congregational Church, 36 North Main St., will offer their famous Asparagus Chowder from the church lawn.

Hot chowder by the cup, cold chowder to take home, heat and eat by the quart, cookies and cold drinks will be available from 10 a.m. until it runs out. Inside and outside dining is available.

Call the church for more information at 508-867-7078.

## Fire and police rescue trapped dog



Submitted photo

**On April 22 Oakham Fire and Police responded to a dog trapped under a shed. Oakham Fire is happy to report the dog was freed and had been reunited with his family with no injuries.**

## Historical Society to hold historic site bus tour

RUTLAND – The Rutland Historical Society will host a bus tour of the town’s historic sites on Saturday, May 10 starting at 1 p.m..

Space is limited to 40 seats on the bus. People should reserve a seat by emailing the Historical Society at [rutlandmahistorical@gmail.com](mailto:rutlandmahistorical@gmail.com).

The tour consist of about 15 historical topics throughout the town including a walking tour of the town commons and six stops where they will be disembarking the bus for more detailed presentations. Total walking distance is ½ to ¾ of a mile, some walking on unpaved surfaces. Sturdy footwear is encouraged.

The total time for the tour is expected to be approximately 2 ½ hours and will be followed by light refreshments and an open house at the Wood House. This event is free of charge. Donations will be gratefully accepted.



## OAKHAM

by Ellenor Downer  
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**Church breakfast benefits food pantrys**

The Oakham Congregational Church, 4 Coldbrook Road, will hold a breakfast on Saturday, May 10 from 8-9:30 a.m. There will be a free will donation with all proceeds benefiting the Barre and Rutland Food Pantries. People may also drop of non-perishable food items and household items like toilet paper, paper towels, etc. for the food pantries. The menu includes pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, strawberries, orange juice, coffee, tea and hot cocoa.

**Citizens against BESS**

Oakham Citizens Against BESS will hold a resident meeting Thursday May 1 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Oakham Center School, Deacon Allen Drive in the cafeteria. The agenda includes understanding Battery Energy Storage Systems and the Oakham project; health, safety, environmental and financial concerns and open resident question and answers.

**Candidate Night**

Oakham Candidate Night will take place Wednesday, May 7 at 7 p.m. the Oakham Safety Complex, 178 Barre Road. People may submit questions for the candidates in advance by dropping them of at the Fobes Memorial Library, Maple Street or emailing [library@oakham-ma.gov](mailto:library@oakham-ma.gov). They should include their name; anonymous questions will not be accepted.

**Senior Center activities**

Here is the May schedule of activities for the Oakham Senior Center, located in the lower level of the Town Hall. Activities include Tuesday, May 6 SHINE from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., reservations are required;

Tuesday May 6, May 20, May 27: Yoga at 1 p.m. \$5.00 for walk-ins; Thursday, May 8 Blood Pressure from 11 a.m.-noon; Monday, May 19 podiatry (third Monday of month) from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m., reservations required; Tuesday, May 27 Blood Pressure/Glucose Testing from 11 a.m.-noon and Tuesday, May 27 SNAP benefits information from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. All are welcome; there are no age restrictions for SNAP.

Other activities include Monday through Thursday 9 a.m.-noon puzzling; Mondays through Thursdays 9 a.m. Walking Group meet at Senior Center; and Tuesdays through Thursdays 11 a.m. Walking Group, meet at Senior Center.

To participate in the walking groups, people should all the senior center at 508-882-4073 and ask to be added to the MSG group and leaving their cell phone number.

Wednesdays at 9 a.m. Zumba Gold is held in the Rutland Senior Center;\$3 donation per class.

Thursdays at noon weigh in at the Senior Center with support weight loss group.

Fridays at10.30 a.m. Functional Fitness is held at the New Braintree Town Hall; \$3 donation per class.

Hot lunches are offered at the Senior Center dining area Monday through Thursday at 11.30 a.m. Reservations are needed at least two days in advance and can be made through the Congregate Meal Coordinator from 9 a.m.-12.15 p.m. at 508-882-4072.

Lunch Brunch meets the third Friday. This month they meet Friday, May 16 at Val’s Restaurant, Holden. There is a sign up sheet at the Senior Center Main Room.

On June 10 at 1 pm.Bemis Farms Nursery will be coming to the Fire Station. They will make “The Flying Flower Café,” the pot that attracts butterflies and hummingbirds. Cost is \$15.00 per pot. Sign up in person, e-mail [COA@Oakham-MA.gov](mailto:COA@Oakham-MA.gov) or call the Senior Center at 508-882-4073.

Blood Pressure Clinics are held on the second Thursday of each month between 11and 11:15a.m. Pressures will be taken by Oakham nurse Chris Letendre, who has volunteered her services to the town. There is no need for an appointment. Clinics will operate on a first come basis.

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Please clear up our confusion about our Social Security payments

Dear Rusty:  
I am thoroughly confused.

What do I need to do to continue receiving automatic Social Security deposits to my bank account and maintain our Medicare and Supplement health insurance? My wife has received her SS deposit regularly on the thirrd Wednesday each month with automatic bank deposit for many years. I have received my SS deposit regularly the fourth Wednesday each month with automatic bank deposit also for many years. Can you please tell me what to do to continue receiving these automatic deposits?

First, I hear that we do not need to do anything. Then I hear that we must show up in person at our local SS office to visually confirm our identity. We live 100 miles away from our only SS office and apparently, they don't take walk-ins. Next, I hear that we must contact the SS on the internet and answer their questions in order to continue receiving our checks. I am totally confused and don't know what to do and we don't want to miss our checks or have our Medicare and supplemental insurance cancelled. Can you please help us?

Signed: Confused in Hawaii

Dear Confused:  
I know there have been a lot of news media reports and articles written on the recent changes announced by the Social Security Administration with respect to a need to confirm one's identity in-person. Allow me to set your mind at ease because, from what you have described that you are already receiving Social Security benefits and Medicare insurance, you do not need to do anything to have your Social Security benefits and your Medicare insurance continue without interruption and that includes your wife as well.

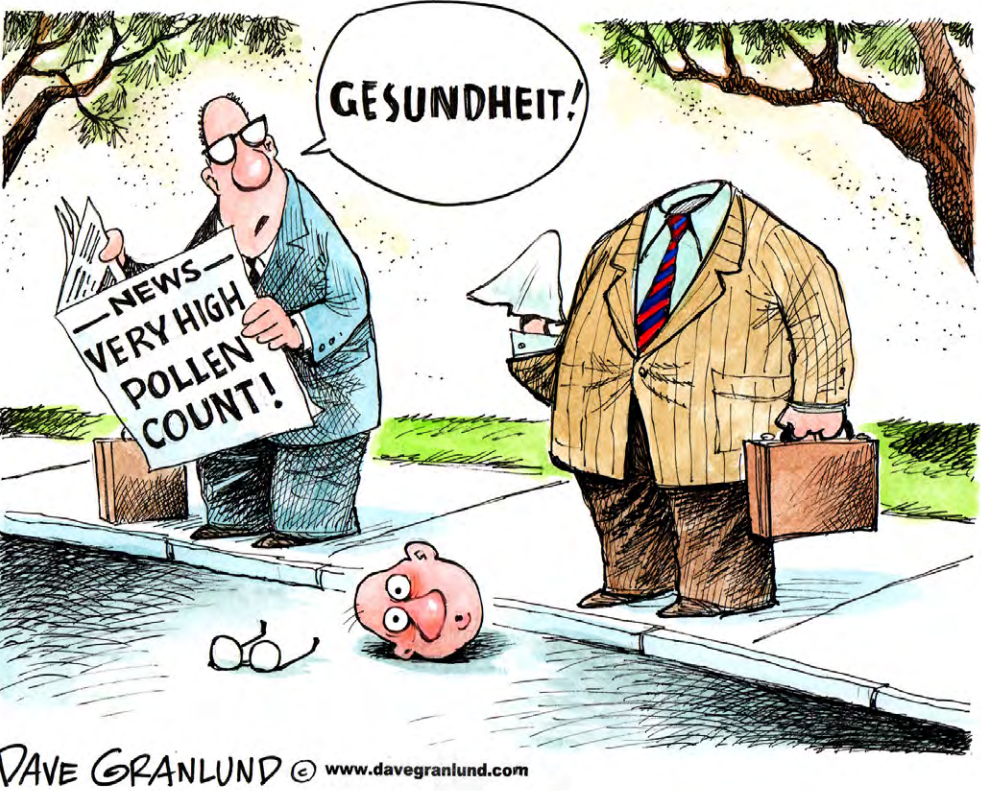
That which has been reported in the media is sometimes misleading or

misinformed, but here at the AMA Foundation's Social Security Advisory Service we are watching these events very closely and can assure you that your regular benefits will continue uninterrupted. The only people who may be affected by the SSA's new processes are those who are applying for Social Security for the first time or those who need to change where their monthly benefit is deposited. In those cases, the SSA is being very careful that no fraud is being attempted and, thus, the reason for a possible in-person SSA office visit, but only in those specific unique circumstances. But for you and your wife, it will continue to be "business as usual" and you will see no interruption in either your monthly Social Security benefit nor in your usual Medicare coverage and supplement. You don't need to do anything to have all your benefits continue.

So, please relax and do not worry. And rest assured that here at the AMAC Foundation we are watching all events occurring in Washington, D.C., especially those related to Social Security and Medicare, and will promptly inform our members of anything which affects them.

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Opinion



In Past Pages

5 years (May 7, 2020)

Hubbardston Selectmen gave approval to use town property for signs honoring this year's high school and college graduates from town. The signs will be displayed on school and library property. The board also okayed the placing of a banner across Main Street. Forty-seven students from Hubbardston are graduating high school this year. The board of selectmen have final approval of the sings and banner.

The Oakham Board of Selectmen voted to sign the warrant for the Annual Town Election on Monday, May 18. Poll hours will be noon-4 p.m. instead of the usual hours of 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Hubbardston Town Administrator Ryan McLane discussed options for town meeting this year. He said one option would be to hold the Annual Town Meeting outside at Curtis Recreation Field. Another choice would be to put off the Town Meeting to a later date. If the meeting were held after June 30, the town would go to a 1/12 budget. He said the decision on Town Meeting would need to be made within the next two weeks. Selectman Chairman Dan Galante said the Town Meeting could be moved from the first week of June to the end of June before going to 1/12 budget. McLane said in two weeks there would be more information.

10 years (May 7, 2015)

The Barre Board of Selectmen praised Actin

Look Back  
Concerts on the Common –1995



File photo

Liz Hodgen of Barre, from left and her sister, Marjorie Karabatsos, who was visiting from Salisbury, North Carolina were among the concert goers.

Fire Chief Robert Rogowski and his department for their quick response to a early last Saturday morning. Acting Chief Rogowski said the radiator on the forestry truck must be replaced. The town mechanic repaired it, but it failed. The chief found a radiator for \$550, he said it would cost more than that to have the existing radiator re-cored.

Last Friday the Quabbin Regional High School NJROTC held its annual awards ceremony, change of command and farewell to senior cadets. Cadet ENS Karl Skerry, Class Of 2016, replaced his sister, Cadet CDR Kristen Skerry during the charge of command ceremony as Commanding Officer. Cadet ENS Sean O'Sullivan (2016) replaced

Cadet LCDR Sylvia Borey (2015) as Executive Officer.

Town Clerk Jessica Bennett reported a 14% voter turnout for the Annual Town Election on Monday, May 14. One hundred three of the 729 registered voters went to the polls. Joseph Chenevert received 91 votes to win a three-year seat on the Board of Selectmen. Howard Ziff got 11 votes. Incumbent Renee Gregoire with 94 votes won another three year seat on Finance Committee.

25 years (May 4, 2000)

During a night marathon session in Boston, the issue of implementing the Clean Elections bill, passed over-  
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in the Garden  
by Roberta McQuaid  
The Garden Nag

I don't know about you, but the garden can sometimes be a nag. You walk by, and it says, "I need to be pruned," or maybe "Get rid of the leaves around my stems!" or how about "Stake me up, I'm sick of having my nose in the dirt."

Yes, a nag alright.  
I pass by some plants on my way to the garage and they are on my case. Same goes with the path to the chicken coop. Herbs, mostly, and they are begging for my attention.

Read on about what I need to do when I get to it!

These herbs, or "useful plants" are only a handful of years old, but admittedly, they have become a bit uncivilized. The mints have run amok, and the sage and lavenders have lost their youthful vigor.

Meanwhile the antique roses decided to make a run for it. It's time I show this garden who's boss.

Starting with the spear-mint that has intermingled with the horseradish, oregano and chives. Reigning this plant in will be an enjoyable job. Rather than take my own advice and sink a bottomless

pot around a chosen clump, I will allow the mint to meander into two parts of the bed and will yank up the rest.

I have a feeling I'll be revisiting this job before summer's end.

Both the sage and lavenders had grown tired. They are in the mint family as well, but their habit of growth is more like that of shrubs. Without rejuvenation, their stems get woody and gangly.

The sage is about to flower, so other than removing any obviously dead branches, I will come back in late June to tackle the rest of the rejuvenation. The lavenders have begun to show signs of life, so that I can prune now.

I may end up sacrificing a few blooms, but I think it will be worth it. I will cut deep within the plant to the first sign of fresh young growth. An application of fertilizer and lime and some extra water over the next couple of weeks will result in spry plants once more.

I was fortunate enough to have successfully moved an apothecary rose from my parent's garden to my former house and now to this present-day landscape. They sucker "wonderfully," that is, depending on where they are planted and who you ask!

On a hedge or banking, this habit would be welcomed. In my garden bed, it isn't always, especially when thorny shoots must be weeded out of neighboring plants, in my case, a bed of iris. Ouch!

I'll use the loppers for this task, cutting back the shoots that had invaded foreign territory. With hand clippers I removed dead twigs, cut back weak growth to a strong point on the stem and redirected inward growth to an outward facing bud.

The rose will look great and in a little more than a month will be full of those beautiful pink and oh so fragrant blossoms.

Now, last but not least... the weeds. According to my

personal dictionary of horticulture terms, a weed is simply a plant that is growing out of place.

The anise hyssop is a weed, as wonderful and fragrant as it is, when it volunteers itself out of bounds. It used to drive me crazy weeding. I had to save everything and plant it somewhere else.

Now I consider such weeds a gift to my compost pile when I have no room or no "takers."

Hard work, yes, but it'll be worth it! Now a trip to the garage or the chicken coop can be pleasurable once more.

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## Serenity Hill Sampler

by Jane McCauley

May Day is a special memory day for me.

I used to make so many May Baskets for an area candy shop. I also had an article in the Decorating Craft Magazine on how I made them and they gave me a beautiful pewter bowl with my name engraved on it.

I haven't made them for a while now as it is hard to get the good crepe paper. I used to make them for shut ins and put the marshmallow peanuts in them. At one time we used to put Mayflowers in them but now you are not supposed to pick them.

My mother used to make them to sell also. That is how I got started. One gentleman came each year and wanted here to make a large one to put a box of chocolates in it. I often wondered, who was going to get that basket, his office help or his wife?

I used to save pint ice cream container for this purpose. We put crepe paper flowers on the handles. As a child we used to hang a basket, ring the door bell and run so they would not know who hung the May Basket.

Here is a recipe I plan to make this week as I bought two sweet potatoes.

### SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE

3 cups mashed sweet potatoes  
1/4 cup butter, softened  
1/2 cup evaporated milk  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/4 teaspoon salt

### TOPPING

1/4 cup flour  
1/4 cup butter  
3/4 cup brown sugar  
1 cup pecan halves  
Mix together first five ingredients and pour into a casserole dish. Combine topping ingredients. Place on top  
Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

### This and That

Some days were beautiful, and I was able to finish some of the leaf raking. Other days we had rain. Flowers are poking through each day and even the little points of the hostas are now coming through. There are a lot of bloodroot and Scilla plants and the daffodils have been lovely. \ The rain did a job on them, but I went out and picked some that had bent over for a bouquet.

I noticed on the program for the Hubbardston Historical Society that they plan to have an exhibit of old toys and games at the

Field Day this year. I will have to dig out my old card games that used to be my grandmothers. I have a Cupie doll and a baby doll that I could also loan them.

As I was writing this, I burned on some potatoes I was boiling in order to put in some corn chowder I was making. I can not do two things at once anymore. I did rescue them by cutting off the burned part. Thank goodness for baking soda and chore girls.

I was happy to see that the Historical Society had a work party at the Williamsville Chapel. I wish I could go help but I can't anymore. I do keep up the notebooks and scrapbooks for them.

I planted some seeds of carrots, beets and kale and the beets have come up. They will have to be transplanted soon. I have also rooted a number of house plants ready to be put outside.

We babysat our handyman's dog so he could go to the East Quabbin Land Trust Gala on Saturday night. He and his guest bought me some pansies at their auction.

Have a good week and hopefully spring has sprung.

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whelmingly by voters in 1998, has come under fire and is facing a veto threat from Gov. A. Paul Cellucci.

Matthew Trifilo, president of the Phoenix Plaza Corporation, which owns the former Barre Wool property, was asked to appear before the Barre Selectmen to discuss safety issues relating to the mill. The Board informed Trifilo it had been officially notified by local and state building inspectors o serious safety hazards present at the mill. Inspectors cited the building's easy accessibility to children, potential fire hazards and falling bricks as the main issues the property must address. Trifilo made it clear the corporation did not have any funds to repair or restore structure.

Through the efforts of the Memorial Park and Common Committee spearheaded by secretary Remy Barnes and Tree Warden Norma LaPointe, Petersham

has attained the prestigious "Tree City" designation. During the past two years, the work of the committee has brought about two grants for pruning and preserving the hardwoods o the common, among which are Memorial trees planted for those of the community lost in World Wars. A bylaw has been passed by the towns that safeguards the future of the north and south commons.

### 38 years (May 7, 1987)

Approximately 40 people braved the bitter cold last Thursday, April 30 to witness the ground breaking for the new Sewage Treatment Plant in Barre. The five silver plated shovels marked the beginning of the second phase of the nearly \$13 million project. The first phase was the signing of contracts last Jan. 26. R.H. White Construction signed those contracts, which were for contracts 1 and 4. Contracts 2 and 3 are sill out for bid.

Conserve Our Small town members pushed their

anti-prison cause in two events last week, demonstrating in Boston and attempting to woo Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy to their side at a Democratic Town Committee meeting. Twenty to 30 people protested the planned siting of a 500 bed medium security prison in New Braintree at the State House in Boston, which are promoting "Land Day" on April 28, said COST Steering Committee member Kathy Tyler. The protestors, who came from New Braintree and the listening area of radio show host Jerry Williams, say the prison would overwhelm the small town. Williams has been supporting COST on his show.

Zoning bylaws were once again the topic of discussion at the Barre Selectman's meeting on Monday, May 4. Harold S. Nichols, Zoning Enforcement Officer, gave his updated list of violators of the Zoning bylaw to the Board. He included the action being taken in each case.



By Ellenor Downer

### Eastern phoebe



A Worthington resident reported he saw an Eastern phoebe on April 18.

He said it is the first insect eater to show up around his house. He also said he hoped to see swallows and bluebirds soon.

The eastern phoebe is a plump song bird with a medium length tail, which it wags up and down while perched. It is about 5.5 to 6.7 inches long and has a small, thin beak. Phoebes are brownish gray above with a white breast and belly. The head is the darkest part on the bird.

Phoebes prefer open woods such as yards and parks. They frequently construct nests on buildings or under bridges under the protection of an eave or ledge. They lay two to six white eggs speckled with reddish brown and raise one or two broods.

Flying insects make up the majority of their diet. They occasionally eat seeds and small fruits. They depend on low woody plants for foraging perches were they watch for insects.

### Bald eagle

I saw the mature bald eagle at my hayfield again. When I first saw it on

Thursday, April 24 he was perched in a dead tree by the beaver pond. Later in the day, the eagle was sitting in an old great blue heron nest constructed in a nearby tree.

A New Braintree resident saw a bald eagle at a small pond in that town. I wonder if it is the same eagle I've seen at my hayfield. The ponds are not that far apart.

### Brimfield bird sightings

I received an email from a Brimfield resident on April 16. He said, "This week we had the first of the year brown-headed cowbird (three, one male and two females and towhee (one male) in the yard." He said, "We hope the towhee isn't the one that previously spent the summer attacking our windows. We had to put glass wax on the windows to reduce the reflection to get the bird to stop." He read a recent newspaper column about a pileated woodpecker attacking and breaking side view mirrors on vehicles, 20 mirrors and one windshield.

This resident makes visits to local ponds to bird watch. He said, "Last week in Monson the rookery at Conant Brook had five nest, three with birds on or near the nests. In Warren the pond on New Reed Street continues to be a spot to see eagles. I saw two adult bald eagles there yesterday in addition to seven common mergansers, all female and nine ring-necked ducks, one female and eight males."

He continued, "The osprey in Warren are doing osprey things. I saw a bird bring two branches to the

nest yesterday and also mating. There are four great blue heron nest at the pond on South Street in

Warren. At least three are occupied. On Sunday we saw a pair of herons on the top of a broken off tree that is near the location where there was a nest last year, but the tree fell over during the winter. Yesterday the pair was at the same tree and it looks like they are building a nest. I wonder if this is the pair that had the nest in the tree that fell over?"

### Other Brimfield report

On Monday, April 21 the Brimfield resident said, "A pair of broad-winged hawks nested between our property and a neighbor's last year. They texted my wife that there was a pair of broadwings circling over our house recently."

He continued, "In the yard there are still a few junco, but no new arrivals since the towhee and chipping sparrows showed up. Two female turkeys are fairly regular and a male is following them sometimes. Last week in Warren there was a pair of buffle-head ducks and it looks like incubation has begun at the osprey nest. I was there for almost an hour recently and the bird sitting on the nest never left or moved out of the deep part of the nest."

### Flying squirrel

The Brimfield resident reported, "When I was cleaning out the nesting boxes the other day I disturbed a flying squirrel. That has happened a couple of times when I clean the boxes in the spring." I had a similar experience years ago when cleaning out a nesting box.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by calling me at 413-967-3505, leaving a message at extension 100, emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edowner@turley.com or mailing to Barre Gazette, P.O. Box 448, Barre, MA 01005.

## Annual May Festival returns on May 3

NORTH BROOKFIELD – The Friends of the Haston Free Public Library, with support from the Friends of the North Brookfield Town House, are excited to once again host the May Festival on the grounds of the Congregational Church across from the Library on Saturday, May 3 from 10

a.m.-2 p.m.

The May Festival will have live music, the North Brookfield Cultural Counsel Plant Swap, tours of the Town House, as well as an Open House at the North Brookfield Fire Department and the North Brookfield Historical Society museum.

Children's activities will be led by the Friends of the Town House.

There will be an art supply swap and many vendors and local organizations set up on the lawn to welcome the community. The Friends are looking forward to seeing all their friends in the community.

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help for,” he said. “I thought I had more to offer.

Kay said one of the biggest challenges the town is facing is its financial stability.

“The town is facing severe financial hardships, and I think there have been some decisions that were not quite right in the past and I think its time to fix them and move on,” he said.

In addition to being a teacher, Kay also had about 15 years working in the insurance industry. He has a bachelor’s degree in business and a master’s degree in mathematics.

“I’ve had experience in managing people,” Kay said. “I’m good at analyzing situations and coming up with solutions. I’ve got experience in implementing changes and following those through and reevaluating the changes.”

Kay said his experience as a teacher will help him serve the town on the Board of Selectmen.

“There’s a lot of transferable skills in teaching and being a selectperson,” he said. “Being able to communicate at all levels. Being able to prioritize the different problems and issues the town faces. I have the time, I have the energy...I think I have a lot to offer.”

Being on the Board of Selectmen is more than listening to people talk and following an agenda, Kay said. It’s about asking questions.

“I’m not shy, I don’t hide well,” Kay said. “I just stick my nose right in there until I find the right solution to a problem. I’m good at thinking outside of the box and finding different ways to get something done.”

Kay said the town needs new ideas and new approaches, as well as elected officials who can step back and look at other solutions to a problem and be able to communicate.

“The idea is to get people motivated to work in one direction to solve problems,” he said.

Kay said he doesn’t believe town officials and residents are on the same page. He said while they recognize the problem, they don’t always agree on the best course of action to move forward.

“The hard part is not identifying the problem but getting everybody on the same page. I think I’m good at that,” he said.

Kay will put his coaching skills to good use if elected to serve as Selectman.

“As a coach, not everybody has the same goals and objectives when they

start playing on a team. Sometimes that means sacrificing something you want for the good of the team,” he said. “It’s vital. We’re part of a team the day that we’re born, we’re part of a family. For a family to be successful, everybody has to be working together. When we’re able to work together we can overcome a lot of different obstacles.”

Kay said he really likes living in North Brookfield and said the town has a lot of potential for growth.

“It’s a special town,” he said. “There’s a lot of good people here. Most everybody has good intentions for the town, but we don’t always agree. If we can get everybody on the same page, then the town grows and that’s what it’s all about.”

**John P. Mitchell**  
 Mitchell was born in Worcester, having moved to North Brookfield as a child when his parents built their family home here. Since then, Mitchell and his family moved back and forth between Texas, Massachusetts and California, before permanently settling back in the place he calls “home” – North Brookfield.

“I’ve been in North Brookfield most of my life,” Mitchell said.

His father worked for the Police Department and his uncle was once the Chief of Police. He attended Grove Street School and went to North Brookfield High School for a short period of time before moving.

He served in the military and one of the things he learned is that the only stupid question is the one you don’t ask.

“I want to get to the bottom of everything and make sure it’s done right,” Mitchell said.

Mitchell has worked for three different municipalities in their highway departments, including Princeton, Berlin and most recently, North Brookfield. His experience working for the town opened his eyes to issues and he went to the Town Offices to discuss them, but wasn’t satisfied with the response.

He decided that the best way to find solutions to the issues was to get in a position where he could, and he decided to run for the Board of Selectmen.

“I didn’t know that my town was that bad,” Mitchell said. “Things were a lot worse than I knew. You don’t really pay much attention to what’s going on in town and I just assumed that people in charge just know what they’re doing.”

Mitchell said he started attending meetings in town

to learn more about some of the challenges the town is facing, including the Highway/Fire Department buildings project, clarifiers for the wastewater treatment upgrade, and talk of regionalization with another school district.

“I’m looking to get in there and change things for the town,” Mitchell said. “I’m sick and tired of the way things are right now. Nobody has the best interest of the town and taxpayers in mind.”

Mitchell also has experience working in a sewer plant and he can use his knowledge to lead the town through the various infrastructure projects it’s facing.

“I have what I think they’re looking for,” he said.

Mitchell said its also important for a representative of the town to act professionally and treat people with respect. Transparency with local government is also essential.

“There’s not enough transparency in the government, including in small towns. I am going to work on getting more transparency in the government and I would love to see the public participate more in the meetings,” Mitchell said. “If I get elected to this position it’s because the people put me there.”

Mitchell said he wants residents to be able to weigh in through social media, to help achieve transparency.

“I want people to be comfortable with their government,” he said. “I want to be approachable and make sure the town’s being represented in the proper way.”

Mitchell said the members of town government also need to have a working knowledge of how each department operates, and he believes his experience with highway, sewer and water will be beneficial.

“I know the general aspects of it, and I know what questions to ask,” he said. “I think you need more of a working man’s perspective in there. Common sense goes a long way...my motto is ‘Our Town, Your Voice’...I want to be the voice that speaks up.”

Mitchell said he isn’t blaming anyone specifically for the position the town is in today, and he said there are a lot of smart people serving and working for the town.

“I love North Brookfield, I always have. There’s a lot of nice people in here,” he said. “We just need to straighten out the town government again. I want to get back to those days where everybody talked to each other.”

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the possibility of amending Section 4.0 for Special Permit Procedures and Section 5.0 for Site Plan Approval.

It is read under Section 4.0 that the bylaw provides specific uses which shall be allowed in certain districts only upon the issuance of a special permit by the Planning Board acting as the Special Permit Granting Authority. One of the edits is to remove the SPGA title and have the section read as the Planning Board acting as the SPGA.

In other words, the intent is to have the Planning Board as the Special Permit Granting Authority.

The Planning Board explained the edit of 5.3 section 6 about decisions. The amended decision would be the approval of a site plan shall require a favorable vote of a minimum of three members of the Planning Board. The Planning Board shall deliver its written decision to the Building Inspector and Town Clerk within 90 days, rather than 60 days, of the receipt of the application by the Planning Board.

**Article 3 was approved and passed.**

Article 4 asked voters to amend Section 6.0 “Development Regulations,” Section 6.5 “Common Driveways,” Section 6.8 “Home Occupation” and Section 6.9 “Self-Contained Motor Homes, Trailers, Trailer Parks, and Campgrounds.”

There were some questions about Section 6.5.2 Applicability. The section reads “The Planning Board may permit a common driveway serving two to

six lots upon approval of a special permit and Common Driveway Site Plan.” There was a motion brought up to change the number of lots, but no second was made for the motion.

Planning Board member Bill Cole suggested they could put applicability in one category for a special review. Harry Comerford, Planning Board Vice Chair, explained that when it comes to special permit they are “discretionary,” but when it comes to site plans, “you can’t deny it.”

A site plan would be given conditions for applicants to follow when operating under a special permit. According to the Planning Board, a special permit is a good idea.

According to Planning Board member Erik Fleming common driveways have been allowed since 2012. With the possibility of having up to six lots the driveway will serve, its less likely the homes would be close together. A common driveway is usually one entrance, one exit.

“We want them all to be in the category of special permit,” Cole said.

The goal is to take a two-third majority vote and put the ruling under the special permit process. After confirmation, the town voted to accept article 4 as written.

Article 5 was about Solar Energy Facilities. The purpose of this bylaw is to provide for the construction and operation of solar energy facilities by providing standards for placement, design, construction, operation, monitoring, modification and removal of such energy facilities.

The edit for this section is to protect and minimize impacts on property values,

protect and preserve farmland. Additionally, the solar energy facilities shall be consistent with community planning documents including but not limited to the Town’s Master Plan and Open Space and Recreation Plan.

There were 11 definitions added to these sections for solar energy facilities as well as new details in sections for Applicability, General Requirements, and amendments for large solar energy facilities. Tinker of the Select Board asked for clarification on the solar ray facilities.

Members of the Planning Board explained that they see what is going on throughout the state when it comes to solar facilities and towns throughout Massachusetts are being more flexible when it comes to having solar panels and facilities installed.

“We cannot have unreasonable regulations,” Cole said talking about how the State of Massachusetts does want solar.

One resident asked about the definition of a large scale solar facility and how it affects the site. Cole said these amendments are suggestive changes that can be reviewed in the future. After addressing all the applicability questions, the voters passed article 5 and accepted it as written.

Prior to the adjournment of the Special Town Meeting, the residents quickly voted on article 6 to adopt a new bylaw regarding Battery Energy Storage Systems. The meeting would pivot back to article 2 and approve Section 3 for Use Regulations. The residents voted and both articles 2 and 6 passed.

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April 15 in the morning and closed it on Friday, April 25 at 5 p.m.

**Building inspector fees**

The Select Board approved the fee rates for Building Commissioner Robert Lanciani of \$12 per \$1,000 cost of the building for solar arrays and other commercial operations. He checked with several towns on their fee rates. He said the towns of Carter and Medfield adopted energy storage system by laws and they recommended Oakham do the same. The new fees will be effective Thursday, May 1.

**New hire**

The Highway Superintendent said that Michael Granger, the new highway employee, obtained his Class C license, which

allows him to drive vehicles with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of 26,001 pounds or less. He would be taking the state roadside mowing license test.

**Town emails**

Administrative Assist Maribel LaRange said town emails are renewed in May. The fee is around \$18 to \$20 per license. She recommended instead of individual emails the town use a single email for board and committee members. This would reduce the cost of the email fee and make it simpler when a new member gets added or left during the year. Emails were free with the old system so it was feasible to have an account for each board and committee member. The Select Board agreed to this system. If during the year someone left a committee or board, it would only require resetting

the password for that email address.

**Other business**  
 During public comment Lucy Deleo asked if the Select Board was for or against a proposed battery park in Oakham. Select Board Chairperson Lucy Tessnau said the Board discussed this at a previous meeting and were against a battery park. Such an operation request was made for the site of the former Amherst Oakham Recycling on Coldbrook Road.

Planning Board member Tom Hughes said the Planning Board still had not heard back from Town Counsel on the article to accept Skyline Drive as a town road. Chairperson Tessnau said she would check with Town Counsel, KP Law on the status of the article wording.

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Danie and Zachary sent their fish into the water.

# Fish on the fly



Hardwick fourth grader Grace G. carried a bucket of rainbow trout to the water's edge while Department of Conservation and Recreation's Brittany Guntor looked on



Turley Photos by Paula Quimette  
Jim Lagacy, MassWildlife's Aquatic Resource Education Coordinator, explained the process of stocking the water with fish.

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flight' activated," he said, as the fish slapped the surface of the water before quickly swimming out of sight.

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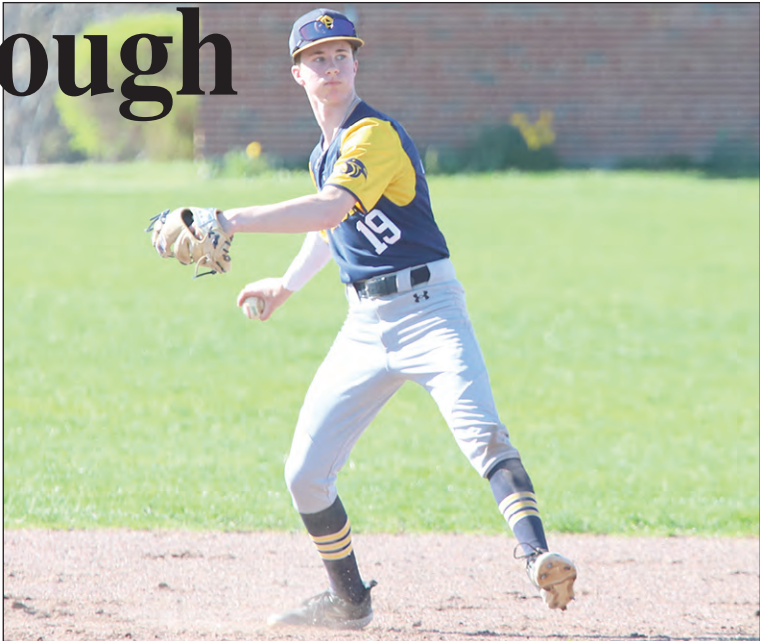
## Adams no-hits Tyngsborough



Finn Leander fouls off a pitch.

BARRE – Last Monday afternoon, Quabbin baseball shut out Tyngsborough 10-0. In the win, Adam Adams had a no-hitter in six innings. He walked one and struck out 10. He also had three hits at the plate and three RBI. Sam Morgan posted two hits and two RBI.

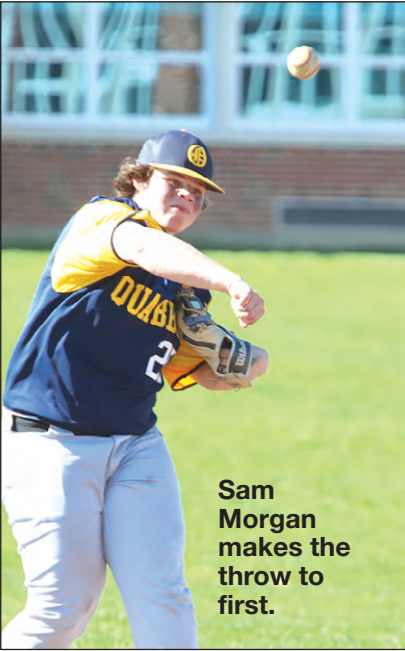
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Abe Brown fields grounder and makes the play.



Andrew Warfield squares up a hit.



Sam Morgan makes the throw to first.



Adam Adams sends a pitch to the plate.



Aubrey Ortiz sends a throw to first.

## Pioneers score upset of Pope Francis

PALMER – Last Thursday, Kendra Burke scored a rare feat as she pitched a complete game win over Pope Francis 1-0. While she allowed three hits, all 21 of the outs came on strikeouts. Pathfinder walked off with the win in the seventh as Arianna Perron drove in Lianna Carrasquillo with the game-winning run. Pathfinder handed Pope Francis only its second loss of the season while Pathfinder improved to 6-1.



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Kendra Burke fires to the plate.



Bella Nompleggi makes a clean throw for an out.



Lianna Carrasquillo fields the grounder.

## Quabbin softball falls at home

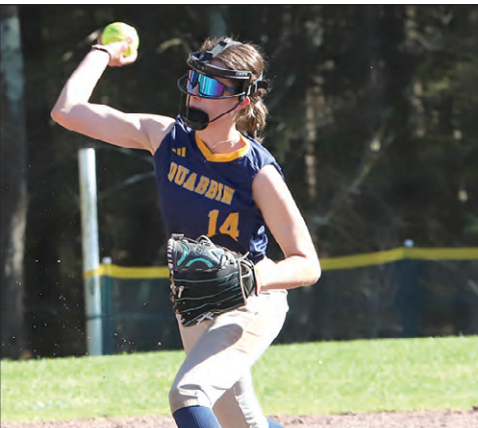
BARRE – On Monday afternoon, Quabbin Regional High School softball was defeated at home by Tyngsborough 13-3. The defeat dropped Quabbin to 3-4 on the season. The Panthers had won two straight prior to spring break. The Panthers are back in action at home against Leicester on May 1.



Jordan Blanchard goes after a deflected ball.



Kelsey Allen fields a base hit.



Lianna Leger makes a throw home.



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Abby Rogowski sends a pitch to the plate.

## Girls tennis out to perfect start

BARRE – The Quabbin Regional High School girls tennis team is out to a perfect 5-0 start. But it has not been easy. Two of the five wins were by 3-2 scores while two

have been by 4-1 scores. Their only 5-0 sweep was against Gardner prior to spring break. The Panthers returned to action earlier this week with a matchup against Clinton.

Coming up, the Panthers will travel to Clinton on Friday, May 2 at 4 p.m. They are back at home on Tuesday, May 6 against West Boylston at 3:30 p.m.



Sports

Candlepin League News

By Ryan Drago  
Staff Writer  
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Tuesday Night Commercial Elks League

PALMER – The season finale has come as the Commercial Elks League will crown a league champion.

It will be a three-game match between the top three teams throughout the season: Gutter Mouths, Daft Kings and Compression. The remaining three teams, Team BK, Last in Line and Mailmen, will be competing in a consolation roll off.

The winning team in the championship roll off will receive a team prize to split and will have their team’s name displayed on the league’s trophy and will be named 2024-2025 league champions.

In game one, after factoring in each team’s handicap, Compression had the lead with a score of 440. Gutter Mouths had a score of 391 and Daft Kings scored 336. In game two, Gutter Mouths took a commanding lead by scoring 394. After two games, Gutter Mouths were leading with a score of 785. Compression scored 325 and had a combined score of 765. Daft Kings were still in third and bowled 343 for a combined score of 679 after two games.

In game three, Gutter Mouths continued with their strong streak and bowled 383 to win the championship roll off. Gutter Mouths combined with a score of 1168, Compression finished in second place with 1105 and Daft Kings finished third with 1039.

President of the league Stephen Manolakis and league treasurer/secretary Dino Tessicini are a part of the team Gutter Mouths and successfully won the championship of the 2024-2025 Commercial Elks candlepin league season.

During the consolation roll off, the Mailmen were victorious with a combined score of 1120. It was a close roll off as Last in Line finished a close second with a combined score of 1114. Team BK finished third in the consolation with a score of 1081.

Going into the last game, Last in Line had an 11-point lead over the Mailmen and a 33-point lead over Team BK. In game three, Mailmen scored 357 and Last in Line scored 336 to takeover the lead and win the consolation roll off.

The league ended with all the bowlers enjoying a nice meal during their banquet at Diamond Junction Bowling Lanes. The league will return in September after Labor Day for another fall/winter league season of candlepin bowling.

In the Classroom

NJHS holds induction ceremony at Quabbin



Photo courtesy of Maddy Hardy

National Junior Honor Society members were inducted into the society on Wednesday, March 26 at Quabbin Regional Middle School.

BARRE – NJHS President Greyson Mullins gave the welcome address to the 41 inductees, their families and friends and faculty members in attendance. The two guest speakers were Irene Stolgitis, National Honor Society President and Eamon Arnold, both members of the Quabbin Regional High School class of 2024. Members of the NHS were instrumental with the setup, organization and the clean up of the event.

Readings for the Candle Lighting ceremony were done by Adeelya Andrade - Character, Zoey Salvadore - Citizenship, Madisyn

Shotwell - Leadership, Addison Surprenant – Service and Adalyn Cranston - Scholarship. Hazel Rose Carter led the inductees in the Pledge. Certificates and honor cords were presented to the students by Assistant Principal Janet Hicks and the NJHS Advisor, Nancee Roy.

The following students were inducted into the NJHS ceremony: Olivia Abbas-Peck, Adeelya Andrade, Alison Baptiste, Kalina Bassett, Hazel Rose Carter, Lauren Colleton, Adalyn Cranston, Jeremy DeMoranville, Fiona Derr, Brynn Dunphy, Maya Faucher, Xavier

Jackson Fjeld, Silas Flint, Nathan Gingras, Sawyer Harmon, Hayston Hay, Madisyn Hill, Reese Jamieson, Sarah Jean-Francois, Gemma Mullins, Greyson Mullins, William O’Neill, Joseph Perrone, Lukas Potter, Whitney Reeves, Chloe Richardson, Ava Rogowski, Connor Roohan, Zoey Salvadore, Madison Scanlon, Madisyn Shotwell, Annabelle Silver, Rosalie Stark, Addison Surprenant, Michael Tabares, Robert Tobin, Launa Tran, John Tyler, Maxwell Wade, Robyn Waltz and Jack Wynne.

The objective of the National Junior Honor Society is to create an

enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to foster worthy leadership and citizenship and to encourage the development of character in students of Quabbin Regional Middle School. Candidates must meet the academic requirements, and complete an application describing co-curricular activities, community activities, leadership positions, work experience, and recognition and awards.

Additionally, they must explain why they feel it is important to become a member of the NJHS. Their applications are then reviewed by a Faculty Council.

Quabbin High School lists honor roll

BARRE – The Quabbin Regional High School, 800 South St., announces the third quarter honor roll.

**Grade 9 High Honors**  
Students in Grade 9 making High Honors are: Abraham Brown, Josephine Buck, Chloe Howarth, Alison LaRoche, Ellie Poulin and Erin Trottier.

**Grade 9 Honor Roll**  
Students in Grade 9 making Honor Roll are: Nicholas Antonio, Brent Benoit, Anyiah Bergeron, Eleanor Carroll, Nicholas Carroll, Brian Colleton, Michael Condry, Aiden Crane, Kayla Curran, Adrien Cyr, Oliver Davis, Claudia DeLaRoche, Aliyah Edouard, Maya Edouard, Andrew Erickson, Arianna Farnoli, Audrey Faucher, Samuel Feldman, Sydney Freeman, Daniella Gaudreault, Callahan Hardy, Ally Harrington, Matthew Labrousse, Emma Lindsey,

Kingston McKenzie, Gianna Montalvo, Niki Nikakhlagh, John Orsini, Aubrie Phelps, Moira Powers, Juliet Priestley, Lucas Proctor, Lealani Prunesti-Thomas, Veanna Salvadore, Ava Sobol, Haley Stoll, Benjamin Thompson and Catherine Tucker.

**Grade 10 High Honors**  
Students in Grade 10 making High Honors are: Jacob Bassett, Madeleine Boisselle, Isabel Doty, Leah Doucette, Tess Dunphy, Kirk Kaelin, Sadie Kennan, Samantha O’Connor, Ella Reeves, Sienna Shaw and Ellary White.

**Grade 10 Honor Roll**  
Students in Grade 10 making Honor Roll are: Klavdiya Antonian, Skyler Bard, Halo Bissonnette, Mackenzie Casey, James Cook, Katelyn Durant, Brody Faucher, Quinlan Fauteux, Grace Flamand, Kathryn Ford, Lilian

Hinckley, Kayli Howland, Sierra Lambert, Jillian LaMontagne, Audrey Laursen, Scarlett Merriman, Anna Metcalf, Jesse Newton, Charlotte Oliver, Sadie Ouimette, Blake Parmeter, Arianna Riendeau, Camren Robertson, Abigail Rogowski, Jennavicia Roseberry, Emma Ryan, Aubrey Thorpe, Owen Twarog, Grace Vanoudenhove, Caylee Watts, Brendan Welch and Leanna Zou.

**Grade 11 High Honors**  
Student in Grade 11 making High Honors is Tricia Bruso.

**Grade 11 Honor Roll**  
Students in Grade 11 attaining Honor Roll: Aaron Bodine, Owen Breuer, Micah Cerezo, Kylee Costello, Annabella DiMartino, Mia Ducos, Kalina Dyer, Garrett Erickson, Adelaide Harmon, Emma Kahlau, Collin

Lindley, Grace Manna, Elizabeth Matheson, Hunter McQueston, Parker Proulx, Aaron Rowell, Madelyn Stauder and Farrah Wojcik.

**Grade 12 High Honors**  
Students in Grade 12 making High Honors are Jordan Blanchard, Matthew Erickson, Kun Liu, Ethan Salvadore, Sadie Sheldon and Jaxon Warburton.

**Grade 11 High Honor**  
Students in Grade 12 making Honor Roll are: Benjamin Bibik, Kevin Boles, Alisyn Bruso, Kyle Clark, Ava Conlee, Teaghan Earle, Adam Faulha, Sophia Gagne, James Q. Geary, Kylie George, Kyra Grummell, Samuel Guertin, Isabel LaBelle, Travis LaRoche, Lianna Leger, Lauren Orne, Adelynn Prochnow, Hannah Shepard, Julia Smith, Irene Stolgitis, Vanecia Tarquinio and Richard Tucker.

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# Church

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### Earth Day Reflections 2025

“Love Your Mother” with a drawing of the Earth is one of my favorite bumper sticker slogans.

It puts a different spin on how the relationship between humans and the Earth is often framed.

For nearly 2,000 years, if not far longer, most of Western culture based its ideas about Nature on the Judeo-Christian-Muslim story of Creation: God said to Adam and Eve, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.”

To the Europeans arriving in Jamestown and Plymouth, the wilderness of the New World needed to be subdued. We have long revered the pioneers like Daniel Boone, the brave families who tamed the Wild West, and the engineers who built dams to harness wild rivers.

There were signs of a flaw in the dominion concept long ago. In 1661, John Evelyn published a booklet on the air pollution in London. To improve air quality, Evelyn recommended switching from coal to wood as a fuel source.

Here is Massachusetts, by 1800 we had cut down so many trees and converted so much forest to pasture that we had to start building fences out of rocks. Our soils, built up over thousands of years, had changed. The nutrients like calcium and potassium had been washed away in heavy rains. Much of the organic matter or carbon, in our soils had disappeared; oxidized when we turned over the soil each spring.

Ah, but there was no shortage of stone for fences and there was more land in the Genesee Valley of New York and Ohio, and “endless prairie” beyond the Wabash River.

The 1890s were a tumultuous time in America, later called the Gay 90s. The steel and railroad industries brought great wealth to some, while large-scale immigration created a large population of poor people. In 1893, three years after the Wounded Knee mass murder of 250 to 300 native Americans, Katharine Lee Bates, daughter of a Congregational minister from Massachusetts, wrote, “O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress, a thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness. Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears.”

Yet a very different view of wilderness was developing. In 1836, the son of a Unitarian minister from Boston named Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote an essay called Nature, in which he called for greater appreciation for the natural world and linked Nature with the divine. “That which, intellectually considered, we call Reason, considered in relation to

nature, we call Spirit. Spirit is the Creator,” Emerson wrote.

Referring to forests, he wrote, “Within these plantations of God, a decorum and sanctity reign, a perennial festival is dressed, and the guest sees not how he should tire of them in a thousand years. In the woods, we return to reason and faith.”

In 1864, George Perkins Marsh called for stewardship and appreciation for the natural world, instead of exploitation, in his book, Man and Nature. The first school of forestry was established in 1896 as the Great Conservation Movement got underway John Muir called for the protection of wilderness and the spectacular landscapes of the Sierra Nevada. During his 7 ½ years as president, Theodore Roosevelt protected 230 million acres of land in national parks, national forests, wildlife reserves and national monuments.

Harvard Forest was established in 1907. Bob Marshall, a graduate of Harvard Forest, became an advocate for wilderness preservation in the 1920s and Aldo Leopold, a forester and wildlife biologist, called for a land ethic in the 1940s.

Nevertheless, the old paradigm of human dominion over Nature remained. In 1940, Arlo Guthrie wrote, “This land is your land, this land is my land. This land was made for you and me.”

Westward expansion, discoveries and inventions like the steam engine and steel, the industrial revolution they spawned, and global trade or neo-colonialism, enabled us to ignore the early warning signs of the limits of our control of the earth.

This hubris perhaps reached a peak in the 1950s, when we “harnessed the atom” and began the campaign to “conquer outer space.” Thanks to a century of federally-funded public works projects (railroads, dams, bridges, ports, highways, and educational institutions) and industrial development, together with, finally, if incompletely, a more enlightened understanding of what women can do, the 1950s were years of great middle-class prosperity.

In the 1960s, even as some of the impacts of pollution were becoming too obvious to sweep aside, one way of framing a way forward was “The Spaceship Earth” concept Ecologist Robert Petty, my advisor in college was gravely concerned about the Spaceship Earth concept because it implied that we could engineer our way out of environmental challenges and we could control everything on Earth, just as we could on a spaceship.

The first big wake-up call in my life time came in 1962, with the publication of “Silent Spring” by Rachel Carson. Silent Spring inspired a lot of people, scientists and everyday citizens alike, to think differently about our relationship with the earth. Then

came the 1968 Apollo 8 photograph of the earth, a small blue and white sphere in the darkness of space, emerging into the sunlight from the shadow of the moon. The photograph became known as Earthrise. It was widely reproduced. Photographer Galen Rowell has called it “the most influential environmental photograph ever taken.” Astronaut William Anders, who took the picture, said, “We set out to explore the moon and instead discovered the Earth.”

Very soon after the Earthrise photo was published, there was a terrible oil spill in California.

In 1969, the Cuyahoga River in Ohio caught fire. Time magazine published a photo of a much larger 1952 fire on the Cuyahoga and launched an “Environment” section in the weekly magazine. Peace activist John McConnell called for a world-wide holiday to celebrate the beauty of the earth and promote world peace. Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin recruited 25-year-old Denis Hayes, another antiwar activist and at that time a Harvard law student, to organize seminars at colleges and universities about pollution. Senator Nelson also recruited Julian Koenig, an advertisement creator. Koenig was famous in the advertising world for his “Think Small” Volkswagen ad. Koenig recommended the one-day focus on the environment be called “Earth Day,” and the name stuck. Denis Hayes said, “‘Earth Day’ is transparent and resonant in essentially every language in the world.”

The United States was deeply divided in 1969.

Many people believed the spread of Communism must be stopped at any cost. To achieve that, half a million American soldiers were in Vietnam and 30,000 had been killed. Following the tragic assassination of Bobby Kennedy and a contentious presidential nomination by the Democratic Party, Republican Richard Nixon was elected, winning by just 1% but carrying 32 states. He had campaigned on a pledge to end the war but his 1969 peace talks initiative failed. There were large demonstrations against the war, anti-war activists were being arrested, others who opposed the Vietnam War fled to Canada to avoid being drafted.

The divide within America was called “The Generation Gap.” Besides polarized views on the war in Vietnam, the divide marked strong disagreements on gender roles, dress, and even hair. It impacted conversations everywhere, from school and church to family dinner tables.

Earth Day bridged the divide. Even though pollution and poor land use decisions impacted people of limited income far more than it did the middle class, Earth Day organizers were careful to

focus on issues of near universal concern and offered solutions that would benefit nearly everyone. That strategy worked. The United Auto Workers union was a major financial contributor.

The concept of an Earth Day in the spring of 1970 was first announced in September of 1969, so there was a long build up. Denis Hayes realized that many of the people interested in Earth Day were not college students, who were most concerned with the Vietnam War, but women with children and elementary and high school teachers. So, the outreach of the campaign shifted from college campuses to include community organizations and schools.

The months of organizing and publicizing paid off. An estimated 20 million Americans, ten percent of the population, took part in the first Earth Day. The Paris Climate Accord was opened for signing on Earth Day in 2016. Today, Earth Day is observed in 192 countries.

Just 78 days after that first Earth Day, President Nixon called for the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency. The Clean Air Act was revised in 1970 and seven out of twelve members of Congress identified as anti-environment, were voted out of office. The Clean Water Act and the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to regulate pesticides were passed in 1972. The Safe Drinking Water Act followed in 1974.

Untold thousands of young people chose to study science and went on to successful careers in newly-flourishing environmental non-profits, companies, and new departments of companies. Rivers like the Connecticut and the Merrimac were cleaned up. Land trusts and states protected more land from development.

We celebrate Earth Day not only as a day to stop and love Mother Earth, and not only to recognize all that has been done to protect the earth since 1970, but also to remember that one U.S. senator and 86 dedicated, hard-working people with a vision changed the way millions of people think about the earth.

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world: indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has,” said anthropologist Margaret Mead.

To the Four Directions Spirit of the East, spirit of air, of morning and springtime:

Be with us as the sun rises, in times of beginning, times of planting.

Inspire us with the fresh breath of courage as we go forth into new adventures.

Joan Goodwin/  
Tim Hawley  
First Congregational  
Parish,  
Unitarian of Petersham

## Arlen R. Glancey, 82



B A R R E – Arlen R. Glancey, 82, of Barre, passed away peacefully on April 22, 2025 surrounded by family.

He is the loving husband of the late



Carolyn (Narva) Glancey with whom he shared over 40 years of marriage.

Al was born in Gilbertville, the son of John and Arlene (Tolman) Glancey. He proudly served in the Army National Guard for three years before dedicating 13 years to law enforcement, working as a police officer in Hubbardston, Holden, Worcester, Charlton and Leicester. He later spent 11 years as a truck driver and 13 years as a salesman.

Together with his beloved wife Carolyn, he traveled extensively, moving 11 times before retiring in Barre. He embraced life with a love for hiking, boating, dancing the polka and cherishing time with family and friends. A true thrill-seeker, he flew in a gyrocopter in Jamaica, rode in a race car at the Daytona 500 and even had a stand-in role in the film “Days of Thunder” alongside Tom Cruise. His adventurous spirit and warm heart will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Arlen leaves behind his daughter, Charlene Picucci and her husband Thomas of Jaffrey, New Hampshire; his stepchildren, Paul Lucier and his wife Anna

of Spencer, Debra Waugh and her husband Thomas and Robin Sisco and her husband Leonard, both of North Brookfield; his beloved grandchildren, Nathan Picucci, Patrick Glancey, and Thomas Chase Whitney; his former wife Linda Glancey and her husband Leon Gaidanowicz of Hubbardston and numerous step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his loving wife, Carolyn Glancey; his parents, John and Arlene Glancey; his son, Mark Glancey; his daughter, Sharon Glancey and brother, Lawrence Glancey.

Arlen will be laid to rest with his late wife in a private family service at Worcester County Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Arlen’s memory may be made to Burbank Cancer Center, 275 Nichols St, Fitchburg, MA 01420 or VNA Hospice & Palliative Care, VNA Care Fund Development, 100 Trade Center, Suite G-500, Woburn, MA 01801. Assisting with arrangements is Miles Funeral Home in Holden. Please visit [www.milesfuneralhome.com](http://www.milesfuneralhome.com) for more information.

### DEATH NOTICE

**Glancy, Arlen R.**  
Died April 22, 2025  
Funeral Service private

## Tag sale at Christ Memorial Episcopal on May 10

NORTH BROOKFIELD – Christ Memorial Episcopal Church, 133 North Main St., will hold its “name your own price” tag sale on Saturday, May 3 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

There will be plants, puzzles, books, clothes, kitchen/household/kids items, treasures and more. Rain date is Saturday, May 10.

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## Public Notices

### TOWN OF BARRE BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Board of Sewer Commissioners relative to increasing the Sewer User Fees. This hearing will be held on **Monday, May 19, 2025 at 6:30 PM** at the Department of Public Works Building, 441 Wheelwright Road, Barre, MA. Any person wishing to comment may do so at that time. Any questions may be directed to the DPW by phone: 978-355-5013 or email: [dpw@townofbarre.com](mailto:dpw@townofbarre.com) 05/01/2025

### New Braintree Select Board Notice of Public Hearing

Upon the petitions of National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc., the Select Board of New Braintree has scheduled a public hearing on **Monday, May 12, 2025, at 7:05 p.m.** at the New Braintree Town Hall, 20 Memorial Drive, New Braintree, MA.

Plan marked jointly for National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. No. 31101937 dated March 11, 2025, for permission to install I JO Pole on North Brookfield Road beginning at a point approximately 1,000 feet south of the centerline of the intersection of Robinson Road. Installing Pole P8-2.

Also, for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

The public is welcome to attend. 05/01, 05/08/2025



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# Public Safety

## Barre Police Log

**Sunday, April 13**  
3:45 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Breathing Difficulty, Edward Lane, Transported to Hospital  
12:55 p.m. Animal – ACO Call, Kendall Street, Officer Spoke to Party  
6:15 p.m. Assist Other Police Department, Hardwick, Investigated

**Monday, April 14**  
9:07 a.m. Larceny or Theft, South Street, Public Assist  
10:48 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Sick/Unknown, Oakham Road, Transported to Hospital  
1:41 p.m. Animal – ACO Call, Kendall Street, Officer Took Call  
1:57 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Vernon Avenue, Citation Issued  
2:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued  
3:40 p.m. Erratic Operator, Worcester Road, Officer Spoke to Party  
4:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued  
4:20 p.m. Unwanted Party, Fir Street, Party Departed without Incident  
4:49 p.m. Assist Other Police Department, Rutland Mutual Aid Assist  
9:09 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Chest Pain/Heart Problem, Summer Street, Mutual Aid Transport  
9:51 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Falls, Newton Street, Public Assist  
10:48 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Breathing Difficulty, Old Hardwick Road, No Transport Required

**Tuesday, April 15**  
1:18 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Kendall Street, Transported to Hospital  
10:44 a.m. Tree Incidents (No Wires), Williamsville Road,

Referred to Other Agency  
4:28 p.m. Safety Concern, West Street, Officer/Chief Advised  
4:33 p.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, South Street, Transferred to Hospital  
9:39 p.m. Erratic Operator, Wheelwright Road, Negative Contact

**Wednesday, April 16**  
9:08 a.m. Court Duty, Police Headquarters South Street, Court Duty  
10:02 a.m. Court Duty, East Brookfield District Court, Court Duty  
11:11 a.m. Suspicious Person/Vehicle Activity, Main Street, Negative Contact  
11:14 a.m. Animal – ACO Call, Kendall Street, Officer Took Call  
2:29 p.m. Suspicious Person/Vehicle Activity, Exchange Street, Negative Contact  
3:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Vernon Avenue, Citation Issued  
3:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued  
4:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued

**Thursday, April 17**  
12:02 a.m. Follow-Up Investigation, South Street, Investigation (On-Going)  
2:41 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Sick/Unknown, Transported to Hospital  
9:36 a.m. Animal – ACO Call, Butterworth Road, Referred to Other Agency  
11:04 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued  
11:48 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued  
12:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued  
1:09 p.m. Emergency Medical

Service – Oakham Road, Ambulance Signed Refusal  
2:42 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Breathing Difficulty, Worcester Road, Transported to Hospital  
5:12 p.m. Fire – Brush and Wildland Fires, Adams Road, Investigated

**Friday, April 18**  
2:30 p.m. Fire – Brush and Wildland Fires, West Street, Investigated  
4:28 p.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, Worcester Road, Transported to Hospital  
5:03 p.m. Emergency Medical Service –Abdominal/Back Pain, Worcester Road, Mutual Aid Transport  
8:10 p.m. Fire – Structure Fires, Barre Paxton Road, Fire Extinguished  
10:25 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Sick/Unknown, Root Road, Transported to Hospital

**Saturday, April 19**  
9:25 a.m. Landlord Tenant/Neighbor Dispute, Elm North Street, Officer Spoke to Party  
1:19 p.m. Animal – ACO Call, Kendall Street, Message Delivered  
4:28 p.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, West Street, Transported to Hospital  
Summons Frisby, William James, 28, Groton  
Charges Operating Under the Influence – Liquor .08%, Reckless Operation of Motor Vehicle, Alcohol in Motor Vehicle, Posses Open Container of, Marked Lanes Violation, Inspection Sticker, No, Destruction of Property – \$1200, Wanton c266 S127  
4:46 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Chest Pain/Heart Problem, Adams Road, Mutual Aid Assist

Friday, April 18  
7:07 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Gardner Road, Written Warning  
8:37 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Gardner Road, Citation Issued  
6:59 p.m. Fire – Illegal Burn, Old Boston Turnpike, Investigated  
8:10 p.m. Fire – Structure Fires, Barre Paxton Road, Fire Extinguished  
8:41 p.m. Unwanted Party, Main Street, Officer Took Call

Saturday, April 19  
9:27 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Welfare Check, Barre Road, No Action Required  
9:51 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Old Boston Turnpike, Transported to Hospital  
4:30 p.m. Gunshots, Hubbardston Road, Negative Contact  
7:15 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Rollingwoods Road, No Transport Required

## Rutland Police Log

**Sunday, April 13**  
4:41 a.m. Public Assist, Barre Paxton Road, Public Assist  
8 a.m. Animal – ACO Call, Pommogussett Road, Officer Spoke to Party  
4:34 p.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, Wachusett Street, Vehicle Towed  
4:48 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Welfare Check, Welch Avenue, Ambulance Signed Refusal

**Monday, April 14**  
1:54 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Bonano, Ralph Jr., 31, East Boston  
Charges Unlicensed Operation of Motor Vehicle, Registration Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With, Unregistered Motor Vehicle  
2:03 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Bouche Joseph A., 43, Rutland  
Charges Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Registration Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With, Unregistered Motor Vehicle  
2:26 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wachusett Street, Written Warning  
2:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Lessore, Lindsey Elizabeth, 23, Oakham  
Charges Unlicensed Operation of Motor Vehicle, Inspection Sticker, No  
2:59 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued  
3:06 p.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, Main Street, Transported to Hospital  
Summons Brown, David Winston, 75, North Brookfield  
Charges Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle, Marked Lanes Violation  
3:42 p.m. Safety Concern, Brintnal Drive, Officer/Chief Advised  
6:07 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Falls, Glenwood Road, Transported to Hospital  
7:45 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East County Road, Written Warning  
8:26 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wachusett Street, Written Warning  
8:36 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Dickie, Jonathan Richard, 39, Ware  
Charges License Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle with, Lights Violation, Motor Vehicle  
9:33 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Abdominal/Back Pain, Old Turnpike Road, Mutual Aid Transport

**Tuesday, April 15**  
7:30 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
7:48 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
8:51 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
9:05 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
10:18 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Glenwood Road, Written Warning  
10:24 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East County Road, Citation Issued  
12:25 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Sick/Unknown, Irish Lane, Transported to Hospital  
1:32 p.m. Erratic Operator, Main Street, Report Filed  
4:52 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Welfare Check, Pommogussett Road, Officer Spoke to Party  
7:27 p.m. Fraud or Forgery, Main Street, Officer Spoke to Party  
9:09 p.m. Assist Other Police Department/K9, Dudley, Mutual Aid Assist

**Wednesday, April 16**  
1:50 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East County Road, Written Warning  
8:31 a.m. Animal – Wildlife, Pommogussett Road, Referred

to Other Agency  
10:48 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Sick/Unknown, Peters Avenue, Transported to Hospital  
11:59 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pommogussett Road, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Hervan, Matthew T., 41, Templeton  
Charges Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Unregistered Motor Vehicle, Safety Standards, Vehicle Not Meeting RMV  
12:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wachusett Street, Written Warning  
12:44 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wachusett Street, Written Warning  
1:06 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wachusett Street, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Packard, Alexis Elizabeth, 29, Holden  
Charges Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Registration Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With, Unregistered Motor Vehicle  
1:25 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Veerabattini, Praven Kumar, 23, Worcester  
Charges Unlicensed Operation of Motor Vehicle  
1:45 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Criminal Complaint  
Summons Koenig, Joshua, 40, Paxton  
Charges Unlicensed Operation of Motor Vehicle, Registration Sticker Missing  
2:45 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Maple Avenue, Citation Issued  
3:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Kenwood Drive, Citation Issued  
3:16 p.m. Tree Incidents (No Wires), East County Road, Removed Hazard  
3:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pommogussett Road, Written Warning  
3:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pommogussett Road, Citation Issued  
3:51 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
4:01 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Written Warning  
4:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
4:32 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
4:45 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street Written Warning  
4:59 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
5:04 p.m. Fraud or Forgery, Oakridge Drive, Officer Spoke to Party  
5:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued  
5:22 p.m. Erratic Operator, Sunnyside Avenue, Area Search Negative  
5:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wachusett Street, Written Warning  
5:32 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wachusett Street, Criminal Complaint

Summons Zenkus, James A., 45, Worcester  
Charges Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Registration Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With, License Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle with  
11:15 p.m. Animal – Wildlife, Maple Avenue, Officer Spoke to Party

**Thursday, April 17**  
5:41 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
6:01 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
7:21 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Sick/Unknown, Memorial Drive, Transported to Hospital  
8:27 a.m. Lockout (Home or Vehicle, Pleasantdale Road, Entry Gained  
11:58 a.m. Animal – ACO Call, Pleasantdale Road, Referred to Other Agency  
12:09 p.m. Suspicious Person/Vehicle, Memorial Drive, Investigated  
3:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Criminal Complaint

**Friday, April 18**  
11:41 a.m. Animal – Lost and

Summons Desantis, Rachel Ann, 39, Rutland  
Charges Registration Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With, Uninsured Motor Vehicle  
4:26 p.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, Barre Paxton Road, Vehicle Towed  
4:50 p.m. Fire – Structure Fires, Maple Avenue, Investigated  
5:15 p.m. Safety Concern, Pommogussett Road, Officer Spoke to Party  
9 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Falls, Highland Park Road, Transported to Hospital

**Friday, April 18**  
9:08 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Unconscious/Unresponsive/Syncope, Prospect Street, Transported to Hospital  
2:39 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Falls, Miles Road, Transported to Hospital  
3:28 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
5:07 p.m. Assist Other Police Department, Dudley, Officer Spoke to Party  
6:22 p.m. Fire – Propane Incident, Maple Avenue, Fire Extinguished  
8:10 p.m. Fire – Structure Fires, Barre Paxton Road, Fire Extinguished  
8:54 p.m. Fraud or Forgery, River Road, Officer Spoke to Party  
11:12 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Falls, Crestview Drive, Ambulance Signed Refusal

**Saturday, April 19**  
7:36 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued  
7:42 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued  
7:57 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Written Warning  
8:29 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued  
8:44 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
8:52 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued  
9:30 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Written Warning  
9:49 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued  
10:11 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Fisherman's Road, Citation Issued  
10:20 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Written Warning  
10:26 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre PaxtonRoad, Written Warning  
10:44 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
10:57 a.m. Trespasser or Prowler, Kenwood Drive, Negative Contact  
11:40 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
11:55 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pommogussett Road, Citation Issued  
12:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning  
12:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Written Warning  
12:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest Dasilva, Roselma, 49, Shrewsbury  
Charges Warrant  
3 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Headache, Carly Circle, Transported to Hospital  
4:18 p.m. Fire – Illegal Burn, Glenwood Road, Fire Extinguished  
7:38 p.m. Erratic Operator, Glenwood Road, Officer/Chief Advised  
8:12 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Falls, Crestview Drive, Transported to Hospital  
9:14 p.m. Motor Vehicle – Disabled, Main Street, Officer Spoke to Party

## Hubbardston Police Log

Sunday, April 13  
4:28 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Welfare Check, Old Boston Turnpike, Officer Spoke to Party  
7 p.m. Assault, Main Street, Officer Took Call

Monday, April 14  
7:54 a.m. Trespasser or Prowler, Dogwood South Road, Officer Spoke to Party  
9 a.m. Court Duty, Gardner District Court, Court Duty  
10:53 a.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, New Westminster Road, Report Filed  
4:56 p.m. Landlord Dispute/Neighbor Dispute, Elm Street, Report Filed

Tuesday, April 15  
7:25 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Falls, Burnshirt Road, No Action Required  
9:55 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Breathing Difficulty, Lombard Road, Transported to Hospital  
4:47 a.m. Emergency Medical Service – Trauma, Transported to

Hospital  
Wednesday, April 16  
1:43 p.m. Suspicious Person/Vehicle Activity, Thompson Road, Investigated  
2:59 p.m. Motor Vehicle – Disabled, Brigham Road, Vehicle Removed  
6:14 p.m. Illegal Dumping, Mayo Road, Report Filed  
6:25 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Breathing Difficulty, Evergreen Road, Transported to Hospital

Thursday, April 17  
9:34 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, New Templeton Road, Written Warning  
10 a.m. Abandoned Vehicle – Parking Issues, Old Princeton Road, Area Search Negative  
2:36 p.m. Assist Other Agency/Non-Police, Barre Road, Report Filed  
4:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Burnshirt Road, Written Warning  
5:11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Worcester Road, Written Warning  
6:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop,

Gardner Road, Written Warning

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## Oakham Police Log

**Monday, April 14**  
1:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Written Warning  
1:46 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Road, Written Waring  
9:33 p.m. Emergency Medical Service – Abdominal/Back Pain, Old Turnpike Road, Mutual Aid Transport

**Wednesday, April 16**  
11:03 a.m. Follow Up Investigation, Barre, Information Given  
8:20 p.m. Road/Traffic Hazard, North Brookfield Road, Investigated

**Thursday, April 17**  
8:49 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Written Warning  
12:09 p.m. Suspicious/Vehicle Activity, Memorial Drive, Investigated  
4:26 p.m. Fire – Motor Vehicle Collision, Barre Paxton Road, Vehicle Towed  
6:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Written Warning  
6:43 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Written Warning

**Friday, April 18**  
11:41 a.m. Animal – Lost and

Found, Adams Road, Returned to Family/Guardian  
8:10 p.m. Fire – Structure Fires, Barre Paxton Road, Fire Extinguished

**Saturday, April 19**  
12:13 p.m. Fraud or Forgery, Crawford Road, Call Transferred  
2:34 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Old Turnpike Road, Citation Issued  
3:03 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Old Turnpike Road, Written Warning  
5:34 p.m. Public Assist, Ware Corner Road, Officer Spoke to Party

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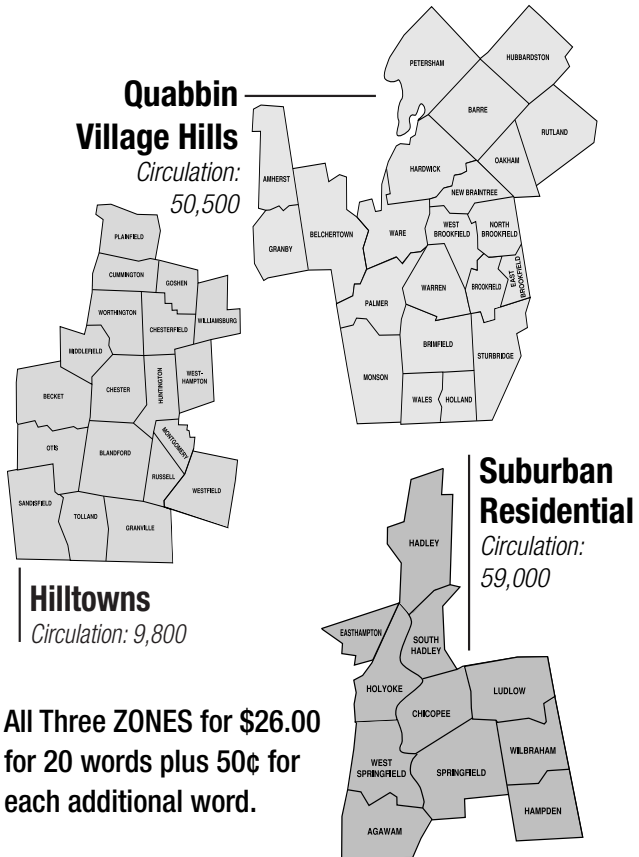
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On Saturday, May 10 at 1 p.m. in the Town House Wingmasters will present birds of prey and Indigenous American artifacts. Wingmasters is a partnership between Julie Anne Collier and Jim Parks, licensed raptor rehabilitators and edu-

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