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Barre celebrates Memorial Day

Sun shines on Barre's Memorial Day parade

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BARRE – The weather did not disappoint this year for the annual Memorial Day parade.

There were Army vehicles including Jeeps and large trucks. However, this year there was no tank, which was a fixture for years.

The Quabbin Community Band under the direction of Margaret Reidy marched and played as they followed the parade route from Broad Street to Exchange Street, crossing Route 122 onto South Street, then Common Street, Pleasant Street and ending on Park Street.

Margo Petracone, carrying an American Flag in one hand, rode her horse. She dressed in red, white and blue colors and her horse sported red, white and blue leg wraps and saddle pad.

The Quabbin Regional High School Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp cadets par-

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Barre Post 2 American Legion Color Guard march in the town's Memorial Day parade.



Barre Select Board members, Maureen Marshall, from left and John Dixon along with members of the Barre Police Department march in the Barre Memorial Day parade.

Margo Petracone rides her horse in the Barre Memorial Day parade. Every year she carries the American flag. She wears red, white and blue and her horse has red, white and blue leg wraps and saddle pad.

Memorial Day is a time of reverence and prayer



Photo by Eric Goodhart

The Vietnam Era Memorial occupies a prominent spot on the Hubbardston Common. It was Memorial Day 2022 the town dedicated the monument.

By Eric Goodhart
Correspondent

HUBBARDSTON – For a small town like Hubbardston, with a population of about 4,804, the large turnout for the ceremony on the town Common was “impressive.”

That was the word used by the new Town Administrator, Nathan Boudreau, in his speech this Monday. Over two dozen cities and towns in the country claim to be the birthplace of Memorial Day. Let them enjoy that possibility. We all share this day in a way that connects us as one. Hubbardston's ceremony was one of the most reverential and meaningful I have ever witnessed.

The participants and horses in the parade began promptly at 11 a.m. at the Curtis Field north of town and marched, walked, rolled, rumbled, and trotted down to the historic Town Common. Monuments for former residents as well as current Hubbardston citizens who took part in the Revolution, the Civil War, the Spanish American War, the Great War, (which later became WW I), WW II and the Vietnam War are engraved into the stone. That is astounding.

At noon, following the invocation by Rev Jane Griesbach,

Deacon, of St. Francis Episcopal Church, Capt. Thomas Colyer, USN Retired, Master of Ceremonies, opened with remarks and introduced the speakers. There were seven speakers that left not only the Capt. Colyer speechless, but this reporter as well.

Fifth grader, Lila Wilson without reading recited verbatim the address that President Lincoln wrote on the back of an envelope in 1863 on the way to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. More fourth and fifth graders followed in the same manner. Reciting the preamble to one of the most important American documents ever written, the Constitution, were Hannah Shotwell, Emily DeMalia and Marie O'Connor. “In Flanders Fields” by Nora McDonnell recited “In Flanders Fields” and Sophia Small and Emily DeMalia recited “Answer to Flanders Field.”

Other speakers included Air Force Officer Lauren Wright, Veterans Special Services Agent for the town, who sighted parts of JFK's 1961 powerful Memorial Day address (google it) and Massachusetts State Senator, Anne Gobi, who will be sworn in as the Director of Rural Affairs on June

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Oakham observes Memorial Day



Photo by Ellenor Downer

The Quabbin High School Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corp cadets marched in the Oakham Memorial Day Parade. Their leaders are from left in the front, Lt. Kathleen Frydell and Capt. Daniel Brennock.

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OAKHAM – This was Oakham's year to have the Quabbin Regional High School Band and Quabbin High Navy Reserve Officers Training Corp cadets participate in the Memorial Day parade and ceremony.

Oakham lost two veterans since Memorial Day 2022: Wayne R. Baldwin, U.S. Navy and Leonard P. Sansoucy, U.S. Army.

Rev. Timothy Hanley, settled minister of the Oakham Congregational Church, gave the Invocation. The high school band played the Navy Hymn “Eternal Father, Strong to Save.” Following the musical selection, the Oakham Board of Selectmen Donald Haapakoski, Brad Taylor and Lucy Tessnau placed a wreath on the war memorial.

The Oakham Police Department gave a 21 gun salute, which was followed by the playing of “Taps” by high school band

member Harry Lewis. The guest speaker was William Kleinedler, who talked about an incident where tow members of his convoy lost their lives and he was injured while serving in Iraq.

Every year the winners of the Robert E. Wile Memorial Day creative writing winners read their essays. This year was no different and the 2023 winners Elizabeth Welch, Aran Stanger and Calleb

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Descendants of the ‘Lost Towns’ remember their fallen heroes

By Paula Ouimette
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WARE – Generations of people joined together at Quabbin Park Cemetery this past Sunday to remember those that gave their lives for our freedom, alongside those that sacrificed their homes for the Quabbin Reservoir.

Master of Ceremonies Keith Poulin of the American Legion Chauncey Walker Post #239 of Belchertown thanked all for attending and participating in the Memorial Day program.

Poulin said this program was not only to remember those servicemembers who sacrificed for the freedom of all, but also for the people of the “Lost Towns” of Dana, Enfield, Greenwich and Prescott.

These four towns were discontinued in order to create the Quabbin Reservoir, which supplies drinking water to nearly one-third of residents in the commonwealth.

“The towns of the Swift River Valley have remembered their dead,” Poulin said.

A tradition that has continued even after the towns were submerged under water; in a ceremony that takes place every Sunday before Memorial Day, amidst each town's monuments and memorials.



Turley Publications Photo by Paula Ouimette

Steve Boyko moves a wreath to the Enfield monument with the help of his son Charlie.

Over 7,600 graves were moved from cemeteries in the four towns, with the majority re-interred at Quabbin Park Cemetery. Spanning 82 of the 81,000 acres of land purchased to create the Quabbin Reservoir, the Cemetery is still active today.

Following a reading of the Gettysburg Address by Ware Scouts BSA Troop 7281's Senior Patrol Leader Cordelia Grandinetti, descendants from

each of the four towns laid wreaths of red, white and blue on their respective monument.

Representing the town of Dana were members of the Cooley family; Enfield, the Boyko and

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News of the Towns



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Grandview Tenants to hold yard sale

The Grandview Tenants' Association will sponsor a yard sale Saturday, June 10 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at 146 Ruggles Lane.

Big Random Band

The Big Random Band will perform Saturday June 17 from 6-8 p.m. at Nornay Park, Main Street in South Barre as part of the Barre Summer Concert Series. They will present rock and roll from the 1960s through 1990s. Admission is free. The Barre Lions Club will sell food at the concert.

Quabbin Community Band

The Quabbin Community Band begins its summer season with their Father's Day "Welcome Back concert on Sunday, June 18 at Nornay Park, Main Street, South Barre. The concerts on June 25, July 2 and July 9 concerts will be at Nornay Park. Concerts on July 16, July 23, July 30, Aug. 6 and Aug. 13 will be on the Harding Allen Bandstand, Barre Common, Concert Mall.

No.4 Schoolhouse

This Saturday, June 3 from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. the No. 4 Schoolhouse, 209 Farrington Road, will be getting ready to open the schoolhouse for the summer season. Volunteers are needed. People should bring their own tools, including brooms, dustpans, dusters, vacuums, weed wackers, rakes and any other tool they may think of, to help knock out the dust and let the sunshine and fresh air in. The doors will be open from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and may help all day or come for a few hours. They should pack a lunch and enjoy the lovely place while they are there. There are currently no restrooms available.

ATM warrant

The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13 at Ruggles Lane School at 6:30 p.m.

People may find copies of the Warrant Articles at the Henry Woods Building in the lobby and the official posting locations: Ruggles Lane School, 105 Ruggles Lane, Barre Town Hall, 2 Exchange St., Town Clerk's Office, 40 West St. (basement), Henry Woods Building, 40 West St., first floor, Woods Memorial Library, 19 Pleasant St., 50 Main St, Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Road, mytowngovernment.org and townofbarre.com.

ATM warrant available at several locations and online

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Post 2 to hold meat raffle June 24

BARRE – American Legion Post 2 Barre will hold a barbecue meat raffle on Saturday, June 24 from 3-6 p.m. at Post 2, 450 South Barre Road. There also be a 50/50 raffle.

Second Chance to Host a Pet Vaccine Clinic in Petersham



Submitted photo

Second Chance to host vaccine clinic on Petersham town common.

PETERSHAM - Second Chance Animal Services has announced a low-cost pet vaccine clinic to be held in Petersham from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 9, on the town common. The vaccine clinic will offer \$5 rabies and distemper vaccines as well as \$22 microchips for cats and dogs in the Petersham area. Pet owners do not need to live in Petersham to take advantage of this low-cost walk-in clinic. These vaccines play a vital role in preventing the spread of infectious diseases and ensuring the overall health of pets.

"We are thrilled to bring our vaccine clinic to Petersham," said Sheryl

Blancato, CEO and founder of Second Chance. "By making these vital vaccinations accessible and affordable, we are taking a significant step in safeguarding the health and well-being of pets in the community."

The clinic will be open to all pet owners in Petersham and surrounding areas, regardless of income or residence. Second Chance Animal Services is committed to breaking down barriers and ensuring that every pet receives the necessary care. In addition to vaccinations, the clinic will also offer microchipping services to help reunite lost pets with

their owners.

The vaccine clinic will operate on a first-come, first-served basis, and appointments are not required. Pet owners are asked to bring their pets in carriers or on leashes for everyone's safety. To expedite the process, owners are encouraged to bring any existing vaccination records they may have. The Petersham town common is located at One North Main Street.

For more information about Second Chance Animal Services and their vaccine clinics, please visit their website at www.secondchanceanimals.org/vaccine-clinics.

Barre Food Pantry holds 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. June 2023 is such a month. As a result, The Barre Food Pantry's two distributions in June will occur on successive days, Wednesday morning June 14 from 10-11:30 am and Thursday evening, June 15th from 5:30-7 p.m.

Clients are invited to pick up groceries from the food pantry either in the morning on Wednesday, June 14 or in the evening on Thursday, June 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 spread of the COVID-19 subvariant 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 June 14 and June 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. 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 dis-

tributions 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.

While the pantry typically used to have an "all hands on deck" approach to welcoming volunteers, in June they will once again be working with just a very small crew. They are preparing for the distribution by only working in shifts at the pantry, in small household/family groups.

People should not arrive to volunteer on June 14 and 15 without first contacting Mary Beshta at 978-355-4212, Dave Petrovick at 978-355-4519 or Chuck Radlo at 978-355-6463.

Because conditions have been changing rapidly, please continue to check for updates on the Barre Food Pantry by visiting <http://www.barrefoodbank.org/index.htm> and the Barre Food Pantry Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Barre-Food-Pantry-100156068300314/>

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Tim Hawley leads hike June 3

On Saturday, June 3 from 10 a.m.-noon forest-naturalist Tim Hawley invites people to join him for a National Trails Day and Hubbardston Open Space Committee hike. People should meet at Mt. Jefferson Conservation are, Mt. Jefferson Road to explore this area, discuss forest carbon, wildlife and water. There will be a word scavenger hunt for children. The hike is less than two miles over varied terrain. It will be held rain or shine.

State Rep. Berthiaume Chief of Staff

State Rep. Donald Berthiaume's Chief of Staff, Donna Farmer, on Tuesday, June 13 will be at the Hubbardston Senior Center from 9-9:45 a.m. Constituents and town officials may meet with her to express any concerns, ideas or issues.

Annual Town Meeting

The Hubbardston Annual Town Meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 6 at 7 p.m. in the Hubbardston Center School, Elm Street.

Town Election

The Annual Town Election will be held Tuesday, June 13 from 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Polling location is the gym at the Hubbardston Center School, 8 Elm St. Deadline to request mail in ballots is Tuesday, June 6 at 5 p.m. Mail in ballots must be received by the close of polls 8 p.m. on election day in order to be counted. There is no in-person early voting for Hubbardston's municipal elections. The last day to register to vote for the Annual Town Meeting is Saturday, May 27 at 5 p.m. The last day to register to vote for the Annual Town Election is Saturday, June 3 at 5 p.m.

Senior center events

The Hubbardston Senior Center, 7A Main St., events include: Coffee with Friends Monday through Thursday at 9:45 a.m.; 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.

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 June 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 – Chicken picatta, vegetable rice pilaf, roasted broccoli, lemon pudding, diet = sugar free tapioca pudding, marble rye bread

TUESDAY – Salisbury steak with gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, Capri vegetables, fresh fruit, sandwich roll

WEDNESDAY – Marinated pork loin with gravy, herbed potatoes, carrots, baked apple, whole wheat bread

THURSDAY – Teriyaki meatballs, brown rice, roasted Brussels sprouts, pear crisp, diet = pears, French bread

FRIDAY – Macaroni 'n cheese, stewed tomatoes, green beans, gingerbread, diet = small piece, Italian bread

*Diabetic friendly dessert **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 \$2.50 per meal helps keep the program running.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

BARRE

QRSD Collective Bargaining Subcommittee – June 5 at 2 p.m.
 Select Board – June 5 at 6 p.m.
 Board of Assessors – June 6 at 6 p.m.
 Felton Field Commission – June 6 at 6:30 p.m.
 Planning Board – June 6 at 7 p.m., June 17 at 9 a.m. and June 20 at 7 p.m.
 Council on Aging – June 7 at 1 p.m.
 Library Trustees – June 7 at 6:30 p.m.
 Barre Housing Authority – June 8 at 3 p.m.
 Sewer Commission – June 8 at 7 p.m.
 Board of Health – June 12 at 5 p.m.
 Water Commission – June 12 at 7 p.m.
 DPW Commission – June 12 at 7 p.m.
 Town Meeting – June 13 at 6:30 p.m.
 Conservation Committee – June 13 at 7 p.m.
 250th Anniversary Committee – June 14 at 6:30 p.m.
 Insurance Advisory Committee – Nov. 2 at 1 p.m.

HARDWICK

Board of Health – June 1 at 6:30 p.m.
 Paige Library Trustees – June 1 at 7 p.m.
 Master Plan Steering Committee – June 6 at 6:30 p.m.
 Recycling Commission – June 6 at 6:30 p.m.
 Finance Committee – June 12 at 5:30 p.m.
 Planning Board – June 13 at 6:30 p.m.
 Council on Aging – June 14 at 9 a.m.
 Gilbertville Public Library – June 14 at 4 p.m.
 Gilbertville Water District – June 20 at 5:30 p.m.
 Conservation Commission – June 21 at 6:30 p.m.

HUBBARDSTON

Community Preservation Committee
 Public Hearing – June 1 at 7 p.m.
 Library Trustees – June 1 at 7 p.m.
 Historic Commission – June 3 at 10 a.m.
 Conservation Commission – June 7 at 7 p.m.
 Planning Board – June 7 and June 15 at 6:30 p.m.
 Agricultural Commission – June 8 at 6 p.m.
 Annual Town Election – June 13 from 7 a.m.-8 p.m.
 Board of Health – June 13 and June 27 at 7 p.m.
 Town Center Committee – June 15 at 7 p.m.

NORTH BROOKFIELD

Library Board of Trustees – June 1 at 3 p.m.
 Downtown Development Committee – June 5 at 6:30 p.m.
 Select Board – June 6 and June 20 at 6 p.m.
 Friends of the Council on Aging Annual Meeting – June 12 at 10:30 a.m.
 Friends of the Town House – June 13 at 7 p.m.
 Conservation Commission – June 13 at 7 p.m.
 Planning Board – June 21 at 6 p.m.

OAKHAM

Board of Health – June 21 and July 19 at 5 p.m.

PETERSHAM

Board of Assessors – June 1 at 9 a.m.
 Select Board – June 1 at 5:30 p.m.
 Board of Health – June 1 at 6 p.m.
 Advisory Finance Committee – June 1 at 6 p.m.
 Petersham School Commission – June 5 at 10 a.m.
 Conservation Committee – June 6 at 6 p.m.
 Open Space and Recreation Committee – June 6 at 7 p.m.
 Cemetery Commission – June 13 at 10 a.m.
 Petersham Historic District – June 15 at 6 p.m.
 Planning Board – June 22 at 7 p.m.
 Council on Aging – Aug. 14 at 10 a.m.

RUTLAND

Earthworks Board – June 1 at 6:30 p.m.

Remembering Alfred Albrecht

World War II veteran left legacy of love and service

By Paula Ouimette
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WARE – When Memorial Day comes around, there is one veteran that always comes to the forefront of people's minds; "Mr. VFW" himself, Alfred "Al" Albrecht.

"Memorial Day always had a special meaning for him," his daughter Dottie (Albrecht) Dangutis said. "Not just because it meant so much to him to honor those that didn't come home, but not many people knew that his only brother was buried on Memorial Day."

Dangutis said she was 9 years old when her uncle died, but she remembered how deeply his loss affected her father.

Born in South Barre, Al was a son of Francis and Rose (Dill) Albrecht. He lived there until he moved to Ware in 1954.

"He said he loved this town... Ware was always good to him," Dangutis said.

Al was also really good to this town.

"Him and his wife, they took care of this place," longtime friend Michael Domey said. "He was always involved with the kids. He had roller skating at the town hall, dances for the kids, bowling."

Domey remembered when he first met Al, the town was looking for a Scoutmaster to lead the Boy Scouts and Domey had a son of Scouting age. Al also convinced him to join the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"We hit it off. He said, 'you got to join the VFW' and signed me up," Domey said.

Domey remembered taking Al to VFW meetings, and helping him around his yard and in the garden, something Domey's grandchildren did as well.

"Every one of my grandchildren loved Al...Everybody loved that man. That man was special,"



Courtesy Photos

Alfred "Al" Albrecht served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Domey said.

Al was also a man of special talents, known for his love of song and dance.

"My dad loved to dance," Dangutis said. "Any time we had an installation or a party, wherever it was, he dragged us kids along with him. He'd always do the twist with me...He loved to do the hokey pokey."

Al's singing voice even landed him on stage at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tennessee to sing "You're a Grand Old Flag" with The Statler Brothers.

He also sang in the choir at Trinity Episcopal Church, where he also served on the church vestry and trained the junior acolytes.

"He had a beautiful voice," Dangutis said. "He could really knock those hymns out."

Al was also active with the Grange and enjoyed putting around his garden. He was deeply involved in Scouting and helped form the youth baseball team.

Al began his Scouting career in 1932 with Barre Boy Scout Troop 26, and continued his support of the organization when he moved to Ware. He was the oldest Boy Scout in Ware, and received a "Citizen of the Year" plaque from the Rotary Club.

"We still have the Al Albrecht Award in the Boy Scouts. He just knew all of his stuff," Domey



Al Albrecht was proud to serve his country.

said.

In July 1942, Al joined the U.S. Army, starting in England before moving into Germany during World War II.

"As they beat back the enemy, these guys went everywhere," Domey said, including engagements in Algeria-French Morocco, Sicily, Rome-Arno, Southern France and Rhineland.

A lot of the World War II veterans never talked about what they did during their service, Domey said, and Al was one of them.

"You'll find that true of 99% of veterans," he said.

Before he was drafted into the U.S. Army, Al worked at the Barre Wool Combing Co., starting at the age of 16. After he returned from his military service in September 1945, he worked at Rindge Industries, then later Bay Path until it closed.

Al then went to work at Digital Equipment Corporation, where he stayed until his retirement.

Dangutis said many people didn't know that her father always wanted to become either a teacher or a minister.

"He managed to work them into his life by working with kids and being a chaplain," Dangutis said. "He used to love the reading program at the school. He would practice reading that book at home."

Al's love for his family was not a secret, however, raising his two children, Dangutis and her brother Dwight, with his wife Dorothy Helen (Smith).

Al and Helen had been married for nearly 70 years, having first met at a dance in Barre.

"My dad and mom were really great. There wasn't anything they wouldn't have done for each other," Dangutis said. "They were very loving I had a great childhood."

Dangutis said her family remains close, even after the death of both of her parents, Al in 2018 at the age of 98 and Helen in 2019 at the age of 88.



Faith was an important part of Al Albrecht's life, including singing in the church choir and training the junior acolytes at Trinity Episcopal Church in Ware.

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Oakham

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COA list June events

On Friday, June 2 there will be a Lunch and Learn program at the Oakham Senior Center. It will include a homemade lunch and activities with Lisa Holloway. She is a Yoga instructor and Life Coach. People may sign up at the Senior Center or contact Melanie to place a reservation.

Every Tuesday corn hole is played outside on the church lawn at 10 a.m. The teams are improving every day and are willing to accept challenges from any other team.

On Wednesday June 7 from 9-11 a.m. Coffee with Friends is held. Lunch will be served at the Back Door Cafe at 11:45 a.m. for those who make a reservation with Jan Pierce at 508-882-5251 by Monday June 5. The meal is marinated pork loin with gravy, herbed potatoes and carrots will be served followed by a desert. After lunch, Melanie will be showing the new movie with Michael J. Fox titled Still. This is an excellent movie so come to the Senior Center to watch on a large screen television. On Thursday, June 8 from 11-11:45 a.m. there is a blood pressure clinic at the Senior Center. Zumba classes are held every Monday and Friday from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Town Hall. Lunches are served at the Back Door Cafe at 11:45 a.m. Monday through Thursday. Simply reserve 48 hours in advance by calling Jan Pierce at 508-882-5251.

Clean up and recycling day

The Oakham Board of Health sponsors a clean up and recycling day on Saturday, June 3 from

9 a.m.-noon behind the Fire and Highway Building, Barre Road. It will be held rain or shine.

Volunteers are needed to help accept items for recycling and/or disposal.

Scout units, community groups and residents may help by cleaning up the roads around town by selecting a road and collecting a bag of trash. Trash bags will be provided.

Get rid of specific allowable unwanted junk around the house? Allowable items to be provided, which include televisions, air conditioners, computers, and more.

They may donate redeemable bottles and cans to the Oakham Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. There will be free disposal of medical sharps in a safe way as well as free disposal of unwanted medications. It is illegal and unsafe to dispose of sharps in the trash.

Accepted items and fees for disposal are: tires \$8-\$25; TVs, monitors, computers, laptops and gaming systems \$15; AC's/dehumidifiers \$10; VCR/micro-wave \$5 and propane tank \$8. Checks should be made payable to the Town of Oakham. For questions, people may email boh@oakham-ma.gov or call 508-882-4069.

Church news

Last Sunday, May 28 was the last Sunday School class until the fall at the Oakham Congregational church, 4 Coldbrook Road. This Sunday, June 4 is Communion Sunday. Services are at 10 a.m. and a coffee hour follows in Fellowship Hall.

St. Joseph's Parish to hold strawberry festival

NORTH BROOKFIELD – St. Joseph's Parish, 296 North Main St., will hold its 30th annual strawberry festival on Saturday, June 17 from 5-7 p.m. in their church hall.

The menu includes baked ham, homemade baked beans, homemade potato salad, homemade cole slaw, rolls, coffee, water and strawberry shortcake. The meal will be served family style and take-out is also available.

Tickets are \$15 per adult and \$7 per child aged 5-10 years old. Tickets are available after Masses or by calling the rectory at 508-867-6811.

Memorial car show planned for June 24

NORTH BROOKFIELD – The North Brookfield Sportsmen's Club will be hosting the 2nd Annual Tim Morin Memorial Car Show on Saturday, June 24 at 20 Boynton Road.

Registration is from 8:30-11:30 a.m., with plaques awarded at 1:30 p.m.

Donation is \$15 per show vehicle. Spectators are free.

Lunch, cash bar and 50/50 raffle will be available. Music will be provided by DJ Bruce Marshall.

For show information, call Gary at 508-450-8643.

Historical Society remembers 70th anniversary of tornado

RUTLAND – On Friday, June 9 at 7 p.m. the Rutland Historical Society, 232 Main St., will take time to remember the devastating Tornado of 1953.

At 7:15 p.m. they will show a video with photos of the path of the tornado with comments by witnesses. This video was put together by Lynne Amsden. At 8 p.m. they will show the TV program with interviews of surviving victims. This video is provided by Dwight Marsh, who was interviewed.

Dwight's father, Rutland High School Principal Donald Marsh, was killed as well as a student on that fateful day. The society will have photos and other memorabilia from the tornado. They will also celebrate the spirit of the community that came together to rebuild the town. Refreshments will be served.

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Opinion

Guest Column



By Russell Gloor

I'm approaching 65 should I claim Social Security?

Dear Rusty: I am fast approaching 65 (in August) and plan to continue working full time. I would like to know the implications of that, and about drawing Social Security. Same question for my husband who is past his full retirement age (he will be 67 this year) and he continues to work full time. Signed: Still Working

Dear Still Working: Married couples should always coordinate their retirement strategy and you're very smart to do so. Born in 1958, your Full Retirement Age for Social Security purposes is 66 years and 8 months. Your FRA is the point at which your earnings from work no longer affect your Social Security benefits, but if you claim at age 65 and continue to work full time, you will be limited to how much you can earn before they take away some or perhaps all of your benefits. Here's what will happen if you claim Social Security to start in August when you are 65.

Your SS retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by 11% (you'll get 89% of your FRA entitlement). Your monthly amount will only change thereafter due to Cost of Living Adjustments.

If you start your benefits in August you will be subject to an earnings limit, either a monthly limit of \$1,770 for the remaining months of the year or the 2023 annual limit of \$21,240. If the monthly limit is exceeded you aren't entitled to benefits for that month, or if the annual limit is exceeded they will take back benefits equal to \$1 for every \$2 over the annual limit. Social Security will use whichever method yields the smallest penalty.

Beginning in 2024, you will be subject only to Social Security's annual earnings limit, which will be something more than the 2023 annual limit of \$21,240. If you exceed the 2024 (or 2025) annual limit, Social Security will take away \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit (half of what you exceed the limit by). The annual limit will be in effect until you reach your full retirement age of 66 years and 8 months in April 2026.

Since your husband has already reached his FRA, working full time will not negatively affect his monthly Social Security benefits if he chooses to claim his SS benefits now. However, if he hasn't yet claimed your husband is already earning Delayed Retirement Credits, which will increase his benefit when he later claims. DRCs are earned monthly (.667% per month; 8% per year) and can be earned up to age 70 when maximum SS benefit is attained. For your husband, his age 70 benefit would be 29% more than he was entitled to at his FRA. Whether it is wise to wait longer to claim depends on life expectancy, but break even age is about 83 for those who wait until 70 to claim vs. claiming at FRA. FYI, average life expectancy for a man your husband's current age is about 84; for you about 87.

Since you are both still working full time, be aware that depending on your combined income from all sources your Social Security benefits will become part of your taxable income. As a married couple both working full time, your combined income will likely be over the \$44,000 threshold after which income tax will be levied on up to 85% of your Social Security benefits received during the tax year using your normal IRS tax rate. I suggest you consider the income tax implications of claiming Social Security while you are still working full time.

You did not ask about Medicare, but if you and your husband now have "creditable" healthcare coverage from your employer ("creditable" is a group plan with at least 20 participants) you can defer enrolling in Medicare Part B until your employer healthcare coverage ends, thus avoiding the Medicare Part B premium while you are working.

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Russell Gloor is a Social Security advisor for AMAC.

When Kids move out to attend college... When Kids move back in after graduation...



Guest Column

Adventures of Gertrude the Cat

By Ruth Robinson

Dear Folks,
I awoke this morning full of pep.

Now, I need to find something to do. Missy has just taken a shower so I will hurry in and get my paws washed with the drain water and then have a grooming session. I like to keep myself looking good.

Yesterday, Missy's granddaughter was here playing with her toys and her little four inch doll she keeps hidden in one of the baskets under the TV table. She forgot to push the basket all the way in when she left so I will see if I can pull it off the shelf and onto the floor.

Yep, with a few hard tugs I got it down and it tipped over on its side and the doll fell out. I better leave the doll alone so it doesn't get lost. Missy is busy sewing so she won't see the basket for awhile.

This week I saw the music cabinet door ajar in the computer room so I will see if I can get into that. Before I do, I will go behind the computer table and see about a screen lying against the wall. It has been there a long time as Missy never puts that one in the window in the summer.

It should be good to sharpen my claws on. Whoops, I just made a big line hole down the center of the screen. I guess I better move and leave it alone.

I got the cabinet door open, but there are so many books inside that there isn't very much room for me. Perhaps if I squeeze my body a little I can manage. Yep, I got my body in, but there is no room to turn around, so I'll have to back out.

Darn, I thought maybe I had found another hiding place for when I get into trouble. No such luck, well I will just go back in the living room and have my morning nap in that basket I tipped over. I'll bet Missy won't know where to look for me this time, ha ha.

Have a good week folks.

Love,
Gertrude



In Past Pages

5 years (June 7, 2018)

The Petersham moderator Bart Wendell encouraged people present to call family and friends to come to the meeting to get a quorum so the Special Town Meeting and Annual Town Meeting could start. Petersham has the highest quorum in the Commonwealth with 10% of registered voters. Once the town clerk verified the 94 quorum number met, the moderator opened the STM.

The public is invited to a community celebration and open house to honor Dr. Maureen M. Marshall for 40 years of dedication to the Quabbin Regional School District Wednesday, June 13 from 4-7 p.m. at the Educational Support Center, 872 South St., Barre. A RSVP for planning purposes is appreciated, but not required.

Over Memorial Day weekend, roughly 130 people joined forces on a summer like Saturday morning, to support and raise awareness during the third annual 5K walk for Lye Disease held at Curtis Recreation Field. As many people know, Lyme disease is an inflammatory illness caused by bacteria-transmitted by ticks. As people learn about Lyme, they also learn the difficulties in the diagnosis, with lots of false negatives and confusion with the multitude of symptoms the disease can present.

10 years (June 6, 2013)

About 117 Hubbardston voters came out for a Special Town Meeting followed by the 246th Annual Town Meeting Monday night. They overwhelmingly approved a total operating budget of \$7,139,796 and spent an additional \$175,000 on capital expenses with little discussion for a total budget of \$7,314,796. The \$7 plus million included \$587,849 for general government, \$972,653 for public safety, \$4,262,587 for total education, \$760,030 highway, \$120,366 culture and recreation and \$611,301 unclassified. The total education amount not only includes the Quabbin Regional School District assessment, but Montachusett Regional Technical High School assessment and school debt.

The Quabbin Regional School District Committee held an emergency meeting Monday to discuss the situation on assessments. Superintendent Maureen Marshall told the committee the assessments to the five-member towns in the certified budget of April 29 were based on the governor's budget released in January, the only budget available at the time. The school committee by law must present a budget to the towns by April 30. The governor's budget increased Minimum Local Contribution to towns below target share like Hubbardston and Oakham to bring them up to target level. The superintendent explained the district heard from a reliable source the house budget and senate budget now in conference changed the MLC formula that differs from the governor's budget.

The Quabbin Regional High School student body solemn-

LOOK BACK Earth Day - 2003



File Photo

This is one of several signs erected on the major access roads into New Braintree and it pretty much speaks for itself. Happy Earth Day.

ly filed out of the gym in silence last week, following a moving Memorial Day tribute that gave students a very real sense of the lives of some of the men and women, who have given their lives in service to this country and to the sacrifices made by military families. The program, led by Captain Daneil J. Brennock, was produced by the collaborative efforts of the Quabbin Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps, the Quabbin Symphonic Winds, the Quabbin Singers and the Quabbin Regional High School art, science and music departments.

25 years (June 4, 1998)

Paula Grant and Rhoda Spinney residents of Bentley Road, attended the June 1 selectmen's meeting to voice concern with the road's present condition. The road is apparently under construction and therefore unpaved. According to Spinney, vehicles traveling on Bentley Road cause dust clouds comparable to those in the California desert. Spinney said Department of Public Works Superintendent Earl Sample told her the road will be "torn up again because two water drains don't work." Selectman Chairman Daniel Trifilo told Spinney the road is supposed to be paved. Trifilo said he was aware of the road's perpetual state of disrepair.

Oakham ambulance director Richard Davis told selectmen at the June 1 meeting the ambulance will be out of service for about three weeks while the box is fitted to a new chassis, beginning June 4. Emergency medical technicians will respond as usual in the fire department rescue truck and a mutual aid ambulance will be dispatched immediately. Barre, Holden, North Brookfield, Rutland and Worcester will provide mutual aid.

"I did nothing out of the ordinary. I had a happy childhood and a very happy marriage," Annette Carr said as she reflected about her life on her 100th birthday. Mrs. Carr, who was born on May 26, 1898, in Astoria, Long Island, New York, still maintains her home on Bentley Land and up until a few years ago

did all her housework and gardening herself. "I was a homebody. I never went into business," she said. About 60 of her family members and friends feted her at a birthday celebration Sunday, May 31 at the home of Joyce Varnot, one of her daughters.

38 years (June 6, 1985)

The carnival, which was on Barre's Common this past week, is believed to be the one responsible for the approximate 10 gallons of oil found in one of the Common's catch basins Monday according to Barre Police Chief Michael Ryder. When asked if the oil in the basin could've been an accident, Chief Ryder said "Around the catch basin and on it, there was evidence that it had been poured in." It was no accident he concluded. Upon discovery of the oil, Chief Ryder called the Department of Environmental Engineering, which came out the same day to take a look. The DEQE is sending a company out to clean the basin and DEQE will seek damages against the carnival operators, Upton Festivals USA Inc. of North Hampton, New Hampshire. The maximum fine is \$1,500.

"The recommendations for street names are almost totally in order," announced Albert Clark of Barre Street Listing Committee, at the May 28 Barre Selectmen's meeting. Hearings on these recommendations are tentatively scheduled for July 15 and July 29 at the regular Monday night selectmen's meetings. "Some roads in Barre have not been used for over 80 years and consequently should be closed," Clark added. He said the committee have compiled a list of such roads and a hearing on their proposed closings will be held at the selectmen's meeting June 24.

Upon the recommendation of the Sewer Commission, Barre Selectmen voted at their Monday night meeting to hold a Special Election on July 22 for the purpose of exempting a sewer bon from Proposition 2 1/2. Hearings prior to this election will be held to inform residents of the seriousness of this issue.

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Serenity Hill Sampler

by Jane McCauley

Today was my dear mother's birthday. How I miss her.

I went to the flea market on Sunday and it was the first time I did not find a thing I needed to buy. I then went to Walmarts and got some groceries. The fresh cherries and corn are in stock now so I got some of both.

Last Thursday, I went to the Salvation Army and got some new clothes for Ken and me; they were 50% off.

My handyman came to work on the deck on Saturday and will come back to finish it later. There was a lot of preparation before it could be sealed. I am anxious to get my houseplants out on the deck now that nice weather is here.

I started some hollyhock seedlings, but they get so straggly I think next year I will just put the seeds in the ground. I have not been able to find any plants from last years crop, so I guess no seeds fell to make new plants.

I did pick a bunch of rhubarb and noticed the strawberry plants are in blossom. They usually ripen about June 18. The wild blueberries are in berries, but the cultivated ones are in blossom.

The bears got into our rubbish barrels down by the road and tore open all the bags and littered the whole driveway and what a mess. They even tipped over the large rubbish barrel. I hope the wildlife people will stop bringing the bears to the country to bother us poor farmers. It is hard to even have a crop of pears or

apples. Last year, they even pulled a dwarf apple tree right out of the ground, roots and all.

This year a group of four came to the back yard. We had taken in all the bird feeders, but I had a scarecrow and one of the baby bears hugged the scarecrow. It probably thought it was Ken as I had dressed it in Ken's clothes.

I saw where Hubbardston was on the television news because of all the bears we are having in the area now. They even destroy bee hives.

I have planted the dahlias that I started in pots and noticed that the gladioli are coming up. The rhododendrons are about to bloom and the viburnum is in full bloom.

My handyman has found two different lady slippers on the property. I hope there are more. I try to label the wildflowers that I have in my wildflower garden.

My New Hampshire friend mentioned that June is Dairy Month. I have been making root beer floats, but she mentioned if you make them with chocolate ice cream they call them Brown Cow Floats. I have special ice cream glasses with long spoons and straws and have been serving them to company.

My mother used to work at the Fowlers Drug Store soda fountain in South Gardner and when Ewells had an ice cream spa on Brigham Street she helped them when they needed to go away. She was called a Soda Jerk. I wonder where that name came from?

Have a good week. The weather sure has been pleasant and hope we won't get any more frosts.

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anticipated as well as Post #2 Legion members, their color guard and firing squad and member so Post #2 Auxiliary. Members of the Select Board, State Rep. Donald Berthiaume, Barre Police Officers, Barre Fire Fighters, Fire trucks,

ambulances, Boy and Girl Scouts and sports teams.

Salvadore Auto Group donated automobiles for the parade.

Post #2 Commander Michael Blaney read the Governor's proclamation and then mentioned the Veterans, who died since Memorial Day 2022.

Speaker this year was Pastor

James Foley of New Life Assembly of God Church in South Barre. He mentioned the beginning of Memorial Day following the Civil War and originally known as Decoration Day. He mentioned the death of 620,000 in the Civil War, which was about 2% of the population at the time. He said 25,000 died in the Revolutionary War, 115,000 in World War I, 400,000 in WW II, 36,000 in Korea, 60,000 in Vietnam and 7,000 in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Eliza Brown recited the Gettysburg Address and Julia Blanchard, "In Flanders Fields."

Dennis Fleming gave an update on the 911 Memorial. Jason Benoit designed the monument. A walkway of brick pavers will go from the walkway of the Civil War monument to this new monument. People may purchase pavers similar to what was done at the Henry Woods Library. Pastor Foley gave the benediction.

Photo by Ellenor Downer
Melody Salvadore waves to the parade watchers as her husband, Angelo Salvadore drives the Jeep.



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3. The Senator shared two very sad stories of a man and woman whom she knew personally that lost their lives while in the Armed Forces. It brought home the very possible fact that many there that day had a friend or loved, who was killed in a war or conflict at home or abroad.

The day ended in prayer and a soul soothing performance by local resident and member of "Bugles Across America" Laura Foley.



Lila Wilson recites the Gettysburg Address.



Golden Age Club members, Betty Gaiganowicz, Shirley Baranowski, Bonnie Cunningham and Loraine Williams (float designer), sit on their parade float.



The American Flag flies under sunny skies this Memorial Day on Hubbardston Common.

in the Garden

by Roberta McQuaid

Lots of blue options for the spring border

I got so excited the other day.

I was walking around my backyard and came upon a flower I had never seen before. Where did it come from and what is it?

After a little bit of research, I found out that it is named Blue-eye Grass or Sisyrinchium. It is very diminutive, looking like a miniature purple-blue iris, with sword-like leaves and all.

Its size would make it perfect for a rock garden or alpine plant garden.

I promptly moved it out of the way of the weed whacker to join some other blue flowers that are in bloom in one of my gardens, taking their place in the front of the border. During late spring, blue flowers abound.

In fact, you could easily design a monochromatic scheme using just cool tones for a late spring symphony!

Here are some of my favorites: For the back of the border, try Amsonia tabernaemontana. This native plant is topped with clusters of pale blue flowers, each one opening to form a tiny star, hence its common name, blue star.

Growing to around three feet tall and not quite as wide, Amsonia almost qualifies for "specimen" status, although it is not as showy as other specimens like Peony or Dictamnus.

Only one plant is necessary per grouping in full sun or part shade. In my garden it self sows, but not so much to make itself a nuisance.

Sadly, the plant blooms for only a short while but makes a nice statement when it does. Make sure you choose your forever location wisely.

I need to move mine and with a crown two feet by two feet, it won't be easy.

Another plant best suited for the back row of the perennial garden is Baptisia australis, or false indigo.

Gray-green foliage is pretty in its own right, until

you see the beautiful deep blue-purple pea-like flower spikes emerge in mid June. Easily four feet tall and three feet wide, Baptisia is a nice specimen perennial - one plant is certainly enough per grouping.

The size of the plant you purchase may lead you to think otherwise, though, since transplants are usually puny and take a couple of seasons to establish.

Site false indigo in full sun or part shade in rich soil. Refrain from moving the plant once it reaches full size or its deep tap root may be compromised.

Blackish seed pods are hardly decorative on the plant, but do look nice in autumn decorations.

One of my favorite blue flowers is Aquilegia vulgaris. Although there are many cultivars of garden columbine, we grow the species variety at Old Sturbridge Village.

It can be found in white, pink, maroon, purple, blue and almost black. Ours tend to be mostly blue in a hue hard to describe - perhaps more royal blue than purple-blue.

If the color is hard to describe, the flower shape is even more difficult- maybe something along the lines of nodding bells with reflexed sepals?

Lobed leaves are another attractive feature of this plant, although vigilance against the dreaded leaf miner is a must in order to keep it looking good. Here too, full sun or part shade will grow decent two foot to two-and-a-half foot wispyish plants- a size perfect for the middle row of the border.

Mountain bluet, or perennial bachelor button, as it is sometimes called, is one of my most treasured perennials.

There is nothing rare about Centaurea montana, or even all that unique about it. I just plain like its oversized cornflowers and their lovely true blue shade.

At eighteen inches tall it is another plant best suited to the middle row of the garden. Plant in full sun or slight shade for best results. Cut back after it is done flowering for a chance at late season rebloom.

Jacob's ladder, Polemonium caeruleum, is another of my favorite blue perennials. Its pinnately compound leaves surely resemble a ladder, hence the Biblical reference, but it is best known for its pretty cup shaped, light blue flowers that hang from multi stems growing 18 inches to 2 feet tall and blooming in May in part shade locations.

Have fun playing with blue hues this spring. By high summer blue will be few and far between in the landscape.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 31 years she has held the position of staff horticulturist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to pouimette@turley.com with "Gardening Question" in the subject line.

Zakary Wright graduates Sheriff's Office Basic Recruit Training Academy

WORCESTER – On Friday, May 26, Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis proudly administered the Correctional Officers Oath to the 12 graduating recruits of the Sheriff's Office's 59th Basic Recruit Training Academy at the Worcester County Sheriff's Office Training Facility. Among the twelve graduates was Officer Zakary Wright of Barre.

The Worcester County Sheriff's Office has remained committed to hiring a diverse workforce to better meet the needs of the population it serves. The graduates of B.R.T.A. #59 are a well-rounded group of recruits. The newly sworn-in corrections officers represent ten towns across Massachusetts and one-fourth of the recruits are veterans or reservists.

The Sheriff's Office Academy is a 12-week paid program that consists of both classroom and hands-on instruction in which recruits are taught how to handle and maintain the care, custody, and control of inmates incarcerated at the Worcester County Jail & House of Correction. Important topics such as de-escalation, duty to intervene, fire safety, defensive



Submitted Photo
Zakary Wright of Barre completed the Worcester County Sheriff's Office's Basic Recruit Training Academy.

tactics, first responder training, suicide prevention, mental health, and substance abuse are covered in the classroom. Hands-on training consists of physical fitness, CPR/first responder, firearms, skid

school, and many other scenario-based exercises.

"These men and women have just completed 12 weeks of rigorous training and are now among the best and brightest in corrections today," stated Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis. "This class has demonstrated great strength and resolve as they have navigated the academy. They are the next generation of corrections officers that will continue our mission to serve, protect, and create a better, safer community for all."

Since taking office, Evangelidis has made significant changes to the hiring standards to professionalize the department. All correctional officer applicants must have, at minimum, an associate degree, two years of military service, or two years of relevant work experience. They must also pass a written exam, physical fitness test, background check, and psychological screening test. Evangelidis has also implemented a policy that prohibits the submission of letters of recommendation from politicians and gives preference to hiring those who have served our country.

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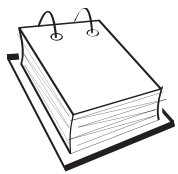
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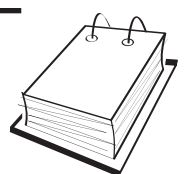
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Calendar of Events



THURSDAY, JUNE 1

ORANGE FARMERS MARKET is held every Thursday from 3-6 p.m. now through Thursday, Oct. 19 at the Orange Armory, 135 East Main St., Orange. Vendors offer a full range of Farmers Market products: veggies (in season), flowers, baked goods, annual and perennial plants, herbal remedies, milk and ice cream, soaps, craft items and more. Music entertainment will also take place at the market thanks to an Orange Cultural Council grant.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

BARRE FARMERS MARKET is held every Saturday from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on the Barre Common, Barre. The market runs through October and includes farmers, crafters, artisans and more.

YOUNG FOREST HABITAT HIKE in the Ware River Watershed will take place today from 10 a.m.-noon for a one-mile moderate hike. Participants will meet at the Department of Conservation and Recreation Oakham Field Office, 578 Old Turnpike Road, Oakham. People will carpool to the walk site.

People should register by visiting https://www.mass.gov/locations/quabbin-reservoir/events?_page=1.

FORESTER-NATURALIST TIM HAWLEY LED HIKE invites people to join him for a National Trails Day and Hubbardston Open Space Committee Hike today from 10 a.m.-noon. People should meet at Mt. Jefferson Conservation Area, Mt. Jefferson Road, Hubbardston. They will explore this area, discuss forest carbon, wildlife and water. There will be a word scavenger hunt for children. The hike is less than two miles over varied terrain. It will be held rain or shine.

FORBUSH BIRD CLUB will sponsor Birding at Barre Falls Dame and Ware River Watershed today from 7 a.m.-noon. This event is led by Dave Ammerman. People should meet at the parking lot above the dame, 1/2 mile south of Route 62 in Hubbardston. The route is a 2.5 mile loop following Brigham Road over the Ware River West Branch crossing and return along the river via Tracy Lane to the parking area. Restrooms are available at Barre Falls picnic area on Redbrook Road.

MONDAY, JUNE 5

QUABBIN COMMUNITY BAND REHEARSALS are held tonight from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Barre Town Hall, Exchange Street, Barre and will be held every Monday night. People may email Julie at julie@mhof.net or call 978-257-1192 or just show up at rehearsals. Margaret Reidy is the director.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9

MUSICAL 'RUTHLESS' will be performed in the Theatre at the Mount, located at Mount Wachusett Community College, 444 Green St., Gardner. Performances are today, June 10, June 16, June 17 at 7:30 p.m. and June 18 at 2 p.m. All tickets are \$24 and may be purchased by visiting <https://mwcc.universitytickets.com/>, by calling 978-630-9388 or at the box office at Mount Wachusett Community College in Gardner during regular box office hours.

PROGRAM ON TORNADO OF 1953 will be held

Where is this?



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This week's mystery photo is from Hardwick. If any readers know where this photo was taken, they may email edowner@turley.com or call the Barre Gazette at 413-967-3505, extension 100 with their answer by noon on Monday, June 5. The names of those that correctly guessed the location will appear in next week's edition. Stephen Craven, Evelyn Luukko and Irene Prouty correctly identified the photo. The photo was of a planter on an island at the intersection of Wheelwright Road (Route 32) and South Street, Barre.

today at 7 p.m. the Rutland Historical Society, 232 Main St., Rutland. At 7:15 p.m. they will show a video with photos of the path of the tornado with comments by witnesses. This video was put together by Lynne Amsden. At 8 p.m. they will show the TV program with interviews of surviving victims. This video is provided by Dwight Marsh, who was interviewed. Dwight's father, Rutland High School Principal Donald Marsh, was killed as well as a student on that fateful day. The society will have photos and other memorabilia from the tornado. They will also celebrate the spirit of the community that came together to rebuild the town. Refreshments will be served.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

YARD SALE sponsored by the Women's Guild of St. Francis Parish will be held today from 9 a.m.-noon at St. Joseph's Chapel, South Street, Barre. There will be household items, Snow Village pieces, Depression glass dinner ware. Yard sale items include donations from a person, who is moving.

YARD SALE sponsored by Grandview Tenants' Association will be held today from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at 146 Ruggles Lane, Barre.

PHILLIPSTON CHURCH BAZAAR will be held today from 10 a.m. to dusk. The bazaar includes games on the Phillipston Common, Phillipston for children, jewelry table, books, coffee can auction, Ladies Benevolent Society quilt raffle, Ryan's 5 K Run/Walk at 3:30 p.m. to benefit a scholarship in memory of Ryan Twohey, plants and good food at the Chuck Wagon. A flea market will be held at the Transfer Station. The day will conclude with a music by the Central Massachusetts Accordion Club and a barbecue served from 4:30-6:30 p.m. People may call Pam at 978-894-3683 for tickets.

SUNDAY, JUNE 11

JAZZ ON A SUMMER'S DAY with the Weir River Jazz will be held today at 2 p.m. on the lawn on the Stone Church Cultural Center, Main Street, (Route 32), Gilbertville. All are welcome to this free concert. Refreshments will be provided.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

FREE CONCERT WITH LEONARDO CIAMPA will take place today at 7:30 p.m. in Mechanics Hall, 321 Main St., Worcester in memory of Dr. Sherrill A.

"Ted" Gonna, a well-known Worcester music lover and supporter. CIAMPA will perform on both the piano and organ with guest artists: Letitia Stevens, soprano; Dianne Spoto, flue and Nino Ciampa, percussion and the Henry Purcell Society of Boston. Admission is free, but pre-registration is recommended. People may register by calling 508-752-5608 or on line by visiting mechanicshall.org. Seating in the Great Hall will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND at South Barre Rod & Gun Club, 2626 Barre Road, Hardwick will have a chicken barbecue and the Mark Blanchard Memorial Car Show at noon. Tickets are \$20 per person and can pick them up at clubhouse or call 413-477-6879. There will be numerous raffle items, music and a cash bar.

30TH ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL will be held today from 5-7 p.m. in the Parish Hall of St. Joseph's Parish, 296 North Main St., North Brookfield. The menu includes baked ham, homemade baked beans, homemade potato salad, homemade Cole slaw, rolls, coffee, water and strawberry shortcake. The meal will be served family style and take out is also available. Tickets are \$15 per adult and \$7 per child age 5- 10 years old. Tickets are available after Masses or by calling the rectory at 508-867-6811.

THE BIG RANDOM BAND will perform tonight from 6-8 p.m. at Nornay Park, Main Street, South Barre as part of the Barre Summer Concert Series. They will present rock and roll from the 1960s to the 1990s. Admission is free. The Barre Lions Club will sell food at the concert.

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

QUABBIN COMMUNITY BAND will present Father's Day "Welcome Back concert today at 6:30 at Nornay Park, Main Street, South Barre. Concerts on June 2, July 2 and July 9 will all be at Nornay Park. Concerts July 16, July 23, July 30, Aug. 6 and Aug. 13 will be held from the Harding Allen Bandstand, Barre Common, Concert Mall, Barre.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

ORANGE COMMUNITY BAND CONCERTS are held on the bandstand in Butterfield Park, Orange today, June 30, and July 7, July 14, July 21 and July 28 at 7 p.m. The band rehearses Wednesdays, June 21, June 28, July 5, July 12, July 19 and July 26 evenings at the Central Congregational Church in Orange.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

TIM MORAN MEMORIAL CAR SHOW will take place today with registration from 8:30-11:30 a.m. with plaques at 1:30 p.m. at the North Brookfield Sportsmen's Club, 20 Boynton Road, North Brookfield. Donation is \$15 per show vehicle and spectators are free. There will be lunch, cash bar and 50/50 raffle. D.J. Bruce Marshall will provide music. For show information, people may call Gary at 508-450-8643.

QUABBIN PARK, continued from page 1

Jasnocha families; Greenwch, the Thresher family; and Prescott, the Currier and Bowen families. A fifth wreath was placed at the Schmidt Bench, by members of the Eleanor Griswold Schmidt family.

Friends of Quabbin, Inc. President Gene Theroux followed with a reading of "In Flanders Fields" after "Taps", the National Anthem, and a medley of each military branch's marches were played.

State Sen. Anne Gobi said it was an honor to be invited to speak at the program, her last before she assumes the role of the new director of rural affairs in the Executive Office of Economic Development.

She shared the story of World War II nurse Ellen Ainsworth, who was one of 350,000 women that served.

Of those women, 543 lost their lives, including 16 nurses.

On Feb. 10, 1944, while working at the 56th Evacuation Hospital, Ainsworth made sure that all of her staff and patients were safe during a raid, Gobi said.

"No one panicked...and they all survived," Gobi said.

The next raid battered the Hospital, and Ainsworth was hit with a piece of shrapnel to the chest, but continued to work.

"There is nothing the enemy can do to us now to scare us" she said," Gobi continued.

Sadly, Ainsworth died from her injuries days later, just shy of her



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Barre Historical Society members marched with a quilted banner.

25th birthday.

Because of women veterans like Ainsworth, "we are a better people, a better nation," Gobi said.

State Rep. Todd Smola noted that this was also the 50th anniversary of the U.S. military's withdrawal from Vietnam.

"It took a lot of time for attitudes and perceptions to change," Smola said of Vietnam. "We should never disagree about supporting those that serve."

State Rep. Aaron Saunders said he was struck by Grandinetti's reading of the Gettysburg Address and said, "'the unfinished work' has continued," for freedom and peace in our country and beyond.

Saunders gave special acknowledgement to the four communities lost to the Reservoir.

"[They] gave themselves for the prosperity of the commonwealth,"

Saunders said.

State Sen. Jake Oliveira shared that his grandfather worked on the Quabbin Reservoir, and noted the depth of the sacrifice the residents of the four towns made for its creation.

Oliveira said he also understands what it's like to be told a loved one has paid the ultimate sacrifice for freedom, sharing the story of his late friend Sgt. Joshua Desforges, who was killed in Afghanistan.

"I know that feeling in your stomach when told you lost someone," he said.

Poulin thanked all of the various participants that made the program possible, including area historical societies, veterans organizations, youth organizations, Department of Conservation and Recreation staff, and many more.



Photos by Ellenor Downer

The Quabbin Regional High School Band marched and played in the Oakham Memorial Day parade. Band director, Toni Brown is show in front on the far right.

OAKHAM PARADE, continued from page 1

Oliveira recited their essays. Emma Masser sang the National Anthem. Oakham Boy Scout Troop 144 and Girl Scout Troop 65008 performed the flag ceremony of raising the flag from half staff to full staff. The ceremony concluded with the Benediction by Rev. Hanley.



Boy Scouts Troop 144 marched in the Oakham Memorial Day parade on Monday.



Members of the Oakham Board of Selectmen made their way to the War Memorial to place a wreath. Shown holding the wreath is Brad Taylor, from left, Donald Haapakoski and Lucy Tessnau in the rear.



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Quabbin golf team participates in tournament

BARRE – Last week, the Quabbin Regional High School girls golf team participated in a league tournament. The Panthers got a 95 from Kenzie Casey while Kylie Casey turned in a 99.



Kylie Casey tees off on the second hole. She shot a 99 in the tournament.



Sam Vessar puts for par.

Photos by Ray Duffy



Kayla Sherblom gets a fairway shot.



Kenzie Casey tees off. She shot a 95 to lead the Panthers.

Baseball season wraps up for Panthers

BARRE – A tough season for Quabbin baseball finished up with a few wins during the past week. After defeating Worcester North, the Panthers faced Blackstone-Milville and won a big 18-0 matchup. That was followed by a 4-0 triumph last Thursday at South High Community School. The Panthers finished with a 3-15 record.

Photos by Ray Duffy
Connor Breeds slides into second base



Chris Diaz fields a grounder to short.



Alijah Flint makes the tag at home.

Panthers host league meet

BARRE – Last week, the Quabbin Regional High School unified track team hosted the league-wide meet for the second straight season. Athletes from all over the area came to Quabbin's track to participate in the event. Quabbin's unified track team is in its second season.



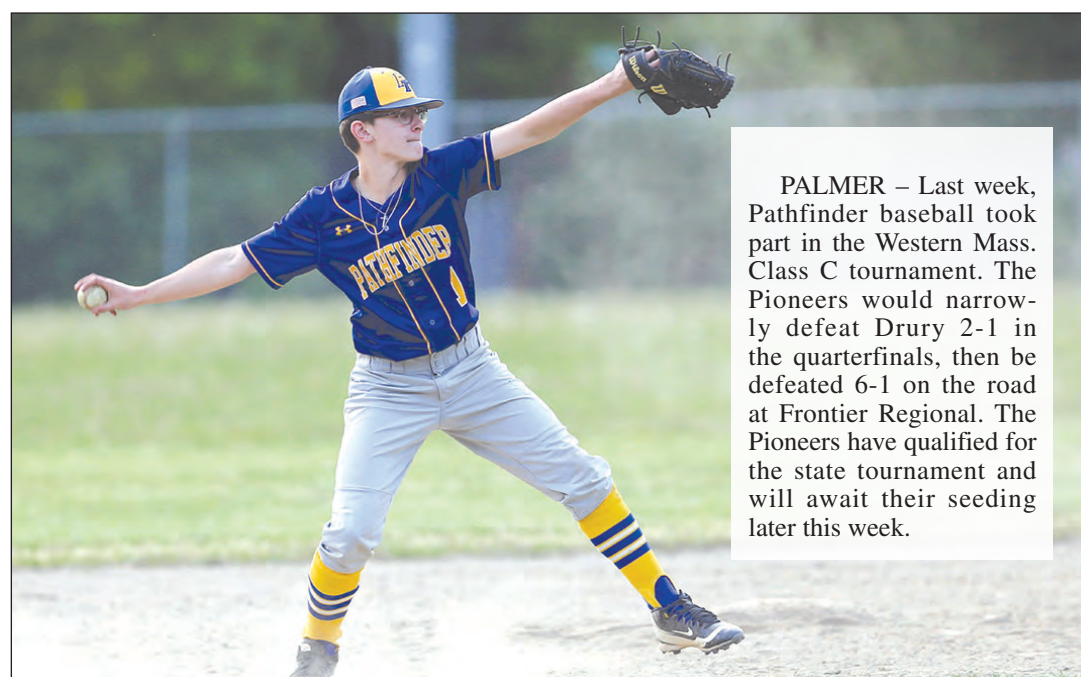
Emma Thompson launches the shot put.



Gracie Talbot flies through the air in the long jump.

Photos by Ray Duffy

Pioneers makes semifinals



Brayden Mega gets the throw off to first.

PALMER – Last week, Pathfinder baseball took part in the Western Mass. Class C tournament. The Pioneers would narrowly defeat Drury 2-1 in the quarterfinals, then be defeated 6-1 on the road at Frontier Regional. The Pioneers have qualified for the state tournament and will await their seeding later this week.

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Austin Lagimoniere fields a ground ball to center.



Jesse Cygan pitches for the Pioneers.

Sports

Hirschman dominates to win at Granite State Derby



Submitted photo

Matt Hirschman gets the win in the Granite State Derby

LEE, N.H. – In the inaugural Granite State Derby at Lee USA Speedway, Matt Hirschman dominated early but came up short in the stretch. This time around, Hirschman would not be denied.

“Big Money Matt” took charge on the third lap and never looked back en route to his first NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour win of the year and his first at “New Hampshire’s Center of Speed.”

“We just finally closed one,” Hirschman said in victory lane. “These races are tough to win, and I think we should have had five or six of them in recent years.”

The Northampton, Penn., veteran started third and only needed a couple laps to get alongside polesitter and defending race winner Doug Coby. Once at the front, Hirschman checked out, maintaining a modest advantage over Coby, Sam Rameau and Jon McKennedy as the leaders plotted their tire strategy.

Patient and clean racing through the pack was paused on lap 69 when Max Zachem spun down the frontstretch, opening the pit strategy window. Hirschman led the entire field down pit road for tires, then beat Coby and McKennedy back to the track to lead the field back to green.

Coby stumbled on the restart with clutch problems, sliding back through the pack as McKennedy and Austin Beers settled into second and third.

Beers snuck past the reigning series champion and into the runner-up spot, but Hirschman was setting a steady pace at the front that the sophomore could not outmatch. The leaders prepared for one last pit stop, all the while managing their tires to go the distance if necessary.

McKennedy slipped back around Beers with 25 laps to go, carving time off Hirschman’s advantage as the leader dispatched slower traffic. But the caution McKennedy needed to erase that advantage never came.

Hirschman, ever disciplined at conserving equipment, crossed the line 1.120 seconds ahead of McKennedy to win his sixth career NWMT race and his first since the 2021 season opener.

“We deserve better than what the results have been, and a lot of that is on me,” Hirschman said. “I take the most responsibility for that. But today, we delivered.”

Beers held on for third place, with Rameau and Ron Silk rounding out the top five. Coby raced his way back to sixth at the finish.

Hirschman’s win is a small step toward repeating last year’s Whelen Granite State Short Track Cup championship for car owner Roy Hall’s Pee Dee Motorsports. Coby won the first leg of the triple-race program, the Duel at the Dog 200 at Monadnock Speedway.

In addition to the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour, six

more feature races kept fans on the edge of their seats with a mix of local and regional star power. Supermodified wunderkind Jeffrey Battle passed his uncle Eddie Witkum with the white flag in sight to claim victory in the 350 Supermodifieds. Tom Harwood prevailed in a three-way battle to win the 25-lap New England Dwarf Car Series showdown. The New England Pro 4 Modifieds staged their inaugural Dan Meserve, Sr. Memorial Race, with Brayden Meserve taking an emotional win for the family.

Massachusetts’ Ryan Kuhn topped Lee’s best Pro Stock racers, leading wire-to-wire in a commanding performance in the 80-lap Pro Stock open. Wade Gelinas turned in a similar performance with the NHSTRA Late Models. And setting the stage for the night’s main event, Kyle Valeri took his first-ever win with the NEMA Lites.

The next scheduled event for JDV Productions is the inaugural Winchester Open Modified 100 at Monadnock Speedway in Winchester, N.H., where the JDV Open Modifieds will make their debut at “Mad Dog” Saturday, June 3. More information on this special event will be released later this week.

For more information on JDV Productions, visit JDVProductions.com and follow on social media for the latest updates throughout the season, including updates from the track on race day with feature winner posts.

Education

College News

WPI announces Dean’s List

WORCESTER – Worcester Polytechnic Institute announces the spring 2023 Dean’s List.

Local students making Dean’s List are:

Connor Dowgielewicz of New Braintree, Class of 2024 and a mechanical engineering major; Benjamin Hood of Hardwick, Class of 2025 and mechanical engineering major; Frederick Smith of New Braintree, Class of 2026 and a civil engineering major and Morgan Whitney of Barre, Class of 2024 and a biochemistry major.

The criteria for the WPI Dean’s List differs from that of most other universities as WPI does not compute a Grade Point Average. Instead, WPI defines the Dean’s List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and projects.

QCC announces Dean and Merit Lists

WORCESTER – Quinsigamond Community College announces its spring 2023 semester Dean and Merit Lists.

Local students making Dean List are: Lindsey Albro of Barre, Ella Sheldon of Barre

Liam Carlson of North Brookfield, Deborah Hill of North Brookfield, Matthew Arnold of Oakham, Brandon

Medina of Oakham, Hayley Blum of Rutland, Wesley Brum of Rutland, Kayra German of Rutland, Yasmin Issa of Rutland, Paige Lamoureux of Rutland, Nicholas Prefontaine of Rutland, Thomas Reardon of Rutland, Elizabeth Russell of Rutland, Amanda Towns of Rutland, Camden Towns of Rutland and Andrew Edick of Wheelwright.

Students who meet the criteria below and have earned 12 or more credits in a given semester are named to the Dean’s List. All grades must be “C” or higher. No grades of “I” or “X” are permitted.

Semester Quality Point Average must be 3.50 or higher and cumulative QPA must be 2.00 or higher.

All courses must be college level

Local student making Merit List are: Riley Bassett of Gilbertville, Elsy Aguiriano Ruiz of Hubbardston, Lily Carlson of New Braintree, Kristina Blankenship of North Brookfield, Marisa Duple of North Brookfield, Valeria Gimenez Fandino of North Brookfield, Kyle Pagnoni of North Brookfield, Priscilla Araujo of Oakham, Abigail Baldwin of Rutland, Samantha Berndt of Rutland, Katherine-Rose Dunn of Rutland, Joshua Haggerty of Rutland, Kyle Patenaude of Rutland, Rebecca Phillips of Rutland, Megan Rokicki of Rutland, Caroline Soucy of Rutland, Lyndsey Bowman of South Barre and Jessica Chartier of South Barre.

Students who meet the criteria below and have earned six or more credits in a given semester, but fewer than 12 credits, are named to the Merit List. All grades must be “C” or higher. No grades of “I” or “X” are permitted. Semester Quality Point Average must be 3.50 or higher, and cumulative QPA must be 2.00 or higher.

Ryan Wawro inducted into Beta Alpha Psi National Honor Society

SPRINGFIELD – On April 20, Beta Alpha Psi National Honor Society welcomed Ryan Wawro of Ware into Western New England University’s chapter at the induction ceremony in the Rivers Auditorium.

Wawro is working toward a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in finance.

Beta Alpha Psi is an honorary organization for financial information students and professionals. The primary objective of Beta Alpha Psi is to encourage and give recognition to scholastic and professional excellence in the business information field. This includes the study and proactive of accounting, finance and information systems; providing opportunities for self-development, service and association among members and practicing professionals and encouraging a sense of ethical, social and public responsibility.

WPI students complete Major Qualifying Project

WORCESTER, – All students at Worcester Polytechnic Institute are required to complete a senior thesis as part of the university’s distinctive project-based educational experience called the Major Qualifying Project, one that is usually team-based and often focuses on very specific issues or needs of an organization that has partnered with the university to sponsor the student’s work.

Local students, who are all members of the Class of 2023, completed projects.

Clark Apuy of Rutland, majoring in physics, completed the project titled SANS from a gen IV power reactor.

Jared Bushnell of Rutland, majoring in mechanical engineering, completed the project titled Design, Optimization and Testing of an FSAE Electric Racecar.

Hannah Kachadoorian of Rutland, majoring in biology and biotechnology, completed the

project titled Exploring CBD for Oxidative Stress Reduction in C. Elegans.

Madelyn Thrasher of Hubbardston, majoring in biomedical engineering and mechanical engineering, completed the project titled Device to Aid in Mechanical Ventilation of Obese Patients.

Ian Lafountain of Ware, majoring in biomedical engineering, class of 2023 completed the project titled Method of Measuring SpO2 Accurately for All Skin Types.

A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, project-based learning offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to real problems that affect the quality of people’s lives—an experience that changes the student and their world.

In addition to providing tangi-

ble work experience that proves valuable to employers, MQPs often lead to publications in peer-reviewed journals, presentations at regional and national conferences, patents, and entrepreneurial ventures. Others become useful innovations and products for their corporate sponsors.

Prior to their MQP, students complete an Interactive Qualifying Project (IQP), usually in their junior year, with a team of other students across disciplines; the projects may or may not relate to the students’ fields of study and are sponsored by organizations across the globe to give students real-world experience addressing problems that lie at the intersection of science and society. Approximately 85% of WPI students complete a project at one of the university’s 50+ off-campus project centers located in more than 30 countries around the world.

North Brookfield

NBSB raises money and supplies for Be Like Brit Foundation ‘Love Lives Here’ drive

NORTH BROOKFIELD – North Brookfield Savings Bank is committed to excellence and the support of their local communities, which is exactly why the bank decided to host their first-ever “Love Lives Here” Drive to benefit the Be Like Brit Foundation.

North Brookfield Savings Bank is proud to be a strong supporter of nonprofits and the talented and ambitious volunteers who run them. They believe that everybody, regardless of their financial circumstances, should have the opportunity to learn and grow in a safe and nurturing environment.

Throughout the entire month of March, North Brookfield Savings Bank collected “in need” supplies and monetary donations at all branch locations in North Brookfield, East Brookfield, West Brookfield, Ware, Belchertown and Three Rivers. 100% of donations collected will directly benefit The Be Like Brit Foundation headquartered in Worcester. They raised just under \$500 in addition to hundreds of donations of “in-need” items.

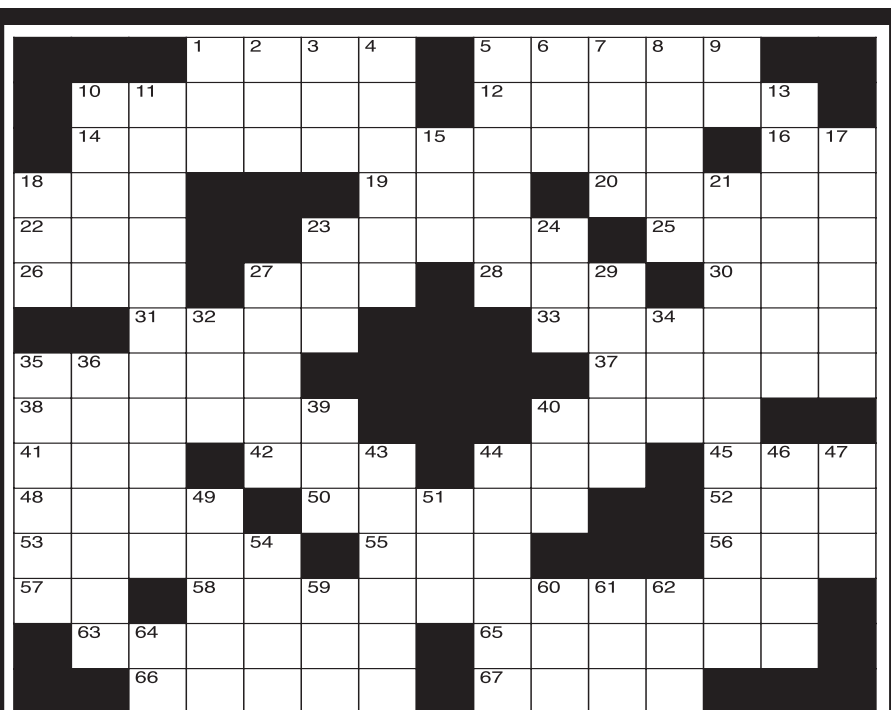
“North Brookfield Savings Bank is incredibly proud to host the “Love Lives Here” Collection Drive. We want to support Brit’s mission to serve the children of Haiti by establishing a safe, nur-

ture, and sustainable orphanage in an environment where they can grow, learn and thrive. Brit Lived her life by this mission” said Andrea Healy, First Senior Vice President, and Director of Human Resources.

To learn more about North Brookfield Savings Bank’s Community giving efforts and all of the convenient banking products and services offered, people may visit www.NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank.com.

Be Like Brit is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to serving the children of Haiti. Be Like Brit will continue the compassionate life and legacy of Britney Gengel by establishing a safe, nurturing and sustainable orphanage in an environment where children can grow, learn and thrive. In many ways, Britney Gengel from Rutland was a typical 19-year-old young woman, but her humor, passion and deep sense of caring for those less fortunate made her memorable to all who met her. It was her compassion for others that brought Britney to Haiti on Jan. 11, 2010, just a day before a catastrophic earthquake claimed an estimated 230,000 lives and rocked the small, poverty-stricken country.

Britney had spent the day visiting a Haitian orphanage where she and fellow students of Lynn University on a “Journey of Hope,” met the Haitian orphans they had traveled so far to help. Just a few hours later, Britney, three of her fellow students, and two Lynn University professors lost their lives in the rubble of the Hotel Montana in Port-Au-Prince. Britney was missing for 33 days before her remains were recovered. Fortunately, Britney’s dream did not die with her. Only hours before the earthquake, Britney sent a text message to her family that read: “They love us so much and everyone is so happy. They love what they have and they work so hard to get nowhere, yet they are all so appreciative. I want to move here and start an orphanage myself.” These forty words would sustain Britney’s family through the tragedy and, ultimately, serve as the driving force behind the establishment of the Be Like Brit Foundation and the decision to build an orphanage in Grand Gôave for the children of Haiti. Mission: To serve the children of Haiti by establishing a safe, nurturing and sustainable orphanage in an environment where they can grow, learn and thrive. Learn more at <https://belikebrit.org/>



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| 12. Root vegetable | 41. Decay | 4. Test | 36. Used to make guacamole |
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Church News

Local pastor offers sermons

The Questions Christ Asked Pt. 3

Did you know that Jesus posed some 130 questions in the Gospel record? I intend to explore a number of them in this series, as it is my experience that He continues to ask such queries of His people today! After all, Christ remains the same “yesterday and today and forever” (Heb. 13:8).

1) Question 1

Let us consider this familiar scene from the Gospel of Matthew: **Matthew 8:23-27 (NIV)**

23 Then he [Jesus] got into the boat and his disciples followed him. 24 Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. 25 The disciples went and woke him, saying, “Lord, save us! We’re going to drown.” 26 He replied, “You of little faith, why are you so afraid?” Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. 27 The men were amazed and asked, “What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!”

Consider the question of Christ in this scene (26b): “You of little faith, why are you so afraid?” Of course, the answer seems rather obvious, as they were in a dire situation. The passage indicates that a squall had come upon them, threatening to overtake the boat and doom those who were upon it. You know a storm is bad when veteran fishermen like Peter, James and John are shaken. From an earthly point of view, how could they be anything but afraid?

Yet this fails to consider Who (i.e., with a capital “W”) was on board. The disciples were with One

who had already offered incredible demonstrations of power, including the reversal of disease, the exorcism of demons and the cleansing of lepers. By this time, they had seen enough where their faith should have been made of sterner stuff! Why did they fret the storm when the Creator of the wind and the waves was aboard their vessel? It would seem that human nature defaults to fear over faith in such seasons—an inclination we must resist in kind.

May I ask, to what degree are you moved by the wind and the waves of life despite having access to Christ? Why is it that we find it so much easier to traffic in fear, failing to consider all that has come before? How many of us can testify to the power of God, yet we exhibit such small faith in moments of crisis? Thankfully, Jesus does not condemn us in our weakness, but calls us onward and upward in Him.

2) Question 2

Our second and final question affirms the futility of anxiety, fear and worry:

Luke 12:25

25 Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life?

Let us assess this question in its broader context. Read these words slowly, prayerfully and with an open heart before God:

Luke 12:22b-32

22 . . . Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. 23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. 24 Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap; they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! 25

Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? 26 Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? 27 Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. 28 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—of little faith! 29 And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. 30 For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. 31 But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. 32 Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.”

Though we much prefer to traffic in hesitation, uncertainty and doubt, what have they gotten us? Have they ever worked on your behalf for the good? Perhaps the time has now come for us to put such things aside, taking the Lord at His Word. Let us abandon our crippling, futile fear for a vital and transforming faith.

Thank you for taking the time to read this edition. Should you have any questions, please reach out to me using the information below. Moreover, we would love to see you in person in the days to come.

Feel free to attend any of our upcoming services. Check us out online at www.NewLifeBarre.org for more information.

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Phillipston Bazaar offers food, music, flea market and more

PHILLIPSTON – Put Saturday, June 10 from 10 a.m.-dusk on the calendar.

There will be a happy variety of things to do for people of all ages at the annual church bazaar that started 66 years ago.

There will be games on the common (kids will enjoy), a big assortment of jewelry (lots that is perfect for craft work), hundreds of books (all categories, even vintage editions), a coffee can auction (a choice variety), the Ladies Benevolent Society quilt raffle (beautifully handmade featuring loons), Ryan’s 5K Run/Walk at 3:30 p.m. (a scholarship fundraiser commemorating the life of Ryan Twohey), plants (from our gardens and donations from area nurseries), huge flea market at Transfer Station from 10 to 2 (including many items from toys to tools recently donated from an estate), and good food at the Chuck Wagon (where you can say hello to Tim Haley, a man who has cheerfully worked on the bazaar since he assisted his father when he was a young child).



Submitted photo

Central Massachusetts Accordion Club will give free concert at 4:30 p.m. sponsored by a grant from the Phillipston Cultural Council.

The day will culminate with music and food. By popular demand, the uplifting music of the Central Massachusetts Accordion Club will again entertain this year while people enjoy a barbecue chicken dinner. The talented musicians will play polkas, waltzes, patriotic songs and American favorites. (Phillipston’s Jane

French is one of the musicians.) The band will play and the barbecue will be served from 4:30-6:30 p.m. People should call Pam for barbecue tickets at 978-894-3683.

There’s a lot to enjoy in Phillipston on June 10. So come relax, shop, visit, eat, and be happy.

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“My brother and I get along great. He calls me every day,” Danguitis said.

Danguitis said her father cherished his four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family’s military involvement didn’t end with Al; Dwight went on to serve his country, retiring after 26 years in the U.S. Air Force.

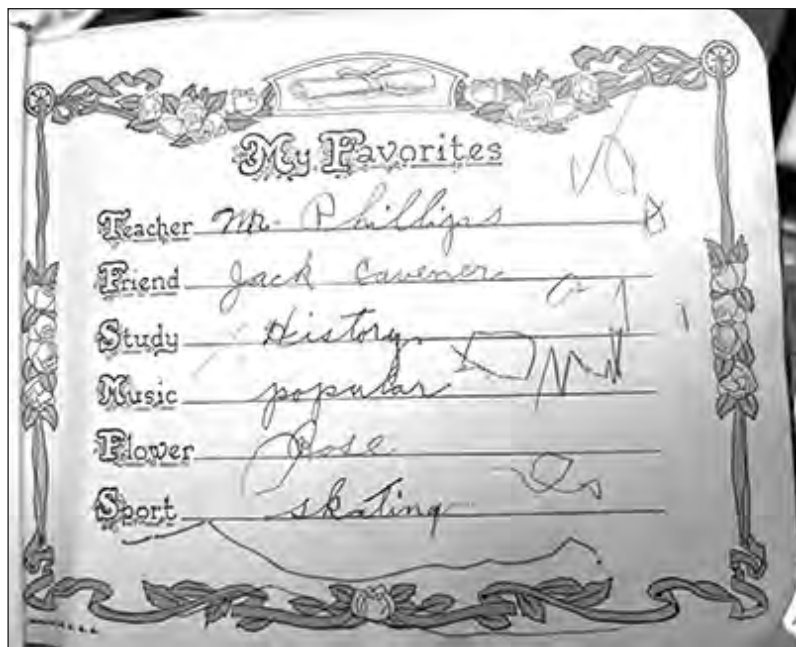
Danguitis married her husband Jack a month before he left to serve in Vietnam, when she was just 17 years old.

“I turned 18 on June 18 after he was gone,” she said, with the two writing each other letters every single day they were apart. Danguitis said she still has the Post Office box Jack’s letters went to, and the phone he first called her on.

Danguitis said her parents were supportive of the marriage, despite her young age and Jack’s impending deployment.

“He was already in the Air Force when we were dating. My dad said, ‘You know what you’re getting into?’” she said.

Danguitis and Jack enjoyed 55 years of marriage together, before he died last year from



Courtesy photo

Al Albrecht had a great sense of humor, as seen in his childhood autograph book, which he signed himself.

complications of Agent Orange exposure, just a few days after their anniversary. “We have the most beautiful love story,” she said.

Like her father, Jack never talked about his military service, but was just as proud and patriotic.

Danguitis said her father was especially proud of the American

flag, and made sure the school had a flagpole and a flag.

“Putting out the American flag every day was a standard routine in the morning. He was so proud of the flag. It would break his heart when people would burn the flag in protest. . . I remember seeing tears in his eyes when they did this,” she said. “He was so proud to serve our country.”

Obituaries

DEATH NOTICES

Dorow, Wilbar L.
Died May 25, 2023
Services are private

Dymon, Joseph Michael “Mike”
Died May 23, 2023
Celebration of Life at a later date

Tancredi, Anthony P.
Died May 26, 2023
Services June 5, 2023

Wilbar L. Dorow, 87

BARRE – Wilbar L. Dorow, 87, died Thursday, May 25, 2023, at Quabbin Valley Nursing Home after an illness.

Wilbar is survived by two brothers, Arthur Dorow, Jr. and Raymond Dorow; one sister, Alice Adams; one sister-in-law, Elaine Dorow, all of Athol, and several nieces and nephews.

He was born in Petersham, on March 8, 1936, a son of the late Arthur and Helena (Wilbar)

Dorow.

He was a graduate of Petersham High School, he served in the US Army. Wilbar worked as a machinist for Chas G. Allen, Anderson Garage and Varney Trailer Park as a groundskeeper. He also was a Police Officer in Petersham and a volunteer firefighter for the Town of Petersham.

Wilbar loved hunting, fishing and the outdoors. He enjoyed doing puzzles, he liked the simple

things in life and he could fix anything. He will be remembered as being a kind and good man.

His funeral services and burial will be private.

Fiske, Murphy, and Mack Funeral Home, 110 New Athol Road, Orange, MA 01364 has been entrusted with his funeral arrangements. Kevin J. Mack, Walter C. Taylor, Douglas M. Stone and Melissa A. McQuaid, funeral directors

Joseph Michael “Mike” Dymon, 84

AMHERST – Joseph Michael “Mike” Dymon, age 84, of Amherst, passed away peacefully at home on May 23, 2023, surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Ware, on March 1, 1939, to the late Andrew and Ruth (Holm) Dymon.

Mike attended Barre High School where he excelled in both Basketball and Baseball and received Most Valuable Player in 1955/1956. After high school, he went on to earn his Bachelor of Science degree from Boston University in 1961 and continued his schooling with a Master in Education. While in college he continued to play in various baseball leagues.

In 1962 he started his career path, working at East Corinth Academy in Maine, where he taught Science and Physical Education. In 1963-1967 he became the Physical Education Teacher and Athletic Director for Wilmington High School in Vermont, where he became a baseball and basketball coach, his baseball team won the first state championship, the only one ever won by the school.

He went on to teach at Quabbin Regional High School in Barre. He was not only responsible for the Physical Education Department but became also involved with the coaching of Varsity Basketball and Baseball, leading his teams to many championships throughout the years, including a State Championship. He taught determination, grit, and hard work and mentored many young boys to play their hardest, even having two players drafted by the Major Leagues.

Throughout his career, he had coached numerous students;

baseball, boys’, and girls’ basketball, cross-country, and soccer teams. He had received many awards and honors, including Resolutions by the Town of Barre, the Massachusetts House of Representatives, and the Massachusetts State Senate congratulating the Quabbin Regional High School Baseball team and Coach Dymon for winning the State Championship.

He received Coach of the Year (Wachusett League) in 1987 and was inducted into the Mass. Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame in 1988, he received the achievement award for 300 Quabbin Varsity Baseball Victories, and the 300 Victory Club by the Mass. Baseball Coaches Association. In 2006, he was inducted into the Quabbin Athletic Hall of Fame.

He was a member of the Mass. Baseball Coaches Executive Committee, Clinician at Mass. Baseball Coaches annual clinic, Central Mass. Board of Baseball Umpires, United States Soccer Federation, Western, and Central Mass. Board of Soccer Officials, and past President in 1972 of the Central Mass. Board of Soccer Officials.

Mike’s unwavering passion for athletics and the great outdoors was infectious, and his daughter was captivated at an early age, together they explored the vast mountains and serene trails forging a bond that transcended the ordinary. With each adventure, he nurtured her sense of wonder and instilled in her an appreciation for the beauty and power of nature.



He embraced the lessons imparted by sports, perseverance, teamwork, and a competitive spirit, he encouraged her athletic pursuits by coaching her, cheering her on from the sidelines, and celebrating her victories. His unwavering support and belief in her abilities fueled her passion for sports and provided the foundation for her drive and determination in all pursuits.

After his retirement, he and his wife Ute of 54 years spent their days enjoying traveling the world, exploring new places, and learning about different cultures. Keeping active hiking and bicycling all over Western Mass and beyond. He was an avid Red Sox fan even rooting for them until his passing. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Mike is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Ute J. Dymon of Amherst, his loving and devoted daughter Rachel Dymon and her husband Roger Morin, his two grandchildren, whom he adored, Ryder and Rayne Morin Dymon all of Easthampton. Mike was predeceased by his sister Margaret Dymon.

There will be a Celebration of Life at a later date which will be announced. Drozdal Funeral Home of Northampton has been entrusted with his services.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to Quabbin Regional High School, Attn. Press Box Donations, 872 South St., Barre, MA 01005. For more information or to leave to family a personal condolence, please visit DrozdalFuneralHome.com.

Anthony P. “Tony” Tancredi, 81

BARRE- Anthony P. “Tony” Tancredi, 81, of Barre, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 26, 2023.

He leaves his wife of 55 years as of June 1, Karen (Snay) Tancredi; a daughter, Denise E. St. Louis and her husband Brian; two grandchildren, Grace E. and Michael A. St. Louis, all of Barre and several cousins. He was predeceased by a sister, Louise A. in 2005.

Tony was born Sept. 1, 1941 son of the late Peter and Celia

(Cappello) Tancredi and has been a life long resident. He worked as a Tool and Cutter grinder for Chas. G. Allen Company in Barre for many years until he retired. He enjoyed playing Bocce, bowling, tending to his yard, walking the dog and spending time with his family especially his grandchildren.

Friends and family are invited



to attend the funeral for Tony on Monday, June 5, 2023 with a Mass at 11 a.m. in St. Thomas A Becket Church, Vernon Avenue, South Barre. A calling hour will be held from 9:30-10:30 a.m. prior to the Mass in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 96 South Barre Road, Barre. Burial will be in South Cemetery in Oakham. WWW. PillsburyFuneralHome.com.

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Barre Gazette

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Public Safety

Barre Police Log

Sunday, May 14
 9:40 a.m. Animal Wildlife, Chapman Road, Officer Spoke to Party
 12:53 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Criminal Complaint
 Summons: Mero, Nicholas Michael, 22, Gilbertville
 Charges: License Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With
 8:09 p.m. Chest Pain/Heart Problems, Jackson Lane, Transported to Hospital

Monday, May 15
 1:04 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, West Street, Removed to Court/Lock Up
 Arrest: Ofei, Ekow Abbiw, 39, Leicester
 Charges: Operating Under Influence – Liquor OR .08%
 5:01 a.m. Prisoner Watch, Harrington Hospital, Services Rendered
 Arrest: Okei, Ekow Abbiw, 39, Leicester
 Charges: Operating Under Influence – Liquor OR .08%, Unregistered Motor Vehicle, Marked Lanes Violation
 8:23 Transport Prisoner, East Brookfield District Court, Services Rendered
 Arrest: Okei, Ekow Abbiw, 39, Leicester
 Charges: Operating Under Influence – Liquor OR .08%, Unregistered Motor Vehicle, Marked Lanes Violation
 1:47 p.m. Threats, Walnut Hill Road, Report Filed
 2:48 p.m. Seizures, South Street, Transported to Hospital
 5:57 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, West Street, Criminal Complaint
 Summons: Greenhalgh, Bethany

Hope, 31, Winchendon
 Charges: Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Unregistered Motor Vehicle

Tuesday, May 16
 3:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Valley Road, Citation Issued
 3:32 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Barre Road, Citation Issued
 4:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Street, Citation Issued
 8:04 p.m. Fumes/Gas Leak, South Street, Investigated

Wednesday, May 17
 10:21 a.m. Falls, Worcester Road, Transported to Hospital
 6:44 p.m. Fire – General Business, Vernon Avenue, Removed Hazard
 8:02 p.m. Larceny/Theft, Main Street, Report Filed

Thursday, May 18
 1:17 p.m. Breathing Difficulty, Maple Lane, Transported to Hospital
 3:30 p.m. Breathing Difficulty, Worcester Road, Transported to Hospital
 6:29 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Vernon Avenue, Vehicle Towed
 Summons: Ayala, Alexander D., 32, Worcester
 Charges: License Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle with, Speeding Rate of Speed Exceeding Posted Limit
 10:56 a.m. Falls, South Barre Road, Public Assist
 11:28 a.m. Sick/Unknown, Worcester Road, Mutual Aid Transported
 4:10 p.m. Breathing Difficulty, Worcester Road, Mutual Aid Transport
 9:51 p.m. Seizures, Harty Road,

Transported to Hospital

Friday, May 19
 3:05 p.m. Chest Pain/Heart Problems, Sunrise Avenue, Ambulance Signed Refusal
 5:25 p.m. Assist Other Police Department, Wheelwright, Services Rendered
 7:26 p.m. Suspicious Person/Vehicle, Broad Street, Officer Spoke to Party
 11:50 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Worcester Road, Criminal Complaint
 Summons: Arsenault, Jesse Regina, 45, Easthampton
 Charges: License Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With

Saturday, May 20
 7:52 a.m. Animal – ACO Call, Varney Lane, Information Taken
 10:35 a.m. Fraud/Forgery, South Street, Report Filed
 8:24 p.m. Erratic Operator, Summer Street, Negative Contact
 8:46 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision – Fire, Williamsville Road, No Action Required
 Arrest: Tolman, Michael J., 30, Hubbardston
 Charges: License Suspended, Operating Motor Vehicle With, Subsequent Offense

South Barre

Friday, May 19
 3:16 p.m. Harassment, Cedar Street, Officer Took Call

Rutland Police Log

Sunday, May 14
 11:24 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Written Warning
 11:32 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning
 11:43 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued
 11:57 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Citation Issued
 12:04 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Citation Issued
 12:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Written Warning
 1:07 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Written Warning
 1:20 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning
 1:32 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Written Warning
 1:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Written Warning
 1:56 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Written Warning
 2:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Written Warning
 2:41 p.m. Animal – Lost and/or Found, Blair Drive, Information Taken
 5:46 p.m. Trees In Wire (Not on Ground), Naquag Road, Referred to Other Agency
 6:42 p.m. Erratic Operator, Glenwood Road, Officer Advised
 7:12 p.m. Brush and Wildland Fires, Anthony Drive, Fire Extinguished
 7:53 p.m. CPR Adult > 8 years, Barre Paxton Road, Referred to Other Agency

5:22 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East County Road, Written Warning
 6:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Maple Avenue, Written Warning
 6:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued
 6:19 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Maple Avenue, Citation Issued
 6:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning

Tuesday, May 16
 9:56 a.m. Animal – ACO Call, East County Road, Message Delivered
 11:40 a.m. Sick/Unknown, East Hill Road, Ambulance Signed Refusal
 12:40 p.m. Harassment, Oakridge Drive, Officer Spoke to Party
 4:02 p.m. Structure Fires, Maple Spring Drive, Fire Extinguished
 4:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Maple Avenue, Written Warning
 4:20 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Maple Avenue, Written Warning
 4:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Pleasantdale Road, Citation Issued
 5:07 p.m. Tree Incidents (No Wires), Athens Avenue, Office Spoke to Party
 6:36 p.m. Unconscious/Unresponsive/Syncope, Main Street, Transported to Hospital
 7:02 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued

Road, Report Filed
 5:57 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision Hit and Run, Miles Road, Report Filed
 6:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East County Road, Written Warning

Thursday, May 18
 10:06 a.m. Animal – Lost and/or Found, Prescott Street, Message Delivered
 10:21 a.m. Animal – Lost and/or Found, Prescott Street, Message Delivered
 3:23 p.m. Suspicious Person/Vehicle, Pleasantdale Road, Services Rendered

Friday, May 19
 9:14 a.m. Animal – Lost and/or Found, East County Road, Animal Returned to Owner
 9:49 a.m. Court Duty, East Brookfield District Court, No Action Required
 12:05 p.m. Suspicious Person/Vehicle, Peters Avenue, Gone on Arrival
 12:53 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Paxton Road, Written Warning
 6:42 p.m. Abandoned Vehicle/ParkingIssues, Pommogussett Road, Vehicle Removed
 8:54 p.m. Allergic Reaction, Prospect Street, Transported to Hospital

Hubbardston Police Log

Sunday, May 14
 12:53 p.m. Erratic Operator, Hale Road, Negative Contact
 5:51 p.m. Fraud/Forgery, Saybrook Drive, Officer Advised

Monday, May 15
 8:20 a.m. Prowler/Trespasser, Old Westminster Road, Peace Restored

Tuesday, May 16
 9:53 a.m. Court Duty, Gardner District Court, Services Rendered
 4:36 a.m. Fraud/Forgery, Main Street, Report Filed
 6:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision Fire, Gardener Road, Vehicle Towed

Wednesday, May 17
 9:54 a.m. Bleeding (Non-Traumatic), Mt. Jefferson Road, Transported to Hospital
 2:08 p.m. Falls, Worcester Road, Ambulance Signed Refusal

Thursday, May 18
 1:42 p.m. Assist Other Police Department, Fitchburg, Negative Contact
 6:11 p.m. Choking, Gardner Road, No Fire Service Necessary

Friday, May 19
 10:08 a.m. Breathing Difficulty, Gardner Road, Transported to Hospital
 11:02 a.m. Motor Vehicle Collision –

Fire, Barre Road, Vehicle Towed
 10:32 p.m. Assist Other Police Department, Westminster, Party Departed Without Incident

Saturday, May 20
 10:23 a.m. Power Lines/Wires Down, Main Street, Referred to Other Agency
 5:22 p.m. Serve Warrant, Gardner Road, Arrest(s) Made
 Arrest: Fontaine, Crindia Mary, 48, Hubbardston
 Charges: Warrant

Sunday, May 21
 4:06 a.m. Animal Wildlife, Madison Way, Services Rendered

Oakham Police Log

Oakham Police Log

Sunday, May 14
 12:24 p.m. Road Hazard, North Brookfield Road, Referred to Other Agency

Monday, May 15
 2:56 p.m. Notification, East Hill Road, Information Taken

Tuesday, May 16
 8:20 a.m. School Zone Enforcement, Deacon Allen Drive, Services Rendered
 11:40 a.m. Sick/Unknown, East Hill Road, Ambulance Signed Refusal
 5:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop,

Worcester Road, Citation Issued
 11:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision – Fire, North Brookfield Road, Negative Contact

Wednesday, May 17
 8:17 a.m. School Zone Enforcement, Deacon Allen Drive, Services Rendered
 2:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Written Warning
 2:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Written Warning
 2:59 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Written Warning

8:20 a.m. School Zone Enforcement, Deacon Allen Drive, Services Rendered
 9:49 a.m. Court Duty, East Brookfield District Court, Services Rendered
 4:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle – Disabled, Old Turnpike Road, No Action Required

Friday, May 19
 7:01 p.m. Gunshots, New Braintree Road, No Action Required

Saturday, May 20
 10:54 a.m. Illegal Dumping, Bechan Road, Negative Contact

New Braintree Police Log

During the week of May 22-29, the Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department responded to 17 building/property checks, 36 directed/area patrols, three traffic controls, four radar assignments, six emergency 911 calls, two fires, one safety hazard, one property damage and two motor vehicle stops in the town of New Braintree.

Monday, May 22
 10:45 a.m. 911 Hang-up/Abandoned, West Brookfield Road, Negative Contact
 3:50 p.m. Fire/Illegal Burn, Ravine Road, Extinguished

Wednesday, May 24
 8:41 a.m. 911 Misdiagnosed, Hardwick Road, Officer Handled
 12:52 p.m. Fire/Other, Ravine Road, Call Canceled

Thursday, May 25
 2:49 p.m. 911 Misdiagnosed, Barre Road, Investigated
 3:20 p.m. 911 Misdiagnosed, Hardwick Road, Spoken To

Friday, May 26
 9:45 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Old Wine Road, Transported to Hospital
 1:13 p.m. 911 Misdiagnosed, Memorial Drive, Services Rendered

Saturday, May 27
 4:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Hardwick Road, Written Warning
 4:42 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Ravine Road, Written Warning

Sunday, May 28
 1:56 p.m. Property Damage, Barre Road, Investigated

Monday, May 29
 6:45 a.m. Safety Hazard, Barre Road, Taken/Referred to Other Agency

Hardwick Police Log

During the week of May 22-29, the Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department responded to 49 building/property checks, 47 directed/area patrols, two traffic controls, seven emergency 911 calls, four radar assignments, one citizen assist, three assist other agencies, one safety hazard, one investigation, one motor vehicle investigation, two motor vehicle accidents, five complaints, two animal calls and three motor vehicle stops in the town of Hardwick.

Spoken To
 5:10 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Greenwich Road, Transported to Hospital

Wednesday, May 24
 1:08 p.m. Complaint/Motor Vehicle Operations, Collins Road, Dispatch Handled
 1:55 p.m. Assist Citizen, Walk-in, Spoken To
 8:28 p.m. Serve Warrant, Maple Street, Arrest(s) Made

Thursday, May 25
 4:11 p.m. Safety Hazard, Main Street, Removed Hazard
 5:02 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Lower Road, Transported to Hospital

Friday, May 26
 7:31 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Collins Road, Transported to Hospital

Saturday, May 27
 1:37 a.m. Motor Vehicle Investigation, Greenwich Road, Investigated
 7:16 a.m. 911 Neighbor Dispute, Main Street, Report Taken
 3:46 p.m. Parking Complaint, North Street, Citation Issued

Sunday, May 28
 11:57 a.m. Medical Emergency, Hardwick Road, Transported to Hospital
 12:18 p.m. 911 Hang-up/Abandoned, Greenwich Road, Services Rendered
 3:29 p.m. 911 Misdiagnosed, Old Greenwich Plains Road, Spoken To
 5:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Hardwick Road, Vehicle Towed
 7:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Lower Road, Services Rendered
 8:43 p.m. Complaint, Prospect Street, Negative Contact
 10:12 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Cleveland Road, Services Rendered

Great Falls Discovery Center holds June events

TURNER FALLS – The Department of Conservation and Recreation lists June events at the Great Falls Discovery Center, 2 Avenue A.

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Inclement weather cancels outdoor programs. The center is wheelchair accessible.

The Visitor Center is open Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesdays through Sundays from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Monday, June 19 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Visions of the Connecticut River Valley, a showcase of work from regional artists featuring the nature of the Connecticut River, will be on exhibit in Great Hall now through Friday, June 30.

at Barton Cove Campground, Barton Cove Road, Gill with additional activities at the Great Falls Discovery Center. Adults and children of all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Event is held rain or shine.

Parking is free. A limited supply of fishing equipment provided or bring your own pole. No fishing license needed.

At Great Falls Discovery Center, there will be a fly tying demonstration. A fish from the USGS Conte Anadromous Fish Research Lab will be present. A free shuttle bus to and from the Discovery Center and Barton Cove will run as needed from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

At Turners Falls Fishway, 15 First St. there will be fish printing – the Art of Gyoatoku from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

On Saturday, June 17 from 10:30 a.m.-noon for adults, teens and children ages 6 and up when accompanied by an adult will discover nature through story, poetry and art in our series of free art naturally programs. Using words and images, instruction and techniques you create an art piece inspired by the natural world to take home. All materials are free and they meet in the Great Hall.

Fields & Forests— What do bees need?

On Sunday, June 18 from 10:30 a.m.-noon the center kicks-off Pollinator Week in Great Hall. People will make their own native bee habitat by “painting” with yarn, fleece, pre-felt shapes and soapy water. Participants will learn how important the native bees are and what they need to thrive. This program is for ages 4 and up, including teens and adults. Children must be accompanied by an adult. The program is designed especially for families including dads, but all are welcome.

Kidleidoscope story hour

On Friday, June 30 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Kidleidoscope story hour is about turtles.

This event is for children ages 3-6, who are accompanied by an adult. They will learn more about wildlife neighbors, who share our home. The program includes a story, activities and a craft. Activities are indoors and outdoors, weather permitting. Siblings and friends are welcome. They meet in the Great Hall.

For more information about programs, people may call 413-863-3221, visit <https://www.mass.gov/locations/great-falls-discovery-center> or email janel.nockleby@mass.gov.

Story walk
 Now through Tuesday, June 27 the StoryWalk® will be “Ruby’s Birds” by Mya Thompson for readers ages 3-7. This StoryWalk® is provided by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Interpretive Services.

Nice and easy walks
 On Fridays, June 2 and June 9 from 1-2 p.m., Sunday, June 11 from 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays, June 14 and June 28 from 10-11 a.m., there will be easy-paced, one to two-mile guided walks along the Canalside Rail Trail or downtown Turners Falls, geared for seniors, but open to all ages. A DCR Park Interpreter highlights natural and local history along the way. People should meet outside the main entrance.

Free family fishing day
 The 16th annual free family fishing day takes place on Sunday, June 4 from 10 a.m.- 2

Coffeehouse
 Great Falls Coffeehouse presents the Farley String Band on Friday, June 9 from 7-9 p.m.
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During spring, summer and fall the Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center’s concert series features local talent in the Great Hall. Music includes traditional folk music, “old time” and Celtic fiddle tunes from the Farley String Band. Refreshments are available. Donations on a sliding scale suggested; all donations support educational programming at the Center.

Vegetable raised beds
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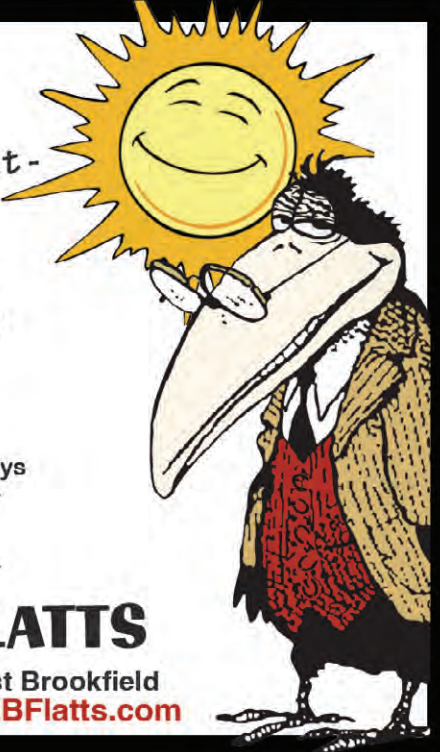
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