

The joy of the tree



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A smile darted across my face as I stepped into my basement last weekend, because I knew what was about to happen.

The night before, my wife put together our Christmas tree (yes, we have a fake tree, don't judge ... I love it) after our kids went to bed, and as I grabbed two large containers full of decorations, ornaments, stockings and other Christmas paraphernalia, I knew my two young children were upstairs ready to decorate the tree. It was like two rabid dogs leaping on a fresh steak. It was all I could do to keep them from ripping everything to shreds.

When I was a kid, I remember being similarly enthused. Thinking about it right now I can think of at least five ornaments that went in the tree every year and still reside in a box somewhere in my parents' house, including a vinyl candy cane with my name on it, a papier-mâché ball ornament with painted on designs and several other ornaments my brother and I created at school throughout our elementary school years. It's a "This is Your Life" in Christmas tree decoration form.

As the years go on, our own collection of Christmas ornaments has ballooned. Of course, it doesn't help that my wife makes it an annual tradition to stop by a certain vendor at the Woodstock Fair every single year and have the kids pick out their own personalized ornaments every year. The space on our tree quickly runs out and we are left to leave some ornaments off the tree. Of course, in her defense, I should add that I have been making photo ornaments for her of the kids for the past few years, as well, so I'll take some of the blame as well.

Nevertheless, once our furniture is moved to make appropriate room for the tree, the lights are laid on, and the switch is flipped, a light turns on in our kids' eyes, and they want nothing more than to lay on our ornaments in whatever way they want. For my 3-year-old daughter, that means at least 3-4 ornaments per branch, repeated requests to "pick me up" so she can place ornaments near the top of the tree, and a refusal to stop until every last ornament is exhausted. For my 5-year-old son, he's a little more deliberate. He knows which ornaments are his to take, and he spreads them out pretty well. The apprentice has learned well.

For the first time this year, we tried out LED lights on the tree (last year's post-Christmas clearance!). For years, we did the classic mini lights. What a difference it makes, as the new, brighter lights actually cast their lights directionally onto the nearby walls, creating a psychedelic pattern of spirals and shapes in all sorts of colors in our living room. Add some blinking action, and you have yourself a poor man's discotheque.

As every last ornament was added to the tree, and our decorating time came to a close, lids were reattached to boxes, and packed away. In classic form, my daughter tugged on my leg, looked up at me with those puppy dog eyes, and asked me earnestly, "Now we open presents?"

Patience, sweetheart. Patience...

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HERE COMES SANTA CLAUS



The Berg family, of Auburn, gets ready to meet Santa.

Kevin Flanders photos

AUBURN — Residents rang in the holiday season with help from a special guest this year — Santa Claus! Riding into town via fire truck, Santa was greeted by dozens of kids who braved the cold and enjoyed treats provided by the fire department. For more photos, turn to page A4!



Members of the Auburn High School band prepare to get the crowd fired up with some seasonal tunes.

Moore attends MA-Quebec Research Council announcement

BOSTON — On Monday, Dec. 5, Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) joined Senate President Stan Rosenberg (D-Amherst) and Québec National Assembly President Jacques Chagnon at the Massachusetts State House to announce members of the Massachusetts-Québec Research Council.



Michael O. Moore

Moore, who serves as Senate Chair of the Joint Committee on Higher Education, and as a member of the Massachusetts-Québec Cooperation Conference, attended meetings earlier this year in Montréal where conferees agreed to establish a Collaborative Research Council.

"The Province of Québec is a unique partner with our Commonwealth on many matters including the economy, energy and education," said Moore. "Those appointed to the Research Council offer tremendous experience in each of these fields and I look forward to reviewing their recommendations on how best to

strengthen our ties with Québec, and advance these sectors in mutually beneficial manner."

The Research Council consists of private and public sector officials from both regions who will be working on researching and developing long-term strategies of how Massachusetts and Québec can fortify their relationship relative to higher education and business.

Members appointed from the Province of Québec include:

- Ghislain Bolduc, Member for Mégantic, National Assembly of Québec
- Sylvain Gaudreault, Member for Jonquière,

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Twenty-five years of emergency response

OXFORD FIREFIGHTER CELEBRATES CAREER MILESTONE

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — Twenty-five years is a long time to commit to anything in life, especially a job in emergency response.

Still, this is the milestone one local firefighter achieved in 2016, as Scott Rudman, a firefighter and EMT for Oxford Fire

& EMS, celebrated his 25th year not only in emergency response, but also with the same department.

Rudman, a former Army Specialist and Calvary Scout, joined the department out of high school and his only time away from the department was

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Jason Bleau photo

Local firefighter and EMT Scott Rudman recently celebrated his 25th year with Oxford Fire & EMS.

FACING OFF



From left, Auburn High School hockey team members Cam Carpenter, Zach Davey, and Cam Dungey.



Honoring Officer Ronald Tarentino's ultimate sacrifice, team captains present jerseys and other gifts to Tricia Tarentino.

Kevin Flanders photos

AUBURN — The puck dropped for an inspirational cause earlier this month, as the Auburn Fire/Police team and the U.S. Coast Guard Hockey Organization faced off at Horgan Arena in honor of fallen Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino Jr. Prior to the opening draw on Dec. 3, Tarentino's wife, Tricia Tarentino, was presented with jerseys by the captains of each team. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Officer Ronald Tarentino Memorial Fund. For more photos, turn to page A11!



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Shotgun deer season is winding down

The 2-inch snowfall this past Monday was just what deer hunters were waiting for. Reports of deer not moving until around noon time Monday was expected, unless they were rousted from their beds. When a few deer were encountered, trailing them was easy, and often led to a harvested deer.



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also the time of year that waterfowl hunters need to take extreme care when hunting on the water. An accident on the water at this time of year can cost you your life if you do not take precautions. It is also dangerous for man's best friend. Sending

a dog out into the freezing water to retrieve a bird can provide a waterfowl hunter some exciting moments, but can also turn tragic in a minute. I have seen a lot of close calls for man and his dog over my years of hunting waterfowl.

I have tipped over in my canoe a few times during my younger years and the water was freezing cold. Lucky for me the water was not over my head and I was able to slide back into the canoe and head for shore. My Lab "Max" was waiting for me on shore. I quickly got him into the car and had the heater on full blast, although my dog was none the worse for the ordeal. I managed to save my gun, but all of my shells and gear were on the bottom of the water or floated away.

Ice has also had my dog in some serious predicaments over the years. After a retrieve of a downed goose, he had trouble getting back onto the ice. He held onto the goose but he was becoming a bit anxious. I tried to get him to swim along the edge of the ice to an opening that would have given him a clear path to shore. After a few minutes I realized he was in trouble. I set my gun down, laid on my belly and stomach crawled along the ice out to my dog. He was still holding onto the goose. I reached out onto his collar and gave him a light tug and he popped out onto the ice and headed for shore still holding onto the bird. I slowly crawled back to shore and gave my dog Max a good hug. I soon realized it was a stupid thing to do and it could very well have cost me my life. I could not imagine losing my dog. I called it



Courtesy photo

This week's picture shows a family member enjoying a bit of ice fishing with her dad a few years ago. Starting them young will ensure another generation of fishermen and women.

a day and I headed home for a warm change of clothes. If this had happened to me today it could have turned out a lot worse. Standing on a riverbank doing some pass shooting and having my new dog Twig retrieve them is still a lot of fun and a lot safer at my age.

While sitting in my ground blind last week I could not help to notice the heavy infestation of gypsy moth egg masses on trees. Hopefully they will succumb to the weather before summer, giving the trees and residents a break from there nuisance and defoliation of trees.

The cold weather that was predicted for late week should start the ponds to freeze over. Ice fishing anglers are eager to head out onto the ice to do some fishing. First ice is always dangerous and only seasoned anglers should inspect the ice prior to navigating across it. Every year someone loses their life because of thin ice. Do not let it happen to you! More on this subject in the coming weeks. Take a kid fishing and keep them rods bending!



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Monday, Dec. 12

Veteran's Advisory Committee, 5:30 p.m., Basement Floor Town Hall

What is the best way to know the value of my home?

There are many different places where you can find valuation data. You can go to your towns website and there may be an appraised value and an assessed value or possibly just an assessed value.



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make adjustments for any conditions that will affect value. If you are thinking of selling your home most realtors would not charge you for this service as it is essentially like getting a free estimate from a contractor since their hope is to get the business of selling your home.

These values sometimes are calculated by the assessor coming to your home and updating the field card with the information they find however they do not do this very often. The assessed value is just being used for tax purposes and is not a number that I would use when valuing the home. If your town does post an appraised value as well, even if it was accurate when posted it is only correct for the time it was valued since the market is ever-changing with new data every day.

You could look at Zillow's Zestimate, which will tell you a value based on the public record information on your home, which may or may not be accurate and the values of homes in your town or zip code. How would Zillow know the condition of your home to come up with an accurate value? That is why I would not rely on this information.

If you want the true value of your home the only tried and true way is to have a realtor come out and view your home to understand condition, location, positive and negatives about the lot and the layout of home that will positively or negatively affect value. Then they will do a Comparable Market Analysis (CMA) of your home based on similar condition homes, similar style, in the same or similar location and they will also

If you are not looking to sell your home and are either going through a divorce, a bankruptcy, a lawsuit or anything else that will require you to get an accurate value of your home. You may be able to hire a realtor for a fee to provide a CMA or you can hire an independent appraiser who can provide an even more detailed report and you want to ensure whether a CMA or appraisal is required by your attorney if it is required for a court case.

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Julyzia, or "Juju" as she likes to be called, is a caring and affectionate 8-year-old girl of African American/Caucasian descent, Julyzia absolutely loves being a helper of any kind. People who know her well describe her as funny, smart and creative. For fun, she loves to play outside, ride her bicycle and do arts and crafts. She'll even make cards for others as a surprise! Julyzia is happiest when she is playing "Just Dance" and "Mario Kart." Julyzia currently lives in a residential home and can struggle with the day-to-day

routine, especially at night and during transitions. In school, she is making good progress with special education services.

Julyzia's social worker hopes to find a supportive two-parent family with a mom and dad or two moms with either no children or older children. Julyzia will need continued contact with members of her birth family including her birth parents. She is close to a 9-year-old sister who is also in foster care, and they could either be placed in separate homes or possibly together in a skilled, experienced family. She also has two other half siblings placed in a pre-adoptive home.

What does Adoption Cost?

It costs little or nothing to adopt a child from foster care. Unlike international or private adoptions, there is no adoption agency fee. There are also a number of free post-adoption support services available to families statewide, including support groups and respite care. Children with special needs who are adopted from the foster care system are eligible for ongoing financial and medical assistance after adoption. These children are also eligible for a tuition waiver to attend a Massachusetts state college or university.

To learn more about Julyzia, and about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-54-ADOPT (617-542-3678) or visit www.mareinc.org.

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Auburn rings in holiday season with Santa's arrival

Kevin Flanders photos

AUBURN — Residents rang in the holiday season with help from a special guest this year — Santa Claus! Riding into town via fire truck, Santa was greeted by dozens of kids who braved the cold and enjoyed treats provided by the fire department. The event included several other guests to celebrate the season, Sen. Michael Moore and State Rep. Paul Frost among them. Organizers thanked all town officials who came together to make the event happen.



Santa greets youngsters outside the fire station.



Taylah Cranton, 9, left, and Danielle Denolf, 9, both of Auburn.



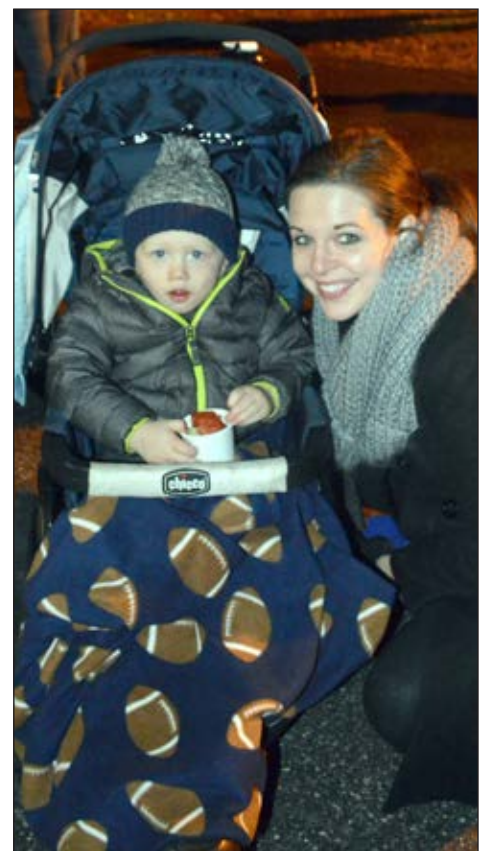
Rebekah Burgos-Mansfield, 10, of Auburn, left, and her sister, Amelia, 7, are dressed festively for the occasion.



Patrick Maroney, 1, of Worcester, is ready to catch a glimpse of Santa.



Auburn's Elnemr family comes together for a photo.



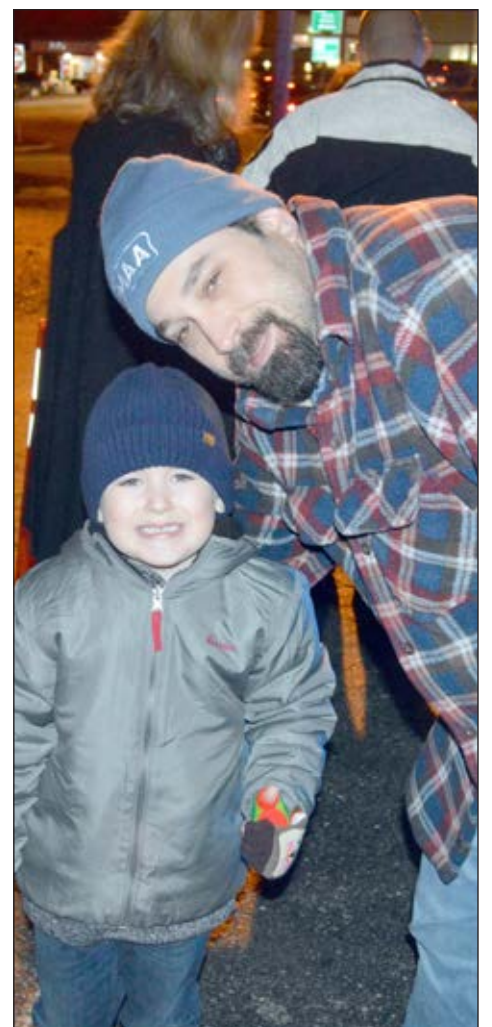
The O'Connell family, of Auburn, bundles up on a cold night.



Christine Carter, of Auburn, spends the evening with her children, Natalie Walker, 10, and Landon Walker, 9.



Members of Cub Scout Pack 53, of Auburn, hang out at the fire station.



Ben Wilson, of Auburn, with his 4-year-old son, Hunter.



Members of the Auburn Fire Department helped make the event memorable for countless children and families.

LEARNING

The power of working together

Henry Ford, in describing the success of teamwork said, "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." As a regular reader of this column, you've likely read similar comments I've made that echo Mr. Ford's sentiments as I am a true believer in the power of working together, with all parties being beneficiaries of that collaborative work.

One shining example of teamwork that benefits the students of the Auburn Public Schools – and this is only one of many, I am happy to report – is the Auburn Safety Advisory Team. This team is comprised of representatives from the schools, police and fire departments, as well as our local building inspector. This team of individuals meets regularly to review safety protocols, make recommendations and provide updates and trainings to all staff, as needed. As Superintendent of Schools, I am immensely grateful for their guidance and expertise as

the safety of our students is of paramount importance.

As a result of this team's ongoing efforts, the Auburn Public Schools has a District Multi-Hazard Plan in place, as well as distinct school-based plans that include identified individuals who have an elevated responsibility in maintaining safe environments for students and staff. On an annual basis and as required by Chapter 159 of the Acts of 2000, Section 363, Police Chief Sluckis, Fire Chief Coleman and I meet to review and sign those updated plans.

In July of 2014, the Massachusetts Task Force Report on School Safety and Security was presented to then-Governor Deval Patrick and it included recommendations on various safety strategies, many of which, I am pleased to share, were already in place in the Auburn Public Schools. In the opening paragraphs of that report, guiding words further support



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the need for many to work together in this effort: "Massachusetts leads the nation in student achievement, but we also know that children who do not feel safe at school suffer academically. It is incumbent upon us as adults to provide those safe learning environments within our schools so that our teachers can focus on closing achievement gaps and increasing opportunities. Partnership – within school leadership, with parents, first responders, municipal officials, community service providers and law enforcement – is the key."

One recommendation of the state task force report was to implement the A.L.I.C.E. protocol – which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate

– encouraging schools to move away from the previous use of lockdown only, and advocating that teachers and staff be trained in these additional measures. At the start of the 2015-2016 school year, all staff members in the Auburn Public Schools were trained in A.L.I.C.E. which included a classroom portion as well as a practical application period wherein teachers and staff put this training in place during a mock drill.

In November and again in January of last school year, the Safety Advisory Team and I, with the Leadership Team in attendance, provided two duplicate sessions for parents in the AHS Auditorium, the goal of which was to update parents on the safety measures we have in place, explain the A.L.I.C.E. protocol and assure them that the safety of our students continued to be a top priority.

To roll out the A.L.I.C.E. protocol, the Safety Advisory Team, with the assistance of our TV Production teacher, several of his students

and Auburn's Police and Fire Departments, an Auburn-specific video was created in which an "active shooter" attempts to cause harm at Auburn High. With this training video now in hand, Auburn's Safety Advisory Team is meeting with the faculty from each of the schools during a staff meeting in December to share this video, debrief about its application and to review safety protocols. The next step will be to share the video with the students in grades 6 through 12, with students at the younger grades, should this protocol ever need to be implemented, taking the lead from their well-trained teachers.

Finally, due to the attendance at last year's Safety Update meetings for parents being so sparse, we have recently recreated it and filmed it, with a link to the video being sent home in the coming week so that parents can review it. A link to the video will also be placed on our website and you are encouraged to view it as well.

In closing, I thank

sincerely the members of the Safety Advisory Team – School Resource Officer Brian Kennedy; Auburn Middle School Assistant Principal Matt Carlson; Fire Chief Steve Coleman; Fire Captain Steve Anderson; Building Inspector Caleb Moody; and Director of Facilities Joe Fahey – for their ongoing efforts, as well as the school-based safety teams, the Leadership Team and all members of the APS Team. We take seriously our responsibility to challenge and support our students academically, but likewise take seriously our responsibility to ensure that each has a safe and supportive environment in which to work, learn, grow and thrive.

To contact me to share an idea, a concern or to ask a question, I can be reached at 508-832-7755 or via e-mail at mbrunelle@auburn.k12.ma.us. Thank you for your continued interest in and support of the Auburn Public Schools!

MENUS

AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Dec. 12: Papa Gino's pizza or crispy chicken with cheese and bacon on a roll, buttered corn, romaine salad with assorted dressings, assorted fruit choice, fresh apple

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Assorted Italian Panini sandwiches or sliced beef on flatbread, hummus green and red peppers, Tziki sauce, romaine salad with assorted dressings, mixed fruits, fresh apples

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Italian spaghetti and meat sauce, shredded mozzarella cheese, seasoned green beans, cheesy garlic bread slice, applesauce cups, fruit choices

Thursday, Dec. 15: Sweet sliced ham dinner, mashed potato and gravy, oven roasted sweet potato, dinner roll with butter, mixed fruit cups and fresh apple

Friday, Dec. 16: Pizza Day! Pizzeria Uno pizza assorted slices, garden romaine salad with assorted dressings, vegetable du jour, assorted fruit variety, fresh local apples

AUBURN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, Dec. 12: Tyson crispy chicken, mashed potatoes, broccoli and cheese sauce, dinner roll with butter pat, applesauce or fresh apple

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Zesty chicken fajita on a tortilla wrap, shredded lettuce and diced tomatoes, salsa, sliced carrots, assorted veggie cups, Bush's baked beans, mixed fruit cups

Wednesday, Dec. 14: KFC-style crispy popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes and chicken gravy, buttered corn, breadstick, peach cup or assorted fruit cups

Thursday, Dec. 15: Italian mini ravioli with sauce, shredded mozzarella cheese, seasoned green beans, garlic bread, assorted fruits, baked chocolate chip cookie

Friday, Dec. 16: Pizza Day! Local Northeast Pizza, assorted fresh veggie cups with dip, tater tots, condiments, fruit cobbler, fruit choices

BRYN MAWR

Monday, Dec. 12: Breakfast for Lunch – Pancakes, egg patty and sausage link, syrup, hash browns, condiments, applesauce cup or assorted fruit cup

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Savory chicken drumstick, mashed potato and gravy, dinner roll with butter pat, seasoned green beans, fresh local apples

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Tomato soup, American grilled cheese, assorted veggies with ranch dip, BBQ baked beans, assorted fruit cup or fresh apple

Thursday, Dec. 15: Delicious chicken parmesan with spaghetti and sauce, broccoli trees with ranch dip, garlic bread, applesauce

Friday, Dec. 16: Pizza Day! Stuffed crust pizza, oven baked French fries, ketchup condiment, fruit juice bar or assorted fruit choices

SWANSON ROAD

Monday, Dec. 12: Fajita chicken wrap, New England baked beans, glazed carrots, sliced peaches, fruit crisp

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Spaghetti with marinara sauce and meatballs, seasoned green beans, dinner roll with butter pat, pineapple

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Popcorn chicken bites, buttered corn, potato wedges, dinner roll with butter pat, strawberry cup

Thursday, Dec. 15: Breakfast for Lunch – Pancakes with syrup, sausage link, hash brown potatoes, condiments, 100-percent fruit juice or cinnamon apple crisp

Friday, Dec. 16: Pizza Day! Local Northeast pizza, plain, pepperoni or veggie, seasoned broccoli buds, raisins or mixed fruit

PACKACHOAG

Monday, Dec. 12: Breakfast for Lunch! French toast sticks, two sausage links, hash brown potato, condiments, mixed fruit cup

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Chicken nuggets with dipping sauce, fried veggie rice, baby carrots, apple crisp or assorted fruit choices

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Delicious hamburger or cheeseburger, condiments, lettuce and tomato, Bush's baked beans, buttered corn, peach cup

Thursday, Dec. 15: Tasty chicken drumstick, dipping sauce cups, buttered corn, dinner roll with butter pat, raisins, fresh apple or juice bar

Friday, Dec. 16: Pizza Day! Plain, pepperoni or veggie, romaine salad with assorted dressings, assorted fruit choices

BAY PATH

BREAKFAST

Monday, Dec. 12: French toast with syrup, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Assorted bagel, assorted cream cheese, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Scrambled eggs, sausage, whole-wheat toast, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

Thursday, Dec. 15: Homemade coffee cake, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

Friday, Dec. 16: Sausage, egg and cheese on an English muffin, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

LUNCH

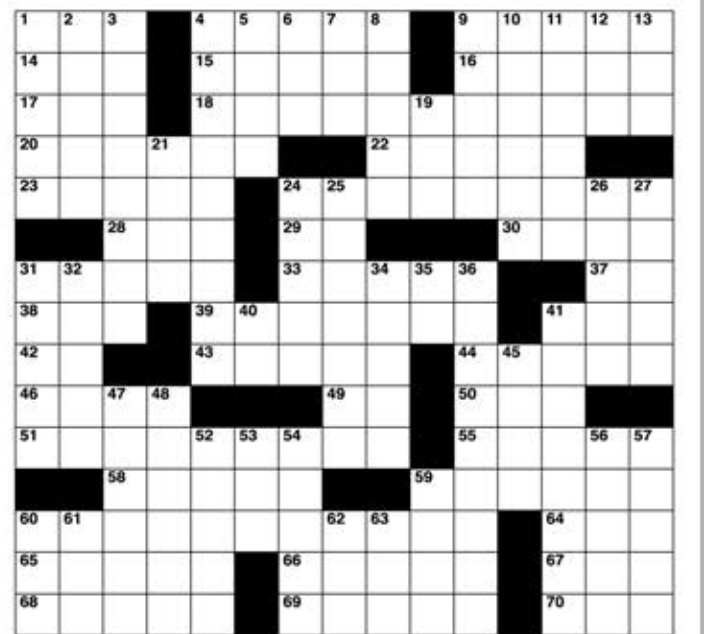
Monday, Dec. 12: Beef meatloaf with mashed potato and gravy, glazed carrots, whole-wheat dinner roll, fruit variety

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Chicken patty sandwich on whole-wheat bun with lettuce and tomato, baked sweet potato fries, fruit variety

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Hot, open-faced turkey sandwich with gravy, roasted sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, apple crisp

Thursday, Dec. 15: Chicken tacos (seasoned chicken slices, lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa and sour cream in a whole wheat wrap), black bean and corn salad, fruit variety

Friday, Dec. 16: Baked mozzarella sticks with marinara dipping sauce, tossed salad, fruit variety



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. No (Scottish)
- 4. Heroic tales
- 9. A way to tend
- 14. Not or
- 15. Where rockers play
- 16. Dutch name for Ypres
- 17. Ingested
- 18. A resident of California
- 20. Unfounded rumor
- 22. Oats
- 23. Type of women's coat
- 24. Life forms
- 28. Every
- 29. Alternating current
- 30. Withered
- 31. "Gymnopedies" composer
- 33. Plate glasses
- 37. Musical artist DeBarge
- 38. Before
- 39. Arrange in steps of size
- 41. Electron cloud model
- 42. Morning
- 43. Leonard __, famed Swiss mathematician
- 44. Capital city of Buenos Aires province
- 46. Snouts
- 49. Of I
- 50. Swiss river
- 51. Perplexes
- 55. Made angry
- 58. Precious stone
- 59. Type of envelope
- 60. One who believes in reason and knowledge
- 64. Monitors brain activity (abbr.)
- 65. Get ___ of
- 66. Actress Zellweger
- 67. Spinal muscular atrophy (abbr.)
- 68. "Inferno" author
- 69. Puts together in time
- 70. Silvery-white metal

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Civil Rights group
- 2. Early Slavic society
- 3. Mammals that lack incisors and canines
- 4. Blasphemy
- 5. Israeli city
- 6. Put this in your hair
- 7. Black tropical American cuckoo
- 8. Month in the Islamic calendar
- 9. Begets
- 10. Court game
- 11. Painkiller
- 12. New Zealand parrot
- 13. Suffix
- 19. Egg cells
- 21. Another name for Thor
- 24. About pontiff
- 25. The academic world
- 26. Raise
- 27. Civil rights city in Alabama
- 31. Encompasses
- 32. Helmet
- 34. Nostrils
- 35. Lovable Spielberg alien
- 36. Divides
- 40. Ruthenium
- 41. Preceding all others in time
- 45. Past participle of lie
- 47. Fastener
- 48. Overindulged
- 52. Ancient lyric poem
- 53. Ardent supporter
- 54. Iranian village and Islamic pilgrim attire
- 56. A fragrant resin obtained from tropical trees
- 57. Semitic fertility god
- 59. Millisecond
- 60. Cool!
- 61. "Take on Me" singers
- 62. ESPN sportscaster Bob
- 63. Accommodating place

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Short-lived series, Part 2: Shield nickels (1866-1883)



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An 1866 Shield nickel.



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As unknown as shield nickels are to the average collector or inheritor of coin collections, we find them in about one out of every four collections that we buy or appraise. With the exception of the serious collector, most of the ones we find are common date and heavily circulated.

As silver coins disappeared during the Civil War, demand for non-precious metal circulating coins increased. Resurrecting silver half dimes weren't the answer, so a 5-cent piece composed primarily of the metal nickel came under serious consideration. The mint act of 1865 authorized replacing the 5-cent paper fractional currency with a nickel (metal) 3-cent piece. There were no plans to also replace the 5-cent paper fractional. However, a misleading scandal as to who was going to be on a new 5-cent fractional infuriated members of Congress and on April 7, 1866, a new law was quickly passed authorizing a new 5-cent coin.

Mint Director James Pollock was opposed to working with the hard metal of nickel, but Congressional friends of nickel magnate, Joseph Wharton, who owned a monopoly on nickel mining in North America, prevailed in securing passage on May 16, 1866 of a bill requiring that the new coin be of 5 grams of nickel, thus insuring huge government purchases of the bullion from Wharton. The bill passed both Houses without debate ... in one day.

The coins were quite convenient and were immediately, and favorably, accepted by the general public. The 5-cent coin (not "nickel") remains a stalwart of our economy, even today. Designer James B. Longacre produced a design featuring the head of Abraham Lincoln, but Pollock rejected it, fearing strong Southern opposition. Pollock preferred Longacre's Shield design due to its similarity to the design of the recently minted 2-cent piece.

However, nickel's properties caused weak strikings and more die breaks than any other coin in Mint history. In addition, critics called it "the ugliest of all known coins: (Walter Breen, pg. 247). Wharton called it a "tombstone surmounted by a cross overhung by weeping willows"... ungrateful millionaire that he apparently was. The initial design (pictured with this column) had rays between the stars, but this design wrecked havoc with the minting process, and northerners complained that it was paying homage to the Confederacy's stars and bars. The rays were eliminated in 1868.

The coin's peak production was 1867-1868, when nearly 29 million were made each year. Common year coins in G-4 condition are worth about \$15. In VF condition they're valued at about \$35-\$40. Very few we encounter exceed that grade; most are in Poor-2 to VG condition. However, just for information, an uncirculated 18658 coin is worth about \$200.

The lowest mintage business strike years of 1879 (26 thousand) and 1880 (16 thousand) have more enticing values. In G-4 they're worth \$310 and \$380 respectively. In VF they're worth \$540 and \$780, and in uncirculated condition \$700 and \$6,200. In 1877 and 188 the Shield nickels were only made in Proofs for collectors. Estimated mintages were 900 and 2,350. In proof 63 condition their values are \$3,000 and \$1,600.

In our next column, we'll look at the 1883-1912 Liberty Head nickel series. That series has some particularly colorful history as the 1883 without "cents" gold plated "bootlegger" nickels and the 5-coin 1913 secret mintage issue attest. Keep those questions coming and we'll try to take a break from the short-lived series to answer some of your questions.

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A GREAT REMEMBRANCE

Courtesy photo

AUBURN — Charles (Chuck) Kasprzak Jr. passed away on May 13, at the age of 79. He was a retired salesman for the steel industry. In addition he was an active community member. He was involved with the Auburn Chamber of Commerce and the Auburn Kiwanis Club. Chuck was proud to have served with the United States Marines. He was currently an active member of the Chester P Tuttle Post. He actively participated in the weekly meat raffles. Chuck was also an accomplished woodworker. One of the projects he worked on was hand crafted doll houses. They were truly a work of art.

Chuck is survived by his wife June and other family members. June has graciously donated a beautiful hand crafted log cabin dollhouse to the Ladies Auxiliary of the Chester P Tuttle Post. This wonderful creation will be used as a fundraiser for this group. The Ladies Auxiliary is a support group for activities being held at the post. In addition, they offer scholarships to local students and sponsor a local girl attending Girls State. They are currently working with the Legion Riders to collect personal care items for homeless men and women veterans.

A drawing will be held at the annual Christmas Open house being held at the Chester P. Tuttle Post on Saturday, Dec. 17, beginning at noon. The tickets are on sale at the post for 3 for \$5 or 1 for \$2.

The Auxiliary is honored that Chuck's family has offered us a wonderful way to remember his life and the beautiful work that he left as a legacy.

King Kale: Hail to the curly leaves

Kale. The ruffle leafed veggie that once only adorned the edges of fancy cold cut platters, garnished salad bars and served as an ornamental plant, is now touted as a "super food" that not only packs a powerful nutritional punch but has been elevated to gourmet status at upscale eateries. From appetizers and soups to main courses and even desserts, the ordinary vegetable has reached superstar status, finding its way onto the table and into pop culture. Read on for everything you ever wanted to know about kale!



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Supplying twice as much beta carotene and a whopping 700 percent of vitamin K required in a daily diet and labeled one of nature's most nutrient dense food, it's no wonder kale is hailed as the king of cruciferous vegetables!

Kale has earned the highest score of 1,000 on the ANDI (Aggregate Nutrient Density Index)! Here is the rundown on how kale ranks with the USDA Recommended Daily Dietary Allowances: Vitamin A: 206 percent; vitamin K: 684 percent; vitamin C: 134 percent; manganese: 26 percent; copper: 10 percent; calcium: 9 percent; vitamin B6: 9 percent; potassium: 9 percent; magnesium: 6 percent; vitamin B1: 3 percent, as well as traces of vitamin B2, vitamin B3, iron and phosphorus.

A descendent from the wild cabbage family, kale popularity can be traced to the Celts, who introduced the leafy vegetable to ancient Europeans. While extremely hardy and easy to grow, Americans never really embraced the fibrous green, that is, until kale became the "hip" vegetable a mere decade ago. Boosted by health promoters and celebrities alike who sang the nutritious virtues of the lowly plant, a nationwide kale revolution occurred.

Available in an impressive array of strains, the kale plant can vary in color from green to purple, and the leaves range from smooth to frilly. The most common plant is "curly kale," which boasts attractive, wavy edges. While the familiar green still dresses up meat platters, kale, as a super food, has a higher calling. Attractive, rich in vitamins, and delicious, kale is a triple threat to its leafy cousins, broccoli and cauliflower.

Kale Facts:
 • Kale actually becomes sweeter after hit with a frost.
 • Thomas Jefferson was a kale trailblazer, growing several varieties of the vegetable in the early 19th cen-

tury.
 • A January 2015 blizzard caused a kale shortage in New York City as health conscious shoppers stripped grocery stores of the leafy greens!
 • Kale nail polish is the latest trend.
 • Kale has got more vitamin C than an orange.

Beyond the Dinner Plate: Kale is packed with lutein, which protects against toxins, which makes it an ideal skin treatment. In addition, kale is rich in anti-aging vitamins A, C, E and K. As a bonus, kale has copper, which is a popular ingredient in skin cream. Why not take kale from the salad bowl to the sink basin to experience its beauty benefits first hand? The following natural kale treatments are easy to make with no worries about chemical additions.

Organic Kale Skin Mask: Stimulates Collagen Production — Anti-age creams containing lutein (a powerful antioxidant in kale) are pricey. Lutein has been known to boost collagen production, so why not go directly to the source and whip up your own organic version?

Ingredients: One pound washed organic kale, chopped; 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil; 1/4 cup heavy cream.
Instructions: Boil kale (or microwave with a tablespoon of water) until softened. Puree drained kale, oil an cream until smooth. Apply to face or body and rest for 10 minutes. Rinse well.

Kale Manicure Soak: Boosts Nail Growth — The vitamins and minerals in kale helps grow, long, healthy nails and help repairs damaged weak fingernails. This simple homemade soak encourages strong nail growth while hydrating cuticles.

Ingredients: two cups fresh kale; olive oil.
Instructions: Puree fresh kale and good olive oil until it is a smooth consistency. Soak nails for about ten minutes daily.

Here's a more conventional Kale recipe:

Kale Chips
Ingredients: Fresh kale (or bag of precut kale); olive oil; seasonings
Instructions: Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Separate kale leaves from ribs. Line cookie sheet with tinfoil or parchment paper. Spread kale on sheet. Drizzle with olive oil, rubbing oil on each leaf. Sprinkle with coarse salt. Cook until crisped. Some like them lightly browned; others

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Five keys to investing for retirement



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Making decisions about your retirement account can seem overwhelming, especially if you feel unsure about your knowledge of investments. However, the following basic rules can help you make smarter choices regardless of whether you have some investing experience or are just getting started.

DON'T LOSE GROUND TO INFLATION

It's easy to see how inflation affects gas prices, electric bills, and the cost of food; over time, your money buys less and less. But what inflation does to your investments isn't always as obvious. Let's say your money is earning 4 percent and inflation is running between 3 percent and 4 percent (its historical average). That means your investments are earning only 1 percent at best. And that's not counting any other costs; even in a tax-deferred retirement account such as a 401(k), you'll eventually owe taxes on that money. Unless your retirement portfolio at least keeps pace with inflation, you could actually be losing money without even realizing it.

What does that mean for your retirement strategy? First, you'll probably need to contribute more to your retirement plan than you think. What seems like a healthy sum now will seem smaller and smaller over time; at a 3 percent annual inflation rate, something that costs \$100 today would cost \$181 in 20 years. That means you'll probably need a bigger retirement nest egg than you anticipated. And don't forget that people are living much longer now than they used to. You might need your retirement savings to last a lot longer than you expect, and inflation is likely to continue increasing prices over that time. Consider increasing your 401(k) contribution each year by at least enough to overcome the effects of inflation, at least until you hit your plan's contribution limits.

Second, you need to consider investing at least a portion of your retirement plan in investments that can help keep inflation from silently eating away at the purchasing power of your savings. Cash alternatives such as money market accounts may be relatively safe, but they are the most likely to lose purchasing power to inflation over time. Even if you consider yourself a conservative investor, remember that stocks historically have provided higher long-term total returns than cash alternatives or bonds, even though they also involve greater risk of volatility and potential loss.

Note: Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Note: Money market funds are neither insured nor guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Although money market funds seek to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it is possible to lose money by investing in such a fund.

INVEST BASED ON YOUR TIME HORIZON

Your time horizon is investment-speak for the amount of time you have left until you plan to use the money you're investing. Why is your time horizon important? Because it can affect how well your portfolio can handle the ups and downs of the financial markets. Someone who was planning to retire in 2008 and was heavily invested in the stock market faced different challenges from the financial crisis than someone who was investing for a retirement that was many years away, because the person nearing retirement had fewer years left to let their portfolio recover from the

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Rudman celebrates 25th anniversary with Oxford Fire & EMS

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during his years in the Army. Staff Writer Jason Bleau sat down with Rudman to discuss his years at Oxford Fire & EMS, how the job and the department has changed over the last quarter century, and even some of the good and bad that comes with years of dedication to such a stressful, but rewarding career.

Twenty-five years is a long time to be anywhere. Talk about being a firefighter for that long here in Oxford.

"I always wanted to do something as a kid, whether it was a police officer, a firefighter, or something like that. I graduated high school and decided I'd join the call department. I became a regular firefighter in 1992, and from 1992 to 1995, I was a call firefighter working my full-time job and being at the station after work. I joined the military in 1995, and the whole time I was in the military I'd see the fire trucks go by the barracks and I missed it. I would wonder where they were going. So, when I came back in 1998, I immediately came right back and told them I was ready to get back on."

In this area, you could probably find different opportunities with other departments if you wanted to, but you've chosen to stick with Oxford for all these years. What is it about

your hometown fire department that has kept you here for so long?

"It's my home. I started here as an 18-year-old auxiliary firefighter. I can't leave this place. I have too much invested here. I have had other offers but I couldn't leave here."

Now, you are an Army veteran. Did you learn anything when you were in the Armed Forces that helped you in this job at the Oxford Fire Department? While this is not a combat job by any means, both jobs take training, dedication, awareness, and challenge you to go into situations that are both dangerous and, potentially for some, the worst day of their lives. Did being in the military help you prepare for that kind of commitment?

"It did teach me a lot of discipline. I was a crewman on an armored vehicle to it was very hot at times. To accept the fact that it was hot in there and I had to be in there then come back to the fire service I don't mind the heat anymore. The discipline was all about being a trustworthy team player and today it's a young kids game so I try to instill that sense of teamwork and camaraderie into our younger recruits."

That kind of plays into my next question, which is — after 25 years, things do change. How has this career, and even just this department, evolved over the 25

years you've been here?

"I was here in 1991, and the fire department and EMS were separate entities. The EMS was ambulance and rescue and they were stationed at a different building. Nobody ever saw them unless there was a fire. We'd have our Monday night meetings and our hose testing was a huge to-do where people showed up and it was a fun time. Back then it was more of a hobby. People loved coming back and getting the job done. Time goes on, and you watch the department evolve. The call volume went up so we had to recruit full time people and next thing you know the volume is outrageous and I never in my life thought I'd see this department be a full time department. Now it is. We have 13 full-time guys, we run the ambulance and the rescue now. It's all together."

What are your favorite memories of the past 25 years with the department?

"Everything really. There are a lot of things I like to remember. From doing the Santa Claus rides and dressing up as Puddles the fire dog, it's hard to pinpoint just one good memory. A lot of the good outweighs the bad."

Well, as morbid as it might be, there are bad memories too, I would presume — and you do work in a business where lives and homes and livelihoods are all hanging in the balance as you and your colleagues do your

jobs. I think it's easy for people to forget how human you and your fellow firefighters are. I'm sure it's not the easiest job. If you don't mind, what's the hardest thing you've faced in this job?

"Just seeing people at their worst. I can sit here and talk about specific things that bother me, but there are quite a few things and some bother me more than others. The opioid stuff we have going on and its impact on young kids gets to me. Seeing a 23-year-old who just ruined or lost their life because of the drugs is hard. We lost an 8-year-old on Route 20 a couple years ago. It sucks to see young kids cut down in their prime or before they even start their lives. That doesn't mean it's any easier to see the elderly couple where the husband dies and you have to tell the wife. It doesn't make it any easier. There are harder parts to this job."

So do you think you've got another 25 years in you at Oxford Fire & EMS?

"The way I look at it is, I've got 13 years to retirement, but I don't know if I'm going to be able to afford to retire in 13 years. But, what's another 13 years after 25? I've seen so many people come and go from this department, but I've formed friendships with these people and it's hard to say where I will be in another 25 years."

Can you speak to the ded-

ication of the community to this fire department? Oxford Fire & EMS has a huge connection to the community with the Santa fire truck rides and a community day specifically organized by the department itself. So can you talk about what it's like to be part of a department with a community so invested in supporting you and your brothers and sisters in the field?

"It's awesome and amazing to walk into Market Basket for lunch and a lady tells me she wants to buy me my lunch because what we do is awesome and to thank me for what I've done. Sometimes we look at them and let them know we're grateful but we can't accept it, but some people are pushy and insist in it because they want to. It's awesome to see how much this community has our back. You do have the naysayers, every community has them, who want to just raise trouble and make people look bad but for the most part this community absolutely loves us. We try to do a lot of outreach and get the community involved with what we do. So it's nice to see it working."

Well Scott, thank you for your time and congrats on 25 years. Here's to 25 more.

"To twenty-five more!"

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downturn.

If you have a long time horizon, you may be able to invest a greater percentage of your money in something that could experience more dramatic price changes but that might also have greater potential for long-term growth. Though past performance doesn't guarantee future results, the long-term direction of the stock market has historically been up despite its frequent and sometimes massive fluctuations.

Think long-term for goals that are many years away and invest accordingly. The longer you stay with a diversified portfolio of investments, the more likely you are to be able to ride out market downturns and improve your opportunities for gain.

CONSIDER YOUR RISK TOLERANCE

Another key factor in your retirement investing decisions is your risk tolerance — basically, how well you can handle a possible investment loss. There are two aspects to risk tolerance. The first is your financial ability to survive a loss. If you expect to need your money soon — for example, if you plan to begin using your retirement savings in the next year or so — those needs reduce your ability to withstand even a small loss. However, if you're investing for the long term, don't expect to need the money immediately, or have other assets to rely on in an emergency, your risk tolerance may be higher.

The second aspect of risk tolerance is your emotional ability to withstand the possibility of loss. If you're invested in a way that doesn't let you sleep at night, you may need to consider reducing the amount of risk in your portfolio. Many people think they're comfortable with risk, only to find out when the market takes a turn for the worse that they're actually a lot less risk-tolerant than they thought. Often that means they wind up selling in a panic when prices are lowest. Try to be honest about how you might react to a market down-

turn, and plan accordingly.

Remember that there are many ways to manage risk. For example, understanding the potential risks and rewards of each of your investments and its role in your portfolio may help you gauge your emotional risk tolerance more accurately. Also, having money deducted from your paycheck and put into your retirement plan helps spread your risk over time. By investing regularly, you reduce the chance of investing a large sum just before the market takes a downturn.

INTEGRATE RETIREMENT WITH YOUR OTHER FINANCIAL GOALS

Make sure you have an emergency fund; it can help you avoid needing to tap your retirement savings before you had planned to. Generally, if you withdraw money from a traditional retirement plan before you turn 59 1/2, you'll owe not only the amount of federal and state income tax on that money, but also a 10 percent federal penalty (and possibly a state penalty as well). There are exceptions to the penalty for premature distributions from a 401(k) (for example, having a qualifying disability or withdrawing money after leaving your employer after you turn 55). However, having a separate emergency fund can help you avoid an early distribution and allow your retirement money to stay invested.

If you have outstanding debt, you'll need to weigh the benefits of saving for retirement versus paying off that debt as soon as possible. If the interest rate you're paying is high, you might benefit from paying off at least part of your debt first. If you're contemplating borrowing from or making a withdrawal from your workplace savings account, make sure you investigate using other financing options first, such as loans from banks, credit unions, friends, or family. If your employer matches your contributions, don't forget to factor into your calculations the loss of that matching money if you choose to focus on paying off debt. You'll be giving up what is essentially free money if you don't at least contribute enough

to get the employer match.

DON'T PUT ALL YOUR EGGS IN ONE BASKET

Diversifying your retirement savings across many different types of investments can help you manage the ups and downs of your portfolio. Different types of investments may face different types of risk. For example, when most people think of risk, they think of market risk — the possibility that an investment will lose value because of a general decline in financial markets. However, there are many other types of risk. Bonds face default or credit risk (the risk that a bond issuer will not be able to pay the interest owed on its bonds, or repay the principal borrowed). Bonds also face interest rate risk, because bond prices generally fall when interest rates rise. International investors may face currency risk if exchange rates between U.S. and foreign currencies affect the value of a foreign investment. Political risk is created by legislative actions (or the lack of them).

These are only a few of the various types of risk. However, one investment may respond to the same set of circumstances very differently than another, and thus involve different risks. Putting your money into many different securities, as a mutual fund does, is one way to spread your risk. Another is to invest in several different types of investments — for example, stocks, bonds, and cash alternatives. Spreading your portfolio over several different types of investments can help you manage the types and level of risk you face.

Participating in your retirement plan is probably more important than any individual investing decision you'll make. Keep it simple, stick with it, and time can be a strong ally.

Should you have any questions about financial issues, feel free to contact Tony DiDonato at 508-382-4923, or by e-mail at tony.didonato@prudential.com. Tony is a Financial Advisor with Prudential Financial.

Moore hopeful in strengthening ties with Quebec



Courtesy photo

Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury), Senate President Stan Rosenberg (D-Amherst) and Québec National Assembly President Jacques Chagnon with newly appointed members of the Massachusetts-Québec Research Council.

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National Assembly of Québec

- Sophie D'Amours, Professor and Former Vice-Dean in Research and Creation, Université Laval
- Rémi Quirion, Québec's Chief Scientist
- Richard Cloutier, President and CEO, Ecofuel
- Albert De Luca, President of the Board of Directors, Association for the Development of Research and Innovation of Québec (ADRIQ)

Members appointed from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts include:

- Marc R. Pacheco, President Pro Tempore, Massachusetts State Senate
- Thomas A. Golden, Jr., Chairman, Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy
- Dr. Michael F. Malone, Vice Chancellor for Research and Engagement, UMass Amherst
- Dr. Simin Nikbin Meydani, Director, Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center

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prefer them still green. Try other seasonings such as sprinkling a little cayenne pepper; Parmesan cheese; or garlic salt, etc.

- Note: Kale should not be ingested by those on blood thinning medications.
- Ingesting too much kale can cause high levels of thallium, which can cause health problems.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House — Your tips can win you a fabulous dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn! One winner per month will win a fabulous three-course dinner for two at the renowned restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town common in historic Sturbridge. Because I'm in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints!

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint!, c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or e-mail kdrr@aol.com.

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TRIPS OFFERED

The "Trips Offered" section is for non-profit organizations and will run as space allows. Anyone who wishes to take advantage of this space must submit a copy of a not-for-profit certificate to Editor Adam Minor. Mail your certificate and information to Trips Offered, c/o Adam Minor, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550; fax to 508-764-8015 or e-mail to aminor@stonebridgepress.news.

UNION SAINT JEAN-BAPTISTE

Union Saint-Jean Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring "Celebrate the Christmas Season" — three family excursions for the year 2016. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled excursions. All are welcome. Gift certificates in any amount are also available which can be applied to any event at face value. We are a family oriented, non-profit Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. On some occasions sponsored activities are ben-

efits providing monetary assistance to worthy causes.

It is never too late to capture the true spirit of this special time of the year — Christmas. For information/reservation please call Ted at 508-764-7909.

• Dec. 3: "Christmas at Olde Mystic Village" — the annual Christmas Holiday Festival with 50 one-of-a-kind gift shops, restaurants, and free entertainment through the village and at Gazebo Square, special sales and more. \$45 for adults; \$35 children 4-12 years, free under 3 years. An optional visit on your own is the nearby Mystic Sea Aquarium. Departure: 9 a.m. from Southbridge, with return time at 6:30 p.m. Reservation deadline is Nov. 30.

• Dec. 10: "Festival of Christmas Lights" at Our Lady of LaSalette Shrine, concert with Fr. Pat, the singing priest, Museum of the World Nativities, Gift & Book Shop, Chapel of Light, a Bistro for refreshments and snacks, optional Trolley Ride and a Carousel, complete luncheon at Wright's Farm Restaurant. Cost: \$49/per person, \$39 children 3-10 years, under 3, free. Reservation

deadline is Dec. 7. Departure from Southbridge with return time about 7:45 p.m.

• 2017 Preview: Jan. 8, "Amahl and the Night Visitors" by Gian Carlo Menotti, a Christmas light opera performance with a great cast — in Notre Dame Church, 444 Main St Southbridge — benefit for the church Casavant organ — more to be announced.

CHARLTON SENIOR CENTER

2016 Trips with Charlton Senior Center — Please call Elaine for more info at 508-248-2231. Sign-up sheets and flyers available at the Senior Center. Mail all payments to Charlton Senior Center, 37 Main St. Charlton, MA 01507. Pick up is generally from St. Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Please note the updated costs for the trips.

• Christmas Around the World w/ Dan Gabel & The Abletones at Chez Josef — Dec. 19, \$72, includes transpor-

tation, Big Band show, lunch, taxes and gratuities. Check payable to: Landmark Tours.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

SPENCER — Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, 60 Maple St., Spencer, is offering the following trips. For more information, call Bernard Dube at (508) 885-3098.

- Australia & New Zealand: Jan. 28 to Feb. 18, 2017
- America, Our Land: from Albuquerque to Tucson: May 22 to June 4, 2017
- Alaska (land and cruise): June 27 to July 10, 2017
- Greece and the Islands: Sept. 14-26, 2017
- Grand Tour of India: Jan. 5-19, 2018
- Grand Tour of France: May 30 to June 15, 2018

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Patricia M. Shong and Leroy W. Shong to Digital Federal Credit Union, dated February 4, 2009 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 43765, Page 235 of which mortgage Digital Federal Credit Union is the present holder, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 21 Rock Avenue, Auburn, MA 01501 will be sold at a Public Auction at 11:00AM on January 4, 2017, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land in Auburn, on the northeasterly line of Rock Avenue Extension, being lot "C" on plan of land in Auburn, Massachusetts, owned by Joseph H. Whitaker, S. G. Atherton, C. E., dated August 18, 1922, and recorded in the Worcester District Deeds, Plan Book 38, Plan 71, and bounded and described as follows: WESTERLY by Lot "B" on said plan two hundred (200) feet; NORTHERLY by other land of said Josiah H. Whitaker seventy (70) feet; EASTERLY by Lot "D" on said plan two hundred (200) feet; SOUTHERLY by the northeasterly line of Rock Avenue Extension seventy (70) feet; Containing 14,000 square feet of land. Southwesterly corner of the parcel herein conveyed is distant three hundred forty (340) feet from the easterly line of Bryn Mawr Avenue, measured along the northeasterly line of said Rock Avenue Extension. Together with a right of way for all purposes of a highway over, along, and upon said street.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 6521, Page 181.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Digital Federal Credit Union
Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500
Shong, Leroy, 16-024700,
December 2, 2016
December 9, 2016
December 16, 2016

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Michael P. McMahon and Marcella C. Greene to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for WMC Mortgage Corp., dated August 10, 2006 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 39580, Page 42 of which mortgage Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee Under Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of December 1, 2006 Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2006-WM4 is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), as nominee for WMC Mortgage Corp., its successors and assigns, to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee Under Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of December 1, 2006 Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2006-WM4 dated July 20, 2012 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 49564, Page 127, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 12 Pinrock Road a/k/a 14 Pinrock Road, Auburn, MA 01501 will be sold at a Public Auction at 9:00AM on January 4, 2017, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land is said Auburn with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe on the northerly side of Pinrock Road where land of grantors joins land now or formerly of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and running S 34° 54' 50" W along the northerly line of Pinrock Road for a distance of 180.97 feet to an iron pin; THENCE N 20° 19' 02" W by land now or formerly of one Stevens and one Matzelevich for a distance of 294.35' to an iron pin; THENCE S 63° 49' 10" W by land of said Matzelevich for a distance of 305.94 feet to an iron pin which point is 16.5 feet more or less on the easement of Mobile Pipeline Company; THENCE N 20° 16' 15" W for distance of 310.64 by land now or formerly of one Milauskas and one D.A. Howe and Sons, Inc. to a point; THENCE N 51° 34' 43" E by land now or formerly of Groton to a R.R. Stake in ledge; THENCE S 46° 26' 03" E by land now or formerly of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for a distance of 516.57' to the place of beginning. Containing 2.81 acres, more or less, as shown on plan recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 358, Plan 71.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 32263, Page 392.

The property will be sold subject to the redemption rights in favor of the Internal Revenue Service by virtue of the tax lien(s) recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 53866, Page 21.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to

all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee Under Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of December 1, 2006 Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2006-WM4
Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500
McMahon, Michael, 15-024087,
December 9, 2016
December 16, 2016
December 23, 2016

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Robert J. Wright to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, dated June 28, 2004 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 34003, Page 126 of which mortgage Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2005-FR1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-FR1 is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC 2005-FR1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-FR1 dated December 9, 2009 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 45591, Page 1 and confirmatory assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, its successors and/or assigns to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2005-FR1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-FR1 dated September 3, 2015 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54326, Page 141, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 21 June Street, Auburn, MA 01501 will be sold at a Public Auction at 10:00AM on January 4, 2017, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in said Auburn, on the westerly side of June Street, being shown as Lot 14 on plan of Pond Acres dated February 1951 by R.B. Cullinan, surveyor, recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 173, Plan 87, more particularly bounded

and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the westerly side of June Street at the northeasterly corner of the tract to be conveyed and the southeasterly corner of Lot No. 13 on said plan, said point being one hundred twenty-three and forty-eight hundredths (123.48) feet southerly of Chestnut Avenue;

THENCE S. 80 degrees 16' W. one hundred twenty-five (125) feet on lot #13 to an iron pin in the line of lot #32 on said plan;

THENCE S. 9 degrees 44' E. seventy-five (75) feet on said lot #32 to a stone bound set at the junction of lots #14, #15, #31 and #32 on said plan;

THENCE N. 80 degrees 16' E. one hundred twenty-five (125) feet on said lot #15 to June Street;

THENCE N. 9 degrees 44' W. seventy-five (75) feet on June Street to lot #13 on said plan and the place of beginning.

Containing 9,375 square feet of land and being a portion of the premises conveyed to H. Carroll Pond, May 1, 1904, recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 1805, Page 3. For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 34003, Page 124.

The property will be sold subject to the redemption rights in favor of the Internal Revenue Service by virtue of the tax lien(s) recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 47662, Page 149 and Book 52024, Page 144.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2005-FR1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-FR1
Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500

Wright, Robert J., 15-022825,
December 2, 2016, December 9, 2016,
December 16, 2016
December 16, 2016
December 9, 2016
December 16, 2016
December 23, 2016

SENIOR SCENE

The Lorraine Gleick Nordgren Senior Center
Auburn Council on Aging
4 Goddard Drive, Auburn
508-832-7799
www.auburnguide.com/pages/auburnma_coa/index
Hours: Mondays & Fridays, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The mission of the Auburn Council on Aging is to link elder needs and resources by developing and/or coordinating services, community education and advocacy. The Auburn Council on Aging enhances the quality of life of Auburn's senior population by assisting in identifying the needs of elders and making recommendations to the town manager on programs, services and policies that benefit and meet the needs of this demographic group. The Council recommends and assists in the coordination and implementation of a continuum of programs and services that are offered for elders, through the Lorraine Gleick Nordgren Senior Center.

Auburn Senior Center Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers needed! One morning a week! 10 to 11:30 a.m. Stipend

for gas mileage. Call Patty Hubbard, Nutrition Manager, Auburn Senior Center, 4 Goddard Drive, 508-832-7799, must be 21 and over!

UPCOMING EVENTS

QIGONG FOR HEALING
New Class, Mondays at 9 a.m., QiGong for Healing. QiGong is a Chinese form of gentle, effective exercise that includes quiet meditation and slow flowing motions that helps concentration, mood and memory.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED
Volunteer Drivers needed for Meals on Wheels One morning a week! 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (Stipend for gas mileage available) Call Patty Hubbard, Nutrition Manager at the Auburn Senior Center, 4 Goddard Drive, at 508-832-7799. Must be 21 or over!

MUSCLE BUILDING
Muscle Building is now at 1:15 p.m. on Mondays
WEEKLY PROGRAMS

- Mondays: 12:45 p.m., Canasta; 1 p.m., Monday Movies
- Tuesdays: 9 a.m., Yoga; 1 p.m., Whist;

6:30 p.m., Pitch
• Wednesdays: 9:30 a.m., Knit 'n Stitch; 10 a.m., Line Dancing; 11 a.m., Tech Help; 1 p.m., Pitch; 1 p.m., Pool; 6 p.m., Cribbage
• Thursdays: 12:45 p.m., Bingo; 1 p.m., Scrabble; 1 p.m., iPad Club
• Fridays: 10 a.m., AVN Exercise; 12:30 p.m., Dominos; 12:45 p.m., Wii Games; 1 p.m., Quilting; 6:30 p.m., Pitch

AUBURN TRAVELERS FASCA: AUBURN SENIOR CENTER TRIPS

Come and join us, 21 years and older, from any town. Office open every day the Center is open, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Gift certificates available for any trip. Checks made out to FASCA. Deposits of \$10 for day trips. Deposits of \$50 for multi day trips unless noted more needed. Call us at 508-832-7799 or e-mail us at auburntravelersfasca@myway.com any time of day. Contact Lynne Guittar or Rich Hedin.

- Jan. 29-Feb. 13, 2017: Daytona Beach w/Yankee Bus Line. 16 days at Ocean Walk in Daytona Beach. Deposit \$50 per person. \$2,149 double p.p.; \$3,099 Single

p.p. Final due 35 days prior.
• April 28-29, 2017: A New York Adventure (Friday-Saturday), travel to New York, stay in Tarrytown. Dinner show at Westchester Dinner Theatre ("Mamma Mia") . See 911 Museum and Memorial. Visit Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. Included: One dinner, one breakfast, all admissions, tour director, trip insurance \$34 p.p. Deposit \$50. \$401 Double p.p. \$508 Single p.p.
• May 28-June 2, 2017: Spotlight on San Antonio w/Collette Tours (Sunday-Friday), 6 days, round trip air fare from Boston, tour guide, 6 meals: 4 breakfasts, 2 dinners. Visit the Alamo, El Mercado, Famous River Walk, LBJ Ranch. Deposit of \$250. Insurance \$100 at time of booking trip. Checks made out to Collette. Final payment due March 19, 2017. Reg. price \$2,129 Double p.p., \$2,529 Single p.p., \$2,049 Triple p.p.
• Aug. 17-20, 2017: Washington, D.C., w/Conway Tours (Thursday-Sunday), 3 nights, 5 Meals (3 breakfasts, 2 dinners). Guided touring day and night time, illumination of monuments. Time on your own. Tour guide. Trip insurance, \$60 per person. Deposit \$100 per person due by May 10, 2017. \$679 Double, \$899 Single, \$659 Triple, per person. Final payment due June 26, 2017.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The calendar page is a free service offered for listings for government, educational and non-profit organizations from Auburn and surrounding towns. Send all calendar listings and happenings by mail to Adam Minor at Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550; by fax at (508) 764-8015 or by e-mail to aminor@stonebridgepress.com. Please write "calendar" in the subject line. All calendar listings must be submitted by 3 p.m. on Friday to be published in the following Friday's edition. We will print such listings as space allows.

Saturday, Dec. 10

AUBURN

4th Annual Holiday Craft Fair presented by Auburn Recreation and Culture — Saturday, Dec. 10, snow date Dec. 11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Auburn High School, 99 Auburn St., Auburn. Fifty-plus craft vendors to help get you into the spirit of the holiday season. Santa will be making an appearance from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., so bring the kids. There will be activities, food, drawing, face painting and much more. Please support the concession stand run by FAME (Friends of Auburn Music Education). Schedule of events will be listed on www.auburnguide.com. Thank you for your support of Auburn Recreation and Culture Department. For information please call 508-755-3291 or email kpapas@town.auburn.ma.us.

Auburn Girls Fastpitch Softball

League is holding its 3rd Annual Toy Drive on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Auburn High School upper parking lot. The league is accepting new toys (still in the box) and gift cards to be given to Auburn Youth & Family Services for local families in need this Christmas & Holiday Season. League Officials and players will be on hand to accept sign ups for the 2017 Spring Softball Season also. Please visit www.AuburnFastpitch.com or e-mail League President Dan Stewart at dstewart@auburnfastpitch.com for more info on the league and its work on and off the field.

Saturday, Dec. 24

AUBURN

The First Congregational Church of Auburn, 128 Central Street, invites you to their Christmas Eve Services: 5 p.m. Family Service and 11 p.m. Candle Light Communion Service, and our Christmas Morning Service at 10 a.m. All are welcome.

ONGOING EVENTS

AUBURN

Christian 12 Step Program for Men and Women from 7-8:15 p.m. every Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Ave, Auburn. Do you feel your life/relationships/habits are spinning out of control? A Christian 12 Step Program is the Key to Christ and Life

providing Abundance, Blessing and Grace. Come as you are or please contact 508-832-5044, ext. 155 for more information.

Have a little one in the house? Looking to get out and do something? The Auburn Public Library may have just the thing for you. Mother Goose Story time is for children ages 6-15 months. It's a great place for children and their grownups to listen to stories, share some nursery rhymes and have time to connect with others during musical free play. Mother Goose Story Time is held at the Auburn Public Library on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please stop by and join us. If you need more information, you may call the library at 508-832-7790. We hope to see you there.

The Bay State Chapel meets at 6 p.m. every Saturday at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 35 School St., Auburn. Everyone is invited. There will be childcare and refreshments at every service.

The Auburn Historical Museum at 41 South St. is open every Tuesday, from 9 a.m. to noon, and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Admission is free to see a variety of artifacts and memorabilia concerning Auburn as far back as when it was known as the town of Ward. All are welcome to come. For more information contact Sari Bitticks at sarilb@verizon.net.

Divorced? Separated? You don't have to go through it alone. Divorce Care is a support group that meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays in Room 207 at the

Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Avenue, Auburn, providing practical support, recovery and hope. There is a voluntary donation of \$15. Childcare will be provided. Activities for K-high school occur at the same time. For more information, call 508-832-5044, ext. 321.

The Nipmuck Coin Collectors Club meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St., behind the Oxford Town Hall. Everyone is welcome from long time collectors to those just starting to collect or maybe looking to pick up a new hobby. For more information about our club or coins in general, call Dick Lisi at 508-410-1332 or visit lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

Open Story Time will be held at 4:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Auburn Public Library. No registration required. Please drop in. Open to all ages. For more information, call 508-832-7790.

Chuck wants boys in the 6th through 10th grades to join The Man Cave. The Man Cave is a boys' group that meets from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Thursdays at the AYFS, 21 Pheasant Court, Auburn. This is where members will learn that peers their own age share similar concerns. Group members will be able to discuss ways to cope with their concerns as well as receive positive feedback. Each week will center around a particular topic for discussion. There is no cost to join. For more information, call Brandon Pare 508-832-5707, ext. 16 or Dan Secor 508-832-5707, ext. 14. Free food available.

TRIPS

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UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER/SUNSHINE CLUB

The Uxbridge Senior Center, in conjunction with the Sunshine Club will be offering the following bus trips for 2016:

- Monday, Nov. 28 to Wednesday, Nov. 30: White Mountain Hotel, North Conway, \$439. There are still seats available for this trip!
 - Wednesday, Dec. 7: Newport Playhouse "Nana's Naughty Knickers," \$75. This trip is full.
 - Saturday-Monday, Dec. 10, 11 and 12, NYC at Christmas with 9/11 Museum, \$339.
- Here's a rundown of what's coming up so far for 2017:
- March 16, 2017: Lion King — sorry, full (waiting list), leaves from both Westboro (9:15 a.m.) and Whitinsville, 10 a.m., \$99.
 - March 30, 2017: Newport Playhouse, "The Foursome," \$76.
 - April 1-9, 2017: Branson — full (waiting list), both Westboro and Whitinsville, \$759.
 - April 27-May 1, 2017: Virginia; International Tattoo and oceanfront Virginia Beach, leaves from Whitinsville only, \$799.
 - May 17-20, 2017: 1,000

Islands w/Tulip Fest, leaves from Westborough only, \$769.

- June 5, 2017 — Day trip to Gloucester Lobster Bake and Cruise, both Westboro and Whitinsville, \$76.
 - June 25 and 26, 2017: Hudson River/West Point, from Whitinsville only, \$319.
 - Aug. 21-24, 2017: St. Andrews By-the-Sea and Campobello Island; staying at the Algonquin Hotel and Resort, leaves from Westborough only, \$819.
 - Sept. 24-26, 2017: Lake Placid & Adirondacks, from Whitinsville only, \$479.
 - Oct. 11, 2017: Day Trip to the Turkey Train, both Westboro and Whitinsville, \$72.
 - Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2017: Saratoga Victorian Christmas, from Whitinsville only, \$319.
 - Dec. 8-9, 2017: Christmas in Vermont, leaves from Westborough only, \$299.
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Day 4: Enjoy a continental breakfast before departing for fascinating and history rich Jekyll Island. See how the nation's wealthiest citizens like JP Morgan and William Rockefeller lived and played — including a stop at what was once the "Millionaires Club." Later you'll take a guided tour of St. Simons Island where you can take a stroll among moss-draped oaks or shop at the interesting boutiques and

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Day 5: Today, after continental breakfast, enjoy a guided tour of magnificent Beaufort, S.C. "Queen of the Carolina Sea Islands." Beaufort's history dates as far back as the 1500's. Its striking mansions and scenery served as a backdrop for many major motion pictures including, "The Big Chill" and "Forrest Gump". You'll also tour the Parris Island Marine base, where 22,000 men and women complete their training each year. Highlights of your tour include the Iwo Jima Monument, Parade Field, and the Parris Island Museums. Tonight, enjoy a nice dinner before returning to your hotel for the evening.

Day 6: Enjoy a continental breakfast at your hotel before leaving for the Airborne and Special Operations Museum in Fayetteville NC. This evening relax at your en route hotel.

Day 7: Today, after enjoying a continental breakfast, you will depart for home. A perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great sights you've seen, and where your next group trip will take you!

For more information contact Evelyn Grovesteen (508) 764-8254

SPORTS

AUBURN HIGH WINTER SCHEDULE



File photos courtesy Mark Seliger.

The first home game for the Auburn High boys' varsity basketball team is scheduled for Dec. 20 versus Leicester High at 6:30 p.m.



The Auburn High girls' varsity ice hockey team plays its first home game at Horgan Rink on Dec. 19 versus Oakmont Regional at 5:30 p.m.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 16 at David Prouty, 6:30
 Dec. 20 vs. Leicester, 6:30
 Dec. 23 at Bartlett, 6:30
 Dec. 27 Rocket Classic Tournament, TBD
 Dec. 28 Rocket Classic Tournament, TBD
 Jan. 3 vs. Southbridge, 6:30
 Jan. 6 at Quaboag, 7
 Jan. 10 at Millbury, 6:30
 Jan. 16 vs. Tantasqua, 6:30
 Jan. 19 at Northbridge, 6:30
 Jan. 21 vs. Nipmuc, 2:30
 Jan. 23 vs. Millbury, 6:30
 Jan. 26 at Grafton, 6:30
 Jan. 30 at Uxbridge, 6:30
 Feb. 1 vs. Northbridge 6:30
 Feb. 3 vs. Oxford, 7
 Feb. 9 vs. Uxbridge, 6:30
 Feb. 13 at Oxford, 5:30

Feb. 16 vs. Grafton, 6:30

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 14 vs. David Prouty, 6:30
 Dec. 16 at Hoosac Tournament, TBD
 Dec. 17 at Hoosac Tournament, TBD
 Dec. 19 at Leicester, 6:30
 Dec. 22 vs. Bartlett, 6:30
 Dec. 28 vs. Sutton, 2:30
 Jan. 2 at Southbridge, 6:30
 Jan. 5 vs. Quaboag, 6:30
 Jan. 9 vs. Millbury, 6:30
 Jan. 11 at Notre Dame Academy, 7
 Jan. 17 at Tantasqua, 6:30
 Jan. 20 vs. Northbridge, 6:30
 Jan. 24 at Millbury, 6:30
 Jan. 27 vs. Grafton, 6:30
 Jan. 31 vs. Uxbridge, 6:30
 Feb. 3 vs. Oxford, 5:30
 Feb. 8 at Grafton, 6:30
 Feb. 10 at Uxbridge, 6:30
 Feb. 13 at Oxford, 7
 Feb. 16 at Northbridge, 6:30

Dec. 26 at Franklin, 12:30
 Dec. 28 vs. Bishop Fenwick, 2
 Dec. 31 at Matignon, 2
 Jan. 2 at Algonquin, 8:10
 Jan. 6 at Longmeadow, 8
 Jan. 9 at Shrewsbury, 7:20
 Jan. 11 vs. Leominster, 5:30
 Jan. 14 vs. St. Joe's, 6
 Jan. 15 at Bishop Fenwick, 9 a.m.
 Jan. 25 at Medway, TBD
 Jan. 28 at St. Joe's, 6
 Feb. 4 vs. Matignon, 4
 Feb. 6 vs. Longmeadow, 5:30
 Feb. 13 vs. Algonquin, 6:30
 Feb. 15 vs. Shrewsbury, 5:30
 Feb. 18 at Oakmont, 6
 Feb. 19 at Central Catholic, 7
 Feb. 22 vs. Medway, 5:30

INDOOR TRACK

Dec. 14 at Tantasqua, 5:30
 Dec. 21 at Northbridge, 3:30
 Jan. 4 at Tantasqua, 5:30
 Jan. 11 at Northbridge, 5:30
 Jan. 18 at Northbridge, 5:30
 Jan. 25 League Championship at Tantasqua, 4:30

BOYS' ICE HOCKEY

Dec. 14 Hosting Tournament vs. Longmeadow, 5:30
 Dec. 17 Hosting Tournament, TBD
 Dec. 21 vs. Marlborough, 6:30
 Dec. 23 at Shrewsbury, 7:40
 Dec. 26 at North Middlesex, 1:30
 Dec. 28 vs. Westborough, 6:30
 Dec. 31 at Hudson, 12:10
 Jan. 4 at Marlborough, 5:30
 Jan. 7 vs. Groton-Dunstable, 7
 Jan. 9 at Nashoba, 6
 Jan. 14 vs. Dover-Sherborn, 8
 Jan. 18 vs. Wachusett, 6:30
 Jan. 25 at Leominster, 7:30
 Jan. 28 vs. Hudson, 7
 Feb. 1 vs. Agawam, 6:30
 Feb. 4 at Wachusett, 8:10
 Feb. 8 vs. Ludlow, 6:30
 Feb. 11 at Longmeadow, 6
 Feb. 15 at Algonquin, 7
 Feb. 18 vs. Shrewsbury, 7

GIRLS' ICE HOCKEY

Dec. 10 at Leominster, 3:30
 Dec. 19 vs. Oakmont, 5:30



The Auburn High girls' varsity basketball team opened its season at home versus David Prouty Regional at 6:30 p.m.



The Auburn High indoor track and field teams will compete in meets at Tantasqua Regional and Northbridge High. The first one will take place Dec. 14 in Sturbridge at 5:30 p.m.



Horgan Rink will host a season-opening tournament for the Auburn High boys' varsity ice hockey team on Dec. 14 and 17. On Dec. 14, the Rockets will play Longmeadow High at 5:30 p.m.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Ski or snowboard at Wachusett Mountain

Are you interested in having a lot of fun while also helping to make the winter fly by? Any student, parent or teacher from any of the surrounding towns can ski or snowboard for eight consecutive Saturday nights at Wachusett Mountain for just \$150 through the Southbridge Ski Club. You drive to Wachusett Mountain on your own. The eight-week program begins on Saturday, Jan. 7 and ends on Saturday, Feb. 25. Ski or snowboard rentals as well as lessons are also available at a very reasonable cost. You may also be able to ski or snowboard for free through your health insurance coverage.

Also, anyone (students or non-students) can purchase Gold, Silver and Bronze Century Passes at a lower discounted price through our Club. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

Worcester State University set to host plenty of baseball clinics

Various baseball clinics will be held at Worcester State University this year and rolling into the next. Please visit <http://www.wsulancers.com/camps-clinic/index> for additional information on any of the clinics.

First Holiday Fun Baseball Clinic: Dec. 27-29, 9 a.m. to noon in the multipurpose gym/cages.

10th annual Friday Night Baseball School: Jan. 27, Feb. 3, Feb. 10, Feb. 17, Feb. 24, March 3, hitting from 6-7 p.m., pitching from 7 to 8 p.m. in multipurpose gym/cages.

22nd annual Hitting Clinic: Feb. 20-22, 9 a.m. to noon in multipurpose gym/cages.

10th annual Pitchers and Catchers Clinic: April 18 and 20, 9 a.m. to noon outdoors on Lyons Diamond.

Third annual U.S. Baseball Academy: June 26 and 29 outdoors on Lyons Diamond.

10th annual Instructional Prospect Clinic: Aug. 15, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Lyons Diamond.

BAY PATH REGIONAL WINTER SCHEDULE



All schedules are subject to change.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 12 at Pathfinder, 7
 Dec. 16 at AMSA, 4:45
 Dec. 22 at Parker Charter, 6
 Dec. 27 vs. North Brookfield, 5
 Jan. 4 vs. Main Suth, 6:30
 Jan. 6 at Abby Kelley, 7
 Jan. 10 vs. Assabet Valley, 6:30
 Jan. 13 vs. Nashoba Tech, 5:30
 Jan. 17 vs. Keefe Tech, 3:30
 Jan. 19 vs. St. Mary's, 5
 Jan. 24 vs. Monty Tech, 6:30
 Jan. 27 at Worcester Tech, 7
 Jan. 30 at North Brookfield, 7
 Jan. 31 vs. Pathfinder, 5
 Feb. 3 at Monty Tech, 7
 Feb. 7 at Main South, 7
 Feb. 9 at Blackstone Valley Tech, 6:30
 Feb. 10 vs. Abby Kelley, 6:30
 Feb. 13 at Assabet

Valley, 6:30
 Feb. 16 vs. Worcester Tech, 6:30

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 12 vs. Pathfinder, 5
 Dec. 16 vs. AMSA, 5
 Dec. 19 at Pathfinder, 5
 Dec. 22 vs. Parker Charter, 5
 Dec. 27 at North Brookfield, 5:30
 Jan. 4 at Main South, 6
 Jan. 6 vs. Abby Kelley, 5
 Jan. 10 at Assabet Valley, 6:30
 Jan. 17 at Keefe Tech, 3:30
 Jan. 24 at Monty Tech, 6:45
 Jan. 27 vs. Worcester Tech, 5
 Jan. 30 vs. North Brookfield, 5
 Jan. 31 at Nashoba Tech, 5
 Feb. 7 vs. Nashoba Tech, 5
 Feb. 9 vs. Blackstone Valley Tech, 6:30
 Feb. 10 at Abby Kelley, 6:30
 Feb. 13 vs. Keefe Tech, 3:30
 Feb. 16 at Worcester Tech, 5

File photo

The Bay Path Regional girls' varsity basketball team opens its season at home on Dec. 12 versus Pathfinder Regional at 5 p.m.

Hockey fundraiser benefits Tarentino Memorial Fund

Kevin Flanders photos

AUBURN — The puck dropped for an inspirational cause earlier this month, as the Auburn Fire/Police team and the U.S. Coast Guard Hockey Organization faced off at Horgan Arena in honor of fallen Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr. Prior to the opening draw on Dec. 3, Tarentino's wife, Tricia Tarentino, was presented with jerseys by the captains of each team. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Officer Ronald Tarentino Memorial Fund. The game was attended by several police and fire officials, as well as the Auburn High School hockey team, in support of Officer Tarentino's family.



John Spada, left, and Christian Smith represent the Coast Guard Hockey Organization.



Auburn Firefighter Luis Mateo gathers with family before singing the National Anthem.



Members of the AHS hockey team and their supporters gather before the game.



The team captains share a moment before the contest.



Honoring Officer Ronald Tarentino's ultimate sacrifice, team captains present jerseys and other gifts to Tricia Tarentino.



Led by their goaltender, the Coast Guard team takes the ice.



Auburn's Kate Graves spends the night with her daughters, Abby, 3, center, and Emma, 5.



The Clifford family, of Charlton, warms up in the lobby before the game.



The Auburn Police/Fire team grabs a photo before the game.



The Coast Guard Hockey Organization squad.

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OBITUARIES

Carol E. Reardon, 90

AUBURN/DUDLEY — Carol Leona (Morris) Reardon, 90, formerly of Dudley, died Wednesday, Oct. 19, in the Life Care Center of Auburn.

Her husband of 41 years, Richard P. Reardon, died in 1993.

She leaves her three daughters, Catherine Nalewajk of Webster, Gail Alden and her husband Ron of Charlton, and Jennifer Speed and her husband Derek of Westborough. Grandma will be missed by James Nalewajk, Jessica (Nalewajk) Bilodeau and her husband Brad, Michael and Maria Alden and their children Cecilia and Zachary, Steven and Susie Alden and their daughter Emily, Timothy and Heather Alden and their son Nicholas, and Katherine Speed, Megan Speed and Susannah Speed. She also leaves her sister, Jean Laws and her husband Keith and her sister-in-law Nancy Adams (whom she helped raise) and her husband John, all of Washington; another sister-in-law, Mary Dowd Reardon of California; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her daughter Maureen A. Reardon, by her granddaughter Amanda Speed, by her sister Margery Stafford, by her brother Robert Morris, by his wife Patricia Morris, and by her brother-in-law, Peter Reardon.

She was born in Portland, Ore., and raised in College Place and Walla Walla, Wash., a daughter of S.O. "Bud" Morris and Jessie (Mickey) Morris. She graduated 8th in her class at Walla Walla High School in 1944 and earned her B. A. in Journalism from Washington State College, Pullman, Wash., in 1948. As a civilian, she served as an education officer in the US Army of the Occupation in Japan for 3 years. After her marriage, she was a child welfare social worker for the State of Washington. She and her husband moved to Dudley in 1960. She had lived in Auburn since last year.

Mrs. Reardon was the Director of Volunteer Services at Harrington Memorial Hospital in Southbridge for 22 years. She retired in 1988.

She was an active member of the First Congregational Church of Dudley. She

served on the Open & Affirming Study Committee and on the Pastoral Relations Committee. She attended Bible study sessions. She belonged to the Ladies Benevolent Society and had served as its secretary. She was also a member of the Black Tavern Society, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Massachusetts and National Societies of Mayflower Descendants. She was an active member and past president of the American Association of University Women. She was a volunteer at Webster-Dudley Food Share, Inc. for many years.

Carol was an adventurous traveler. She and Dick made several cross-country drives, as well as multiple trips to Ireland and Canada, and in 1993 visited Walt Disney World with the whole family. In 2000, she attended the passion play in Oberammergau, Germany. At age 72, she achieved her lifelong dream of dancing on the Great Wall of China. With her sister Jean, she also travelled to Miami, Savannah, and England and the Netherlands. All in all, her family was her treasure.

We were so blessed to have such wonderful, loving parents as Carol and Dick. Their children and grandchildren will love and miss them always and will try to do what Carol always said: "Be nice!" The family would like to thank the staff at Brookdale Eddy Pond and the Life Care Center of Auburn for their kindness and compassion to both Carol and her family.

The funeral service was held Wednesday, Nov. 2, at the First Congregational Church of Dudley, 135 Center Road, Dudley, MA 01571 or to Webster-Dudley Food Share, Inc., c/o United Church of Christ Federated, 4 Church St., Webster, MA 01570. Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School St., Webster. Visit www.sitkowskimalboeuf.com.

Robert O. Lavalley, 86



WEBSTER — Robert O. Lavalley, 86, died Wednesday, Nov. 30, after being stricken ill at home.

He leaves his wife of 61 years, Frances V. (Starzec) Lavalley; 3 children, David R. Lavalley and his wife Ann, and Paula Aubin and her husband David, all of Webster, and Paul Lavalley and his fiancée Christine Doherty of Auburn; eight grandchildren, Richard, Nicholas and Kristen Cameron,

Jonathan and Katherine Lavalley, and Jordan, Nicole and Tyler Lavalley; a step-grandson, Joshua Aubin; two sisters, Doris Sidebottom of Webster and Carol Lavalley of Worcester; an aunt, Alice Berry of Dudley; several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; many nephews and nieces. He was looking forward to the birth of his first great-granddaughter in January. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Henry Lavalley and Wilfred Lavalley, Jr.

He was born in Webster, a son of Wilfred R. Lavalley, Sr. and Irene R. (Germain) Lavalley, and lived here all his life.

He was a Navy veteran of the Korean War in the Seabees. He then joined the Air Force Reserves, retiring as a staff sergeant in 1961. He was a member and

past commander of the Disabled American Veterans Post and also a member of the Webster-Dudley American Legion Post #184.

Mr. Lavalley owned and operated Lavalley & Sons Trucking Company for 20 years. He then worked for the Webster Highway Department for 10 years before retiring in 1993.

He was first elected as a road commissioner for 20 years and then served as a commissioner on the Department of Public Works for 2 1/2 years. He was a member of the Webster-Dudley Knights of Columbus Council #228. He enjoyed playing pitch every day at the Webster Senior Center and in various local pitch leagues. He was a communicant of Saint Joseph Basilica.

The funeral will be held Saturday, Dec. 10, from the Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, with a Mass at 11 a.m. in Saint Joseph Basilica, 53 Whitcomb Street. Burial will be in Saint Joseph Garden of Peace, with the Webster-Dudley Veterans Council performing military honors. Visitation will be from 8:45 to 10:15 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, in the funeral home. Donations in his name may be made to either Friends of St. Joseph School Fund, 53 Whitcomb St., or to the Webster-Dudley Veterans Council, 3 Veterans Way, both in Webster, MA 01570.

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William C. Krukowski, 68



CHARLTON — William C. 'Bill' 'Hank' Krukowski, 68, passed away Friday, Nov. 25, at Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge, from injuries sustained after being struck by an automobile outside

of his home.

He leaves his wife of 46 years, Margaret E. 'Peggy' (Bird) Krukowski, two sons, Mark J. Krukowski and his wife Paula, and Billy J. Krukowski and his wife Liz, and four grandsons, all of Charlton. He also leaves sisters and brother; Bernadette White of Swampscott, Michael Krukowski of Florida, Theresa Novia of Worcester and Christine Wilson and Margaux Chomo both of New Tripoli, Pa., as well as several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Krukowski was born in Worcester, the son of the late William S. and Martha E. (Lundblad) Kruk and moved to Charlton in 1978.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Jennifer M. Krukowski who died March 10, 1996.

Mr. Krukowski was a U.S. Air Force veteran of the Vietnam War and proudly served with the 42nd SAC Command.

Bill was a self-employed general contractor and owned and operated B-K Builders, he was also clerk of the works for the New St. Joseph's Church in Charlton.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Church, a member of the Red Knights, past president and member of the Century Sportsman's Club in Auburn. A founder of the JENNS Committee (for improvements to Route 20), and loved to golf and to go fishing and hunting.

Friends and relatives are invited to meet with the family for calling hours Friday, Dec. 9, at the Robert J. Miller-Charlton Funeral Home, 175 Old Worcester Rd. in Charlton. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, Dec. 10 at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church, 10 H-Putnam Rd., Ext. followed by burial with Military Honors in West Ridge Cemetery in Charlton.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions are suggested to: Veterans' Inc., 69 Grove St., Worcester, MA. 01605.

An online guest book or to leaves a message of condolence for the Krukowski family, please visit: RJMillerfunerals.net.



Victor N. Trainque, 83



BRIMFIELD — Victor N. Trainque, 83, formerly of 4 Riverview Circle, died Saturday, Dec. 3, at Golden Living-The Hermitage in Worcester.

He was the husband of Jadvyne E. (Rose) Trainque who died in 2010. He leaves a son Brian S. Trainque and his wife Joy of New Castle, Va., his daughters Denise E. Masse of W. Boylston, Linette K. Warren and her husband Robert of Sterling and Michelle A. Palmer, of Auburn, a brother Arthur Trainque of Hubbardston, a sister Ellie Scapperone of Westminister, nine grandchildren; Diane, Rebecca, Cynthia, Patricia, Benjamin, Katherine, Stefani, Nicole & Matthew, three great grandchildren; R.J., Noah & Jadvyne, several nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by brothers Lionel, Wilfred and Andre Trainque.

Born in Fitchburg, he was the son of Victor and Marguerite (Dauphinais) Trainque and later served his country in the U.S. Army. He once attended the Marist Brothers Seminary in N.Y. He enjoyed playing bingo and cards and going to the Sturbridge Senior Center.

Victor's funeral will be held on Thursday, Dec. 8, from the Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main St., Leicester with a Mass at 10 a.m. in St. Pius X Church, 1153 Main St., Leicester. Burial will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. Calling hours were Wednesday in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Golden Living Patient Activity Fund, 383 Mill St., Worcester, MA 01602. Visit www.morinfuneralhomes.com.



Arico A. Bellizzi Sr., 82



SPENCER — Arico A. Bellizzi Sr., 82, of 24B Howe Village, died Wednesday, November 23 at the Village after an illness.

He leaves his wife of 60 years, Mary A. "Pat" (Anderson) Bellizzi, six sons;

James J. Bellizzi and his wife Nance of So. Carolina, Anthony A. Bellizzi and his wife Joanie of Spencer, Arico A. Bellizzi, Jr. of Spencer, Jerry J. Bellizzi and his wife Brenda of Brookfield, Louis N. Bellizzi and his companion Deb of Northboro, Gary R. Bellizzi and his wife Lori of Warren, 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Born in Worcester, he was the son of Gennero & Louise (Buffone) Bellizzi.

Mr. Bellizzi was a truck driver for 30 years working at Keystone Automotive in Auburn, retiring in 2012.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Spencer. He was a member of the Spencer Rescue Squad for over 15 years and raised to the

rank of Lieutenant. He was a member of the Spencer Fire Department for 10 years and was a member of the Spencer Knights of Columbus 4th Degree. He was past president of the Quinebaug Valley Campers of Southbridge. For 29 years he enjoyed camping in Wales. He was the Patriots' #1 Fan. He also enjoyed golfing, spending time with his family and living for his grandchildren.

The family would like to say thank you to the staff at the Jewish Healthcare Hospice for all the professional care that they gave him and a very special thank you to Bernice who was his caregiver.

A Memorial Service was held Friday, Dec. 2, in the J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home, 23 Maple Terr. Burial followed in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. Calling hours preceded the service in the funeral home.

Please omit flowers. Contributions may be made to the Senior Citizen Club of Leicester, P.O. Box 143, Leicester, MA 01524.

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Wesley A. Prentice, 76



WHITINSVILLE — Wesley A. Prentice, 76, of Whitinsville, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 30, in UMass Medical Center, Worcester.

He was the beloved husband of Brenda L. (Wilcox) Prentice for 55 years.

He was born in Worcester in 1939, the son of Jessie (Kennedy) Prentice of Worcester and the late Edward Prentice and was a graduate of Northbridge High School.

Wesley's life was centered around his Faith in God's Word and his love for his family. He spoke often about his Faith, was an avid reader, and enjoyed wood-working, fishing, and crossword puzzles.

Wes was a truck driver with Yellow Freight in Shrewsbury for 40 years. Previous to that, he worked for Joe Briand, Time Transportation in

Whitinsville.

In addition to his wife Brenda and mother Jessie, he is survived by three daughters Cheryl and her husband David Sargent of Monument, Colo., LeeAnn and her husband Richard Dineen, Jr. of Northbridge, and Kelley and her husband Matthew Coye of Georgetown; a sister Nancy and her husband Paul Ohman of Auburn; five grandchildren Thomas, Mackenzie, Andrew, Cameron, and Jessie, and nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visiting hours were Friday, Dec. 2, in Buma Funeral Home, 480 Church St., Whitinsville, MA 01588. Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 3, in the funeral home. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery, Upton.

Memorial donations may be made to the Leukemia Society, MA Chapter, 9 Erie Dr., Suite 101, Natick, MA 01760.

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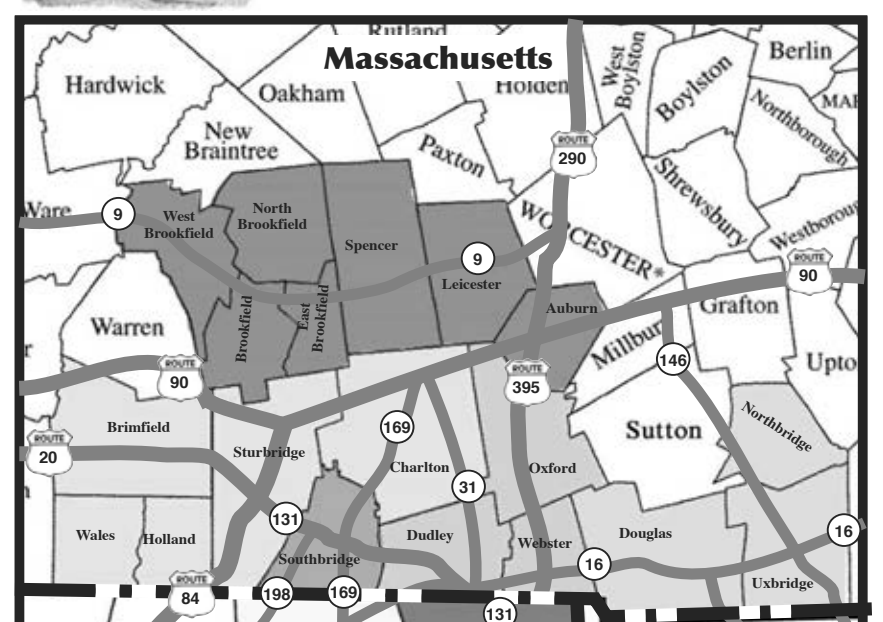
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Avoid Stress At Festive Gatherings

BY JENNIFER GEHLEN, AU.D.
(NAPS)

Getting together with family and friends can be more enjoyable when you know you're hearing what's going on. Now, thanks to the latest technology, that may be easier.

Problem
For people who would like to hear better, large gatherings can be challenging. Hearing loss occurs mostly at higher pitches, so they rely on low-pitch sounds in speech to understand conver-

sations. People with hearing loss also rely on nonverbal cues.

Unfortunately, in large gatherings, all these cues can become compromised. There's often a variety of background noise that can drown out the sounds needed to understand conversation.

As a result, those with hearing loss have to pay extra-close attention and still catch only fragments of words and sentences that they then have to piece together. It can be very tiring and lead to becoming withdrawn

and socially isolated.

Hearing Aids Can Help

Fortunately, modern digital hearing aids are designed to improve these stressful situations. Wearers can differentiate speech from noise, and the hearing aids suppress noise. In new smart hearing aids, noise-reduction algorithms are completely automatic and can target a variety of different sounds. They can even work fast enough to reduce the brief pockets of noise between natural pauses in words and sentences. This makes listening in difficult situations more comfortable and less stressful.

Smart hearing aids with directional microphone technology pick up sounds primarily from the front, since you're most likely facing the person you're talking to. Some even activate automatically and adapt to various sound environments. When hearing aids are worn as a pair, directional microphones work together to sharpen the focus. In really noisy conditions, this technology has been clinically proven to let wearers understand speech even better than listeners with normal hearing.

Use Communication Strategies

Advanced hearing aid technology can help tremendously but some simple strategies can make communicating even easier:

- If the location of the event is within your control, minimize background noise. Consider having the party in a place that's relatively quiet and request a table in a more secluded area.
- Remind people to get your attention first and face you when speaking. Position yourself in a well-lit area with your back to the windows and face the person you're speaking with.
- Finally, relax. Even



Thanks to today's technology, many people can hear better than ever before.

those with normal hearing often miss a few words.

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This Holiday, Give the Gift of Safe Driving

(NAPS)

The holiday season is upon us—one of the busiest times of year to be on the road. Safe driving practices are critical for keeping you and yours protected in heavy traffic. Now is a great time to get your vehicle winter-ready before road conditions become highly unpredictable. Consider these five safety tips to help you travel safely to see loved ones this holiday season.

INSPECT YOUR TIRES

Properly inflated traction tires reduce the risk of skidding and improve braking. Your local tire experts can measure your tires' air pressure and tread depth, and do a visual alignment check. Be sure to ask if they can also test your brakes, shocks and battery.

UNDERSTAND YOUR OPTIONS

The decision between studded and winter tires comes down to personal needs based on your commute and driving habits. Winter traction tires are specifically designed to provide the extra grip, braking and handling you'll need to confidently drive on slush and packed

snow. Studded tires offer additional traction in more treacherous winter driving conditions, like ice. Chains can be important too—and are sometimes required—for traction when you're traveling in the mountains or on icy roads. Visit <https://www.lesschwab.com/resources/winter-driving> for a step-by-step tutorial on how to put on snow chains.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Before you go, we recommend checking your local department of transportation's website for road conditions. Listen to the radio for announcements about accidents, road closures and travel advisories. Also, let someone know your route, in case an accident occurs.

ALLOW EXTRA TIME

Slow down, especially when traveling over treacherous mountain passes. Whether you're cornering, stopping, accelerating or driving on a straightaway, reducing speed is the key to safe winter driving. Allow more space between your car and other vehicles. Avoid sudden stops, abrupt downward gear shifts and quick changes in direction. Brake gently to avoid

skidding or sliding. If the wheels lock up, ease off the brakes.

BE READY FOR THE UNEXPECTED

A winter accident could leave you stuck on the side of the road in cold, wet weather. Packing your car with a few essentials will help keep you safe and ready for any weather conditions. It's a good idea to store snacks, water bottles, an ice scraper, flares, chains, a flashlight, blankets and a roadside safety kit in your trunk. And, always carry a cell phone. If you must pull over because conditions are too bad to proceed, get as far off on the shoulder as is safely possible, turn off your headlights and turn on your hazard lights.

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 Worcester(Worc): Bk 40603, Pg 89
2:00 PM-SOUTHBRIDGE
 10 Crescent Street
 2 fam, 1,900 sf liv area, 0.14 ac lot, 8 rm, 5 bdrm, 2.5 bth
 Worcester(Worc): Bk 40215, Pg 353
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- 2-car garage

31 Brook Rd • \$178,900

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 (B) Business (U) Duplex (S) Single Family (D) Adult
 (P) Land (L) Mobile Home (A) Apartment (C) Community

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 131 Old Webster Rd S 11-1 \$296,698 Joane Szymczak 508-943-7669 Remax Adv.

To have your open house listed in this directory please contact Sandy at 508-909-4110

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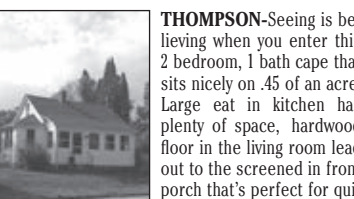
THOMPSON- This ranch style home has just received new life-a new boiler, windows, vinyl siding, updated kitchen, new appliances, lighting fixtures, newly refinished floors, & paint. Home has 3 bedroom 1 full bathroom and a 1 car attached garage. Priced at just \$179,900.



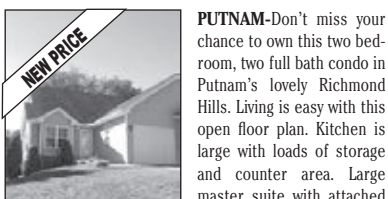
WOODSTOCK- Oversized Ranch, sitting on 6 AC with 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths. Kitchen has a brand new counter-top, and breakfast bar. Dining room with hardwood flooring that leads into the oversized living room. You will find a separate cozy den/living room with a wood burning fireplace. The master bedroom is spacious with double closets and a "hotel-like" bathroom. Lower level has two partially finished rooms and tons of storage. There is a two level deck with a newer above ground pool just off the kitchen & dining room; 2 car garage, shed, landscaping...this is a great home you cannot afford to miss. \$259,700



NORTHBRIDGE, MA- Beautifully maintained 1,200+ sqft. townhouse style condo with 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, corian counters, 2 parking spots and cute deck off kitchen. Condo fee is \$150 which includes: snow removal, grounds, water and sewer. Close to community center, park, beach and schools. \$139,900



THOMPSON- Seeing is believing when you enter this 2 bedroom, 1 bath cape that sits nicely on 45 of an acre. Large eat in kitchen has plenty of space, hardwood floor in the living room lead out to the screened in front porch that's perfect for quiet time. Master bedroom is on the main floor; spare room upstairs has many possibilities. With the newer roof, furnace, and hot water heater, this home is very easy to move right into. Easy access to Rte. 395 for commuters. At only \$119,900, this home won't be available for long. Call today for your private viewing.



PUTNAM- Don't miss your chance to own this two bedroom, two full bath condo in Putnam's lovely Richmond Hills. Living is easy with this open floor plan. Kitchen is large with loads of storage and counter area. Large master suite with attached full bath and walk-in closet. Washer and dryer are conveniently tucked away on the main floor. The 10 x 12' deck is easily accessible through the sliders off the dining area. Attached garage and central A/C. This can all be yours for only \$159,000. Call today for your private viewing.



QUINEBAUG- This lovely 2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home located in the desirable 55+ park has so much to offer with many updates. Newer roof, vinyl siding, windows, central air, flooring, furnace, electrical upgrades and more. Living room has large bay window. Kitchen is just as bright with eat in space. 2nd bedroom has plenty of room for a queen size bed or use as a craft room for season heated room that leads onto the deck. Back yard is nicely manicured with a large shed big enough for storage and a work shop. \$57,500



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RENTED

Southbridge: Wonderfully updated 3 family-nothing to do-no updating needed. 3 room 1 bed, 4 room 1 bed, 4 room 2 bed. Vinyl sided, replacement windows, roof and updated electrical. Newer kitchens, updated flooring. Tenants pay own utilities. \$159,900.



RENTED

Southbridge: COMMERCIAL PROPERTY FOR SALE! 3200sf of Space right on Rt 169-great visibility! 2 floors! Off street parking! Printing company rents the space but can be broken up into other units. Plus single family home with 7 rooms, 4 bedrooms being rented for \$950 monthly. Helps with mortgage payment! \$179,900.



RENTED

Southbridge: PRISTINE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY! "Heart of the Southbridge Historical District". Downtown property with three separate storefronts! Fully rented! Excellent condition. Utilities are all separate. Owner occupied one unit and would vacate for new owner or stay. Close to 6000sf of retail space plus full basement for storage. Roof, heating & electrical updated. \$325,000.



RENTED

Ware: INVESTORS! INCOME POTENTIAL! 4 family with two 5-3-1 apartments, 4-2-1 apartment, and a studio. Dealed certificates for 3 bedroom units & hallways. Off street parking. \$149,900.



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OPEN HOUSE SAT 12/10 11:00-1:00



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Built in 1999, 2300 SF, 3 BR's, custom kitchen, stone fireplace on a babbling brook.
Cyrille Bosio 860-338-0964

OPEN HOUSE SAT 12/10 1:00-3:00



39 Broad Street Danielson \$184,900
G10175229.bhhsNEproperties.com
Cape 2134sq ft with 4-5 bedrooms. Wood floors have all been refinished. Covered front porch and nice back yard.
Peter Baker 860-634-7298

OPEN HOUSE SAT 12/10 1:00-3:00



432 Reservoir Road, Pascoag RI \$365,000
1140283.bhhsNEproperties.com
16+ Acres, full In-Law, wood stove, beautiful hardwoods & granite, pellet stove, XL deck & 45' pool, built 2004, 4BR, 3BA, Mary Collins 860-336-6677

OPEN HOUSE SAT 12/10 1:30-3:00



630 Liberty Highway, Putnam \$398,000
G10037625.bhhsNEproperties.com
Circa 1786 but everything is new! 3510 SF 4 BR, 4 Full BA with central AC on 10.76 acres! Garage, Shed.
Cyrille Bosio 860-338-0964

OPEN HOUSE SUN 12/11 11:00-1:00



162 Cherry Hill Road, Pomfret \$274,900
G10180915.bhhsNEproperties.com
Meticulous, beautiful post and beam construction home with 4 beds, oversized 2 car garage and private 3 ac lot.
Tatiana Nassiri 890-455-8609

OPEN HOUSE SUN 12/11 1:00-3:00



106 Laurel Drive, Dayville \$269,000
G10175819.bhhsNEproperties.com
Colonial w/ 2022SF, 3BR, 2.5BA, living room w/ fireplace. Fenced-in area for pets. Neighborhood setting close to shopping.
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Putnam \$182,888 NEW PRICE



G10157613.bhhsNEproperties.com
Sunny open floor plan, hardwoods, home warranty and HUD approved. Close to 395 & shopping.
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Pomfret \$550,000



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New granite Kitchen, new carpet, finished walkout lower level, in-ground pool & house.
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Top Listing Agent: John Downs
Top Selling Agent: Brooke Gelhaus
Top Buyers Agent: Mary Scalise

Pomfret \$850,000



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Hamlet Lodge resides on 36 acres w/ river winding through. Built in 1870, 5877SF, 6BR, 6BA, large windows & high ceilings.
Stephanie Gosselin 860-428-5960

Woodstock \$229,000



G10176949.bhhsNEproperties.com
Close to everything! Spacious Ranch w/ 4 BR, hardwoods & fireplace, newer roof and windows. Priced to sell!
White/Cook Team 860-377-4016

Woodstock \$500,000



G10174639.bhhsNEproperties.com
Stunning expansive Cape located on 5.36 acres, Brazilian hardwood floors throughout.
John Downs 860-377-0754

Putnam \$499,000



G10158208.bhhsNEproperties.com
One of the oldest homes in Putnam & completely restored. Includes 28x48 post & beam barn and a gorgeous guest house.
Katie Totten 860-465-6336

Woodstock \$390,000



G10161692.bhhsNEproperties.com
This Elegant 4 bedroom home features four levels of quality living space, hardwoods, granite and a dramatic great room.
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Killingly \$164,900



G10152746.bhhsNEproperties.com
NEW CONSTRUCTION! 2 bedrooms, hardwoods, Granite, 1400SF, centrally located- come one, come all!
Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343

Putnam \$224,900



G10177084.bhhsNEproperties.com
Beautiful Farmhouse with porch, barn, pool. Convenient location 2260 sq ft, 3BR, 1.5BA, move right in.
Mary Scalise 860-918-1539

Hampton \$575,000



G10180876.bhhsNEproperties.com
Private 10ac, spring feed pond, abuts state park. Custom 2012, central AC & VAC, granite, hardwoods, recreation barn.
Mary & Joseph Collins 860-336-6677

Brooklyn \$570,000



G10164485.bhhsNEproperties.com
Exclusive & Prestigious! Contemporary 4 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths, wood floors, stone fireplace, 3 bay Garage, in-law set up.
Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343

Woodstock Commercial Lease \$950/Mo



G686753.bhhsNEproperties.com
Last unit available in this well-known plaza. 1000 SF-HEAT INCLUDED-Clean-Ample parking. Great visibility.
Chet Zadora 860-208-6724

Sterling \$164,900



G10180420.bhhsNEproperties.com
Ranch on 1.23 Acres, hardwood floors, 3 BR, 1.5 Baths, 1144SF, lower level finished with walk out! Circular driveway.
Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343

Ashford \$364,900



G10158346.bhhsNEproperties.com
Welcome home to this 2500SF well maintained Cape on 2.55 acres with decked pool, lower level walk out in-law, 3 bay garage.
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Woodstock \$254,900



G10154908.bhhsNEproperties.com
Dreaming of a home w/ a country setting yet close to conveniences? Meticulously maintained. 3 Bds, 2.5 Ba. Garage. 1.75ac.
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Brooklyn \$314,900



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Ranch on 11.16 Acres, 1752 Sq. Ft. built in 2008, wood floors, 4 Bdrms, 2 Baths, large oversized Garage.
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308 East Main St.
East Brookfield, MA
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Visit with Santa during Sunday Brunch
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
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JARED FISKE
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9:00 P.M.,
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Visit with Santa during Sunday Brunch
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308 LAKESIDE
308 East Main St.
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

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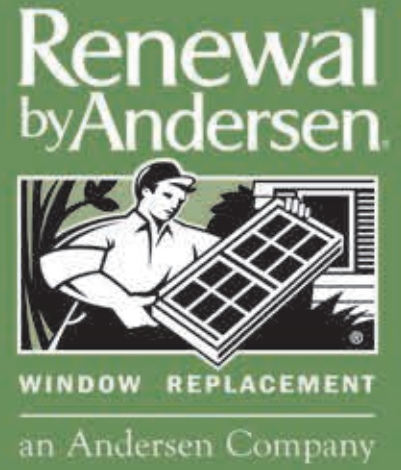
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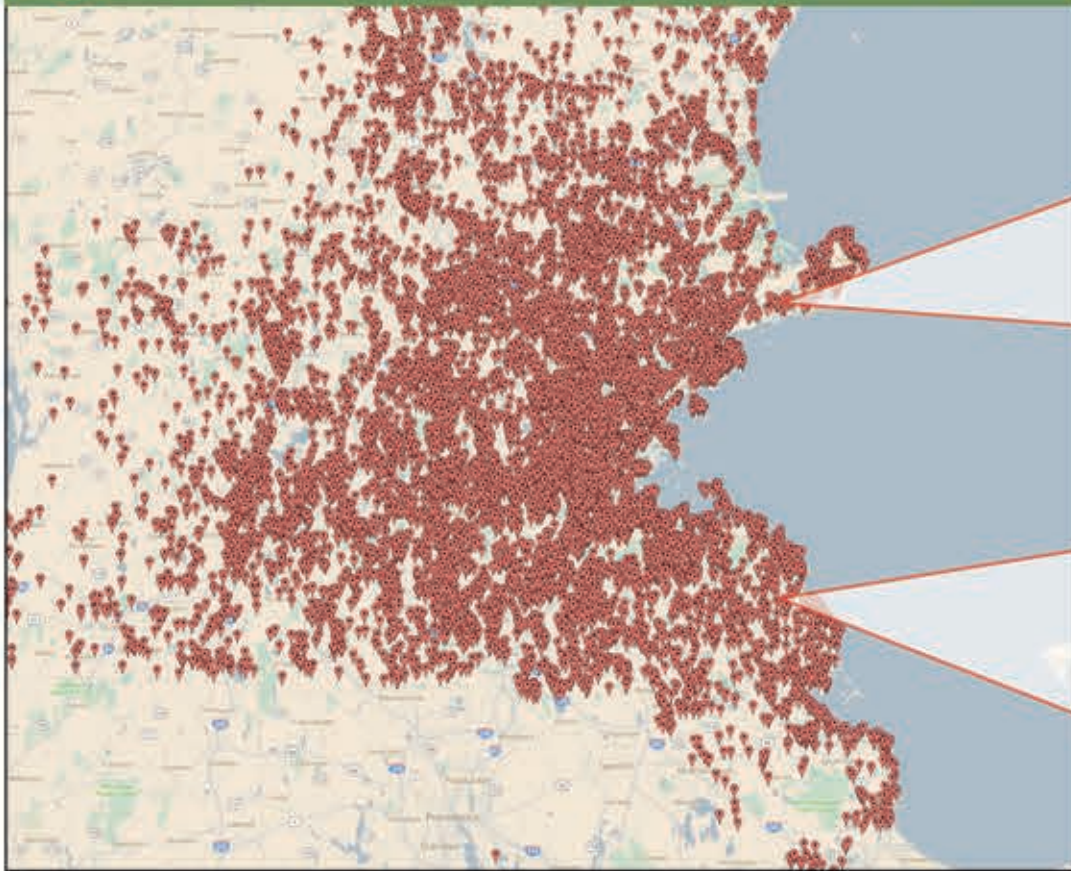
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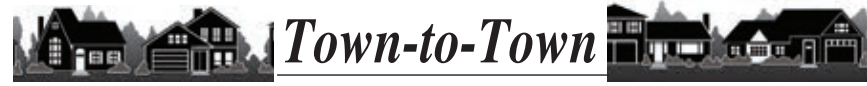
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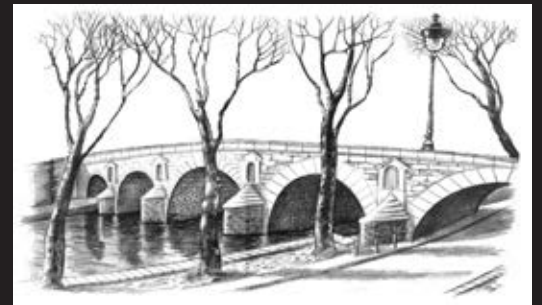
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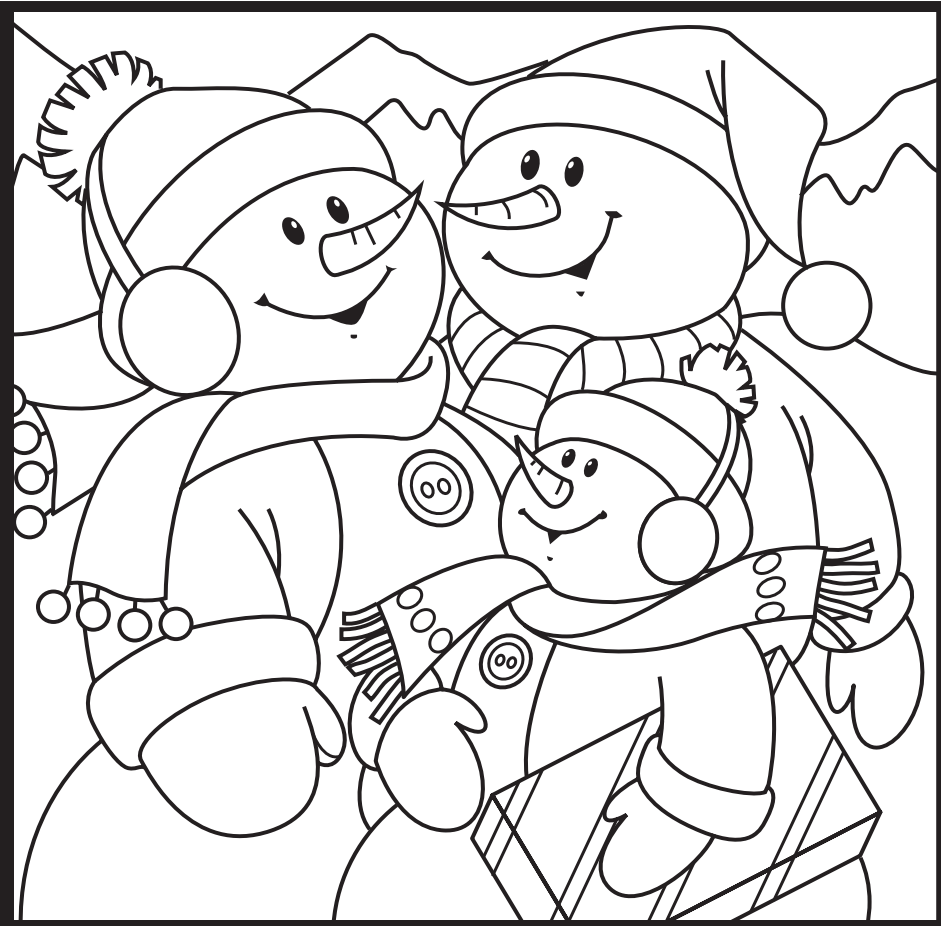
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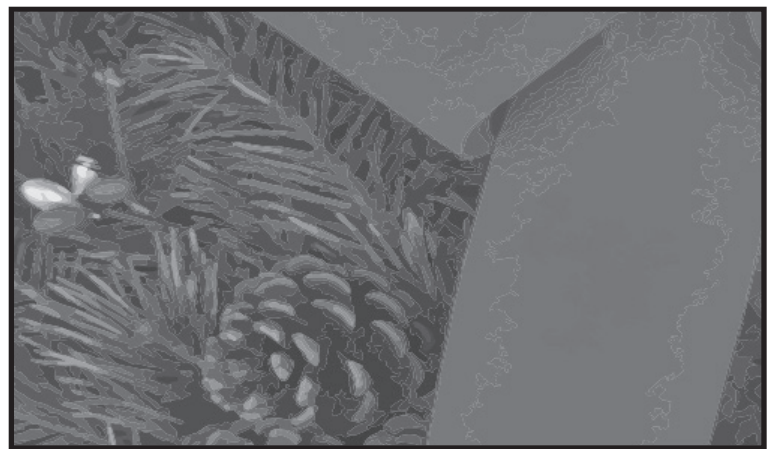
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