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Car Club of New England Car Show supports local schools



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Joleen Soares and Troy Atherton hold up their gourmet popcorn offerings to attendees during the The Car Club New England Inc. Annual Car Show at the Chicopee Moose Lodge 1849.

The event took place at the Moose Lodge on Aug. 26

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CHICOPEE -- Residents stopped by the Moose Lodge 1849 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Aug. 16 for The Car Club of New England's Annual Car Show.

The event, featuring 130 classic and modern cars, raised \$1,400--\$700 each -- for Old Mill Pond School in Palmer and Benjamin Phelps School in Agawam to help them buy school supplies.

Additionally, vendors included AMS Oil, Lincoln Technical Institute, Go Green Design, TJ's Pop, Opa's Collectibles and more.

Jamison Dupuis, president of

The Car Club of New England, explained the organization annually hosts two car shows to support veterans and local schools.

"What we decided to do this year and moving forward with the kids is this show here, 100% of the proceeds when you come through the gate, you make your \$10 donation, 100% of that is going to purchasing school supplies for two local schools," Dupuis said.

Dupuis got involved in the organization when he used to run a car show at the Springfield Armory while serving in the Massachusetts Army National Guard.

When a local car club considered shutting down, Dupuis was asked to take over and has run it since.

"So, it just kind of happened based off of a car show," Dupuis said.

Dupuis came to Chicopee

seven years earlier and connected with Bob Gallagher, who mentored him on running car shows, later joining the Moose Lodge last year.

"It's a good venue, the people are great, the people are established," Dupuis said. "We've done a lot of stuff in Chicopee, in the local area, supporting small businesses, things like that, and small businesses have supported us, so we always want to give back to the areas that take care of us."

John Gardner is a member of The Car Club of New England and has taken part in car shows for many years, bringing his 2013 Corvette 3LT Yellow to the event.

Gardner also helps run the Knights of Columbus Elder Council 69 Cruise Nights on Wednesdays from 5 - 8:30 p.m.

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ChicopeeTV shines spotlight on social activist/dancer

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CHICOPEE -- ChicopeeTV's most recent episode of "Spotlight on the Arts" featured Angelique Baker, a social activist and dancer who combines both elements to impact the world.

Hosted by Johnny Miranda, "Spotlight on the Arts" is a regularly recurring program that airs on ChicopeeTV, the city's cable access television studio, and can be accessed on Facebook, Vimeo or cable channel 192, for community programming.

Baker, an Easthampton resident who teaches dance and holds events, sat down with Miranda for the program's Aug. 24 episode. Miranda began the episode by complimenting Baker's ability to combine her creativity and talent with social work and work in the community.

"You're a perfect combination of that because you've been able to combine your ability to dance with instructing that to groups and also pairing it with a cause; something you're very passionate about and a message you want to deliver," Miranda said.

Baker noted that she's always loved dancing, and used to choreograph dances to Paula Abdul's music, but she was too afraid to dance publicly for most of her life. She had one salsa lesson when she was in the military 23 years ago; that was it until she was reintroduced to salsa dancing seven years ago.

"A friend of mine brought me (dancing), and I thought it was a good way to work on my social skills with other people



PHOTO SUBMITTED BY ANGELIQUE BAKER

Angelique Baker is a social activist and dancer from Easthampton who appeared on ChicopeeTV.

because I tend to be a little shy," Baker said.

Even though she comes from a hip-hop background, Baker quickly fell in love with Latin partner dancing. She noted that there's two positions, lead and follow, and she began by following instructors, where she ran into some "interesting issues."

"There were quite a few traditional roles that were being put on me like needing to wear heels or look a certain way, and it made me feel really uncomfortable," she said. "I was trying to figure out a way to maybe break that or bring some different opinions, so I tucked that idea away and, a few years after starting, I went back and started all over again to learn how to lead."

When Baker learned to lead, she didn't have any intention of teaching, but an instructor encouraged her to

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Seniors ask legal questions during 'Ask an Attorney' workshop

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CHICOPEE -- Seniors visited the RiverMills Center on Aug. 29 for an "Ask an Attorney" workshop, providing legal advice on healthcare decisions.

The workshop, which took place in the art room, offered seniors the opportunity to speak with attorneys on healthcare decisions, emphasizing the importance of having a healthcare proxy and power of attorney to oversee all health, legal and financial affairs.

Past workshops focused on Social Security and veteran's benefits, elder law, long-term care planning, Medicaid and MassHealth, estate planning and more.

Hyman Darling of Bacon Wilson P.C. took questions ranging from what language to include in health documents in the event of going on life support or a nursing home and the pros and cons of joint v. non-joint accounts for beneficiaries to the importance of including loved ones or people you trust as healthcare proxies.

Additionally, having powers of attorney and health documents organized for all healthcare decisions.

Darling explained that Casey Conroy, the senior center's program coordinator, asked him and his office about holding workshops like this for seniors, explaining while this month's workshop focused on healthcare and power of attorney specifically, other topics came up in-

cluding wills and long-term care planning "because that's what people really want to hear" and learn.

"So, I come here or other people from my office come here almost once a month to provide answers for people to give them the advice that they just need to get processed so they can get their own plans done properly," Darling said.

Darling was pleased with the turnout and the engagement from the audience, adding the attendees asked good questions.

"It's important for them to get their plans done properly or to get them updated, and the advice that we're giving is just to help them get to it. The process of selecting their lawyer and get-

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TURLEY PHOTO BY KRISTIN RIVERS

Seniors listen as Hyman Darling of Bacon Wilson P.C. provides insights on healthcare decision questions during the "Ask an Attorney" workshop at RiverMills Senior Center. The monthly program provides an opportunity for seniors to ask attorneys questions on topics important to them.

Zoning Committee approves special permit and zone change applications

The City Council will hold a final vote on Sept. 5

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CHICOPEE -- The Zoning Committee approved three applications on Aug. 30 that will bring new construction, businesses and rental properties to the city.

First, a special permit application to create a mixed-used property with two one-bedroom units within a business building on Chicopee Street.

Matt Campagnari, of Campagnari Construction, explained he was appointed as a receiver in July 2016, later taking a tour with former Building Commissioner Carl Dietz and a member of the city's Board of Health.

In November 2016, the property was demolished after being condemned, with an auction held for Campagnari Construction to recover their lien for the demolition.

"Nobody showed up at the auction, so we obtained the property, so we've been maintaining the property since 2016, cutting the grass, paying the taxes, all that stuff," Campagnari said.

Lee Pouliot, director of Planning & Development, said the request "is pretty much identical to what was there before."

"I think the applicant utilizing the footprint of the previous structure and mimicking the historic use there is probably the most appropriate reuse of this parcel that we can get, otherwise, we'll likely see it

remain vacant into the future," Pouliot said.

The application was approved 6-0, pending all building and fire requirements met in the building's construction and paying an outstanding bill of \$183.47.

A waiver request reducing the parking requirement from six spaces to three was, also, approved 6-0.

Next, a zone change application for a property on Robbins Road to construct a commercial building.

Attorney Paul Boudreau represented the applicant, KOI2KOI Associates c/o Christopher Lapinski, explaining the property needs to be rezoned from Business A to Industrial Planned Unit Development, to match the construction service contractor requirements.

The property will be a 150 x 80 x 20 metal building and a 40 x 30 x 16 accessory building.

"Lapinski Electrical was originally held in Chicopee many, many years ago, moved to Granby to accommodate larger space and is now moving back and this space will accommodate his entire operation and to house all his equipment and so forth in this building," Boudreau said.

Ward 9 Councilor Mary Beth Costello was happy the business was returning to Chicopee.

"We're looking at expanding businesses. This has been in compliance, there's no neighborhood opposition, and you're doing a great service not only for yourself in regards to your business but for our community," Costello said.

The application was approved 6-0. Lastly, a special permit application

for two apartments on the second floor of a business building on Grattan Street was voted on.

David Labrie of DCL Property Management – no relation to Ward 8 Councilor Gary Labrie – has owned the building for nearly 13 years and recently renovated a building on Chicopee Street as the new site for his printing company.

The property has been vacant since November 2022, with little success in leasing it.

"I'm a builder in the city, I have other rental properties. I know that the city is, you know, lacking rental properties, also, so it just seemed like a good fit," Labrie said.

Ward 4 Councilor George Balakier said "It's an interesting piece of property," but there are concerns.

"As evidenced here, the fire department has some concerns, building department had some concerns providing that the fire code is reviewed and up to code," Balakier said.

Ward 3 Councilor Delmarina López agreed, saying a sprinkler system or any measures provided by the fire department can help address them.

"We just want to keep people safe," López said. "As long as they comply with that, I have no issue."

The application was approved 6-0, subject to meeting all city, building and fire codes and needing to install fire detection systems as a code review of a subject property.

All three applications will have a final vote by the City Council on Sept. 5.

The Arbors and The Ivy Assisted Living Communities to host 'I Wanna Rock for Alzheimer's'

CHICOPEE -- The Arbors and The Ivy Assisted Living Communities are hosting an "I Wanna Rock for Alzheimer's" 80's-themed fundraiser event on Sept. 16, at the Castle of Knights in Chicopee, from 6-10 p.m. and will be featuring the band Aquanett!

In our line of business, we have a close tie to Alzheimer's and dementia and are deeply touched everyday by many of our residents and their families' stories and struggles. We see firsthand what this awful disease can do and because of this, we have decided to hold a benefit where all proceeds will go to the Alzheimer's Association, in hopes to find a cure and as they say, "do good to end ALZ"!

We would greatly appreciate any donations to this cause and look forward to ROCKING out with a special performance by Aquanett. This event will include lots of raffles, a door prize and a fun filled night had by all! Don't miss out, get your tickets today!

The event will feature a full bar; you cannot bring your own alcohol. Attendees must be age 21+ and are encouraged to wear '80s-themed attire.

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Managing separation anxiety on the first day of school

SPRINGFIELD -- Anxiety – just about everyone, no matter what age, experiences the uncomfortable feeling at some point in their lives.

For kids returning to school, changing schools or for first-time kindergarten students, anxiety on the first day of school isn't a rarity and can often be prevented.

"First and foremost, parents need to manage their own anxiety over the separation, or any worry about their child's ability to handle it," said Dr. Bruce Waslick, chief, Child Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry at Baystate Health.

He noted that parents should make sure children can handle what will be expected of them in school, such as managing their own clothes when they use the bathroom.

For example, children might feel more confident if they have pants with an elastic waist rather than a zipper, and shoes with Velcro rather than laces. In addition, make sure your child knows how to seek

help from adults. Parents can help their children practice this with other adults such as neighbors, librarians, and store clerks, and can also role-play with their children.

Waslick noted parents should exude confidence in their child's ability to handle school and in the adults who will be taking care of him or her in the classroom.

"Talk with your child to learn if he or she has any concerns about going to school. Address those concerns and provide reassurance by letting them know how proud you are. Let them know that they are not alone in their feelings, that many other children are experiencing the same concerns as they go to school for the first time," he said.

Children can benefit from meeting their teacher and seeing their school be-



Dr. Bruce Waslick, chief, Child Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry at Baystate Health.

forehand, especially the classroom, bathroom and lunchroom. Some children feel less anxious if they can bring something special from home, like a small stuffed animal or even a picture of their parents.

Additional tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics to help your child manage the first day of school include:

Point out the positive aspects of starting school to help your kids look forward to the first day of class. Talk about how they will see old friends and meet new ones, for example.

Find another child in the neighborhood your child can walk to school or ride with on the bus.

If you feel it is needed, even though your youngster is a bus student, drive your child (or walk with them) to school and

pick them up on the first day. Get there early on the first day to cut down on unnecessary stress.

And, when it comes time to drop your child off at school, Waslick said don't prolong the goodbye.

"Tell your child when you will return and try not to be a minute late," he said.

When first starting school, some children may return to problems they had at one time, but have since overcome, such as sleeping, eating, temper tantrums, thumb sucking, and others.

"Your child may simply need a little extra nurturing to support them at a time when they are stretching the boundaries of their independence. However, if the problem persists or worsens, consider discussing it with your child's pediatrician, who may suggest a mental health professional if needed," said Waslick.

For more information if your child needs behavioral medicine, talk to an intake coordinator at Baystate's confidential

Save the date

Beauty Batlles Lounge to host grand opening event Sept. 7

CHICOPEE -- Beauty Batlles Lounge has announced a date for a Grand Opening event at their new location in Chicopee.

Beauty Batlles Lounge, an advanced beauty and wellness spa, welcomes the community to a Grand Opening event at their new location. They will be offering a larger scale of wellness services including Cryotherapy, to their clientele and new job opportunities within the community. They use cutting-edge technology and the finest medical-grade products to customize treatment to their client's specific needs and deliver self-confidence to individuals that have been struggling with different insecurities.

Who: Beauty Batlles Lounge

What: Beauty Batlles Lounge announces grand opening event date

When: Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023 at 6 p.m.

Where: Beauty Batlles Lounge, 46 Cabot St., Chicopee, MA

This new lounge will consist of brand-new equipment allowing Beauty Batlles to offer Cryo Facial, Cryo Body Sculpt, Cryo Skin and Cryo Hair Rejuvenation. Cryotherapy, also known as cold therapy, exposes the body to cold temperatures to heal and treat various medical ailments. They aim to offer services that'll help them feel rejuvenated from the inside and out.

"I am thrilled to have the opportunity to bring a larger scale of services to our clients, but most importantly offer new job opportunities to our community!" said Ashley Batlle, founder of Beauty

Stefanik Elementary staff returns to building



PHOTOS COURTESY OF STEFANIK SCHOOL

CHICOPEE – The staff at Stefanik Elementary School returned to their classrooms earlier this week. On Monday, teachers started the week with the opening faculty meeting along with some friendly competitive team building activities.



Ride Like an Animal Motorcycle Run

Event to benefit the Foundation for TJO Animals

SPRINGFIELD -- The Foundation for TJO Animals will be holding its annual Ride Like an Animal Motorcycle Run on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration begins at 9 a.m. at the Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control & Adoption Center at 627 Cottage St. in Springfield. Kick stands up at 10:45 a.m. with the ride leaving at 11 a.m. for a scenic ride through western MA. The event wraps up with a celebration at the Ludlow Elks located at 69 Chapin Street from noon to 3 p.m. Guests will enjoy live music, great food, vendors, raffles and more!

A \$30 registration fee includes an event t-shirt, wrist band, entrance to the af-

ter party and one meal ticket. Participants interested in the after party only can register online for \$15 and receive admission and a meal coupon. Children under 12 are free. Register online at https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/V0wocgELADiD-SAav4FyYpQ

Proceeds from the Ride Like an Animal Motorcycle Run go directly to the Foundation for TJO Animals to benefit animals in need at the Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center.

Event sponsors include Fontaine Community Foundation, Florence Bank, Keller Williams, Western Mass Collision, Bacon Wilson, Greater Springfield Credit Union, and Hazen Paper Co.

More information is available on www.tjofoundation.org, by emailing info@tjofoundation.org or by calling 413.306.5161.

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EDITORIAL

Editor's Note: The following information was acquired over the course of my career as a journalist, through my work as an animal advocate, and through common knowledge.

Ten ways to help adoptable pets

By Kimberly Palmucci
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Volunteer - There are many different ways one can volunteer with an animal rescue organization, and the experience is truly rewarding. Volunteering offers a way to personally get involved with adoptable pets while eschewing the responsibility of pet ownership itself.

Volunteering duties might include: walking dogs; cleaning; socializing cats; taking photos; office tasks; community outreach; fundraising; transporting animals; attending adoption events; and more.

Donate - Animal rescues and shelters need financial assistance, and monetary donations are a welcome way to aid the mission. Certain shelters and rescues don't even have an operating budget, funded solely through donations.

Donations can assist with daily operations, supplies, food, veterinary care, vaccinations, community outreach, and much more.

And if a financial donation is not possible, animal organizations are also in need of many items, such as: food; towels; blankets and pet beds; crates and carriers; pet toys; collars, leashes, or harnesses; cat litter; and more.

Educate - By educating others about the importance of adopting, as well as spaying and neutering our pets, we lay the groundwork needed for actual change. However, educating should not be confused with arguing; creating conflict and tension over these topics may feel befitting at times, but we can spend our time more wisely by having respectful, compassionate conversations with people who are willing to listen.

Advocate - Supporting legislation that improves the lives of animals is a pivotal step to-

ward making change. There must be regulations in place for certain actions and behaviors—including legal consequences—to set a precedent. Also, many municipal animal shelters are relying on antiquated budgets to function. Contact your representatives by calling or writing a letter so that you can share your thoughts regarding local and state bills.

Wishlists - An animal group near you may already have a "wish list" on its website, go check it out! These lists, which highlight the current needs and donation requests of the organization, can be independent or linked directly to a website such as "Amazon" or "Chewy."

Additionally, when shopping online, consider choosing one of your local animal rescues as your "AmazonSmile Charity"—this is a separate entry from the main website that offers consumers the same items and prices while also contributing a certain percentage of qualified purchases to a charitable group.

Spay/Neuter - Spaying and neutering our pets is unbelievably important. Pet overpopulation can best be described as a crisis, both in the U.S. and around the world, and unconstrained cat and dog breeding creates lasting impacts. Spaying/neutering presents pet owners with a way to not only be part of the solution, but also to keep their pets healthy and safe.

Three benefits of spay/neuter include: diminishing the burden on animal groups; keeping stray/feral pet populations in check; and protecting pets from health concerns.

Events - Hosting a fundraising event for an animal group is a unique and valuable way to help. You can design your own event, or combine efforts with an existing or upcoming event, such as a birthday party, wedding, or school function, asking attendees to bring a gift or donation for the animals.

Share - Talk about your own stories of adoption, both on social media and in your day-to-day life. The more we talk about our stories of adoption, the more we can share the message that shelter pets are not less or broken because of their circumstance. They are resilient and capable of such a powerful love. Additionally, "sharing" can quite literally mean getting on so-

cial media and sharing posts or adoption profiles from animal groups, who are constantly posting their needs, adoptable pets, wishlists, and more. When you "like," "comment," or "share," those posts, you're boosting engagement and allowing more people to see and help.

Adopt - According to various reports and statistics, more than 6.3 million domestic animals enter into animal shelters and rescues across the U.S. each year. Adopting a pet is a tremendous decision that not only saves one animal, but also creates space in an already overburdened system for another, doubling the impact with every adoption.

When you adopt a pet, it's a lifelong promise (the pet's life, of course). This is not a decision that should be made lightly; before you adopt, consider whether you will be able to provide that animal with the following basic needs for the pet's entire life: love and attention; food, water, and shelter; exercise and medical care.

Foster - Fostering a pet entails the temporary housing of an adoptable pet in one's home prior to adoption. Foster homes afford shelters and rescues the ability to save even more animals, and it helps animals that would otherwise be in a cage find comfort and support.

Fostering is not for everyone. The foster must be able to transport the pet to various places and provide the animal with care. It is also important to consider that fostering is intended to be temporary—many folks (like myself) have trouble saying goodbye, and that's okay, but if this is you, perhaps there's an alternative way to help.

Here are some questions you might ask yourself before fostering a pet:

Am I emotionally prepared to say goodbye?

Is everyone in my home equipped for this experience (other pets included)?

Am I able to transport this pet to vet visits and adoption events?

The best way to discover the needs of your local animal groups is by doing a search online, checking recent social media posts from the organization(s), or by contacting them directly and asking how you can help.

GUEST COLUMN



Cherry tomatoes cracked? Mine are too.

I love it when my good friends pose me gardening questions.

Lots of times I turn the questions into columns. My friend Jacquie sent a text with a

question about her cherry tomatoes.

She was curious if she could eat them even though they were cracked. Alas, I will delve a little deeper into this topic.

Tomatoes crack when the inside of the fruit expands at a rate that the outer skin can't support. Usually, a soaking rain after a period of drought causes this to happen.

This year we have had pretty constant precipitation, but the cracking happened anyway. As soon as the rain ended a couple days back, I went out to the garden and began picking my cherry tomatoes.

Anything that cracked in my hand or when I put it into the basket could be used.

Cracked fruit still on the plant that had started to heal over I decided to give to the chickens. I didn't want to risk eating fungus, mold or bacteria from fruit flies in the fruit that had scabbed over.

If you don't have chickens, the fruit is perfectly safe to add to the compost pile.

There is little you can do to stop tomatoes from cracking. Some people purposely pick almost ripe tomatoes prior to a storm, and let them finish ripening on the counter.

You can also pick unripe tomatoes and place them in a bag with a ripening banana or an apple and the ethylene gas they release will induce ripening.

For this to work, the tomatoes have to feel softish and show slight coloration. You can also use this trick just prior to the last frost.

Pick all of your unripe fruit and try it!

Taste is sacrificed here somewhat - think of a grocery store tomato but maybe a step above. I usually risk the inevitable cracking after a storm because the whole point of growing your own tomatoes is to eat them ripened by the sun!

There are a few varieties that are touted as being resistant to cracking. I have never grown a cherry tomato, at least in my most recent memory, that was truly crack resistant, but I am willing to experiment.

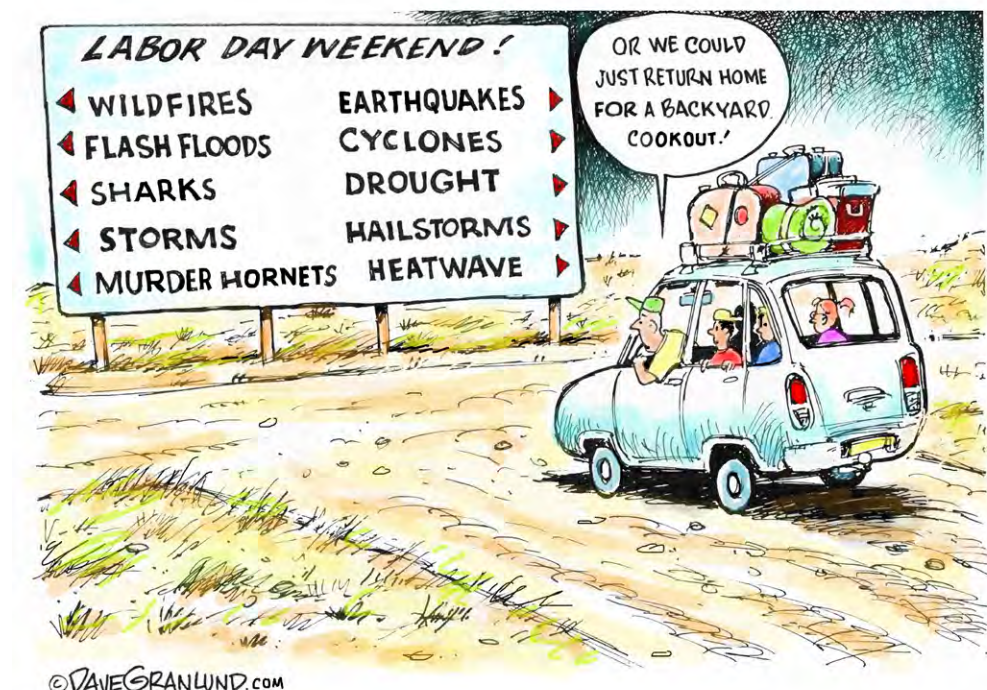
You may wonder what I do with all the tomatoes I pick.

After separating out the bad tomatoes, I cut the good ones in half, added a splash of olive oil, some garlic cloves and slivers of basil and set it all in a shallow roasting pan at 375 degrees. I moved them around every 20 minutes or so, taking the tray out in about an hour, after the skins had blistered.

You can either eat the roasted tomatoes this way, as a chunky topping for pasta or pizza or blend it into sauce. Add seasonings to your specific taste. It can be frozen either way.

Cherry tomatoes are also great dehydrated or sun dried. One summer years ago I sliced some and set them on a tray in the greenhouse at work.

The greenhouse was closed up for my annual weed and bug "fry." In a matter of two



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Fairview Elementary staff reunites for school year



CHICOPEE – Earlier this week, the staff at Fairview Elementary School enjoyed their first day back. The Fairview Family was all together again to start a brand-new year with smiles and excitement.

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Residents Robert and Jaqueline Mashia

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IN THE CITY



esse Cotto shows off his 1997 Honda Civic LX customized to raise awareness for autism during The Car Club New England Inc. Annual Car Show at the Chicopee Moose Lodge 1849



A 1931 Ford Vickie was one of many classic cars on display for attendees during the The Car Club New England Inc. Annual Car Show



A 2017 Dodge Charger SRT Hellcat was one of many modern cars shown off to attendees during the The Car Club New England Inc. Annual Car Show at the Chicopee Moose Lodge 1849 on Aug. 26.

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"I only have 20,000 miles on it. I try to do something different every year to customize it to the way I like it, and I dress it up like Lightning McQueen so the kids like it," Gardner said.

Gardner enjoys the car shows to meet fellow enthusiasts and see other cars.

"Sometimes, you can get ideas for your own car, you know, from other people and then it's meeting the people, talking to everybody," Gardner said.

Jesse Cotto had a 1997 Honda Civic LX customized for autism awareness in honor of his nephew and grandchildren.

Cotto is part of Da Click Auto Club in Springfield and was invited to the event by Dupuis.

"My main goal is, as long as I put a

smile on a kid's face, that's my trophy. I don't come to win. It's daily driven, I never put her away. It's take her, drive her, go to work and any show that she can make it to, we bring her out, but my main thing is I see the kids smile, and that's good enough for me," Cotto said.

Cotto wants the community to know the importance of supporting local communities at the car shows.

"The whole point is supporting local communities. Help out our kids, that's the only way we're going to expand, and the kids are going to have better futures. We can't do it all on our own, sometimes we got to reach out," Cotto said. "It's better for us to come together even if we're different backgrounds, different cars, different clubs. Unity is what's going to keep us in the long run to be able to help out kids."



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A 1960s Futurliner on display during the The Car Club New England Inc. Annual Car Show at the Chicopee Moose Lodge 1849 on Aug. 26. The Futurliner was courtesy of Peter Pan Bus Lines, a sponsor for the event.

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follow that path. At first, Baker was unsure, but three years ago she noticed there is a lack of female leads in the Latin dance community.

As Baker began to lead, people noticed, which offered her teaching opportunities. Her first teaching opportunity was at her children's school, where she would come in to teach Latin dance to the children on "random occasions."

Delving further into dance allowed Baker to use the art to promote social causes, beginning with accessibility on the dance floor.

"I want dancing to be accessible in many ways," she said. "One is financially

accessible, so all my lessons and events are sliding fee scale. If you tell me, you don't have the money to pay, I'm going to believe you. You don't need to prove it to me."

Baker also wants to make dancing accessible in terms of bringing in dancers from larger cities to teach lessons.

"And accessible in terms of disabilities, so part of my lesson is not only asking someone to dance but asking if it's okay that I'm close and asking if there is anything I need to know today about you, like does your arm hurt, are you cranky, are you having anxiety," Baker said.

Baker also advocates against domestic violence, especially on the dance floor. She wants the dance floor to be a safe space where rules exist, and men and women can

coexist safely.

Additionally, Baker is the chair of Easthampton's Commission on Disability. When she moved to Northampton, she joined the Commission and became chair seven years later.

"I tend to try to bring speakers out so we can help train the other commissioners and myself in the community on what resources are out there," Baker said.

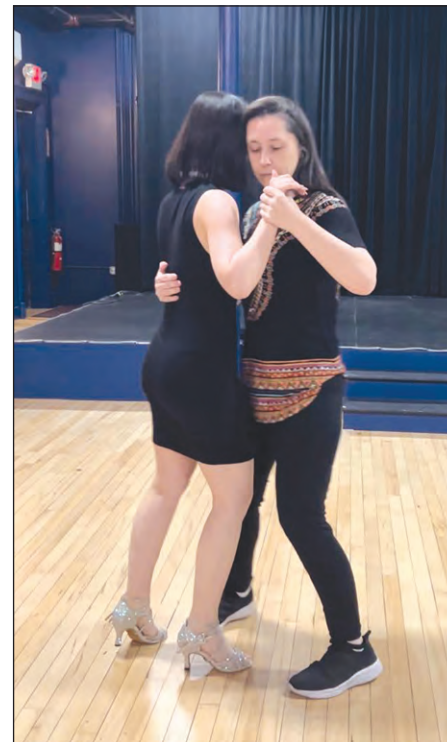
Baker hosts events at CitySpace in Easthampton, and two are upcoming. Instructors will come from Boston to teach lessons.

The first will be held at CitySpace on Sept. 10, featuring a lesson from 3:30-5 p.m. and dancing until 8 p.m. The Oct. 7 lesson will last from 5:30-7 p.m. and dancing will occur afterwards.

Baker can be found on Instagram at AngeliqueBaker1111 or on Facebook at -Facebook.com/angelique.candy.baker.

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Angelique Baker takes the lead as she teaches Latin partner dancing.





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ting it done and knowing what questions they should be asking their lawyer," Darling said. "There are lawyers who specialize in elder law, and that's hopefully who they would get to and get their plan done."

Darling stressed how important it is for seniors to get their health documents together.

"It's easy to get them. It's not expensive. They probably know what they want anyway, they just have to get it in writing," Darling said. "If it's not in a document, it's not valid."

Darling enjoys the opportunity to teach when he takes part in these workshops.

"I teach this to lawyers, so I love teaching it and I like them to go away with the knowledge that hopefully I've imparted upon them that they know something more than when they started and they can get it done," Darling said. "This is free legal advice for them and it's so helpful. It's a public service that we all do."

Additionally, Darling stressed the importance of informing seniors of their rights, including the right to have health documents and use them.

"There's so much bad information out there. It's so important that they get it right from the start," Darling said.

Darling wants residents to know how valuable these workshops are and to consider attending.

"It's a great service that (the River-Mills Center) provides this on a monthly basis. It's just wonderful, and it's great to see people show up," Darling said.

He also encouraged residents to ask questions when they attend.

"When they hear someone else's question, they all hear the same answer, and it's helpful to them. Nobody was shy today. I try to keep them relaxed, and they shouldn't be afraid to ask," Darling said.

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Josiah Feliz gets caught in traffic on a run.

CHICOPEE – The Chicopee Comprehensive High School football team practiced for the regular season earlier this week, getting in some scrimmage action against Putnam Vocational High School. The Colts are in the AA Conference once again this year, and are scheduled to face Agawam in their season opener on Friday, Sept. 8 at 7 p.m.



Monty Miller tries to catch the ball.



Zachariah Toogas makes an over-the-shoulder catch.



Aidan Coulombe tries to make a tackle.

Kennedy looks for new additions to Tri-County next season

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

CHICOPEE—While Mike Kennedy was a three-sport athlete at Holyoke High School forty years ago, his favorite sport has always been baseball.

Kennedy was a member of Holyoke's 1985 state championship baseball team.

"We defeated Boston College High School in the Division 1 baseball state finals," said Kennedy, who played first base. "It

was a fun experience, especially being a group of city kids. Baseball has always been my favorite sport."

Holyoke, who defeated B.C. High, 4-2, in the state championship game, finished the 1985 season with a 24-1 record. They squeaked a 1-0 victory over Minnechaug Regional in the Western Mass. finals.

After graduating from High School, Kennedy was a member of the PeoplesBank baseball team in the Tri-County League

for the twenty four years. During that time, PeoplesBank won eight Tri-County League championship titles.

Kennedy recently completed his first season as the President of the prestigious Tri-County League. He took over the reins from Don LaValley.

"This is my first year as the league President," Kennedy said. "I think it was a very successful season."

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TURLEY PHOTOS BY DAVID HENRY WWW.SWEETDOGPHOTOS.COM
Kaitlyn Gilhooly sends a pass forward before an opponent cuts her off.

Colts getting ready for action



Taryn Carriveau will be a member of Comp girls soccer this fall.

CHICOPEE – The Chicopee Comprehensive girls soccer team has had some struggles in recent seasons, and are looking to rebound with a big year. The Colts, many of which participated in the playoffs in the Pioneer Valley Summer Soccer League, are underway with preseason practices. They are scheduled to open the season on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at Wahconah.



Kyla Shumsky fights for the ball.

SPORTS

Chicopee 2023 fall varsity schedule

FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 8	Away	Greenfield	7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 22	Home	Commerce	6 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 29	Away	Taonic	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 6	Home	Putnam	6 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 13	Away	Pittsfield	5 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 20	Home	South Hadley	6 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 27	Home	Ludlow	6 p.m.
Nov. 4/5	TBD	Week 9 - TBD	TBD
Nov. 11/12	TBD	Week 10 - TBD	TBD
Thursday, Nov. 23	Home	Chicopee Comp	10:15 a.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Wednesday, Sept. 6	Away	Central	7 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 9	Home	Westfield	11 a.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Away	Monson	4:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 14	Home	SICS	6 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 16	Home	Granby	11 a.m.
Monday, Sept. 18	Home	Holyoke	6 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Away	Chicopee Comp	7 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Home	Northampton	4 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 29	Home	Central	6 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 2	Away	Easthampton	4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 6	Away	SICS	4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Home	Monson	6 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 12	Away	Holyoke	6 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 17	Away	Northampton	7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 19	Home	Chicopee Comp	6 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 21	Home	South Hadley	12 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Monday, Sept. 4	Home	Amherst	4 p.m.
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Thursday, Sept. 7	Away	Northampton	7 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Away	Monson	4 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 14	Home	Granby	4 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Away	Palmer	4 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 22	Home	Monument Mountain	4:30 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 25	Away	Southwick	4 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 29	Away	Amherst	4:15 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 2	Home	Northampton	6 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 4	Home	Monson	4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Away	Granby	4 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 12	Home	Palmer	4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 14	Home	Chicopee Comp	11 a.m.
Monday, Oct. 16	Away	Monument Mountain	4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 18	Home	Southwick	6 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 19	Away	Ludlow	4 p.m.

GOLF

Thursday, Aug. 31	Away	Palmer	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 5	Away	Northampton	3:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 7	Home	Frontier	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Home	Ware	3 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 13	Home	Hampshire	3 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 18	Home	Palmer	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 19	Away	Chicopee	3 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 21	Away	Amherst	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Home	South Hadley	3 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 2	Away	Hampshire	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 3	Away	Belchertown	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Away	Ware	3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 11	Home	Chicopee Comp	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 17	Away	Frontier	3 p.m.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Tuesday, Sept. 5	Away	Westfield	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Home	Chicopee Comp	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 19	Home	Amherst	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Away	Duggan	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Home	Belchertown	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 17	Away	Longmeadow	3:45 p.m.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Tuesday, Sept. 5	Away	Westfield	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Home	Chicopee Comp	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 19	Home	Amherst	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Away	Duggan	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Home	Belchertown	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 17	Away	Longmeadow	3:45 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday, Sept. 5	Away	Belchertown	5:15 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 8	Away	Amherst	6 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Home	Easthampton	6 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 14	Away	PVCA	5:15 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 18	Home	Lenox	5 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Away	East Longmeadow	6 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 22	Home	Mohawk	5 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 25	Away	Ware	5:15 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Home	SICS	5 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 28	Home	Belchertown	5 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 4	Away	Easthampton	5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Home	PVCA	5 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 12	Away	Lenox	5:30 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 16	Home	East Longmeadow	6 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 18	Away	SICS	5 p.m.

Chicopee 2023 fall varsity schedule

FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 8	Home	Agawam	7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 15	Home	West Springfield	7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 22	Home	South Hadley	7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 29	Home	Central	7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 6	Away	Holyoke	7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 13	Home	Longmeadow	7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 20	Away	Minnechaug	7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 27	Away	Westfield	7 p.m.
Nov. 3/4	TBD	Week 9 - TBD	TBD
Nov. 10/11	TBD	Week 10 - TBD	TBD
Thursday, Nov. 23	Away	Chicopee	10:15 a.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Monday, Sept. 4	Away	Northampton	12 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 6	Home	Holyoke	7 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Away	SICS	4 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 14	Away	Belchertown	4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 16	Home	Amherst	11 a.m.
Monday, Sept. 18	Home	Monson	7 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Home	Chicopee	7 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Away	Central	6:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 29	Away	Holyoke	4 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 2	Away	Frontier	4 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 4	Home	Northampton	7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 7	Home	Pope Francis	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Home	SICS	7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 12	Away	Monson	5 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 16	Home	Central	7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 19	Away	Chicopee	6 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Wednesday, Sept. 6	Away	Wahconah	7 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 11	Home	Pope Francis	7 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 13	Away	Hampshire	6 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 15	Home	Pittsfield	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 19	Home	South Hadley	7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 22	Away	Agawam	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Home	Wahconah	7 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 28	Away	Westfield	4 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 2	Away	Pope Francis	4 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 5	Home	Hampshire	7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 7	Away	Amherst	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Away	Pittsfield	7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 12	Away	South Hadley	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 14	Away	Chicopee	11 a.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 18	Home	St. Mary's	7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 20	Home	Agawam	7 p.m.

GOLF

Tuesday, Sept. 5	Home	South Hadley	3 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 6	Home	Pittsfield	3:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 7	Away	Amherst	3 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 11	Away	Belchertown	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Away	Ware	3 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 13	Away	Northampton	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 19	Home	Chicopee	3 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Away	South Hadley	3 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 21	Away	Minnechaug	3 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 25	Home	Lee	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Away	Frontier	3 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 27	Home	Belchertown	3 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 2	Home	Northampton	3 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 4	Home	Hampshire	3 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 5	Away	Palmer	3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 11	Away	Chicopee	3 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 17	Home	Amherst	3 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 18	Home	East Longmeadow	3 p.m.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Tuesday, Sept. 5	Away	Belchertown	4 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Away	Chicopee	3:45 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Home	Longmeadow	3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Home	Northampton	3:45 p.m.

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AGAWAM – Registration and signups are currently open and underway for the Sixth Annual “Shoot Fore The Stars To Cure Cancer” Golf Tournament to benefit the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. In the first five years, the event has raised over \$15,000 for cancer research.

The four-person scramble event will take place on Monday, Sept. 18 at Wintonbury Hills Golf Course in Bloomfield, CT. The event will be an 11 a.m. shotgun start. There will be prizes up for grabs (Closest to Pin/ Long Drive) along with a putting contest.

Entry fee covers golf, lunch and dinner. Please contact ShootFOREtheStarstoCureCancer@gmail.com more information. We hope you can join us.

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SPRINGFIELD — Extreme heat can cause people to suffer from heat-related illness, and even death. Each year in the United States more than 700 people, both adults and children, die from the heat.

People suffer heat-related illness when their bodies are unable to properly cool themselves. Older adults, young children, and people with chronic medical conditions are at high risk for heat-related illness and death.

According to Dr. Seth Gemme, FACEP, vice chair, clinical operations for Emergency Medicine, Bay-state Health, extreme heat affects the body's ability to safely regulate its temperature, often resulting in heat-related illnesses such as heat exhaustion, heat stroke, or heat cramps. Sweating is the body's natural defense to cooling itself. However, when humidity is high, sweat does not evaporate as quickly, preventing the body from releasing heat quickly and resulting in a rapid rise of body temperature.

"Those at greatest risk for developing a heat-related illness are children under 5 and people 65 years of age and older, who have the least ability to regulate their body temperatures, as well as those who work outdoors for a living," Gemme said.

As with many illnesses, the best defense is prevention, consider the following tips to keep you safe in the high heat:

Stay out of the heat. Avoid direct sunlight and strenuous activity outdoors. If possible, remain indoors. If there is no AC at home, go to a loca-

tion that does, such as the mall or a movie theater.

Dress for the weather. Wear lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing and a broad-brimmed hat when outdoors. Stay away from polyester in favor of cotton and linens which are better at repelling the sun's heat. Also, consider wearing sunglasses and putting on a sunscreen with an SPF 15 or greater.

Drink plenty of liquids- Begin drinking before going outside and, if exercising, drink one quart of liquid an hour to replace lost fluid. Avoid caffeinated beverages and alcohol which can contribute to the loss of more body fluid. Also, if taking water pills or on a fluid restrictive diet, consult with a physician before increasing liquid intake.

Take it slow and easy with athletic activity and working outdoors. Postpone athletic activity during high heat and humidity. Limit outdoor activities to the morning and evening. Drinking sports beverages can replace lost salt and minerals when sweating. However, those on low-salt diets should check with their doctor before drinking sports beverages. If you work outdoors, in addition to drinking plenty of liquids and dressing appropriately, pace yourself and take frequent short breaks in the shade.

Eat smaller meals. Instead of the usual rule of eating three square meals a day, eat smaller meals more frequently on days when the sun turns up the heat. Also, avoid high-protein foods which can increase metabolic heat.

Take a cool shower or bath to cool down. Warning signs of an oncoming heat-related illness could include excessive sweating, leg cramps, flushed skin, nausea and vomiting, dizziness, headache and rapid pulse. If these occur, get out of the heat and drink liquids. If you don't feel better soon, Gemme recommends calling a doctor or visiting a local emergency department. "Since the elderly are at greater risk from the ill-effects of the heat, make it a habit to check on elderly relatives and neighbors several times a day to make sure they are safe and free from any signs of heat exhaustion or heat stroke," Gemme said.

Gemme also reminds parents and caregivers that hot weather and vehicles can be a deadly combination for kids. About 950 children since 1990 died from heat stroke in hot cars when left alone. Most children unknowingly left behind. And, according to the National Safety Council, on average 38 children under the age of 15 die each year after being left in a hot vehicle.

Kids and Cars, a nonprofit focused on improving child safety around cars, suggests in a "Look Before You Lock" flier to place an item in the back seat that you will need to get before starting your day such as a laptop, handbag, phone, employee badge and more; keep vehicles locked at all times so young ones can't sneak in unknown to you; and teach kids to honk the horn if they become stuck inside a car. More tips are available at kidsandcars.org.

BUSINESS

BusinessWest is now accepting nominations for Women of Impact, Class of 2023

SPRINGFIELD — BusinessWest, the business journal of Western Massachusetts, is now accepting nominations for the sixth annual Women of Impact awards.

In 2018, BusinessWest created the Women of Impact program as a way to honor women in the region who are making an impact and creating positive change.

Women of Impact was chosen as the name for the program because, while nominees can hail from the world of business, they can also emerge from other realms, such as the

nonprofit community, public service, law enforcement, education, social work, the mentorship community, a combination of these — in short, we're recognizing inspirational women on any level.

Since its inception, the women honored through this program have been successful, inspiring, and most importantly, impactful! We are certain this trend will remain true with the 2023 Women of Impact.

Consider nominating someone for this prestigious award. Nominations for the class of 2023 are due by

Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 5 p.m., and the honorees will be announced in the Oct. 16 issue of BusinessWest.

Nominations should be written with one basic underlying mission: to explain why the individual in question is, indeed, a woman of impact. Visit businesswest.com/women-of-impact-nominations for additional information and a nomination form.

For more information, call Melissa Hallock, Marketing and Events director, at (413) 781-8600, ext. 100, or email hallock@businesswest.com.

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Kennedy has received a lot of support and his right hand man is Eric Emet

"Eric has been a very big help to me," Kennedy said. "He has kept my head above water in my first year as President.

In his role as the T.C.L. President, Kennedy presented the 2023 championship trophy to PeoplesBank player/manager Joe Ferry.

Top-seeded PeoplesBank didn't have very much trouble sweeping second-seeded Chicopee Falls Tigers in the best of three championship series.

PeoplesBank captured the T.C.L. championship title for the tenth consecutive year, and for the 18th time since 1995.

While PeoplesBank has been the dominant team in the T.C.L. during the past 30 years, there were only five other teams in the league this summer.

Kennedy is looking to add a few more teams before the start of the 2024 season.

"My main goal is to add a few

more teams," Kennedy said. "I would like to have at least ten teams in our league during the next couple of years. I want this league to get back to where it used to be."

The three teams that dropped out of the T.C.L. following the 2022 season were Pa'Lante, Easthampton and Teddy's Bear Pool.

On a positive note, 413ATC was a first-year member of the T.C.L. this summer. They finished in third place behind PeoplesBank and the Chicopee Falls Tigers in the regular season standings. They were swept by the Tigers in the semifinals.

"The 413 team had a bunch of young players," Kennedy said. "For being a first-year team in this league, I thought they had a very good season."

Kennedy is hoping more of the high school and Legion baseball players will join the Tri-County League during the next couple of years.

"What we really need to do is to get the younger baseball players from the area to play in this league," he said. "Most of our current players

are older."

The other three T.C.L. teams this summer were St. Joseph's, DiFranco Realty, and the Longmeadow Cardinals.

The Tri-County League teams play their games on some of the best kept baseball fields in Western Massachusetts.

PeoplesBank homefield is MacKenzie Stadium in Holyoke.

The Chicopee Falls Tigers play their home games at historic Szot Park.

The 413ATC home field was at Westfield State University and St. Joseph's has played their home games at St. Joe's Ballpark in Thorndike for many years.

"All of our baseball fields are high quality," Kennedy said. "Most of the fields have lights, which is always a bonus."

While PeoplesBank will be looking to add another championship title to their collection in 2024, all the other Tri-County League teams will be looking to knock them off the top of the mountain.

Marcia Blanchette, 81

Marcia J. Blanchette, 81, passed away peacefully Monday, Aug. 21, 2023. She was a daughter of the late Rodolphe and Lorraine (Couture) Tetrault. Marcia was a graduate of Sacred Heart High School and, following high school, she joined the Sisters of Notre Dame De Namur, Connecticut Province, where she dedicated 18 faithful years. Marcia graduated from Emmanuel College in Boston. She worked as a counselor and then director of counseling at St. Joseph's College in West Hartford and later taught Psychology at STCC. Marcia also attended the Crossroads UPC ministry in Chicopee for many years. She will be remembered as an outgoing people person who enjoyed helping others.

Marcia was predeceased by her parents and her husband Leo Blanchette.

She leaves her beloved sisters; Carolyn L. Tetrault of Agawam and Christine L. Tetrault of Maryland, her cousins, Janet Larkin and David Couture, their children and many dear friends. She will also be remembered by her six stepchildren, Jerry Blanchette, Donna Weston, Carol Griffeth, Sherry Walz, Helene Kane and Leo Blanchette Jr. and all their families.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Aug. 28, at the Colonial Forastiere Funeral and Cremation, 985 Main St., Agawam, from 9-10 a.m., followed by a liturgy of Christian burial 11 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Church, 395 Chestnut St., Springfield, MA. Burial was held in the Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Tinkham Road, Springfield. For more details and to share condolences please visit www.forastiere.com.

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days, I had the tastiest little tidbits.

It's amazing how all that tomato flavor can be so incredibly concentrated in this round disk! I stored them in a zip lock bag in the fridge.

Some people don't feel it necessary to refrigerate sun dried tomatoes, but I wanted to be extra cautious since I didn't use any sort of preservative on the fruit.

Dehydrators are all different. I think it took at least 8 hours for ours to produce that leathery, "done" texture.

Sun dried tomatoes are a great pizza topping, and can be blended into hummus or other savory dishes.

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

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**Hampden Probate and Family Court
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**Docket No. HD22P2125EA
Estate of: Gail A Brodeur
Date of Death: 08/01/2022
CITATION ON
PETITION FOR SALE
OF REAL ESTATE
BY A PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: **John J Ferriter of Holyoke MA**

requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **09/26/2023**.

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

Witness, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of said Court.

Date: August 22, 2023

Rosemary A Saccomani

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09/01/2023

SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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Rajae Xzavier Bell
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Springfield, MA 01104

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Greenfield, MA 01301

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Chicopee, MA 01020

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VIN: WBXPA93476WD32415
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Isaac Naylor
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Springfield, MA 01105

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Stephanie Santos
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Warwick, RI 02886

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VIN: 2HGFB2F56EH544803

Rodriguez Mejia
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Bronx, NY 10457

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Willie Smith
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Springfield, MA 01119

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Unknown
Unknown

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VIN: 2HGFC4B66KH306484
Elizabeth Schwarzkopf
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2020 Yngf
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Ken Stan Hope
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2003 Honda Accord
VIN: 1HGCM56473A045848
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Veronica Moreno
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Steven Roche
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Jakwain Murphy
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Luis Bianchi Nunes
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Jefferson Martin
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Boston, MA 02115

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Elibeth Santana
171 Allen Park Rd.

Springfield, MA 01118

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Tanzia King
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VIN: 1C3CDZAB6DN690694
Jessica Zaharias
140 Russell Rd.
Westfield, MA 01085

2013 Nissan Altima
VIN: 1N4AL3AP9DC186558
Shannon Turgeon
198 Osborne Rd.
Ware, MA 01082

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VIN: YV4902DZ6D2409784
Kris Pressey
1071 Stafford St. Apt. 3
Rochdale, MA 01542

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VIN: JKAEXHB16EA004930
Kira-Ann Cominoli
1246 Granby Rd. Trlr 59
Chicopee, MA 01020

2015 Hyundai Elantra
VIN: 5NPDH4AE2FH576583
Maria D Pinedo-Villabos
2720 Palermo Ave.
Vineland, NJ 08361

2019 Mazda Cx-5
VIN: JM3KFBDM2K0632542
Rogers Dossen
Po Box 70265
Worcester, MA 01607

08/25, 09/01, 09/08/2023

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758**

Docket No. HD23P1764EA

Estate of:

Ralph P Willett

Also known as:

Ralph Philip Willett

Date of Death: 07/30/2022

**CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL
ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **James R Willett of Chicopee, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **James R Willett of Chicopee, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **without surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/19/203.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: August 22, 2023

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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758**

Docket No. HD23P1572EA

Estate of:

Alan P Wishart

Date of Death: 06/28/2023

**CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL**

ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Alan Wishart, Jr. of Granby, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Alan Wishart, Jr. of Granby, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **without surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: August 28, 2023

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09/01/2023

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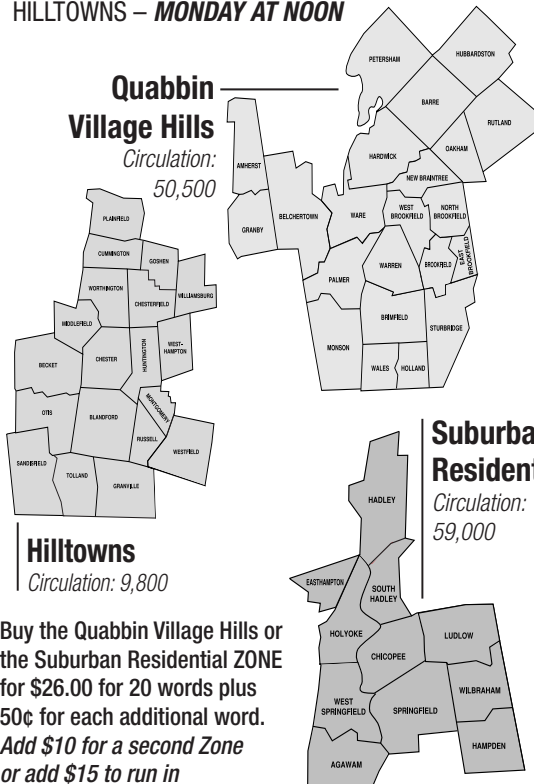
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RiverMills Center announces upcoming programming

CHICOPEE – The following programs will occur at the RiverMills Center, located at 5 West Main St., and be hosted by the Council on Aging.

Electric Safety with CEL

The COA will be hosting Chicopee Electric Light on Thursday, Sept. 7 at 10 a.m. at the RiverMills Center.

Ray Gouley, Safety Consultant for Chicopee Electric Light, will be at RiverMills Center for his annual electric safety talk. There will be six Stop & Shop gift cards that will be raffled off, as well as Table Talk Pies for all attendees. Although this is a free program, please register at RiverMills Center or by calling 534-3698.

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

The COA will host a COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic on Thursday, Sept. 14 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the RiverMills Center.

This vaccine clinic will offer booster and full dose vaccines. The bivalent booster is currently the only authorized booster which will be supplied for this clinic. There is no appointment needed and you do not need your ID or health insurance to get the vaccine. The vaccine is free for everyone. If you have questions, please call 534-3698.

Flu Shot Clinic

The COA will host a Flu Shot Clinic on Monday, Sept. 18, beginning at 9 a.m. at the RiverMills Center.

This clinic is for adults only and there are a limited number of senior doses available. You must book an appointment at RiverMills or by calling 534-3698.

Remedy for Retirement Blues

The COA will offer the program “Remedy for the Retirement Blues” on Monday, Sept. 18 at 9:30 a.m. at the RiverMills Center.

John Martine will lead this workshop, where you will take a deep look into what you want out of life once you retire. Although this is a free program, please register at RiverMills Center or by calling 534-3698.

Healthy Eating and Physical Activity

The COA will offer the program “Healthy Eating and Physical Activity” on Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. at the RiverMills Center.

This workshop, led by the Foodbank of Western Mass, will review Myplate Healthy Eating guidelines and tips to make exercise part of your daily routine. You will also learn how to make an easy, healthy, budget friendly recipe. Don’t worry, samples will be available! Although this is a free program, please register at RiverMills Center or by calling 534-3698.

Medicare 101

The COA will offer the workshop “Medicare 101” on Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the RiverMills

Center.

Join us for this Medicare 101 presentation. There are so many questions surrounding signing up for Medicare. When do I sign up? How do I sign up? Are there penalties for not signing up? The answers to these and all your other questions will be discussed. Be prepared before you meet with your SHINE Counselor. There will be time for questions and answers. Although this is a free program, please register at RiverMills Center or by calling 534-3698.

Senior Transportation

The COA’s Transportation Department provides rides to the senior center, doctor’s offices, supermarkets, pharmacies, etc. for Chicopee older adults.

Transportation service is available Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Reservations must be made at least five business days in advance by calling 413-536-5733.

A \$15,750 grant from WestMass ElderCare has allowed the senior center to expand its transportation offerings. Shopping Trips are funded in part by a Title III/Older Americans Act grant from WestMass ElderCare, with support from the Mass. Executive Office of Elder Affairs and the Federal Administration for Community Living. There is no charge for this service, but participants are welcome to make a voluntary, confidential donation for a shopping ride.

Your local Post Office will be closed to celebrate Labor Day

Full retail and delivery service will resume on Tuesday

BOSTON -- Postal Service employees across the commonwealth will celebrate Labor Day as all Post Offices will be closed on Monday, Sept. 4, 2023. There will be no delivery of mail on the 4th, except for guaranteed overnight parcels. Full retail and delivery services will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2023.

As we celebrate our nation’s labor force, if you’re considering a new career or looking for work visit www.usps.com/careers and you can search, by state, for available jobs near you. As the Postal Service’s Delivering for America Plan transforms USPS into the premier shipping provider in the nation, we need your help moving the nation’s mail and are currently hiring for positions in your area.

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Do you have a favorite hard-to-find pizza style or are you a super foodie who loves to discover new options?

Then Why Haven't You Been to Casa Pizzeria in Ludlow, MA Yet?

- Did you know Casa Pizzeria won **1st Place Best Pizza** award for the entire state starting out in the **SPRING 2018** with the MassLive (best of pizza) online poll?
- Did you know that pizza globetrotting mega celebrity **Dave Portnoy** from **Barstool Sports** made an exclusive trip to Ludlow **SPRING 2022** just to try Casa Pizzeria? Their score is so high on his “One Bite APP” he had to try it for himself, and he gave them a huge 7.9 score!
- Did you know in the **FALL of 2022** Casa Pizzeria won **1st Place at PIZZA PASTA EXPO** Atlantic City, New Jersey (the second largest pizza competition in the world!) winning the title **Best in Northeast!!** in the super elite Traditional Pizza Division?
- Did you know Casa Pizzeria was featured in **JAN 2023 PIZZA TODAY** Magazine? The largest pizza related magazine in the country.

Now That You Know...You Need to Go!
(But please, make sure you know how to order)

Casa Pizzeria doesn't make pizza like other shops! Other pizza shops make **one style** of pizza in **3 - 5 sizes**. Like you would make a sandwich on different types of bread, Casa Pizzeria makes pizza on **TEN** different bake styles of **the crust**, inspired by **pizzeria legends** in big U.S. cities and even around the world. It's like visiting multiple

“At Casa Pizzeria making pizza is a craft not a job.”

6 CRAFT PIZZA STYLES

NEAPOLITAN CRUST
Typical size and style most common for the “wood fired” pizza’s of Italy. OUR crust is high temp gas fired heat. We added more crispness and less super soft doughness.

NEW YORK CRUST
Iconic PIE CUT thin crust round pizza served everywhere in New York City. SUPER thin with a puffy crumb edge.

NEW HAVEN CRUST
SUPER THIN with a little char, all the way to the edge. An addictive crispy “Thin Crust” complete with that legendary well done, slight char similar to the Greatest New Haven pizza shops.

BOSTONIAN CRUST
This one is inspired by one of the oldest legendary pizza shops in Boston. At that shop they put toppings under the cheese! Then light splashes of red sauce on top of the cheese.

MONTANARA “DEEP FRIED” CRUST
The Montanara is a Deep Fried Crust that is making its way to the US as pizza lovers discover this rare delight.

GLUTEN FREE CRUST
Casa Pizzeria teamed up with an Artisan Gluten Free Crust Bakery to give up one of the finest GF think crusts we’ve ever tasted.

4 PAN PIZZA STYLES

GRANDMA PAN CRUST
“Thinner” version of the Sicilian PAN pizza. OUR take is topped with Mozzarella, light Red Sauce, fresh torn Basil, Olive Oil, and Parmesan.

SICILIAN PAN CRUST
A lot like the Grandma but MUCH THICKER. Topped with Premium Mozzarella cheese, lightly topped with OUR Italian Tomato Sauce, Fresh Basil, Corto Olive Oil, sprinkled with good Parmigiano.

DETROIT PAN CRUST
Super Thick like Sicilian, made with caramelized cheese baked into the edges of the pan topped with the classic two stripes of thick rich red sauce.

CHICAGO “DEEP DISH” PAN CRUST
Premium Mozzarella cheese base, topped with Italian Tomato Sauce, Basil, Olive Oil, finished with good Parmigiano.

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