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MONSON

Support those who serve

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MONSON – Local residents and business owners are invited to once again join forces to help brighten the holiday season for servicemembers far from home.

Main Street Tavern (218 Main Street, Monson) will host a fundraising night on Thursday, Nov. 5, from 4–8 p.m. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Monson Military Care Package Drive.

To further support this year's care package drive, organizers will sell donation raffle tickets for a variety of prizes, including a Pit Boss Grill. Winners will be drawn at the packing event on Nov. 22, but you don't need to be present for the drawing.

Also, the organizing committee is selling special T-shirts this year that not only recognize Monson military members, but also the nation's 250th birthday.

T-shirts are $20 each.

For Karen King Turgeon, who founded the care package drive 13 years ago, it's been a thrill to see consistently strong community support for the mission.

This year, 22 servicemembers from Monson – representing the Navy, Coast Guard, Army, National Guard (deployed), Marines, and Air Force – will each receive two gift boxes.

"It means everything to know that the people and businesses of Monson are supporting the military year after year," King Turgeon told The Journal Register.

As community support for the program continues to increase each year, the fundraising goals have lifted as well.

"The organization's goal is to raise $7,000 this year so that we can additionally send Visa gift cards to each member," read a statement released by the organization. "Also needed are snacks and personal items for the boxes, including small homemade crafts and cards."

Local servicemembers always appreciate the strong support they receive from home each year. Even the smallest items can make a big difference for those defending freedom far from western Massachusetts.

"We have found that they love anything to do with their hometown," added King Turgeon, who also helps spread awareness each year by discussing the importance of the program with local students.

The organization

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Area kids display fire department gear.

Turley photos by Kevin Flanders

Families enjoy Public Safety Night

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MONSON – Despite a chilly, windy evening, families from throughout the area attended the town's sixth annual Public Safety Night.

Held on Oct. 17 at Veterans Field, the event enabled guests to meet several first responders and members of local organizations.

Guests also enjoyed free food during the annual BBQ Smoke-Off between the police and fire departments. The friendly rivalry once again came down to a close vote from guests, with the fire department emerging victorious.

"Public Safety Night is always one of the highlights of the year, and we're thrilled to be celebrating our sixth annual event," said Town Administrator Jennifer Wolowicz. "It's a great opportunity for our police, fire, and other town departments to come together with residents in a fun, relaxed setting and strengthen those connections within our community."

The event also included appearances from school leaders and nonprofits; fun activities and goodies for kids; educational materials from community organizations; and even a tour of an Army National Guard helicopter that landed on the field.

And despite their yearly BBQ rivalry, members of the police and fire departments always enjoy teaming up to support the community.

"Our Monson Public Safety Night event was a great reminder of what makes the Town of Monson special," said Police Chief Nicholas Gasperini. "Despite the wind and the cold, we had a great turnout for the event. We're proud to have such a close-knit community,

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PUBLIC SAFETY



Turley Photo by Paula Ouimette

Members of the Ware High School Domestic Violence Task Force led the 11th annual Domestic Violence Awareness Walk and Community Gathering through downtown Ware this past Sunday.

Walk brings safety, justice, peace for domestic violence survivors

By Paula Ouimette
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WARE – The Ware River Valley Domestic Violence Task Force has been a voice for survivors of abuse for over 25 years, and this past Sunday, its members sent a clear message to the community – we must stand together.

On Oct. 18, the task force held its 11th annual Domestic Violence Awareness Walk and Community Gathering at Veterans Park. The ceremony and walk were led by members of the Ware High School Domestic Violence Task Force.

Acting as master of ceremonies was student Reese McKeever, who thanked everyone for supporting the walk and she recognized local and state officials in attendance.

McKeever drew attention to a table that was set up at the park, carefully set with

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PALMER

Palmer secures MassWorks grant

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PALMER – The Healey-Driscoll Administration has awarded the town $5 million through the 2027 Community One Stop for Growth MassWorks Program.

The grant funding will support Palmer's major sewer improvement project, specifically the replacement of a critical sewer siphon on Thorndike Street.

"This siphon was originally installed in 1969 as a temporary solution. Its replacement is crucial for our community," said Town Manager Brad Brothers. "This investment will modernize essential wastewater infrastructure, improve long-term system reliability, and remove a significant barrier to economic growth in our community."

Located just off the Massachusetts Turnpike exit, the project will support development opportunities for underutilized properties in the immediate area, officials said.

"On behalf of the Palmer community, I want to thank the MA EOED (Executive Office of Economic Development) for their partnership in helping us invest in both our infrastructure and our economic future," Brothers added.

The sewer upgrade project will provide benefits to both residential and commercial users, in addition to fostering economic development.

"The location of this siphon provides access to major development opportunities south of Palmer's Massachusetts Turnpike exit, which leads to the potential development of 152-acre 43D priority development site, as well as other undeveloped parcels around the downtown Depot Village District," read a statement released by the Town Manager's Office.

The MassWorks grant award is part of a $330 million package supporting more than 400 economic development and housing projects in communities across Massachusetts.

"The sewer siphon project has been a priority of the town for several years, and the town has continued to pursue state funding to help move the project forward," said Town Council President Barbara Barry. "Securing this grant is a significant step toward addressing this long-standing infrastructure need. This funding will help the town advance the project while reducing the financial burden on ratepayers."

The MassWorks award represented the second major grant announcement for town officials this month.

Palmer previously received $150,000 through the state's Community Planning Grant Program, administered by the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (HLC).

These funds will support the Planning Board's vision of creating standards that promote walkability and economic development downtown.

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Monson Special Town Meeting set for Oct. 26

MONSON – The Special Town Meeting will take place on Monday, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. at the Granite Valley School auditorium.

The STM warrant can be found online at www.monson-ma.gov. Copies are available in the Monson Town Clerk's Office.

For more information, please contact the Monson Town Clerk's Office at: townclerk@monson-ma.gov. You may also call 413-267-4115.

Button appraisal day event Nov. 1

MONSON – A Button Appraisal Day will be held on Sunday, Nov. 1, at the Keep Homestead Museum (35 Ely Road).

The event will take place from 1-3:30 p.m. with button expert and dealer Betty Korostynski. She is well-versed in the identification and current pricing of buttons and has been a button dealer for 35 years, selling in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New Hampshire.

There is no cost for the appraisals; however, donations will be accepted.

Visitors are welcome to tour the museum and enjoy light refreshments.

For more information about the museum, visit www.keephomesteadmuseum.org.

Church hosts Polish dinner available Oct. 24

MONSON – A Polish dinner will be held this month at Monson-Glendale United Methodist Church (162 Main Street).

The event will take place on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Dine-in and takeout options are available.

To learn about menu items, or to reserve your dinner ahead of time, please call 267-5207.

Orders will be taken until Oct. 23.

The price is $20 per adult and $10 per child.

State Button Society to hold fall meeting on Nov. 7

PALMER – The Massachusetts State Button Society's fall meeting will be hosted by the Crescent and Shirley Button Clubs on Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Amvets Post 74 on Main Street in Three Rivers.

The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The public is invited to attend the day's activities and to purchase buttons from 9 a.m. to noon, and from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

There will be no button sales during the break from noon to 1:30 p.m., as lunch, a business meeting, and a program by Bob Milburn on the George Washington Button will take place.

Morning visitors will be treated to coffee and refreshments provided by the hosting clubs. Please bring your own brown bag lunch, and dessert will be provided. There is no admission fee, and all are welcome.

Special birthday celebration for Winnie the Pooh's 100th

WALES – All are welcome to join the Friends of the Wales Public Library (77 Main Street) in celebration of Winnie the Pooh's 100th birthday.

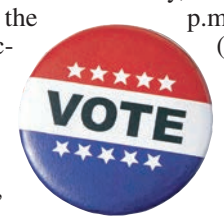
Festivities will take place on Saturday, Oct. 24. Drop in for this free celebration between 9 a.m. and noon to hear stories of Winnie the Pooh and his friends, play a game of Pooh sticks, and build a house for Eeyore.

Guests will also write birthday cards for Winnie the Pooh, get a tattoo of the characters from the book, enjoy a scavenger hunt, and meet a beekeeper, among other activities. Please register on the Wales Public Library Facebook events page. You may also send an email to wales@cwmars.org, or call 413-245-9072.

Country Bank for Savings is thanked for sponsoring this event. The Publick House will provide birthday treats.

Early voting hours available in Palmer

PALMER – Early voting hours are available on several upcoming dates for the Nov. 3 State Election.



Early voting will take place at the Palmer Town Clerk's Office, 4417 Main St.

Early voting dates and times are as follows: Thursday, Oct. 22 (8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.); Saturday, Oct. 24 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.); Monday, Oct. 26 (8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.); Tuesday, Oct. 27 (8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.); Wednesday, Oct. 28 (8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.); and Thursday, Oct. 29 (8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.).

Residents are reminded that Saturday, Oct. 24, at 5 p.m. is the deadline to register to vote for the Nov. 3 election.

Monson offers early voting opportunities

MONSON – All early voting will take place at the Town Office Building in the Public Meeting Room (110 Main Street).

Early voting will be available on the following dates and times: Thursday, Oct. 22 (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.); Friday, Oct. 23 (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.); Saturday, Oct. 24 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. – last day to register to vote); Monday, Oct. 26 (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.); Tuesday, Oct. 27 (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.); Wednesday, Oct. 28 (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.); Thursday, Oct. 29 (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.); and Friday, Oct. 30 (8 a.m. to 4 p.m. – last day for early voting).

The polling location for the Nov. 3 State Election is Quarry Hill Community School (43 Margaret Street – use pool entrance).

Polling hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information, contact the Monson Town Clerk at 413-267-4115. You may also send an email to: townclerk@monson-ma.gov.

QVARC radio club meeting Oct. 27

WEST BROOKFIELD – The Quaboag Valley Amateur Radio Club will hold its upcoming membership meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Senior Center at 73 Central St.

Doors open at 6 p.m. with the meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

The presentation at the meeting this month will be "Using AI to Design a Ham Shack". The presentation will be done by one of the club members, Liam, KC1YRP.

The summary of his presentation will be location topography analysis to antenna optimization to rig recommendations. AI can be a great tool to assist a new, a novice or an experienced ham design his or her shack.

Outline: Brief summary of AI tools selection and AI best practices, site topography analysis, antenna recommendations and design, gear research and selection and shack layout and setup

QVARC warmly welcomes area hams and anyone curious about amateur radio to reach out and get involved. Whether you're a licensed operator, a lapsed one looking to get back on the air, or simply curious what ham radio is all about, there's a place for you in the club as it heads toward its 40th year.

For more information about QVARC, upcoming events, or how to get involved, visit www.qvarc.com or find the club on Facebook at Quaboag Valley Amateur Radio Club.



Palmer Senior Center

PALMER – The Palmer Senior Center, located at 1029 Central St., has plenty of activities and programs this month.

Fuel Assistance

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program helps eligible households challenged by the high cost of home heating fuel pay a portion of their winter heating bills. This program through Valley Opportunity Council, Inc., provides fuel assistance through a fixed benefit amount for the cost of the primary source of heat.

Sources include oil, electricity, natural gas, propane, kerosene, wood, and coal. Additional potential benefits included are utility discounts, homeowner heating system repair, and weatherization.

The Palmer Senior Center is a local site for seniors, 60-plus, to apply for fuel assistance. Please call Cindy at 283-2670 (Extension 2) to schedule an appointment to complete an application. If you applied last year, Valley Opportunity Council, Inc., sends fuel assistance renewal applications to the address on file.

Friday, Movie Matinee

12:30 p.m.

Oct. 23: *"Hocus Pocus"* – Three outlandishly wild witches who return from 17th century Salem for a night of zany fun and comic chaos. After they're accidentally conjured by some unsuspecting pranksters, the tricky trio sets out to cast a spell on the town and reclaim their youth – but first they must outwit three pesky kids who are determined to foil their scheme.

Monday Evening Programs

4:30 p.m.

Oct. 26: Pilgrim and Turkey Shelf Sitters with Kim. Cost free. See sample at center.

Volunteering

Join RSVP (the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) and help to support nonprofits in your community. If you are over 55 and have hours available each week or month to volunteer your time, we have dozens of opportunities with area organizations that need you. RSVP offers free liability insurance to all volunteers, mileage reimbursement if needed, and other benefits.

Party planning

The Center will hold its annual Christmas Party on Friday, Dec. 4, at the Ludlow Elks this year. Like in the past, tickets will be available at the Center (we will have exact days and times to sign up and pay). We will serve family style, have door prizes, giveaways, and entertainment. More information to follow in the November Newsletter.

The Senior Center is located at 1029 Central Street. For more information about programs, please call 413-283-2670.

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National Drug Take Back Day returns on Oct. 24

NORTHAMPTON – People in 14 area communities will have an opportunity to safely dispose of unneeded medication and drugs during the 30th National Drug Take Back Day set for this Saturday, Oct. 24.

The Northwestern District Attorney's Office, local police departments, the Hampshire County Sheriff's Office, and the county-based TRIAD initiative are once again partnering to organize and host the event.

"Properly disposing of unused medications is a simple but important step we can all take to prevent prescription drug misuse," said Northwestern District Attorney David Sullivan in a press release. "Drug Take Back Day gives residents an opportunity to safely remove unwanted medications from their homes, helping protect families and strengthen the safety of our communities."

Communities in Hampshire and Franklin counties will participate in coordination with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. This nationwide, twice-yearly initiative encourages residents to safely dispose of unused or expired prescription and over-the-counter medications for both humans and pets.

Proper disposal helps prevent prescription drug misuse and accidental ingestion, while also keeping medications out of water systems and landfills, protecting wildlife and the environment.

Collections are scheduled from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the following locations: Amherst (former Wildwood Elementary), 71 Strong Avenue; Belchertown (Town Common), Park Street; Cummington (Police Department), 8 Fairgrounds Road; Deerfield (Police Department), 8 Conway St.; Easthampton (Public Safety Complex), 32 Payson Avenue; Hadley (Police Department), 15 East St.; Leverett (Police Department), 80 Montague Road; Northampton (Smith Vocational), 80 Locust St.; Pelham (Police Department), 2 South Valley Road; Southampton (Police Department), 8 East St.; South Hadley (Police Department), 41 Bridge St.; Sunderland (Police Department), 105 River Road; Williamsburg (Public Safety Complex), 16 Main St.; and Worthington (Fire Station), 51 Huntington Road.

Since 2011, more than 83,511 pounds of medications have been safely collected and disposed of through Drug Take Back Days and permanent drug collection boxes located at police departments throughout the district.

Water quality report available

MONSON – The 2025 annual water quality consumer confidence report for Monson is available at https://www.monson-ma.gov/622/Water-Quality-Report-CCR-Index.

This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

Hard copies are available at Monson Town Hall located at 110 Main St., the Monson Free Library located at 2 High St. and the Monson Senior Center located at 106 Main St. Please call 413-267-4130 if you would like a paper report delivered to your home.





'Good Samaritan' performance at church





PALMER – On Oct. 25 at 10 a.m. the Second Congregational Church, UCC, of Palmer will be presenting a short play adaption ot the parable "The Good Samaritan."

This simple play has a timely message about how one can best live into the character of Jesus and inherit eternal life.

Come visit us to discover the answer at 1080 Pleasant St., Palmer.

In an era of challenge and conflict, this story offers a healing alternative. Visit to encounter what this could mean for you.

Community Foundation of Western MA announces new directors

SPRINGFIELD – The Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts has announced three new members to its Board of Directors: Attorney Seunghee Cha, partner with the law firm Bulkley, Richardson and Gelinas, LLP; Dr. George Timmons, president of Holyoke Community College; and Dr. Martin Wohl, retired dentist from Wohl Family Dentistry, LLC.

The Foundation has also announced Charles D'Amour, Executive Chairman of Big Y Foods, as its new board chair, formerly vice-chair of the board, succeeding outgoing Chair Karin George. Dr. Nikki Burnett, Executive Director of Educare Springfield, is now vice-chair.

These appointments were unanimously approved by the CFWM Board of Directors and Trustees at CFWM's Annual Meeting held on Sept. 23.

According to Megan Burke, president and CEO of CFWM, "Since its founding 35 years ago, the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts has been served by great leadership and stewardship by its board. The investment of time and talent by members of the community represents a legacy that has served both the Community Foundation and the community at large. We are pleased to welcome Attorney Seunghee Cha, Dr. George Timmons and Dr. Martin Wohl to the CFWM Board of Directors. We look forward to their contributions to the organization. I also want to recognize Charlie D'Amour who will assume the position of board chair. The board and the community will benefit from Charlie's leadership and the breadth of experience he has in the private sector and in numerous volunteer positions. We also thank outgoing Chair Karin George for her service and the valuable contributions she has made to our board and the Community Foundation."



Charlie D'Amour



Dr. George Timmons



Dr. Martin Wohl



Seunghee Cha

At Bulkley, Richardson and Gelinas, LLP, Cha serves as chair of both the firm's Trusts and Estates department and Special Needs Planning practice, working with individuals and couples in estate planning and representing fiduciaries and beneficiaries in trust and estate administration.

Her work includes intergenerational wealth transfer and charitable planning, with extensive experience planning for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and mental health conditions.

Cha is active in community engagement, currently serving on the boards of directors of the Center for Human Development and Community Legal Aid. She is a past board member of the Estate Planning Council of Hampden County, The United Arc and NAMI Western Massachusetts.

Timmons is the fifth president of Holyoke Community College. Prior to HCC, Timmons served as the provost and senior vice president for academic and student affairs at Columbia-Greene Community College in Hudson, New York, and as dean for the School of Liberal Arts at Excelsior College in Albany, New York.

Committed to community service, Timmons serves on the Education Sector Working Group of Governor Maura Healey's Artificial Intelligence Taskforce. He also currently serves on the boards of Holyoke Hospital, MassHire Hampden County Workforce, The Tech Foundry, and the Western Massachusetts Economic Development Council.

Timmons earned a Bachelor of Science in financial management from Norfolk State University, a Master of Science in higher education from Old Dominion University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in higher education administration from Bowling Green State University.

Prior to retirement in 2016, Wohl established what is now Wohl Family Dentistry, LLC and before that directed the dental practices of the Hilltown Health Centers. Prior to settling in Western Massachusetts, he was a federal dentist in a Maternal and Child Health Clinic in Washington, D.C., and subsequently dental director with the National Health Service Corps at Hope Medical Center in New Mexico.

After retiring, Wohl was a consultant and adjunct clinical instructor in the Dental Hygiene Department at Springfield Technical Community College. In 2017, he initiated Community Dental Day, an ongoing annual effort to provide free dental exams and treatment for those with minimal access.

Wohl is a lifetime member of the American Dental Association, the Massachusetts Dental Society and the Valley District Dental Society, and has served on the Massachusetts Dental Society Foundation Board since 2018. Additionally, he's served on boards, councils, advisory committees, and capital campaigns for Mass Audubon, Center for New Americans, the Iron Horse Music Hall, Grow Food Northampton, the Pioneer Valley Workers Center and co-founded the Northampton Education Foundation Endowment Fund.

He also founded and was the longtime coach of the Northampton High School Fencing Team. Wohl and his wife, who live in Northampton, established a Donor Advised Family Fund with CFWM in 2008, and in his words, "is dedicated to leaving things better than how he finds them."

As a second-generation member of his family, D'Amour previously served as Big Y's CEO before transitioning to his current role as Executive Chairman. Today Big Y operates 79 supermarkets across Massachusetts and Connecticut, along with 17 gas and convenience stores, 33 pharmacies and the Table & Vine flagship store. D'Amour's ties to the Springfield and Western Massachusetts region run deep personally, professionally and philanthropically. He has chaired the boards of Baystate Health, the Western Mass Economic Development Council, Westover Metropolitan Development Corporation, and the former Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of Pioneer Valley.

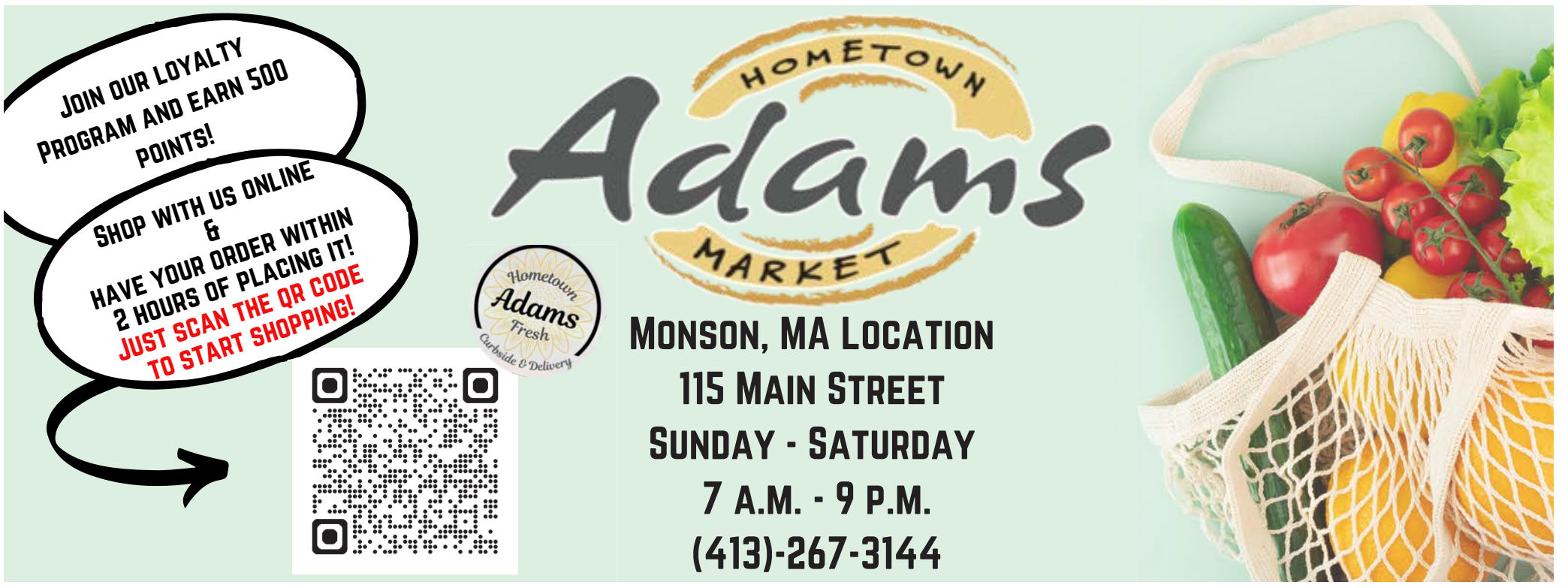
At the statewide and regional level, D'Amour has co-chaired the Massachusetts Grocery Access task force and chaired the New England Advisory Council for the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. He also currently serves as a member of Governor Maura Healey's Anti-Hunger Task Force.

He holds degrees from Boston College and New England School of Law, and is admitted to the Massachusetts and Federal Courts. D'Amour resides in Longmeadow with his wife, Elizabeth.

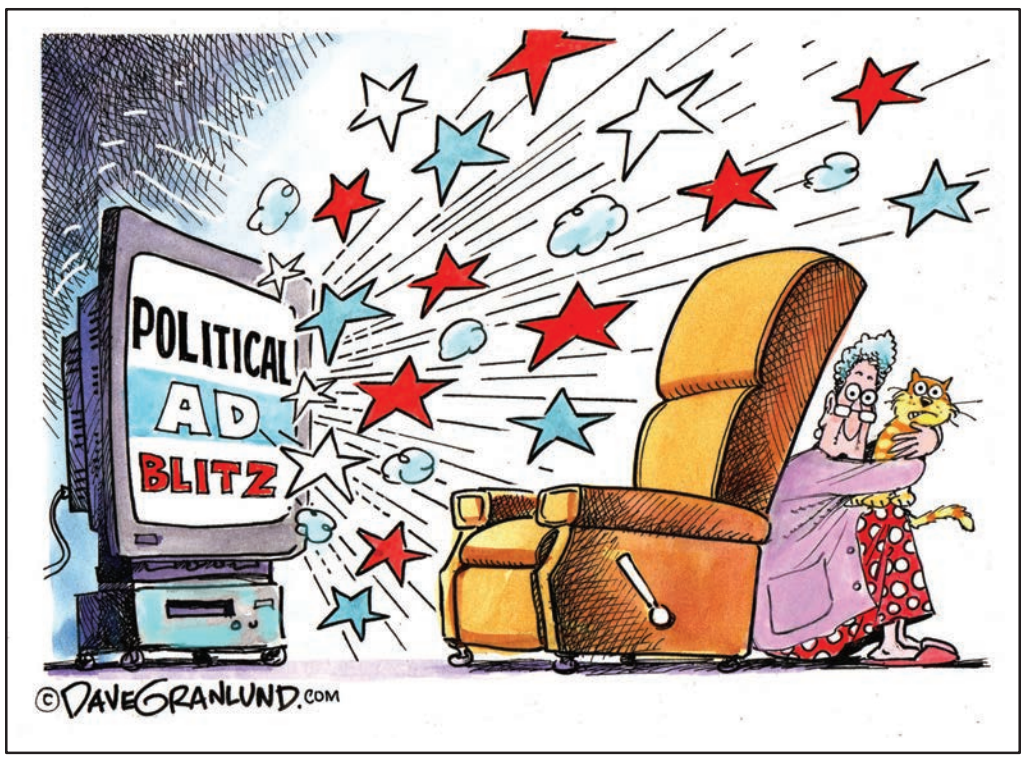
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To learn more, visit http://communityfoundation.org/.



Viewpoints



Next steps for frost tinged dahlias, glads

In the Garden
by Roberta McQuaid





I finally came inside at 6:45 p.m. with a flashlight in hand.

It was my own fault. I started a project much too late in the day for the work that it entailed.

You see, we had a frost last night. The first one of the year, for me, anyway.

The temperature just hit the 32-degree mark, so the tips of certain plants were hit. Leaves that were under the cover of other plants looked pretty good.

I probably could have left the gladiolus and dahlias in the ground for a bit longer based on the upcoming, warmer forecast, but I decided to seize the moment and get them dug up and moved indoors.

Read on to learn the specifics of how to overwinter these summer loving, tender bulbs.

As mentioned, dig up dahlia tubers either just prior to or soon after frost hits. I typically use a shovel or pitchfork, starting a foot or so away from the stems.

Once the soil is loosened up a bit, the stem should lift up easily with the tubers intact.

Soil should be eased off the tubers with a spray of water before placing in storage. Leave a small portion of stem attached to the tubers – it is a great place to adhere a label.

Once the tubers have air-dried for a bit, you can even write on the tubers themselves with a permanent marker. Take it from me – it is easy to forget a name over the winter months.

Placing tubers in damp peat moss, saw dust, shredded leaves, or even ventilated plastic bags will help to prevent shriveling.

Choose a location to overwinter your tubers that maintain 40-50 degrees temps and 90% humidity. These conditions will keep them dormant and healthy until it is time to replant.

Many people have good luck using a cold basement or root cellar; small quantities of tubers can be stored in the crisper drawer of the refrigerator. Be sure to check on your tubers every couple of weeks throughout the offseason.

Should you see shriveling, mist them with clean water and re-dampen the medium in which they were placed. If you see mold, bring down the temperature and humidity level.

Some growers like to get a jump-start on the season by pre-starting dahlias indoors.

We have done this occasionally at Old Sturbridge Village and I am always amazed at just how fast the plants grow, and how quickly they outgrow their pots and become leggy. If you attempt it, four weeks prior to the last spring frost would be soon enough.

Similarly, around the time of our first frost gladiolus corms should be lifted from the ground with a spading fork or shovel. Never just yank the plant out by pulling on the stem!

Once out of the ground, cut the stem from the corn as closely as possible. Rinse under running water and allow to dry in a frost-free airy location for two-three weeks.

Check the corms regularly, and when a corky area develops between the mother corm and the new corm break off and discard the mother. After drying is complete, store on trays or in mesh bags in a well-ventilated area at temperatures between 38 and 58 degrees. The lower the temp, the better.

Inspect throughout the winter months and throw away any corms that begin to rot.

Typically glads are planted directly in the ground, with no pre-starting needed. You can stagger when you plant, though, so that all of your flowers are not borne at once. Plant a few every week of June for color throughout the late summer through frost.

By harvesting your bulbs now, you are protecting your investment for years to come! Only get out there and do it before you run out of daylight!

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 34 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.

SOCIAL SECURITY Matters

By Russell Gloor

Did I understand you right - I won't get all my SS benefits immediately?

Dear Rusty:

I was a little confused with one of your past articles.

This September I hit my full retirement age and for every month I continue to delay, my SS benefit goes up a little more. But reading your article sounds like the extra benefits are only added at the end of the year.

For example, let's say that at my full retirement age in September I get $3,524, and in January 2027 I would get $3,619.

According to the Ask Rusty article I read, if I start my benefits in June of 2027, I will have earned $3,735, but it sounds like I would only get $3,619 up until the end of the year, and then they would adjust it.

If this is the case, would I get retroactive money back for the 6 months I did not get the correct amount?

Signed:
Seeking Clarification

Dear Seeking:

Thanks for your inquiry. Your understanding of the previous Ask Rusty article is correct.

If you start your benefits in June 2027 (10 months after your Full Retirement Age or your FRA, in September 2026), you will initially only get the Delayed Retirement Credits you earned through the end of 2026.

The DRCs you earned from January 2027 to June 2027 would not be credited until January 2028 and you would not get any retroactive benefits for the DRCs earned during the January – June 2027 timeframe.

SSA's reasoning for this is somewhat confusing but has to do with your ability to claim retroactive benefits when you claim after reaching your full retirement age.

When claiming after reaching your FRA you have the ability to claim benefits retroactively for up to six months. So, to avoid potentially overlapping benefit payments, SSA defers applying your current year's DRCs until January of the following year.

Thus, you essentially lose the extra 2027 DRC money for the remainder of 2027. And, FYI, the one exception to this rule is that when benefits are claimed mid-year at age 70, all DRCs are immediately paid.

Please understand that I'm not endorsing this SSA rule; only trying to explain how it works and why. Like many SSA rules, there are nuances to how benefits are paid. And this is a classic example. And just remember, as attractive as taking 6 months of retroactive benefits may sound, it also means your monthly amount would be reduced by about 4% for the rest of your life.

As you contemplate when you should claim your Social Security retirement benefits, you should always keep in mind your anticipated life expectancy when making that decision.

If you expect to live at least to the "average" life expectancy for those in their mid-60s (about mid-80s for someone your current age), then waiting longer to claim is usually a better long term financial decision (even considering the DRC issue described above). But if your life expectancy is less than "average," claiming sooner is usually a better choice.

If you have further questions about when to claim Social Security, please contact us at SSadvisor@amacfoundation.org or 1-888-750-2622. There is never a fee for our advisory service because we are a non-profit organization.

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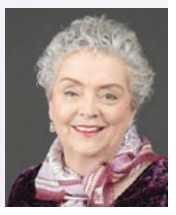
Campaign news

As part of its election coverage, the newspaper plans to print stories about contested races for Congress, state Senate, state House, district attorney and Governor's Council during the weeks leading up to the election, as well as a question-and-answer voters guide. In order to ensure fairness to all candidates, no political press releases will be printed, nor will reporters cover political rallies or fundraisers.

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your health



Great travel health products for seniors

By Teri (Dreher) Frykenberg, RN
Guest Column

Oh, for the days of carefree travel in those younger years. Throw a clean T-shirt and toothbrush in your backpack and you were good to go.

Seniors may not be able to travel that simply nowadays, but they can still drive, fly and cruise with much less hassle. The travel goods industry has responded to the graying of the travel population by developing lightweight, easy-to-use products that take into consideration physical strength, security and medical needs.

I've asked Ron Levine of www.UnitedLuggageDealers.com to select some products that seniors or those with other health issues will find helpful.

Here are seven of the best.

Flex Gel Memory Foam Seat Cushion

Airline seats aren't getting any more comfortable. But seat cushions are often a pain to travel with and keep track of. Just ask anyone who's left their cushion in the gate area or the airport lounge.

The Flex Gel Memory Foam Seat Cushion folds up into a convenient size when you're ready to get up and go. You can even snap the handle onto your suitcase. About $35

Sockwell Compression Socks

Sitting for a long time, besides being uncomfortable, can be hazardous to your health. Many doctors recommend compression socks to minimize swelling, reduce leg fatigue and lower the chances of blood clots.

That doesn't mean they have to be ugly. Sockwell Compression Socks for men and women come in a variety of styles and colors. They also feature a cushioned sole, arch support and seamless toe, so your feet will like them, too. About $30/pair

Victorinox Lightweight Hardside Carry-On

At only 6.4 pounds, this right-sized suitcase easily fits inside overhead storage and is easier to lift than other suitcase models. It provides effortless maneuverability, no matter the load inside, and comes equipped with an expansion system to stretch your packing space.

It also includes a zippered anti-scratch pocket to safely store your electronic devices and a built-in lock. About $425

FRIO Case Large Pen Insulin/GLP-1 Wallet

More medications are coming as injectables these days. Keep them safe in this insulated wallet that cools without any need for an ice pack. The cooling properties come from the evaporation of water and keep its low temperatures for over two days, even in challenging environments.

It protects up to five medication pens or six 10ml vials of insulin and syringes. About $37

Baggallini Anti-Theft Bag

This gender-neutral crossbody bag keeps your necessities organized and safe. It features slash resistant panels, a double-cable cut-resistant strap, locking zippers and RFID-protection.

It also has a pocket for your passport and a grommet so you can plug in or charge your phone without opening it. And all of this comes in a convenient 5.25 inches by x 7.5 inches. $70-$110

Secrid RFID Wallet

Its slim profile makes this wallet perfectly into every pocket. The open exterior is cut extra wide to hold cards, banknotes and receipts. The card protector mechanism allows you to slide out cards with one simple motion, while the aluminum casing protects your cards from bending, breaking and unwanted wireless communication. About $110

Talus Smooth Trip SafeGuard Medication Organizer

Organizing medications for travel can be a challenge. This lockable, slash-resistant Talus organizer secures your medications while keeping them accessible in your carry-on or travel bag.

Its eight elastic straps

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Calendar of Events

E-mail items to journalregister@turley.com or mail to Calendar Editor, Journal Register, 24 Water St., Palmer, MA 01069, for receipt by Monday of week for publication.

The Journal Register encourages readers to contact event coordinators and organizers for updated event times. Have an event to promote? Email the information to journalregister@turley.com.

UPCOMING

VENDORS FOR THE BAYSTATE WING HOSPITAL GIFT SHOPPE

October Vendors
Oct. 22 - Jewelry For Diane
Oct. 27 - Geriations & Sew On

November Vendors
Nov.10 - Crystal Clear Emotions
Nov. 12 - Hobbit Hollow Herbs
Nov. 18 - How Charming
Nov. 19 - Generations of Cookies
Nov. 23 - Geriations & Sew On
Nov. 24 - Wicked Good Treats

ONGOING

THURSDAYS - WESTERN LINE DANCE CLASSES 6:30-7:30 p.m. and 7:30-8:30 p.m. $10 for one lesson or both. Brimfield Winery at 35 Main St., in Brimfield. Check brimfieldwinery.com for any variations.

CRAFTERNOONS: Drop in 2-4 p.m. daily at the Holland Public Library, 23 Sturbridge Road, Holland, to learn or practice different crafts. There are new crafts every Wednesday. For more information, call 413-245-3607.

KEEP HOMESTEAD MUSEUM: Located at 35 Ely Road, Monson, nature trails are open daily until dusk for hiking, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Trail maps can be found in the parking lot. For more information call 413-267-4137, email khm@keephomesteadmuseum.org or visit keephomesteadmuseum.org.

QUABOAG VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD: Members meet at 1 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month in the AMETS Post at 2150 Main St., Three Rivers. The Guild is a no-pressure group with varying degrees of accomplishments, from novice to Big E "Best In Show" winners. Dues are $55 a year. Follow them on Facebook for more information.

LINE DANCING CLASS: 3-5 p.m. and/or 6:30-8:30 p.m., every Thursday at the Monson Polish Club, 7 Bliss St., Monson. Rose's line dancing classes include absolute beginners and beginners, and participants get to dance to all types of music. $10 per class. Please wear comfortable footwear, no sandals.

GAME NIGHT: 6-7:45 p.m. the second Tuesday at the Palmer Library at 1455 N. Main St. Free and open to the public. Play available board and card games or bring your own. Must be 16 or older unless accompanied by an adult. No registration required. For more information call 413-283-3691, or email palewis19@yahoo.com.

QI GONG: Qi Gong at Monson Free Library with Randy Emerson is held every Tuesday from 5:45-6:45 p.m.

POETRY CORNER

East of Eden

for the James Dean Memorial Service

What are youth's long days for -
If not to have victory?
And if some roads can't go on -
Then another, down further, to see.

And wherever you go,
If it's East of Eden ...
Part of me I leave for
You to sing-
And scenes tht will never die,
But stay young in your
Own country.

Try here, try there - - and then -
Whatever direction might be;
Tho' night, by a falling star -
To follow, and be free.
And wherever you go,

If it's East of Eden . . .
Part of me I leave for
You to sing-
And scenes tht will never die,
But stay young in your
Own country

– Charles Barnes

Bickfords Girl

What is this habit taken to a backward glance?
Gaining on me, as the future sheds its trance.
And I think back, to where they smiled at me –
When I brought them dinner, and full cups of coffee.

And I moved lightly - in careless energies flow –
That at each stop, or station, would be someone I know.
Does not seem as much as in thatother year.

Nostalgia? perhaps where things more closely fit –
And wrapped themselvcs round, more kindly I admit:
1 was about 20, and closed for the restaurant,
And can remember, - just where you sat.

With scattered lyrics in a joy about the table –
And both of us would stop - best as we were able.
And heavy were the dishes, and trays to the kitchen –
Long the nights - that would go on and on.

And the half-set moon was my cake,
before getting home –
In a golden fatigue, but filled - drifting off to dream.
On many a road I have followed along since –
And left a trace here, and there a few prints:
But where? I wonder, - is that faraway world
Sweet, and perhaps simple - as a Bickfords girl.

– Charles Barnes

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ware Republican Town Committee endorses 2026 candidates

Members of the Ware Republican Town Committee voted recently to endorse several candidates in the upcoming Nov. 3 election.

The Committee voted to endorse incumbent Worcester and Hampshire District State Senator Peter Durant, R-Spencer, and Peter Warren of Monson, a candidate for State Representative in the 2nd Hampden District.

"Peter Durant has proven himself time and again on Beacon Hill, fighting to lower taxes and bring funding to rural communities," said Michael Fountain, chairman of the Ware Republican Town Committee. "Peter Warren will be a voice of reason in Boston, looking out for the taxpayers of Massachusetts when he is elected."

The group also endorsed John Deaton for U.S. Senate, noting that Deaton will bring change to Washington fighting for accessible and affordable healthcare, and responsible energy options.

Anne Brensley received the Committee's endorsement in her run for Secretary of State. Brensley seeks to improve Massachusetts by encouraging business growth and protecting our elections.

For Governor, the group endorsed Mike Minogue, with the confidence that he can help solve many of the problems facing Massachusetts. They also endorsed Shawn Oliver for Lieutenant Governor.

"We believe that Mike Minogue will consider the struggles residents are facing and help to bring down the cost of living, address outrageous energy costs and bring families back to Massachusetts," Fountain said.

Also receiving endorsements are: State Representative Todd Smola, State Representative Donnie Berthiaume and Elizabeth Dionne for Treasurer

"We're happy to endorse these candidates and look forward to the upcoming election. Our committee urges everyone to come out to vote Nov. 3 or during early voting if they choose," Fountain said.

The Ware Republican Town Committee meets monthly at the Weir River Social Club, 6 East St., Ware. Their meetings are posted on their Facebook page. New members are always welcomed.

Ware Republican Town Committee
Ware

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hold bottles and tubes. There are zippered mesh compartments and eight BPA-free pill pockets. About $25

You can find these items and more locally at Leather World, www.ShopLeatherWorld.com. They are also available at independent travel goods retailers online. These stores are becoming rarer, so it is important we support them. The fall and holiday travel seasons are upon us. Upgrade your travel experience with smart accessories designed with you and your health in mind.

Teri (Dreher) Frykenberg, a Monson resident, is a registered nurse and board-certified patient advocate. She is the author of several books on advocacy and founder of Nurse Advocate Entrepreneur, which equips medical professionals with the knowledge and skills to start their own advocacy businesses. Contact her at Teri@NurseAdvocateEntrepreneur.com.





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and we really enjoy our close relationship with the men and women of the Monson Fire Department."

Added Fire Chief Brian Harris, "The Monson Fire and Police Departments feel community engagement is crucial to having a good relationship with our townspeople. This annual event gives us the opportunity to meet and engage with them in a fun and non-stressful environment."

Guests also learned about resources offered by area nonprofit organizations, businesses, and other attendees.

Meanwhile, local kids were excited to visit each booth and pick up special gifts.

"Thank you to Chief Harris, Chief Gasperini, and their staffs, families, and friends for organizing such a wonderful community event," Wolowicz added. "It was a great opportunity to celebrate our public safety personnel, strengthen community connections, and enjoy some friendly BBQ competition. Events like this highlight the teamwork, camaraderie, and community spirit that make Monson such a special place."

The Town of Monson Public Safety Night is made possible each year through a collaboration of the Monson Police and Fire Departments, local nonprofits, businesses, and community volunteers.

Organizers thank all guests and their families, local agencies, volunteers, and businesses for supporting the event.

"We are grateful to everyone who helped organize the event, to everyone who attended, and to everyone who came out to show their support for first responders," Gasperini added. "We feel that the day was a great success. We look forward to next year's event."

To learn more about upcoming programs and activities in town this fall, visit www.monson-ma.gov.



Guests get a look at an Army National Guard helicopter.



Members of Central Mass Sparks prepare food for guests.



Local kids get ready for a fun evening at the park.

Turley photos by Kevin Flanders



Karen Davis, left, and Sarah Brown represent Monson Together.



Members of DCR have plenty of supplies to hand out to guests.



Army Staff Sgt. Shane Finnegan welcomes 2-year-old Ellie Paddock, of Manchester, NH, aboard the helicopter.



Monson educators greet local families.



Amber Messer and Riley Parkinson represent Monson Savings Bank.



Members of the Monson Fire Department are hard at work.



Members of the Monson Police Department serve guests.

Zonta Service Grants applications available

The Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley is currently soliciting proposals from local nonprofit organizations for projects that benefit women and/or youth.

The Zonta Service Grant Form application can be downloaded at www.zontaqv.org/service-grant/ or requested by contacting info@zontaqv.org. Grants are awarded biannually, in November (Nov. 1 deadline) and May (April 1, 2027 deadline).

Proposals must include specific details of the project including the need that will be addressed with the funds. In reviewing completed applications the committee will give preference for a hands-on component that can involve Zontians (and supporters, if appropriate).

As a community-driven organization, Zonta's grant capacity is tied directly to the success of its fundraising efforts. While it reviews and awards service grants twice a year, the total amount distributed each cycle fluctuates based on the funds raised during the annual golf tournament, calendar raffle, etc.

Two-thirds of all profits are used to fund local initiatives; one-third goes to the Zonta Foundation for Women to fund global projects with partners including UNFPA, UNICEF USA, Girls Not Brides, and the Coalition to End Violence Against Women'

Since its inception in 1991, the Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley has contributed over $150,000 in cash and in-kind donations to local nonprofits.

Recent local grant recipients included: Girl Scouts of Central and Western MA to help fund the Council's Community-Based Programming outreach; YWCA of Western MA to stock their emergency food pantry; Girls on the Run Western MA to help support youth programming and train coaches; Girls Inc. of the Valley to support a youth-led community educational event focused on human rights; Safe Passage of Northampton to offset printing of a program booklet for Say Something – eight-hour skills-focused training program grounded in effective strategies of bystander intervention and empowerment self-defense; and Alianza DV Services, Inc. in support of the Clothesline Project – a visual display of violence statistics that often go ignored. Each shirt is made by a survivor of violence or by someone who has lost a loved one to violence.

State Sen. Jake Oliveira leads effort to protect Head Start standards

REGION – State Senator Jake Oliveira is leading an effort in the Massachusetts Senate to urge the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to withdraw proposed changes to Head Start Program performance standards.

Officials warn that the proposed changes could undermine services relied upon by thousands of children and families across the Commonwealth.

In a letter to U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr., Oliveira and two dozen senators raised concerns about proposed changes affecting classroom standards, health and developmental screenings, services for children with disabilities, educator qualifications, program hours, and opportunities for parent involvement.

"For more than 60 years, Head Start has been about more than preparing children for the classroom. It recognizes that a child's ability to learn is connected to their health, their development, their family, and the support system around them," said Oliveira. "We should be strengthening that model, not rolling back standards that help ensure children receive consistent, high-quality care."

Massachusetts is home to 28 Head Start agencies serving more than 10,000 children and their families. Head Start combines early education with health, dental, nutrition, and family support services, including assistance for children whose needs may not be met through other programs.

The proposed federal rule would substantially revise the Head Start Program performance standards. The changes identified in the senators' letter include removing or reducing federal requirements governing teacher-child ratios and group sizes, program operating hours, vision and hearing screenings, developmental screenings, staff qualifications and supports, services for children with disabilities and developmental delays, and practices supporting dual-language learners and their families.

The letter argues that while individual changes could have significant consequences, senators are particularly concerned about their cumulative impact on the comprehensive model that has defined Head Start for generations.

"When you start pulling away health screenings, classroom standards, supports for educators and protections for children with greater needs, you risk changing the very foundation of what has made Head Start successful," Oliveira said. "These are children at a critical point in their development, and the federal government should not be lowering the floor beneath them."

The senators also pointed to the Head Start Act, which requires the HHS Secretary to ensure revisions to program standards do not reduce the quality, scope, or types of services Head Start programs provide.

"Head Start has served generations of Massachusetts families, and we have a responsibility to make sure it is there for the next generation," Oliveira said. "I'm asking HHS to listen to the educators, families, and providers who know this program firsthand and preserve strong standards for the children who depend on it."

TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K on Oct. 25

STURBRIDGE – Runners, walkers, families and Halloween enthusiasts are invited to hit the trails again this fall when the Rotary Club of Sturbridge presents its annual TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K, 1K and Fun Walk on Sunday, Oct. 25.

Pre-registration is now open for the family-friendly event at RaceRoster.com by entering "Sturbridge" in the search field.

All activities begin at the Old Sturbridge Village Education Center on Old Sturbridge Village Road. Participants should note that the Education Center is not the Old Sturbridge Village Academy located near the village's main entrance.

Parking will be available in the Education Center lot.

The event features a timed 5K Trail Run, a Fun Walk and a timed 1K Pre-Teen Run. In keeping with the Halloween spirit, participants are encouraged to come in costume. Activities begin at 9 a.m. with a free costume parade, relay races and organized games for young children at the Education Center.

The timed 1K Pre-Teen Run begins at 9:15 a.m. and is open to children ages 12 and younger. Registration is $20, and the course is accessible to participants with mobility challenges.

The timed 5K Trail Run and Fun Walk begin at 10 a.m. The course follows Old Sturbridge Village Road and the Arbutus Park Trail through the Leadmine Mountain Wildlife Conservation Lands.

Registration is $35 for the 5K and $30 for the Fun Walk.

Registered runners and walkers can also compete in the Best Costume competition prior to the 11:15 a.m. awards ceremony, with winners selected by popular choice.

Race-day registration will be available beginning at 8:30 a.m. Participants may register on their own devices using a QR code available at the site.

Paper registration forms will also be available for those unable to register online.

The TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K, 1K & Fun Walk is a fundraiser of the Rotary Club of Sturbridge, with proceeds supporting the club's scholarships for local students and other community service projects.

For additional information or to become an event sponsor, contact Race Director Klaus Hachfeld at laserklaus@gmail.com or visit the Sturbridge Rotary Club website at https://sturbridgerotary.com.

Quabbin Visitor Center lists programs

BELCHERTOWN – The Les and Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor Center, 100 Winsor Dam Road, announces the schedule for upcoming programs.

All ages are welcome. All programs are free, but registration is required; outdoor programs are limited to 25 people. Please dress appropriately for the weather and bring water and snacks. Please wear appropriate footwear and protect yourself against ticks. Dogs are not allowed anywhere at the Quabbin Reservoir. Follow link to register or visit https://www.mass.gov/locations/quabbin-reservoir/events

Ware River Bridge 'Series: North

The Ware River Bridge Series: Rail Trail North will be held on Sunday, Oct. 25 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Parking is at the kayak/canoe launch on Worcester Road (Route 122), Barre.

This long, leisurely hike begins at the parking lot and travels down a densely vegetated trail past an old timber harvest, ending at the site of a former covered bridge. The bridge is no longer there, but the view of the river is as picturesque as it gets and well worth the visit. The hike is 4 miles round trip and passes the historic Riverside Cemetery.

Rutland Prison Camp

On Thursday, Nov. 5 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. explore the Rutland Prison Camp, 299 Intervale Road, Rutland for an approximately 1.25 mile easy hike. There is uneven ground.

Join DCR staff as they explore the remains of this surprisingly successful social experiment. Ticks are still active so protection is advised, as is wearing orange during hunting season.

Group hike near Muddy Pond

Explore the Ware River Watershed for a group hike near Muddy Pond on Saturday, Nov. 7 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Join DCR staff for a 4.1-mile looped hike in the Ware River Watershed. The route climbs/descends roughly 140 feet in elevation. The foot path participants will travel on is non-technical. The last mile of the hike is on a scenic section of the Mass Central Rail Trail.

Participants will meet at the Route 122 rest area parking lot in the town of Oakham. The rest area is in the shape of a banana with grass and picnic tables. The hike begins and ends north of Muddy Pond.

State Auditor's report identifies barriers in liquor license process for businesses

BOSTON – State Auditor Diana DiZoglio's Office released a report examining the Commonwealth's system for licensing restaurants, bars, hotels and clubs to serve alcohol.

The report highlights how a population-based quota formula, written in 1933, results in an artificial or arbitrary shortage of on-premises liquor licenses in communities where businesses want to open, while pushing prospective business owners into a legislative process and private resale market that favors wealth and connections.

The report, "License to Pour: Access and Equity in Massachusetts Liquor Licensing, was produced by the State Auditor's Division of Local Mandates" analyzed municipal licensing data, surveyed 260 municipal officials and business owners, and interviewed license holders, municipal officials, legislators and industry participants.

According to the report, 2.5 million residents live in municipalities facing liquor licensing constraints due to the state-imposed quota. Twenty-six municipalities were allowed local control due to a limited opportunity between 1978-1984 to opt out of the state-imposed quota, creating an inequitable two-tier system that leaves some municipalities unable to respond to local needs and priorities.

Per the report, license access rises with municipal wealth, with the wealthiest municipalities issuing 58% more licenses per resident than the least wealthy, while securing more licenses through the home rule petition process – which has no written criteria and no complete, readily accessible public record.

Business owners reported paying six-digit sums to purchase licenses in the private secondary market in quota municipalities ($600,000 in Boston, $175,000 in Somerville, and $100,000 in Beverly) compared with acquisition costs of $2,500 in Cambridge, a local-control city. Compared to neighboring states, Massachusetts has fewer full-service restaurants per resident; matching the regional average could mean 490 additional restaurants, 9,500 jobs, $311 million in annual wages, and $56 million a year in state and local meals taxes.

The report recommends eliminating the state-imposed, population-based quota and establishing local control for on-premises liquor licensing; addressing the equity and wealth-access barriers created by the secondary market; and creating a statewide, public licensing data platform to increase information access, equity, and transparency.

"We need a liquor licensing system that is transparent, fair, and gives all of our local businesses a shot at success," said DiZoglio. "You shouldn't need to have unlimited access to money and all of the right political connections to obtain a liquor license. We need to do better, and our report shines a light on how and why the system is falling short. Massachusetts does not have to choose between responsible alcohol regulation and economic opportunity. Both are possible. This study provides evidence-based insights to increase access and build a system that is more equitable, transparent, and responsive to all local entrepreneurs – regardless of their background, bank balance, zip code or political connections."

The full report is available at https://www.mass.gov/report/license-to-pour-access-equity-in-massachusetts-liquor-licensing.

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plates, glasses, centerpieces and place cards. Each place card had the name and story of person who lost their life due to domestic violence.

"This year it includes two people from our nearby towns of Amherst and Belchertown," McKeever said.

The first speaker was state Rep. Todd Smola, who said the task force not only brings awareness to domestic violence, but it helps to educate future generations.

"We know how challenging these situations are," he said. "There is help…it's our job to be on the frontlines."

Smola said he wanted survivors to know that there are resources that are available to help them and that the task force is there to "make sure you get the help that you need."

Smola said there is no greater community than Ware that steps up against domestic violence.

"Our mission is to try and make sure there is never a victim again," Smola said.

State Sen. Peter Durant said domestic violence often takes place in the darkness.

"But here today…you're shining a light on it," he said.

Northwestern District Attorney David Sullivan said the "scourge of domestic violence" hasn't left, but they were seeing rays of hope.

Sullivan spoke about a video recently produced by the task force that helps survivors through the process of requesting a restraining order. This video has been shared with every police department in the state and throughout the justice system.

"It's so scary and intimidating to move forward," Sullivan said. "We can all be great allies."

Ware High School Domestic Violence Task Force Coordinator Jesse Trzpit spoke about how the students have worked for more than 15 years to promote healthy relationships to their peers.

This includes a school-wide anonymous writing prompt, where students respond to a question posed by the high school task force and the answers are then displayed in the high school library.

Trzpit said three of the high school task force members have been selected to serve on the 35-member regional Our Voices project, a rural teen task force covering western and north central Massachusetts.



Turley Photo by Paula Ouimette

State Sen. Peter Durant and state Rep. Todd Smola spoke during the 11th annual Domestic Violence Awareness Walk and Community Gathering held on Oct. 18.

"We are proud of the work that they do," he said.

Ware High School Domestic Violence Task Force member Abby Bateman said the students will continue to do their small part to defeat domestic violence. She explained the differences between a healthy relationship, and an unhealthy one.

Task force member Melissa Hutchins of the Behavioral Health Network shared some statistics about domestic violence, and how 75% of the 1,500 victims who lose their life each year are women.

"Three women are killed by an intimate partner every day," Hutchins said. "Their absence leaves a deep hole in our communities."

Hutchins spoke about domestic violence victims Diane Opper of Belchertown and Emma Pastercayk of Palmer, who were both killed earlier this year.

"We cannot let their stories fade into silence," Hutchins said.

Hutchins said when someone asks for help to get away from a domestic violence situation, it is important to listen and to believe them.

"We must support survivors," Hutchins said. "Let us stand together for safety, for justice and for peace."

Monica Moran, Ware River Valley Domestic Violence Task Force Coordinator, presented walk founder and longtime organizer Jennie Simmons with a Leadership Award for her support of survivors.

"Because of Jennie, everyone knows this town stands against domestic violence," Moran said. "Survivors know they are not alone."

About the task force

The Ware River Valley Domestic Violence Task Force currently serves Ware, Warren and Hardwick. The mission of the task force is to prevent and respond to domestic violence in these towns with community-led, community driven initiatives.

The Ware River Valley Domestic Violence Task Force is funded by a grant awarded to the Town of Ware by the Department of Housing and Urban Development through the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development Community Development Block Grant Program, by the Massachusetts Office of Rural Health, and by donations from the community.

Task force members are a group of over 300 community members, survivors and representatives from local and county agencies that have been at work preventing and ending intimate partner violence since 2000.

For those seeking help, local advocacy services are available through Behavioral Health Network in Ware at 413-967-6241. For those who use abuse, but want to change and become safe, a Call for Change Helpline can be reached at 877-898-3411. The Task Force can be reached on Facebook, at www.waredvtaskforce.org, or at wrvdvtaskforce@gmail.com.



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Elijah Hodge takes the goal kick.

SOCCER

Pioneers secure tourney berth

PALMER – Under the lights at Legion Field, the Pathfinder Tech boys soccer team defeated Ware 7-1, and the Pioneers are now headed for the state tournament with a 9-4-1 record. Cayden Bousquet had a hat trick and Owen Pear added two goals for the Pioneers. Pathfinder had one final game this week against Southwick before learning if it makes the Western Mass. tournament.



Brodey Williams turns to play the ball.



Owen Marion prepares to receive a pass.



Mason Ostrout tries to overcome pressure from an opponent.



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Mason Kilham makes a play on defense.

SOCCER

Mustangs still in tourney contention

GRANBY – Last Saturday, the Granby High School girls soccer team battled the cold and win and defeated Monson for the second time in two weeks, winning 3-1 at home. Kalli White, McKenna Cudworth, and Marcela Tapia all scored goals for the Rams, who now an impressive 10-0-3 on the regular season. With that record, not only are the Rams headed for the state tournament, they are currently seeded No. 1 in Division 5. Despite a 1-13 record now for the Mustangs, Monson actually holds the No. 5 position due to having a significantly more difficult schedule than many other teams in Division 5.



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Chelsea Hull sends the goal kick away.



Mackayla St. George makes a stop.



Ada Wojcik sends a pass forward.



Grace Berry sends a punt away.



The Mustangs try to make a play on defense.



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Megan Clark makes her way past midfield.



Callie Hawk tries to makes a pass ahead of a defender.

SOCCER

Pioneers offense rolls to pair of wins

SPRINGFIELD – Last week, Pathfinder Tech girls soccer picked up two more wins, defeating Putanm Voke and Sizer of Central Mass. The offense scored 14 goals in the two games, started by a pair of goals in 30 seconds to help get Pathfinder going against Putnam. That would lead to a 9-1 win over Beavers, followed by a 5-0 shutout of Sizer. The Pioneers are now 5-2-1 on the regular season.



Abigail Carmody makes a play on defense and heads up the field.



Evelyn Wood makes a pass to her left.



Gwen Ruis tries to steal the ball.



Josephine Boyko heads up the field.

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Athlete of the Week



Cayden Bousquet

PathfinderTech

In a win over Ware last Thursday, Bousquet would lead the Pioneers with three goals.

To nominate someone for Athlete of the Week, contact Managing Sports Editor Gregory A. Scibelli at 413-283-8393 or send an e-mail to gscibelli@turley.com.

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Candlepin League News

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Bondsville League

WARE – The Wednesday Night Bondsville League has been dominated by Spare Parts after six weeks of bowling.

The team has a commanding lead in both the overall standings and the west division with a record of 32-10. The Pincesses are leading in the east division with a record of 26-16.

Spare Parts bowled against Rollies during week six on Oct. 14. In game one, Spare Parts and Rollies had a close game, but Spare Parts prevailed with a score of 455-453.

Jared Demitri of Spare Parts began with 108 to outscore Sue Horton of Rollies. Rich Picotte of Rollies had the highest game of 110.

In game two, Spare Parts won again by a score of 493-449. Steven Daniel of Spare Parts scored 136, while Demitri scored 109.

In game three, Spare Parts won by a score of 490-475 to complete the three-game sweep over Rollies.

Demitri finished the match with 145 for a three-game series of 362. Ron Gouin of Rollies had a strong game of 133 for a series of 341.

The final score was 1438-1377 in favor of Spare Parts.

Fire Mountain bowled against the Pincesses during week six. In game one, Pincesses defeated Fire Mountain by a score of 474-437.

In game two, Fire Mountain won by a score of 509-477. Rick Trott of Fire Mountain scored 122 to get his team back in the match. Shawn Ross of Fire Mountain had a good game of 126.

In game three, Keith Ferenz scored his best game of the season, 127, to help his team win 522-433.

The final score was 1473-1379 in favor of Pincesses. Ferenz had a series of 322 with scores of 93, 102 and 127.

The Night Hawks bowled against the Flaming Bowling Balls during week six. In game one, Flaming Bowling Balls by a score of 491-465.

Joe Mullen of FBB scored 116 to start the match. His teammate Don Paulus scored 118. Dave "Smigs" Smigiel, Lee Robinson and Darryl Sinclair of Night Hawks had scores of 113, 106 and 106.

In game two, Flaming Bowling Balls won again by a score of 476-470. Brandon Haley of FBB scored 121 and Sinclair scored 118.

In game three, Night Hawks managed to win the last game 462-446. Smigiel finished with 118 for a series of 326. Mullen scored 108 for a series of 313.

The final score was 1413-1397 in favor of Flaming Bowling Balls.

Zeke's Freaks bowled against P&J Meats. In game one, P&J Meats won by a score of 493-452. Shaun Midura of P&J Meats started with 118. Kevin "Kras" Krasnecky of Zeke's Freaks started with 122.

In game two, P&J Meats won again by a score of 488-460. Krasnecky scored 125 in a losing effort. Midura scored 124 and hist teammate Paige Stabach scored 108.

In game three, Zeke's Freaks won by a score of 500-444. Krasnecky finished with 116 for a three-game series of 363.

Pete Ducharme of Zeke's Freaks finished strong with 112. Stabach finished with 106 and a series of 323.

The final score was 1425-1412 in favor of P&J Meats.

The Cannonballs bowled against Slow Burners during week six. In game one, Slow Burners won by a score of 487-457. Jody Orszulak of Slow Burners started off with 114.

In game two, Slow Burners won again by a score of 467-466. Dean Koczur of Slow Burners scored 115 to help lead his team to another win.

In game three, Slow Burners completed the three-game sweep by winning the last game 476-468. Nate Orszulak of Slow Burners finished strong with 125.

The final score was 1430-1391 in favor of Slow Burners.



Camden Kimball picks up possession.



Noah Fredette fights to steal the ball.



Isabella Braden drags the ball up the field.



Vinny Govine kicks the ball away.

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Ellie Gelinas chases after a loose ball.



Cady Hurd tries to turn play around.

Panthers fall to Terriers

PALMER – Last Thursday afternoon, Palmer field hockey suffered a 4-1 loss to visiting West Springfield. It was Palmer's first home game in a few weeks after multiple road matches. The Panthers are at home against on Friday, Oct. 23 against Hampshire Regional at 6 p.m.

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Business

Monson business owner specializes in iridology

By Kevin Flanders
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MONSON – Offering a range of holistic health resources, InSpiral Iridology owner Sunshine Beeson continues to assist residents living locally and throughout the region.

Having worked in holistic healthcare since 1982, Beeson moved from Colorado to Monson ten years ago and started her business. She has enjoyed expanding her base of clients, which now includes residents of several surrounding states.

Beeson's business is cemented in iridology – the alternative medicine practice of making physical and emotional health assessments based on studying the irises of the eyes using specialized equipment.

When conducting exam sessions, Beeson relies on a specific camera that magnifies the eyes with a special lens.

"Your eyes show a whole map of what's happening physically and emotionally," Beeson said. "My goal is to get to the root cause of the struggles people are going through, and then come up with the solutions."

Based on her findings, Beeson utilizes both in-person and virtual sessions to further assist clients. Services include nutritional recommendations, relationship coaching, and hypnotherapy, among others.

"When people have any kind of struggles, anxiety, depression, or relationship problems, I help them get things more balanced in their life," Beeson said. "They often see positive changes very quickly. Once people experience it, they are completely blown away."



Turley photo by Kevin Flanders

Sunshine Beeson, the owner of InSpiral Iridology, has worked in Monson for ten years.

Beeson began her career as a nutrition coach and herbalist, but her path quickly turned toward iridology. At each stop along the way, she has enjoyed pursuing opportunities to help people.

"My instructor at the time was an iridologist," Beeson said of the early chapters in her career. "I was fascinated by the ability to use the eyes as a vehicle to observe what is going on inside the body."

Beeson's home office in Monson – featuring water fountains, crystals, and other relaxing effects – fosters an environment of peace and tranquility that assists her process.

"I like to create an environment where people can feel trust, safety, and peace," she said.

Celebrating a decade of working in Monson, Beeson looks forward to building even more contacts and relationships. Her ability to conduct sessions via phone, Zoom, or Facetime enables residents far beyond western Massachusetts to benefit from her services.

When she isn't working directly with clients, Beeson delivers educational presentations, attends networking groups, and speaks at holistic wellness expos.

To learn more about the business, or to obtain additional information about iridology, visit www.whatisiridology.com. A detailed iridology chart diagram is also available on the website.

To book an appointment, please call 617-637-6672.

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thanks all volunteers, donors, and supporters who embrace the program on an annual basis, helping it to steadily expand.

Current donors include Monson Savings Bank (which has paid for postage each year), Treehouse Brewing, Levesque Trucking, Kelley Building Group, and Echo Hill Orchard and Winery.

Additionally, the Sunshine Village Three Rivers location will provide Christmas tree ornaments for recipients.

Girl Scout Troop 64811 assists the mission by decorating box flaps each year, and local Boy Scouts and students make cards for the servicemembers.

The packing event will be held on Sunday, Nov. 22, at the Monson Polish Club at 1 p.m.

To learn more about how you can join the mission by making donations, visit the organization's Facebook page. You may also call Karen King Turgeon at 413-348-3948.

Additionally, an Amazon wish list has been posted to the "Monson Military Care Package Drive" Facebook page. All donations must be received by Nov. 9.

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"These two grants provide valuable funding for the Town of Palmer and will help advance important community and infrastructure priorities," Barry added.

To learn more about the MassWorks grant program and the economic development projects it supports across the Commonwealth, visit www.mass.gov.

To view upcoming announcements related to Palmer's sewer improvement project, visit the town website: www.townofpalmer.com.

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Public safety

Palmer Police Logs

During the week of Oct. 4-10, the Palmer Police Department responded to 58 building checks, 51motor vehicle stops, nine motor vehicle violations, 68 informational calls, 20 medical emergencies, eight animal complaints, 24 calls for officers wanted, 19 alarms, 14 silent, accidental, abandoned or hung up 911 calls, four fire calls, two fraud calls, two theft calls, 12 investigations, 14 motor vehicle accidents, six motor vehicle releases, 12 general services, four out of jurisdiction reports, 10 assists to other agencies, 11 transports, 24 traffic posts, 10 school resource officer calls and two assists to citizens.

Sunday, Oct. 4

2:30 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wilbraham Street

Arrest: Julie E. Guarente, 27, Springfield

OUI Liquor or .08%; Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle; Stop/Yield, Fail to; Inspection/Sticker, No

6:02 a.m. Medical Mutual Aid, Pleasant Street

8:07 a.m. Noise Complaint, Main Street

10:05 a.m. Disturbance, River Street

11:11 a.m. Disturbance, River Street

1:22 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Three Rivers Road

2:42 p.m. Warrant Service, Pinney Street

5:49 p.m. Medical Lift Assist, Main Street

7:44 p.m. Intoxicated/Incapacitated, Depot Street

10:34 p.m. Medical Emergency, Ware Street

Monday, Oct. 5

1:44 a.m. Open Door/Window, South Main Street

5:55 a.m. Medical Emergency, Beacon Drive

8:55 a.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, Walnut Street

9 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Park Street

Arrest: Christopher A. Wolcott Jr., 42, Palmer

Drug, Possess Class A; Drug, Possess Class B; Recognizance, Fail Appear Upon, Misdemeanor; Warrant; Warrant

Arrest: Katie J. Davis, 41, Palmer

Drug, Possess Class B, Subsequent Offense; Drug, Possess Class A, Subsequent Offense

9:51 a.m. Warrant Service, Central Street

10:11 a.m. Medical Emergency, North Main Street

11:33 a.m. Property Return, Main Street

12:13 p.m. Fraud, High Street

1:06 p.m. Breaking and Entering Residence, Water Street

1:22 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Thorndike Street

1:48 p.m. Property Return, Wilbraham Street

2:07 p.m. Well Being Check, Chestnut Street

2:16 p.m. Medical Emergency, Beacon Drive

2:59 p.m. Soliciting, Beacon Drive

3:35 p.m. Fire-Smoke, Temple Street and Mechanic Street

3:45 p.m. Hazard Wire/Pole/Tree, Temple Street and North Main Street

4:03 p.m. Disturbance, South Main Street

Arrest: Cheyenne Boyle, 25, Springfield

Warrant

4:17 p.m. Investigation, Shearer Street

4:30 p.m. Warrant Service, Pinney Street

5:04 p.m. Hazard Wire/Pole/Tree, Palmer Road

5:22 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Sykes Street

Arrest: Michaela L. Rodzen, 28, Springfield

License Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With

6:36 p.m. Well Being Check, Park Street

7:11 p.m. Water Leak/Hazard, Geraldine Street

8:09 p.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, High Street

9:07 p.m. Noise Complaint, High Street

Tuesday, Oct. 6

1:32 a.m. Medical Emergency, Shearer Street

1:41 a.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, Third Street

3:07 a.m. Suspicious Vehicle, Main Street

6:13 a.m. Motor Vehicle Repossession, Main Street

8:23 a.m. Medical Emergency, Thorndike Street

8:40 a.m. Animal Complaint, Ruggles Street

9:41 a.m. Lost Property, Main Street

10:01 a.m. Animal Complaint, North Main Street

10:26 a.m. Animal Complaint, North Main Street

11:38 a.m. Alarm Burglar/Hold-Up/Panic, North Main Street

12:02 p.m. Animal Complaint, River Street

12:51 p.m. Well Being Check, North Main Street and Holbrook Street

1:38 p.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, Diane Street

2:06 p.m. Soliciting, Flynt Street

3:13 p.m. Alarm Burglar/Hold-Up/Panic, Thorndike Street

5:33 p.m. Warrant Service, Springfield Street

Arrest: Jodi L. Mateo, 42, Three Rivers

Warrant

5:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, North Main Street and Shearer Street

6:19 p.m. Medical Emergency, Ware Street

7:39 p.m. Disturbance, Beacon Drive

7:55 p.m. Investigation, North Main Street and Shearer Street

8:21 p.m. Suspicious Vehicle, Bourne Street

8:36 p.m. Medical Mutual Aid, Stony Hill Road

8:47 p.m. Fire-Brush, Sykes Street

9:59 p.m. Noise Complaint, Palmer Road

10:13 p.m. Disturbance, Palmer Road

10:37 p.m. Medical Emergency, Summer Street

11:19 p.m. Well Being Check, Mason Street

Wednesday, Oct. 7

12:29 a.m. Investigation, Central Street

1:53 a.m. Breaking and Entering Residence, Main Street

8:57 a.m. Well Being Check, South Main Street and Depot Street

9:27 a.m. Alarm Burglar/Hold-Up/Panic, South Main Street

9:44 a.m. Theft, North Main Street

10:21 a.m. Animal Complaint, Central Street

11:38 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Church Street

11:44 a.m. Medical Mutual Aid, Boston

1:56 p.m. Medical Emergency, South Street

2:00 p.m. Soliciting, Cedar Hill Street

2:28 p.m. Medical Emergency, Three Rivers Road

2:58 p.m. Suspicious-Other, Ware Street

3:27 p.m. Fire-Burn Complaint, French Drive

5:36 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Springfield Street

7:46 p.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, Third Street

8:34 p.m. Suspicious Person, River Street

8:51 p.m. Water Leak/Hazard, Wilbraham Street

9:54 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Shearer Street and Lawrence Street

Thursday, Oct. 8

1:16 a.m. Animal Complaint, Lathrop Street

5:40 a.m. Water Leak/Hazard, Anderson Street

7:39 a.m. Investigation, Lathrop Street

8:28 a.m. Investigation, Carew Street

8:33 a.m. Investigation. Lathrop Street

9:19 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Main Street

9:57 a.m. Alarm Burglar/Hold-Up/Panic, Wilbraham Street

9:57 a.m. Investigation. Lariviere Street

10:01 a.m. Water Leak/Hazard, Anderson Street

10:32 a.m. Medical Emergency, Green Street

10:57 a.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, Springfield Street

11:36 a.m. Medical Emergency, Buckland Street

12:47 p.m. Breaking and Entering Vehicle, Church Street

1:40 p.m. Well Being Check, Wright Street and Beacon Drive

1:53 p.m. Fraud, Mason Street

1:59 p.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, Quaboag Valley Co-Op

2:32 p.m. Well Being Check, Taft Street

2:48 p.m. Breaking and Entering Vehicle, Pleasant Street

3:56 p.m. Motor Vehicle Park Violation, Lathrop Street and North Main Street

3:52 p.m. Hazard Wire/Pole/Tree, Three Rivers Road

4:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Palmer Street and South High Street

5:47 p.m. Medical Emergency, Lathrop Street

7:09 p.m. Theft, School Street

7:33 p.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, High Street

8:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Thorndike Street

8:46 p.m. Warrant Service, Quaboag Valley Co-Op

8:50 p.m. Investigation, Main Street

9:02 p.m. Investigation, Thorndike Street

Friday, Oct. 9

12:03 a.m. Suspicious Person, Emery Street

12:09 a.m. Medical Emergency, Baptist Hill Street

12:35 a.m. Suspicious Vehicle, Converse Street

1:43 a.m. Unwanted Person, Baptist Hill Street

3:26 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Wilbraham Street

Arrest: Heriberto Morales Jr., 29, Ware

License Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With; Lights Violation, Motor Vehicle; Inspection/Sticker, No

8:04 a.m. Medical Emergency, Oakland Street

9:23 a.m. Motor Vehicle Park Violation, Main Street

10:06 a.m. Investigation, Church Street and Pleasant Street

10:32 a.m. Illegal Dumping, Thorndike Street

10:46 a.m. Medical Emergency, Squier Street

11:31 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Pleasant Street

11:54 a.m. Well Being Check, High Street

12:14 p.m. Warrant Service, Converse Street

Arrest: Kaylin P. Faulkner, 31, Three Rivers

Warrant; Warrant; Warrant

12:31 p.m. Noise Complaint, Pleasant Street

12:51 p.m. Animal Complaint, Main Street

1:22 p.m. Hazard Wire/Pole/Tree, Mt. Dumplin Road

3:11 p.m. Property Return, Palmer Main Street

Arrest: Leemichael E. Collins, 33, Palmer

Abuse Prevention Order, Violate

3:47 p.m. Noise Complaint, Ruggles Street

4:09 p.m. Missing/Runaway, Wright Street

4:39 p.m. Soliciting, Park Street

5:06 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Main Street

5:25 p.m. Public Service, Park Street

8:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Main Street

Arrest: Michael A. Cinnamon, 73, Putnam, Connecticut

OUI Liquor or .08%; Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle; Marked Lanes Violation

10:14 p.m. Disorderly Conduct, Park Street

11:17 p.m. Well Being Check, Cross Street

Saturday, Oct. 10

7:53 a.m. Medical Emergency, Beacon Drive

8:46 a.m. Medical Emergency, Quaboag Valley Co-Op

9:42 a.m. Noise Complaint, Main Street

9:54 a.m. Lost Property, Thorndike Street

10 a.m. Property Found, Main Street

10:40 a.m. Animal Complaint, Springfield Street

10:45 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Main Street

11:21 a.m. Investigation, Pleasant Street

11:46 a.m. Property Return, Main Street

11:53 a.m. Vandalism, North Main Street

2:13 p.m. Suspicious-Other, West Ware Street

2:56 p.m. Hazard-Road Condition, River Street

4:36 p.m. Trespass Complaint, Pleasant Street

4:48 p.m. Water Leak/Hazard, Riverview Parkway

4:50 p.m. Investigation, Wright Street

5:11 p.m. Public Service, Belchertown Street

5:12 p.m. Medical Lift Assist, Breckenridge Street

5:24 p.m. Property Return, Main Street

5:31 p.m. Fire-Smoke, North Main Street

5:44 p.m. Public Service, Park Street

7:43 p.m. Medical Alarm, South Main Street

8:58 p.m. Alarm Fire/Smoke/CO, Palmer

10:26 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Thorndike Street

11:35 p.m. Medical Emergency, High Street

Monson Police Logs

During the week of Oct. 12-18, the Monson Police Department responded to four miscellaneous calls, 28 administrative calls, 10 property checks, 15 traffic assignments, six traffic violations, three safety hazards, 11 investigations, seven assists to other agencies, 24 police vehicle checks, 15 motor vehicle stops, seven directed patrols, six details/overtimes and nine phone calls.

Monday, Oct. 12

12:07 a.m. Traffic Violation/Hazard

Arrest: Gary R. Labbe Jr., 38, Millbury

OUI Liquor or .08%; Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle; Alcohol in Motor Vehicle, Possess Open Container of; Leave Scene of Property Damage; Leave Scene of Property Damage

9:09 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

9:13 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

10:07 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

1:03 p.m. Suspicious/Wanted

5:47 p.m. Trespass/Unwanted

8:31 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat

9:29 p.m. Investigation/Follow Up

Tuesday, Oct. 13

9:45 a.m. Alarm

3:23 p.m. Investigation/Follow Up

4:57 p.m. Traffic Violation/Hazard

5:54 p.m. Traffic Violation/Hazard

9:25 p.m. Public Service/Keep The Peace

9:26 p.m. Indecency/Lewdness

Wednesday, Oct. 14

7:15 a.m. Animal/Injured/Hunted

10:51 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

7:21 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call

9:03 p.m. Traffic Violation/Hazard

9:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop

Arrest: Ryan J. Monaghan, 26, Chicopee

Yield at Intersection, Fail; OUI Liquor or .08%; Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle; Alcohol in Motor Vehicle, Possess Open Container of

10:36 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call

Thursday, Oct. 15

6:47 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

7:25 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

9:11 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

12:25 p.m. Fraud/Deception

4:16 p.m. Medication Drop Off

5:06 p.m. Trespass/Unwanted

6:42 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance

Friday, Oct. 16

4:20 a.m. Well Being Check urgent

11:03 a.m. Fire Alarm

11:56 a.m. Medication Drop Off

11:59 a.m. Animal/Injured/Hunted

12:59 p.m. Safety Hazard

2:30 p.m. Abandoned/Found Property

3:19 p.m. Service of a Summons

4:18 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call

Saturday, Oct. 17

6:30 a.m. Safety Hazard

9:45 a.m. Safety Hazard

11:13 a.m. Disturbance/Nuisance

11:25 a.m. Investigation/Follow Up

5:47 p.m. Traffic Violation/Hazard

10:05 p.m. Investigation/Follow Up

Sunday, Oct. 18

1:55 p.m. Well Being Check

2:23 p.m. Traffic Violation/Hazard

3:21 p.m. Animal Complaint

5:19 p.m. Hazmat



Monson Fire Logs

The Monson Fire Department responded to 22 EMS calls and two fire calls for the week of Oct. 12-18.

On **Friday, Oct. 16** at 11:03 a.m., the department responded to 143 Upper Hampden Road for a fire alarm activation. The department returned to service at 11:45 a.m.

On **Sunday, Oct. 18** at 7:54 p.m., the department responded to 49 Margaret St. for a furnace malfunction. The department returned to service at 8:33 p.m.

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Obituaries

Nelson Robert Graves



Nelson Robert Graves, known and loved as Bob, passed away on Thursday, October 15, 2026, at the age of 85.

Born on January 29, 1941, in Springfield, Massachusetts, Bob was the son of the late Rutherford Nelson and Dorothy Frances (Wadleigh) Graves.

Bob was a lifelong resident of Palmer, where he carved out a rich and fulfilling life centered around family. After graduating from Palmer High School, he served honorably in the U.S. Navy. Bob embarked on a long career in the trucking industry, starting at Dauphinies Concrete Service in Wilbraham working with his father. By the early '80s he owned and operated his own business, NR Graves Trucking Inc., before joining Northern Tree, where he retired as a low bed driver. He was a proud member of the Teamsters Local 404, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

A "hot rodder" as a youth, Bob was an enthusiast of classic cars and took great pride in restoring his 1938 Chevy Coupe, a testament to his love for hot rods. Alongside his beloved wife, Gunvor, to whom he was devotedly married since 1963, Bob enjoyed touring New England on motorcycles and camping adventures in their fifth-wheel camper. He was also an avid collector of Cub Cadet tractors and always ready to tackle a new project. Bob was a consummate storyteller and always had a smile and a mischievous twinkle in his eyes.

Bob is survived by his loving wife, Gunvor, and his daughter Leah Deslauriers and her husband, Chris, all of Palmer. He is also survived by his sister, Ola Dane of Palmer. He was predeceased by his brother, William Graves. He will be dearly missed by his nieces and nephews and grand nieces and nephews. The family thanks Jim Burns for his friendship and support.

In accordance with Bob's wishes, all services will be private. Donations may be made in his memory to Dakin Humane Society in Springfield, MA.

Beers & Story Palmer Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements. For more information visit www.beersandstory.com.

Cindy L. Zisk



Cindy Lou Zisk, 64, of Brimfield peacefully passed away on October 16, 2026, surrounded by her husband and family.

Born on August 15, 1962, in Palmer, MA, to Robert and Ruth Sheldon, Cindy spent time living in both Massachusetts and Florida before making Brimfield her home for the last 30 years.

Cindy was extremely hard-working and enjoyed many professions, doing what she had to do to support her family. Known for her spunky charm and zany sense of humor, she was always genuine and true to herself. She loved hitting the road on adventures with her husband and family, and enjoyed summers soaking up the sun in Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Maine.

A true lover of music, she was always down to go listen and see a band. She was never shy about cutting a rug or grabbing the mic to wow the crowd with her beautiful voice. She appreciated driving fast, a strong drink, and honest conversation—she was never afraid to speak her mind.

Cindy carried a lot for the people around her, yet her capacity to love and care for others was endless. Her five grandchildren were her absolute world, and she would stop everything to support them in whatever they were doing.

Cindy leaves behind her husband of 40 years, David Zisk. Her memory will be forever cherished by her children, Brian Zisk and his wife Carly, and Eric Zisk and his wife Meaghan. Her five grandchildren—Arlo, Eleri, Margot, Warren, and Julian—were the pride and joy of her life, and "Gram-Z" never missed a chance to see and support them.

Cindy is also survived by her siblings: Kim Curboy, Karen Skowyra, Randy Sheldon, Todd Sheldon, and Dwayne Sheldon, as well as many nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Cindy was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Ruth Sheldon, as well as her sisters Bonnie Curboy and Valerie Sheldon.

True to Cindy's wishes, no formal services will be held. Instead, her family encourages everyone who loved her to celebrate her memory in a way she would have enjoyed: play a favorite song and sing it loudly or just spend a little extra time with the ones you love.

Wendy Lee (Stockwell) Raymond

Wendy Lee (Stockwell) Raymond, 74, passed away peacefully on October 12, 2026.

Born on July 21, 1952, in Palmer, MA, she was a lifelong resident of the town. Wendy was the daughter of the late Earl and Barbara (Lloyd) Stockwell. She worked for many years as a receptionist at Dr. Richard Gondek's dental office, where she formed special bonds with Dr. Richard and his wife, Barbara Gondek, who became like family to her. She created lasting connections and always had a bright smile that greeted the hundreds of patients that were welcomed by her.

Wendy found happiness in life's simple pleasures. She enjoyed watching her favorite television shows, loved flowers, and bird watching. She especially loved vacationing at "her place" in Point Judith, Rhode Island, where she could watch surfers and fishermen and listen to the soothing sound of the waves. These visits held a special place in her heart. A true homebody, Wendy cherished the comfort of home and had a special fondness for her cat, Garfield.

Wendy was predeceased by her parents, Earl and Barbara (Lloyd) Stockwell.

She leaves behind her loving husband of 44 years, Alan Raymond; her daughter, Lindsay Dod, and her husband, Daniel; her son, Brett Raymond, and his wife, Carrie; and her cherished grandchildren, William and Jacob Raymond, and Aubrey and Mason Dod. She also leaves behind Barbara and Richard Gondek, who held a special place in her life.

Visitation was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Beers & Story Palmer Funeral Home.

Katharine (Haley) Phillips



Katharine (Haley) Phillips, beloved wife, mother, and grandmother, passed away on October 14, 2026, her 86th birthday.

She was predeceased by Donald Phillips, her loving husband of 52 years, and her parents Frank B. and Kathleen (Corish) Haley.

Katharine grew up in Monson and was a lifelong communicant of St. Patrick's Church. She graduated from Monson High School, Class of 1958. She cherished her connections to her family in Monson and the surrounding area.

Katharine was proud of her accomplishments and skills in nursing. She received a diploma from Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in 1961. Memorably, she trained under her aunt, Sister Mary Norberta, SP, with whom she shared a birthday and her name. Especially dear to her were the friendships with her nursing colleagues from Mercy Hospital. She went on to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Boston University in 1966.

Early in her career, she returned to Mercy Hospital as an Instructor in the School of Nursing. Subsequently, she worked at Mary Lane Hospital in Ware. In the last fifteen years of her career, she devoted her energy and talents to Monson students as their school nurse.

Katharine was an enthusiastic and talented artist, an interest she shared with her mother, sister, and other family members. She created art in many forms including painting, silk painting, cross-stitching, and sewing. In her retirement, she pursued classes at the Springfield Art Museums.

Katharine thoroughly enjoyed spending time with her husband, children, and grandchildren in Monson and at Cape Cod. She particularly liked sharing a 4 PM Saturday afternoon Manhattan cocktail and cheese and cracker plate.

Katharine leaves her children: Christine Phillips; Dan Phillips and his wife Andrea Kunder; Kate Laliberte and her husband Matt; and grandchildren Lizzie, Patrick, and Helen Phillips.

She also leaves her brother David Haley and his wife Judy; sister Ann Mulligan; sisters-in-law Elizabeth, Mary, and Maureen Phillips; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, Katharine was predeceased by brothers-in-law Jim Mulligan and Jack, Bob, and Bill Phillips.

The family wishes to extend its deepest gratitude to the staff of Cornerstone at Canton and Nicole's Angels Aides for their tremendous care of Katharine in the last five years.

Lombard Funeral Home of Monson has been entrusted with the arrangements. Public visitation will be held at the funeral home Friday, October 30, 2026 from 4-6 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be held Saturday, October 31, 2026 at 10 a.m. in St. Patrick's Church 22 Green, with burial to follow at Bethany Cemetery all in Monson.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. Patrick's Church Restoration Fund or the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.

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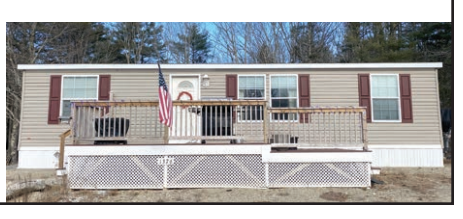
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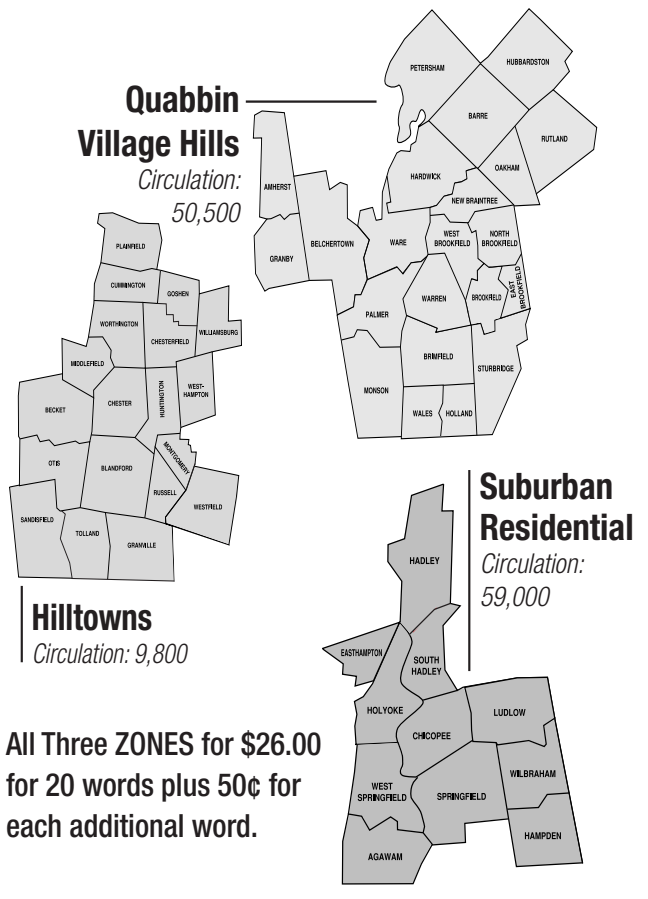
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The Brimfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 5:00 pm at Hitchcock Academy, 2 Brookfield Rd, Brimfield**, on behalf of Brian Caron for the property located at 160 Palmer Rd. Map 11, Lot 9. Book 15026, Pg. 145. The applicant is requesting a variance to build Senior Housing on a 46.078-acre lot. The proposed community would be built in phases, each phase consisting of a multi-unit (55+) age restricted building, 40'x80' footprint, 2.5 stories in height, containing 6 dwelling units. Abutters and members of the public are encouraged to attend and provide feedback.

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Superior Court
Docket No. 2679CV00575
RE:Patrick J. Cavanaugh
ORDER OF NOTICE
BY PUBLICATION
TO:
United Mortgage Lenders, Inc.

WHEREAS a civil action has been begun against you in our Superior Court by Patrick J. Cavanaugh ("**Plaintiff**") wherein he is seeking service of process by publication in a quiet title action pertaining to the title to the real estate at **3102 South Main Street, Palmer, Hampden County, Massachusetts** more particularly in which the Plaintiff seeks to expunge and discharge a March 25, 2005 Mortgage to the Defendant recorded at the Hampden Registry of Deeds in Book 14900, Page 267.

We COMMAND YOU if you intend to make any defense, that on November 27, 2026 or within such further time as the law allows you do cause your written pleading to be filed in the office of the Superior Court, Clerk's Office at Roderick L. Ireland Courthouse, 50 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts 01103, with a copy to Thomas J. Flaherty, Esq., Bacon Flaherty LLC, 15 South Main Street, Randolph, MA 02368 and further that you defend against said suit according to law if you intend any defense, and that you do and receive what the Court shall order and adjudge therein.

Hereof fail not, at your peril, or as otherwise said suit may be adjudged and orders entered in your absence.

It appearing to this Court that no personal service of the Complaint has been made on the defendants identified herein above that after diligent search Plaintiffs can find no such persons upon whom they can lawfully make service, it is **ORDERED** that notice of this suit be given to them by publishing on **three** (3) occasions in The Palmer Journal, with said publication to be at least 20 days before the above responsive pleading due date.

Dated at Springfield, Massachusetts this 6th day of October, 2026.

T. Trapani, Justice

10/15, 10/22, 10/29/2026

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE OF
MORTGAGEE'S
SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: **10 Polly Road, Wales, MA 01081**

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Craig P. Garvey and Nicole J. Tardiff to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Caliber Home Loans, Inc., dated March 11, 2022, and recorded with the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 24444, Page 392, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment of mortgage from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Caliber Home Loans, Inc. to Newrez LLC, dated March 27, 2026, and recorded with said Registry in Book 26268, Page 240, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold by **Public Auction** at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 30th day of November, 2026, at the mortgaged premises located at 10 Polly Road, Wales, Hampden County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

To wit: All that a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated on the westerly side of Polly Road in Wales, Hampden County, Massachusetts, shown as LOT 5 on a plan of land entitled, "Plan of Property surveyed for Richard A. Washburn and Ruth J. Washburn, Trustees for the Michael Todd Matteson & Timothy Russell Matteson located on Polly Road, Massachusetts", by Jalbot Engineering Inc., dated May 21, 1987, and recorded with the Hampden County Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 248, Page 87 and 88, to which plan reference is made for a more particular description. The improvements thereon being known as 10 Polly Road, Wales, Massachusetts - 01081. Premises to be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. High bidder to sign written memorandum of sale upon acceptance of the high bid. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid by certified or bank check at Friedman Vartolo LLP, 1325 Franklin Avenue, Suite 160, Garden City, New York 11530, within thirty (30) days from the date of the sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. In the event of an error in this publication, the description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

NewRez LLC,
Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys,
Friedman Vartolo LLP
1325 Franklin Avenue,
Suite 160,
Garden City, New York 11530

10/22, 10/29, 11/05/2026

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD
SELECT BOARD OFFICE
Request for Qualifications
(RFQ)
Architectural Services for
Historic Window Restoration
at Brimfield Town Hall

The Town of Brimfield is soliciting proposals for designer services for the restoration of windows on its historic Town Hall, including but not limited to the development of construction drawings and specifications and bid documents. Sealed proposals, appropriately marked, for architectural services from firms with experience in historic restoration will be received no later than **Thursday, November 5, 2026 at 10:00AM** at the Brimfield Select Board Office, Town Hall Annex, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA. All respondents must be able to comply with the RFQ specifications and follow all instructions in preparing RFQ responses.

Bid packets will be available for pickup beginning October 19, 2026 at the Brimfield Select Board Office, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA from 9:00AM to 5:00PM Monday-Thursday or by emailing the Chief Procurement Officer at selectboard@brimfieldma.org.

An optional site visit will be held on October 28, 2026 at 10:00AM. All questions must be submitted in writing to the Chief Procurement Officer, no later than 2:00PM on October 29, 2026. All questions/answers and addendums will be distributed to all bid package holders.

Envelopes must be clearly marked "**Architectural Services for Historic Window Restoration at Brimfield Town Hall**" and include the bid opening date and time. Submissions must include one (1) original, five (5) copies, and one (1) electronic copy and must be submitted no later than **November 5, 2026 at 10:00AM.** No bids will be accepted after the time and date specified. Executed Certificates of Corporate Authority, Non-Collusion, and Tax Compliance must be included in all bid submissions. The final negotiated fee shall not exceed $35,000. Estimated cost of construction is $250,000.

This solicitation is being conducted in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 7C, §§ 44-58.

The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and/or waive any minor informalities on proposals received if it is deemed in the public interest to do so.

Chris DeFalco
Chief Procurement Officer
Town of Brimfield, MA
selectboard@brimfieldma.org

10/22, 10/29/2026

Commonwealth
of Massachusetts
County of Hampden
The Superior Court
CIVIL DOCKET
#2679CV0648

RE: **U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee for the Towd Point Mortgage Trust 2020-3 v. Richard H. Wahlers, Jr., as Personal Representative of the Estate of Antonia M. Wahlers a/k/a Antonia Maria Wahlers, et al**

ORDER OF NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: **Richard H. Wahlers, Jr., as Personal Representative of the Estate of Antonia M. Wahlers a/k/s Antonia Maria Wahlers, and Richard H. Wahlers, Jr.**, individuals with a last known address of 70 Reed Street, PO Box 40 Warren, MA 01083; **in the County of Worcester; all in said Commonwealth; Michael P. Wahlers**, an individual with a last known address of 28700 Megan Drive, Bonita Springs, FL, 34135; **The Heirs, Devisees and Legal Representatives of the Estate of Pamela M. Keith**, with a last known residence of 179 State Street, Palmer, MA 01026; Alissa Lois Nelson, an individual with a last known address of 4265 Keygate Dr. Apt. 17, Toledo, OH 43614; **Christopher Thomas Keith**, an individual with a last known address of 1950 Farrar Dr., Apt. 6, Rolla, MO 65401; **Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Estate Tax Division**, a government agency, with an address of c/o Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, 1 Ashburton Place, 20th Floor, Boston, MA 02108; **The United States of America, Department of the Treasury, acting through the Internal Revenue Services**, a government agency, with an address of c/o US Attorney Office, 1 Courthouse Way, Suite 9200, Boston, MA 02210.

AND TO ALL PERSONS ENTITLED TO THE BENEFIT OF THE SERVICE MEMBERS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT OF 1940 AS AMENDED 2003 as amended:

U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee for the Towd Point Mortgage Trust 2020-3, a Delaware Statutory Trust, with a mailing address of c/0 3217 S. Decker Lake Dr., Salt Lake City, UT 84119

claiming to be the holder by assignment of mortgage encumbering the real property known as 179 State Street, Palmer, MA 01069

given by Richard H. Wahlers and Antonia M. Wahlers to Wells Fargo Financial Massachusetts, Inc., dated March 26, 2027

recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 16611, Page 5 has filed with said court a Complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry on and possession of the premises therein described and by exercise of the power of sale contained in said mortgage.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Service Members' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended, and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Springfield in said County on or before November 16, 2026 or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said Act.

Witness, Michael D. Ricciuti, Esquire, Chief Justice of the Superior Court, at Springfield, Massachusetts, this 5th day of October, 2026.

Laura S. Gentile,
Clerk of the Courts

10/22/2026

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Deadline for Calendar submissions is October 28.

MAIL YOUR LISTING INFORMATION TO:
Turley Publications, Attn: Jamie Joslyn,
24 Water Street, Palmer, MA 01069
or email* them to: jamie@turley.com
***Be sure to indicate "Dazzler"**
in the subject line of your email.

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HELPING YOU FIND HELP

TOWN OF NEW BRAINTREE PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT

The Town of New Braintree is seeking an individual to fill a part-time vacancy for three hours per week of custodial work at the town hall and snow removal as needed. You may inquire at the Select Board Office for more information by calling **508-867-2071 ext. 100** or via email at **racerra@newbraintree.gov.**

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