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Visitor Center.

Campbell said his father was a tremendous speaker, and how he could mesmerize an auditorium full of people with his words, but that he didn't share his father's love of public speaking.

"I knew I couldn't give a great speech, so I slid into his shoes," Campbell said, pointing to his father's shoes on his feet. Campbell also wore his father's trusty Timex watch.

He shared a photo of his father at 19-years-old, standing in the spillway wearing a tie, which he was known to wear on almost all occasions.

Campbell said his father had a lot of pipedreams, and he was sure that there were many people who believed

the Visitor Center was one of them.

Campbell said he was happy that Terry was included in the renaming of the Visitor Center.

"I don't think he could have pulled this off without her," he said.

About the Quabbin Visitor Center
The Les and Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor Center, 485 Ware Road, Belchertown, is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. It is open year-round and features exhibits, brochures, books and videos about Quabbin management and history.

For more information, call 413-323-7221 or email QuabbinVisitor.Center@mass.gov.

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"They're ready to feed an army three times a day," Provost.

Farmer Matt will also be there serving up some of his signature dishes at no cost. Farmer Matt is located just down the road from the State Police Academy, at 860 West Brookfield Road.

Located on the grounds of the former Pioneer Valley Academy, the State Police Academy covers just under 780 acres in the rural town.

Pioneer Valley Academy was a co-ed boarding school operated by the Southern New England Conference of Seventh-day Adventists that provided high school education to hundreds of students from 1965-1983.

After the school closed and was unused for a number of years, construction began in the late 1980s to turn it into a state prison. Facing fierce opposition from residents and people from surrounding towns, the plan was eventually abandoned.

The State Police relocated their training academy to the site, and in 1992 graduated their first class of recruits, the 70th RTT.

Provost was a member of the second class to graduate from the New Braintree campus, the 71st RTT, and stepped into his role as Commandant last year.

Since he arrived in New Braintree, he has talked with Deputy Division Commander of Training Major Steven McCarthy about hosting a Community Day to engage the public.

Not much has changed since it's days as a school, with the buildings repurposed to suit the State Police's training needs.

The B building of the former school is now the main building of the State Police Academy, and A and C, the former men's and women's dormitories, still serve the same purpose.

Both A and C had chapels when it was a school, and they have since been converted into large classrooms capable of seating 100 recruits.

The State Police Academy campus is also home to the State Police Regional Dispatch center, which provides services to close to a dozen towns, including New Braintree, Hardwick, Brimfield, Brookfield, East Brookfield, North Brookfield, West Brookfield, Holland, Petersham and Wales.

The cafeteria is still that, but now has a wall lined with navy blue hats, or covers.

"It's our version of 'ringing the bell,'" Provost said, referring to when candidates "volunteer out" of Navy SEAL training.

Each hat represents a recruit that has left the State Police Academy before finishing training. The 88th RTT started with 249 recruits and there are now 167 remaining.

Only about one out of every three

recruits make it to the end and graduates.

Training at the State Police Academy is intense, with 16-hour days Monday through Friday for about 23 weeks.

As a paramilitary organization, training at the State Police Academy is both physically and mentally demanding, and broken into three phases. It ranges from classroom training to hands-on, giving recruits confidence in the field.

The first phase demonstrates and teaches the necessary skills and techniques needed by recruits, and in the final phase, the recruits are trained to be autonomous.

"They are working to be independent," McCarthy said.

The grounds of the State Police Academy are also home to a firearms range, a ropes confidence course, a gym and more. The State Police Academy works with municipal police departments from across the state, offering the use of its state-of-the-art training facility.

The State Police Academy's wells also provide water to the town's grade school and Town Hall.

Local farmers lease the fields for haying, and hunters utilize the grounds during hunting seasons, Provost said. The gym is also open for public use, available around training schedules.

Sunsets and sunrises up on the hill are the most breathtaking he's ever seen, Provost said.

The Community Day event is really just that; a celebration of the community and its role in supporting the State Police Academy.

"We appreciate New Braintree very much," Provost said.

People are also encouraged to join in the ongoing food drive at the State Police Academy during Community Day, to benefit the Worcester County Food Bank.

Requested donations include non-perishable gluten-free food, spices and condiments, healthy snacks (such as nuts, granola bars, canned and dried fruits), cereals, rice, pasta, canned pasta sauce, dry beans (all varieties), low-sodium broths/soups/stews/chili and 100% fruit and vegetable juices.

All items must have a clear expiration date and ingredient list. Try to avoid sugar-sweetened beverages such as soda and non-fruit juice, candy products and energy drinks.

Menstrual care products and hygiene items are also needed.

Please do not donate alcohol or mixers intended to be used with alcohol, over the counter oral medications, flammable products (such as lighter, matches or charcoal), products in glass containers, perishable products, opened products or expired products.



The Deloreans will perform on Sunday, July 9 from 2-5 p.m. at Powder Mill Park, corner Smithville and Meadow Roads. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Sunday afternoon concerts continue

SPENCER – The Spencer Parks & Recreation Commission's 2023 Summer Concert Series features the Deloreans on Sunday, July 9 from 2-5 p.m. at Powder Mill Park, corner Smithville and Meadow Roads.

The Deloreans is a seven-piece horn band that performs mostly pop, rock and soul hits of the 1970s and 1980s.

The instrumentation is guitar, bass, drums, keyboards, sax, trumpet and trombone. Four members sing and create great harmonies and backups.

Savage Wraps food truck will be on hand serving fresh, unique wraps, soft drinks and ice cream during this week's show.

The series continues every Sunday from July 16 through Aug. 27.

The concert series is proudly sponsored by Cornerstone Bank. Cornerstone Bank is an independent, mutual savings bank serving the residents, businesses, and communities throughout Central Massachusetts.

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Town of North Brookfield Board of Selectmen Public Hearing Notice

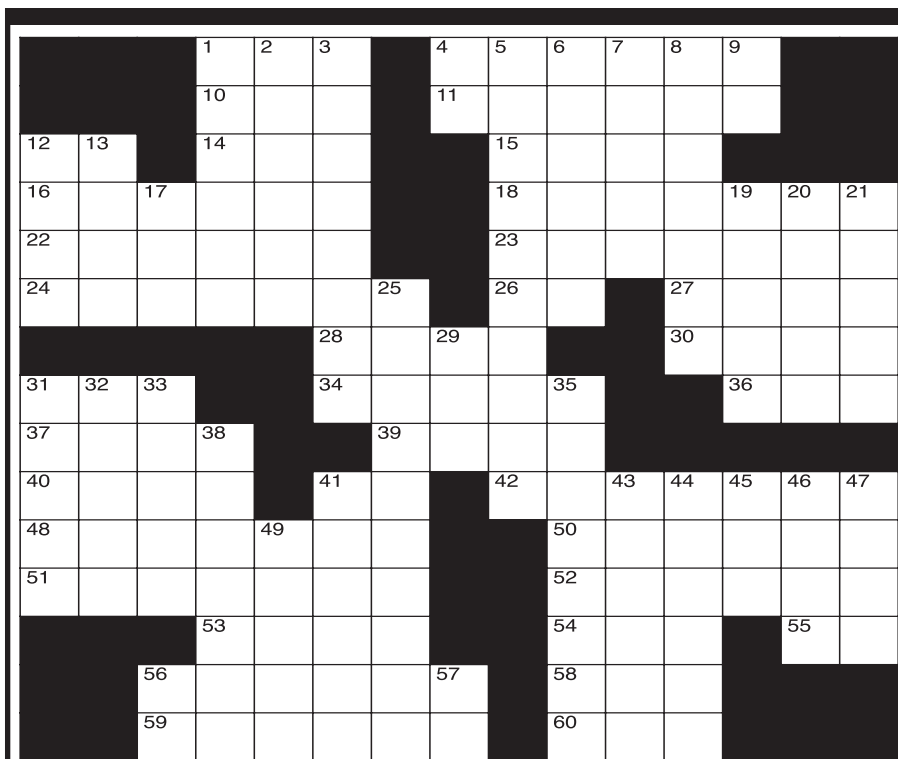
The North Brookfield Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on the application of Connect Restaurant NB for a new On-Premise All Liquor

Restaurant License at 341 North Main Street, North Brookfield, MA 01535. The hearing will be held at **6:15PM on Tuesday, August 1, 2023** at the North Brookfield Police Department, located at 55 School Street, during the

regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen. All interested parties are urged to attend.

Jason M Petraitis, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
June 28, 2023

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| CLUES ACROSS | 31. "American Idol" network | CLUES DOWN | 29. Creative output |
| 1. Small Eurasian deer | 34. Garments | 1. Make up for | 31. Recesses |
| 4. Irish county | 36. Soviet Socialist Republic | 2. American songbird | 32. District in N. Germany |
| 10. A major division of geological time | 37. Retired NFL DC Dean | 3. Pay | 33. Rider of Rohan |
| 11. Broadway actor Lane | 39. Hot meal | 4. International organization | 35. The official emblem of the German Third Reich |
| 12. Canadian province | 40. A type of gin | 5. Engravers | 38. One who puts down roots |
| 14. It causes fainting (abbr.) | 41. Percussion instrument | 6. Declared as fact | 41. Scribe |
| 15. Two | 42. A \$10 bill | 7. Criminal | 43. Painted a bright color |
| 16. A notable one is blue | 48. About ground | 8. Jewelry | 44. Tycoons |
| 18. Utter repeatedly | 50. Medicine man | 9. Hospital worker (abbr.) | 45. Actress Thurman |
| 22. Rings | 51. Seedless raisin | 12. Nonsense (slang) | 46. Walking accessory |
| 23. Sullies | 52. National capital of Albania | 13. Town in Galilee | 47. Crest of a hill |
| 24. Occurs | 53. Appendage | 17. Value | 49. Member of a North American people |
| 26. Publicity | 54. OJ trial judge | 19. Another name | 56. Type of computer |
| 27. Near | 55. By the way | 20. Sheep in second year before shearing | 57. U.S. State (abbr.) |
| 28. Tools of a trade | 56. Bicycle parts | 21. Town in Surrey, England | |
| 30. Offer in good faith | 58. Barbie's friend | 25. Appropriate during a time of year | |
| | 59. In a way, stretched | | |
| | 60. Commercials | | |