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As for the butterflies that visited the senior center, none had ever been to the conservatory.

“So they don’t know they are being released into 8,000 square feet when they get home. That’s what we do; we take newborn butterflies with us and then we let them go when we get back to Magic Wings,” Fiore said.

Fiore is perhaps most touched when she encounters a youth that shows a great interest in the species she’s presenting. She noted that Magic Wings curator Fred Gagnon has been playing with bugs since he was three-years-old.

Regarding the success of Magic Wings, Fiore said it’s as simple as people loving nature and butterflies

in particular.

“Butterflies are really symbolic; not just beautiful. They mean a lot to a lot of people personally and so being able to come share that with people of all ages just keeps me going,” she said.

For the children who arrived from Green Valley Preschool & Daycare, the experience must have felt like a once in a lifetime; in fact, many of them had never been on a bus before.

“I’m hoping the bus driver sneaks in a little round about so we get a little bit longer bus ride just to take advantage,” said Program Director Traci Croteau.

Croteau said the school has been participating in an outreach program

with the senior center, where the children send out arts and crafts.

The visit to the senior center was the school’s first field trip in three years. Croteau was pleased with how the children reacted to a new, strange environment.

“I think they feel safe. In this day and age, I think that’s important,” she said. “I think our kids handled it pretty well, being around people they didn’t recognize. That whole stranger danger piece. But I love bringing the young and the old together. I think it helps everything. So many people are smiling here today, it’s amazing.”

(Staff photos by Dalton Zbierski)

**Children from the Green Valley Preschool & Daycare joined seniors at the senior center last Wednesday for a butterfly presentation.**



**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**WILBRAHAM PLANNING BOARD**  
The Wilbraham Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at 6:00 PM** in the Town Office Building, 240 Springfield Street, on the application of Amp Energy for a Special Permit as required under Sections 3.4.3.7 and 10.7 of the Wilbraham Zoning By-Law to allow modification of a prior special permit (SP18-06) for a large-scale ground-mounted solar energy system on property owned by ASL Three Rivers Land Holdings LLC

located at 285 Three Rivers Road to allow an extension of the deadline to complete work as well as project modifications including changes to stormwater design, grading, landscaping, and location and configuration of equipment pads as shown on information on file in the Planning Office and posted for public viewing on the Planning Board page of the Town of Wilbraham website at [www.wilbraham-ma.gov/123/Planning-Board](http://www.wilbraham-ma.gov/123/Planning-Board). Both in person and virtual participation are available. To participate virtually go to <https://meet.goto.com/338451845> or call 877-309-2073 (Access Code: 338-451-845).

John McCloskey  
Chair  
05/04, 05/11/2023

**WILBRAHAM BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING**  
The Wilbraham Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on **Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 5:45 PM** on the application of Matrissa Crapps and India Kyles for a special permit under section 3.4.5.14 of the Wilbraham

Zoning By-Law to allow Unit #1 of the existing building on property owned by Resource Development LLP located at 1964 Boston Road to be leased for use as a fitness studio as further specified in the application on file in the Planning Office and posted for public viewing on the Zoning Board of Appeals page of the Town of Wilbraham website at [www.wilbraham-ma.gov/135/Zoning-Board-of-Appeals](http://www.wilbraham-ma.gov/135/Zoning-Board-of-Appeals). Both in person and virtual participation are available. To participate virtually go to <https://meet.goto.com/259097525> or call 866-899-4679 (Access Code: 259-097-525).

Edward Kivari Jr., Chairman  
05/04, 05/11/2023

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LKO: Kiana Carter

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Philadelphia PA 19152

**2017 Hyundai Elantra**  
VIN: 5NPD74LF8HH212762  
COLOR: Silver  
LKO: Deborah Magill  
53 Champlain Ave  
Indian Orchard MA

R & S Assoc. Inc.  
Wilbraham MA  
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