

Wilbraham Public Library holding contest for a new logo

WILBRAHAM - Wilbraham Public Library is looking for a new logo! The library is hosting, with sponsorship from the Wilbraham Friends of the Library, a new logo design contest. To enter, the artist must be a resident of Wilbraham, Massachusetts from high school age and up. Entries must be original artwork, of scannable quality, and on 8x11.5" paper. The logo entry must include an animal, or animals, reading a book or books. It must also display the words 'Wilbra-

ham Public Library.' "We are excited to open up this opportunity to artists in Wilbraham! The library is a community center, and as such, it is fitting that our new logo come from a resident. What a great way to celebrate how important our library is to Wilbraham!" – Melissa Harter, Library Director. Submissions will be accepted at the Library Service Desk until April 15. The design chosen will win a prize of \$250. The winner will be announce on April 25, 2026.

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looking forward to warmer temperatures.

Red-tailed hawk

A Rutland couple saw a red-tailed hawk quickly grab a gray squirrel her husband shot. They watched it hungrily consume a "warm meal" in the yard. They moved their feeder nearer to the house due to the deep snow. They have lots of black-capped chickadees and woodpeckers come to the new location

Bluebirds

An Oakham resident sees bluebirds on a daily basis. She enjoys watching them.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edowner@turley.com or mailing to Barre Gazette, P.O. Box 448, Barre, MA 01005. The Palmer office has a new phone system and I will be getting an extension where messages may be left. I will publish the number as soon as it is set up.

Town of Hampden
Notice of Public Hearing
The Hampden Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at 6:30 PM** in the Town Hall, 85 Wilbraham Road, Hampden, MA on the application of Salmar Realty, LLC c/o Peter Martins for a Special Permit under Section 6, Table of Use Regulation Use Code 4.14 within Table 6.0 of the Zoning Bylaw for a restaurant and a Special Permit with Site Plan Approval under Section 6, Use Code 4.12 for a retail establishment both within the Business District located at 2 Somers Road, Lot #3 (Parcel #12-040-000) owned by Hampden Farms LLC. Information related to this application is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and is available for review by the public during normal business hours.
For the Board,
Madison Pixley, Chair
Hampden Planning Board
03/05, 03/12/2026

Hampden
Zoning Board of Appeals
Notice of Public Hearing
The Hampden Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 6 PM** in the Town Hall, 85 Wilbraham Road, Hampden, MA, for those interested in the petition of owners Kevin and Kelly Sacco for a Special Permit or Variance for the side setback under Section 7, Table 7.2 of the Zoning Bylaw to allow the addition of a garage (14 ft 6 in X 24 ft) to their residence located at 356 South Road. The petition and related materials are on file in the Town Clerk's office and may be viewed during normal business hours. For the Board,
L. Jed Berliner, Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals
03/05, 03/12/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
Docket No. HD26P0435GD
In the matter of: Joanne Guiel
Of: Wilbraham, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by
Paige Lawor of Wilbraham, MA
Patricia Vaselacopoulos of Chicopee, MA
in the above captioned matter alleging that **Joanne Guiel** is in need of a Guardian and request-

ing that
Paige Lawor of Wilbraham, MA
Patricia Vaselacopoulos of Chicopee, MA
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of **03/31/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Claudine T. Stoudemire, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 02, 2026
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
03/12/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD26P0443EA
Estate of: Harold Joseph Nadeau, Jr.
Also known as: Harry Hal
Date of Death: 04/16/2025
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Tina M Nadeau of Springfield, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in

Marilyn (Petty) Jordan

Marilyn (Petty) Jordan of Sarasota FL, formerly of St Petersburg, FL and Hampden, MA, passed away on February 6, 2026, at Brookdale Colonial Park. Marilyn was born in Springfield, MA, to Raymond Petty and Edith (Naughton) Petty. She graduated from Commerce High in 1959. She cherished her childhood friendships and maintained them throughout her life. She enjoyed being a stay-at-home mom and participated in volunteering at Girl Scouts and as a Boy Scout den mother. She was a romance novel aficionado and many friends left her home with a bag full of books to borrow. She loved photos. We had to make sure to take plenty of photos of family as well as flowers, artwork and swans for her. Marilyn loved to dance to '50s music and play card games like Hand and Foot. She enjoyed crafts, including painting and crochet and I loved teaching the kids and grandkids all kinds of arts and crafts. She would also participate in Ladies Aid at the Hampden (MA) Federated Church. Marilyn Jordan is survived by her children Deb-

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DEATH NOTICE
Marilyn (Petty) Jordan
Died: Feb. 6, 2026
Private celebration of life

orah Jordan, Ronald Jordan and his wife Angie and Robert Jordan and his wife Jenn, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Predeceased by her husband Richard Jordan and her brother Clinton Petty, brother-in-law Raymond Jordan and his wife Ethel and sister-in-law Hazel Mallory and her husband Arthur Mallory. In lieu of a funeral service, there will be a private celebration of life held this summer.

OBITUARY

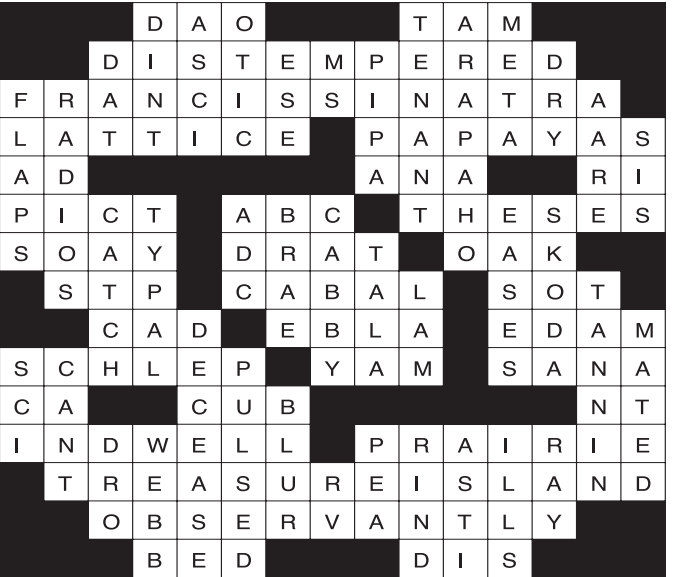
Wilbraham-Hampden Times
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PUBLIC NOTICES

the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that **Tina M Nadeau of Springfield, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/31/2026. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
WITNESS, Hon. Claudine T. Stoudemire, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 03, 2026
Rosemary A Saccomani
Register of Probate
03/12/2026

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
REPAINTING THE OLDMEETING HOUSE
450 Main Street
Wilbraham, Massachusetts 01095
The Town of Wilbraham, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids for repainting The Old Meeting House, 450 Main Street, Wilbraham, MA 01095. The work, estimated at \$110,000, involves minor scraping areas of loose existing lead bearing paint, and repainting the exterior of the building, with alternates to also repaint the interior of the 2 floors of the rear porch and repainting the Hearse House in the rear yard. Bidder selection, procedures and contract awards shall be in conformity with M.G.L. Chapter 149 section 44. State mandated prevailing wage rates must be paid according to M.G.L. Chapter 149 sections 26-27H. Digital copies of the drawings and specifications may be obtained by emailing requests to the office of Roy S. Brown Architects at 85rsba@gmail.com after Thursday, 03. 12. 2026. A contractor briefing on site is planned for Thursday, 03.19. 2026 at 10:00 am. Questions pertaining to the general bid will be accepted until Saturday, 03. 21.2026. All questions are to be emailed to the office of Roy S. Brown

SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES
This ad is pursuant to MA Gen. Law Ch.255, Sec. 39A as of March 27, 2026 the following motor vehicle will be for sale to satisfy a garage keepers lien:
2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee
VIN#: 1C4RJFAG7CC115586



Architects at **85rsba@gmail.com**. All answers to questions pertaining to the general bid will be distributed to all plan holders by Tuesday, 03.24.2026 at 12:00 pm.
General bids will be accepted from eligible bidders at the office of the Board of Selectmen, 240 Springfield Street, Wilbraham, Massachusetts 01095 Thursday 03.26.2026, at 12:00 noon when they shall be publicly opened and read aloud. A 5% bid security is required to be included in the bid package..
The Awarding Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids, should it be deemed in the public interest to do so.
Samuel Boyd,
Facilities and Grounds Director
03/12/2026
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD26P0449EA
Estate of: Robert H Zepke
Also known as: Robert Henry Zepke
Date of Death: 01/25/2026
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Amanda Lee Haldeman of Hampden, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that **Amanda Lee Haldeman of Hampden, MA** and **Christopher Hans Zepke of Hampden, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.
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WITNESS, Hon. Claudine T. Stoudemire, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 03, 2026
Rosemary A Saccomani
Register of Probate
03/12/2026

Please check the accuracy of your legal notice prior to submission (i.e., date, time, spelling). Also, be sure the requested publication date coincides with the purpose of the notice, or as the law demands. Thank you.

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