

Pioneer Valley Financial Group announces Kevin Sylvester has earned his CPF®

REGION - Pioneer Valley Financial Group (PV) is proud to announce that Kevin Sylvester has earned his CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® (CFP®) certification, becoming the firm's second CFP® professional. Sylvester joined the PV team in 2019 and has consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to professional growth and client service. His dedication to advancing his knowledge and expertise reflects both his personal drive and PV's culture of continuous development.

"The cornerstone of PV Financial Group is our continued support of professional development for our team," said Managing Partner and Wealth Advisor Ed Sokolowski. "Kevin has shown that commitment since the day he started, and

our clients are better for it."

Before entering the financial services industry, Sylvester made a career change in 2011 and returned to school while balancing the demands of work and family. He attended University of Massachusetts Amherst, graduating in 2018 with a degree in Mathematics and a concentration in Actuarial Science. Shortly after, he began his career in wealth management, where he discovered a passion for helping clients achieve long-term financial success.

Sylvester continued to build on his expertise by earning both his Accredited Investment Fiduciary® (AIF®) and Certified Plan



Kevin Sylvester

Fiduciary Advisor® (CPFA®) designations, further strengthening his ability to serve clients with integrity and insight.

The CFP® certification is one of the most respected credentials in the financial planning industry. To earn the designation, candidates must complete rigorous education requirements, pass a comprehensive six-hour examination, gain relevant professional experience, and commit to upholding strict ethical standards.

Sylvester's achievement marks an important milestone for both his career and Pioneer Valley Financial Group's ongoing commitment to excellence.

Plow Day 2026 this Saturday

WILBRAHAM - The Wilbraham Community Garden proudly announces the 15th Annual "Plowing the Community Garden" event.

This event will take place on Saturday, May 2 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Wilbraham Community Garden located at 700 Monson Road in Wilbraham. There will be several teams of Draft Horses including Mainly Drafts and Cedar Knoll Farm preparing the soil the slow old fashioned way utilizing walking and riding plows. I

f you missed this event in the past, don't miss it this year as this may be the

last one. The list of local vendors grows every day including Little Oak Farm, Kaits Creatures, and Sokol Coffee Roasters. Hot Rod Dogs from Monson will be on-site with lunch items for sale and the musical entertainment will be brought to you by The Murpyzs.

Bring your camera and a chair and join us for a wonderful event. This is a shine only event.

If there is inclement stormy weather, this event will be cancelled. For more information or to be a vendor, please call Melissa Graves in the Conservation office at 596-2800, ext. 204.

Blessing of the Animals at Federated Community Church in Hampden

HAMPDEN - Federated Community Church at 590 Main Street in Hampden will hold a Blessing of the Animals event on Saturday, May 9 from 1 to 3 p.m., weather permitting.

We will provide drinking water for pets, but please make sure to bring their own water dish. Dogs must be on leashes. All are welcome!

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lands as wetlands are one of the most critical, environmental protection factors in a changing climate," Zeno said. "So, I think it's really great to inform the town about that."

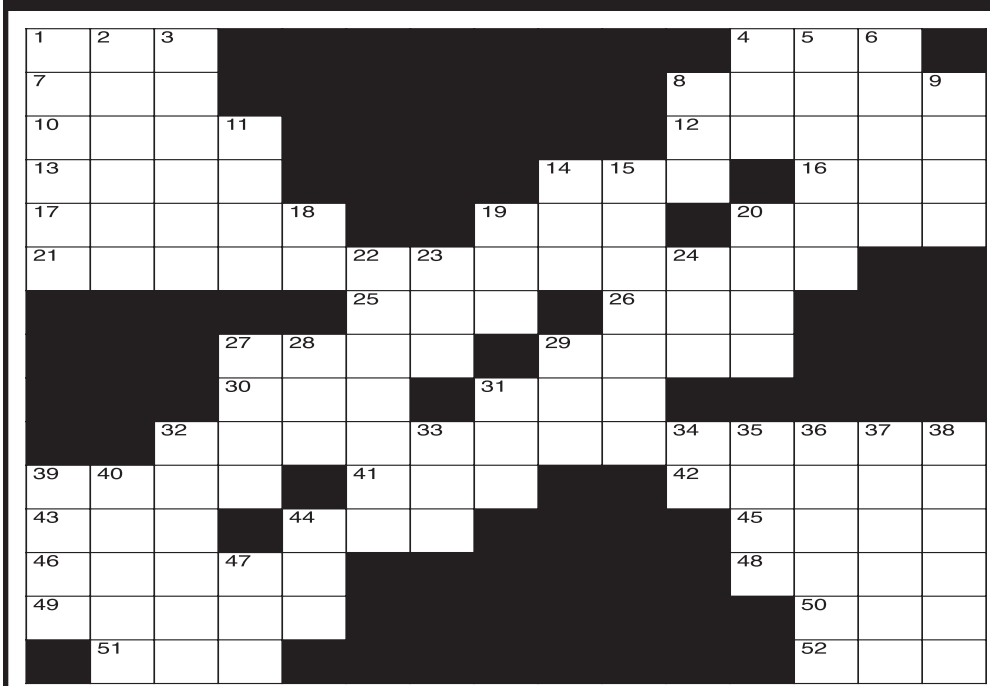
Zeno's message was this. "I really want to let the

town know that the Conservation Commission is a group of people that wants to work with you and not against you and I really want to kind of drive the point home that we're not here to scold you or get you in trouble. We really want to work with you to make sure that your land and the

town's land is not being negatively affected. So, if anyone is ever questioning what the right thing is to do, just give me a call and we can work out a solution together," Zeno said.

To contact Zeno, email conservationagent@hampdenma.gov or call 413-566-2151, ext. 122.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Purchase
- 4. British news organization
- 7. Midway between northeast and east
- 8. Language specialist group
- 10. Fancy automobile
- 12. Small loop or series of loops
- 13. Exploiter
- 14. Don't know when yet
- 16. Group of languages
- 17. One who's finished
- 19. After B
- 20. Angled
- 21. A place to adopt pets
- 25. Swiss river
- 26. Young boy

- 27. Unexciting comedian Vidale
- 30. Peyton's little brother
- 31. Corporate higher-up
- 32. "All in the Family" star
- 39. Strike something forcefully
- 41. Up in the air (abbr.)
- 42. Clay earth pigments
- 43. Means to record brain activity
- 44. Small constellation
- 45. Embraces
- 46. Brief description
- 48. Exclude
- 49. White (French)
- 50. Insect
- 51. A major division of geological time

- 52. Soviet Socialist Republic
- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Type of whale
- 2. In tune
- 3. A citizen of Yemen
- 4. Actress Ling
- 5. One who supports
- 6. Circus performer
- 8. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
- 9. Quantitative fact
- 11. Utah city
- 14. Where a golfer begins
- 15. Attendant
- 18. The ancient Egyptian sun god
- 19. Book of Chronicles (abbr.)
- 20. Benedictine monk
- 22. Not turbulent

- 23. Car mechanics group
- 24. Buffer used in chemistry
- 27. Fall heavily
- 28. Pie ___ mode
- 29. The Brits love it
- 31. Children's TV channel (abbr.)
- 32. Jacksonville footballer
- 33. Helps little firms
- 34. ___ and behold
- 35. A way to resemble
- 36. Fingers
- 37. Excessive indulgences
- 38. You might be an "empty" one
- 39. "How the West Was Won" writer
- 40. European river
- 44. They begin the alphabet
- 47. The body's messenger

PUBLIC NOTICES

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. HD22P2394EA
 Estate of:
 Darlene Joyce Calabrese
 Date of Death: 07/09/2022
 CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
 To all interested persons:
 A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: Susan M McCoy of Springfield, MA requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
 You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/11/2026.

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.
 Witness, Claudine T. Stoudemire, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: April 23, 2026
 Rosemary A Saccomani,
 Register of Probate
 04/30/2026

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. HD26P0192EA
 Estate of:
 Elizabeth C Hetzel
 Date of Death: 11/12/2025
 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 Peter P Porowski of Belchertown, 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 Peter P Porowski of Belchertown, 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 06/02/2026. 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 CODE (MUPC)

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

WITNESS, Hon. Claudine T. Stoudemire, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: April 15, 2026
 Rosemary A Saccomani,
 Register of Probate
 04/30/2026

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