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ney, and more.

"I endured. I'm strong, I relied on my faith and my friends, but there were times I was crying. When I was asking, why me? When life wasn't great," Puppolo said.

However, Puppolo did not let this tear her down and led her to begin her journey of soul-searching. Since her diagnosis, she has attended multiple Breast Cancer Retreats.

There, she was able to have fun while making lifelong friends that she referred to as her "Pink Sisters," even going as far as walking a Runway Show in New York alongside them.

Puppolo described letting loose and dancing across the runway in a beautiful pink dress, carrying a sense of pride.

"I did it for my ancestors. I did it for my mom, I did it for my aunts who passed away from Breast Cancer. I did it for all my relatives, friends, everybody. I just let loose," Puppolo said.

Puppolo credited these retreat experiences as highly supportive and healing for her.

"For someone like myself that needs community, I need the support. I need to talk about what I'm going through. Yes, it sucks to have Breast Cancer – it's a nightmare. But there is a community," Puppolo said.

Along the way, inspiration to write the memoir sparked. When asked why Puppolo wanted to share her self-discovery story with the world, she said writing the book was healing for her and she wanted to help others going through the same experience.

One piece of advice Puppolo had for the community was this.

"Get tested, make a phone call for a mammogram appointment. Don't hesitate. You know, one in eight women in their lifetime are diagnosed with Breast Cancer. One in eight, that's a pretty significant number. So just be proactive, be your own best advocate, keep fighting," Puppolo said.

Outside of advocating for Breast Cancer Awareness, Puppolo currently works at the Hampden County's Sheriff's Office. Her free time is spent writing children's books, dancing and at the library. Puppolo truly brings an empowering story to share to the community.

For more information, please contact mariapup@yahoo.com. Events like these highlight the importance of

spreading awareness and resources within the community. Harter expressed this.

"Libraries are the center of a town and community. It's so important that we represent everybody in our town. We have programs for all ages and everybody is welcome with no cost," Harter said.

Other upcoming events hosted by the WPL can be found on their website or in their newsletters.

OBITUARY

Jeffrey P. Green, Sr.

1944 – 2026



MONSON – Jeffrey P. Green, Sr., 82, died peacefully on Tuesday, October 21, 2026, surrounded by his loved ones at Baystate Medical Center. Jeff was born in New Bedford, MA to the late Robert and Jeannette "Ginger" Sullivan. At 1 year old, his father was killed in Normandy, during World War II and buried overseas in Holland. When Jeff was four, his mom married Harold Green, who adopted Jeff. His love of horses started at 9 years old, when his parents got him a pony for the summer and he rode on the beaches of Misquamicut.

Jeff retired from Hampden Engineering after many years of service. He was prominent in the horse world, earning a "Register of Merit" with his palomino Leotion. Jeff was always ready to help "horse people" or kids get started in horsemanship and 4H. Like Terry Ferrara, who he helped start showing horses. Also, his younger cousin Maureen (Flynn) Strycharz got a pony from Jeff every summer and he would take her trail riding and to horse sales.

Jeff had a quick wit and "Irishy" humor that always made everyone laugh. He was a dog lover and had many over the years; Pete, Weaze, Kit and Frankie, to name a few. An avid NASCAR fan, Jeff also loved Stafford Motor Speedway, friendships and family.

Jeff was predeceased by his first wife Laura Paul and his son Jeffrey P. Green, Jr. He will be sadly missed by his beloved wife of over 30 years Terry Worthley, son Rick and his wife Marcia of Hampden, brother Buddy Green of Hampden, sister Carole Carey and her husband Jim, six grandchildren; Lindsay, Kelsey, Kylee, Anthony Michael and Allie and four great grandchildren; Rayna Helen, Ella Mae, Wyatt Michael and Zaden. Jeff also leaves dear friends April and Pete Laviolette of NC, Becky Schofield of Monson, Larry Keyes of Wales, Lee Hylton of Springfield, the entire Flynn family of Hampden and his cousins Maureen Strycharz and Colleen Westberg and her husband Paul.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, November 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Wilbraham Funeral Home, 2551 Boston Rd., Wilbraham. Jeff will be interred, next to his wife Lori, on Friday at 12:00 Noon in Old Cemetery, Chapin Rd. in Hampden.

Jeff's family would like to sincerely thank the staff at Baystate Medical Center ICU for the exceptional care they provided to Jeff.

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Town of Hampden
Zoning Board of Appeals
Notice of Public Hearing

The Hampden Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, November 24, 2026 at 6 PM** in the Town Hall, 85 Wilbraham Road, Hampden, MA, for those interested in the petition of the Town of Hampden for a Special Permit or Variance for setback requirements under Section 7, Table 7.2 of the Zoning Bylaw for the construction of the proposed four-bay garage addition to the Fire Station located at 19 North 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.
11/05, 11/12/2026

TOWN OF WILBRAHAM
PUBLIC HEARING:
TAX CLASSIFICATION
(Posted October 20, 2026)
The hearing will begin at 6:30 PM, November 10, 2026

The Wilbraham Select Board will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 6:30 P.M.** in the Town Office Building, Select Board's Meeting Room, 240 Springfield Street, for the purpose of explaining, and soliciting comments relevant to, the establishment of the property tax rate for fiscal year 2027. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25. Residents may comment relative to the adoption of the tax levy percentages required by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 56, as amended. Anyone wishing to testify or comment should participate, virtually or in person, at the hearing at the time and date noted above.

WILBRAHAM
SELECT BOARD
10/29, 11/05/2026

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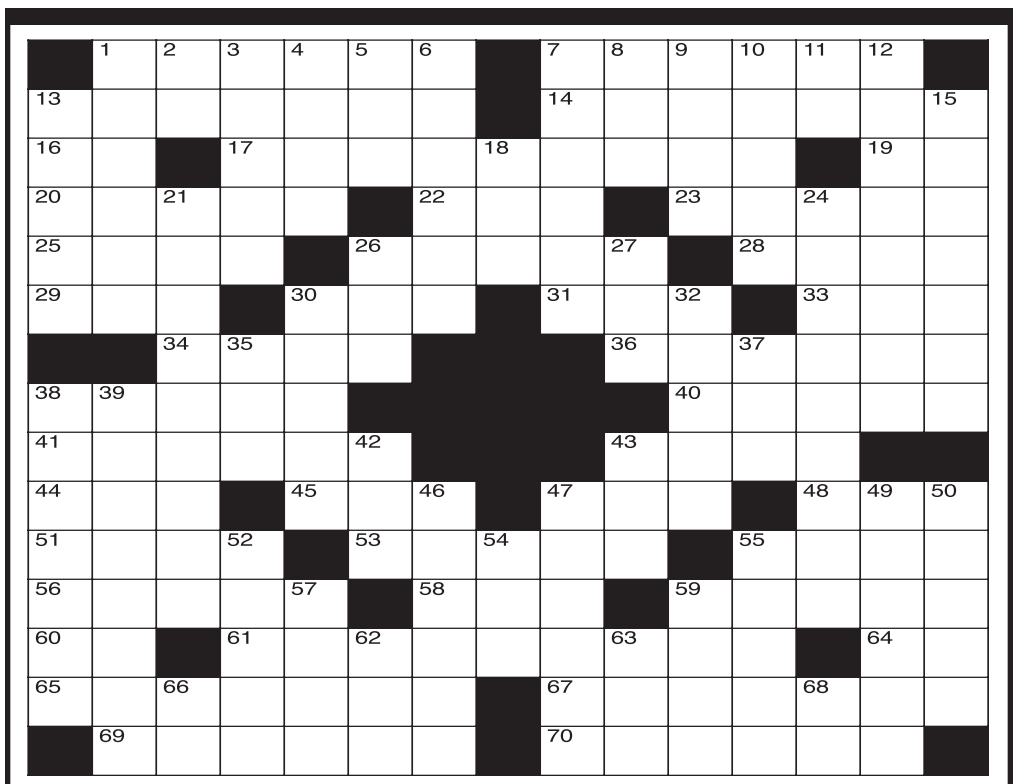
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Deadline for photos and forms is Thursday, December 4, 2026



CLUES ACROSS
1. Spiritual leaders
7. Containing salt
13. Fortified wine
14. Edible mollusk
16. Blood type
17. Make a comparison
19. Government lawyer
20. "Game of Thrones" actor Ciaran
22. 8th month of the year (abbr.)
23. Very willing
25. __ ex machina
26. Satisfies
28. New Zealand mountain
29. A doctrine
30. Popular Dodge truck model
31. Dekagram
33. Naturally occurring solid material
34. Company higher-up
36. Villains
38. Cricket frog genus
40. Influential early psychologist
41. Endured
43. Servant
44. You can get stuck in one
45. __ and feather
47. Passive optical network
48. French ballet dynasty
51. Employee stock ownership plan
53. Forming a bottom layer
55. Sound
56. Yankees slugger Judge
58. Dickens character
59. Beloved late sportscaster Craig
60. "The Mount Rushmore State"
61. Sarcastic and critical
64. Atomic #79
65. Longtime Atlanta Braves pitcher
67. Humor
69. Shawl
70. Preliminary assessment of patients

CLUES DOWN
1. Animal disease
2. Commercial
3. Craft supplies
4. Containers
5. A way to save for your golden years
6. Common Arabic greeting
7. Bulged downward
8. Acquired brain injury
9. Lay about
10. Intestinal
11. Not yes
12. In a way, pleased
13. Messianic figure in Islam
15. Resulting from intense conviction
18. Not in
21. Number above the line in a fraction
24. Lawn pest
26. Pouch
27. Ancient language (abbr.)
30. Start anew
32. Wild flower
35. Fourteen
37. Graphical user interface
38. Facing the same way
39. Campaigns
42. Touch lightly
43. "Boardwalk Empire" actress Gretchen
46. Violent seizure of property
47. One who supports the Pope
49. Malaise
50. Body fluid
52. Inauthentic person
54. Title of respect
55. Moth genus
57. Central Japan city
59. Silk garment
62. Draw from
63. Automobile
66. A male
68. Powerful government lawyer