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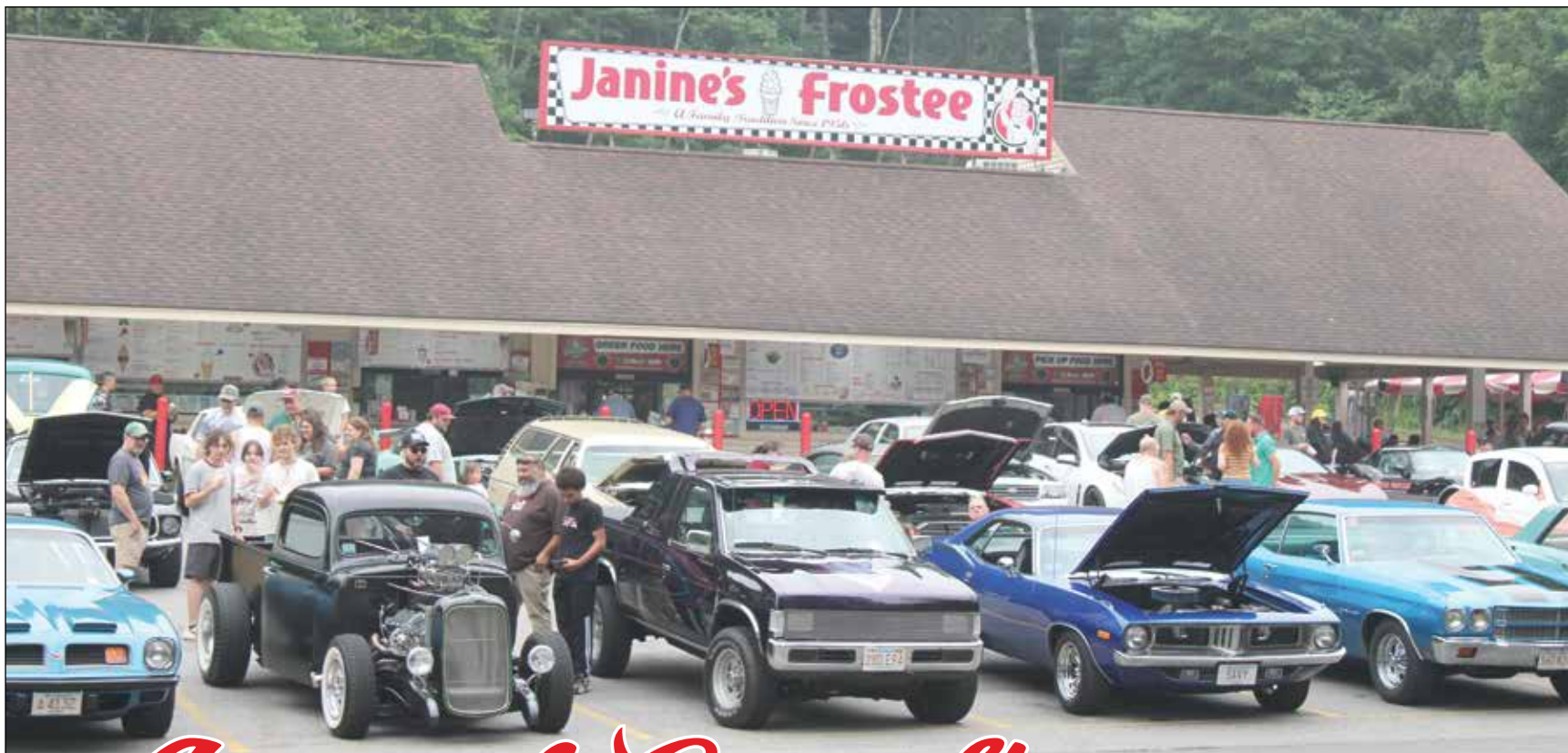
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Annual Car Show at Janine's returns for 21st year

Turley Photos
by Ryan Drago
The 21st Janine's
Frostee Annual
Car Show hap-
pened this past
Saturday with
over 50 cars
entered.

By Ryan Drago
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WARE – For the last 21 years, Janine's Frostee, 149 East St., has been the home of a popular annual car show.

This year's show featured over 50 vintage and modern cars, raffle prizes, live music, ice cream, food and fun.

Every year, Janine's Frostee selects a nonprofit organization to support during the annual car show. This year proceeds will go to support the veteran founded and focused nonprofit organization, Send Me Outdoors.

This nonprofit helps active-duty service members, veterans and their fam-

ilies rediscover what comes next through outdoor activities, meaningful service and authentic community. Send Me Outdoors creates outdoor experiences that foster camaraderie, restores strength, and strengthen mental wellness for active-duty service members, veterans and their families.

Members of Send Me Outdoors served as judges for this year's car show.

Co-owner of Janine's Frostee, Tim Dugas, greeted guests and car owners during the event and was excited to see all who showed up for this event.

"The community showed up," Dugas said.

The annual car show

brings the community together as folks merged their way through the parking lot of Janine's Frostee to see some unique cars and also support a good cause.

When asked if he had a favorite car, Dugas walked over to a Dodge Challenger Scat Pack 392 owned by Kim Fish. The vehicle was patriotic and custom made to honor the veterans who served the nation.

Fish has owned this Dodge since 2018 and loves the veterans who served and gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Fish wanted to bring out a meaningful message for

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Eli is shown in the driver's seat of a 1973 Plymouth Fury Sport Suburban.

Resident offers money toward pool

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WARE – The swimming pool committee met Monday to discuss the future of the former Reed Memorial Pool following the failure of a town meeting article that would have funded a design concept for a new pool.

At the July 20 meeting, committee member Ken Higney said he received an offer from a citizen, whom he did not reveal the name of, of \$40,000 to go toward the design, but he wanted the town to raise the rest of the \$10,000.

Committee members thought that would likely mean going back to town meeting and asking for funds.

William Imbier, another member of the pool committee said the town already voted against funding this pool twice, and now this would be the third time the town comes back to the voters. He did acknowledge that the ask of the voters has gone down each time.

Pool committee member John Desmond said the pool is good for the town,

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Man found deceased after 11-day search

Staff Report

WARREN – On July 19, Lieutenant Kyle Sledziewski of the Warren Fire Department announced that public safety agencies had located and recovered the body of missing 91-year-old Cutler Road resident, Elliott Blackwell, who was pronounced deceased.

Blackwell, who suffered from dementia, was believed to be walking in the woods behind his house when he was reported missing on July 8, but his direction of travel was unknown.

Sledziewski stated that at approximately 3:22 p.m. on July 19, a K-9 Search and Rescue team successfully located Blackwell after an extensive search effort.

Search and Rescue teams had navigated terrain since Blackwell was reported miss-

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Sweet Treats Bakery had an assortment of homemade baked goods, including cookies, mini loaves, rice crispy treats and brownies. See photos and coverage on page 5.

Planning Board hears Housing Production Plan presentation

By Ryan Drago
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WARREN – The Planning Board heard a Housing Production Plan grant presentation during its July 20 meeting.

Giving the presentation was Emily Glaubitz of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission. A Housing Production Plan is funding for municipalities to help them create or update a strat-

egy for developing and preserving affordable housing.

Glaubitz said this is a five-year state approved plan to help the town come up with some strategies for either creating more affordable housing or more diverse housing options. The focus is figuring out the town's needs when it comes to housing production.

Glaubitz plans on making regular updates during future Planning Board meetings as there is a step-by-step process in executing this plan.

There will also be efforts to gain community feedback, including the distribution of a survey.

CMRPC can gain feedback to get an idea of what housing is like in town. Once they review the feedback, the plan would come up with strategies and help the town manage developments that could be proposed.

The Planning Board requested to see a draft of

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Lions Service Carnival held at St. Stans

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WARREN – Lions Clubs, a part of District 33A, arrived at St. Stans Polish Club in West Warren over the weekend for a Lions Service Carnival.

The service carnival is known to be a membership drive and informational fair that highlights what the Lions are all about. The event is funded by

Massachusetts Lions, which has five different districts in the state with five different appointed governors.

Arriving in Warren was former Lions District Governor of District 33A, Curt Jameson and members of the Ware Lions Club. Jameson currently serves as Global Service Team Chairman and has been a Lion for 20 years.

While serving as District Governor, Jameson said District 33A consists of

Lions Clubs in central Massachusetts. There is a total of 45 Lions clubs in the district and Jameson said, "we have so much to offer."

The purpose of hosting a service carnival was to promote the opportunity to establish a Lions Club in the town of Warren. The town had a Lions Club years ago, and there hasn't been one in quite some time.

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Turley Photo by Ryan Drago
Left to right stands Paulo of Brazil, George of Hungary, Jonah of France and Mia of Bulgaria of the Lions International Youth Camp & Exchange program.



Town prepares for fireworks show on Aug. 1

Staff Report

WARE – In late January of this year, the town’s Fireworks Committee was given the go ahead to start planning the upcoming annual fireworks show.

“The fireworks display was set to anchor the weeklong festivities that were planned to celebrate our nation’s 250th anniversary,” said Nicole Croteau, Fireworks Committee member. “We had created a solid fireworks program foundation over the past two years but the committee members wanted to keep growing the event.”

“This is a once in a lifetime celebration,” said Dustin Pennington, committee member. “The 250th anniversary committee had put together a wonderful week of celebratory activities. It was our mission to end the anniversary week with an unforgettable evening.”

“The celebrations in 1976 and 2026 have been very similar. Both are memorable in a grand national scale, fireworks, tall ships, and country pride. but it is the local events, parades, barbecues and musters that make each 50-year celebration special” said Stuart Beckley, Town Manager.

“This year’s fireworks show will have more shells and more pop. It includes a new section specifically designed by Pyrotec to celebrate the country’s 250th anniversary,” said Beckley.

Over the past six months, many hours have been spent planning, fundraising and promoting the upcoming



Turley Staff Photo

Fireworks Committee members Dustin Pennington, Stuart Beckley and Nicole Croteau performed a walkthrough of the fireworks event site at the Ware Public Schools campus.

event. “This committee is grateful for the support and engagement of the Ware Public School staff and leadership for hosting the day and evening,” said Pennington. “We are working seamlessly with the Ware Police and Fire departments and as a result, this event will surpass even our expectations.”

“We had anticipated price increases for this year’s event. Many local organizations and businesses have contributed towards the funding of the event and we are ready to go,” said Pennington.

The Ware Business & Civic Association and Beyond held a fundraiser last May at Hanna’s on Main.

The theme of the event was an 80s character night. All tips that were given to servers and bartenders were in turn donated to the fireworks event.

“I can speak for all of us on the committee that this event has been a lot of work but when you can have families attend, enjoy and participate, it makes it all worthwhile,” said Croteau. “We

are all proud of the event and what it means to the residents of Ware and the surrounding communities.”

The fireworks display begins at 9 p.m. Prior to the display, there will be family based activities including bounce houses, jousting, dunk tank, climbing wall, face painting and temporary tattoos, all happening between 5-8 p.m.

Food trucks will be on site from 5-9 p.m.

Music will be played by Tori Jock and her band, Damage Control between 5-6 p.m., followed by Charlie Lask and Forever Diamond performing between 7-8:30 p.m. Donna Lee Honeywell will be performing the National Anthem at 8:45 p.m.

The Fireworks Committee does ask all attendees to please follow school department rules which include no smoking or vaping, no alcoholic beverages, no chairs on the football field and please be considerate and do not litter.

Any questions, please contact committee members Dan Flynn at 413-297-5886 or Dustin Pennington at 413-813-7328.

Are You Old News?



If you recognize the folks in this week’s photo, please send their names and your full name to pouimette@turley.com.

Each week the Ware River News digs into its submitted photo archives and selects a people photo to publish. We need your help to help identify those pictured.



File Photo
Last week’s photo from 2022 showed Gavin Waugh and Rebecca Peterson playing lawn games during a concert at Dean Park in Warren.

Ware Senior Center NEWS

WARE – The Ware Senior Center, 413-967-9645, located at 1 Robbins Road, is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

The thrift store is open each of those days from 9 a.m.-noon. Donations to the store are only accepted by Sue LaBarge, who can be reached by calling 413-544-1574.

ACTIVITIES Monday, July 27

- 9 a.m. Tai Chi
- 10 a.m. Scat
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 5-8 p.m. Ware 250th Family Game Night

Tuesday, July 28

- 9 a.m. Exercise Class at Valley View Housing
- 10 a.m. Council on Aging meeting. Open to the public.
- 10 a.m. Scat
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Knit-Crochet-Laugh
- 5:30 p.m. Scrapbooking.

- \$3 per class.
- 6 p.m. Pitch (doors open at 5 p.m.)

Wednesday, July 29

- 9 a.m. Tai Chi
- 9:30 a.m. Quilting Club
- 10 a.m. Scat
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 1 p.m. Chair Yoga with Lori

Thursday, July 30

- 9 a.m. Exercise at Valley View Housing
- 9 a.m. Walking Club (weather permitting)
- 9:30 a.m. Line Dancing for Beginners
- 10 a.m. Line Dancing
- 10 a.m. Scat
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 12:15 p.m. Art Class
- 12:30 p.m. Movie Matinee “The Starling” with Melissa McCarthy, Kevin Kline and Chris O’Dowd

Friday, July 31

- 9 a.m. Tai Chi
- 10 a.m. Scat
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 1 p.m. Chair Yoga with

- Lori
- 6 p.m. Pitch (doors open at 5 p.m.)

LUNCHES

DINE IN 11:30 a.m.
All meals \$3.50 unless otherwise noted

Required: call 413-967-4595 by noon on the business day before, to put your name on the lunch list.

Monday, July 27

Brunch, French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Hash, Dessert of the Day

Tuesday, July 28

Grilled Ham and Cheese with Lettuce and Tomato, Onion Rings, Macaroni Salad, Dessert of the Day

Wednesday, July 29

Chicken Pot Pie, Tossed Salad, Dessert of the Day

Thursday, July 30

Meat Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Dessert of the Day

Friday, July 31

Fish Sandwich with Lettuce and Tomato, French Fries, Dessert of the Day





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RMV TRAINING

Topics

Shifting Gears

- Rules of the road, safe driving tips, license renewals, preparing for driving retirement

The Driving Decision

- Age concerns, MA license policies, ID cards, license surrender

Disability Placards and Plates

- How to obtain and relevant info

Meeting Info

July 29th
Barre Senior Center
10:30am



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and that getting the Finance Committee on board could be helpful.

“This is the stuff you need to make sure people want to move into this town,” he said, citing the fact that younger people are wanting to leave the town.

Another pool committee member, Nancy Talbot, said it could be possible to approach fundraising the \$10,000 from the angle of somebody who used to use the pool and give them a chance to give back to the town.

Town Manager Stuart Beckley noted there are donation accounts, but there

is the possibility that somebody giving the \$40,000 may be looking for a tax break.

The committee also noted that even if they do raise money for a plan, they would still need a grant to start building it, which Beckley said “disappeared” the last time the town tried.

There was also a brief discussion on the demolition of the pool, which is set to be done by the Department of Public Works, but Beckley said they do not believe they can do everything. He said the town is in contact with ReSource Waste Services of Ware to discuss them taking certain materials.

The pool committee will meet next on August 10.

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Mary Lane Hospital time capsule opening Sunday

WARE – On Sunday, July 26 at 1 p.m. in the Ware Town Hall, the Ware Historical Commission will be opening the 1961 time capsule that was removed from the cornerstone of the Mary Lane Hospital/ Gilbert Building before its demolition.

This will happen during the town’s 250th Historical Day. All are welcome to join the commission for this event.



The Ware Historical Commission will open a time capsule from 1961 that was removed from the cornerstone of the Mary Lane Hospital/Gilbert Building prior to its demolition.

HOUSING PLAN

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the survey before it gets approved for being sent out for public view.

Glaubitz asked the board if the town has any affordability concerns.

Planning Board Vice-Chair Richard Eichacker said they’re currently working on a zoning bylaw rewrite, which includes housing. While coming up with a plan, Glaubitz wanted to know if they can identify any constraints for housing.

Eichacker asked if there were grants available once the plan was completed. Glaubitz said having the plan is beneficial in pursuing grants.

The Planning Board will meet again and talk about the Housing Production Plan sometime at the end of August during a regular meeting.

Potential site plan review

The Planning Board had an informal discussion regarding a potential site plan review for a property on Brimfield Road.

In attendance for this discussion were Civil Engineer Eric Morse, Chris Predella and Jim Fountain.

Morse spoke and presented some preliminary plans for this potential site plan review project for a new building, which is a 70 foot by 140 foot building, with plans intended to be 100 feet away from any nearby wetlands. There will also be a shed on site.

Morse said this building would be visible from the

viewpoint of the road.

According to Morse, this is a basic contractor yard and the applicants wanted to “present this project and get an understanding of permitting.”

The Planning Board said site plan approval would be required. Before that, the Board would like to get a zoning determination just to make sure what all the permitting requirements are for this building project.

“On the list, whatever applies to your project, we want to see,” Eichacker said.

One suggestion by the board was to include sections to show the slope.

The board asked about what the road would be like on the site. Morse said on the plans the road is shown as being paved, and the applicant wants to make the road impervious. The applicant would like to have the road paved if possible.

The plans have no specifics for parking, but the applicant intends to demonstrate adequate parking as well as making spaces for business vehicles and equipment.

The Planning Board asked what the purpose of the building was, and Morse talked about one area being an office space, another for four garage bays and a wash bay.

The next step for the applicants is to fill in the determination. From what the Planning Board has heard, this project requires a site plan review and special permit.

Administrative Assistant Laura Sherris said this paperwork has to be completed and

authorized by the property owner.

There is a two-week minimum waiting period, so these applications are advertised, and there also has to be a list of abutters to be notified. The board plans to meet again with the applicants sometime in a month to continue discussion of this project.

Public hearing

The board held a public hearing for the special permit application of Jack Fowler III of 661 Main St. in Warren. Fowler is requesting a special permit to operate a home-based meadery business in the Village District.

Fowler introduced himself and talked about how he wanted to operate a small business where he produces mead, an alcoholic beverage made by fermenting honey and water. Fowler said this is something he enjoys doing and will be offering a retail business where folks can come to his house to purchase his product.

The board members asked if the applicant had enough space for parking if he is opening a retail establishment at his home. Fowler says he has enough parking space for about 15 vehicles.

As far as production, Fowler estimates he will make less than 5,000 gallons of mead a year. Fowler also stated that this is not going to be a bar operation.

The applicant has reviewed the zoning determination as the Planning Board listed some of the concerns that were highlighted by the inspector. The concerns

include odor, and the use of carbon dioxide for fermentation.

Fowler said his fermentation is natural with yeast as a key ingredient.

When asked about ventilation, Fowler also has a natural air flow in the room where he operates for mead production. The mead can be sensed as its developing and there is a yeast smell after its finished, which Fowler explained.

One of Fowler’s neighbors came to speak during the public hearing in support of Fowler.

The Planning Board asked Fowler if he had a chance to talk with Town Administrator James Ferrera. One of the Town Administrator’s recommendations was to have the project run by legal counsel in case it potentially violates any bylaws.

If the business does violate the bylaws, then there would have to be a variance for Fowler to move forward.

The Planning Board voted to reschedule the public hearing to Aug. 24.

Extension request

The Planning Board received a letter from Copart of Connecticut who requested an extension request for a special permit. The Planning Board voted to give Copart of Connecticut a one-year extension.

The next anticipated meeting for the Planning Board is Aug. 12 at 7 p.m., and is a joint meeting with the Conservation Commission.

CDA approves facade grants

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WARE – The Community Development Authority met Monday to start granting funds to businesses in town that submitted applications for facade grants from the American Rescue Plan Act money.

The CDA had \$20,756 available to grant, but at their meeting last month, they capped the applications at five for \$5,000 each. The authority is planning on finding funds to accept another application.

The CDA looked at applications at the July 20 meeting, including the Weir River Brickmill, D&D Fitness Factory, The Wellness Collective, TCF Enterprises and the Millyard Academy.

The board accepted three

applications at this meeting, including The Wellness Collective, Hanna’s on Main and Otto Florists. The Wellness Collective received a grant to install a 4 foot by 4 foot aluminum sign decorated with 22 karat gold leaf designs, and nine 2.5 inch by 40 inch tenant panels plus labor.

TCF Enterprises own the building where S.O.N.G (Supporting Orphans Nationally and Globally) and Otto Florists are located, and they were each approved for the maximum \$5,000.

According to their applications, they are both using DES Woodworking out of Wilbraham, and will be removing trim, plywood and moldings from the existing facade panels, repairing and reframing

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Historical Commission hosts 250th Birthday Cake Picnic

WARE – The Ware Historic Commission invites residents and visitors to join them for America’s 250th Birthday Cake Picnic on Sunday, July 26, from 11 a.m. -2 p.m. in the Great Hall at Ware Town Hall.

As part of Ware’s Historical Day celebrations commemorating the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, the commission is inviting the community to help throw America a birthday party – by bringing a cake.

Participation is simple. Bring a cake, receive a cake number, display your creation, sample cakes brought by fellow participants, and vote for your favorites.

At the end of the event, prizes will be awarded for Tastiest Cake, Prettiest Cake and the cake that best represents the theme of the U.S.’s 250th Anniversary/1776 History.

This isn’t a professional baking competition, and you don’t need to be an expert baker to participate. Whether your cake is simple or elaborate, traditional or imaginative, the commission

would love to see what you create.

This is a celebration of America’s 250th birthday, so have fun with it.

The Cake Picnic is just one part of a fun-filled afternoon at Ware Town Hall. Throughout Historical Day, visitors will be able to enjoy historical displays, presentations, tours, exhibits and other family-friendly activities celebrating Ware’s history and America’s 250th anniversary.

Participants bringing cakes are encouraged to arrive as close to 11 a.m. as possible so that all cakes can be displayed and included in the voting throughout the event.

Voting will remain open during the afternoon, with winners announced at 2 p.m.

Whether you’re bringing a cake, sampling the creations of others, exploring the exhibits, or simply joining the festivities, the commission hopes you’ll come celebrate with them.

Join the commission on July 26 as Ware comes together to celebrate our nation’s birthday – one slice at a time.

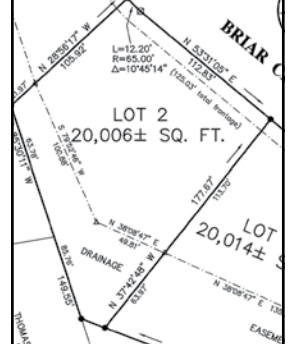


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SOCIAL SECURITY
Matters
By Russell Gloor

Can my spouse file at 63 and then get half of mine when I later claim?

Dear Rusty:
My spouse is 63 and I am 65.

I am planning to take my Social Security benefits at age 70. Can my lower earning spouse take his own benefits now, and then -when I take my full benefits at age 70, can he then file for 50% of mine instead of the lower benefit he is getting because he claimed at age 63?

Signed: Higher Earning Spouse

Dear Higher Earning Spouse:

Yes, your lower-earning spouse can take his benefits based on his personal lifetime earnings record at any time (i.e., age 63) and, when you later claim your own SS at 70, your spouse will be evaluated to determine whether he is eligible for a “spousal Social Security record.

But to be sure you are clear, if you claim at age 70, your spouse will not get 50% of your age 70 benefit amount.

Spousal benefits are always determined by comparing each partners’ Full Retirement Age entitlement and, if your spouse’s FRA entitlement is less than half of your FRA entitlement, your spouse will get a “spousal boost” to bring his monthly SS retirement payment up to what he is entitled to as your spouse.

The amount of the “spousal boost” would be the difference between his FRA entitlement and 50% of your FRA entitlement, which would be added to his own (age 63) SS retirement amount.

And that means that his total benefit amount would be less than half of your age 70 amount (less also than 50% of your FRA amount, because he claimed at age 63).

One caution for your spouse to be aware of: if he is still working and claims at age 63, he will be subject to Social Security’s Annual

Earnings Test, which limits how much he can earn before SS takes away some benefits.

The earnings limit for 2026 is \$24,480 (changes annually) and if that is exceeded, SS will take back \$1 of benefits for every \$2 he is over the limit. FYI, Social Security will “take back” by withholding future benefit payments, so he will not get his benefits for some months if he exceeds the annual earnings limit.

And if the annual earnings limit is significantly exceeded, your spouse could even be temporarily ineligible to receive SS benefits (until he either earns less or reaches his full retirement age, the earnings limit goes away when FRA is reached.

The only way your spouse can avoid both a reduced personal benefit and the annual earnings test limitation is to wait until his own Full Retirement Age to claim Social Security.

However, if he’s not working full time and needs the Social Security money sooner, then claiming at age 63 may be a good choice. In any case, he won’t get half of your age 70 amount.

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Washing the elephant

The name Paul Rogers may ring a bell with some of my readers. Paul was a dear friend of mine, a mentor and acclaimed horticulturist who had amazing influence at Old Sturbridge Village, especially early on in my tenure.

He operated Stonehedge Gardens with his wife Barb in Charlton and for many decades wrote a regular column for the Worcester Telegram and Gazette. Paul also had a radio show, a weekly gardening Q&A on WTAG.

It was with his coaxing that I applied for and got this gig as the Garden Lady for Turley Publications over 20 years ago. He was very well known throughout Central Massachusetts, the Boston area and beyond.

Once I was in Bath, Maine, and to my disbelief someone mentioned that they knew Paul Rogers when I was shopping in a kitchen store of all places. But alas, I digress.

Paul and I would meet every other week at the Village unless he was traveling on some horticultural odyssey. Many times he and I would chat before we took our walks around campus to assess my beds.

I learned all about his trips in great detail and he got to know me pretty well, too. He always knew when I was “down in the dumps.”

During those periods, Paul would say, “you’ve got to wash the elephant.”

At first this made little sense to me, but after a bit I understood. When you are not feeling like yourself, you have to tackle a project, a big, elephant-like project, and afterwards you will feel better.

Of course, his projects

were, and mine are, typically garden related.

So this weekend I tackled the iris and rose bed. Or shall

rhizomes I smelled the rot before I found my first borer. To say it was gross was an understatement.

Each rhizome was lifted, inspected and cut back to healthy tissue. Two inch long borers were collected in a yogurt container for the chickens. They ranged in color from light pink to deep mahogany.

To think that I’ve been gardening for so long and had never seen one before! The violet rhizomes were also dug up and discarded, as were the unwanted rose runners and suckers.

Thinning out the apothecary rose will certainly help to dissuade powdery mildew from taking hold next year. This year it’s pretty bad.

Meanwhile, the irises were moved to a holding bed, also known as the vegetable garden, while I solarize the area they came from to kill off any violet seeds. I hope. They are notorious at self seeding.

I realize I took this project on a bit later in the season than I should have; my irises may not bloom next year, but it was then or never.

So now you have my “washing the elephant” story. And you know a little more about an amazing man who I miss so much and think of often, especially when I am in the garden.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 34 years she has held the position of staff horticulturist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to pouimette@turley.com with “Gardening Question” in the subject line.



I say the iris, rose and violet bed?

The violets were un-welcomed guests in the garden, as were the borers, but we will get to that in a minute.

You see, I inherited this beautiful patch of blue-purple bearded irises when we moved to this house. For years it bloomed effortlessly. I divided it once a few years back and it was nice for awhile.

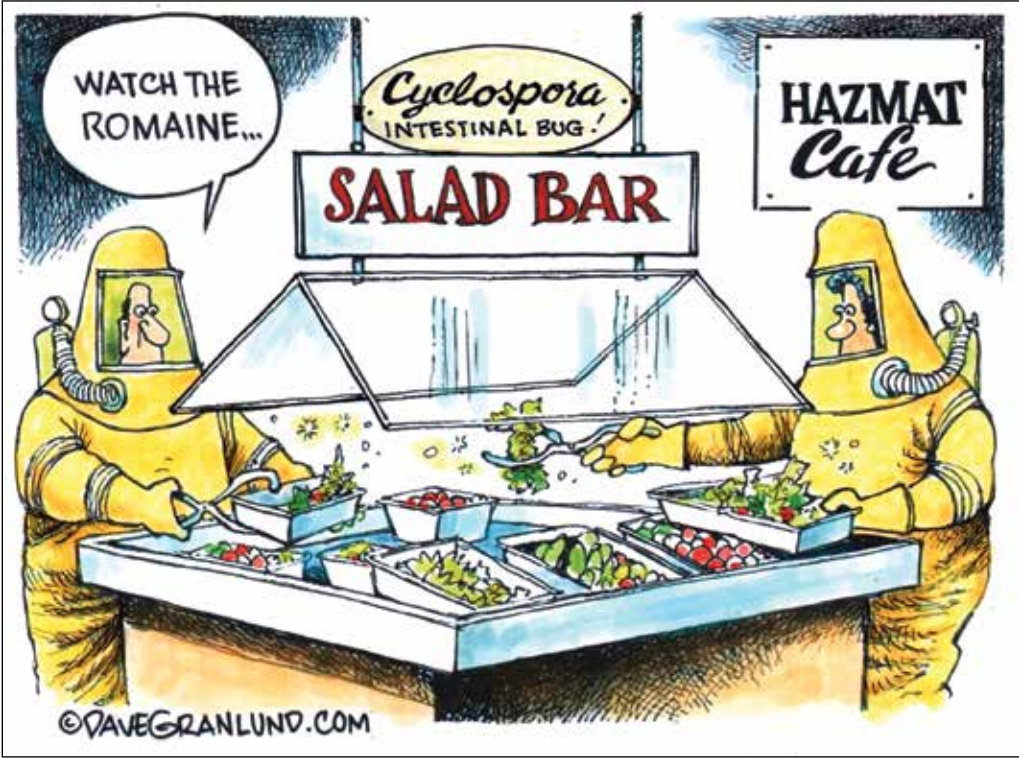
But this year blooms were sparse and rose suckers began to show up everywhere within the garden. Violet foliage crowded out the vertical spear-shaped iris leaves.

How was I to tame this mess and do it in the most efficient way possible? My approach may seem unconventional, but if I didn’t do it this way I might still be outside squatting in that very garden.

I took out the lawn mower and adjusted the height to the tallest I could, six inches. Then I mowed down the garden.

After that I got into the bed with a hand trowel and one scoop at a time, dug up the bed. It was easier than I thought, because the irises were in worse shape than I thought. They came up so easily because they were weakened by a bad iris borer infestation.

I had never seen anything like it. As I unearthed the



your health

By Teri (Dreher) Frykenberg, RN
Guest Column

What is the AQI and why should you care?

July 2025 made history as one of the Earth’s five hottest months on record. This July? More of the same. The stubborn “heat dome”

that blanketed a good chunk of the U.S. in June held on to make July 4th miserable for a lot of people. Dealing with the heat is tough enough, especially for children and those over 65, but with the heat come warnings about the AQI, or air quality index.

The AQI was implemented in 1968 by the then-National Air Pollution Control Administration, whose

responsibilities are now under the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). It tracks five major pollutants: ground-level ozone, particulate matter, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide.

In short, it tell us how safe our air is to breathe. And it’s an important number to know in your locality. Fortunately, you can look up real-time AQI information for over 500 U.S. cities on airnow.gov, a partnership among the EPA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association, the National Park Service, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, NASA and others.

You can also find worldwide data on AQI.in, an open-source AQI tracker developed by a New Delhi-based entrepreneur.

So, it’s easy to find the information. The question becomes how you can use it to protect yourself and loved

ones from pollution.

First, let’s break down the five pollutants and why they can be dangerous, especially to those with pre-existing health conditions, such as asthma, COPD, bronchitis and heart disease.

Ground-level ozone: The ozone layer up in the atmosphere protects us from most of the sun’s radiation. On Earth, though, it’s damaging to our lungs. As ozone concentrates and mixes with other pollutants, it becomes known as smog. It is currently one of the least well-controlled pollutants in the U.S. – and also one of the most dangerous, according to the American Lung Association.

Particulate matter: Known as PM, this pollutant refers to microscopic solid or liquid particles suspended in the air, which can include dust, soot and smoke – a particular concern during wildfire season. These particles can penetrate deep into the

lungs and even enter the bloodstream, leading to various health issues.

Carbon monoxide: Known as CO, it is a colorless, odorless and tasteless toxic gas produced by incomplete combustion of carbon-based fuels such as gasoline and coal. It’s extremely dangerous because it binds to hemoglobin more readily than oxygen, potentially bringing on oxygen deprivation, which can be fatal. It’s especially dangerous to those with heart conditions.

Sulfur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide: These pollutants come primarily from the burning of fossil fuels, particularly in vehicles, power plants and industrial facilities. They pose serious health risks, including respiratory problems, and contribute to environmental issues like acid rain.

All of these are factored

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Kate Morreale bought fresh-picked blueberries from Elizabeth Cyran at the Hardwick Farmers Market. The market is held on the common every Sunday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., through October.



Julie Filgate and Eric Chaves of Jules Crafts Studio offered handmade polymer clay magnets, key chains, earrings and worry stones, as well as Pokémon card magnets.



Patty Upshaw and Grace Upshaw held up a crocheted miniature stuffed whale.

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Flowers were also in bloom at the Hardwick Farmers Market.

Sundays on the common



Maplewood Farm had a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs on their market truck.



Maplewood Farm offered fresh produce at Sunday's market.

Farmers Market offers farm-to-table shopping

HARDWICK – The Hardwick Farmers Market season is in full swing on the common every Sunday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., now through October.

Each week, local vendors offer a wide selection of fresh fruits, vegetables, eggs, home-baked goods, handmade crafts, artwork, jewelry and much more. There is also a knitting circle and live music.

The Hardwick Farmers Market is held rain or shine.

For more information or to see featured vendors, follow the Hardwick Farmers Market on Facebook.



Matthew Smith of Leland Mushrooms offered gourmet mushrooms. INSET: Leland Mushrooms had a variety of farm-to-table gourmet mushrooms for market shoppers.



Blueberries are in season and were featured in many baked goods at the market.

Family fun at St. Aloysius Parish BBQ on Aug. 2

HARDWICK – St. Aloysius Parish invites families from across the area to its Summer BBQ on Sunday, Aug. 2 with dinner served noon-1 p.m. at the South Barre Rod and Gun Club, 2626 Barre Road.

The afternoon is planned with every age in mind, from grandparents to grandchildren.

The meal is a half chicken dinner served with baked potato, corn on the cob, salad and watermelon. Children and adults alike can join in the games, and raffles and prizes will run throughout the afternoon.

Tickets are \$20 each and are available by calling the

rectory at 413-477-6493. This is a fundraiser to benefit the Parish Renovation Funds.

All are welcome to join in the fun.

About St. Aloysius Parish

St. Aloysius Parish serves the villages of Gilbertville and Wheelwright, from two worship sites, St. Aloysius Church (64 Church St., Gilbertville) and St. Augustine Mission (98 Church Lane, Wheelwright).

A parish of the Diocese of Worcester, it is home to St. Aloysius Catholic School and is served in collaboration with St. Francis of Assisi Parish in South Barre. Learn more at stalloysiusaugustine.com.

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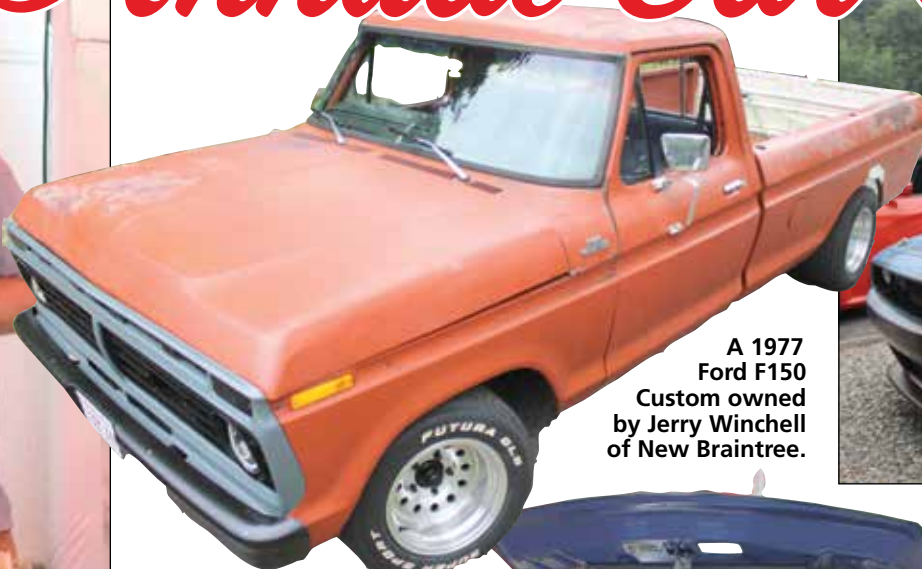
Janine's Frostee owners Cindy and Tim Dugas helped out during the award presentations during the annual car show.



A 1973 Plymouth Barracuda could be seen during the car show.



A 1973 Plymouth Fury Sport Suburban is owned by Rick Downer of Pittsfield.



A 1977 Ford F150 Custom owned by Jerry Winchell of New Braintree.



This Dodge was branded as a way to honor all the veterans who have served.

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all those who served. His father, Richard Chenovet, is a Vietnam War Veteran and he wanted to honor him and then took the idea to design a theme to honor the veterans of all military branches. That theme was applied to the Dodge Challenger. "A thank you to everybody," Fish said. The front of the car featured the message, "Honoring All Who Served", and the back featured the seals of all the military branches.



A blue 2019 Dodge Challenger had a message reading, "Turning Men to Stone since 700 BC."



A Dodge SRT was parked in front of Janine's Frostee in Ware.

Every car has a story, and the owners love to share their stories behind the cars. One unique car in this year's show was a 2000 Toyota Will Vi with Louis Vuitton branding. Jamal, who owns the car, said he had the car imported about eight months ago and had a lot of work done including a full color change. One of the rarest vehicles in the parking lot was a 1973 Plymouth Fury Sport Suburban. Entering the car was owner Rick Downer of Pittsfield, who purchased the car last September.

Downer grew up with a Plymouth Fury III and having this Plymouth reminds him of that memory. Plymouth stopped being manufactured in the early 2000s, therefore this Plymouth Fury Sport Suburban has now become a rare vehicle. Trucks were also parked at Janine's Frostee, including a 1977 Ford F150 Custom. The truck is owned by Jerry Winchell of New Braintree, who has owned the truck for the last three years. As a child, Winchell grew up with the dentside trucks, with one being owned by his father. Winchell says his orange F150 is still drives well on the road. The Willies returned to the stage for a live music performance during the car show and Fieldcrest Brewing served some of their local craft beer. Cindy and Tim Dugas came up to help present the awards to the winners of this year's car show. Some of the cars were judged for being best in the decade. The annual car show is a community loved event that staff at Janine's Frostee proudly puts on every year.

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- Erasers (Not Pencil Top)
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The back of the Dodge includes all the military branches.



The Willies return to the stage at Janine's Frostee for the annual car show.



Jamal is shown alongside his 2000 Toyota Will Vi with Louis Vuitton branding.

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Ware artist’s car paintings featured at Rapscallion Pub

By Paula Ouimette
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STURBRIDGE – Last week, Ware artist John Collins was honored at a reception for the opening of his art exhibition at Rapscallion Pub, 3 Arnold Road.

The exhibition primarily features prints and originals of his oil paintings of cars, but also a couple that highlight his talent for capturing special moments, including a large portrait of his dog, Dasher, coming out of a lake after a swim.

Collins is still “new” to the world of art, having started his creative career a few years ago following his retirement as an architect. Already, he has been recognized for his talent in both oil painting and sculpting.

Growing up, Collins developed his love of art through his mother, who was a talented painter and sculptor as well. He said she started with watercolors, and then explored oil painting and working with a palette knife.

“I learned by being around her,” he said.

Collins said his mother enjoyed painting on location plein air style, and that she created a vast collection of artwork over the decades.

“They tell a story about her life,” he said of her paintings.

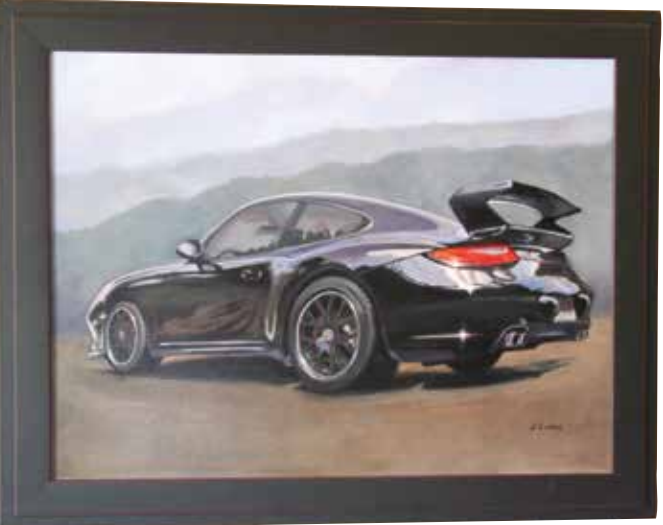
Collins has honed his craft with the guidance of his mentor, Roc Goudreau, one of the founding members of Workshop13 in Ware and he has also taken virtual classes with painter Victor Wang. Both of these teachers have taught him different techniques with oil painting, which Collins has put to use to create stunning portraits of the things that inspire him.

These subjects are primarily people, pets and prized possessions.

For many people, their prized possession is their car, which is the primary focus



John Collins creates portraits of cars, as well as people and animals.



Many of John Collins’ paintings are commissioned by car owners.

of Collins’ exhibition at Rapscallion Pub this month. A car enthusiast and Porsche owner, Collins is frequently commissioned to capture someone’s favorite set of wheels and preserve its memory.

One of his paintings features both his and his brother’s cars, and he has been asked to create a similar one of a father and son. For many car enthusiasts, the love of horsepower started with their father.

“My dad got me into cars,” Collins said.

Keeping with the car theme, Collins has produced five oil paintings of famous movie cars, which he will

give away through a free drawing at the end of the exhibition for anyone who can correctly identify all of the movies.

If you can name all five movies, your name will be entered into the drawing, and the winner will get to take home one of the paintings – giving them a chance to own a piece of custom artwork, and celebrate our love of cars shown through cinematic history. Entry forms are available at Rapscallion Pub throughout July.

Following this exhibition, Rapscallion Pub will feature the artwork of Collins’ mother starting in August.

Collins is also collaborat-



Turley Photos by Paula Ouimette

Artist John Collins is shown next to one of his oil paintings featuring a famous movie car. Collins will have his artwork displayed at Rapscallion Pub in Sturbridge until the end of this month.

LEFT: This painting features the 1949 Buick Roadmaster convertible that appeared in the movie “Rain Man”.

famous Ice Hotel in Sweden. His fellow artist friends created the room dedicated to his memory, called “A Parliament of Owls”, which Rothstein had designed.

The sculpture will be displayed at this year’s Art in the Orchard event, which will open on Saturday, Aug. 15 and run through Thanksgiving weekend.

About the show

People are welcome to view Collins’ artwork at Rapscallion Pub during open hours, Tuesday through Thursday from 4-9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from noon-10 p.m. and Sunday from noon-8 p.m.

Rapscallion Pub is set inside a refurbished 1800s barn and offers craft beers, original cocktails, a full wine menu and home-cooked comfort food. There is indoor and outdoor seating available.

For more information about Collins and his artwork, visit www.collinsartstudios.com.

ing with other artists to create a larger than life “Lady Liberty” puppet that will be featured by Workshop13 in the town of Ware’s U.S. 250th celebration parade on Saturday, Aug. 1 starting at 11 a.m. from Grenville Park, 73 Church St., Ware. The parade route will continue down Church Street to Main Street, then travel left onto West Street.

Collins is working on sculpting the intricate details of the puppet’s head using foam.

Supporting Collins at last week’s reception was metal artist Brian McQuillan who has worked with Collins on collaborative pieces, including the sculpture of an elf girl that was part of the Art in the Orchard event at Park Hill Orchard in Easthampton last year. The two are also

working with five other sculptors to create a memorial piece for the late Dave Rothstein, who passed away late last year.

“We’re just finishing it,” Collins said of the sculpture.

The sculpture features Rothstein in a hollowed-out pumpkin, which he is paddling using a snow shovel. He is accompanied by his beloved cat, Boomer.

Collins and McQuillan said Rothstein briefly held the Guinness Book of World Records for the longest pumpkin paddle, which he completed on the Connecticut River. Rothstein was well-known for his ice sculptures, which is why they made his paddle a snow shovel.

Just three days prior to his death, Rothstein was preparing to create a room at the

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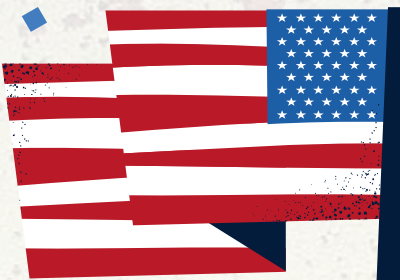
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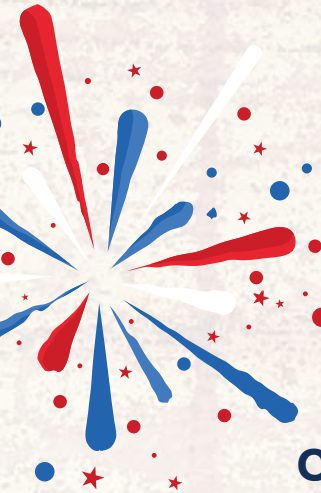
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JULY 28

CAR SHOW



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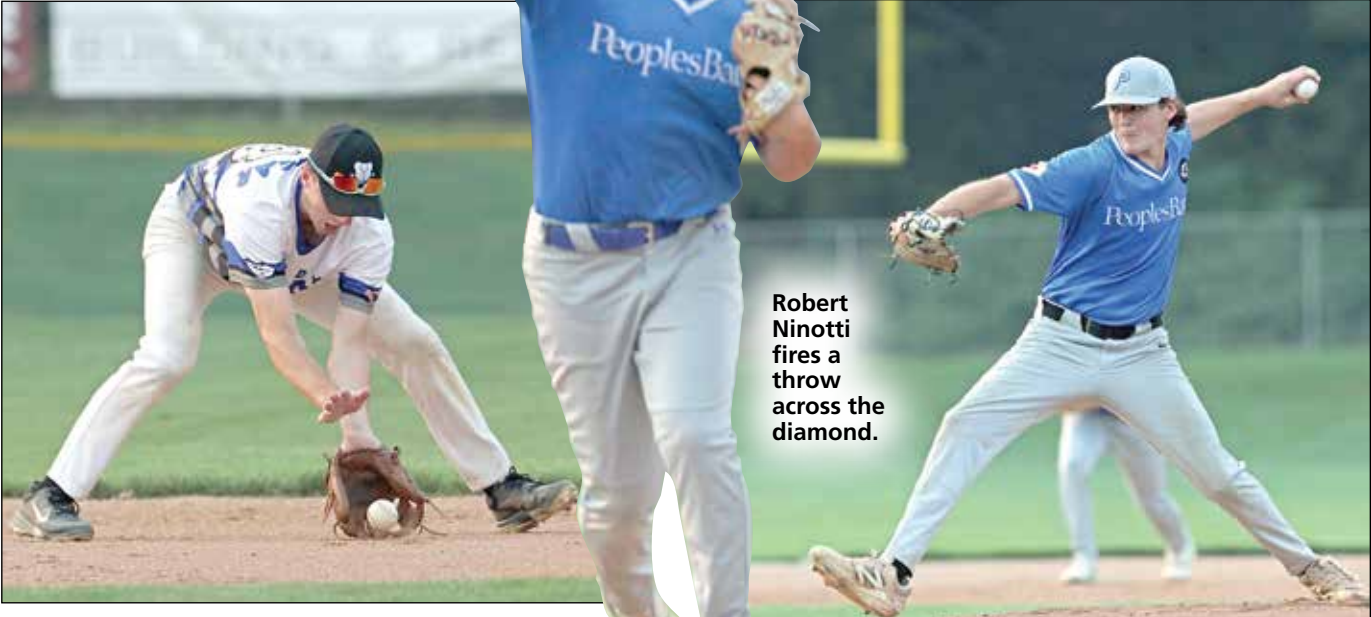
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Turley photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com Ray Toth gets the grounder to short. Jake Jachym sends a pitch home.

PeoplesBank defeats Teddy Bear Pools

WILBRAHAM – Last Thursday night at Spec Pond in Wilbraham, Jake Jachym pitched PeoplesBank to a 7-5 win over Teddy Bear Pools. The Bankers got a



Alex Gochinski cleanly fields a grounder.



Mason Barcomb pitches for Teddy Bear Pools.



Darien Rosado is safe as he slides home.

Ware hosts annual Indians Basketball Clinic

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

WARE—Dan Orszulak has served as the Director of the Ware Indians Basketball Clinic for more than 25 years. Over that same span, he has also been a math teacher and the girls’ varsity basketball coach at Ware High School, which is alma mater.

While Orszulak retired as a teacher on June 17, he was back in the Ware High School gymnasium, which is named in honor of his father, Paul, five days later.

More than 20 players in grades 4-9 attended the first of three sessions of the basketball clinic.

“We’ve always been able to provide a low cost basketball clinic for the kids in Ware and the surrounding communities,” said Orszulak, who previously coached the Indians boys’ varsity basketball team. “Our main goal is for the kids to improve their basketball skills and also have a little bit of fun at the same time.”

Orszulak began his teaching career at the Elias Brookings Elementary School in Springfield. He’s not planning to sit around in a rocking chair all day long.

“I won’t be working in the classroom anymore, but I’ll still be working at the

high school for a couple of weeks at the start of the school year. I can officially retire on my birthday in the middle of September,” he said. “I’m also looking forward to continuing working someplace. I’ve never taken an entire summer off. I’ll miss the people that I work with and the students the most.”

Orszulak is still planning to coach the Lady Indians varsity basketball team next winter.

“Being the girls varsity basketball coach is something that I would like to continue to do for at least the next couple of years,” Orszulak said. “I really enjoy working with the girls on the basketball team.”

Heather Orszulak, who is Dan’s wife, is also a teacher at Ware High School. She still has a couple of years remaining in her teaching career.

Andrew Soltys, who’s one of the coaches at the basketball camp, has been hired to replace Orszulak as the new math teacher at Ware High School.

“I’m very excited to have this opportunity, but I definitely have some big shoes to fill,” Soltys said. “I’m hoping to make the same impact on the high school students as Mr.

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St. Joe’s suffers loss

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

THORNDIKE — In what might’ve been a preview of a Tri-Country League playoff match-up, Teddy Bear Pools and Spas broke open the final meeting of the regular season against St. Joseph’s by scoring nine runs across the fifth and sixth innings, rolling to an 11-1 victory at St. Joe’s Field in Thorndike, last Friday night.

“We split with St. Joe’s during the regular season, and we’ll probably be seeing them again in the playoffs,” said Teddy Bear Pools player/manager Ryan Magni. “The first three innings of tonight’s game was almost like a playoff game. Then we were able to break it open against their relief pitchers.

Even though Friday’s make-up game was played at St. Joe’s Field, Teddy Bear Pools served as the home team because their own field was unavailable. The game ended with two outs in the bottom of the sixth inning due to the ten-run mercy rule.

Teddy Bear Pools entered the final week of the regular season sitting in third place in the league standings with a 13-5-1 record one point behind second place St. Joseph’s. The Saints had a 14-4 overall record.

Peoples Bank (15-3-1), who are looking to capture the league championship title for the 13th consecutive season, was sitting in first place.

Teddy Bear Pools could move into second place with a win against BankESB on Thursday night and if St. Joe’s losses their final two regular season games.

The Saints had the opportunity to move into first place if they defeated the DOC Spartans on Monday and Peoples Bank on Wednesday.

The top two finishers in the league standings earn a first round bye and the first place team will get home field advantage throughout the playoffs, which are all best of three series.

Teddy Bear Pools righthander Matt Drobiak, who graduated from South Hadley High School, was the winning pitcher in last Friday’s game. He went the distance, allowing one run on just one base hit with three walks and two strikeouts.

“My defense made the plays behind me in tonight’s game,” said Drobiak. “This is a big win for us, and it feels great. We’re hoping to play them again in the playoffs.”

Teddy Bear Pools took a 1-0 lead against St. Joe’s with two outs in the bottom of the third inning.

Magni, who started in centerfield, drew a lead-off walk. Then St. Joe’s lefthander Jackson Hayes retired the next two batters before catcher Michael Toth hit a flyball which the centerfielder lost in the twilight. Toth, who graduated from Granby High School,

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Turley photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com Laci Lewis fights to keep possession.

LUDLOW – Earlier this month, the New England Mutiny, which features soccer players from all over the region as well as some play-

ers from out of state, finished up their season, unfortunately failing to reach any postseason play despite playing in two leagues this season. The

Mutiny participated in both the USL as well as the UWS, nearly doubling its number of games this season. The

Mutiny hope to have better luck next season with the added schedule.



Addyson Earl hustles after the loose ball.



Sadie Mathis winds up for a long shot.

Sturbridge Rotary Club honors youth at annual dinner

STURBRIDGE – The Sturbridge Rotary Club hosted its annual Student Recognition Dinner on July 15, at the Public House Historic Inn, bringing together students, educators, Rotarians and local leaders for an evening recognizing exceptional youth achievement and service.

The event took place in Paige Hall during the Club’s regular meeting, combining tradition with celebration.

Club President Tim Gresenz opened the meeting and invited Past President Klaus Hachfeld to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Rotary’s Four-Way Test. Special guests included Rotary District 7910 Governor Penny Hamel, and English Teacher and Interact Advisor Amy Willard.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation by Past-President Klaus Hachfeld of Rotary Youth Leadership Awards to Stephen Giaquinto, Norah Hanrahan, Vivian Jaeger, Tamas Jiang, Kaitlyn Kenney, Avery Lanier, Hannah Whittier and Matilda St. Clair.

RYLA is a signature program of Rotary International that brings together young people for a multi-day leadership development experience that helps participants build confidence, develop communication and problem-solving skills, and discover the power of Service Above Self.

This year, the Sturbridge Rotary Club awarded RYLA scholarships to eight local students selected to join over 200 Massachusetts high school sophomores at the RYLA Conference, held at Fitchburg State University in



Submitted Photo

Immediate Past President Klaus Hachfeld with 2026 Rotary Youth Leadership Award recipients Avery Lanier, Matilda St. Clair and Tamas Jiang. Missing from photo: Stephen Giaquinto, Noah Hanrahan, Vivian Jaeger and Hannah Whittier.

June. Recipients were selected based on demonstrated leadership potential, strong citizenship, and a compelling desire to benefit from the experience, all qualities confirmed through a competitive interview process.

The Club also celebrated the transition of leadership in the Interact Club at Tantasqua, Rotary’s youth service organization. Outgoing officers - Emmett Deatte, president; Ethan Zhu, vice president; Evie Spencer, treasurer; Mairaed Fairbrother, secretary and Julie Anne Petersen, publicist - were on hand to formally pass the torch to the incoming board.

The new slate of officers, all rising seniors, includes Madeline Guertin, president; Sophia Bocchicchio, vice-president; Lily Duga, treasurer; Eliza Jaeger, secretary and Bralynn Fenneuff,

publicist. District 7910 Governor Penny Hamel officiated the swearing-in ceremony, followed by the presentation of officer pins and gavel.

The Rotary Club of Sturbridge sponsors the Interact Club at Tantasqua, where students collaborate with Rotarians on fundraisers, community events and hands-on service projects.

Interact is Rotary International’s service club for young people ages 12-18 who want to take action, develop leadership skills, and make a difference in their school and community. Interact members plan and carry out at least two service projects each year – one that serves their local community and one that promotes international understanding.

The centerpiece of the evening was the awarding of eight scholarships total-

ing \$8,000 presented by Club President Tim Gresenz. Seven scholarships were given through Sturbridge Rotary Club Fundraising efforts, and an additional scholarship was awarded in memory of late Rotarian Dr. Otto Prohaska, from his family. This year’s scholarship recipients are:

Willow Anderson of East Brookfield, is the daughter of Eric and Ellen Anderson. Willow will be attending The College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, where she will be studying language in the hopes of someday working as a government interpreter.

Emmett Deatte of Warren, is the son of William and Jennifer Deatte. Emmett served as president of the 2025-2026 Interact Club of Tantasqua, and vice-president of his class. He was also a member of the National Honor Society and the TRHS tennis team. He will be attending Northeastern University, Boston, where he will be studying politics, philosophy and economics.

Logan Oko of Fiskdale, is the son of Jennifer and Matt Oko. He attended RYLA in his sophomore year and was a founding member of Tantasqua Interact. Logan will be attending the University of Massachusetts, Amherst where he will be studying biomedical engineering.

Julie Anne Petersen of Brimfield, is the daughter of Laurie Krusas and Bill Petersen. Julie Anne attended RYLA in her sophomore year, was a founding member of Tantasqua Interact, and served as publicist in her senior year. She will be attending the University of Massachusetts, Amherst,

where she will be studying Political Science.

Evelyn Spencer of Sturbridge, is the daughter of David and Jessica Spencer. Evelyn served as treasurer of the 2025-2026 Interact Club of Tantasqua, and was valedictorian of her class. She attended RYLA in her sophomore year, was a member of SAVE Promise, and was varsity captain of the TRHS volleyball team. She will be attending Mt. Holyoke College, South Hadley, where she will be studying biochemistry.

Payton Thompson of Sturbridge, is the son of Meghan Looney and Daniel Thompson. Payton will be attending Western New England University, Springfield, where he will be studying electrical engineering.

Alex Wilson of Sturbridge, is the son of Danielle and Mark Wilson. He attended RYLA in his sophomore year and was a founding member of Tantasqua Interact. Alex will be attending the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, where he will be studying biomedical engineering.

Ethan Zhu of Fiskdale, is the son of Alice Kao and Weining Zhu. Ethan served as vice-president of the 2025-2026 Interact Club of Tantasqua, and president of the National Honor Society. He was a finalist in the Massachusetts State swimming competition, a Central Mass. Boys Swimming MVP, and nine-times school record holder in swimming. He will be attending Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, where he will be studying Molecular Biology and Biochemistry.

A Community Appreciation Award was also presented to Tantasqua Regional High School English Teacher Amy Willard. Amy was recognized for her consistent administrative guidance and support of the Interact Club of Tantasqua.

Newly elected Rotary District 7910 Governor Penny Hamel offered her reflections on the values of Rotary and the importance of fostering youth leadership. The meeting concluded with the traditional Rotary toast by President Gresenz: “To Sturbridge USA, Stourbridge UK, and Rotary International. Hear-hear!”

About the Sturbridge Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Sturbridge, chartered in 1972, is a vibrant service organization serving the communities of Sturbridge, Charlton, Brimfield, Holland and Wales. Members gather in person of the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m. at the Public House Historic Inn, in Sturbridge.

The club invests in local youth by sponsoring the Interact Club at Tantasqua, funding student attendance at the Rotary Youth Leadership conference, and awarding annual scholarships to Tantasqua Regional High School students.

Beyond youth leadership development, the club addresses local needs such as hunger relief, organizes popular community events, like the Charity Golf Classic and TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K, and contributes to global efforts including polio eradication.

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The neighboring Lions Clubs near Warren are Monson, Ware, Brookfield, West Brookfield and Palmer. According to Jameson, the goal is try and start a club in town to help strengthen the community and make new friends in the process.

“We are here to stay, no matter what,” Jameson said.

The focus of the Lions in this district is to find out what the needs are and Jameson alongside his fellow club members are confident they can begin by starting a branch club in Warren. A branch club can start by adding five members to the Warren branch that will work in conjunction with the Ware Lions Club.

The numerous services Lions Clubs International offers don’t just feature adult involvement but has youth programs as well. Jameson said the Lions have been offering youth programs for many years and have youth supporters from all over the world.

The youth aged 15-22 who join these programs through Lions Clubs International focus on service and volunteer work. Whether you’re a youth or an adult, Lions Clubs International look for ways to help the

community and need the membership to accomplish those acts of support.

As District Governor, Jameson was able to start a temporary ramp program to help people access their homes.

Lions Clubs in the area work hard to support their communities and always need more people to help. More information can be found at www.lionsdist33a.org.

Youth programs through Lions Clubs include the Leo Clubs, Lions Quest, Peace Poster Contest, Youth Camps & Exchange programs, and the Massachusetts Youth Speech Contest. During the Lions Service Carnival, St. Stans Club featured several students of the Youth Camp & Exchange program.

Attending the carnival was Mia of Bulgaria, Jonah of France, Paulo of Brazil, and George of Hungary. These students are staying with host families during their visit in the United States and have done youth camps in other countries throughout the world.

Mia had previously gone to Lithuania and has family members who are also Lions members. Jonah of France was in her fourth year of Youth Camp and previously visited Brazil, Canada, and



Anna, an emotional support dog and K-9 Lion visited the St. Stans Polish Club in West Warren during the Lions Service Carnival.

Poland.

After completing their education, these Youth Camp & Exchange students say they plan to continue to participate in future Lions Club programs when they’re adults.

“More lions, more service,” said 2nd Vice District Governor Kristen Keane.

These students were helping out during the Service Carnival with lawn games and other fun activities for kids. Members of the Ware Lions Club arrived at St. Stans to help out with snacks



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Left to right stands Deb Ernest, Mia, Jonah, Evelyn and 2nd Vice District Governor Kristen Keane.

and beverages during the carnival.

Joining them was the K-9 Lion Anna, a 14-year-old Labrador who came to the club with her handler, Deb Ernest of the Ware Lions Club. This club was established in 1945 and celebrated its 80th anniversary last year.

The Ware Lions Club had popcorn, cotton candy, soft drinks, hot dogs and snow cones.

Bill Munsell of the Ware Lions was joined by associate Josh King who was waving at passing cars in front of St. Stans to talk them into joining in on the fun at the

carnival. Munsell has been a Lion for the last four years and talked about the importance of having these youth programs through the Lions.

“We show them what true leadership is,” Munsell said.

For more about the Lions Clubs, visit www.lionsclubs.org.



Kids enjoyed a bounce house during the Lions Service Carnival.



Josh King, left, and Bill Munsell of the Ware Lions Club convinced drivers join the fun at the Lions Service Carnival in Warren.

public safety

Ware Police Log

During the week of July 5-14, the Ware Police Department responded to 24 miscellaneous calls, 28 administrative calls, 11 traffic violations, 10 emergency 911 calls, 11 harassments/stalks/threats, two trespasses, one theft/larceny, 12 disturbances, three frauds, two safety hazards, three motor vehicle accidents, two suspicious/nuisances, three assist other agencies, three fire/smoke calls, two safety hazards, three breaking and enterings, 13 animal calls and 19 motor vehicle stops in the town of Ware.

Sunday, July 5
12:31 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation/Warning Issued
12:34 a.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Eddy Street, Could Not Locate
1:01 a.m. Suspicious/Wanted, West Street, Advised
1:21 a.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Eddy Street, Advised
4:26 a.m. Structure Fire, Eddy Street, Investigated
12:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation/Warning Issued
3:22 p.m. Vehicle Fire, Vigeant Street, Investigated
6:33 p.m. Trespass/Unwanted, Pulaski Street, Advised
8:56 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Highland Street, Services Rendered
10:25 p.m. Suspicious/Wanted, Palmer Road, Canceled En Route

Monday, July 6
9:19 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Church Street, Dispatch Handled
1:37 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, High Street, Advised
4:07 p.m. Fraud/Deception, Hillside Terrace, Advised
4:54 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Fisherdict Road, Services Rendered
4:59 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Otis Avenue, Advised
5:02 p.m. Smoke Investigation, High Street, Services Rendered
5:29 p.m. Fraud/Deception, Hillside Terrace, Advised
5:37 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, High Street, Advised
8:44 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Palmer Road, Unfounded

Tuesday, July 7
10:19 a.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Monson Turnpike Road, Advised
3:06 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Advised

Wednesday, July 8
9:54 a.m. Police Response, Robbins Road, Assist Given
11:33 a.m. Safety Hazard, Hardwick Pond Road, Investigated
11:56 a.m. Safety Hazard, Main Street, Services Rendered
12:41 p.m. Fraud/Deception, North Street, Services Rendered
4:38 p.m. Damage/Vandalism, North Street, Services Rendered
6:35 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Church Street, Could Not Locate
7:14 p.m. Theft/Larceny, South Street, Report Made
7:20 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Services Rendered
9:51 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Highland Village, Could Not Locate
10:54 p.m. Breaking and Entering, West Main Street, Services Rendered

Thursday, July 9
12:10 a.m. Trespass/Unwanted, West Street, Services Rendered
3:28 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, West Street, Citation/Warning Issued
4:55 a.m. Outside Fire, Gilbertville Road, Extinguished
6:08 a.m. Assault, Pulaski Street, Advised
6:47 p.m. Breaking and Entering, Otis Avenue, Advised
8:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Crash, Bondsville Road, Report Made
11:27 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, East Main Street, Advised

Friday, July 10
12:43 a.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, South Street, Assist Given
6:52 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Palmer Road, Citation/Warning Issued
11:32 a.m. Damage/Vandalism, Cherry Street, Assist Given
1:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Monson Turnpike Road, Citation/Warning Issued
4:22 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Services Rendered
7:45 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Morse Avenue, Advised
8:15 p.m. Structure Fire, Otis Avenue, Services Rendered
11:25 p.m. Assist Other Agency, Sturbridge, Advised

Saturday, July 11
12:59 a.m. Theft/Larceny, Parker Street, Unfounded
2:21 a.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Pleasant Street, Advised
2:21 a.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Otis Avenue, Investigated
2:24 a.m. Motor Vehicle

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Stop, Barnes Street, Arrest Made
8:13 a.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Services Rendered
11:43 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Robbins Road, Dispatch Handled
1:42 p.m. Assist Other Agency, Ross Avenue, Services Rendered
5:56 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, West Street, Investigated
7:36 p.m. Mutual Aid/Assist Other Agency, Hardwick, Assist Given
11:19 p.m. Motor Vehicle Crash, West Warren Road, Services Rendered

Sunday, July 12
9:34 a.m. Motor Vehicle Crash, North Street, Report Made
12:30 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Report Made
3:20 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, Hillside Village, Advised
4:15 p.m. Assault, Webb Court, Arrest Made
7:01 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, West Main Street, Dispatch Handled
7:31 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Laurel Drive, Services Rendered

Monday, July 13
1:13 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Eddy Street, Citation/Warning Issued
12:33 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, South Street, Investigated
2:15 p.m. Damage/Vandalism, Campbell Road, Services Rendered
3:25 p.m. Breaking and Entering, West Street, Investigated
4:32 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Report Made
5:30 p.m. Assist Other Agency, Cummings Street, Canceled En Route
10:07 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, East Street, Investigated
10:55 p.m. Disturbance/Nuisance, East Street, Investigated

Tuesday, July 14
1:33 a.m. Assault, Pulaski Street, Could Not Locate

Hardwick Police Log

During the week of July 13-20, the Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department responded to 59 building/property checks, 26 directed/area patrols, nine radar assignments, three traffic controls, 15 emergency 911 calls, five citizen assists, one assist other agency, one motor vehicle investigation, one safety hazard, four complaints, one scam, one harassment, one threat, one property damage, one larceny/theft/shoplifting, two stolen motor vehicles, eight burglaries, two animal calls and 19 motor vehicle stops in the town of Hardwick.

Monday, July 13
10:37 a.m. Assist Citizen, Main Street, Spoken To
2:09 p.m. 911 Welfare Check, Mechanic Street, Transported to Hospital
2:37 p.m. Complaint, Barre Road, Officer Handled
6:29 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Lower Road, Vehicle Towed

Tuesday, July 14
1:11 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Upper Church Street, Transported to Hospital
9:26 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Church Lane, Transported to Hospital
9:41 a.m. Assist Other Agency, Out of Town, Services Rendered
10:30 a.m. 911 Misdiagnosis, Sessions Road, Services Rendered
10:32 a.m. Scam, Main Street, Officer Handled
11:05 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, North Street, Transported to Hospital
2:10 p.m. 911 Lockout, Bridge Street, Services Rendered
3:46 p.m. Harassment, Barre Road, Officer Handled

Wednesday, July 15
8:47 a.m. Medical Alarm, Main Street, Patient Refusal

9:44 a.m. 911 Safety Hazard, Lower Road, Removed Hazard
10:34 a.m. Threat, Czesky Road, Officer Handled
3:53 p.m. Medical Emergency, Barre Road, Transported to Hospital
4:55 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Road, Written Warning
8:16 p.m. Complaint, Hardwick Road, Unfounded
8:50 p.m. Property Damage, Church Lane, Officer Handled
11:40 p.m. 911 Hang-up/Abandoned, High Street, Negative Contact

Thursday, July 16
6:12 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Greenwich Road, Transported to Hospital
11:49 a.m. Assist Citizen, Main Street, Officer Handled
11:53 a.m. Medical Alarm, Barre Road, Services Rendered
3:53 p.m. Complaint, Church Lane, Negative Contact
7:07 p.m. Fire/Alarm, Church Street, Services Rendered

Friday, July 17
7:47 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued
10:40 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Petersham Road, Citation Issued
11:16 a.m. Neighbor Dispute, Bridge Street, Officer Handled
12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Petersham Road, Citation Issued
12:55 p.m. Complaint, Broad Street, Negative Contact
2:05 p.m. Motor Vehicle Investigation, Lower Road, Services Rendered
5:49 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Lucas Road, Citation Issued
6:26 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Lucas Road, Citation Issued

Saturday, July 18
1:24 a.m. Medical Emergency, Main Street, Transported to Hospital
4:45 a.m. Larceny/Theft/Shoplifting, Maple Street, Report Taken
5:44 a.m. Stolen Motor Vehicle, Pine Street, Report Taken
6:09 a.m. Stolen Motor Vehicle, Pine Street, Services Rendered
7:55 a.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), Pine Street, Report Taken
8:32 a.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), School Street, Report Taken
8:40 a.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), Pine Street, Report Taken
8:45 a.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), Pine Street, Report Taken
8:49 a.m. Assist Citizen, Main Street, Services Rendered
8:53 a.m. Fire/Alarm, Old Petersham Road, Services Rendered
9:10 a.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), Ruggles Street, Report Taken
9:35 a.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), Pine Street, Report Taken
9:57 a.m. Assist Citizen, Pine Street, Spoken To
10:04 a.m. Suspicious Activity, Pine Street, Report Taken
11:17 a.m. Assist Citizen, Ruggles Street, Services Rendered
11:58 a.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), Ruggles Street, Investigated
4:27 p.m. Burglary (Breaking and Entering), Pine Street, Services Rendered

Sunday, July 19
4:38 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Ridge Road, Transported to Hospital
8:38 p.m. Medical Alarm, Church Lane, Patient Refusal

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ing, conducting strategic land, air and water searches in hopes to locate him. “Undoubtedly, this was not the outcome that we had hoped and prayed for, but this discovery has been able to provide closure to the family,” Sledziewski stated in a Facebook post. “We are extremely grateful for all of the local, state, and volunteer organizations that have worked extensively to bring this missing persons case to a resolution. This would not have been possible without the numerous experts in the field that provided guidance and executed this operation. We appreciate the public’s support throughout these very long and hard 11 days.”

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insulation, installing PT plywood as a base for trim and installing white PVC panels, base trim and moldings to match the existing trim package. After these three projects were approved, the CDA had about \$8,000 left to give, and there were still applications from the Weir River Brickmill, Millyard Academy and D&D Fitness Factory to decide on. The authority voted to postpone the Weir River Brickmill sign because they had questions about whether the grants were better suited for businesses and whether this sign would be advertising the building itself. According to the meeting packet, the Brickmill received two quotes, one

from Sign Technologies out of Chicopee and the other from Chuck’s Sign Co, also out of Chicopee. They were looking for a 120 inches height by 96 inches width single sided HDU sign, painted and gilded with 24 karat gold leaf lettering, along with travel and labor costs with Sign Technologies, which quoted the cost at \$12,941. The CDA said there was another quote submitted by them of about \$5,000. The Millyard Academy’s application was submitted by Kylie Toppin for lighting and landscaping, one from Advanced Energy Concepts out of Auburn for \$5,072 and one from Jason Toppin Electrician out of West Brookfield for \$4,678. The CDA postponed this application because they

ing responders from departments across central Massachusetts to conduct searches in local bodies of water. Additional local departments provided air support with drone units. Through the assistance of the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services, a mobile command center was established while DFS and Central Mass Sparks Association - Rehab 78 coordinated rehab for responders. Sledziewski offered condolences to Blackwell’s family on behalf of public safety agencies and responders. “The loss of this family has been felt by all,” he said. Sledziewski said additional inquiries about this incident should be directed to the Worcester County District Attorney’s Office.

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Francis E. Moran Jr., 85



WARE – Francis E. “Butch” Moran Jr., age 85 passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, July 19, 2026, with his loving family by his side, after a courageous battle with Parkinson’s Disease.



Butch was born on April 14, 1941, to the late Francis E. Moran, Sr., and Dorothea R. (Rearick) Moran. He was raised and educated in Warren, graduating from the former Warren High School in 1959.

Butch went on to Becker Jr. College, graduating in 1961. He enlisted in the Massachusetts Army National Guard, and was chosen to attend the Massachusetts Military Academy, graduating in 1964, and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant. Butch rose in rank through the years, retiring in 1985 as a Major in the Massachusetts Army National Guard.

While he was the Company Commander of the Ware Co. C 104.181. He and his unit were the first to leave the country for training at Cardiff, Wales. Butch was reassigned to the Retired Reserve for 17 years, retiring in 2001.

He was a very active member of the following

organizations: Honorary Member of the Lake Wickaboag Boat Club (50 years), Member of the First Friday Group at Spencer Abbey, Board of Director of the Storrs Memorial Youth Center, Honorary Trustee of Country Bank, Cub Master of Pack 162 Den with 50 Scouts

(Honored in 1978 for his contributions), Member of the Ware England Rotary Exchange, Member of the Ware Rotary for 45 years, (Honored as a recipient of the Paul Harris Award). Butch was honored in 2004 as Citizen of the Year (Ware). He was a Parade Marshall for the Town of Ware in 2021, chosen for his 24 years of service in the Massachusetts Army National Guard, and 17 years of service to the Retired Reserve. Butch was a communicant of All Saints Church in Ware and served as an Usher for the parish until 2020.

Butch enjoyed working along with his sons at NAPA.

He was very involved with helping others in any way. Always volunteering and was well known for “Just Call Butch.”

Butch enjoyed family skiing and snowmobiling in Vermont, NASCAR Races,

hosting Rotarians from Ware, England and students during the summer months as well. Francis “Butch” leaves behind his wife of 64 years, Elaine (Rolla) Moran, who was his caretaker the last two years, his sons; Michael Moran and his wife Buffy, Jim Moran and Tom Moran. He also leaves behind his grandchildren: Heather and her husband Sean, Ryan, Amanda and her husband Nick, Sean and Rachel, as well as his great-grandchildren: Reid, Wyatt and Sawyer. Butch also leaves behind his brother, John Moran and sister, Barbara Clancy.

Francis “Butch” Moran was very proud of his Country, Flag and Uniform.

Calling Hours will take place on Friday, July 24, 2026, from 4-7 p.m. in Cebula Funeral Home, 66 South St., Ware. A Funeral Mass will be offered on Saturday, July 25, 2026, at 11 a.m. in All Saints Church, North Street, Ware.

Friends are asked to meet directly in the church on Saturday morning. Burial with Military Honors will follow the mass in New St. William Cemetery, Ware.

In lieu of floral offerings, please consider donations to: St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital, Ware Ambulance Fund, or to a charity of one’s choice.

Robin Marie Evans, 58

SOUTHOLD, NY – Robin Marie (Sorel) Evans, age 58, passed away suddenly at her home on Sunday, June 14, 2026.



Robin was born in Ware on April 6, 1968. She was the loving daughter of the late Romuald C. Sorel and Elizabeth A. “Lisa” (D’Annolfo) Sorel.

Raised and educated in Ware, she was a 1982 graduate of the former St. Mary’s School in Ware, a 1986 graduate of Ware High School, and a 1988 graduate of LaSalle Junior College in Newton.

Robin has been a resident of Southold, New York for 23 years.

On Oct. 20, 2002 she married Jeffrey L. Evans in Woodstock, Connecticut. They were married 17 years when Jeffrey passed away on March 31, 2020.

Robin was employed as a waitress/bartender for the Hellenic Restaurant for

seven years and Skippers Restaurant for 15 years.

Robin is survived by her loving brother, Jeffrey M. Sorel of Ware, her three step-children: Ryan Evans and his wife Tracy of Manorville, New York, Justin Evans and his wife Sarah of Riverhead, New York, and Scott Evans of Arcadia, Florida. Robin also leaves her step-grandchildren: Owen, Kellan and Myles Evans, Stella and Lorelai Evans.

A Funeral Mass will be offered on Tuesday, July 28, 2026 at 11 a.m. in St. Mary’s Church, 57 South St., Ware. Inurnment will follow in St. Mary’s Cemetery in Ware. Cebula Funeral Home is directing the final arrangements. For more information and an online guestbook, please visit: www.cebulafuneral-home.com.

Death notices

Evans, Robin Marie (Sorel)
Died June 14, 2026
Services July 28, 2026

Moran Jr., Francis E. “Butch”
Died July 19, 2026
Services July 25, 2026

Wright Jr., Dustin J.
Died July 9, 2026
Services July 28, 2026

Wright, Ursula
Died July 14, 2026

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Ursula Wright, 95

SOUTHINGTON, CT – Ursula Wright, formerly of Warren, passed away peacefully of natural causes on July 14, 2026.

She had recently celebrated her 95th birthday.

Ursie was predeceased by her husband, Bill Wright, in 2008. He was the love of her life!

Together, they raised four boys in Warren: Dave (of Longview, Texas with wife Karen), Doug (of Frenchtown, New Jersey with partner Kathy), Tom (of San Francisco, California with husband Tony), and Steve (of Southington, Connecticut with wife Tracy). She had five grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren, and liked nothing better than spending time with family.

Ursie was born in Hamburg, Germany and emigrated to the U.S. in 1939, crossing the Atlantic with her parents, Brigitta and Walter Simon. They settled in Schenectady, New York, and Ursie later graduated from the University of Rochester with a degree in political science.

She and Bill married in 1955, and they moved to Warren shortly thereafter, where they raised the four boys (DDT & S, for short, as she referred to them with a chuckle).

During that time, Ursie

gamely played the family roles of short-order cook, pre-Uber shuttle driver, referee, cheerleader, and photojournalist, among others.

When the business of raising the kids was complete, she and Bill traveled widely, visiting far-flung friends and family. For years, she continued sending her weekly, newsy letters to DDT & S, describing hers and Bill’s latest adventures.

Ursie’s final journey was from Warren to Southington, Connecticut in 2018, where she moved to be close to Steve, Tracy and family, and the care they provided in the final years of her life.

Ursie enjoyed giving back to her community and being a rabble rouser. She was active in the Warren Federated Church, in Warren’s local politics (to the delight of many and the chagrin of others) and was dedicated to environmental causes.

She was on the Board of Selectmen in the 1980s and 1990s, the Warren Public Library Association, the Conservation Commission, the Rural Improvement Association, and assisted in the development of

Warren’s Lucy Stone Park. She was involved in grass-



roots efforts to thwart the developers of Warren’s “mini-city” in the 1970s, and worked with the STOP-IT group to turn away the construction of a local hazardous waste facility in the 1980s.

Ursie had a big heart, and cared for those around her. She spent time teaching at the Eagle Hill School for kids with learning differences, and later tutoring adult immigrants in English.

She and Bill welcomed a young boy from New York City into their home through the Fresh Air Fund for a number of years when their boys were youngsters.

There were always fresh bouquets in the house from her flower gardens, and in her later years in Warren, she cultivated deep and lasting relationships with her cherished gang of lady friends. Ursie will surely be missed, and will live on in our hearts and memories.

A celebration of life will be held on a date to be announced later. In lieu of flowers, we ask that donations be made in Ursie’s name to the Nature Conservancy.

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into the AQI, which can tell you when it’s safest to be outdoors, and when it’s not. The AQI is a numerical scale that is color coded. An AQI 50 or under is considered good (green); 51-100 (yellow) is moderate; 101-150 (orange) is unhealthy, especially for sensitive groups; and anything from 151 to 300 or more (red) is extremely hazardous to the general population.

Summer is typically when the AQI is more concerning. Air pollution is often made worse by intense heat and stagnant air, especially in populated areas. Drought conditions can bring on wildfires. If you recall, smoke from last summer’s wildfires in Canada had a huge impact on U.S. states.

Here are a few tips to keep

yourself and your loved ones safer this summer from the pollutants measured by the AQI.

Check the AQI before venturing out: It’s front and center on most weather apps.

Go outdoors for yard-work or exercise in the morning: The AQI generally gets worse as the day heats up, and it’s also unfavorable in the evening due to accumulated pollutants and reduced wind speeds.

Be prepared: If you or someone in the family has asthma, carry a rescue inhaler. N95 masks, which we learned to wear during the pandemic, can also help limit the amount of particulate matter you may inhale.

Pay attention to indoor air quality: Use air purifiers with HEPA filters, for example. Dust and vacuum to control particulate matter. Frequently

change filters in furnaces and air handlers. Control moisture to avoid mold.

The AQI is more than a number. It’s a guide to a healthier summer.

Teri (Dreher) Frykenberg, R.N., a registered nurse and board-certified patient advocate, is the founder of www.NurseAdvocateEntrepreneur.com, which trains medical professionals to become successful private patient advocates. A Monson, MA resident, she is the author of “How to Be a Healthcare Advocate for Yourself & Your Loved Ones” and her new book, “Advocating Well: Strategies for Finding Strength and Understanding in Health Care,” available at Amazon.com. Contact her at Teri@NurseAdvocateEntrepreneur.com to set up a free phone consultation.

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- Listen to
- Presents
- A type of guitar
- Actor Idris
- A citizen of Iran
- Pretentiously artistic
- Harness
- Diamond weight measurement
- “Better Call ___”
- Fervent support
- Male cat
- Jewish spiritual leader
- Disposed to venture or take risks
- A way to nail
- Cool!
- Women’s ___ movement
- “Losing My Religion” rockers
- Step-shaped recess
- A princess can detect it
- Tractor-trailer
- Leslie and Leon are two

- Color at the end of the spectrum
- Lines where fabrics are sewn
- Dodgers great Hershiser
- Floor covering
- Traveled aimlessly
- Rocker Stewart
- Body art
- Congressman (abbr.)
- No seats available
- Breaks apart
- Hand gesture
- Ballplayer’s tool
- Sword
- Baseball team
- Upper bract of floret of grass
- Italian Seaport
- Mars crater
- Tube on a shoelace
- U. of Miami mascot
- South American nation
- Video game series “Max ___”

CLUES DOWN

- German courtesy title
- Ancient Greek personification of mercy
- Jewish calendar month
- Family of long-legged frogs
- Photo
- Delivered a speech
- Lute used in Indian music
- Decorated
- Cease to stand
- The bottom layer
- Member of a Semitic people
- Part of a ticket
- Defunct monetary unit
- Challenges
- Body part
- Tell on
- By way of
- Shady green alcove
- Egyptian city
- ___ and flowed

- Widens a hole
- Eurasian wheat
- Act incorrectly
- “Be back later”
- Al Bundy’s wife
- Ocean
- Large root eaten as a vegetable
- Units of subjective loudness
- Music genre
- A way to drench
- Popular hot beverage
- Silk-like cotton fabric
- Rumanian city
- Come back
- Vaccine developer
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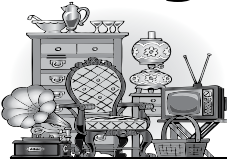
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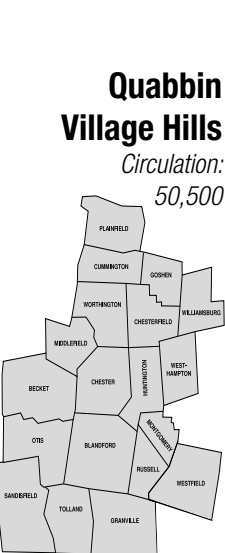
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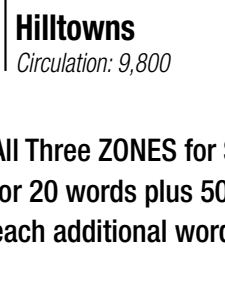
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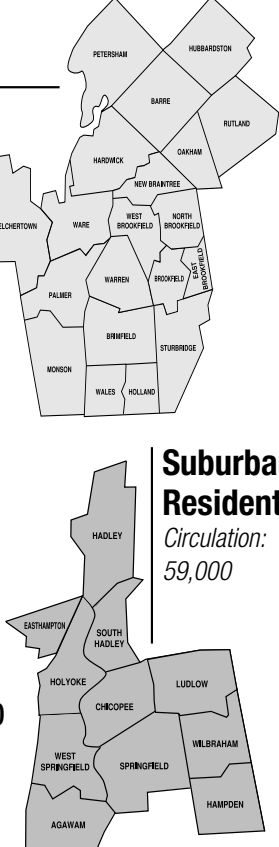
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Lions Club hosts Concerts in the Park

WARE – The Ware Lions Club presents Concerts in the Park on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in Grenville Park, 73 Church St.

Admission to concerts is free and concerts are weather dependent.

Concert dates include July 23, The Bridge; July 30, Charlie Lask and Forever Diamond with special guest Jimmy Mazz and Aug. 6, Woodshed.

During each concert, the Ware Lions will have a concession stand selling hot dogs, chips, popcorn and beverages. Raffle tickets for prizes will also be available.

This year's raffle includes a chance to win a \$300 gasoline gift card to Brookside Mart on West

Street. Tickets are \$10 each and available at Thursday night concerts, from any Ware Lions Club member, or at Nat Falk Men's Clothing or St. Germain Insurance.

The gasoline gift card winning ticket will be drawn on Thursday, July 30. Proceeds from this raffle go to Lion's charities.

The Paige Memorial Library, 87 Petersham Road, for the Wednesday morning Story Hour with an art/science activity and play time starting at 10:30 a.m., Paige Book Club, the Cookbook Club, the Friends group, the Ongoing Book Sale, the Paige Writers, the 250th Quilt group, the Movie Festival Committee and programs for all ages and interests.

Watch for a new date for African rhythm drumming with Jafar Manselle and the Wendell Warriors on the Hardwick common and more upcoming events.

Hardwick libraries bring music to Town House

HARDWICK – Enjoy music by Shenanigans with Friends at the Town House on Saturday, July 25 from 3-5 p.m.

This exciting cover band of western Massachusetts and southern Vermont play old favorites, rock, country, folk and R&B with tight harmonies and danceable rhythms. Band members are; Dan Belmont (keys), Geoff Rice (guitar), Scot Broderick (bass), Mark Cherrington (drums) and singers Rosanna Murphrey, Diana Krauth (percussion) and Gershon Eigner.

This performance is

brought to you by the Friends of the Paige Memorial Library and the Hardwick-New Braintree Cultural Council and the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Hardwick libraries invite you to sign up for the "Dig In and Read" Summer Reading Program now through Aug. 22.

The Summer Reading Program includes activities and prizes for all ages, dinosaurs, American history and nature. Watch the website paigelibrary.com and Facebook for activities and events.

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Vote by Mail postcards mailed for State Primary

WARE – The Secretary of the Commonwealth has sent out Vote by Mail postcards to all registered voters in each city and town.

The application deadline to apply for a Vote by Mail Ballot for the State Primary is Tuesday, Aug. 25.

If you choose to return the postcard please be sure to sign and date the postcard before you return it. Postage has been paid so you can simply mail the card, it is not necessary to drop off in person.

If you choose to drop off the postcard there is a Blue Drop Box outside the lower level of Town Hall marked "Town Clerk," feel free to drop off as the box is checked several times during the day.

Things to remember

Choose which election or elections you wish to receive a Vote by Mail ballot.

If you are enrolled in a party you will receive that party ballot for the State Primary.

If you are not enrolled in a party (Unenrolled) you must choose which party ballot. you desire for the State

Primary.

You may wish to vote in the State Election of Nov. 3; if so, then simply check that box only.

Voting status

Please feel free to check your status as a voter by going to www.mass.gov and search for your voter registration information under "Elections and Voting." Here you can see how you are registered, what address you are registered at, your party choice if you are enrolled in a party.

You will also be able to view a sample ballot if you are enrolled in a party.

If you are not registered to vote, have changed your address within the town or wish to change your party enrollment you must do so ten days prior to any election.

Kid's Corner workshop to be held July 25

WARE – The next Kids' Corner workshop at Ware Grange will be called "Birds" and will take place on Saturday, July 25 at 10 a.m. at the Grange Hall at 297 Belchertown Road.

Kids' Corner workshops are led by preschool teacher, Jen McNally, and teach children about nature and the environment through stories, songs and fun activities.

This workshop will explore the world of birds and their life cycles.

Children will learn about many different birds, their songs, and their habitats.

Visit Ware Grange on Facebook or at ware-grange.org for more information.

Draw dinosaurs at the Warren library

WARREN – How to Draw Dinosaurs will be held on Thursday, July 30 at 3 p.m. at the Warren Public Library

Create your own Dino-palooza. Let's draw some dinosaurs together.

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step-by-step how to draw your favorite dinosaurs. Or if you want to get fancy, design your own.

This event is open to all ages, no registration required. All are welcome to have a fun and relaxed community art day.

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public notices

TOWN OF WARE MASSACHUSETTS CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ware Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Act MGL Chapter 131, Section 40 and the Ware Wetlands Protection Bylaw (Chapter 30), to consider a **Request for Determination of Applicability** filed for exploratory borings in Babcock Tavern Road over the Beaver Lake outlet within Boring Land Subject to Flooding (BLSF) and the 100-foot Buffer Zone.

The hearing will be held on **Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 6:30 pm** at 126 Main Street in Ware, Massachusetts in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. To view the Request for Determination of Applicability, contact the Conservation Commission at (413) 967-9648.

Any person interested or wishing to be heard should appear at the time and place designated. 07/23/2026

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 26 SM 000899 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: **Todd M. Allard** and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act: 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 (*et seq*): **PennyMac Loan Services, LLC**

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Ware, numbered 9 Laurel Drive, given by Todd M. Allard to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for loanDepot.com, LLC dba Mortgage Master, dated October 27, 2016, and recorded at Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 12449, Page 252,

as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated July 21, 2022 and recorded at said Registry in Book 14671, Page 139 as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated August 18, 2024 and recorded at said Registry in Book 15243, Page 347 and now held by the plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **August 24, 2026** or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the grounds of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on July 20, 2026.

Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder

07/23/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Hampshire Division Docket No. HS26P0209EA Estate of:

Mark Edward Schlesinger
Date of Death: 01/10/2026
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Paul Schlesinger of Palmer, MA.**

Paul Schlesinger of Palmer, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 07/23/2026

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 88 West Street, Ware, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Thomas Hubbard to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as mortgagee, as nominee for Norwich Commercial Group, Inc. d/b/a TPOGO its successors and assigns and now held by Freedom Mortgage Corporation, said mortgage dated March 22, 2024, and recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 15094, Page 194, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated December 23, 2024, and recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 15314, Page 312, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 6, 2025, and recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in

Book 15496, Page 282, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on **August 20, 2026 at 11:00 AM Local Time** upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

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thence EASTERLY on land formerly of the P.J. Crowe Estate about fifty (50) feet to land formerly of Fred Burge;

thence NORTHERLY on land formerly of Fred Burge one hundred (100) feet to West Street;

thence WESTERLY on West Street to the place of beginning.

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Town holds weeklong celebration for nation’s 250th

WARE – The town’s U.S. 250th Celebration Committee has planned a week full of events July 25-Aug. 1
 On Saturday, July 25 Ware Olde Home Day will be held at Grenville Park, 73 Church St., from 1-8 p.m. There will be a craft tent, food vendors, a marionettes program, music, old fashioned games, costume contest, pie baking contest and more.
 On Sunday, July 26, Historical Day will be held in Town Hall, 126 Main St., from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Come

learn about the historical Town Hall, enjoy some cake, participate in a tree planting, and come listen to “Women of ‘76: Stories of 5 Remarkable
 Women who Witnessed & Shaped the American Revolution.”
 A Family Game Night will be held on Monday, July 27 at the Ware Senior Center, 1 Robbins Road, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 Come and enjoy some family music bingo fun. Light refreshments and drinks will be provided by It’s Wine O’clock.

A Car Show will be held on Tuesday, July 28 at Ware High School, 237 West St., from 5-8 p.m. Show off your car and win a prize. There will be music and an ice cream truck.
 On Wednesday, July 29, a Family Movie Night will be hosted by the Quaboag Hills Substance Use Alliance at Grenville Park starting at 7:30 p.m. Come watch “Wild Robot” under the stars and bring blankets and chairs.
 The Ware Lions Club will host a Concert in the Park on Thursday, July

30 in Grenville Park from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Charlie Lask and Forever Diamond will perform with special guest Jimmy Mazz.
 On Friday, July 31, Workshop13 will host “Where’s the Talent?” in its Grand Hall at 13 Church St., from 5-10 p.m. This talent show is for performers of all ages and talents. Prizes will be awarded for each age group.
 The weeklong celebration will end with the Town Parade and Fireworks on Saturday, Aug. 1.
 The parade will begin at

11 a.m., starting at Grenville Park on Church Street, turning onto Main Street, and ending on West Street.
 From 12:30-3 p.m. that day, visit Nat Falk Men’s Clothing, 64 Main St., to celebrate the business’ 90th birthday.
 Starting at 5 p.m., the Ware Public Schools campus will host the town’s annual Fireworks show, with food vendors, bounce houses, face painting, dunk tanks and live music.

WHS Class of 1976 plans 50th reunion
 Contact information for classmates needed

WARE – Ware High School Class of 1976 is planning its 50th reunion celebration to be held on Oct. 17 at Teresa’s Restaurant.
 Class alumni have reached out to many, but are still in need of contact information for many other classmates.
 If you have not yet been contacted, or you know someone who needs information or for other questions, text or call Michelle (Nowak) Higney at 413-237-5854.

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