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'SHREK'

steps out of the swamp and onto the stage

By Paula Ouimette
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BARRE – Quabbin Performing Arts is getting ready to peel back the layers of a reclusive ogre's life and reveal a beautiful love story more magical than any that has come before it.

This Friday evening, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m., "Shrek the Musical" will take the stage at Quabbin Regional Middle/High School, 800 South St., with a cast full of fairy tale characters, led by a reluctant hero, his quirky sidekick and a princess with a big secret.

Filling the role of Shrek the Ogre is junior August Bellerose, who is known for

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Turley Photo by Paula Ouimette

Donkey, played by Sebastian Palomera-Espinoza, tried to claim his half of Shrek's swamp played by August Bellerose. "Shrek the Musical" will be performed at Quabbin Regional Middle/High School. The musical opens this weekend with performances on Friday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 8 at 2 p.m. Other dates include Friday, Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 15 at 2 p.m.

Board appoints new Town Accountant

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HARDWICK – The Select Board met on Oct. 27 and discussed appointing a new Town Accountant.

The applicant for the position was Holly Mann, who attended the meeting and still had interest in the position. Jeffrey Schaaf of the Select Board commented that Mann is qualified for the position. With the original choice or appointed candidate no longer available, it seems time for the Select Board to fill the Town Accountant position.

With time running short Schaff believes the board must go forward and appoint Mann to the position. Vice Chair William Tinker wanted to talk further about the duties of the position and had a revised offer letter.

According to Tinker, "The Town Accountant answers to the Select Board."

Tinker referenced Mass General Law, Chapter 41, Section 55, where the Select Board of a town appoints a Town Accountant. Tinker also wanted to make it clear in the discussion that the Town Accountant reports to the Select Board. Tinker also read the revised offer letter out loud for the public to hear.

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Wishing Well Charities hosted 5th Fall Fundraiser

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WARE – Teresa's Restaurant in Ware was the home of the annual Fall Fundraiser for Wishing Well Charities, Incorporated.

This year was the 5th Annual Fall Fundraiser as Wishing Well Charities is dedicated to granting small financial wishes to people in need so they can cele-

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Turley Photo by Ryan Drago

Ware's Town Manager Stuart Beckley was the recipient of the Making a Difference Award presented by Belinda and Chris Midura of Wishing Well Charities, Inc.



Turley Photo by Ryan Drago

Sisters Kristina Kenyon, left, and Jamie Imbier are shown with their pirate themed trunk for trunk or treat.

Trunk or Treat held at SMK Elementary School

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WARE – This year marked the third annual Trunk or Treat at Stanley M. Koziol Elementary School and it was put together by the SMK Parent Teacher Organization.

Kate Fluegge serves as the treasurer for the PTO and

was amazed by the spectacular turnout the trunk or treat had.

There were over 200 kids in costume who attended the Trunk or Treat and there were 25 cars who signed up. This annual Halloween event is a supportive fundraiser for the PTO to help pay for field trips, buses, and activities throughout the school year.

The PTO appreciates the support from the community as this year's trunk or treat was their biggest one over

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Trunk -OR- Treat

Annual Halloween celebration took place at Quaboag

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DJ Tabby LeBlanc as Big Bird provided the music during the Trunk or Treat.

WARREN – The Trunk or Treat at Quaboag Regional Middle High School was held this past weekend.

Over 15 cars entered in

this year's Trunk or Treat and was organized by the PTOs of West Brookfield Elementary School and Warren Community Elementary School. Tracy Colangelo of the WCES PTO said the Trunk or Treat has been going on for at least 10 years,

maybe even longer.

Both elementary schools played host to Trunk or Treat and soon made their way to Quaboag for more space and parking.

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Mason jar pumpkins made at library

By Ryan Drago
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WARE – The Ware Library hosted its monthly adult evening craft in October and the project was mason jar pumpkins.

Library Assistant Regina Diemand returned for another month of crafting and served as the instructor for the adult evening craft. The idea of mason jar pumpkins came from Diemand and was also based off some positive feedback.

In a previous monthly craft, guests worked on painted wine glasses and guests thought painting glassware was a fun craft. Therefore, Diemand found something similar where guests can enjoy freehand painting on glassware.

The library provided the mason jars and the wine corks that will be used as the stem decoration for the pumpkin mason jars. The corks were donated to the library.

The adult evening craft was held inside the Reading Room of the Ware Library. The turnout was spectacular with a total of 19 crafters. Diemand said there were quite a few newcomers in this month's adult evening craft.

"A handful of new faces," Diemand said.

Soon these clear mason jars will convert into decorative pumpkin jars thanks to the talent of many local crafters.

There was a lot of orange paint in the Reading Room, but some crafters got creative and painted their mason jar



A yellow pumpkin with a funny smile.



Pumpkins blend in perfectly with mason jars.



A green themed mason jar pumpkin with a wine cork used as the stem.



A mason jar pumpkin was made by Library Assistant Regina Diemand during the monthly adult evening craft night.

pumpkins in various colors. There were green pumpkins and yellow pumpkins. Some had scary smiles, while others had happy smiles.

Guests got to take their mason jar pumpkins home with them afterwards. Diemand left one of hers on the fireplace mantel in the Reading Room. The mason jar pumpkin sits along-

side previous adult evening crafts that were designed by Diemand.

For more information about the monthly adult evening craft, contact the Ware Library at 413-967-5491. The next adult evening craft will be announced soon. For updates, visit warelibrary.org.

Are You Old News?



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 1989 showed the White Eagle squad in the Babe Ruth League. Front row from left are Brian Guimond, Albert Sandoval, Travis Nicolson, Damian Sarrette, Benjamin Robinson and Robert Tuttle. Back from left are Tim Johnson, Brian Flamand, Scott Slattery, John Kryzak, Andy Zajac and Dave Sarrette, manager.

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

Ware Senior Center news

WARE – The Ware Senior Center, 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, Nov. 10

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

Tuesday, Nov. 11
• Closed for Veterans Day

Wednesday, Nov. 12

- 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
- 12:30 p.m. Knit-Crochet-Laugh

Thursday, Nov. 13

- 9 a.m. Walking Club. Participants should meet at the Senior Center.
- 9 a.m. Exercise at Valley View Housing
- 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
- 1 p.m. Cornhole

Friday, Nov. 14

- 9 a.m. Tai Chi
- 10 a.m. Scat
- 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Food Bank of Western MA Brown Bag Program
- 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, Nov. 10

Veteran's Lunch
BBQ Chicken, Baked Potatoes, Veggie of the Day, Dessert of the Day

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Closed for Veterans Day

Wednesday, Nov. 12

Beef Stew over Rice, Tossed Salad, Dessert of the Day

Thursday, Nov. 13

Lazy Pierogi with Kielbasa, Potato Salad, Dessert of the Day

Friday, Nov. 14

Stuffed Shells, Chef Salad, Dessert of the Day

FOOD DRIVE

Please join us, the Diamond Dance Awards Ambassadors, in making a difference to our community and people in need. We are collecting non-perishable food items and toiletries to donate to our local food pantries.



Donations will be accepted November 3 – 21 at the following locations:

Hakim Medical @ 182 West St. Ware (Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

Limelight Dance Center @ 56 Pulaski St. Ware (during normal business hours)

Nat Falk @ 64 Main St. Ware (during normal business hours)



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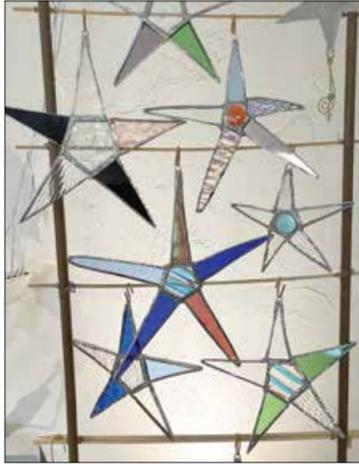
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Christmas in New Braintree Craft Fair seeks vendors/crafters

NEW BRAINTREE – Christmas in New Braintree Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the New Braintree Grade School and Town Hall.

The craft fair is being sponsored by the Tri-Parish Community Church. Eight foot by eight foot spaces are still available. To reserve, call 443-835-7530



Submitted Photo

Handcrafted stained glass items and jewelry by Bonnie Waterhouse will be one of the many items available at the Christmas in New Braintree Craft Fair to be held on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

New events coming to Ware Senior Center

WARE – The Friends of Ware Seniors, Inc. are presenting some activities for the month of November at the Ware Senior Center, 1 Robbins Road.

On Thursday, Nov. 20 at 12:30 p.m. there will be a free movie shown on the new 85-inch screen TVs that were recently installed. Free popcorn will also be provided by the Friends committee.

On Monday, Nov. 24 at 2:30 p.m., Otto Florists will be doing a class on a Thanksgiving pumpkin centerpiece with instructor/designer Brian Socha. If you cannot make the afternoon class, there will be another class at 6 p.m. on the same day.

Pumpkins will all be cleaned out by Brian and ready to insert a fresh floral arrangement that you will create and take home for \$15. Class is limited to 30 guests and snacks will be provided by the Friends. You must contact Susan LaBarge at 413-544-1574 to sign up by Nov. 18. Both of these events are open to the public.

Town hosts non-perishable food drive

HARDWICK – In an effort to combat food insecurity among the community, the Town of Hardwick will be launching a non-perishable food drive.

Beginning on Nov. 3, food donation bins will be placed in the foyer of the Municipal Office Building, 307 Main St., Gilbertville, MA 01031. Donations will be accepted during all operating hours.

Please note, the town cannot accept monetary donations.

Voter registration deadline for STM is Friday

WARE – In accordance with state law, the last day to register to vote in order to participate at Monday, Nov. 17 Special Town Meeting will be Friday, Nov. 7 at 5 p.m.

Interested individuals not already registered are able to register on that day or any day prior at the Office of the

Town Clerk. Registering to vote may also be done via postcards available at the U.S. Post Office on West Street or you may also register online at www.ma.gov

If you have moved within Ware be sure you have registered at your new address. You may check your voter registration online at www.ma.gov

Voters are able to check to see if they are registered, what party if any they are registered in, where voting for elections occurs, as well as sample of state election ballots.

Questions may be directed to the Town Clerk Nancy J. Talbot at 413-967-9648 extension 103.

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Town Administrator Justine Caggiano commented on the duties of the Town Accountant and mentioned that the duties are laid out by state statute. Select Board Chair Eric W. Vollheim signed the offer prior to its presentation to Mann.

After clarification, the Select Board moved to a vote and appointed Mann as the Town Accountant.

Meeting minutes review

While going over the meeting minutes in previous meetings, Bill Cole of the Planning Board had a question regarding the meeting on June 9. Various changes were made, and some deletions were made in the minutes of that meeting. One thing that was deleted was Cole's statement tied to a discussion during a Planning Board meeting back in April.

Tinker said he was at the Planning Board meeting and was put on the agenda. Tinker claimed some things didn't happen in the meeting that were talked about during the Select Board meeting. What was supposedly removed in the minutes appeared to be a public statement.

"If somebody makes a statement in a public meeting, it becomes part of the public meeting," Schaaf said.

Tinker asked even if the statement was false or untrue. Vollheim confirmed that's the case whether it's true or not. Although Tinker claimed the information was lies and slander, Schaaf said it can't just be removed from the public record. If Cole made this statement during that particular Select Board meeting, then its part of the meeting.

"It's Mr. Cole being quoted, essentially," Vollheim stated as the Select Board decided to table these meeting minutes until the next meeting and investigate further.

Groundwater update

The Select Board heard a presentation from Dr. Rick Romano regarding the groundwater and Hardwick landfill. Romano reviewed

the 2025 post closure landfill environmental monitoring report for the Hardick landfill.

There are over 600 pages of data and tables that Romano has gone over, and recent years were digitally submitted for public reports.

"We have a groundwater contamination problem," Romano said.

In this location they've detected the contamination, Romano said tabulation for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances has started to try and collect current PFAS numbers. In the packets presented to the Select Board, tabulations for 2024 and 2025 are listed.

Looking through this long record, Romano said a lot of these results dates back to 2009 and that no one has really gone through these records. The contaminants are within the groundwater, according to Romano of the Board of Health.

Romano brought up the safeguard water supply that leads to Ware and the Board of Health is looking further into this and see how far spread the contamination is. A map of the landfill was presented at the Select Board for people in person at the meeting to see.

Romano is seeking a second opinion from a physician based out of Boston College and is also and has done studies in environmental and epidemiology.

Romano says he's not sure on what the extent of the plume is. The towns of Southbridge and Charlton had a similar issue.

Romano wanted to make the Select Board aware of this matter regarding the groundwater. This information is documented, and wells will be monitored. The big question the Board had was what the arrangements with Casella were. This is being looked at further.

The Board of Health also wanted to check the households in the pond area that may be impacted. Romano said they will notify the Ware Board of Health, due to Ware having property that is a direct abutter of the landfill.

The town is looking into

hiring a licensed site professional to go over these studies and what the next steps should be. Romano is applying for a grant that will help pay for the LSP.

Schaaf asked if there was PFAS anywhere in the wells down in the Ware area. Romano said "there's PFAS everywhere" and saying here it came from is tough to know. Monitoring wells in place are being run by Tighe & Bond through Casella.

At this time, Romano said "it's about what do we do from here." The landfill opened back in the 1960s and was used due to being empty ground.

Each well in town has its own history and studies show that there is trending happening in the wells.

"The status of things right now is not good," Romano said. "We want to safeguard this resource the best we can."

Historical Commission discussion

The Select Board revisited the terms and members list for the town's Historical Commission. The Board is looking to set terms for people who are appointed to the Historical Commission. Currently there are six members on the Historical Commission and Schaaf is currently serving as the Chair.

Schaaf said he was comfortable stepping down and letting the members that were appointed to run the commission. Terms would then be established: a one year term that ends in 2026, a two year term that ends on 2027, and three years that ends on 2028.

The Board voted and passed both terms. New members of the Historical Commission were appointed at the last Select Board meeting.

Kearsarge Solar lease

Bill Zinni of the Conservation Commission attended the Select Board meeting to talk about the map layout of the site for the potential solar lease. The footprint of the panel location was reviewed and the conservation commission talked about the area being close to

the water.

Zinni recommended that the project on site should stay out of the 200-foot riverfront zone. The commission hopes this sort of project doesn't negatively impact the wetland protection.

Harry Comerford of the Planning Board commented on the site and says the town owns 48.5 acres of land. There is also a certain number of megawatts that Kearsarge would need and the more megawatts jumps the amount of revenue for the town.

One estimate mentioned was \$20,000 per megawatt and with 10 megawatts, \$200,000 is what the town would get from the lease per year.

It was confirmed that the site does not touch the athletic fields nearby. One of the biggest concerns the Board had was that the site has a lot of gravel. The town can continue to mine before land is potentially leased.

The Select Board wants to think about what the benefits are if the town were to lease. The town is still in a waiting period and waiting to hear back from legal on what the

adjustments are.

Cole commented and said he hopes the final contract says its just part of the parcel. In other words, not leasing the entire 48.5 acres. This would leave the town with the full ability to keep fields the way they are.

"It's not all 48," Caggiano said, referring to the lease.

Vollheim said he would like to see flags in place on the site as there is still too much to review.

Quabbin Stewardship Initiative

Zinni spoke on the Quabbin legislation related topic that has been mentioned in previous meetings. This topic is an attempt to get 12 plus communities surrounding the Quabbin some additional compensation for the water that runs off the towns land into the Quabbin Reservoir and gets sold in eastern Massachusetts by the Mass. Water Resources Authority.

Zinni believes this would be a great thing for the communities that neighbor the Quabbin. The town is at a point now where the towns are calling for a steward-

ship group. A letter from the communities would go out to the Mass Water Resources Authority Advisory Committee and try to get allowance to attend their meetings.

This would give towns the ability to argue their case as they are being custodians to the water supply. The letter has been sent out as the Board reviewed the latest version. This topic will be discussed further at the next Select Board meeting.

STM to be held Nov. 20

WARREN – A Special Town Meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. at Quaboag Regional Middle High School, in the auditorium, 284 Old West Brookfield Road.

Voter registration deadline is Monday, Nov. 10 at 5 p.m.

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SOCIAL SECURITY Matters

By Russell Gloor

Should I ask for retroactive benefits?

Dear Rusty:

I turn 70 next month, Oct. 3 and am making an application for Social Security benefits to begin in January 2026.

I want the maximum Delayed Retirement Credits and the highest permanent monthly benefit. I do not want to leave money on the table, so should I request six months of retroactive benefits or at least retroactive to October when I turn 70? If I do this, will I lose DRCs and adversely impact my ongoing monthly benefit after February 2026?

Signed: Turning 70

Dear Turning 70:

I must ask why claim your Social Security to start in January? You are entitled to your maximum SS monthly benefit in the month you reach 70 years of age, so waiting until January doesn't gain you anything. You could apply in August, specifying you wish your benefits to start in October, and you would get the maximum age 70 benefit you are entitled to (e.g., the maximum Delayed Retirement Credits available to you, and the highest possible monthly benefit).

Since you are looking for your maximum DRC's, to prevent SSA from giving you any retroactive benefits, which would permanently lower your monthly amount) you should enter in the "Remarks" section of your application that "I do not

wish to receive retroactive benefits. I want my maximum monthly benefit effective with the month I turn 70 years of age."

If, however, for some reason you still wish to claim effective with January 2026, you should indicate in the "Remarks" section of your SS application that you only wish three months of retroactive benefits, for the months of October, November and December 2025. This is to prevent you from losing the money you would miss by waiting beyond October to claim. If you ask for benefits retroactive to any month earlier than the month you turn 70, your monthly benefit will be permanently reduced.

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viewpoints

Garden Lady follow up

Martha wrote in after my column on Stinging Nettle. As you may recall, a reader had reached out about this plant and how it had begun to grow rampant in her field.

She was nervous about coming in contact with it, and nervous for her dog, as well, who likes to run in the tall grass. Her main concern was eradicating it, and although I gave her some advice on how to do that, I should have also given the plant a little more well-deserved recognition.

Herbalists and others interested in the nutritional value of nettle often plant it "on purpose."

This is what Martha had to say: "I did, indeed, plant nettles; they are in a part of the yard where their growth will be somewhat controlled. But are they not an excellent source of calcium, and have plenty of other health benefits, besides? It seems we are quick to 'eradicate' the less tame plants, which, upon investigation, can prove to be beneficial."

Martha, your point is well-taken! I guess it goes along with the old saying, "one person's trash is another person's treasure." Or better yet, how about "one person's weed is another person's medicine?"

Along similar lines, this question came in from Steven, who lives in Becket. He wrote to the Garden Lady curious about the late bloom-

ing perennial, Monkshood.

First he provides some background: "My wife was starting to clear a small flower area we have next to the driveway two weekends ago. She was cutting down daisies

ite because it is one of a few flowers that do bloom in blue shades, and it blooms towards the end of summer, when few others plants are in their glory.

Due to the unique flower shape, the plant is mainly pollinated by "long tongued" bumble bees, who pry open the flower to get at the pollen. With all this said, the plant sounds great!

Now here comes the "but..." Caution should indeed be exercised around Monkshood. It goes by other common names that are more telling of its true nature, Wolfsbane and Devil's Helmet among others.

The plant contains a deadly toxins, aconitine and diterpene alkaloids that can result in death if ingested. It is even advised to use gloves when handling the plant, even its roots if you were to dig it up, because of absorption that can occur through the skin.

Most experts recommend not growing it in gardens that pets or children may frequent.

I hope this answers your question, Steven. I do think that you were on target to be concerned, especially because of your dog.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 33 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.



didn't even plant there. I saw a flower next to the daisies, which I had never seen before and asked her what it was. She said she had no idea, that she'd never seen it before either. I took some pictures, and every search I did on them said that they're Monkshood. I told her that the search said they're poisonous.

I walked away and then read a little more and found out that they're poisonous to the touch. I went back to tell her and she had cut them down without touching them because she was scared our dog would get into them. We just left them where they're lying. The stems are still sticking out of the ground. What are your thoughts? Is that what you think they are too? My research didn't show them growing in this area. Also, thoughts about how we should handle them if they are indeed poisonous?"

Monkshood (Aconitum) is a pretty perennial that has blue "hooded" flowers along two-four foot spikes. It is a cottage garden favor-

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The trials of the Appalachian Trail

By Julie Midura
Correspondent

"Bees! Run!" It was midafternoon on the fourth day of our backpacking trip through New York State on the Appalachian Trail. A 93-mile hike from the New Jersey border to the

Connecticut border in early October.

The first three days had confirmed what others had warned us-the trail through New York would not be easy. Especially this year, when most of the "reliable" streams were bone dry due to the drought. Many days, we

were forced to detour off the trail and hike into towns to procure water.

With temps in the 80s, dehydration was an ever-present worry. In addition, the added weight of up to 6.6 pounds of water on our backs made the technical scrambles up steep rock ledges even more precarious.

On day four, we were hustling, intent on hiking as many miles as possible so that we could reach a reliable water source-a water spigot at a pump house-before pitching our tent for the night. We were 12 miles into our day when the unimaginable happened.

Tom was about 75 feet ahead of me, when he suddenly paused and turned back to make sure that I was still behind him. When he saw me a short distance away, he continued on.

Fifteen seconds later, I reached the spot where he had momentarily stopped, and I felt a red-hot sensation on my right arm, followed by another on my left arm. Before I even looked down, I knew that I had just been stung by Yellow Jackets... the most despicable spawn of



Submitted Photos

Tom and Julie hiked through New York on their 93-mile trek from New Jersey to Connecticut.

Satan that has ever inhabited this planet.

Tom must have unknowingly stepped on a ground nest, and they were coming out for vengeance as I walked past.

I screamed in agony as a

swarm of them descended upon me-stinging my ankles, thighs, and arms. It felt as though someone was shooting red-hot flaming arrows directly into my skin.

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Julie enjoyed a sunset view.

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By Ellenor Downer

Recently, the Massachusetts Audubon Society reported the sighting of a horned lark on the summit of Mount Wachusett in Princeton.

Only the male horned larks have "horns." They are tiny and hard to see. Males are sandy to rusty brown above with a black chest



Horned lark

band and a curving black mask. The face and throat are either yellow or white. The female lacks the horns

and face mask. She is brown with darker streaks and has a white eyebrow and white below.

They are about the size of a robin and the only lark species in North America. The female lays three to four pale gray to greenish white, blotched and spotted with brown eggs in a slight depression in the ground. Incubation is by the female and young are fed by both parents. Young may leave the nest after nine to 12 days. They are not able to fly for about another week.

Larks forage entirely by walking and running on the ground. Except when nesting, they usually forage in flocks. They eat seeds and insects. They also eat berries. They are present all year in most areas from south-

ern Canada south. They are strictly migratory in the far north.

Mass Audubon bird sightings

On Oct. 25 Wachusett Mountain in Princeton, hawk watchers reported sighting from the summit two northern harriers, ten sharp-shinned hawks, nine Cooper's hawks, 18 red-shoulder hawks, four red-tailed hawks, two American kestrels and one merlin. In addition, people saw two bald eagles, 37 turkey vultures and one horned lark.

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Warren is a Halloween Town

Residents enjoyed parade and costume contest

By Ryan Drago
Staff Writer
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WARREN – Halloween is a fun holiday enjoyed by residents of Warren and West Warren.

For over 40 years, the town has enjoyed the celebration of Halloween by participating in the annual Halloween Parade on Main Street. Leading the parade each year is the Warren Fire Department.

The trucks and cruisers light up in the night and cruise down Main Street with costumed guests following along.

After a fun night of trick or treating, families lined up by the traffic lights in West Warren for the start of the parade. The parade stopped at Albany Street in West Warren, where guests approached a spooky building.

The celebration continued at the West Warren Fire Station, where the garage doors would unleash a cloud of fog as they opened. The West Warren Fire Station was the home of the annual costume contest for kids in various age groups.

The fire department held up signs for kids in different age groups to line up to parade around the fire station. Judges stood by and saw the kids with creative costumes for this year's Halloween.

Sylas Woodford had an incredible homemade costume and went as a walking Hershey candy bar for Halloween. There were a lot of teenagers dressed up for Halloween, proving that

you're never too old to celebrate Halloween.

Mia Parsons of Warren went as an elf for Halloween and made her way to the fire station for the age group 11 and up. There were a lot of entries for this costume contest and Parsons left the fire station a winner for her elf costume. Parsons won a Walmart gift card.

Dennis Desrosiers of the Fire Department was directing the parade traffic during the costume contest. Desrosiers has seen many parades on Halloween night in Warren.

"It's been well over 40 years," Desrosiers said.

Residents, young and old, appreciate the Fire Department for being their guide during the Halloween parade. This event brings friends, family, and the community together during the spookiest holiday of the year.



The Dufresne family was all dressed up for Halloween as they marched in the fire station.



Sylas Woodford had a cool homemade costume for Halloween, a walking Hershey bar.



Jacob was a scarecrow and Ethan was a mob boss for Halloween.



Shown from left to right are Mia as an elf, Taylor as a cow-boy, Melissa Wood, and Madison as a cheetah, hanging out during the Halloween parade in Warren on Halloween night.



Elizabeth was dressed as an adorable cow for Halloween. She is shown alongside mom and dad, Matt and Christina Bonneau.



The fire trucks were heading down Main Street for the start of the annual Halloween Parade.



Kids in costume marched inside the West Warren Fire Station during the costume contest.

Turley Photos by Ryan Drago

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A sound that was unrecognizable even to my own ears came out from somewhere deep inside of me. A guttural sound. Like a deep moan intermingled with a high-pitched wail. It bordered on primal.

Tom turned at the sound-later telling me that he thought the sound was coming from a wounded animal.

I screamed to Tom to "Run!" at a decibel that could be heard from miles away, since Tom is deathly allergic to Yellow Jacket venom. With adrenaline coursing through my body, I raced along the rock-strewn path like an Olympic medalist, waving my arms to ward off the monsters that were attacking me.

When it seemed as though I was no longer being chased, I finally stopped and bent down to swipe off a dozen Yellow Jackets that were still clinging to my merino wool socks. The pain in my ankles was excruciating, and I began screaming and crying all at once.

I unclipped my pack and dropped it to the ground so that I could pull out my first aid kit. Within seconds, more yellow jackets were upon me.

"They smell the pheromones!" Tom yelled. With no thought of his own safety, he flailed his arms to ward them off and screamed, "Run Julie!"

Leaving my pack behind, I ran like the speed of light until the wasps finally gave up their chase.

A few minutes later, Tom came barreling up the trail with my enormous backpack in hand. His concerned face was filled with desperation when he saw me.

I had been stung over two dozen times. Tears were rolling down my face. My arms and thighs were already

swelling from the venom, and my ankles were so swollen, they were unrecognizable.

Tom insisted I use his EpiPen, since I had a severe reaction to Yellow Jacket venom in the past. I refused.

"We still have 4 more days out here. If YOU get stung, it's life or death. If my throat starts to close, you can inject me. If not, we're saving the EpiPen in case you get stung," I said.

Fortunately, we were only a mile and a half from the water spigot at the next road crossing. Once we got there, I took off my shoes and socks and ran cold water on the stings in a vain attempt to reduce the pain and swelling.

I even went so far as to text my kids to ask them to google whether or not urine could reduce the pain and swelling of Yellow Jacket venom. (Desperate times call for desperate measures!) Alas, they responded that it was just a fallacy. Tylenol was my only option.

Needless to say, I spent a pretty sleepless night in our tent that night due to the pain. The intense itching would begin the following morning. Oh, the joys!

Our seven-day hike through New York State was definitely the single most challenging backpacking trip we have ever taken.

But each trial made us even more grateful for the blessings we encountered along the way. The sunrises and sunsets. The conversations with fellow hikers around a campfire. The enormous trees. The rare flowing stream.

Even the bear encounter while we were brushing our teeth at a primitive tent-site on our second night on trail seemed like a gift.

But that's a story for another day. Let the adventures continue!

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Devon Barrows, Joe Barrows and Shealee Logan prepared for the trick or treaters at the second annual Barrows Family Pulling Team "Bits and Pieces" Pulling for a Cause Trunk or Treat.



John and Karen Hoyt set up their farm trick or treat trunk.



Tyler and John of JB Excavations were ready for the event to begin.

CANDY for a cause



Samatha Gancorz was assisted by daughters, Willow and Emma, with her trunk.

Trunk or treat event benefitted pulling team's focus

WARE – The Barrows Family Pulling Team "Bits and Pieces" Pulling for a Cause held its second annual trunk or treat event, this time in the parking lot at Roll-A-Way Lanes on West Street on Oct. 28. The Barrows Family Pulling Team participates in a number of community events to bring awareness and prevention to depression and suicide.



Jessica Howe had a SpongeBob Squarepants themed trunk.



Tom Rizzo of Maddie's Dogs was ready to scare the trick or treaters.



Ronnie Forrette was assisted by his children, Ryley and Kailah, with his trunk.



Kara Brown, Micah Hinckley and Dustin Pennington of Pennington Painting Services, were set up for the event.



Ben Mock and Jason Turcotte of Tombstone Trading were ready for the event to begin.



Cory, Savannah and Remi Marinacio had their pirate ship ready for the event.

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WISHING WELL
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brate all of life's little celebrations. This nonprofit organization operates year-round and is proud to bring happiness to those who are in need of financial support.

Chris and Belinda Midura are the founders of Wishing Well Charities, Inc. and shared a recap of what the charity has done leading up to their annual fundraiser.

In 2025, Wishing Well Charities has granted over 20 wishes. The charity has also provided over 100 birthday gifts, which is something Wishing Well Charities is proud of doing.

"It's nice to see that we gave them that happiness," Midura said.

The charity has also supplied gift certificates to Valley View Housing.

It was an evening of fine dining, live music, raffles, a silent auction, cash bar, and dancing. Guests gathered in the banquet hall of Teresa's Restaurant, who have always been gracious hosts for Wishing Well Charities' annual fall fundraiser. The staff at Teresa's provided a wonderful family-style dinner.

Performing in this year's Fall Fundraiser was JP & Friends. This live band brought loud music through the roof and soft music to make you want to dance.

The fundraiser also held a fun raffle featuring dozens of prizes generously donated by local organizations, businesses, and community members. There was also a silent auction taking place during the Fall Fundraiser. Many great prizes were up for grabs, including some sports memorabilia.

There was an autographed basketball signed by Boston Celtics Player, Derrick White. This was donated by the Boston Celtics Shamrock Foundation. The silent auction also had an autographed baseball and plaque signed by retired Red Sox Pitcher, Curt Schilling.

Every year, Wishing Well Charities, Inc presents an award known as the Making a Difference Award. This award goes to someone who goes above and beyond to support a community.

This year's recipient of the Making a Difference Award went to Stuart Beckley, who serves as the Town Manager of Ware.

Chris Midura said "he does



Raffle prizes were available during Wishing Well Charities' Fall Fundraiser at Teresa's Restaurant in Ware.



Performing during the annual Wishing Well Charities Fall Fundraiser was JP & Friends.



Sports memorabilia could be won, featuring autographs from Red Sox players and Celtics players. The basketball was signed by Derrick White.

so much and is involved in so many things" throughout the community. Though he is not a resident of Ware, Beckley puts in countless commuting time to support the community of Ware as much as possible.

Midura shared a story about Beckley and one time seeing him walking outside with a weedwhacker. Beckley saw some overgrowth of grass between Niko's Pizza and Town Hall and decided to clean the yard up to make it look good during an awareness walk.

Beckley was honored to be chosen for this award and said, "it's an honor to serve the Town of Ware."

Midura spoke out to the guests and encouraged everyone to help out a town or area you like, even if you're not a resident of that area. During a time where help is hard to find, volunteerism is truly

essential.

Beckley spoke highly of the good work Wishing Well Charities does for the community and receiving the Making a Difference Award is an honorable award.

"It's coming from such

a giving charity," Beckley said. "We're representing the caring for Ware and it is quiet an honor."

For more information about Wishing Well Charities, Inc., visit their Facebook page. Requests can be sent to Wishing Well Charities, Inc. through their Facebook page.

Knights host annual Coats for Kids drive

WARE – Knights of Columbus have kicked off the annual Coats for Kids drive.

Donations of new (or gently worn and clean) coats, hats, gloves and mittens will be accepted.

Drop-off locations are at all three Ware Public Schools, Nat Falk, the Sharpest Edge Barber Shop, and the Country Bank branch on West Street.

Monetary donations can be made to Ware Knights of Columbus Council 183,

P.O. Box 88, Ware, MA 01082. Please put "Coats for Kids" in the check memo.

On Saturday, Nov. 15, Bruce Marshall of 97.7 FM will be hosting a live broadcast for Coats for Kids from Nat Falk.

Families in need of coats for their children can contact the School Superintendent's office at Ware Public Schools. Any extra coats received during Coats for Kids will be distributed to the town's food pantries.

Christmas for Kids donations requested

WARE – The Ware Police Department and the Ware Fire Department have started their 22nd annual Ware Christmas For Kids program for the 2025 holiday season.

They are requesting financial assistance to help them fulfill the needs of the children of Ware, and all assistance is greatly appreciated. The program is for infants through children aged 12.

The program recognizes all holiday observances.

Monetary donations may be dropped off at the Ware Police Department at 22 North St., or may be sent to Ware Christmas For Kids, c/o Ware Police Department, 22 North St., Ware, MA 01082.

Darlene Gildert is the program coordinator, and she can be reached at 413-967-3571, extension 327.

United Church to host craft fair Nov. 15

WARE – United Church of Ware, 49 Church St., will host a craft fair on Saturday, Nov. 15 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

There will be home-

made crafts, many vendors, raffle baskets and soup and sandwiches.

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'SHREK'

The Musical

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his astounding stage debut as Beast in last year's production of "Beauty and the Beast". Bellerose also portrayed Jay in the school's one-act production, "Abigail For Now".

Bellerose said he relates to the character of Shrek, but jokingly described himself as more of a parfait than an onion.

"I feel like I have a lot of layers," he said.

Bellerose, who is currently taking four college-level classes and is an active member of the school's NJROTC program, said theater wasn't something he really thought about pursuing, but he has discovered a love for it.

He said playing Beast last year helped him shape his performance as Shrek for this year's production.

"Playing the Beast and being grumpy all the time helped," he said. "Now I can be comedically grumpy."

Playing the role of Shrek's eager but often rebuffed sidekick Donkey, is eighth grader Sebastian Palomera-Espinoza.

Palomera-Espinoza took on a similar part in last year's "Beauty and the Beast" starring alongside Luke Salvadore's Gaston as the loyal but bumbling LaFou.

Donkey's positivity and ability to look on the sunny side of life provides a sharp contrast to the distrusting and sarcastic nature of Shrek. Together, the two make unlikely friends and they work together to save the swamp and all of the fairy tale characters from a ruthless (but diminutive) ruler.

Palomera-Espinoza said he relates to Donkey in a lot of ways, including having a positive outlook on life. "It's very easy to go through life when you're thinking about the bright side," he said. "We share a lot of the same energy."

One of the biggest challenges in his role has been building his confidence as this larger-than-life character.

"It's a very playful, funny character," he said.

Taking on the role of Fiona, a not-so-typical fairy tale princess, is eighth grader Eliza Brown, who is a theater veteran now in her fourth production with Quabbin Performing Arts. She has also been in dozens of community theater productions as well.

Starting as an ensemble member in her sixth grade year's performance of "Matilda", Brown has harnessed all of the aspects of her vibrant personality to give Fiona a special quality that sets her apart from other princesses.

"Fiona is a really hard character. She has so many dynamics," Brown said. "She's different...I feel like I relate to her because she has so many different personalities...silly, proper."

Brown said theater has

given her a chance to build new friendships and to connect with students in other grade levels.

"It's easier to talk to people," she said. "It also brings a lot of people from different backgrounds together...it's not just theater kids."

Bellerose agreed that joining the Quabbin Performing Arts has opened him up a lot and helped create new connections with his peers.

Bellerose, Brown and Palomera-Espinoza all agreed that Salvadore's performance in "Beauty in the Beast" last year inspired a lot of students to come forward and take part in "Shrek the Musical".

Salvadore, a senior during "Beauty and the Beast", had never set foot on stage before; especially not in a musical as a lead role.

"Luke's participation last year made so many people want to participate," Bellerose said.

All three of the student-actors spoke about some of the challenges they faced in preparing for the opening of "Shrek the Musical", including learning the songs.

"Shrek" is a really great musical," Palomera-Espinoza said. "But don't underestimate it."

Its songs are much more technical than many high school performances, with soaring high notes and powerful dynamics.

Bellerose, who said he is more of a baritone singer, said Shrek's songs are written for a tenor and this has pushed him to gain more confidence in the upper register of his vocal range.

Brown said it's the songs that make "Shrek the Musical" so exciting to perform (and to watch) and how "you can't pick one best song."

Rounding out the cast of "Shrek the Musical" are Aspen Packard as Lord Farquaad and Papa Ogre; Owen Breuer as Pinocchio; Sophia Pascale as Gingy; Kayleigh Fuller as Dragon and Fairy Godmother; Bella Spring as Big Bad Wolf; Elizabeth Matheson as White Rabbit; Kailynn Schuster as Peter Pan; Charlotte LaPointe as Wicked Witch and Young Fiona; Anna Metcalf as Sugar Plum Fairy; Ximena Palomera-Espinoza as Ugly Duckling; Grace Lantigne as Mama Bear; Adrien Cyr as Papa Bear, King Harold and Pied Piper; Ava Kinney as Baby Bear; Adelaide Harmon as Mad Hatter; Emily DeMalia as Humpty Dumpty; Nathan Kearchner as Elf and Little Shrek; Spencer Nally as Grumpy; Elizabeth Lambert as Mama Ogre and Bluebird Singer; Janelle Hutchinson as Queen Lillian; Winter Boyea as Teen Fiona; Kalypso DeCologero as Thelonus; Milo Zantouliadis as Captain of the Guards; and Ash St. Clair as Duloc Greeter and Bishop.



Students August Bellerose and Eliza Brown star as Shrek and Fiona in "Shrek the Musical" at Quabbin Regional Middle/High School.



Brendan Welch and Abraham Brown performed on the violin in the pit band.

The cast includes Lola Dumont, Julianna Lindsten, Catherine Tucker, Audrey Larson, Amy Landrin, Virginia Morin, Emma Lindsey, Lola Dumont, Bailey Burke, Taylah Cass, Andie St. Clair and Sadie Ouimette.

"Shrek the Musical" also has a dedicated crew including Musical Director Julia Tuttle, who is now in her fifth year with the Quabbin Performing Arts. Tuttle is also a teacher at the middle/high school.

Tuttle first became involved in theater when she was cast in the Barre Players' production of "Jesus Christ Superstar". When she was a senior in high school, she took on the lead role in "Cinderella".

"It was my first real lead role and was an awesome learning experience," she said.

Tuttle said the school's theater department works hard to get as many students and people involved in its production as possible.

"We are open to having anyone who is even slightly interested in theater to get involved!" she said.

Amanda Schuster, blocking director and stage manager, is back for her second production with Quabbin Performing Arts.

Schuster first became involved with theater in elementary school, but her passion grew when she entered high school. A dancer since the age of 6, Schuster has her bachelor's degree in theatre with a dance concentration.

Schuster said she has enjoyed working with the students and watching them "create something memorable."

"It is a great place to feel accepted, to be able to be yourself, and learn how to work with a lot of people and learn to trust each other," she said.

Art teacher Lisa Payne is in charge of set design and construction, assisted by the talents of her students. She has helped to bring a total of 18 productions to life on stage.

"My interest in theater was first piqued when I was in a summer camp as a third grader," Payne said. "I remember playing a seed that grew into a tree."

Payne now has a master's degree in theatrical design and she said the highlight of her role with Quabbin Performing Arts has been working with both the students and her colleagues to build the set and props.



Aspen Packard as Lord Farquaad sang "The Ballad of Farquaad".



Sophia Pascale as Gingy sang during "Freak Flag".



Eliza Brown performed a song as Fiona during a dress rehearsal.

Creating Dragon's head for "Shrek the Musical" was also a memorable experience.

"Theater is a wonderful venue for students to express themselves - either on stage, through design, working backstage, and/or running the tech end of things," Payne said. "Theater teaches our students to work in an ensemble, how to push through difficult things and how to be inclusive."

About 'Shrek the Musical' "Shrek the Musical" will be performed in the auditorium at Quabbin Regional Middle/High School, 800

South St., Fridays, Nov. 7 and 14 at 7 p.m. and Saturdays, Nov. 8 and 15 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 if purchased in advance or \$12 at the door. Early ticket purchase is recommended as this show is likely to sell out for each performance.

A link to purchase tickets is available on the school district's website, www.qrsd.org or directly at our.show/quabbin-shrek.

Refreshments and Break-A-Leg Bags will be available for purchase through Quabbin Pro Musica during the intermission of each show. Proceeds will benefit students in the school district's music department.



Front row (Left to Right) Janet Stadnicki, FNP, Michael Hakim, MD, Angela Nurek, DNP, Back row (Left to Right) Charlene Gryszowka, Kirsten Apraham, Susan Piche, Caitlyn Garceau, RMA, Practice Manager, Crystal Best, RMA, Kalise Salzarulo, Dawn Greene, RMA

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Warren Planning Board seeks members for volunteer position

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Meetings are held twice a month, currently the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. (typically less than one hour).

Training is available for all members – no prior experience required. Any resident of the town may apply.

This position runs through May 2026 to fill a vacancy. Members are elected to five-

year terms.

Serving on the Planning Board is a rewarding opportunity to make a direct impact on the future of our town, ensuring thoughtful planning and responsible growth.

If you care about the direction of the community and want to play a role in its development, the town encourages you to apply.

Local amateur radio club announces November meeting

WEST BROOKFIELD – The Quaboag Valley Amateur Radio Club welcomes all amateur radio operators and those interested in the hobby to its monthly meeting, where members explore a wide range of topics related to ham radio, public service, and emergency communications.

This month's meeting will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting takes place at the West Brookfield Senior Center, 73 Central St.

Think you need stacks of antennas and multiple towers to crack the contest leaderboards? Think again. Join John, NIPGA as he discusses his ever-evolving antenna farm—consistently landing Top-5 contest scores without a single tower in sight. Whether you're working

with a postage-stamp backyard, planning a stealthy vacation rig, or gearing up for Field Day, POTA, or SOTA, this session will challenge your assumptions about the need for a tower and spark fresh ideas. You'll leave inspired, informed, and ready to rethink what's possible with some homebrew antennas, rope, creativity, and a little RF magic.

QVARC meetings are open to all—whether you're a licensed ham, studying for your license, or simply curious about the world of amateur radio. The club also offers regular license testing for those looking to obtain their amateur radio license.

For more information about the club, upcoming events, or licensing opportunities, visit QVARC.com.

DCR hosts hike to chestnut oak heath

BELCHERTOWN – Join a Department of Conservation and Recreation-Division of Water Supply Protection forester to explore a recent harvest focused around a chestnut oak heath (an uncommon forest type in Massachusetts) and management in the surrounding forest on Thursday, Nov. 6 from 10 a.m.-noon.

This approximately 1 mile hike is easy by on uneven ground. Participants should meet at Gate 8 and carpool to site.



Mary Lane Hospital Memorial Plaques

Memorial and donation plaques were recovered from Mary Lane and moved to the Ware Center Meeting House. Recovered plaques are listed here. Not all plaques were recovered. Residents or families who would like to claim a plaque that memorializes a family, friend or company donation may contact Julie Bullock at jbullock49@verizon.net or 413-967-6616.

Wood Framed

- In Memory of J. Cates from Shirley C. Batsie
- Intensive Care Unit in Memory of Albert and Nellie Siarkiewicz from Their Children
- Mary Lane Auxiliary honoring Eleanor Wilson for Dedicated Service and Generous Donations
- Mr. George T. Storrs Mary Lane Capital Fund 1988
- Wood Framed - For Extraordinary Generosity and Commitment to the Goals of Mary Lane Hospital September 20, 1987
- Diane and Harrison Quirk
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- Bank of New England - West
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- Kanzaki Specialty Papers
- Mary Lane Auxiliary
- Glass/Plastic/Gold Tone
- Radiology Suite Generously supported by our Friends at Country Bank Emergency Department by Kanzaki Specialty Paper 1993
- Baystate Rehab at Mary Lane Acknowledges the Edward J. Urban Foundation Bone Density Room Made Possible through the generosity of our friends at Country Bank
- Gray Plaques 8 inches x 5 inches
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Baystate Mary Lane Donor Plaques

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- Furnished by Dr. and Mrs. James H. Jolliffe 1924
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- In Memory of Herman L. Lancaster and Mary Roche Lancaster
- Davis Wing, Dedicated November 24, 1985, in recognition of the contribution Arthur L. and Nathalie G. Davis.

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The skeleton crew was ready to work. Truck display provided by Jim McKeon

Trunk-or-Treat



It was time to go "Back to the Future" with Warren Police dressed as Doc and Marty with the DeLorean as part of their car for Trunk or Treat at Quaboag Regional Middle High School.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT from page 1

Country Bank donated cider and cider donuts for guests to enjoy during the Trunk or Treat. Country Bank also sponsored the pumpkin contest that was held during the Trunk or Treat. Entries had the opportunity to win prizes such as gift cards.

Providing the music and candy at his booth was DJ Tabby LeBlanc. The DJ dressed up for the Trunk or Treat and went as Big Bird from Sesame Street.

"A big shout out to DJ Tabby LeBlanc for his time," Colangelo said.

LeBlanc played all the Halloween themed classics, including "Thriller" by Michael Jackson. In

addition to the live DJ, there was also a dead DJ jamming in the parking lot. A spooky DJ booth was operating thanks to Cornwell Quality Tools. Skeletons were having a dance party.

The parking lot housing all the cars for trunk or treat were soon lost in fog. The fog was provided by the Warren Fire Department.

This year's Trunk or Treat featured some traditional Halloween themes as well as film classic themes. The Warren Police Department decided to go "Back to the Future" by decorating the car with another car, the DeLorean. Warren Chief of Police Gerald Millette went as Doc from Back to the Future and was joined by Marty.

The idea of choosing "Back to the Future" came from this year mark-

ing the movie's 40th anniversary, premiering in theaters in 1985, starring Michael J. Fox and Christopher Lloyd.

There was also a "Monsters Inc." trunk for Trunk or Treat. Mike and Sully made an appearance and decorated a replica of Boo's door next to their car.

There was a contest taking place at the Trunk or Treat and the top two best cars won prizes. The winners received school apparel, such as jerseys and hats. Dunkin' in Warren also donated gift cards and cups to the Trunk or Treat.

Despite being rained out on their originally date, the Trunk or Treat at Quaboag Regional Middle High School lucked out with beautiful weather over the weekend.



The Vikings arrived at Quaboag Regional Middle High School for Trunk or Treat. Laura Marino, left, and Matt Marino.



A skeleton party and DJ show was provided by Cornwell Quality Tools.



Kendra as Mike and Jess as Sully from Monsters Inc. attended the Trunk or Treat.



Turley Photos by Ryan Drago

Don't say it a third time at this Beetlejuice trunk.

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Ware Police Log

During the weeks of Oct. 19-Nov. 4, the Ware Police Department responded to 66 miscellaneous calls, 50 administrative calls, 28 traffic violations, 26 emergency 911 calls, 10 motor vehicle accidents, 13 harassments, two trespasses, four thefts/larcenies, five breaking and enterings, five safety hazards, five damage/vandalisms, two frauds, 17 animal calls and 93 motor vehicle stops in the town of Ware.

Sunday, Oct. 19
5:30 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Coffey Hill Road, Services Rendered
10:39 p.m. Safety Hazard, Main Street, Services Rendered

Monday, Oct. 20
12:01 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, Greenwich Road, Services Rendered
12:01 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, Main Street, Verbal Warning Issued
2 p.m. Damage/Vandalism, Church Street, Services Rendered
7:36 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Street, Citation/Warning Issued
10:26 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Otis Avenue, Arrest Made

Tuesday, Oct. 21
1:26 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, West Street, Investigated
3:06 a.m. Safety Hazard, Belchertown Road, Services Rendered
4:44 a.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Pulaski Street, Advised
5:12 a.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Pulaski Street, Advised
12 p.m. Damage/Vandalism, Church Street, Services Rendered
1 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Advised
3:28 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Coffey Hill Road, Advised
6:29 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, South Street, Dispatch Handled
8:24 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Belchertown Road, Dispatch Handled

Wednesday, Oct. 22
5:26 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, Hardwick Pond Road, Report Made
6:02 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, North Street, Services Rendered
7:43 p.m. Assault, Fisherdick Road, Services Rendered

Thursday, Oct. 23
1:54 p.m. Theft/Larceny, West Street, Report Made

2:22 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, West Street, Services Rendered
3:14 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Belchertown Road, Dispatch Handled
4:59 p.m. Trespass/Unwanted, North Street, Services Rendered
7:55 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Services Rendered

Friday, Oct. 24
4:44 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Coffey Hill Road, Services Rendered
6:22 p.m. Safety Hazard, Robbins Road, Investigated

Saturday, Oct. 25
6:34 a.m. Disturbance, Morse Avenue, Complaint Taken Care Of
11:03 a.m. Damage/Vandalism, North Street, Services Rendered
11:12 a.m. Theft/Larceny, West Street, Investigated
4:46 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Pulaski Street, Services Rendered
9:31 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Dunham Avenue, Investigated

Sunday, Oct. 26
2:57 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Highland Village, Advised
5:48 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, West Warren Road, Criminal Complaint Request
6:10 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, Monson Turnpike Road, Report Made
7:22 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Maple Street, Advised
8:36 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Services Rendered

Monday, Oct. 27
5:51 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, West Street, Citation/Warning Issued
6:17 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, West Street, Citation/Warning Issued
10:19 a.m. Breaking and Entering, Gould Road, Taken/Referred to Other Agency
2:09 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, Otis Avenue, Advised
4:01 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, North Street, Services Rendered
5:44 p.m. Harassment/Stalk/Threat, East Street, Advised
7:26 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Bondsville Road, Appears Secure After Check

Wednesday, Oct. 29
9:58 a.m. Weapons/Firearms, Bellevue Avenue, Report Made
7:24 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Highland Village,

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Thursday, Oct. 30
7:08 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Palmer Road, Citation/Warning Issued
7:38 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Cummings Street, Dispatch Handled
11 a.m. Damage/Vandalism, Belchertown Road, Report Made

Friday, Oct. 31
2:21 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Belchertown Road, Citation/Warning Issued
5:59 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Clifford Avenue, Investigated
6 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Walnut Street, Investigated
8:16 a.m. Safety Hazard, Old Gilbertville Road, Services Rendered
11:44 a.m. Fraud/Deception, North Street, Services Rendered
11:52 a.m. Fraud/Deception, North Street, Advised
3:31 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Bank Street, Assist Given
4:29 p.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Greenway Avenue, Advised
5:51 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, West Street, Assist Given
8:51 p.m. Breaking and Entering, West Main Street, Services Rendered
9:22 p.m. Electrical Hazard, Eddy Street, Services Rendered
9:52 p.m. Theft/Larceny, East Street, Services Rendered

Saturday, Nov. 1
1:05 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Walnut Street, Investigated
4:34 a.m. Abandoned 911 Call, Walnut Street, Services Rendered
11:41 a.m. Safety Hazard, Old Belchertown Road, Services Rendered
6:43 p.m. Theft/Larceny, Please see **WARE LOG**, page 13

Warren Police Log

During the weeks of Oct. 5-18, the Warren Police Department responded to 315 building/property checks, 27 community policings, 19 emergency 911 calls, six motor vehicle accidents, one larceny/theft, one propane incident, one hazmat incident, one safety hazard, two complaints, one property damage, one harassment, eight animal calls and 34 motor vehicle stops in the town of Warren.

Sunday, Oct. 5
4:56 p.m. Falls, Brimfield Road, Transported to Hospital

Monday, Oct. 6
9:59 a.m. Propane Incident, Sarty Road, Investigated
2:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision, Main Street, No Transport Required
5:16 p.m. Sick/Unknown, Bemis Road, Ambulance Signed Refusal
5:29 p.m. Seizures, Coy Hill Road, Mutual Aid Transport

Tuesday, Oct. 7
1:44 a.m. Breathing Difficulty, Hillside Avenue, Transported to Hospital
12:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision, Maple Street, Transported to Hospital
2:37 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, South Street, Criminal Complaint
9:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Hit and Run, Cronin Road, Officer Spoke to Party

Wednesday, Oct. 8
8:28 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Brimfield Road, Written Warning
9:15 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued
10:11 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Prospect Street, Citation Issued
10:23 a.m. Larceny or Theft, Milton O. Fountain Way, Report Filed
5:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Maple Street, Written Warning
9:12 p.m. Falls, Winthrop Terrace, Ambulance Signed

Refusal
Thursday, Oct. 9
6:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Disabled, Main Street, Vehicle Towed
7:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Maple Street, Written Warning
8:56 p.m. Childbirth, East Road, Transported to Hospital

Friday, Oct. 10
9:55 a.m. Sick/Unknown, Winthrop Terrace, Transported to Hospital
10:14 a.m. Abdominal/Back Pain, Cross Street, Mutual Aid Transport
4:11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning
6:02 p.m. Bleeding, Richardson Street, Transported to Hospital
6:29 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning

Saturday, Oct. 11
12:46 p.m. Suspicious Activity, Burbank Avenue, Report Filed
4:42 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning
5:25 p.m. Sick/Unknown, Chapel Street, Transported to Hospital
6:15 p.m. Hazmat Incident, Bridge Street, Investigated

Sunday, Oct. 12
12:44 p.m. Safety Concern, Boston Post Road, Officer Spoke to Party
2:14 p.m. Falls, Cottage Street, Transported to Hospital
7:53 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning

Monday, Oct. 13
7:47 a.m. Open Door or Window, Winthrop Terrace, Investigated
6:20 p.m. Bleeding, Main Street, Transported to Hospital

Tuesday, Oct. 14
12:47 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning

4:33 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning

Wednesday, Oct. 15
4:55 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident, Brimfield Road, Officer Spoke to Party
9:46 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Brook Road, Written Warning
2:43 p.m. Suspicious Person, Bacon Street, Investigated
2:44 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision, South Street, Investigated
7:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision, Southbridge Road, Report Filed
9:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning

Thursday, Oct. 16
11:10 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning
3:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Old West Brookfield Road, Report Filed
3:29 p.m. Sick/Unknown, Yankee Drummer Drive, Transported to Hospital

Friday, Oct. 17
9:10 a.m. Sick/Unknown, Milton O. Fountain Way, Ambulance Signed Refusal
1:14 p.m. Complaint, Main Street, Negative Contact
1:44 p.m. Sick/Unknown, Brook Road, Transported to Hospital
4 p.m. Bleeding, Constitution Avenue, Mutual Aid Transport
4:21 p.m. Property Damage, Keys Road, Officer Spoke to Party
9:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Written Warning
10:26 p.m. Harassment, Bacon Street, Report Filed

Saturday, Oct. 18
3:52 p.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdial, Main Street, Report Filed
4:48 p.m. Complaint, Sarty Road, Officer/Chief Advised
10:06 p.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdial, East Road, Vehicle Towed

Hardwick Police Log

During the weeks of Oct. 20-Nov. 3, the Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department responded to 140 building/property checks, 58 directed/area patrols, 24 radar assignments, five traffic controls, 21 emergency 911 calls, five

citizen assists, two assist other agencies, three complaints, one missing person, five motor vehicle investigations, nine safety hazards, two motor vehicle accidents, one burglary, 12 animal calls and 19 motor vehicle stops in the town of Hardwick.

Monday, Oct. 20
4:11 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Old Petersham Road, Transported to Hospital
5:29 p.m. Safety Hazard, Lower Road, Services Rendered
5:35 p.m. Safety Hazard, Petersham Road, Services Rendered
8:33 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Shunpike Road, Transported to Hospital

Tuesday, Oct. 21
3:18 p.m. Burglary, Bridge Street, Services Rendered

Wednesday, Oct. 22
10:05 a.m. 911 Hang-up/Abandoned, School House Drive, Spoken To
5:04 p.m. Complaint, North Street, Officer Handled

Thursday, Oct. 23
4:11 p.m. Assist Citizen, Hardwick Road, Officer Handled
4:50 p.m. 911 Missing Person, Highland Terrace, Officer Handled

Friday, Oct. 24
4:49 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Main Street, Transported to Hospital
7:13 a.m. Complaint, Lower Road, Spoken To
9:04 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Main Street, Citation Issued
11:51 p.m. Motor Vehicle Investigation, Upper Church Street, Spoken To

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People of all ages carved pumpkins at the annual event.



Jack-O-Lanterns glowed after being lit at the Ware Grange.



Jennifer McNally read a pumpkin-themed story.

Grange held annual Pumpkin Carving night

WARE – Ware Grange held its annual Pumpkin Carving on Oct. 27 with about 50 people participating.

This family-focused event features activities, craft projects, and a spooky Halloween story, and families carve and display their pumpkins. The hall was filled with children and their families who had fun creating their Halloween masterpieces.

This popular event is part of Ware Grange's Kids' Corner

workshop series. The Grange hosts a series of gardening workshops for adults and Kids' Corner workshops for children each year, with workshops held from the spring through the fall.

The Pumpkin Carving event is the last workshop for 2025. The Grange is developing a new workshop series for next year and will begin advertising in early 2026.

You can follow them on Facebook for updates on the workshop schedule.



Participants enjoyed making Jack-O-Lanterns at the Ware Grange on Oct. 27.

HARDWICK

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Saturday, Oct. 25

5:05 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Thresher Road, Patient Refusal
 9:40 a.m. Medical Emergency, Patrill Hollow Road, Patient Refusal
 9:52 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Thresher Road, Transported to Hospital
 10:03 a.m. Complaint, Sullivan Avenue, Officer Handled
 2:37 p.m. Assist Citizen, Thresher Road, Officer Handled
 4:53 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, High Street, Criminal Complaint
 11:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Crash, Hardwick Road, Transported by Helicopter

Sunday, Oct. 26

5:34 a.m. Medical Emergency, Pine Street, Transported to Hospital
 10:40 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Turkey Street, Transported to Hospital
 11:51 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Old Greenwich Plains Road, Transported to Hospital
 4:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Barre Road, Written Warning
 4:30 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Lower Road, Criminal Complaint
 6:50 p.m. Disturbance, Bridge Street, Peace Restored

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West Main Street, Services Rendered
 6:46 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, Otis Avenue, Investigated
 8:40 p.m. Fire Complaint, River Road, Advised

Sunday, Nov. 2

1:22 a.m. Breaking and Entering, Vigeant Street, Arrest Made
 10:54 a.m. Breaking and Entering, West Main Street, Report Made
 1:28 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, West Street, Advised
 1:32 p.m. Theft/Larceny, Eddy Street, Investigated
 2:21 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, Palmer Road, Services Rendered
 4:21 p.m. Trespass/Unwanted, Palmer Road, Advised
 6:55 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Arrest Made

Monday, Nov. 3

2:54 a.m. Breaking and Entering, North Street, Services Rendered
 9:42 a.m. Damage/Vandalism, Greenwich Plains Road, Report Made
 3:56 p.m. Traffic Incident/Crash, West Street, Report Made
 3:57 p.m. Fire Response, Palmer Road, Dispatch Handled
 5:23 p.m. Robbery, Palmer Road, Services Rendered

Wednesday, Oct. 29

2:55 p.m. Assist Other Agency, Out of Town, Officer Handled

Thursday, Oct. 30

11:35 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Railroad Lane, Transported to Hospital
 2:41 p.m. 911 Animal Call, Rail Trail, Referred to Other Agency
 5:42 p.m. Assist Citizen, Church Lane, Report Taken
 6:44 p.m. 911 Animal Call, Upper Church Street, Unfounded

Friday, Oct. 31

12:52 a.m. Medical Emergency, School Street, Transported to Hospital

6:46 a.m. Safety Hazard, Greenwich Road, Services Rendered

3:31 p.m. Safety Hazard, Petersham Road, Referred to Other Agency

9:58 p.m. Safety Hazard, Old Petersham Road, Officer Handled

10:22 p.m. Safety Hazard, Petersham Road, Services Rendered

Saturday, Nov. 1

9:36 a.m. Assist Citizen, Lower Road, No Action Required

9:37 a.m. Assist Citizen, Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department, Officer Handled

10:06 a.m. 911 Safety

Hazard, Taylor Hill Road, Officer Handled

10:45 a.m. Safety Hazard, Barre Road, Services Rendered

12:12 p.m. 911 Misdiagnosis, Lower Road, Services Rendered

1:11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Lower Road, Written Warning

2:03 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Church Lane, Transported to Hospital

11:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Investigation, Upper Church Street, Spoken To

Sunday, Nov. 2

3:11 a.m. Motor Vehicle Investigation, Main Street, Officer Handled

3:21 a.m. Motor Vehicle Investigation, Prospect Street, Officer Handled

10:42 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Lower Road, Citation Issued

2:06 p.m. Safety Hazard, River Run, Referred to Other Agency

5:54 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Summit Road, Transported to Hospital

9:14 p.m. Assist Other Agency, General Area of Gilbertville, No Action Required

Monday, Nov. 3

7:32 a.m. Fire/Alarm, Jackson Road, Investigated



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SPOOKTACULAR

celebrated at Ware Library

By Ryan Drago
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WARE – The Ware Library was in the Halloween spirit as they hosted their Spooktacular last month.

Guests came in costume and brought their own pumpkins to decorate during the event. The spooktacular was held in the Reading Room of the Ware Library, which provided the supplies for decorating. There were plenty of stickers, markers, paint pens, paint, faces, stencils, feathers, ribbons, gems and pipe cleaners for guests to use for pumpkin decorating.

Children's Room Librarian Cathy Goulet was at the Spooktacular and



Turley Photos by Ryan Drago
A decorative pumpkin was made during the Ware Library's Spooktacular.

dressed for the occasion. Goulet went as a walking cactus, with a neat sweater featuring a variety of different cactuses. Goulet was also joined by Cathy

Coulliton, who helped during Spooktacular.

There were tasty treats available during Spooktacular. There were oranges, cookies, cupcakes and rice crispy treats. The napkins and plates were all Halloween themed.

During pumpkin decorating, kids could go get glitter tattoos offered by Just Keep Smiling. Dawn Corley of Just Keep Smiling was at the Ware Library and had a line full of excited children ready to get glitter tattoos.

Just Keep Smiling started about 10 years ago and was invited to be a part of Spooktacular.

The Reading Room was flooded with decorated pumpkins as kids and adults got creative this year. Coulliton said the library has "always had a Halloween event."

The library in previous years offered trick or treating. The Spooktacular started around 2016 and has always had a great turnout.

This year, Goulet estimated about 60 people who showed during Spooktacular. The Ware Library saw many regulars, but several new families who came down to celebrate Halloween and decorate pumpkins.

Many guests were in costume when they decorated



Emily and Colton worked on their pumpkins during Spooktacular at the Ware Library.

their pumpkins. Four-year-old Rogan dressed as Mario decorated his pumpkin to look like a giant Pokémon Ball.

The Spooktacular took a lot of setting up, but it was a lot of fun for both the staff at the Ware Library and its guests. As guests finished decorating, Goulet and Coulliton handed gift bags for the children as they left with their decorated pumpkins.



This family arrived in costume to decorate pumpkins at Spooktacular. There's a cat, a character from Encanto, Superman, and Minnie Mouse.



Children's Room Librarian, Cathy Goulet, left, is shown alongside Cathy Coulliton.



LEFT: Dawn Corley of Just Keep Smiling provided glitter tattoos during Spooktacular at the Ware Library.

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Troy Jurczyk makes a pass attempt.

Ware suffers touch loss, knocked out of tournament

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

WARE —A total team effort.

That's probably the best way to describe Palmer's 21-6 victory over Ware in the 99th meeting on the gridiron between the neighboring high schools, which was held before a large crowd at Veterans' Field in Ware, last Saturday afternoon.

"Everybody played a huge role in today's game," said Palmer head coach Matt Marciniec. "My players played very well in this setting, which you can't recreate at practice."

It has been ten years since the Panthers celebrated a victory in the rivalry series, which began in 1925.

On October 31, 2015, the Panthers came-from-behind to defeat the Indians, 14-6, at Legion Field. The last time

that the Panthers won a game at Veterans' Field was in 2010 by the final score of 33-0.

The Palmer-Ware trophy, which is shaped like a football, will be kept at Palmer High School for the next year.

"I only beat Ware once when I played for Palmer. I also won a couple of games as an assistant football coach under Peter Farr," Marciniec said. "This is the first time that I've beaten Ware as a head coach, and it just feels great."

The eight seniors listed on the Panthers football roster are Gavin Smola, Landon Couture, Jared Perry, Kaleb Hayes, Hunter White, Dylan Doherty, and Matt Santos.

"I believe six of the eight seniors have been playing for the football team since they were freshman," Marciniec added. "We might not be

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Jayden Diaz makes a return.

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Makenzie Casey makes her way up the right sideline.

Turley photos by Gregory A. Scibelli



Maria Hamm vies for possession.



Abby Rogowski sends the ball to the center of the circle.

Panthers open up tournament with win

BARRE — On a cold, but sun-splashed afternoon at Quabbin Regional High School, the Panthers field hockey team opened up the state tournament with a 3-0 shutout of Hamilton-Wenham in the Round of 32 in Division 4. Maria Hamm scored in the second quarter

while Makenzie Casey had two goals in the second half to cap the scoring. Aubrey Pope, Quabbin's goalie, made six saves for the shutout. The Panthers improved to 15-3-1 and moved into the Round of 16 to face Saint John Paul II earlier this week.

Cougars win over Ware clinches state tourney spot

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

WARE—Not only did the Quaboag girls' varsity soccer team join a brand new league this fall, they'll also be competing in the Division 4 state tournament for the first time.

Quaboag had played in the Division 5 state tournament four times since the MIAA changed the postseason format in 2021.

The Lady Cougars, who are members of the new CMAC D league, made the jump up a division prior to the start of this season. They clinched a berth in the Division 4 state tournament following a 5-0 shutout victory against the Ware Lady Indians on a damp evening at Veterans' Field in Ware on Oct. 20.

"We've been able to qualify for the state tournament each year that I've been playing for the varsity soccer team," said Quaboag senior Maddy Bagg. "We'll be competing in the Division 4 state tournament this year. We're



Josephine Galeekas heads the ball during early play.

very glad that we've qualified for states again and we want to make a deep run in this year's tournament."

The Lady Cougars (9-6-2) were ranked 34th in the Division 4 power rankings. The top 32 teams automatically qualify for the state tournament, along with the other teams that finish the regular season with a .500 or better

record.

It was also the fourth consecutive year that Quaboag has posted a shutout against Ware on the soccer pitch.

"This is a big rivalry game for us, and we've always enjoyed playing against Ware," Bagg added. "We've never lost to them."

Ware, who are members of the Pioneer South Division, saw their overall record fall to 5-8-3 following the home loss.

Despite having a below .500 record, the Lady Indians are still hoping to qualify for the Division 5 state tournament. They were ranked 28th in the power rankings.

"Losing 5-0 is going to hurt our power rankings," said

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Isabelle Manzano kicks the ball, bringing it down field.



Naomi Torres heads the ball.

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Ava Ostrout maintains ball control as she maneuvers downfield.



Madelyn Bagg heads the ball as she jumps above the fray.

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Candlepin League News

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Bondsville League

WARE – After nine weeks of league candlepin bowling, Fire Mountain remains in first place in the Bondsville League.

Fire Mountain has a record of 41-22 and leads in the east division. In the west division, Cannonballs are in first place with a record of 40-23; second place overall.

In week nine, Cannonballs bowled against Team UMass. In game one, Team UMass won by a score of 484-430. In game two, Cannonballs bounced back with a win of their own, 464-457. Sally Czarnecki of Cannonballs bowled well with a 105 during game two.

In game three, Cannonballs won by a score of 504-454. Micah Hinkley of Cannonballs ended the match with a good game of 128. The final score was 1398-1395 in favor of Cannonballs.

Zeke's Freaks bowled against the Night Hawks in week nine. In game one, Night Hawks were the winners by a score of 440-418.

In game two, Night Hawks won again by a score of 495-450. Darryl Sinclair of Night Hawks had a good game with a score of 136.

In game three, Night Hawks won big against

Zeke's Freaks by a score of 548-484. Sinclair finished with 139 and a series of 383. Gavin Sinclair finished with 136 to go with his 103 and 115 for a 354 series. Dave Smigs of Night Hawks finished strong with a 115.

The final score was 1483-1352 in favor of Night Hawks, who are now 37-26.

P&J Meats bowled against Spare Parts Bud in week nine. In game one, P&J Meats won by a score of 466-433. Game two was won by P&J Meats, 460-440. In game three, P&J Meats won all seven points by taking game three, 472-432. The final score was 1398-1305 in favor of P&J Meats.

Slow Burners bowled against Fire Mountain in week nine. In game one, Slow Burners defeated Fire Mountain, 522-503. Nate Orszulak of Slow Burners began with 138. His teammates broke the century mark with scores of 119, 104, and 102. Rick Trott of Fire Mountain bowled 119 and Scott Brewster bowled 114.

In game two, Fire Mountain came back with the victory, 506-496. Trott bested his last game with a 129 in game two. Orszulak had another good game of 130.

In game three, Slow Burners won by a score of 484-458. Orszulak's last game was 117 and brought him to a series of 385. Trott bowled a 109 and a series of 357. The final score was 1502-1467 in

favor of Slow Burners.

Sandri bowled against Ironmen in week nine. In game one, Sandri won by a score of 481-444. Sue Horton of Sandri bowled a 125 and her teammate Bob Hutchinson started with 116.

In game two, Ironmen returned with a victory over Sandri, 521-460. Pete Swistak of Ironmen bowled his best game of the season with 145. His teammates, Billy Brunk and Ryan Drago bowled well with scores of 126 and 123.

In game three, Ironmen won the last game by a score of 501-456. Swistak finished with 129 and a series of 376. Drago finished with 123 and a series of 374. The final score was 1466-1397 in favor of Ironmen.

Snappers bowled against Flaming Bowling Balls in week nine. In game one, Snappers won by a score of 479-452. Kevin Krasnecky of Snappers began with 125 and his teammate Andy Tombor began with 115.

In game two, Flaming Bowling Balls won by a score of 474-443. Don Paulus of Flaming Bowling Balls bowled well with 123.

In game three, Flaming Bowling Balls won again to end the match, 480-454. Paulus finished with 111 and a series of 320. Krasnecky finished with 115. The final score was 1406-1376 in favor of Flaming Bowling Balls.

Football falls in triple OT

BARRE – On a windy, rainy night at Quabbin Regional High School, the Panthers had their final regular season game against Groton-Dunstable. The matchup featured some unusual scoring as both teams dealt with less than ideal conditions. Groton-Dunstable would score a touchdown during the third overtime to escape 16-10. The visitors opened the scoring with a safety in the first quarter, countered by a rare high school field goal from Quabbin's Chase Talbot, who made a 36-yarder for a 3-2 Quabbin lead. Chase Talbot made it 10-2 with a touchdown run in the third quarter before a touchdown and two-point conversion tied the score for Groton-Dunstable, leading to overtime. Quabbin did not qualify for the state tournament and was scheduled for nonplayoff action against old rival Lunenburg.



Turley photos by Gregory A. Scibelli
Zakk Mielnicki goes for the tackle.



The Quabbin offensive line gets ready for a play.



Wes Sanderson takes a run into traffic.

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here today if it wasn't for the seniors. I can't thank them enough."

Doherty, who sat out the six games of the season with an injury, played in his first game against Mahar Regional at home on Oct. 23. He gave his thoughts about his team's first victory over Ware in a decade.

"I've never felt like this in my entire life," Doherty said. "We aren't going to the playoffs and aren't going to win our league title, so this is our Super Bowl. We really wanted to win today's game. This is the biggest win of my high school career. We did it for our school and town."

Santos has been the Panthers starting QB during the past couple of years.

"We've experienced the lowest of lows in the past, but this is the highest of high," Santos said. "I wouldn't want to play for any other team. We don't have very many players, but everyone contributes."

While the Panthers finished the regular season with a 4-4 record, the loss ended the Indians dreams of qualifying for the Division 8 state tournament.

"Palmer executed their gameplan very well and they kicked our butts today," said Ware head coach Mike Fazio. "We've won this game many times in the past, and you always have to be gracious in defeat. They just outplayed and we just didn't execute."

The Indians (5-3), also lost one point games against Belchertown and SICS, entered the contest ranked ninth in the Division 8 power rankings. The loss dropped them to 18th.

Only the top 16 teams in each division qualify for the state playoffs.



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Alex Orszulak attempts a reception.



Jadrien Berthiaume takes the carry.

Dalton Marquis attempts an over-the-shoulder catch.

Despite the setback, Ware still hold a 50-44-5 lead in the rivalry series. The Indians also finished tied for first place in the Intercounty North Division with Franklin County Tech with a 4-4 mark. They've finished first in the league standings nine times since 2016.

The Ware seniors are Sean

Bernier, Jadrien Berthiaume, Troy Dufresne, Brayden

Compton, Robert Wood, Ethan Corder, Philip Dupell, Jacoby

Heredia, Marek Luongo, and Alex Orszulak.

The Panthers set the tone on the game's first series.

Doherty carried the ball nine times during the opening drive. Santos, who's the Panthers starting QB, also completed a 17-yard pass junior Griffin Nawrocki. Santos capped off the 13-play scoring drive, which covered 71 yards, with a 4-yard TD run with 4:05 left in the first quarter.

"We always want to set the tone in every game," Santos said. "We played very well both offensively and defensively."

Because Palmer received a personal foul penalty following the touchdown, the 34-yard extra point attempt was made by junior Dylan Holbrook.

Ware's only touchdown of the game was scored on an 8-yard run by Berthiaume with 3:56 remaining in the first half.

Junior quarterback Troy Jurcyk threw a pass on the two-point conversion play, which was deflected away by Doherty in the endzone.

The Panthers held a 14-6 halftime lead following a Doherty three-yard TD run with 44 seconds left in the second quarter. Doherty rushed for more than 1,000 yards as a junior.

With 3:14 left in the third quarter, Palmer junior Hunter Baird caught a tipped pass and scored a 15-yard touchdown giving the visiting team a 21-6 advantage.

"I saw the ball was tipped by the Ware player before make the catch leading to the touchdown," Baird said. "It was my third touchdown of the season. It's a very special win."

Baird also had an interception in the fourth quarter.

The Indians offense had trouble moving the ball against the Panthers defense in the second half.

The 100th meeting between the two rivals is scheduled to take place at Legion Field in Palmer next year.

Ware will be looking to get back into the win column when they host Pathfinder Tech in a non-playoff game on Friday night.

Palmer will also be hosting Belchertown in a non-playoff game on Friday night.



Turley photos by Jack Cascio NEAPsmugmug.com
Julie Queiroga readies to kick to an open teammate.

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Ware head coach Morgan Toelken. "We didn't play in the state tournament last year and it would be nice to get back there again this season."

A couple of days later, Ware lost, 3-1, to Hopkins Academy in the quarterfinals of the Western Mass. Class D tournament. Senior Isabella Cotaj scored the Lady Indians only goal in that match.

Western Massachusetts is the only section of the state that still holds a sectional tournament prior to the state tournament.

"We're the last region that still has a sectional tournament," Toelken said. "I know we're trying to keep the nostalgia, but I think we need to align with the rest of the state. Quaboag still has a couple of regular season games left."

The Lady Cougars ousted the Lady Indians, 10-3.

One of Ware's shot attempts was taken by senior Olivia DiRienzo early in the opening half.

The only other Ware senior is Madisyn Slattery.

The home team also had a free kick before the Lady Cougars took over the match.

During the sixth minute, senior Gabrielle Riendeau split a pair of defenders before firing a low shot into the left corner of the net past junior goalkeeper Emily Jones (6 saves).

Less than ten minutes later, Bagg, who assisted on the Lady Cougars' first goal,



Brielle Gerulaitis Retains control as she moves the ball down field.

made the score 2-0 by putting another shot into the left corner.

Bagg is planning to continue playing soccer at Bates College next year.

Quaboag's final two goals of the opening half were scored by senior Maddie Potvin and freshman Julia Queiroga.

Potvin also netted the Lady Cougars final goal six minutes into the second half, which was unassisted.

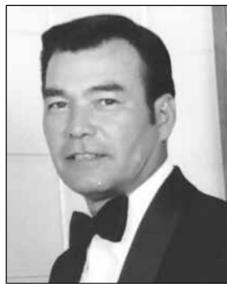
Junior Brielle Sullivan had a couple of shots on goal for the visiting team in the middle of the second half, but Jones managed to make the saves.

It was a homecoming game for Quaboag assistant soccer coach Michelle Zawalski, who graduated from Ware High School in 2017.

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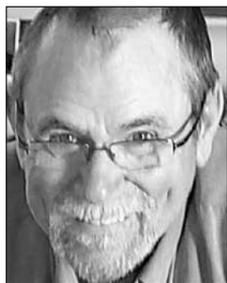
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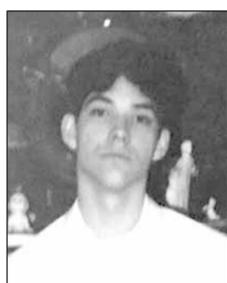
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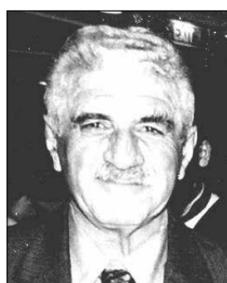
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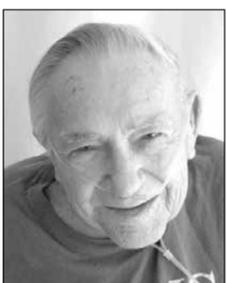
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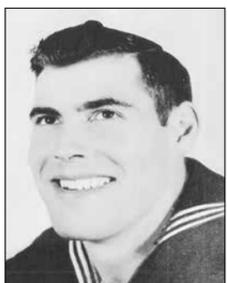
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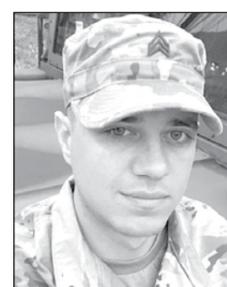
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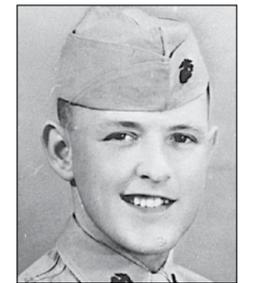
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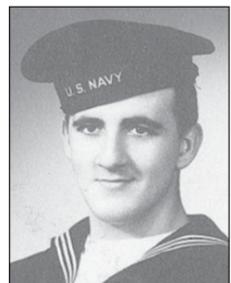
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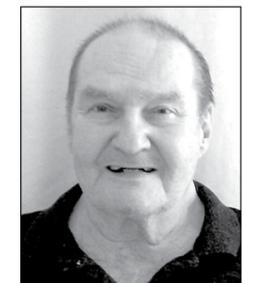
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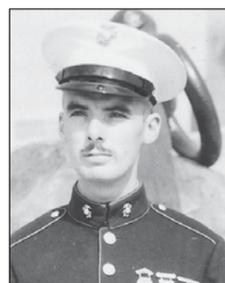
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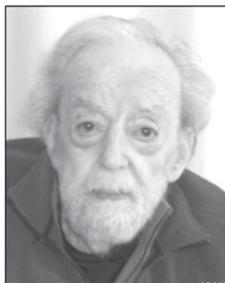
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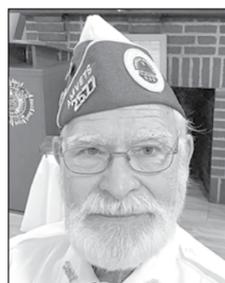
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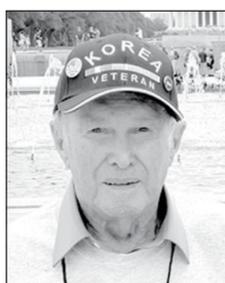
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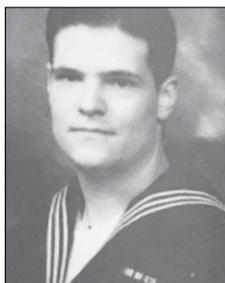
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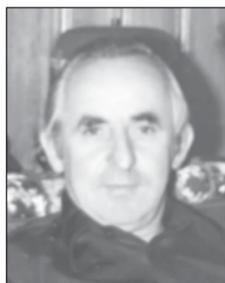
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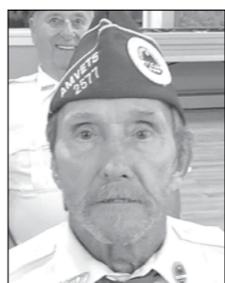
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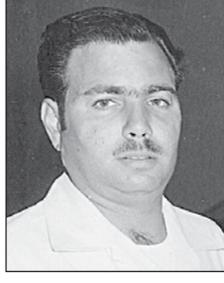
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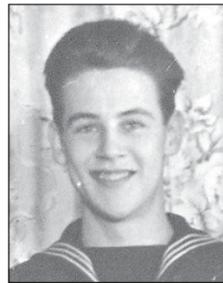
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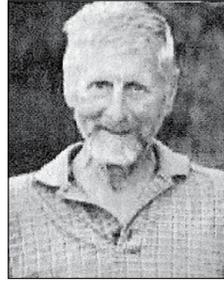
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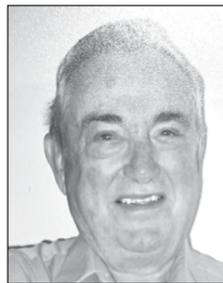
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They say the hardships a soldier endures are best expressed by his or her feet. They carry them through this world, walk the dog, take them to school, and carry them on their first date. Finally, they reluctantly speed him or her into the hell of combat time after time. It is no wonder that they remain behind as a lasting memory of his or her final charge. One that could have carried them to safety, but instead brought them unwanted glory and eternal loneliness. These boots remain mired in the mud of Mekong Delta, the Deserts of Afghanistan and Iraq, and countless other countries. Where they will be forgotten just like the love, memories and hopes of the soldier who wore them!

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Karyn M. Perez, 41

MONSON – It is with great sadness that the family of Karyn M. (Perry) Perez announce her sudden and tragic passing on Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2025.

Karyn was born on March 20, 1984 in Ware, to George Ralph Tatro and Cynthia Mary (Beausoleil) Perry. She was a loving wife, daughter, daughter-in-law, sister, aunt, niece and friend.

Karyn was the “rock” of those she held close, and whose presence will always be painfully missed.

She loved all animals, but especially those that were under her loving care, her beloved Tag and Cooper. Karyn once bought a “special puppy” Toby for her niece. It was a gift that will never be forgotten, a gift that got a little girl through some very tough times, it was who



Karyn was. We as family take comfort in the fact that Tag and Cooper were there to welcome her home to a place where there are no good-byes, only peace, light, and everlasting love.

Karyn was a dedicated home health care professional. Caring for individuals not just as clients, but as family.

She loved the ocean, butterflies, flowers, seeking and hiking to waterfalls, and her daily walks through Monson, and always “up the stairs” at the church.

A light has gone out far too soon from our world. She will forever be missed by her beloved husband, Miguel A. “Mike” Perez, her loving parents; George R. Tatro and Cynthia M. (Beausoleil) Perry, loving sisters, Tracey Perry and her partner Joey, and

Angela Perry, her brother, Peter Luikey and his family, and her loving mother-in-law, Wendy (Gasiorek) Borey, and her father-in-law, Miguel Perez. Karyn also leaves behind her loving nephew, Damon Perry, loving niece, Hannah Wrzesien, and Zaneta’s “Angels” Analise and Braylin.

She also leaves behind her close friends, Lianne Koczur and Darlene Santucci, her aunts and many cousins.

Karyn was predeceased by her best friend, Zaneta Huertas, her grandmother, Constance Beausoleil, and brother-in-law, Edward Perez.

Funeral Services are private and at the convenience of her family. Cebula Funeral Home of Ware is in charge of the final arrangements. For more information and an online guest book, please visit: www.cebulafuneralhome.com.

Ann M. Tuttle, 89

WARREN – Ann M. Tuttle, 89, of Warren, died Tuesday morning, Sept. 9, 2025, in UMass Memorial Hospital – University Campus in Worcester.



She leaves her husband of over 70 years, Robert B. Tuttle; three sons, R. Bradford Tuttle and his husband Steve of Bradenton, Florida, Mark Tuttle and his wife Gloria of Warren, and Richard E. Tuttle also of Warren. She also leaves two grandchildren, Tyler and Ariana Tuttle.

She was born in and grew up in Ithaca, New York, daughter of the late James and Nell (McCarthy) Bedell. Ann met Bob at Cornell University, and together, they moved back to Warren. They owned and operated Breezeland Orchards for many years, prior to their son Mark and his wife Gloria taking over the business.

She and Bob enjoyed their winter home in Florida for over 36 years. She was active within the town of Warren.

As someone who loved reading, she was a past-president and member of the Board of Trustees of the Warren Library. She was also a voting clerk for 40 years during the town elections.

As a pastime, Ann learned the talented art of rug hooking and her works have been featured across the country. Her home is filled with rugs, and her children can attest to the rugs as gifts for any special occasion.

A Celebration of Ann’s life will be held on Monday, Nov. 10, 2025, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Varnum Funeral Home, 43 East Main St., in West Brookfield. An online tribute page is available at varnumfuneralhome.com.

Death notices

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The Center at Eagle Hill presents 'Frankenstein'

HARDWICK – A sci-fi classic comes to life on stage in Hardwick on Saturday, Nov. 8.

The Center at Eagle Hill will present “FRANKENSTEIN: A Living Comic Book”, a modern adaptation of Mary Shelley’s 1818 novel Frankenstein.

In this adaptation, a young artist named Mary discovers the journal of Dr. Victor Frankenstein in the Arctic. As she’s drawn into his uncanny tale of secret experiments, Mary discovers that we all need to face the monsters of our own making...before they face us!

This electrifying show blends immersive comic book design and playful theatrical techniques to reanimate the sci-fi classic for a new generation with a family-friendly spin (recommended for ages 7+).

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Grassroots Central MA hosts three-part film series

STURBRIDGE – A free community film series “Regenerating Life: How to Cool the Planet, Feed the World, and Live Happily Ever After,” a movie by John Feldman, will be presented in three parts by Grassroots Central MA at the Joshua Hyde Public Library, 306 Main St.

The first is on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 3-4:30 p.m. and introduces concepts of our ecological situation, providing a solid understanding of the social and environmental crises that confront us.

Parts two and three will be presented Dec.

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BACKYARD from page 4

Helping birds
With more than 40 million acres of lawn in the U.S. alone, there’s huge potential to support wildlife by replacing lawns with native plantings. People will have less grass to mow by adding native plants. They then will be able to watch the birds come into their yard. They also provide shelter and nesting areas for birds. The nectar, seeds and berries help feed the birds.

Brimfield birds
A Brimfield resident emailed on Oct. 17 that he went to the Brimfield State Forest a few days ago and checked three ponds. He said, “Not much about, one pond had eight Canada Geese and another had a group of wood ducks. Maybe a couple dozen in a beaver pond, it was difficult to get a count with all the stumps and branches in the water.”

He said, “In the yard the Eastern Towhee and Northern Catbird were last

seen the second week of October. Besides the usual suspect there have been white-throated Sparrows (most were the tan-striped color form), common yellowthroat (female). An unusual sighting was a male northern flicker taking a drink at the bird bath. That is the first time that I have seen a woodpecker take a drink” He also saw two dark-eyed juncos, the first of the year in his yard. One took a bath.

Sunflower seed heads
The Brimfield resident reported the tufted titmouse and northern cardinal really like the sunflower seed heads that he has been hanging on one of my feeder stations. Because of the black bears, he has no bird feeders out yet.

Warren ponds
The Brimfield resident drove past the ponds in Warren. At the one on New Reed Street, there was an adult bald eagle, three mallards and two double-crested cormorants.

Canada geese
I saw a flock of about two dozen Canada geese land in a harvested cornfield in Barre this past Saturday. I do not know if they were local geese or some migrating south from the north.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by calling me at 413-967-3505, leaving a message at extension 100, emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edowner@turley.com or mailing to Barre Gazette, P.O. Box 448, Barre, MA 01005.



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9. There's one for the "world"
11. Loved Romeo
13. Sticky situation
15. Pelvic areas
16. An informal debt instrument
17. Cannot be repaired surgically
19. A device attached to a workbench
21. Related on the mother's side
22. Sound unit
23. ___ Sagan, astronomer
25. Utah city
26. A disappointing effort
27. Steal goods during

a riot

29. Wakes up
31. Hair salon service
33. Serenaded
34. Looked intensely
36. U.S. Air Force expert Robert F.
38. A type of cast
39. One's duty
41. Where golfers begin
43. Make a mistake
44. Semitic sun god
46. Ancient Greek City
48. Having had the head cut off
52. A place to stay
53. Unwise
54. Most unnatural astronomer
56. Dennis is a notable one
57. Ointments
58. Students' exam
59. Leaked blood

CLUES DOWN

1. Brave
2. Act of awakening
3. Jest at
4. Sandwich store
5. Chapter of the Koran
6. Dismounted
7. Small vehicle
8. Irked
9. One who earns by disreputable dealings
10. Monetary unit of Samoa
11. Long, mournful lamentation
12. Weight unit
14. Alone, single
15. Decreases
18. Indicates beside
20. Worn by exposure to the weather
24. A body of traditions
26. College students'

ultimate goal

28. Amino acid
30. Nasal mucus
32. US government entity
34. Swinish
35. Legislative body in Russia
37. Grant an exemption to
38. Put in advance
40. Satisfy
42. Felt
43. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls
45. Witnesses
47. Picnic invaders
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CREW LEADER
Sturbridge Department of Public Works

The Town of Sturbridge Department of Public Works (DPW) is seeking a qualified candidate for the position of Crew Leader. This is a full-time role with competitive benefits. Starting pay rate of \$34.11/hr, with yearly step increases.

Key Requirements:

- Valid Class A or B CDL
- Equipment Hydraulic License 2A (required)
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- Effective communication skills.
- Two years of supervisory experience in the construction field or municipal.
- Proficiency in operating all DPW equipment, including but not limited to: grader, loader, roadside mower, excavator, backhoe, and street sweeper.

Application Details:
 • Application and job description are available on the Town of Sturbridge website under job opportunities https://www.sturbridge.gov/your-government/pages/job-opportunities
 • Interviews will begin on November 4, 2025, and will continue until the position is filled.
Additional Information:
 • The DPW operates as a union shop.
 • The Town of Sturbridge is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE).
 For more information, please refer to the job description or contact the Sturbridge DPW directly at 508-347-2515 or dpw@sturbridge.gov.

Job Posting: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
Town of Sturbridge, MA

The Town of Sturbridge is seeking a dynamic, experienced, and highly qualified professional for the position of Assistant Director of Public Works. This is a senior-level, management position that will support the Director of Public Works in overseeing the planning, administration, and daily operations of the Public Works Department.

About our community
 Sturbridge is a welcoming community known for its picturesque landscapes, historic charm, and vibrant local attractions. As Assistant DPW Director, you will play a crucial role in maintaining and enhancing the Town's infrastructure, ensuring a high quality of life for our residents.

Key responsibilities
 The Assistant Director will provide a variety of engineering and administrative services under the guidance of the DPW Director, with a primary focus on:

- Conducting plan reviews for subdivisions, site plans, roadways, water, sewer, and stormwater designs.
- Managing all stormwater permitting activities associated with the NPDES MS4 General Permit.
- Supervising and overseeing the Town's Geographic Information System (GIS).
- Coordinating snow and ice removal activities.
- Addressing resident inquiries related to town projects, utilities, and permitting.
- Presenting engineering reports to and responding to inquiries from town boards and committees, including the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Conservation Commission.

Qualifications

- Education and Experience: A bachelor's degree in civil/environmental engineering or a related field from an accredited four-year college or university is required. Candidates must have two to five years of related public works experience and/or training, or an equivalent combination of •
- Technical Knowledge: Knowledge of public construction bidding and Massachusetts procurement laws is essential.
- Computer Skills: Proficiency in spreadsheet software, GIS software (such as ESRI), and word processing software is required.
- Communication Skills: Strong verbal and written communication skills are necessary to interact effectively with town staff, other agencies, and the general public.
- Licenses: Must possess a valid Driver's License.

Benefits
 The Town of Sturbridge offers a competitive salary and a comprehensive benefits package that includes:

- Salary up to \$100,000 DOQ
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How to apply
 Submit a cover letter, resume, and Town job application to Frances Wychorski, Constituent Liaison in the Town Administrator's Office, via email at **bosadmin@sturbridge.gov** or via mail at **308 Main St, Sturbridge, MA 01566**. This position will remain open until filled. The Town of Sturbridge is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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public notices

Library welcomes Yankee Magazine editor on Nov. 13

WEST BROOKFIELD – Longtime Yankee Magazine writer and editor, Mel Allen, will present his new book “Here in New England” at Merriam-Gilbert Public Library in West Brookfield, Thursday, Nov. 13, at 6:30 p.m.



Mel Allen

The event is free. Books will be available for \$20.

Allen will share photos, stories, and reflections on his time as a writer and editor at Yankee Magazine. The author will answer questions from the audience and sign books.

“Here in New England, Unforgettable stories of people, places, and memories that connect us all” is a collection of stories selected from the hundreds that Allen has written for Yankee Magazine over the past 48 years.

“I see the stories in these pages as miniature pictures

of New England that reveal a larger life around them. To tell these stories, I have entered the lives of people for hours or days—and when they open their own lives, their hearts, the words they speak become intimate albums. They tell me details of their lives that

they may not tell anyone else. And it is up to me to treat those words with deep respect. The most important words in this book’s title for me are “that connects us all,” Allen said.

“We live now in a time where division has become the backdrop to our lives. But when I look at the stories here about people overcoming seemingly impossible obstacles, of others reaching out to help their neighbors, of entire communities pulling together when all seems lost, or of thousands of people searching a

wilderness for a lost child, I see a common humanity that has always been part of the New England landscape.”

There are other stories about famous New Englanders, but most are about everyday New Englanders and the places they live. In all these, Allen reveals the extraordinary character and grit and kindness of the region he’s dedicated his life to writing about.

Allen taught fourth grade in Maine for three years and believes that his education as a writer began when he had to hold the attention of 27 children through months of Maine winters.

From his first two stories in Yankee’s December 1977 issue to a January day in 2025 when he closed his office door for the last time, he spent nearly half a century finding people and places whose stories he wanted to know and assigning countless others to the finest writers in New England.

Button Show to be held Nov. 8

THREE RIVERS—Massachusetts State Button Society’s annual meeting and show will be hosted by the Crescent Button Club on Saturday,

Nov. 8, 2025, at the Amvets Post 74 on Main St. in Three Rivers, MA. from 9 am to 3:00 pm.

The public is invited to attend the day’s activities and to purchase buttons and button related items from 9 am to noon and from 1:30 to 3 p.m. There will be no button sales during the break from noon to 1:30 p.m. as lunch, a business meeting, and button program “Owls,

Magic, and Superstitions” will take place.

Morning visitors will be treated to coffee and refreshments provided by the hosting clubs; bring your own brown bag lunch, and desserts will be provided. There is no admission fee, and all are welcome.

GRASSROOTS

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6, and Jan. 10, 2026. These two parts continue the examination of the prevailing climate change story and offer new, attainable solutions.

The film covers our understanding of how life regulates the climate through

photosynthesis, the carbon cycle, the water cycle, the dung cycle, and the interconnected soil network of fungi, microorganisms and plant roots. The photography is beautiful, the information is clear, and the information presented welcomes us to rethink everything we do.

A discussion will follow

each presentation and light refreshments will be served.

An on-line option is also available. If you would prefer to join virtually, please contact Sherry at sherryzitter@icloud.com for details.

A preview of the movie can be found on link (<https://hummingbirdfilms.com/regeneratinglife/press-kit/>)

MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by EDWIN M. KROL and EVELYN E. KROL a/k/a EVELYN KROL to COUNTRY BANK FOR SAVINGS, dated July 30, 2004, and recorded with the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 7933, Page 55, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at **11:00 a.m. on the 9th day of December, 2025**, on the mortgaged premises believed to be known as 7 Dugan Road, Ware, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

“Property Address: 7 Dugan Road, Ware, MA 01082

A certain tract or parcel of land together with the buildings thereon situated on the easterly side of Dugan Road, so-called, otherwise known as Topor Road in said Ware, being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin driven in the ground on the easterly side of Dugan Road, said pin being North 15° East six hundred eighteen and five tenths (618.5) feet from the intersection of the northerly line of the Ware-Palmer Road and the easterly line of said Dugan Road;

Thence North 15° East one hundred (100) feet along the easterly line of Dugan Road to an iron pin driven in the ground;

Thence South 84° East two hundred five (205) feet along the southerly line of Lot #4 on plan hereinafter referred to an iron pin driven in the ground;

Thence South 15° West one hundred (100) feet along land of one Dugan to a stake in the ground;

Thence North 84° West two hundred five (205) feet along the northerly line of Lot #2 on said plan to an iron pin driven in the ground on the easterly line of Dugan Road and the place of beginning;

Being Lot #3 on Plan of Dugan Acres, Ware, Massachusetts, September 16, 1952, J.W. Reilly, C.E.

The said premises are conveyed subject to the following restrictions:

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The premises will be sold subject to any and all restrictions, easements, improvements, covenants, outstanding tax titles,

municipal or other public taxes, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, and existing encumbrances of record superior to the Mortgage, if any. Said premises will also be sold subject to all leases and tenancies having priority over said Mortgage, to tenancies or occupation by persons on the premises now and at the time of said auction which tenancies or occupation are subject to said Mortgage, to rights or claims in personal property installed by tenants or former tenants now located on the premises, also to all laws and ordinances including, but not limited to, all building and zoning laws and ordinances. It shall be the purchaser’s sole responsibility to ascertain all items described in this paragraph and no representations are made concerning compliance with applicable zoning, building, sanitary or other state and/or municipal regulations.

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The sale may be postponed or adjourned from time to time, if necessary, by the attorney for the mortgagee at the scheduled time and place of sale. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, will be announced at the sale.

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Its Attorneys

Date: October 22, 2025
10/30, 11/06, 11/13/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Law 105A, for the purpose of satisfying the liens of Sunny Side Storage LLC, in order to satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the contents of the following storage units will be sold for non-payment on **Saturday, November 8, 2025 at 9 a.m.** on the premises of Sunny Side Storage LLC, 319 Palmer Rd., Ware, MA (413)967-5888.

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Brittany Hutchins F-22
Beth Makara C-46
Tammy George C-38
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10/30, 11/06/2025

Storage Auction

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Law 105A, in order to

satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the contents of Carrie McCorkindale, William Maren-go Jr, Michael Boivin, and Jason Kline will be auctioned off at Secure Storage, 31 Southbridge Rd., Warren, MA on **11/22/25 at 9:15 AM.**

The contents of Jason Strniste will be auctioned off at Secure Storage, 70 Boston Post Rd., Warren, MA on **11/22/25 at 9:00 AM.**

The contents of Jessalyn Hughes, William Backus, and Nikole Roldan will be auctioned off at Secure Storage, 167 West S.t Ware, MA on **11/22/25 at 10:00 AM.**

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10/30, 11/06/2025

Town of Hardwick Tax Classification Hearing

In accordance with MGL Chapter 40, Section 56, The Hardwick Select Board will hold a classification hearing on **Monday, November 10, 2025, at 6:30 PM** at the Municipal Office Building, 307 Main Street, Gilbertville on the issue of tax allocation among the property classes for fiscal year 2025. Tax-payers are invited to present oral or written information on their views at that time.
11/06/2025

Ware Board of Health Public Hearing Notice

Pursuant to MGL C. 111, sec. 31, the Board of Health will hold a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM** in the Selectboard Meeting Room at the Ware Town Hall at 126 Main Street, and remotely <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81545388421?pwd=jJsbBG1iBb3mj9A4HEUGDKmqplkiU.1>

Meeting ID: 815 4538 8421

Passcode: 01082

Phone: 929-205-6099

The Ware Board of Health will be convening at their scheduled Board of Health meeting to discuss the appeal made by Republic Services to the Ware Board of Health to rescind their vote made on July 17, 2025 to not renew Republic Service’s 2026 permit to collect, remove, transport, and dispose of refuse within the Town of Ware due to public health concerns arising from Republic Services not picking up scheduled customer trash pick-up in over four weeks over the summer.

Residents are encouraged to attend the scheduled meeting.
11/06, 11/13/2025

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