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Red Ribbon Week gets Olympic speaker

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LUDLOW – The CARES Coalition has just wrapped up Red Ribbon Week, for which they coordinated many activities at the local schools and arranged a visit from motivational speaker and Olympic competitor, Tony Hoffman.

The federal Drug Enforcement Administration started Red Ribbon Week as a national event, which the CARES Coalition has been hosting in conjunction with the schools for the last few years.

“We coordinate with the different organizations to support the activities they’re doing during the week,” said Laura Rooney, the CEO of CARES.

Harris Brook Middle School, for example, had a week full of events and activities. One program was Plant the Promise, where 5th graders planted tu-



Submitted photo

The high school welcomed Tony Hoffman to speak about drug abuse and recovery.

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CARES Coalition recognizes Sandy Auclair as Citizen of the Year

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LUDLOW – Last Monday, the CARES Coalition announced Sandy Auclair as its Citizen of the Year for 2024.

The Citizen of the Year award is given to a member of the community who volunteers their time to the town and is passionate about the coalition’s mission.

“She really is somebody who always says yes when we need volunteers for something, someone who always steps up, is willing to volunteer for or run events, and takes a lot of time to coordinate it and the many bits and pieces,” said Laura Rooney, the CEO of the Coalition. “Sandy has always stepped up.”

Auclair joined the CARES Coalition in 2014 after she saw a production of The Yellow Dress, a play about domestic abuse that the coalition had arranged to be performed at the high school, which inspired her to participate in the organiza-



Photos by Marcelo Gusmão

Sandy Auclair was named Citizen of the Year for 2024 by the CARES Coalition.

tion. “I went to go watch The Yellow Dress and saw taht they liked to help kids and inform the public,” Auclair said. “They had resources to be able to help other people.”

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Second Time’s A Charm and Miss America partner for Adult Prom

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PALMER – This past weekend, Second Time’s A Charm held an adult prom fundraiser at the Ludlow Country Club.

Second Time’s A Charm is an affordable alternative to dress-shopping, based out of the Palmer Technology Center and run by friends Michelle Anecchiarico and Natalina Tulik. On Saturday, Oct. 26, the shop held its fifth annual Adult Prom.

“The reason the prom happened is parents were coming in with young ladies for dresses, and a lot of them would say, ‘I never got to go to my prom,’” Anecchiarico said. “We said, why don’t we hold an adult prom every year, and make it an affordable fundraiser for our shop? So that’s what we do every year.”

Anecchiarico said that the response to the event has been fabulous, and that despite having to make adjustments this year, she was very happy with



Photo by Marcelo Gusmão

Representatives from the Miss Western Massachusetts Scholarship Organization worked the table at the event, (from left) Faith Ramos, Madelynn Hardtke, and Katie Collins-Kalbaugh.

the turnout.

“We have 90% of the dresses in here, people came in and took them out of our shop,” said Tulik. “They rented a dress for tonight and then they bring it back when they’re done.”

The event is made possible through a partnership with Miss Western Massachusetts Scholarship Organization, under the Miss America umbrella.

“Since day one of our prom, they come in, they do the raffle table for us, and they work at the front desk for us,” Anecchiarico said.

Anecchiarico said that representatives from Miss Western MA take care of the things that would take she and Tulik away from meeting and mingling

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Trick-or-Treaters sent in Halloween photos

LUDLOW – This week, we put out a post on Facebook asking residents to share pictures of themselves trick-or-treating.

These are the pictures that local trick-or-treaters sent in of their lovely costumes. The Register wishes everyone a happy Halloween.



Booker, a Greater Swiss Mountain Dog, dressed as a cow for Halloween and carted around Penelope, age 5, as a ghost to go trick-or-treating with her brother Orion, age 11, as a wizard.



Xavier, age 12, Keanu, age 10, Kaylee, age 4, and their dog sister, Zara, age 5, prepped for a night of trick-or-treating.



Cassidy and Anna dressed up for Halloween to take a picture by the front porch.



Auntie Anna and Luna Ramos took a picture together on Halloween.



Nolan, age 2, getting ready to trick-or-treat in Electric Park.

Polish Dinner at Immaculate Conception Church on Nov. 16

INDIAN ORCHARD— A Polish Plate Dinner (4 pierogi, Golabek, Kielbasa, Kapusta and Rye Bread) will be held on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 2 to 6 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church Hall 25 Parker St. Eat in or take out, tickets are \$20 per plate. are available

by calling: Maria Kowalski-(413) 222-6229, Irena Wurszt-(413) 427-5846 or Maryla Bukowski-(413) 427-9464 Also available is Frozen Polish Food (Golabki, Kapusta, Pierogi) Cabbage, Potato & Cheese, Sweet Cheese, Blueberry Pierogi.



Sparky's 16th Birthday is Nov. 6. He loves long walks, going on golf cart rides, and his special favorite place is going camping in Vermont. Sparky is very friendly, loves making friends with other dogs, and loves hanging out with his family and friends especially his best friend Gus. "Sparky is a loyal and friendly dog," said Jen. "He is not just a dog his is part of our family. He means the world to us. And we love him. We want to send him lots of love for his special birthday."

We feature your pets here. Is your fur friend a dog, cat, chicken, lizard, horse, bird, mouse...you get the point. Is there a pet you're fostering and trying to re-home? All pets are welcome! Email a high-resolution jpg of your pet with a little information to mgusmao@turley.com.

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Local fundraiser for the Jeff Coelho Fund

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LUDLOW – “Fight Like Jeff” Fundraiser featuring Ready, Set, Go Band will be held at Gremio Lusitano Club, 385 Winsor St. on Nov. 23, 2024.

This local event will benefit the Jeff Coelho fund for Dr. Haq's Melanoma Research at the world-renowned Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

This event includes a live band, dinner, cash bar, and opportunity drawings; doors open at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased via Venmo @Sara-Gladu or @Alyssacoelho.

For more information, email sgggladu@gmail.com.

Jeff Coelho was diagnosed with Stage IV Melanoma in April of 2022 and was 56 years old when he passed away Aug. 26, 2023. The Jeff Coelho Fund is committed to raise \$100,000 over the next five years in his honor and to bring



Submitted photos
Jeff Coelho who passed on Aug. 26, 2023 is being honored with fundraiser for Dana Farber research.

hope to families like us who have lost loved ones to melanoma.

To date, we have raised close to \$24,000.



Dr. Haq and his team focus on resistance to melanoma therapies, including targeted agents and immunotherapies. At Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Dr. Haq devotes his time to developing the next generation of melanoma therapeutics and translating them to innovative investigator-initiated clinical trials.

This research is critical to understanding and developing future treatments for patients.

For those interested in sponsoring this event, there are three available levels: Benefactor [1000.00], Supporter [500.00], and Donor [100.00].

Please contact sgggladu@gmail.com.

Updates on the Jeff Coelho Fund and Donation Opportunities can be found by scanning this QR code.



Talk by Elizabeth G. Dineen Nov. 11

LUDLOW—Attorney Elizabeth G. Dineen, CEO of the YWCA of Western MA, a strong, passionate advocate for women and children throughout her career, knows all the statistics on gender-based violence and other violations of human rights, large and small, that attempt to crush the female spirit.

She also has insight to share on finding a way forward, working collaboratively, supporting each other and modeling for the next generation of women leaders how to live a better life.

Please join on Nov. 11 at the Ludlow Country Club, at 5:30 p.m. to be inspired by this woman of impact and learn about a path forward for building strength and resiliency. The dinner and program will start at 6 p.m., tickets are \$28 at the door and \$30 online pre-booking at zontaqv.square.site/.

Reserve a spot now at info@ZontaQV.org. Space is limited.

40 vendors to attend Christmas Bazaar at St. Elizabeth Parish

LUDLOW – St. Nick's Annual Christmas Bazaar will take place on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Parish Pastoral Center. Approximately 40 vendors will sell stained glass, hockey items, sea glass trees, photographs - to name just a few.

Free attendance raffle for all, a

lottery ticket raffle, and (10) baskets raffle will be available.

A light luncheon at St Nick's Cafe will be available for a nominal fee. Parking and admission are free.

Please join us for a fun shopping day and get a start on your Christmas shopping.

Wilbraham Women's Club Wreaths with a Reason

WILBRAHAM - Please join the Wilbraham Women's Club on Thursday, Nov. 14.

Mary Ann Dietschler will speak about the growing problem of sex trafficking and what she is doing to help bring this to the attention to all. We are located at St. Cecilia's Parish Hall, on Main Street in Wilbraham.

Lunch is served at noon. The soup and sandwich luncheon will

be catered by the Village Store in Wilbraham. Cost is \$12. For reservations, please call Natalie at 413-596-8794. The deadline is Nov. 8.

The presentation will begin at approximately 1:15 p.m. Mary Ann will have wreaths available for sale.

The club will also be collecting miscellaneous items and cash donations for our Veterans at this meeting.

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Pack 180 Cubs visit Howe Caverns

LUDLOW— After months of fundraising, Saint Elizabeth’s Cub Scout Pack 180 and families finally arrived at Howe Caverns, NY. The Columbus Day trip, called the Big Adventure, was a result of the unit’s visit to the Knights of Columbus’ annual gem and mineral show in Chicopee. It was there the group learned about Herkimer diamonds, otherwise known as quartz crystals, and a den leader’s slip of the tongue sparked the idea of the trip.

From redeeming cans/bottles, to outright donations, to the selling of the 01056 buttons, the Cub Scouts reached their trip goal and was able to purchase unit tee shirts. Descending into the cavern by elevator, walking along path viewing rock formations and then the boat ride, made the effort worthwhile; however, the Herkimer diamond sluice mining did not disappoint the families. It was a memorable day for all concerned and now the unit is discussing their 2025 Big Adventure from the following: overnight at the NE Air Museum, a trip to the Ecotarium in Worcester, or camping on the USS Massachusetts at Battleship Cove.

Pack 180 Cub Scouts meet Wednes-



Submitted Photo

Thank you Ludlow for making Cub Scout Pack 180’s trip to Howe Caverns, New York a reality. Here the Cubs are ready to take the elevator down and begin the Big Adventure.

days, 6:45 p.m. sharp, St. Elizabeth parish center. The Cubs welcome youth in grades K – 5th to come and try the Cubs on for size. Contact info@Scouts180.org or grfort127@yahoo.com for further information of the fun kind. Thank you for making the Howe Caverns trip a reality.

Breakfast with the Knights of Columbus

LUDLOW – The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 10, from 8-11 a.m. at St. Elizabeth’s Center.

The menu will include fluffy pancakes, including buttermilk, chocolate chip, and gluten-free, with maple syrup and butter; link sausages; home fries; scrambled eggs with your choice

of veggies and cheese; coffee, tea, and juice.

Tickets for adults cost \$8; for a family of four or more, \$25; and for kids aged 4-12, \$5. Veterans and children aged 3 and under eat free. Tickets are sold at the door.

Call Chris Smith at 222-6443 for more information.



McDonald’s raises \$1,000 for St. John the Baptist School with annual Halloween Bash



LUDLOW – Last week, the McDonald’s at 420 Center St. was serving up more than Boo Bucks.

This year, local owner/operator George Gomez and his team hosted their eighth annual Halloween Bash fundraiser for St. John Baptist School.

This year, \$1,000 was raised for the school with all funds directly benefiting St. John Baptist School.

Submitted Photos



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Late Fall



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This photo was taken on Nov. 4 on Miller Street by Mike O’Rourke.



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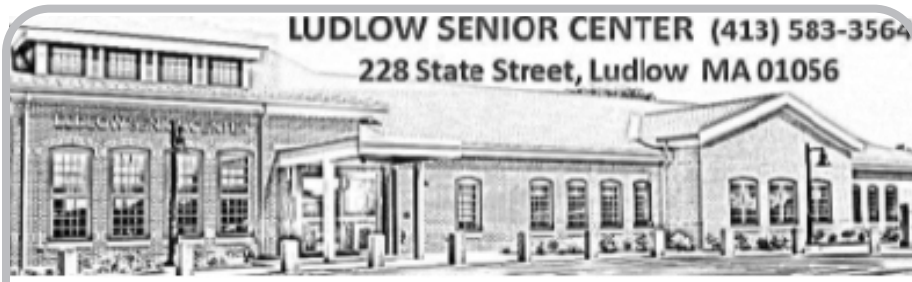
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LUDLOW— The calendar is packed with many fitness programs, entertainment, education sessions, and more. Reserve a lunch in the Center's beautiful dining room complete with coffee, tea, and dessert by calling a day in advance at 413-583-3564 (call Friday for lunch on Monday).

For full program and activity descriptions and general information about what a senior center is and does go to: Ludlow.ma.us. Seniors can also "like" the Ludlow Senior Center on Facebook. A paper copy of the Senior Scene newsletter is available at the Center.

Activities Calendar:

Please register in advance for items with*

Wednesday, Nov. 6

- 9 a.m. Ceramics
- 9 a.m. Zumba Gold
- 9 a.m. Jewelry
- 10 a.m. Tea with the TA
- 10 a.m. Opera
- 10:30 a.m. Healthy Bones & Balance Class*
- 12 p.m. Lunch & Learn
- 1 p.m. Movie: My Sailor My Love
- 1 p.m. Healthy Bones & Balance Class*

Thursday, Nov. 7

- 8:45 a.m. Foot Care by Appt.*

- 9 a.m. Tai Chi
- 9:30 a.m. Dominos
- 10 a.m. SHINE Benefits Counseling*

- 10 a.m. Sunshine Painting Class*
- 10:15 a.m. Mindful Meditation*
- 1 p.m. Mahjong
- 2 p.m. Writers Block*
- 2:30 p.m. Active Yoga

*PLEASE register for Boomer Boot Camp, Healthy Bones & Balance, Foot Care, and other programs as noted by calling 583-3564

Daily Events:

- Café: Monday – Friday 8-11 a.m.
- Exercise Room: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Open until 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday.
- Walking Club: Monday – Friday 7 a.m. and 8 a.m., leaving from the parking lot.

Menu:

- Wednesday, Nov. 6: Lunch & Learn Potato Crunch Fish/Pot/Veggies
- Thursday, Nov. 7: Hot Dog/Beans/Cole Slaw

Reserve a delicious \$2 lunch by calling a day ahead. Call on Friday to reserve lunch on Monday.

For allergy concerns, call the Senior Center to ask about ingredients at 413-583-3564.



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Eastman Indian Orchard Community Advisory Panel holds overview of accomplishments

INDIAN ORCHARD – On Oct. 24, the Eastman IO Community Advisory Panel held its yearly meeting in Springfield.

Local neighborhood representatives joined Eastman team members Dennis Van Nevel, Site Manager and Jasper Clarkson, Director of Technology gave an overview of Eastman's 2024 accomplishments and 2025 plans.

Participants included members of the IOCC, East Springfield Neighbor-

hood Council, Springfield Fire Department, and State Representative Orlando Ramos and Chief of Staff Ayanna Crawford.

Eastman's CAP provides an open forum for dialogue between the local community and Eastman. This initiative helps members understand site activities and allows us to address community concerns. CAP holds a yearly meeting, primarily focusing on the Indian Orchard and surrounding neighborhoods.

Baystate Wing Auxiliary selling Lotto calendars

PALMER—The Baystate Wing Hospital Auxiliary is currently selling their January 2025 Lotto Calendars. The one-month calendar, which costs \$5 each or 3 for \$10, has a daily winning amount of \$100 with special drawings on Jan. 1 and Jan. 31.

For over 65 years the Baystate Wing Hospital Auxiliary has been actively supporting local healthcare through its sponsorship of special events and sales from the Baystate Wing Hospital Gift Shop located on the first floor of the hospital.

The calendars will be on sale begin-

ning Oct. 29 at the Baystate Wing Hospital gift shop. Funds raised by the annual Lotto Calendars support the Auxiliary's scholarship program and their philanthropic efforts that benefit Baystate Wing Hospital.

Whether looking for something special for a patient, a gift for a special occasion, or an item for the home, the Baystate Wing Hospital Gift Shop offers many unique, hand-selected items. For more information about the Lotto Calendar visit the gift shop located on the first floor of the hospital or call 413-370-8169.

Rick's Place announces Grief Awareness Art Exhibit

WILBRAHAM - Rick's Place Honors Children's Grief Awareness Month with "Colors of Grief", an art exhibit showcasing poignant artwork created by both youth and adult participants from Rick's Place.

Rick's Place, a beacon of support for children, teens, and families navigating grief, is proud to present this special gallery exhibit and opening reception in commemoration of Children's Grief Awareness Month this November. Titled "Colors of Grief," this event will open at the William Blizard Art Gallery at Springfield College on Monday, Nov. 11, 2024, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Artists were encouraged to reflect on their unique grief journeys and how these experiences have left an indelible mark. Each piece presented encapsulates an intimate, heartfelt narrative of personal journeys through grief.

Rick's Place aims to have this event serve a dual purpose: raising greater awareness about the profound impact of death, grief, and loss on youth and families, and providing a platform for individuals to tell their stories through art.

With over 5,000 children in Hampden County experiencing the loss of a parent or sibling, Rick's Place, a non-profit organization, extends its helping hand to youth between the ages of five and 18, along with their caregivers, who have confronted death. The free peer grief programs, both on-site and in local schools, help youth in Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut feel supported, understood, and less alone in their grief.

We cordially invite you to join us in celebrating these talented artists as they generously share their personal grief stories. Guests are welcomed to bring a small photograph to add to our Memory Wall Installation.

- Event Details:
- Title: "Colors of Grief"
- Date: Monday, Nov. 11, 2024
- Location: William Blizard Art Gallery, Springfield College Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall, 2nd Floor, 316 Wilbraham Ave, Springfield, MA 01109
- Time: 5 to 7 p.m.
- Gallery open daily 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Please contact tross@ricksplacema.org for more information.



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OPINION

October Tea

Witches Come A-Calling

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From the woodlands wild and deep –
Where the witches never sleep:
Come in, with your distant kin –
Mix once more with civilization;
Shake the yellow woods again;
Reap the summer on the vine.
Spill your tonic on the ground...
The berries, blood-red, have ripened...

Steep your brew from ancient land –
Tip the cauldron for modern millions;
Remove the plastic from his dome.
The machine wears out the man;
Dip forth the tea, till understands –
The future goes not... his direction.

II
Cold the hour where the roadless go –
And where it is, ahead, do follow.
Waken us where we die! – or, sleep,
Like the cradles onward creep.
Rattle the gadgets, then let the demons keep...
Where love is real, love runs deep.

Wrap your gold in murky leaves –
Come tip-toeing up to our eaves:
Leave the drink by the windowsill.
Peek in to give us a glimpse there still

– Like you, lift us on an autumn breeze

– Say we're more than falling leaves,
That you come a-calling.

From Charles Barnes



Why does the government raid Social Security?

Dear Rusty

The Social Security program is funded by employees and their employers.

The federal government does not contribute to the program, right? So why does the federal government feel they have the right to raid the fund? All the money sent to Ukraine and other unnecessary programs could have been used to pay back what they owe to Social Security.

Signed: Disgruntled Senior

Dear Disgruntled Senior

You are correct that the Social Security program is mainly funded by payroll taxes on employee earnings and by employers, who match those employee contributions.

FYI, some additional SS revenue is received from income tax on Social Security benefits, as well as from interest on the special issue government bonds held in the Social Security Trust Fund. But the assertion that the Federal Government used (raided) the Social Security Trust Fund for any other purpose is a myth.

All Social Security revenue received since the program began in 1937 has been accounted for and all excess funds are contained in a special Trust Fund in the form of interest-bearing government bonds, reserved to pay future benefits. FYI, the interest on those bonds contributed about \$67 billion to the Trust Fund reserves in 2023. Social Security revenue, today, is not adequate to pay all benefit obligations and the extra money needed to pay full SS benefits for everyone is obtained by redeeming Trust Fund reserves. Redemption of those Trust Fund bonds is how the federal government "pays back" the cash loaned to it by Social Security.

The excess SS money received from contributions was loaned to the Federal Treasury by

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HIKING COLUMN

Hurricane Helene in the Southern Appalachians

By Julie Midura

After months of anticipation and weeks of planning, we were finally on our way to western North Carolina to begin our 200-mile backpacking trip on the Appalachian Trail. Our backcountry permits were safely stashed in our backpacks for the first 70 miles of trail that weave through the Great Smoky Mountains, and the resupply packages we had mailed to several trail towns would be waiting for us in some of the hostels and outfitters as we made our way north.

After the 800 mile drive from our home in MA, we dropped our car off at Mountain Harbour Hostel in Roan Mountain, TN, where my sister met us so that she could shuttle us to Fontana Dam in North Carolina- the starting point of our 17-day backpacking trip. Our SUV would be waiting for us at the hostel.

At least, that was the plan.

But on Thursday evening, Sept. 26, just a few hours after arriving in TN, we received an urgent email from Great Smoky Mountain headquarters imploring us to postpone our hike. The hurricane that barreled into Florida was continuing inland without breaking stride... and was heading straight for the Southern Appalachians. Tom and I would be hiking right smack in the middle of it.

We considered delaying the start of our hike to Sunday, but the Appalachian Trail Conservancy soon issued a statement that the trail should be considered closed to hiking from the southern terminus in Georgia all the way to Rockfish Gap, Virginia. 860 miles of trail. This closure was unprecedented.

The unrelenting rain that fell- upwards of 30 inches in some areas- was creating perilous conditions in the mountains. Landslides were imminent and trees were falling

like toothpicks. As the mountains became overrun with moisture, historic amounts of water rushed down the creeks and into the rivers, which resulted in the highest river levels ever observed across the region.

The monumental force of the flood waters widened the rivers beyond what the riverbanks could contain, rerouting the water directly into the towns. The angry water carved a path deeply into the earth and swallowed everything in its path, including trees, cars, homes and highways. Tractor trailers were picked up by the catastrophic flooding and crushed like matchbox cars. Highways were washed away, concrete bridges collapsed and entire towns were underwater. Hundreds of lives were lost. What remained were towns, homes and businesses buried in mud and looking more like war zones. The magnitude of the storm has made Hurricane Helene one of the most impactful weather events the Appalachians has ever seen.

Thankfully, Tom and I were taken in by family members who live in Gatlinburg, TN, which was spared significant damage. While there, we learned that all roads into Roan Mountain- where we had left our SUV- were inaccessible. Power and cell service were nonexistent. We looked on the hostel's Facebook page to see if there were any updates on how they had fared, and were shocked to see a video taken by the owners during the height of the storm. The entire property we had dropped our car off just three days prior had become unrecognizable. What was once a gravel parking lot was now a raging river. We watched the video as our SUV was inundated by the flood waters.

But we are the lucky ones. Had we already been on the trail when the storm hit, it could have easily been our lives we lost and not simply our car.

A few days later, we rented a car and began the long drive home, feeling heartbroken. Our heartbreak had nothing to do with our flooded SUV. Little to do with the lost backpacking trip that we had been looking forward to for so long. Rather, it

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BHN to facilitate International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day event Nov. 23

In collaboration with the Massachusetts Chapter of American Foundation for Suicide Prevention a Day of Healing for those who've lost loved ones to suicide

SPRINGFIELD – Behavioral Health Network, Inc. will facilitate International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day (Survivor Day), an event organized by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at All Inclusive Support Services, 736 State St. in Springfield (For GPS directions, use 36 Buckingham Street, Springfield).

The Springfield event facilitated by BHN is free and open to the community

for anyone who has lost a loved one to suicide. To sign up to attend this event, visit Springfield-Massachusetts.isosld.afsp.org.

The event will feature breakout groups, lunch, engaging activities, and a powerful AFSP-produced documentary that highlights themes of growth, resilience, and connection. This is one of hundreds of events taking place worldwide on Survivor Day.

Held on the Saturday before Thanksgiving each year, International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day is a one-day event in which survivors of suicide loss come together to find connection, understanding, and hope through their shared experience. Attendees learn practical coping strategies, explore grief, and discover resources to help with each unique healing journey.

International Survivors of Suicide

Loss Day was created by an Act of Congress in 1999 following the passage of a resolution introduced by Senator Harry Reid, whose father took his own life in 1972. In addition to sponsoring in-person or virtual events across the globe for International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day, AFSP hosts two virtual events for survivors of suicide loss, Survivor Day Live and Día De Esperanza (in Spanish). To learn more, visit AFSP.org/survivor-day.

BHN has been providing behavioral health services to children and families in Western Massachusetts since 1938. The agency provides community-based services that include innovative, integrated whole-health models as well as traditional clinical and outpatient and therapeutic services, day treatment, addiction services, crisis intervention and residential supports.

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention is dedicated to saving lives and bringing hope to those affected by suicide, including those who have experienced a loss. AFSP creates a culture that's smart about mental health through public education and community programs, develops suicide prevention through research and advocacy, and provides support for those affected by suicide.

Led by CEO Robert Gebbia and headquartered in New York, with a public policy office in Washington, D.C., AFSP has local chapters in all 50 states, D.C. and Puerto Rico, with programs and events nationwide. Learn more about AFSP in its latest Annual Report and join the conversation on suicide prevention by following AFSP on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, LinkedIn and TikTok.

Rocky's Ace Hardware raises \$34,561.68 for animal shelters

Local stores participated in the 'Round Up for Pets' campaign

SPRINGFIELD – Throughout its 14th annual "Round Up for Pets" fundraiser, Rocky's Ace Hardware collected a total of \$34,561.68 across all locations, with \$6,050.81 raised locally going to shelters in western Massachusetts.

Rocky's, one of the country's largest family-owned Ace Hardware dealers with locations in nine states, asked customers to round up their purchase

total to the next dollar, with the difference donated to animal shelters near the store.

"Every year it delights me to know we are pitching in to help animals in need," said Rocky's Ace Hardware President and CEO Rocco J. Falcone II. "We know how important pets are to our customers and staff."

Participating Rocky's locations included the stores on Island Pond Road and Liberty Street in Springfield and the stores in Agawam, East Longmeadow, Westfield, Ludlow, Palmer and South Hadley.

Local shelters that benefited from the year's round up include the Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control & Adoption Center and Dakin Pioneer Valley Humane Society in Springfield, Second Chance Animal Services in East Brookfield and Westfield Animal Control and Shelter in Westfield.

"We applaud shelters doing the important work of making sure animals are well cared for while they wait for forever homes," said Falcone. "We can't thank our customers enough for supporting our mission to help."

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borhood store for paint, hardware, lawn and garden, and grilling, has been in continuous operation, under the same family ownership, since opening its first location in Springfield, Massachusetts in 1926. From one modest store to now 50 convenient locations throughout Connecticut, Florida, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island, Rocky's has become one of the country's largest Ace Hardware dealers, noted for its exceptional customer service and vast product selection. For more information, visit rockys.com.

Town of Wilbraham Veteran Services Veteran's Day Ceremony

WILBRAHAM – The Town of Wilbraham Veteran Services Veteran's Day Ceremony takes place on Monday, Nov. 11, starting at 11 a.m. at Crane Park Veteran Memorial.

Join the Wilbraham Veteran Services in honoring and celebrating our Veterans.

Faith Community Chapel to hold clothing drive Nov. 9

LUDLOW – The Faith Community Chapel will hold a clothing drive on Saturday, Nov. 9.

The chapel urges the community to donate new or gently used clothing to those in need. Items will be donated to the Springfield Rescue Mission.

Visit the Faith Community Chapel at 485 East St. on Saturday, Nov. 9, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to donate clothes for the clothing drive.

For more information, call 413-583-7875.

Wilbraham Garden Club meets Nov. 7

WILBRAHAM – The second meeting of the Wilbraham Garden Club will be held on Nov. 7 at St. Cecilia's Parish Center on Main Street in Wilbraham at Noon.

Pizza Party will be held.

There is a guest fee of \$5.00 and pre-registration is required for guests. Please call Norma Bandarra at 596-8173.

The Wilbraham Garden Club Flower Arrangers Group will be the speakers for the meeting who will make Harvest-Themed Centerpieces. Come and be inspired after viewing the handiwork of our talented club members. Perhaps you will get some ideas for your own home.



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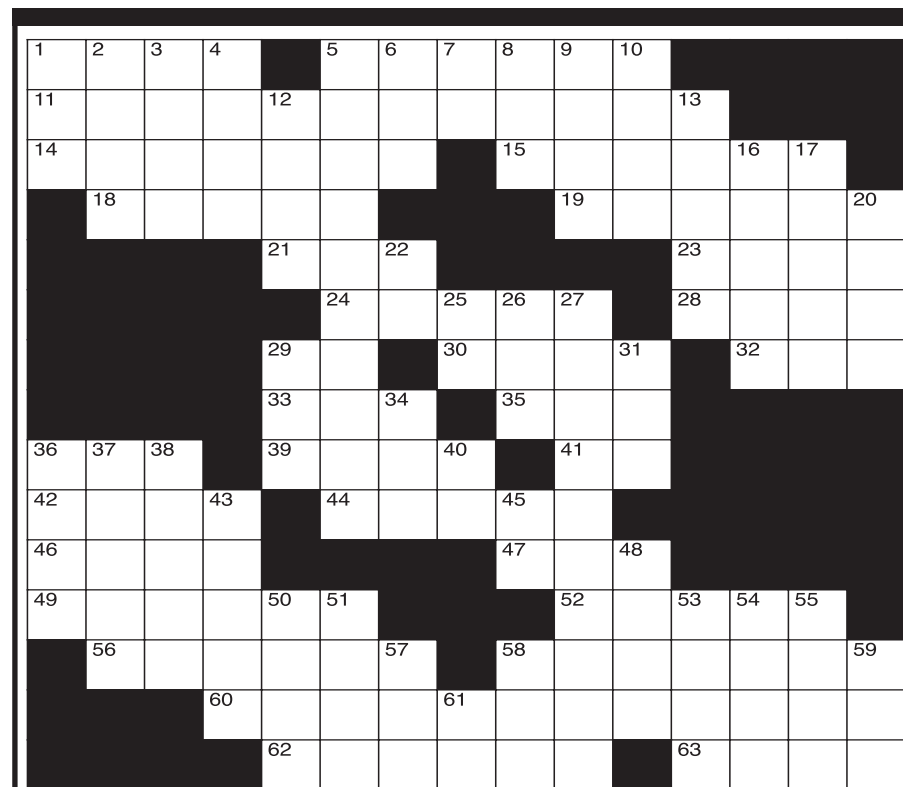
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- 5. Preserve a dead body
- 11. Gratitude
- 14. The act of coming together again
- 15. Simpler
- 18. Visionaries
- 19. Large, fish-eating bird
- 21. Indicates near
- 23. Former CIA agent and critic
- 24. Icelandic poems
- 28. Pop
- 29. "Hammer" is one
- 30. Senses of self-importance
- 32. Thyrotrophic hormone
- 33. Not around
- 35. Electronic data processing
- 36. Licenses and
- passports are two types
- 39. Snakelike fish
- 41. Air Force
- 42. Popular computers
- 44. Of a withered nature
- 46. Wings
- 47. Used in combination
- 49. Laid back
- 52. Jeweled headdress
- 56. In slow tempo
- 58. ___ Falls
- 60. Assertions made again
- 62. Periods of history
- 63. Hyphen
- 4. Sea eagle
- 5. A type of subdivision
- 6. Variety of Chinese
- 7. Mr. T's name on "The A-Team"
- 8. Consumed
- 9. Chinese dynasty
- 10. NFL great Randy
- 12. Ireland
- 13. Palm trees with creeping roots
- 16. Fungal disease
- 17. Impressionable persons
- 20. Affirmative! (slang)
- 22. Instinctive part of the mind
- 25. "The First State"
- 26. A way to develop
- 27. Fraternities
- 29. Woman (French)
- 31. Sunscreen rating
- 34. Beer
- 36. Spiritual leader
- 37. Indigo bush
- 38. Burn with a hot liquid
- 40. Junior's father
- 43. Ray-finned fishes
- 45. Morning
- 48. Line passing side to side through the center (abbr.)
- 50. Double curve
- 51. A small bundle of straw or hay
- 53. Got older
- 54. Crater on Mars
- 55. Humanities
- 57. Relating to the ears
- 58. "To the ___ degree..."
- 59. Residue of a burned product
- 61. It cools a home

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Body part
- 2. Mimics
- 3. Expel large quantities rapidly

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Auclair has been a member of the coalition's advisory board for over five years, where Rooney said that she has helped to make the decisions for what CARES will or won't do. Rooney also credited Auclair with coordinating CARES's involvement in the Hope Stroll, and for raising money for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

In the program for the Oct. 28 talk by Tony Hoffman, Auclair was described as "an integral part of CARES for over a decade."

"Sandy has been a steady, dependable, and enthusiastic volunteer for virtually all of the events that CARES runs and sponsors throughout the year," the program reads. "Most notably, Sandy has chaired the CARES participation at the Ludlow Community Market, and more recently, the CARES table at Falling Into Fun, both of which were two-day events that required much attention and time with set-up, take-down, prize purchasing, organizing, and volunteer recruitment."

Auclair said that in addition to helping with the Valentine's Bags for the Senior Center and the Slide Into Summer event, she enjoyed working with the 250th Committee on Falling Into Fun.

"I like the way they had it set up," Auclair said. "They helped the vendors and everyone there bring stuff to and from their site."

Auclair also helped to get all the ribbons that would end up tied around the community, which was done by Greg Kolodziej and the Boys' Soccer Team. Auclair shared that she was not informed beforehand of the award, and that her family was notified to attend Tony Hoffman's presentation, but kept it a secret from her.



Sandy Auclair was recognized as Citizen of the Year, surrounded by other members of the CARES Coalition and from the community.

"I'm just grateful to be part of coalition," Auclair said. "It's been an honor or working with all the volunteers, and it was a great surprise because I had no clue. My family showed up and I assumed they were there for Tony Hoffman but apparently they were there for me."

Rooney said that the coalition was happy to recognize Auclair for years of volunteering.

"She's one of those people where I'm sure there are a lot of things outside CARES she's doing, but always willing to help," Rooney said.

"I enjoy helping out and I'm glad that the CARES Coalition is around, and that we're out in the community and recognized for all the things we can provide to them," said Auclair.



Sandy Auclair (center) was joined for a picture by other volunteers for the CARES Coalition, including Laura and Bill Rooney and Diana Roy.

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the SS Trust Funds, interest-bearing bonds were issued by the government in return for the cash received and the bonds issued are redeemable as needed by Social Security to pay benefits. FYI, the average interest on the 2023 bonds in the Trust Funds was about 4.125%, whereas the average rate of return on all bonds held in reserve was about 2.387%. This transaction is the same as for any other investment vehicle except the bonds in the Trust Funds are redeemable at any time without penalty. Said another way, all excess money ever received by Social Security is/was invested in special-issue government bonds and resides in reserve to pay future benefits, as needed.

"Paying back" the money represented by bonds held in the Trust Funds would not be a wise financial move because it would eliminate all future interest earned by those bonds again, that interest was about \$67 billion in 2023). Federal money spent for other purposes e.g., Ukraine is from the general U.S. Treasury and not from the Social Security Trust Fund, which is held totally separate from the U.S. Treasury. Since inception, all money ever contributed to Social Security has been and is used for one purpose and one purpose only to pay Social Security benefits to those eligible, which, by the way, does not include "illegal aliens" or anyone else who is not a legal resident of the United States.

For clarity, Social Security does have a

future financial issue because annual benefit obligations are now greater than annual Social Security revenue and money from the SS Trust Fund is now used to make up the difference. Unless the program is reformed soon, the Trust Fund reserves about \$2.8 trillion as of 2023 will be depleted and benefits for all Social Security recipients will be cut by about 23% starting in 2033 or 2034 according to the Trustees of Social Security and the Congressional Budget Office.

Congress needs to act soon to enact Social Security reform to restore the program to fiscal solvency. The Association of Mature American Citizens is steadfastly lobbying Congress to enact the needed Social

Security reform as soon as possible.

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had everything to do with the devastation we witnessed and the people who had lost homes, livelihoods and loved ones.

We arrived back home two weeks earlier than we planned to, and went through the motions of unpacking, doing laundry and going through the mail, all while feeling as though we were in a fog. Tom shared that it felt strange to be back home so soon. Like we weren't supposed to be there.

Both of us were experiencing the kind of sadness that creeps into your bones and settles there.

So we took a day to regroup, then crammed our overnight backpacks and hiking gear into our tiny 2010 Honda Fit with 200,000 miles on the odometer, and headed to the White Mountains of NH.

We prayed that our beat up old car would make it through the rough and rutted dirt roads that lead to some of the trailheads.

When we reached the trailhead at 5 p.m., we threw our heavy packs over our shoulders and headed into the woods to find a place to set up our tent for the night. It was our hope that spending a few days away from it all would allow us to process the devastation we saw in Tennessee and North Carolina.

We spent the next few days walking the trails, climbing the mountains and inhaling serenity in the wild places of New Hampshire. As we gazed out at the vast Pemigewasset Wilderness from a rock ledge on Zeacliff while waiting for the sun to set, it truly felt like a balm for our souls.

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lip bulbs supplied by CARES, with the promise to make good choices and try to achieve goals.

"Then they bloom in the spring," Rooney said. "It's kind of a cool thing that the 5th graders can go back and look at. Activities like that bring awareness to substance use and mental health issues."

Rooney said that the coalition emphasizes conversations with youths and encourages them to talk with trusted adults if they're struggling with something.

On Monday, Oct. 28, the coalition invited motivational speaker Tony Hoffman to visit the High School and give a series of talks for students of different grade levels, along with one geared to adults in the evening.

"Tony went to high school and spoke to the 9th, 10th, and 11th graders," Rooney said. "He gave the same message at the high school (as in the evening), and then an age-appropriate version at the middle school for the 7th and 8th grade."

Rooney said that between the multiple talks Hoffman gave, he was able to reach over 1,000 residents. At each of these talks, Hoffman shared his story, how important it was to get help and seek trusted adults when he was struggling, and how to avoid the things that might make a situation worse or more complicated.

Hoffman talked about the importance of having goals and wanting to achieve them, and about how, from a young age, he struggled to be comfortable with himself and in his own skin, like many adolescents do.

"If he had reached out to somebody, maybe things could have been different,"



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Tony Hoffman, a motivational speaker and Olympic-level cyclist, spoke at the high school on Oct. 28.



Tony Hoffman spoke to the assembled students about motivating oneself and setting goals.

Rooney said.

Hoffman described that, when things weren't going his way and he was struggling, he focused on making a single choice every day to help get to the next step, and how little things lead to big things. He shared a mantra that he quoted to help motivate himself; "I can, I will, and I'm able."

"His message of self-talk is so important," Rooney said. "The more positive self-talk that you can do for yourself, the more likely that you'll be able to achieve your goals or move forward when things are tough."

Rooney added that it's important to realize that "everyone is struggling with mental health issues at different times."

"Working that out with someone in a productive way is really important," Rooney said. "That message was important for all the kids to hear, that their self-talk is so important."

Rooney said that in these conversations, Hoffman was able to talk to them about their ability to get motivated, and how to be guided by that and talk to adults. Hoffman's

talk was not only geared towards students, though, but to anyone in the audience, including parents, caregivers, and people in recovery.

"I've had parents comment to me that they hadn't done this since COVID," Rooney said. "Parents and students alike thanked us and said it was impactful, they liked his story and message."

This talk was months in the making, as Rooney explained. Diana Roy, a member of CARES, was responsible for vetting the speaker and finding one who would be engaging and exciting for the community.

"The fact that he was first person to participate in the Olympic Games after having being incarcerated was very interesting to us," Rooney said. "He covered everything from mental health to substance abuse to recovery, and we like to talk about all of those things."

Roy coordinated with Hoffman so he would be able to go through the schools, and consulted with the principals to make sure that the presentation was appropriate.

"I think we had a great turnout for that program," Rooney said. "We always wish there were more, but those that went were very glad that they went to see his program."

The Boys & Girls Club made coasters,

and a group of CARES volunteers talked to students about Red Ribbon Week and what it's about. Rooney said that the organization "keeps the conversation going, regardless of age, about healthy choices, and seeking help, should you need it, from a trusted adult."

At last week's Open House at the Police and Fire Departments' Safety Complex, the CARES Coalition had a table with activities and information about the organization.

"We're here to show off what we're doing and welcome kids over with different coloring pages, apples, and any free things they want to have," said Jack Favata. "We're just trying to spread the message of being a drug-free community and having a drug-free life."

Favata said that CARES has information for parents that focuses on youth mental health, such as how to identify early signs of mental disorders or how to help a youth suffering from suicidal thoughts. The Open House happened right at the end of Red Ribbon Week, which Favata said was observed through Spirit Weeks at the schools.

If you'd like to get involved in the CARES Coalition, you can go to their Facebook page, or visit their website at LudlowCARESCoalition.org.



In the school gym, Tony Hoffman signed a student's sweatshirt.

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People lined up for food from the buffet at the Ludlow Country Club.



Second Time's A Charm owners Michelle Anecchiarico and Natalina Tulik started the adult prom to give families an opportunity to attend a prom

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with people at the prom. "They are literally queens, in every sense of the word," Anecchiarico said. Executive Director Kensi Riley said that her organization is happy to partner with Second Time's a Charm, noting that the cost of dresses can be a barrier for people interested in competing in Miss America pageants.

"We're a scholarship organization, we don't need girls spending thousands and thousands of dollars on gowns – it's, quite frankly, silly," Riley said. Second Time's A Charm is run as a charitable non-profit on an entirely volunteer basis. People looking to buy prom dresses are encouraged to visit the store, are given a tour, and then get to try on their dresses, which they can then take for free, with the option of leaving a \$20 do-

nation. Riley shared that a woman wore a gown from Second Time's A Charm for a competition this year and won. "It's a great way to grow this partnership," Riley said. Second Time's A Charm is open on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m to 2 p.m. through Jan. 13 to May 11. If you'd like to see about getting a dress from them, give them a call at 413-530-5966, or send an email to NTulik@AOL.com.

Eclectic vintage shop, artist studio celebrates 1 year anniversary

PALMER – An eclectic, vintage shop and artists gallery celebrates its one year anniversary

The "Eclectic Shop and Artist's Studio", known as the Victorian, will celebrate its one year anniversary on Friday, November 1, 2024 at 1500 North Main Street, Palmer, MA. Please join us for an open house and enjoy refreshments as you tour throughout the building.

"The Victorian" provides locals a convenient shop close to home, offering quality painter's products, painted furniture, unique gifts, candles home decor, local Artisan's wares and more.

The shop features a wide variety of Fusion Mineral Paint products, including materials to re-purpose, refurbish and re-imagine furniture.

"Fusion Mineral Paint is primarily a furniture paint," said owner Julia Dias. However, she said the paint works well on a variety of materials, such as wood, metal, glass and fabrics.

In addition to the mineral paint, The Victorian offers milk paint, stains, antiquing glazes, a variety of decorating waxes and both natural and synthetic paint brushes.

The shop caters to artists seeking to add a splash of color to their homes and get creative with refinishing their furniture.

"It's been quite an experience creating this shop and sharing it with the many people that have come through this door. Many people are just curious to know what this old house looks like on the inside. They're either from the area and have driven by many times or they were customers of the Moulton Insurance Agency, which used to be here for many years," said Dias.

She holds a bachelor's degree in fine arts with a focus on interior design from UMASS Amherst and has a great passion for historical homes. "Ebenezer and Mary Brown built this house in 1868. It's obvious they had great taste in architecture and design, as there are many fine details throughout the home that lend to its stateliness." Considering how many times the trains roll by



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The Victorian is located at 1500 Main St., in Palmer, in the former Moulton Insurance building.

out back and being 156 years old, this grand Queen Anne stands strong.

Dias' experience allows her to provide guests with expertise and a wealth of knowledge in design as well as the Fusion Mineral Paint product line.

"I truly enjoy recreating old pieces," said Dias "especially little tables you find on the side of the road."

She added the Victorian age has always been her favorite period in time, prompting her to scout out the perfect location for her shop.

"It has always been a dream of mine to have a Victorian. This Queen Anne home was built in 1868 with all the traditional mouldings.

Shoppers will not only have

access to a Fusion Mineral Paint carrier locally, but they will also have access to the full line of colors and seasonal releases.

The shop features an array of colors, furnishings and art; some Victorian style, others more abstract and various handmade products by local Artisans.

Vintage style "sassy talkin' towels," are on display, adding style and humor to the main shopping area. For those interested in purchasing, duplicates are for sale.

Additionally, vintage-style match boxes are available for purchase, delicately wrapped in wax paper and sealed with a postage stamp.

The Superior Dry Good Vintage Stick matches are a perfect



Shown is the shopping area in the building, with items in display cases, which are for sale.



The building is a Queen Anne Victorian, decorated to accentuate the charm and authenticity of the building's architecture.

complement to those interested in gifting a locally sourced, 100% soy, 1803 candle.

Dias said the shop is Victorian themed to add an element of creativity and charm to the guests' experience.

Fusion Mineral Paint Workshops will begin this month of October. You can follow her on Facebook and Instagram at theVictorian1868. Her website, theVictorian1868.com, is under development and will be ready soon. Workshops and other events will be posted there along

with a shop calendar, news and information.

Services and products have expanded over the past year which included the introduction of "The Downtown Abbey Dining Room" for private small event rentals and the "Newport Room" for Fusion Mineral Paint Workshops, as well as small event rentals. More information will be available on the website or you can call Julia at 603-714-0513.

Both rooms are Victorian-themed spaces equipped with working Victrolas, velvet drapes, vintage lace covered tables for dining and tea, various antique art pieces and full wall collage of the cast of Downtown Abbey and more!

Guests interested in adding a Victorian touch to their home also have the option of purchasing from a collection of vintage glassware come Spring 2025.

"I've always wanted to open my own shop and wouldn't have done it with anyone else but my husband, John. We make a great team" said Dias. "I thank him often for all he has done to make my dream come true."

The shop is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Boys soccer advances in WMass tournament

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW—During the past three seasons, the Ludlow boys' varsity soccer team didn't lose a match in the Western Mass. Class A tournament.

The top-seeded Lions began this year's Western Mass. tournament with a 2-0 shutout victory over the eighth-seeded Springfield Central Golden Eagles in a quarterfinal match held on the brand new turf field at the Ludlow Sports Complex, last Monday afternoon (Oct. 28).

"The Western Mass. tournament is a little bit different now, but we still want to win another championship title," said long-time Ludlow head coach Greg Kolodziej. "Playing in this tournament will help us prepare for the state tournament."

Ludlow has now outscored Springfield Central, 23-0, in their last six meetings on the soccer pitch.

It was the first meeting between the two squads since the Lions posted a 4-0 shutout victory in the 2019 Western Mass. Division 1 quarterfinals.

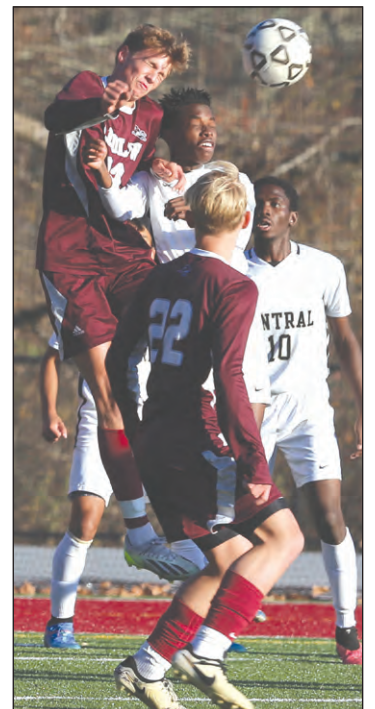
The Golden Eagles (9-6-1) and the Lions (8-3-8) are the



Goalie Daniel Pires sends a punt away.



Devyn Skiba heads the ball away from his opponent.



Luke Slatton heads the ball away.

Turley photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com

only two boys' soccer teams from Western Massachusetts who are competing in the Division 1 state tournament.

The Lions managed to take a 1-0 lead in the quarterfinal

match with a corner kick goal seven minutes into the opening half.

Senior Thomas Wadas played the ball to fellow senior James Dias from the right cor-

ner. Dias then fired a low shot from about 20 yards out into the left corner of the net past Central senior goalie Xavier Lozada (11 saves), who was looking into a bright setting sun during the first half.

"The corner kick goal ear-

ly in the first half gave us some momentum," Kolodziej said. "It was a very hard shot by James Dias."

Dias, who didn't score any

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Payton Dersarkisian navigates the ball through the middle of the field.



Sophia Scyocurka starts to head up the field.

Ludlow girls fall in quarterfinals

WESTFIELD – Last Monday afternoon, the Ludlow High School girls soccer team fell to Westfield 2-1. The Lions' only goal came from Sophia Scyocurka. She scored in the second half, but it was not enough for the Lions to come back in the quarterfinals of the Western Mass. Class A Tournament. Ludlow tied West Springfield in a non-playoff game and were set to open the state tournament earlier this week hosting Agawam.

Turley photos by Gregory A. Scibelli



Kacie Klimek makes the save.



Mia Carvalho collides with an opponent.



Calleigh Foley defends the ball near the Ludlow goal.

Lions finish regular season with win

LUDLOW – The Ludlow High School football team, now with a new artificial turf field to play its home games on, had a strong finish to the regular season.

Last Friday, the Lions defeated Taconic High School on the road 26-6. With the victory, it was two straight for the Lions and a 3-5 record over. Ludlow did not qualify for the state tournament and entered nonplayoff action for Week 9. Currently, the Lions are scheduled to face Mahar at home on Nov. 7 at 6 p.m.

Looming also is Ludlow's traditional Thanksgiving morning game with Palmer on Nov. 28 at 10 a.m. at home.

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T-Birds fall to Phantoms at home

SPRINGFIELD — The Springfield Thunderbirds (3-7-0-0) and the Lehigh Valley Phantoms (3-3-1-1) combined for 88 penalty minutes on Saturday night inside the Mass-Mutual Center. After the dust settled, the Phantoms came away with a 5-2 victory.

Before the opening draw even happened, there were indications of fireworks as Springfield bruiser Sam Bitten and Lehigh Valley captain Garrett Wilson exchanged pleasantries, leading both players to be separated by the officials. Still, the two enforcers' inevitable showdown occurred just 21 seconds into gameplay, as the two combatants traded fists in the neutral zone and elevated the noise level of both the benches and the crowd.

Two subsequent scraps followed the Bitten/Wilson tangle as Hunter Skinner squared off with rookie Hunter McDonald, and Marcus Sylvegard got his chance to drop his gloves for his first AHL fight against J.R. Avon. All three concurrent sets of fighting majors happened in the first 7:49 of the period.

All the while, both teams had numerous chances to crack a scoreless draw, but the starting goaltenders were calm in the eye of the chaos around them. Colten Ellis made 16 first-period

saves in the Springfield net, while Eetu Makiniemi denied 10 Springfield offerings in the opening 20 minutes.



Both teams left power play chances on the table in the opening half of the period, but in the dying minutes, Lehigh Valley earned a 5-on-3 on two straight high-stick minors to Springfield. Jacob Gaucher finally opened the scoring with just 48 seconds left in the frame, jabbing a rebound between Ellis's legs just outside the goal crease.

Gaucher added to his total just 38 seconds into the middle period. Moments after the T-Birds killed off a power play, the puck took a fortuitous kick to Gaucher's stick in the slot, and he chopped a backhand past Ellis to give the Phantoms a 2-0 advantage.

2:59 later, the Lehigh Valley power play continued its early-season surge as Samu Tuomaala wristed one through

traffic on the left side and past Ellis to make it a 3-0 lead for the visitors.

Springfield's power play entered the night with just two power-play goals over its first nine games, but the man advantage found its groove late in the second as Drew Callin cleaned up a rebound from Nikita Alexandrov in the blue paint to make it a 3-1 game with 5:04 left in the frame.

Unfortunately, the momentum did not carry into the third. Gaucher completed his hat trick just 6:33 into the final period, scooping up a centering pass after a misplay behind the Springfield net and making it 4-1.

Dalibor Dvorsky continued his torrid run with a goal in his third straight game, picking up Springfield's second power-play goal at 8:14 of the third period, cutting the lead to 4-2.

That would be as close as the T-Birds would come, and Anthony Richard capped the scoring with a breakaway goal at 12:56 to round out the scoring.

The T-Birds complete their homestand on Wednesday morning for the annual School Day Game against the Bridgeport Islanders. Puck drop is set for 10:35 a.m. for the second meeting between the rivals.

Railers take road loss to Admirals

NORFOLK, VA — The Worcester Railers HC (3-4-0-0 6pts) fell to the Norfolk Admirals (4-2-1-0, 9pts), on Sunday afternoon by the final score of 4-2 in front of a crowd of 3,224 at the Norfolk Scope. The Railers are back on the ice next at the DCU Center taking on the Maine Mariners on Friday, November 8th at 7:05 p.m. EST.

Worcester struck first tonight with a goal from Jack Randl (1-0-1) who scored 13:31 into the first period. Norfolk was quick to tie the score when Carson Golder (1-0-1) scored for the Admirals. Making the score 1-1 to end the first period. In the second period Norfolk pushed the score to 3-1 with goals from Sean Montgomery (1-0-1) and Connor Fedorek (1-0-1). Connor Welsh (1-0-1) later in the second cut into that deficit with his power play goal making the score 3-2 heading into the third.

The Railers got the scoring started in the first tonight when Jack Randl (2nd) scored on a shorthanded breakaway 13:31 into the first period. Norfolk responded back with a goal of their

own just over 30 seconds after when Carson Golder (3rd) scored to tie the game at 1-1 Norfolk outshot Worcester 11-8.

Norfolk took the lead 7:49 into the second period, when Sean Montgomery (2nd) found the back of the net on dishes from Graham Sward and Carson Musser. His goal was followed up by Connor Fedorek (1st) who extended the Norfolk lead to 3-1 in the 11th minute of the second period. The Railers cut the Norfolk lead to one when Connor Welsh (3rd) scored a power play goal assisted by Matthew Kopperud making the score 3-2. Norfolk outshot Worcester 7-6.

It took nearly the entire 20 minutes of the third period action for either team to score. The Railers had an opportunity late in the third to tie the score on the power play but could not find the back of the net. The lone goal in the third period came on the Railers empty net scored by Brady Fleurent (3rd) at 19:52 making the final score 4-2. Norfolk outshot Worcester 9-7, and 27-21 in the game.

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goals during the regular season, is one of the Lions starting defenders along with junior Gabriel DiRosa, and senior Gavin Vala.

"I've scored three other goals during my varsity career, but I haven't scored a goal this season until today's game," said Dias, who has been a member of the varsity soccer team since he was a freshman. "I'm a defender and it always feels very good whenever you can score a goal. We also played very well defensively in today's game."

Ludlow junior goalie Daniel Pires only had to make three saves in posting his fourth shutout of the season.

While Ludlow dominated the final 30 minutes of the opening half against Central, they only had a 1-0 advantage at halftime.

The score would remain 1-0 until senior Chris Goncalves scored the Lions second



Thomas Wadas clears the ball deep.

goal late in the second half. The Lions insurance goal was assisted by sophomore Evan Dias.

Ludlow squeaked out a 1-0 home win in the semifinals versus fifth-seeded and Smith Division rival Longmeadow

two days later. It was the Lions eleventh consecutive victory in the Class A tournament.

Both regular season meetings between Longmeadow and Ludlow ended in ties.

Ludlow senior Devyn Skiba scored the only goal of the



Jonathan Goncalves makes his way up the field.

semifinal match during the second half. Wadas was credited with the assist.

The semifinal victory was most likely the Lions final home match of the season.

"The kids are getting used to playing on our new turf

field," Kolodziej said. "It's a beautiful facility."

Ludlow entered the Division 1 state tournament as the 17th-seed. They were scheduled to face 16th-seeded Belmont High School in a round of 32 road match on Monday night.

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FOR ADULTS

Mass Center for the Book Monthly Reading Challenge Each month, you'll be challenged to read a book based on a chosen theme. Those who participate will be entered to win a free book! For more information and to sign up, please visit mass-book.org/readingchallenge.

Chair Volleyball for Seniors, every Thursday, 1:30 p.m. Have some fun and join us for chair volleyball! No running or jumping required. Please sign up on our website or by calling the circulation desk at 413-583-3408. Walk-ins are welcome.

Who picked this book? Book

Club Meeting, first Thursday of the month, 3:30 p.m. Join us for this month's Who picked this book? Book Club meeting! You can pick up a copy of the book at the circulation desk.

Happy Hour Book Club Meeting, last Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. Join us for this month's Happy Hour Book Club meeting! You can pick up a copy of the book at the circulation desk.

Virtual 50+ Job Seekers Networking Group, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays through December on Zoom, 9:30 a.m. The Massachusetts Library Collaborative's 50+ Job Seekers Group is for unemployed and actively looking, underemployed, seeking a new career direction, re-entering the job market, or recently retired and looking for your "Encore Career". Meetings are facilitated by Deborah Hope, MBA PCIC, an experienced executive career coach. Register on our website.

Food Drive for the Ludlow Veterans Food Pantry, October 21- November 22

The adult department is accepting donations of non-perishable food items. Help us come together as a community to make a positive impact on the lives of those facing food insecurity! All donations benefit the Ludlow Veterans Food Pantry. Bring to the Circulation Desk.

Ukulele for Adults, Thursday, November 7, 6:30 p.m. Want to try an instrument that is fun and easy to play? Learn the fundamentals of ukulele playing with Julie! Absolutely no experience needed. Jam out with us! Register on our website.

Bigfoot in Western Mass, Tuesday, November 19, 6:00 p.m. Eric and Tim of Bigfoot Field Research Organization will be here to discuss Bigfoot sightings and encounters right here in western Massachusetts! They also want to hear from you! Have you seen something strange in the woods? Come with an open mind and leave with a different perspective! Register on our website.

FOR TEENS

Chess Club, Every other Monday (next meeting November 18), 3:30-4:30 p.m. All experience levels are welcome for an hour of chess, some instruction provided. Club meets every other Monday. For ages 9-17, please register.

Youth Crochet Club, Every other Tuesday (next meeting November 19), 5:30-6:30 p.m. For ages 10-17. For beginners up to experienced crocheters, supplies provided or bring

your own. Please register.

Tabletop RPG Club, Every Tuesday, 3:30-5:30 p.m. For ages 14-17. The group has room for 2 more players, and is playing D&D this fall. Please register.

Magic the Gathering Intro for YAs, Tuesday November 12, 5:00-8:00 p.m. For youth grades 5 & up. A fun introduction to the popular card game. Learn everything needed to play, including rules, card meanings, strategy, deck building, & where to go to play. Kids will walk out with a new hobby & way to socialize! All materials provided. Please register.

Third Thursday Sewing Club: Make Pumpkin Pillowcases, Thursday November 21, 5:00 p.m-7:30 p.m. For 5th-8th graders. Learn sewing basics, including cutting fabric, hand sewing, & using a pattern & a sewing machine, while making a gorgeous case for a large throw pillow. Please register.

"Read Between the Lines" High School Book Group, November 22, 3:00-4:00 p.m. Monthly book chat for ages 14-17. For November, the group is reading "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald; copies of the book are available in the Youth Room. Registration preferred.

Open Sew Saturday, Saturday, November 23, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Drop into the library's program room for sewing space, advice, and time to finish the Sewing Club project of the month at our monthly Open Sew! The library will have 2 sewing machines (or bring your own), tables for laying out projects, and seasoned seamstress Janet Foy on hand to provide advice and support. Not recommended for beginners. Open to adults, tweens, & teens.

FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

Food Drive for the Indian Orchard Survival Center, October 28- November 22 The Youth Room is accepting donations of non-perishable Thanksgiving dinner food for the Indian Orchard Survival Center. Every child who donates will get a sweet treat! Please bring to the Youth Room.

Pokemon Club, Every other Wednesday, November 13 & 27, 3:30-4:45 p.m. For 8-14. Trading, dueling, & gaming on your own handhelds, phones, or Nintendo Switch. Please have your name on everything you bring to the club. Please register.

Mass. Children's Book Award Book Group, second Thursday of the month November 14, 6:00-6:45 p.m. For 4th-6th graders. Kids decide

who wins this award after reading at least 5 nominated books. Meet each month to share opinions, play games, enjoy free snacks, and talk about what you read and which book you think should be the winner. Please register.

Tween Graphic Novel Book Group, Thursday November 21, 5:00-5:45 p.m. For ages 9-13. Meet each month with other graphic novel lovers to discuss and share books, play games, make crafts, and eat snacks. For November, the group is reading "Cardboard Kingdom" by Chad Sell; copies are available in the Youth Room. Please register.

Roblox Club, Every Friday, 3:30-4:45 p.m. Meet new friends or play with old ones while playing Roblox. For ages 8-15.

Minecraft Club, Every Saturday, 11:00 a.m. -12:45 p.m. Minecraft players of all skill levels can bring their own devices, or may use one of the library's eight computers to build, play & create. For grades 3-8. Drop-in.

FOR CHILDREN

Daily Drop-In Crafts, All ages. DIY crafts available in the Youth Room daily. New craft each week.

Storytime Session for 3-5s: Sea Stories, Mondays 10am, 9/30-11/18 (no storytime 11/11). 6 weeks of stories, songs, & games about ocean animals & activities for 3-5 year olds, with a craft & snack at the end. Please register.

Yoga for Little Ones, Saturday November 30, 10:00 a.m. Yoga is perfect for little ones - and their caregivers! Learn how to use large muscles to support self regulation, while bending, breathing and stretching, with stories and music mixed in. Fun for little and big! Please register. Sponsored by Pathways for Parents CFCE.

Sing With Me, Tuesdays 10:30-11:00 a.m. For ages 0-5. Join Youth Services Librarian July for 30 minutes of favorite children's songs & movement. No group on 11/26. Drop-in.

Storytime Session for 2-3s: Sea Stories, Wednesdays 10am, 10/2-11/13. 6 weeks of stories, songs, & games about ocean animals & activities tailored for 2-3 year olds, with free play at the beginning & a craft & snack at the end. Please register.

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CHESS CLUB: Open to residents of all surrounding communities 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Indian Orchard Citizens Council, 117 Main St. For more information, contact the IOCC at 413-209-8240 or indianorchardcitizenscouncil@gmail.com or stop in during operating hours. Follow the IOCC on Facebook and Instagram.

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AQUACISE AT THE CLUB: The Ludlow Community Center/Randall Boys & Girls Club, at 91 Claudias Way, continues to offer Aquacise throughout the week. Aquacise is a low-impact, full-body workout performed in the water to put less stress on your joints and muscles while building strength. Classes are open to all members with pool-inclusive memberships and do not require prior registration. Classes are held 8:30-9:15 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. For questions, call 413-583-2072, ext. 124.

SUPPORT FOR FAMILY MEMBERS: The Michael J. Dias Support Group meets 6-7:15 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Center. Education, resources, peer support, and hope for parents and family members coping with a loved one with a substance use disorder. Anyone needing help is welcome to attend. Masks are required and we will be seated six feet

apart. For more information, call Maureen at 413-563-6226.

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real people & historical events, including a related activity and a snack. Please register.

Lego Build Challenge, Every Wednesday, 12:00-5:00 p.m. Pull a Lego Build Challenge Card and try to build it with the library's Legos, or free build just for fun. All creations will be put on display in the Youth Room for the week. Drop-in.

ABC Scavenger Hunt, Thursday, November 14, 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. All ages. Search the Youth Room for all the letters of the alphabet; win a prize if you find them all! Drop in.

Grow, Play and Learn for ages 0-2, Thursdays, 9:45-10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and skill building, led by Early Childhood Developmental specialist Jane Christian of Pathways for Parents, guiding caregivers in strengthening interactions with their child. Program includes curriculum, "Ages and Stages" Questionnaire, and resources to fit your child's individual needs. Sponsored by Pathways for Parents. Please register.

Grow, Play and Learn for ages 2-5, Thursdays, 10:45-11:00 a.m. Stories, songs and skill building, led by Early Childhood Developmental specialist Jane Christian of Pathways for Parents, guiding caregivers in strengthening interactions with their child. Program includes curriculum, "Ages and Stages" Questionnaire, and resources to fit your child's individual needs. Sponsored by Pathways for Parents. Please register.

November PreK Pals, Fridays 9:30-10:30 a.m. This playgroup supports children ages 2-5 and their families. Each week we focus on an area of development and provide fun activities to support your child learn through play. Areas explored include early literacy, fine motor development, science, math, cognitive and social emotional skills. Sponsored by Pathways for Parents. Please register for the month.

Sand Art, Saturday, November 9, 9:30 a.m. For ages 5 & up. Local artist Mary Beth Silva will teach children how to make cute sand art pictures! Please register.

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Thursday, Nov. 7, - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C), Knights of Columbus - 6 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 8, - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m.(C), Marriage Enrichment - 6:30 p.m. (FLBH/K).
Saturday, Nov. 9, Faith Formation - 9 a.m.(ER) Confessions - 2:30 p.m. (C), Saturday Mass - 4 p.m. (C)
Sunday Nov. 10, - Sunday Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C), Sunday Mass - 9:15 a.m. (C), Sunday Mass - 11 a.m. (C), Sunday Mass - 5 p.m. (C), Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast - 8 a.m. (FLBH)
Monday Nov. 11, - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C), Ladies Auxiliary of the K of C 1 p.m. (JR)
Tuesday, Nov. 12, - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C), St. Rita Choir - 2:30 p.m. (C), Middle School Youth Ministry - 3:30 p.m.(ER), Spaghetti Supper - 4:30 p.m. (FLBH), Bereavement Support Group - 6:30 p.m.(ZR) Financial Council - 6:30 p.m. (R)

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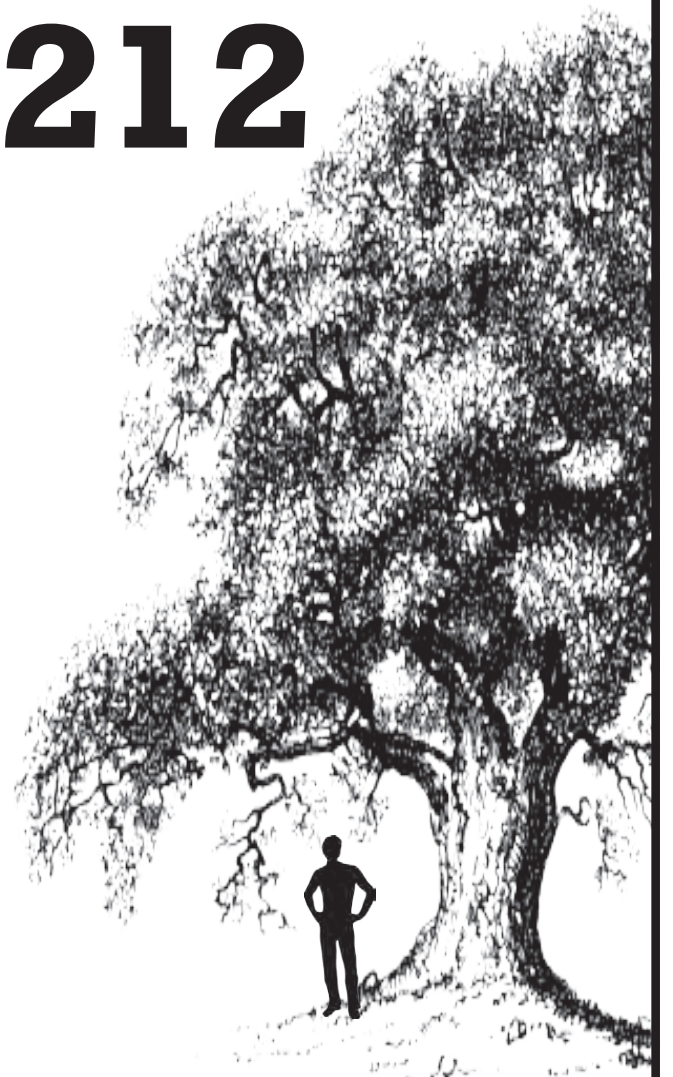
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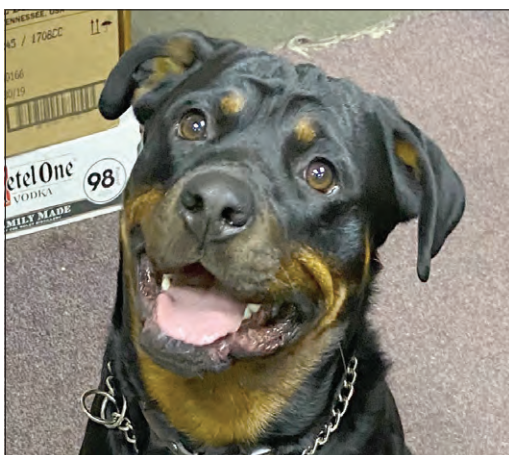
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Are You Overfeeding Your Dog?

More than 50% of dogs in America are obese and this number is on the rise. Overweight dogs are at increased risk of metabolic abnormalities, cardiovascular disease, joint diseases, a lowered immune system, and many other health problems. They also are less mobile and can't run, play, or do other activities as much as they'd like. Do your pet a favor, feed them the amount recommended by their vet and don't give in to those puppy dog eyes when they ask for more!

How dangerous is it to overfeed your dog? Extremely dangerous. Overfeeding a pet can lead to bloating, obesity, heart disease, or even diabetes. In some cases, this could also cause cancer. The problems of obesity are not only physical but psychological as well. Dogs can show signs of aggression and have problems getting along with other pets. It can also shorten the life span of your dog by two years.

What are the symptoms of overfeeding? Different dogs will need different amounts of food each day. Some common signs that indicate your dog may be overfed are low energy levels, begging, bloating, diarrhea or constipation. Your dog could have many of these signs or just one or two; it is vital to have your dog checked by a veterinarian if you are concerned. Some of these symptoms may also indicate another health-related issue, so checking with your veterinarian is necessary to diagnose and treat your dog correctly.

How to avoid overfeeding your dog. Before you start drastically changing your dog's diet and routine, talk with your veterinarian first, as not all dogs will have the same process. Here are a few questions to ask yourself as this may be helpful information to provide to your veterinarian when you go in for a checkup.

How much food are you feeding your dog each day? You may be asking whether this includes bones, scraps, and treats. Yes, yes, it does! When training, you will need to take the amount you have given in treats out of their food at mealtime. This also applies to any bones or Kongs given.

Is the food you are giving nutritional for your dog? Are you feeding your dog nutritious food that fills them up? Hard brown kibble is not nutritious. The ingredient list may look good but many dog foods are typically cooked at very high temperatures which removes any nutrition that may be in the food. Freeze dried dog food is much healthier. Also beware of the trick that dog food manufacturers use to make their food look like it contains only a small amount of wheat or grain. Instead of just listing wheat they will break it down to wheat gluten, wheat flour, etc so they fall further down in the ingredient list to look like there is very little added when in reality if you add it all up there are really high levels of wheat included. Wheat and other grains should not be in your dog's diet. Nutritious dog food will cost you a little more, but you will be taking much better care of your dog and giving him a longer, healthier life!

Do you feed your dog routinely every day? Dogs are creatures of habit, and a consistent feeding schedule contributes to an animal that is happier and more content overall.

Is your dog getting daily exercise? If this answer is not really, it may be as simple as taking your dog for a walk daily, or even every other day depending on your schedule to help shed the extra weight. Regular, daily activity is crucial for your dog's physical and mental wellbeing. And it's good for you too!



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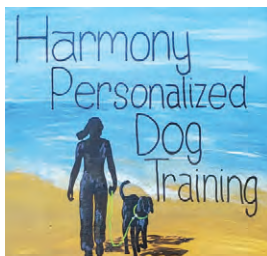
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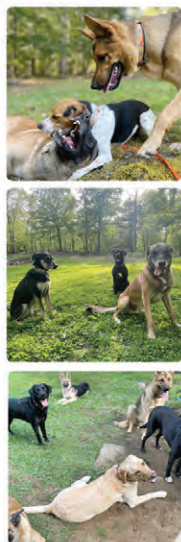
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The Town of Huntington is seeking a part-time **WATER AND SEWER ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR** for 18 hours per week. Applicants must be proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook and well organized. Hours are flexible but must be worked during the regular Water and Sewer department hours of Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to assist the Water and Sewer Department as needed. Application and complete job description are available online at www.huntingtonma.us or by emailing WaterandSewer@huntingtonma.us. Position is open until filled.

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WARREN WATER DISTRICT is hiring for part-time office help. Please apply in person at **988 Main St., Warren. 413-436-9819**. EOE.

HELP WANTED

TOWN OF WORTHINGTON

HIGHWAY POSITION OPENING
The Town of Worthington is soliciting letters of interest from qualified candidates to fill **two full-time Equipment Operator/General Laborer** positions in the Town Highway Department.

Valid MA CDL operator, Hydraulic Hoister's licenses and OSHA-10 certification is preferred.

- Highway maintenance laborer salary rate range: \$18.16 - \$26.46
- Highway maintenance laborer with CDL and Hoister's license salary rate range: \$25.00 - \$36.41

Further information can be found on the Town's website:

www.worthington-ma.us

Questions will be answered by the Highway Superintendent at 64 Huntington Road, Monday-Friday, 7 AM to 3 PM; 413-238-5830 or send letter of interest, resume and three (3) references with relevant contact information to: worthingtonhighway@gmail.com or to Worthington Highway Department, PO Box 643, Worthington, MA, 01098. This posting will remain pertinent until the two positions are filled.

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Find archives of this local newspaper at www.newspapers.turley.com

HELP WANTED

TOWN OF WORTHINGTON

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT OPENING
Highway Department

The Town of Worthington is soliciting letters of interest and resumes from qualified candidates to fill the position of Highway Superintendent.

Nature of work: The Highway Superintendent is responsible for administering and overseeing the daily activities of the Highway Department including the maintenance and repair of town roads, parks, bridges, equipment maintenance and snow/ice removal operations.

This is a benefited position which requires a thorough knowledge of the principles, practices and techniques of highway department maintenance, construction and procurement.

Salary rate range: \$62,941.00 - \$91,707.00, with potential for winter overtime.

More information can be found on the Town of Worthington website:

www.worthington-ma.us

Please send letter of interest, resume and three (3) references with relevant contact information to: selectboard@worthington-ma.us. This posting will remain pertinent until the positions are filled.

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HELP WANTED

Worthington Police Department
51 Huntington Road,
Worthington, MA 01098

FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER
The Worthington Police Department is seeking qualified candidates for **Full-time Police Officer**.

Applicants must be a minimum of 21 years of age or older, a U.S. Citizen and possess a valid driver's license.

They should also have a high school diploma/GED, license to carry and be certified by Massachusetts Municipal Police Training Committee and be POST certified.

This is a benefited position with a salary range of: \$52,000.00 - \$75,733.00. The successful candidate shall be highly motivated, self-disciplined and possess a community policing philosophy and live in, or near Worthington. Previous candidates must reapply.

Send letter of interest, resume and three references with relevant contact information to:

To: **Worthington Police Department**
P.O. Box 246
Worthington, MA 01098

Or via email to: chief@worthingtonpd.org
Subject line: Employment
Responses will be accepted and reviewed until the position is filled.

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ALL REAL ESTATE advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

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This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate that is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain about discrimination call The Department of Housing and Urban Development "HUD" toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. For the N.E. area, call HUD at 617-565-5308. The toll free number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.



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Call **1-413-283-8393**

PUBLIC NOTICES

LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT HOME OCCUPATION

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a public hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.** on the application of Jessica Leonczyk of **97 Allison Lane Ludlow, MA** (Assessors' Map 11A, Parcel 72K) for: **baking sourdough goods**.

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, December 12, 2024.

Raymond Phoenix
Chairman

10/30, 11/06/2024

Town of Ludlow Procurement Office
488 Chapin Street, 2nd Floor
Ludlow, MA 01056
413-583-5600 x1298
Invitation to Bid 2025-08 DPW ANNUAL BID

The Town of Ludlow Department of Public Works is seeking sealed bids for its

Annual Bid for Goods and Services that include but are not limited to traffic line painting, paving and milling of roadways, replacement and installation of sidewalks, equipment rental, and crack sealing. The Town will award multiple contracts on an "as needed basis." Contractors must be pre-qualified with MASSDOT on various items. (Pavement-Surfacing \$96,250, Pavement-Reclamation \$112,500, Pavement-Surfacing \$700,000, Pavement-Markings \$50,000, Highway-Sidewalk & Curbing \$100,000, Pavement-Milling & Cold Planing \$60,000, Highway-Construction or Sewer & Water \$71,250)

Documents will be available by email from requesting to: jmorrow@ludlow.ma.us or in person at the Procurement Office at Town Hall, 488 Chapin St., 2nd Floor, Ludlow, Massachusetts after 10:00 AM on 11/06/2024.

Bids will be received by the Ludlow Department of Works, 198 Sportsmen's Road, Ludlow, MA 01056

until **12/17/2024 at 1:00 p.m.**, at which time they will be opened and read publicly.

The Town of Ludlow reserves the right to reject any and or all proposals. Electronic Submissions will not be accepted.
11/06/2024

Town of Ludlow LEGAL NOTICE

You are hereby notified that a **PUBLIC HEARING** will be held at the Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room, 488 Chapin Street, Ludlow, MA 01056 on **Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 5:35 p.m.**

Upon petition of: **WESTERN MASS ELECTRIC COMPANY DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY** requests permission to install and maintain below the surface of the ground in the public way hereinafter named, a line or lines for the transmission of electricity consisting of conduits located as shown upon the plan hereinafter referred to, together with the necessary wires, cables, transformers, switches, protective devices and other appurtenances, and likewise the manhole and vault construction connected with said lines as requested in petition of said Company dated the 3rd day of October, 2024. Also, that permission be granted to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as it may desire for distributing purposes, in the following public way or ways:

Rood Street: Install one (1) fully owned pole along Rood Street. This pole is to be labeled 194/B15M-1. The purpose of this work is to provide

service to new home at 82 Rood Street. Pole is to be located approx. 60' NE from pole 194/B15M across the street. Approx 22' from the center line. Pole is marked in the field.

Derek DeBarge, Chairman
Manuel D. Silva
James Gennette
William Rosenblum
Antonio Goncalves
Ludlow Board of Selectmen
10/30, 11/06/2024

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD24P2268EA

Estate of: Johnie Sue Moore
Also known as: **Sue Moore**
Date of Death: **05/28/2024**
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons: A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Sonya E Gonzalez of Anderson, SC** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Sonya E Gonzalez of Anderson, SC** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Personal Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your

attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/26/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.**

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: October 29, 2024
Rosemary A Saccomani,
Register of Probate
11/06/2024

Town of Ludlow Procurement Office
488 Chapin Street, 2nd Floor
Ludlow, MA 01056
413-583-5600 x1298
RFP 2025-009
TOWN OF LUDLOW TREASURER/ COLLECTOR SERVICES REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Ludlow has a need for technical support at the Treasurer/Collector's office so as to effectively discharge the duties contained in Massachusetts General Laws. In such, the Town is seeking a consultant, for up to 8 months, with an option to extend a contract for up to 3yrs maximum based on need and funding. We are looking for a firm or person/persons who are experienced, competent, and learned in public sector financial and legal matters, and well qualified to advise and assist the Town in the provision of Treasurer/Collector. Our goal is to get the Treasurer/Collector's Office in a much stronger operational position. It's expected for the selected consultant to achieve the necessary day-to-day operations of the department while also assisting with catch-up work and training for staff in the department. Documents will be available starting on Monday, November 4th, 2024, at 12PM. Responses to the Town are due on **11/20/2024** and must be received by **12PM EST**. Respondents must submit their response to proposal and a completed Price Proposal Submission form. Proposal and Price Proposal **MUST BE SUBMITTED IN SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPES**. For full documents please email the Chief Procurement Officer @ jmorrow@ludlow.ma.us. The Town of Ludlow follows all applicable state and Federal Procurement Laws. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all proposals based on the best interest of the Town. No electronic submissions allowed.
11/06/2024

PUBLIC NOTICES ARE NOW ONLINE

- 1 Email all notices to notices@turley.com
- 2 Access archives and digital tear sheets by newspaper title.
- 3 Find a quick link to the state of Massachusetts' public notice web site to search all notices in Massachusetts newspapers.

Public notice deadlines are Mondays at noon, Fridays noon for Monday holidays.

visit www.publicnotices.turley.com



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Wed., 11/27 - Frank Serafino
Fri., 11/29 - Lisa Martin
Sat., 11/30 - John Stokosa

Live Music

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Live Music Wed., 11/7 - Al McCormick
Fri., 11/8 - Darryn Izzo
Sat., 11/9 - Billy Eagen

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DECEMBER 20-24
For every \$50 gift card purchased, you'll receive an extra \$10!
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10:30-2:30
Featuring Our Own
BUILD YOUR OWN
Bloody Mary & Mimosa Bar
Plus Our Regular Menu Until 8 p.m.

Save The Date! **OUR ANNUAL STUFF THE TRUCK EVENT**
Saturday, December 14th
Donate NEW Winter Coats, Hats, Gloves & Unwrapped Toys For Kids 5-15 & Receive a FREE Pasta Dinner

Every Sun. Night
\$20 STEAK N' BREW

Every Tues. Night
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Every Wed. Night
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Shrimp Cocktail \$80
Eggplant Parmesan \$58
Lasagna \$50
Mac & Cheese \$50
Cauliflower "Mac & Cheese" \$55

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024

2 TIMES AVAILABLE

8:30-10AM

10-11:30AM

Get your tickets at

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at 433 Center St.
or Kathy Ouimette at
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Christmas Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 1st
4:30 p.m. @ Ludlow Town Hall

- Meet Santa & Mrs. Claus
- Christmas Carol Sing-along w/ Ludlow High School Choir
- Cookies & Hot Cocoa
- Toys for Tots Collection

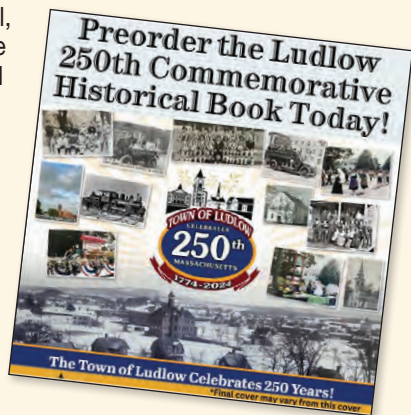


EXCITING NEWS!

The Commemorative Ludlow 250th History Book will be available in mid-November! Preorder your copy today!

As part of the Ludlow Semiquincentennial, a committee was established to produce a book celebrating Ludlow's history and celebrations. The book committee has produced an exciting 200-page coffee table book showcasing some of the newly discovered glass plate negatives from Ludlow's Mills. The book also highlights Ludlow's agriculture history, Hubbard Memorial Library, Westover, Ludlow Hospital, sports, the military, and much more!

Please go online to preorder your copy for \$32.00 at ludlowma250.org as there are limited copies available! Select "History Book" tab and order your book today! The books should be available mid-November. It would make a great gift for the holidays!



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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

REGION – A look back through history at the momentous anniversaries this week.

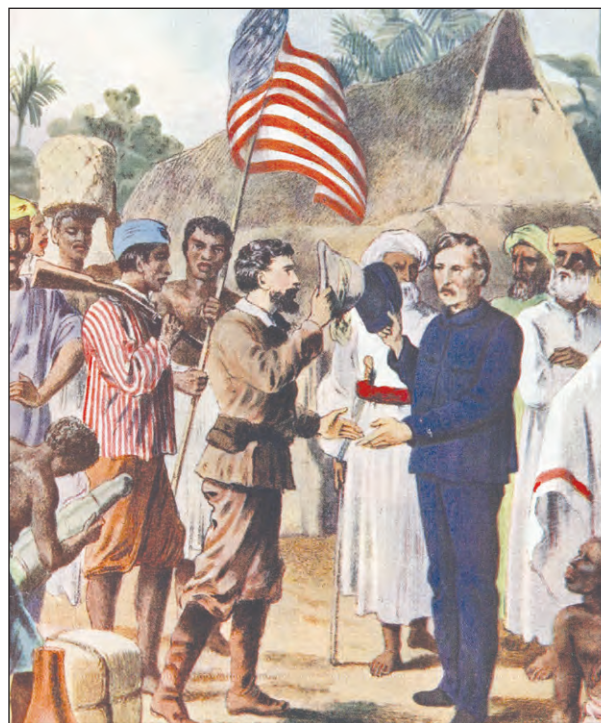
On Nov. 6, in 1917, the second phase of the Russian Revolution began as the Bolsheviks seized power in Russia.

On Nov. 7, in 1996, NASA launched the Mars Global Surveyor, a robotic spacecraft designed to carry out a long-term study of the planet; contact with the spacecraft was lost 10 years later.

On Nov. 8, in 2013, the Philippines was struck by Super-Typhoon Haiyan, one of the most powerful cyclones ever recorded to strike land.

On Nov. 9, in 1989, the Berlin Wall, which was erected in 1961 to divide the western and eastern sectors of Berlin, was opened by the East German government.

On Nov. 10, in 1871, according to his journal, explorer Henry Stanley met David Livingstone, a fellow explorer in search of the source of the Nile River, with the famous words "Dr. Livingstone, I



A wood-carving of the historic meeting between Henry Stanley and David Livingstone.

presume?"

On Nov. 11, in 1918, at 5 a.m., the Allied powers and Germany signed an armistice document, and six hours later, World War I came to an end.

Finally, on Nov. 12, in 1833, the great Leonid meteor shower, in which hundreds of thousands of meteors were observed in one night, was seen all over North America, initiating the first serious study of meteor showers.

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Sun 12/17 12-4

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