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## Melding of school, town IT on table

BY BRIAN MESSENGER  
STAFF WRITER

Got IT expertise? The town may be interested in your services.

To identify potential cost savings, a selectman and a member of the School Committee hope to form a five-member technology committee this summer that will examine town and school information technology assets.

A draft proposal outlining the formation of the committee and its initial goals has been presented to selectmen and Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski by Selectman Alex Vispoli and School Committee Member Dennis Forgue.

The proposal, referred to by Vispoli as an unsolicited draft, could potentially lay the groundwork for creating a townwide strategic technology plan. Town Meeting approved \$50,000 this year for town technology equipment upgrades.

"We have a large organization," Forgue said. "I think there are opportunities for efficiencies, opportunities to deliver better tech support for potentially less dollars. So it's something we have to look at."

Technology committee members would not be employed by the town and would have experience in information technology architecture assessments, under the current proposal.

Forgue said the idea of consolidating Andover's now-separate town and school IT departments is nothing new.

"It certainly has been discussed by many people for a while," said Forgue. "I mentioned it in my campaign."

"We all know we need to look at opportunities for efficiencies," said

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## MR. FANTASTIC



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Michael Chiklis, who grew up in Andover and has starred in the "Commish," "The Shield," and the "Fantastic Four" movies, holds up the symbolic key to the town to the crowd during Michael Chiklis Day in front of the town offices. Andover officials honored the former resident with the key and a proclamation, as well as official citations from the state Senate and House.

## Andover toasts Hollywood hero with Michael Chiklis Day

BY BRIAN MESSENGER  
STAFF WRITER

Beverly Pascarella remembers Michael Chiklis as a kind of "second son" who always wanted to be an actor, but never a star.

Heralded on the steps of the Town Offices June 23 for his Hollywood success, Chiklis echoed those aspirations in front of a hometown crowd after being given a symbolic key to Andover by Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski.

"Fame wasn't really the issue for me," said Chiklis, best known for his award-winning role as crooked cop Vic Mackey on the popular television series "The Shield." "I wanted to entertain people and make them think and feel."

Growing up with Beverly's son Bob Pascarella, Chiklis played in multiple garage bands over the years at the Pascarella residence. The two men remain good friends to

this day, Chiklis said.

After the ceremony, Chiklis fondly reminisced about his days playing drums for his band, Double Talk. Just the mention of the band name got Chiklis' friend, Stephen Stabile, chuckling with nostalgia nearby.

"Mike has what you call extremely deep roots," said Beverly Pascarella. "Everybody has roots. His are deeper. He'll always be an Andover boy."

Roughly 200 people joined town officials and several of Chiklis' former teachers and coaches to recognize the actor for his accomplishments. Chiklis spoke with many in attendance afterward, posing for pictures and signing autographs.

Chiklis won an Emmy Award in 2002 for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series for his role as Mackey in "The Shield." He also received a Golden Globe Award in 2003 for Best Performance by an Actor in a Televi-

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## Main Street redesign ramps up

BY BRIAN MESSENGER  
STAFF WRITER

Get ready for sidewalks to be dug up and curbs to be replaced beginning Monday. The town's Main Street renovation is kicking into a higher gear.

With subsurface construction work winding down, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski expects Andover's new-and-improved Main Street to gradually emerge as the month of July progresses.

"I would say it's going to be quite dramatic when the paving is done," said Stapczynski. "It will be a huge difference, a huge improvement."

Beginning with the removal of trees along Route 28 in mid-February, state contractors and utility companies have remained busy downtown over the last four months, working on underground infrastructure, utility

poles and traffic lights.

"The biggest part hasn't begun yet," said Sharon Breighner, president of the Andover Business Center Association and owner of The Cup Cake Boutique on Post Office Avenue.

"I am only looking forward to it because it will be beautiful when it's done," said Breighner. "I am extremely apprehensive of it. It's rough downtown."

Breighner said Andover's downtown business community is struggling due to a combination of the national economy, the beginning of vacation season and the ongoing construction related to the Main Street redesign project.

Despite the difficulties, Breighner said business owners are generally pleased with the project's progression.

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TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Construction equipment is in place at the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy, as a two-year renovation project gets underway.

## Last chance to visit museum until 2010

BY BETHANY BRAY  
STAFF WRITER

Andover residents have about 10 days left to visit the Addison Gallery of American Art on the campus of Phillips Academy. After its doors close on July 13, the museum will remain shuttered for nearly two years for a planned \$30 million renovation and expansion.

If everything goes as scheduled, the museum — the first dedicated exclusively to American art — will reopen in the spring of 2010, said Brian Allen, museum director.

The Addison Gallery's collec-

tion of early 20th century model ships, normally displayed at the museum, already has set sail on a voyage to an off-site storage facility. The ships — and the museum's paintings, sculptures and other works — will be "docked" in storage for the duration of the construction, the first significant work since the museum opened in 1931.

"You have two weeks (left) to come and enjoy it. Everyone is welcome," said Allen of the gallery. "There are a lot of exciting things for people to see. We at the Addison take the responsibility we have very seriously to serve the people of Andover and surrounding towns. One of the regions great art museums is just a few minutes away (for local residents). We're sad that we're go-

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# In Brief

## PAST & PRESENT



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**THEN:** Michael Chiklis, then best known as the star of the former television series "The Commish," was the guest speaker at Andover High School graduation on June 9, 1997.



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

**NOW:** The town of Andover announced that Friday, June 27, 2008 was Michael Chiklis Day. Chiklis, now best known for winning an Emmy on "The Shield," was feted by, from left, Rep. Barry Finegold, sports radio host Gerry Callahan, and his former Andover High football coaches Dick Bourdelais and Bill Vickers, among others.

### Tribute night to Ken Mahony

On Friday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the Memorial Hall Library, there will be a tribute to Kenneth Mahony, the former town manager of Andover. The public is welcome. Mahony's widow, Gratia Mahony, has said a number of Ken Mahony's family from the Midwest will be present, according to former community services librarian Norma Gammon.

### Finalist for state teacher of year

Linda O'Donnell, a teacher at Andover's South Elementary School, was honored at the Statehouse by state Sen. Sue Tucker for being named a finalist for the Massachusetts Teacher of the Year Award on Thursday, June 19.

### Time to change your diet?

The Andover Board of Health is holding a cholesterol screening clinic on Wednesday, July 9, from 9 a.m. until noon. An appointment is necessary. The clinic is for Andover residents only. The simple finger stick test costs \$5 and does not require fasting. For an appointment, call the Health Department at 978-623-8295.

This program is made possible through a grant from the Andover Home for Aged People.

### Communicate with loved ones overseas

The Merrimack Valley chapter of the Red Cross serves as a means for families to be in communication with a loved one who is deployed with the armed forces when there is a crisis at home. In addition, the chapter has partnered with the Northeast Veterans Outreach Center in Haverhill to create the Military Family Support Group, which helps families deal with the challenges of having a loved one serving in the military during this time of conflict. For more information, call 978-372-6871 or visit [www.arcmv.org](http://www.arcmv.org).

### QUOTE, UNQUOTE ...

“THE MOVE SHOULD BE ONE THAT'S hopefully uneventful.  
— Michael Ristuccia, on moving a house on the back of a truck, from Salem Street to High Street on July 13. Story in Town Talk, Page 20.

IT JUST SHOWS THAT A BUNCH OF KIDS CAN GET TOGETHER AND make something that has meaning. Here's 26 kids that got together under the leadership of one and said something that challenges people to think about relationships, and think less about money and success.

— Eric Simpson, on his Eagle Scout project that encourages people to be more friendly to each other. Story in Townspeople, Page 9.

SOMEWHERE ALONG THE LINE, THERE WAS a spark or a short. ... It got hot enough for a long enough duration to pop off those two (sprinklers).

— Fire Chief Michael Mansfield on an incident that ended up causing some water damage to a Phillips Academy building. Story, Page 4.

### NEWS CALENDAR

#### MONDAY, JULY 7

**Council on Aging** subcommittee on virtual assisted living, School Administration Building, third-floor conference room, 9 a.m.

**Board of Health**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., first-floor conference room, 6 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, JULY 8

**Preservation Commission**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., second-floor conference room, 6:30 p.m.

**Planning Board**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

**Design Review Board**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 6 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, JULY 10

**Council on Aging**, School Administration Building, third-floor conference room, 8 a.m.

**Zoning Board of Appeals** regular meeting, Memorial Hall Library,

the hall, 7 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, JULY 12

**Zoning Board of Appeals** deliberation meeting, Memorial Hall Library, the hall, 9 a.m.

#### MONDAY, JULY 14

**Main Street Committee**, Memorial Hall Library, the hall, 6:30 p.m.

**Board of Selectmen**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

**Housing Partnership Committee**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., second-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

**Cultural Council**, meeting canceled (was at 7:30 p.m.)

#### TUESDAY, JULY 15

**Conservation Commission**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 7:45 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

**Main Street Committee**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., second-floor conference room, 12 p.m.

## Post Office plans 'eBay Day'

Are you considering starting up your own Internet business by selling merchandise online?

The U.S. Postal Service says it will help make it easier for you to get started by hosting an eBay Day on Wednesday, July 9, starting at 11 a.m. in Memorial Hall Library, 1 Elm Square.

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tion, a nonprofit organization that trains wellness teachers and nurses about skin cancer and provides them with free materials to teach the subject to high school and middle school students in a single-class session.

The MEF SkinCheck curricu-

lum is being used in more than 550 New England schools, including Andover High School. Every individual who donates a car or truck, running or not, will be provided with a receipt so they can receive a tax deduction in exchange for their gift.

To make a vehicle donation

through MEF's local donation agent, contact Cars Helping America at 1-866-949-3668 and specify that you have a car to donate to the Melanoma Education Foundation. More information about the Melanoma Education Foundation is available at [www.skincheck.org](http://www.skincheck.org).

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# Education

## Volunteering earns girl national prizes

By SARAH HALLOWELL  
CONTRIBUTOR

Alexandra Hsu checks the daily bulletin at Andover High School once in a while. One particular time she saw two award contests that grabbed her interest. She entered both, but did not think she would win.

Alexandra, who has finished her junior year, was shocked when she won both the Princeton Prize in Race Relations and the Alexander Hamilton Citizen Achievement Award.

"I was so amazed," said Alexandra. "I just came upon them. I didn't expect to win, especially the Hamilton Award."

Both awards were for her community service project at the Henry K. Oliver School in Lawrence. Only 50 students nationwide win the Hamilton award — and two of them were from Andover High this year, with David Hu also winning.

Two years ago, Alexandra went to her mother and told her she wanted to do community service, specifically tutoring students in Lawrence. Alexandra's mom, Stephanie Maze-Hsu, who is a consultant in the Lawrence school system, said she put her daughter

*"I love kids and I thought this would be a fun way to help."*

**Alexandra Hsu on her work for a Lawrence after-school tutoring program**

in touch with teachers at the Oliver School who helped Alexandra plan an after-school program.

"I love kids and I thought this would be a fun way to help," said Alexandra.

The community service, entitled "Stories, Songs and Snacks," is a weekly after-school program for first- and second-graders at the Oliver School who are identified as at risk for failing because of their English skills.

"Many of the students are from Spanish-speaking households," said Alexandra.

At first, just Alexandra was involved, but five or six other Andover students joined "Stories, Songs, and Snacks" after hearing the interesting stories that Alexandra told at school.

"I would come in school on Friday and say 'Oh guess what, so-and-so did something really cute,'" she said. Alexandra and other Andover

### DAVID HU HONORED WITH HAMILTON AWARD

Alexandra Hsu is not the only Andover resident to win the Alexander Hamilton Citizen Achievement Award this year. David Hu, another student at Andover High School, also was honored. According to a press release from the Alexander Hamilton Friends Association, David is very involved with the Esperanza Academy in Lawrence, where he is a math tutor and helped design the school's Web site. He has also won several other awards for his achievements in writing.

High School students sing songs, read stories and play games with the first- and second-graders to help them improve their English.

Alexandra also helped the kids get ready for the Oliver School's Literacy Night, where the students perform for their parents. She said the performance showed parents how much their students are learning. This year's theme was patriotic, and Alexandra said she taught the children a few songs, like "This Land is Your Land" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Maze-Hsu said more than 150 students and parents attended and each of the students said at least one thing that they loved about literacy.

"A few got stage fright," said Alexandra. "Most of them love to sing."

According to its official Web site, the Princeton Prize, open to all high school students, was created "to promote harmony, understanding and respect among people of different races by identifying and recognizing high school students whose efforts have had a significant positive effect on race relations in the schools or communities." Hsu was one of six area students recently honored with the Princeton prize.

Alexandra was also one of 50 students nationwide who received the Alexander Hamilton Citizen Achievement Award. This award, given by the Alexander Hamilton Friends Association, recognizes students with outstanding citizenship and achievement. Winning this award entitles Alexandra a scholarship and the opportunity to attend a leadership conference in Seattle.

### BOOK REVIEW

## Tale of light leaves readers lighthearted

By MARI MIYACHI  
CONTRIBUTOR

"Stories are light," Gregory the jailer tells Despereaux, a misfit, daring and heroic mouse. In fact, "The Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup, and a Spool of Thread" by Kate DiCamillo, is a story of light.

The book follows the separate lives of three characters, all of whom are in the pursuit of light in the contrasting darkness of their worlds. Despereaux Tilling is a mouse who loves music, reading and the Princess Pea — loves that are forbidden by the Mouse Council. Roscuro — a rat named after chiaroscuro, which is the use of contrasting lights and darks in creating art — lives in the dark castle dungeon, yearning for the one thing that no rat should ever want: light. Miggyory Sow is an abused, ugly servant girl whose only wish is to become a princess, like Pea.

All are equally out of place in their respective worlds, and all desire what is forbidden. When these characters meet in their pursuit of their illicit "light," they are led down to the depths of the maze of a dungeon. The pursuit interweaves the lives of a very unlikely hero, Despereaux, and a rat and a human, both of whom are characteristic enemies of the mouse world.

DiCamillo, author of "Because of Winn-Dixie" and "The Tiger Rising," proves her strength as a narrator, telling "The Tale of Despereaux" with wit, humor and wisdom. She often addresses the reader during her narration: asking questions, giving words of advice, foreshadowing the future. It is DiCamillo's strong and vibrant voice, shining through the entire narration, that sets "The Tale of Despereaux" apart from other novels aimed at similar age groups. Not only are the characters endearing and empathetic, but DiCamillo's own character as narrator is entertaining and often poignant.

I would give "The Tale of Despereaux" an 8 out of 10. A quick and easy summer read, great for the beach, it provides the reader with a satisfying story of heroism and forgiveness. At times predictable, Despereaux still maintains to keep the reader's interest, perhaps due to its short length. DiCamillo is one of the strongest narrators for young adults, and Timothy Basil Ering's illustrations, delicate and airy, provide a beautiful contrast to the writing of DiCamillo.

In fact, "The Tale of Despereaux," which won the 2004 Newbury Award, was so well received that it is being produced into a major motion picture. The movie, set for release in December 2008, features such big names as Emma Watson as Princess Pea, Dustin Hoffman as Roscuro, Matthew Broderick as Despereaux and Sigourney Weaver as the Narrator. After reading this book, I look forward to the silver screen adaptation.

DiCamillo ends her story by writing, "Reader, I hope you have found some light here." DiCamillo and her "Tale of Despereaux," with its great charm and heartwarming messages, succeeds in providing just that. A great novel for younger readers, it leaves you feeling lighthearted, inspired and satisfied.

Mari Miyachi is an Andover resident and Phillips Academy student who reviews books for young adults.

## 3 from Andover High earn Rotary scholarships

The Rotary Club of Andover has awarded scholarships to three Andover High School students.

Each was selected for his or her academic and volunteer achievements. They were:

■ **John Baroni**, who received the Barbara Duran Scholarship Award. It is given annually to a person who personifies the dedication to community service that Duran, a bank vice president involved in philanthropic works, was committed to providing. Baroni's volunteerism included a trip he made with Andover Youth Services to New Orleans to work on the hurricane recovery effort. He will attend Massa-

chusetts Bay Community College.

■ **Katherine Fionte**, who was recognized for her work with Susan Big of the Andover Rotary to reestablish the Interact Club at Andover High. She also was part of a work group to aid in the Mississippi hurricane recovery. She will attend Simmons College to study nursing.

■ **Brittany Lee Hoffman**, who has worked at the Andover Senior Center for many years. She delivered Meals on Wheels and provides company to seniors at the center. She will study occupational therapy at the University of New Hampshire.



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Pictured from left are scholarship recipients Brittany Lee Hoffman, Katherine Fionte and John Baroni.

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# Townspeople

## Ball games and Christmas visits

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

For the past 10 summers now, senior baseball buffs have boarded a school bus at the Andover Senior Center, ready for the fun ride to a Lowell Spinners baseball game. The gas tank is full and the tickets are free, compliments of the firefighters union, and organized by Deputy Chief Jim Dolan.

The night out is set for Thursday, Aug. 7, this year, and Dolan, an 18-year member of Andover's Fire Department, already has the tickets in the hand.

Last Friday, June 27, seniors made sure Dolan had something else in hand too — their 2008 Shining Star Award.

Dolan and his wife, Sharon, were honored by the Andover Council on Aging and the Friends of the Andover Senior Center in part for making the popular summer trip happen all these years.

"Jim makes sure that seniors are treated to a fine evening with food and fun to enhance the baseball experience," said Nancy Mulvey, co-chairwoman of the Council on Aging.

### Jim and Sharon Dolan given Shining Star award from seniors



Jim and Sharon Dolan are given the Shining Star award by Nancy Mulvey, right.

Dolan credited the firefighters union, saying it is "a great group of guys" who are happy to help with the event every year.

Organizing the minor league baseball trip is not all Dolan does for local seniors, however.

The Dolans were honored for making meals every Christmas for some local seniors who are alone for the holiday. The Dolans, who live in Lowell, cook a turkey meal with all the fixings, and bring wrapped presents and lots

#### PREVIOUS SHINING STAR AWARD WINNERS

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Tina and Jim Solari\*, 2007

\*Jim Solari died earlier this year (on April 8) and is being remembered for his dedication to the Andover Senior Center's kitchen. A prairie fire crab apple tree will be planted in his memory in the center's new patio, which is under construction. Jim was renowned for his spinach pies, which were a popular lunch item on Fridays, according to seniors.

of smiles when they deliver their homemade meals.

Sharon Dolan said the couple's children are now grown and out of the house.

"So we don't have our kids opening presents on Christmas morning," she said.

These days, the Dolan family works together on Christmas morning, cooking and mapping out the Andover stops they'll make that day. Over the years, they have visited between two and 12 seniors.

"We get the call the week before Christmas, find out how many homes we will visit and do the cooking," said Sharon Dolan, who gets support from her A-list of businesses that are happy to donate to her goodie baskets. "It's wonderful for us to be together to do this."

She handles the cooking with her daughter, Alison, who flies in from California to visit, while her husband handles the driving.

Mulvey said if not for the Dolans, those seniors would have no special meal for the holiday.

"This award is important, because there are many extraordinary volunteers, like the Dolans, who do special things for the seniors," she said. "This is our way to say thanks."

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## Mailbag: Andover stretches to Finland

Bill Dalton



Several days ago, David Haartz, a former Andover resident, looked at a photograph in "EM-MA - Espoo" Museum of Modern Art in

Finland. He was surprised to see that the photo's title was "Foster's Swan" and that it was taken at Fosters Pond in Andover. The photographer was Arno Rafael Minkinen, who was described by the museum as a Finlander living in the USA.

Mr. Haartz said the photograph, "Is that of an extended arm and in the background a swan floating on water. But the photo was taken in such a way that the swan looked like it is sitting on the arm."

Mr. Minkinen is an internationally known photographer who has an exhibit in Beijing as part of a retrospective of his works that is on a world tour. He lives quietly in Andover. If you go online and search his name, you will see how many awards he has won and the quality of his work. It is original and unusual, and quite good to this untrained eye.

#### An-duh-vuh

An old friend, Bill Gallant (Andover High class of '60, captain of baseball), says his 93-year-old Townie mother mentioned that to be a true Townie, you must pronounce Andover like this: "An-duh-vuh." I agree.

#### Blueberry Corner

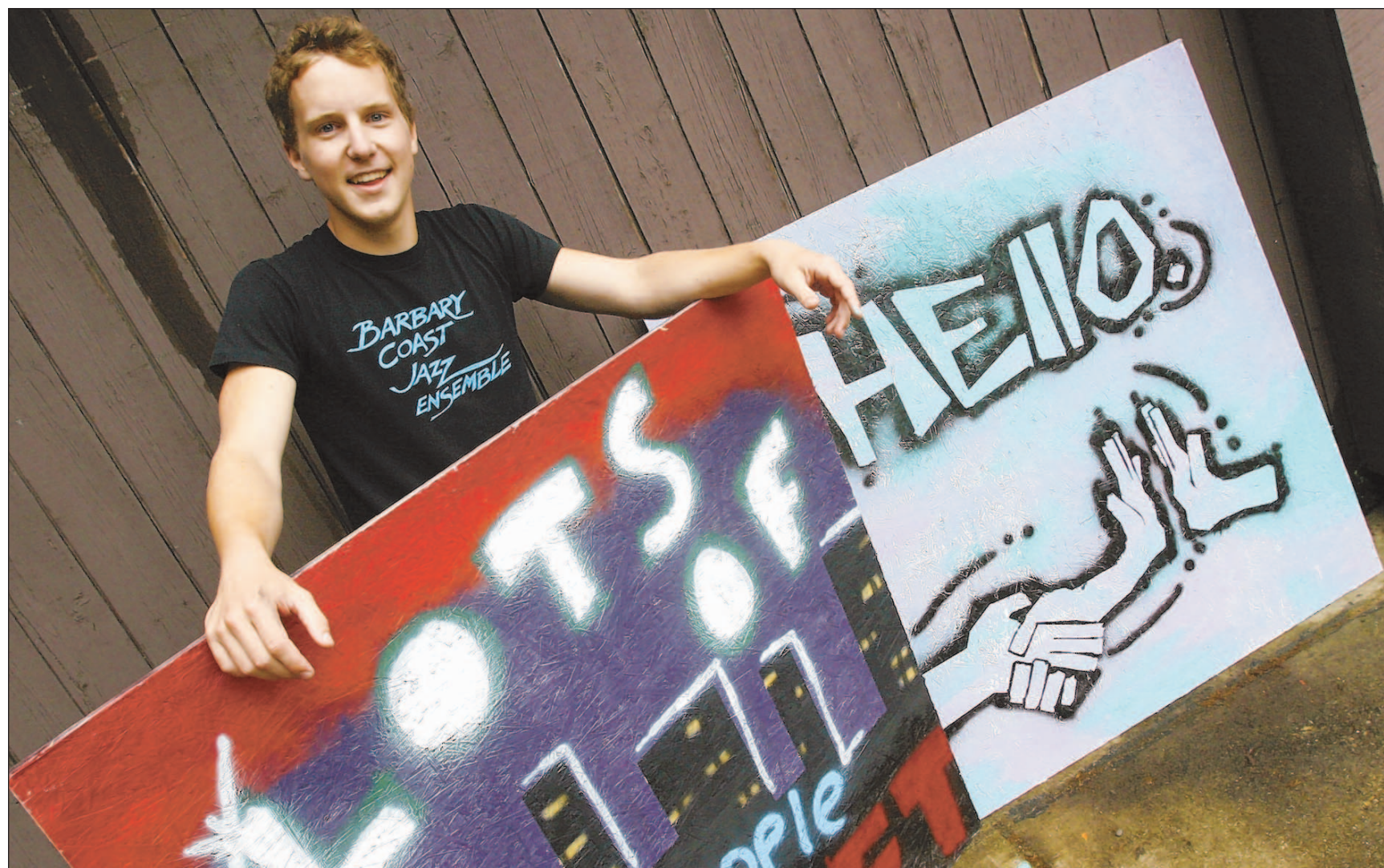
The corner of Clark, Bannister and Dascomb roads is known as Blueberry Corner by old-timers in the Vale, according to Pam (Darby) Nichols, who send me an e-mail awhile ago. She says her mother, Evelyn (Hall) Darby, has lived on that corner for all of her 84 years. It would be nice to see the town or Andover Historical Society place signs so that these names live on.

#### The "Infamous Rumble"

Ed Munroe grew up in Andover and now lives in Woodstock, Conn. While doing research for the AHS class of '58 reunion this fall, he came across my column about "the infamous rumble," he said. The "rumble" occurred about 1957 and was a planned fight between Lawrence gangs, although some Andover kids wanted to join in. Its location was just inside Andover off Greenwood Road. It was a widely anticipated event, and a number of spectators were expected. Ed was one of the spectators. However, the Andover police found out about it and handled it quite nicely.

Last fall, Ed went to the Class of 1957's reunion (that was Punchard's last graduating class) and talked with Barry Benson about the infamous rumble. Ed says, "By the way, I never saw a punch thrown. Barry was at the Greenwood Road site when I arrived with Donald 'Shadow' McBride. We were in Don's car. When it was apparent the police were coming, Barry threw me the keys to his beautifully restored 1939 Ford and asked me to evade the police and get it out of there. Which I did. Barry crawled on his hands and knees through the woods and avoided capture. He retrieved his car at my Lowell street house eight hours later."

Ed and Barry initially got away, but days later word went out that the Andover police had a list of everyone at the scene and it would go easier on those who turned themselves in. Ed says, "Barry turned himself in and had



KATIE MCMAHON/Staff photos

For his Eagle Scout project, Eric Simpson organized volunteers to paint murals with messages encouraging people to be more friendly and outgoing. The murals are on display at the Andover Community Skate Park.

## Scout hopes art will get friendship campaign rolling

BY BETHANY BRAY  
STAFF WRITER

Participants in last week's annual Paul King memorial skate-a-thon at the Andover Community Skate Park might have left feeling a little friendlier than usual.

Not only did the event raise money for improvements to the 10-year-old skate park behind West Middle School, but it was the first weekend 20 colorful murals extolling the message to "just say hi" were on view.

The murals were installed the week before by Boy Scout Eric Simpson.

Simpson, who graduated from Andover High School last month, organized the painting and installation as part of his Eagle Scout project, titled "just say hi." It aims to convince Andover residents, through art and social awareness, to be friendlier, and literally to "just say hi" to someone they might

not know, he said.

Simpson believes his campaign is relevant to Andover, where many residents are driven and concerned with numbers — class rank, GPA or check-book balance — instead of reaching out to others, he said. He teamed with Bill Fahey, director of Andover Youth Services, to start his project. He enlisted the help of 26 friends to help design, paint and hang the murals.

The 20 murals each have a different design within the "just say hi" theme. Some depict alternative ways to say hello, such as with a handshake or a greeting in a foreign language. Others explain the deeper aspect of the campaign, said Simpson, "the call for more unity, more community-based connections."

The murals range from deep and serious to "really, really funny," he said.

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Eric Simpson sets a mural on an easel for volunteers Madison Skwierczynski and Katie Viscosi as they help with his Eagle Scout project.

## Happy 102nd birthday, Anne!

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

Anne Zompa received just what she wanted for her 102nd birthday — a party with friends at Marland Place.

Looking radiant in a bronze dress with matching shoes and handbag, Zompa said she "felt like a mannequin" Friday morning, June 27, as staffers at Wingate got her ready for her party.

She lived at Marland Place on Stevens Street for six years before moving to Wingate on Andover Street last year because of health issues.

"All she wanted was to have her party here," at Marland Place, said daughter-in-law Anita Zompa, who lives on Kathleen Drive in Andover.

Ann Sico, Engage Life director at Atria Marland Place, made the arrangements, including music, balloons and cake. Friends stopped by the woman-of-honor's parked wheelchair to say happy birthday.

Born on June 28, 1906, Anne Zompa grew up in Lawrence and later lived in Methuen. Her only son is Leverett Zompa. She has six grandchildren and her 13th great-grandchild is on the way.

— Judy Wakefield



Anne Zompa, left, wanted just one present for her 102nd birthday — a party at her former home, Atria Marland Place — and she got it. Her good friend, Alice Hennessey, right, was among the many guests at the June 27 event.

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## DALTON: Andover's influence goes around the world

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his license suspended for six months. I didn't and was never punished. The reason I didn't turn myself in was not the police department's possible punishment, but rather that of my father's definite harsh punishment."

### The Shadow remembers

When I was growing up, Donald "Shadow" McBride was my next-door neighbor at 59 Chestnut St. He now lives in Jacksonville, Fla., and adds this comment: "I remember after we split up that night, I rode around with (two friends) for a while. When I returned to downtown, I and others were rounded up and taken to the police station (which was in the back of the Old Town Hall) and put in the squad room. Also there were the opponents, including the '49ers' from Tower Hill in Lawrence. (The '49ers' were so-named because they owned 1949 cars.) We had not run into each other earlier in the evening, so no fight ever occurred. Now we were all in one room and unsupervised. The police took all of our names and turned us loose. We all became friends after that. I also had my license pulled for



NEIL FATER/Staff photo

A close-up of a Blue Devils decal kept by resident Harold Wright. The Blue Devils used to be the name of Andover High School's teams until the name was changed to the Golden Warriors.

six months even though I was never caught at the sand pit."

Don says he is "more or less retired." First he retired from the Navy in 1977, and then worked for Computer Science Corp. for 25 years and retired from there. He

still does consulting work for them. Shadow sees some old friends who live or winter in Florida, including Granville Cutler, Primo Comeau and Frank Carelli, all of whom graduated in the mid '50s from Punched. Ed

Munroe and Alan Griffin have motor homes and drop by. Don says he's in excellent health and enjoys life.

### Punchard and the Blue Devil

The Class of 1958 was the first one to graduate from Andover High School. Except for its senior year, the class went to Punchard. I've been asked why the name "Punchard" was dropped as the name of the high school. Anyone with information about the reason can contact me. It had such a long, good tradition that it seemed a shame to lose it.

A few years later, the "Blue Devil" mascot was also dropped. I'm not sure why that happened either, although it wasn't too much of a loss, because it only existed about 10 years. However, in my senior year ('61) we had a contest to design a new Blue Devil, and I remember that Elizabeth Doig, a junior, won the prize.

Bill Dalton writes a weekly column for the Andover Townsman. If you wish to send him comments or stories about Andover, e-mail him at [billdalton@andovertownie.com](mailto:billdalton@andovertownie.com). Readers can also make comments on this or any article at the bottom of stories online at [www.andovertownsman.com](http://www.andovertownsman.com).

## SIGNS: Intended to encourage friendliness, greetings

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Simpson painted one mural himself, and the rest were each painted by a different friend. One of the requirements of an Eagle Scout project is that the Scouts enlist volunteers to help, he said, and having 20 artists ensured that each of the murals would have a different feel and perspective.

"The only thing I did was hand them a brush and paint, and explain what the project was about," he said. "Everyone came to the table with different ideas.

"It just shows that a bunch of kids can get together and make something that has meaning. Here's 26 kids that got together under the leadership of one and said something that challenges people to think about relationships, and think less about money and success. (It shows) that all different walks of life and kids from different schools can come together stand up for something," he said.

For his project, Simpson found volunteers through the Facebook social networking Web site, as well as friends, fellow AHS seniors and teens he knew from his youth group at Faith Lutheran Church on South Main Street. A parent of a friend, Roland Heinrich, also volunteered, he said.

Doyle Lumber in Andover gave him a deal on lumber and U-bolts for the project, and White Street Paint in Lawrence donated all the paint and brushes, said Simpson.

The murals took about a week to complete, including painting, sealing and hanging the pieces, he said. After the project was finished, Simpson had a cookout for the volunteers.



KATIE MCMAHON/Staff photo

Eric Simpson watches as Kevin Schroeder paints greetings in various languages on a mural for Simpson's Eagle Scout project.

Now that the murals are installed, Simpson is finishing the paperwork and written report required for his Eagle Scout classification.

Simpson said his Eagle Scout project has been a learning process, and a chance to meet a lot of new people and make new friends — a microcosm of the "just say hi" movement he's tried

to start.

Through asking for help with his project, he found true friends, he said.

"It's not like having a party, when everyone you asked would come ... in asking for help (with his Eagle project), I found true friends," he said. "I found that I've really been able to test my friends and really understand

their quality of character. I found out who really cared and felt invested in my friendship."

Simpson has been a Scout since first grade, when he started as a Tiger Cub. He is a member of Andover Troop 77. He will attend the University of Massachusetts Amherst next year as a history major, he said. Eventually, he'd like to be a history teacher.

### SENIOR NOTES

**Book Club:** Thursday, July 17, 1:30 p.m. Come join us as we discuss "The Mayflower — A Story of Courage" by Nat Philbrick. Books are available for check-out at the center approximately two weeks prior to each discussion.

**Sensible Summer Eating:** Monday, July 7, preregistration necessary, 1:30 p.m., no cost. The center kicks off its three-part series with the topic, "Healthy and Simple

Summer Menus." Come learn how to make your burgers healthier and easy, healthy ways to prepare some of your favorite summer vegetables and fruits. Presenter is Elizabeth Kutyla, MPH, LDN, clinical nutrition coordinator at UMass Lowell.

**Essex River Queen trip:** Friday, July 18, \$38. Come join us for a 90-minute narrated cruise through intriguing and scenic salt marshes. We'll en-

joy unique scenery, abundant wildlife, engaging history and lore of the area while aboard a comfortable, canopy-covered pontoon boat. Following the cruise you'll have ample free time to select your own restaurant for lunch — your cost — and enjoy browsing through the many interesting shops in Essex.

**Fabulous Frames Workshop:** This three-part class will take place on Thursdays, July 10, 17 and 24

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# Arts & Entertainment

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, JULY 3

**Fireworks:** Andover High School, Shawsheen Road, Andover, free, dusk.

**Daryl Hall concert:** Daryl Hall, best known for being part of the duo Hall and Oates, is touring with his band, playing both his hits and solo material. Find more information at [www.livefromdarylshouse.com](http://www.livefromdarylshouse.com). Opening the show is Lowell's own soul, jazz and Latin influenced Jen Kearney and the Lost Onion, fronted by Jen Kearney who plays both keys and electric guitar. For more, see [www.jenkearney.com](http://www.jenkearney.com). Show is \$26 in advance, \$30 at the gate.

### FRIDAY, JULY 4

**Andover's Fourth of July celebration:** The Re/Max hot air balloon will be on display during the pancake breakfast in the field behind Doherty Middle School, 8 to 10 a.m., \$5. Benefits the Department of Community Services of Andover. Horribles Parade at 9:30 a.m., lots of kid-friendly games and events at The Park, Bartlet and Chestnut streets, until noon; information, call DCS at 978-623-8274.

### SATURDAY, JULY 5

**Assembly of Dust concert:** Assembly of Dust is led by singer/songwriter and Strangefolk co-founder Reid Geneauer. Find more info at [www.assemblyofdust.com](http://www.assemblyofdust.com). Show is \$16 in advance, \$20 at the gate.

### TUESDAY, JULY 8

**"Wild about Parks" program** at Memorial Hall Library, 7 p.m., featuring great locations for family outings this summer. Discover more than 450,000 acres of forests, parks, and reservations across the state as well as beaches, trails, campgrounds, and more to visit and explore. The library has a free pass that can be reserved for free parking at the state parks. For more information, call 978-623-8401, ext. 31, or visit the library's Web site at [www.mhl.org](http://www.mhl.org).

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

**Free skin cancer screenings:** Skin Cancer Foundation's "Road to Healthy Skin" tour presented by Aveeno and Rite Aid will be offering free skin cancer screenings and providing free samples of Aveeno Continuous Protection SPF 55 to consumers at Rite Aid, Route 114, North Andover, 3-5 p.m., with Dr. David Greenstein of Northeast Dermatology Association.

### THURSDAY, JULY 10

**Afternoon of laughing, singing:** Paul Gosselin and Barbara Schofield return to Northern Essex Community College's Life Long Learning Program with their show "Zip & Doo Dah," 2 p.m., Room 103A in the Technology Center on the Haverhill campus, open to the public, \$1. Nostalgic songs, funny jokes, heart-warming stories, and traditional sing-alongs Contact Charlene Boucher, Life Long Learning Program coordinator, at 978-556-3825 or [cboucher@necc.mass.edu](mailto:cboucher@necc.mass.edu).

**Exhibit opening:** Montserrat College of Art's Schlosberg Alumni Gallery presents its first staff exhibition of 2008, "Birds Do It: An Installation by Tin Can Sally." "Tin Can Sally" is the pseudonym for Sally Seamans, the slide librarian at Montserrat. Exhibit is at Montserrat College of Art's Carol Schlosberg Alumni Gallery, 23 Essex St., Beverly, through July 31. Artist's reception 5-7 p.m.; 978-867-9604 or [www.montserrat.edu/galleries](http://www.montserrat.edu/galleries).

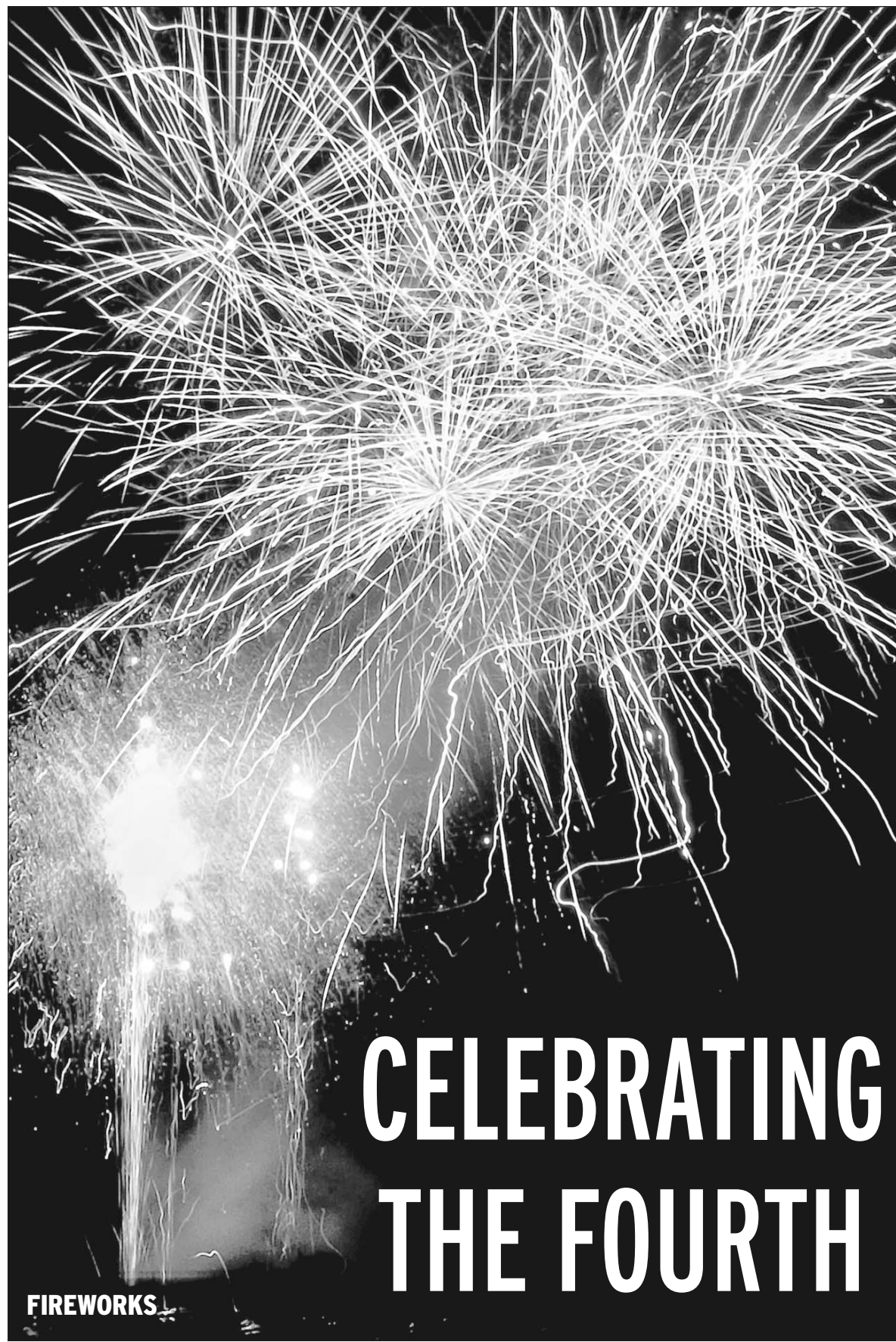
### FRIDAY, JULY 11

**Farmers Market kick-off party:** The Andover Historical Society will host a Farmers Market kick-off party to welcome the return of this popular community event, 7-10 p.m., \$20, children under 12 are free. Wine tasting, samples from this year's participating Farmers Market vendors, refreshments by Whole Foods of Andover, music by fiddler Julia Kwolyk, 97 Main St., Andover; 978-475-2236.

### SATURDAY, JULY 12

**Andover Farmers Market opens:** every Saturday from July 12 through Oct. 11, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Six vendors will be taking part this year. Opening features popular music of the Gas Light Era (1890-1920) at 1 p.m., presented by John Root, 97 Main St., Andover; 978-475-2236.

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File photos

## Fireworks Thursday night; balloon rides, parade Friday

BY SARAH HALLOWELL  
CONTRIBUTOR

Pull out a blanket, load the kids in the car and head to the high school because the Fourth of July festivities kick off tonight, Thursday, July 3.

The fireworks will be at Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road. Although safety officials were concerned originally that the explosives might accidentally ruin the school's new artificial turf football field, state and local officials have come up with a way to keep the fireworks at the high school

while protecting the field.

The fireworks will be set off from the varsity baseball field, between third base and home plate, near Shawsheen Road.

Because of the new launch location, fireworks fundraiser Jerry Silverman said most of the hill at the high school will be off-limits and some parking will be lost.

Silverman wouldn't say how much money a fireworks committee has raised for this year's display, which he said will be bigger than last year. Town Meeting approved \$8,000 for fire-

works, but private contributions always add to that total.

"We're not finished yet," Silverman said, "but I guarantee that there will be enough money to cover the fireworks and have a little left over for next year."

He added that anyone who wants to write a check can make it out to "Town of Andover" with "fireworks" in the memo line.

A new addition to the fireworks evening this year will be the music of the 30-piece Middlesex Concert Band. Sponsored by the fireworks committee, the band will be playing from 7:30

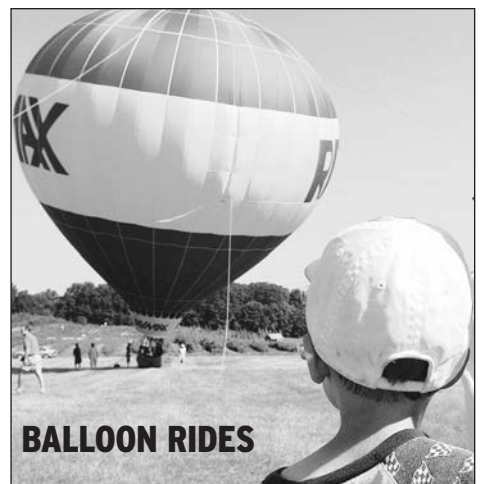
until the lighting of the first fireworks.

While the band usually plays during the pancake breakfast in the Park downtown on July 4, this is the first year the band will play before the fireworks display. The band still will play patriotic music in the Park from 10:30 to noon the next morning.

### July 4 morning

Andover's annual Fourth of July celebration will commence at 8 a.m. on Friday, July 4, with a pancake break-

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BALLOON RIDES



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PANCAKE BREAKFAST



FACE PAINTING

## Rogers Center offers summer film and concert series

The Rogers Center for the Performing Arts at Merrimack College is offering residents "Summer at the Rogers Center," a free film and concert series.

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—Sarah Hallowell

Events at the Rogers Center are:

■ **Thursday, July 17: Jon Shain at 7 p.m.**

Jon Shain is a veteran singer-songwriter who's been turning heads for years with his words, his acoustic guitar work, and his musical style, combining improvised piedmont blues with bluegrass, swing and ragtime.

■ **Wednesday, July 23: "Dinner at Eight" 6:30 p.m. commentary, 7 p.m. screening**

The film version of the George S. Kaufman/Edna Ferber stage hit. Socially ambitious Billie Burke throws a dinner part and the all-star cast is included,

ing Marie Dressler as the dowager, and Wallace Berry and Jean Harlow as the crude millionaire and his lascivious wife. Black and white; 113 minutes; 1933.

■ **Thursday, July 31: Original Shepherd's Pie Dixieland Band at 7 p.m.**

The Original Shepherd's Pie Dixieland Band is a group of serious amateur musicians, from locations west and north of Boston, who enjoy playing Dixieland music together with digressions into blues, swing, ragtime and jazz.

■ **Wednesday, Aug. 6: "The Women" 6:30 p.m. commentary, 7 p.m. screening**

An all-female cast sparks

this adaptation of Clare Booth Luce's stinging comedy about divorce and female friendship. Subtly sniping, "The Women" progresses from harmless gossip to vicious verbal backstabbing. Black and white; 134 minutes; 1939.

■ **Thursday, Aug. 14: Gerry Johnston at 7 p.m.**

Gerry returns for another rousing night of classic guitar music with Broadway favorites and other popular tunes to make an evening of great music.

■ **Wednesday, Aug. 20: "The Lady Eve" 6:30 commentary, 7 p.m. screening**

Distaff card shark (Barbara Stanwyck) spots a cast-iron sucker in beer heir "Hopsie" Pike. Hopsie is too engrossed in his lifelong project, a book called "Are Snakes Necessary," to care much for his millions. Eve's father Handsome Harry Harrington, who can produce more aces than a playing card factory, sends her into action in this statement on the battle of the sexes. Black and white; 94 minutes; 1941.

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# FOURTH: Breakfast kicks off Independence Day activities

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juice will be made and served by past and present town officials until 11 a.m. The breakfast, games and activities will be in the Park at the corner of Chestnut and Bartlett streets.

Also starting at 8 a.m. will be the Blair Bettencourt Jazz Band. The jazz band will play in the Park until 9:30 a.m. when it will lead the Horribles Parade.

People interested in being in the parade should line up at 9 a.m.

The parade will start at 9:30 a.m. on Bartlett Street then, move down Punchard Avenue, Main Street, Park Street and Whittier Street before finishing back in the Park.

Children's activities and games will be available in the Park from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Activities will include a moon bounce and face painting.

A new event this Independence Day will be hot air balloon rides in the Re/Max balloon on Friday from 8 to 10 a.m. behind Doherty

Middle School, which is next to the Park.

Rides will be \$5 for both adults and children.

The balloon was recently at Smolak Farm Strawberry Festival in North Andover. Re/Max helped raise money for the farm's charity, Smolak Fund, which benefits arts and education in North Andover.

Sherry Smith, office manager of Re/Max Partners, approached the Department of Community Services in Andover and volunteered

one of the real estate company's famous hot air balloons to use at the celebration.

"We wanted to give back," she said.

On Friday, Smith and other agents will set up and staff the ropes of the balloon.

The basket of the balloon holds no more than four people. The balloon will go 50 feet straight up and then come back down. Sarah estimates each "tethered ride" will be five to 10 minutes.

## EVENTS

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**Live jazz:** La Timbistica and their Latin jazz repertoire, free, open to the public, Derby Square, Salem; visit [www.salemjazzsoul.com](http://www.salemjazzsoul.com) or call 978-744-8258.

**Grand opening:** New England Wild Flower Society announces 13 giant wood sculptures by David Rogers and new Web-of-Life Extravaganza events coming to Garden in the Woods in Framingham, through Oct. 31, with music by Meet the Beetles; [www.newenglandwild.org/visit/bigbugs](http://www.newenglandwild.org/visit/bigbugs).

### SUNDAY, JULY 13

**Hike:** The Bay Circuit Trail passes through Andover, and a trail hike is planned in four parts: July 13, Aug. 3, Aug. 24 and Sept. 14.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

**Live music:** Downtown summer music with Ben Rudnick & Friends, 6 p.m., free, The Park bandstand, corner of Bartlett and Chestnut streets; [www.benrudnick.com](http://www.benrudnick.com) for more information. (Rain date is July 17, same time, location.)

**Merrimack Valley Hospice's Bereavement Program for kids:** Memory book cre-

ation, tile painting, plant potting and a host of other fun activities will entertain children who have undergone a significant loss in their life at Merrimack Valley Hospice's third annual Summer Break program, designed for children ages 6 to 14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Merrimack College's Cascia Hall, North Andover, [www.merrimackvalleyhospice.org](http://www.merrimackvalleyhospice.org).

**Medicare info meeting:** First Seniority Freedom is Harvard Pilgrim's Medicare Advantage private fee-for-service plan, offering Medicare beneficiaries several plan options with open access to Medicare providers throughout the country, Andover Courtyard, 10 Campanelli Drive, Andover, 1 p.m. For reservations, call 866-626-1317; TTY/TDD 888-259-8276.

### THURSDAY, JULY 17

**Live music:** Jon Shain, a veteran singer-songwriter, combines improvised piedmont blues with bluegrass, swing and ragtime, 7 p.m., free, Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, North Andover; 978-837-5367.

**"Bye Bye Birdie!" opens:** North Shore Music Theatre, at Dunham Woods, 7:30 p.m., 62 Dunham Road, Beverly, through Aug. 3; 978-232-7235 or [clarosa@nsmt.org](mailto:clarosa@nsmt.org).

### SATURDAY, JULY 19

**Book signing, talk:** With Andover native

Chris Klein, author of "Boston Harbor Islands," Spectacle Island Visitor Center, Boston Harbor, 1 and 3 p.m.; [www.bostonharborislands.org](http://www.bostonharborislands.org).

### ONGOING

**Serenity Yoga:** Wednesdays from 7:15 to 8:20 p.m., July 9 through Aug. 20. \$45 for 7 weeks. Bring a yoga mat, towel and pillow. Gentle, restorative yoga emphasizing stretching and flexibility. Beginner's class. Download registration form at [www.boomerventure.com](http://www.boomerventure.com) and mail to BoomerVenture, 36 Bartlett St., ASC, Andover, MA 01810, or call 978-623-8321. All classes held at 30 Whittier Court.

**Energize with Exercise:** Wednesdays from 6 to 7:10 p.m., July 9 through Aug. 20. \$45 for 7 weeks. Low-impact aerobics plus stretching and weights. No prior exercise experience necessary. Fit beginners always welcome. Download registration form at [www.boomerventure.com](http://www.boomerventure.com) and mail to BoomerVenture, 36 Bartlett St., ASC, Andover, MA 01810, or call 978-623-8321. All classes held at 30 Whittier Court.

**Nordic walking:** Tuesdays from 6 to 7 p.m., July 8 through Aug. \$45/session. No prior exercise experience required. Rain or shine; meet outside building. Space limited. Download registration form at [www.boomerventure.com](http://www.boomerventure.com) and mail to BoomerVenture, 36 Bartlett St., ASC, Andover, MA 01810, or call 978-623-

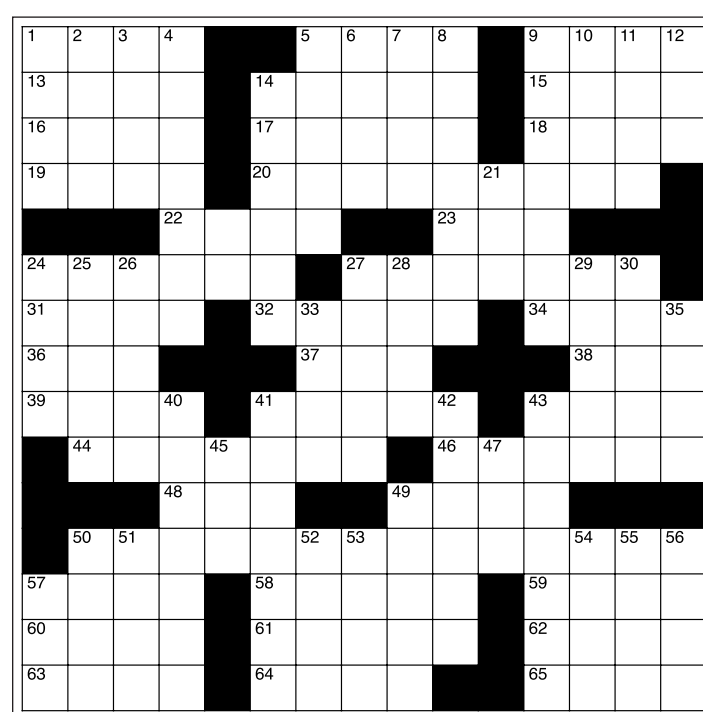
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**"Wild Reads" Summer Reading Program** at Memorial Hall Library began the week of June 23. Programs are available for children, teens and adults. Call 978-623-8401, ext. 31, or visit [www.mhl.org](http://www.mhl.org) for more information and a complete list of programs.

**Peabody Essex Museum** offers drop-in yoga classes on Saturdays from 1 to 3 p.m., Art Studios. Cost is included with museum admission. For more information, call 978-745-9500, ext. 3043.

**Peabody Essex Museum exhibits:** "Stage Idols" through Jan. 25, 2009, in the Japanese Kabuki Theater; "The Art of Maori Tattoo" through Feb. 1, 2009; "Wedded Bliss: The Marriage of Art and Ceremony," through Sept. 14; "Life Boat" Nov. 8 through March 1, 2009; "To the Ends of the Earth: Painting the Polar Landscape" Nov. 8 through March 1, 2009; "Gateway Bombay" through Dec. 7; "Perfect Imbalance: Exploring Chinese Aesthetics" through May 19, 2009; "Of Gods and Mortals: Traditional Art from India," ongoing; "Intersections: Native American Art in a New Light," ongoing; "All of My Life: Contemporary Works by Native American Artists," ongoing. Peabody Essex Museum is in East India Square, Salem. Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Museum admission is \$13 adults, \$11 seniors, \$9 students. For more information, call 866-745-1876 or visit [www.pem.org](http://www.pem.org).

## Crossword puzzle



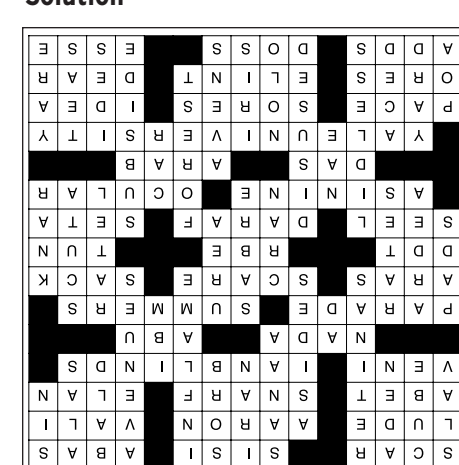
### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Pock mark
- 5. Yes, yes (span)
- 9. Cas \_\_\_: winter melons
- 13. Inter \_\_\_: intervening period
- 14. Moses' elder brother
- 15. \_\_\_ date: confirm
- 16. Assist in wrongdoing
- 17. Pilfer (slang)
- 18. Ardor
- 19. \_\_\_ vidi, vici
- 20. \_\_\_ ian \_\_\_: Window coverings
- 22. Zilch
- 23. \_\_\_ Dhabi, Arabian capital
- 24. A marching procession
- 27. Winters, opposite
- 31. Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences
- 32. Cause to lose courage
- 34. Paper bag
- 36. Insecticide
- 37. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 38. Volume equal to 2 butts
- 39. Sew up a hawk's eyelids
- 41. Elastance unit
- 43. Stalk of a moss capsule
- 44. Inanely foolish
- 46. About vision
- 48. Petersen film "\_\_\_ Boot"
- 49. Saddle horse
- 50. New Haven school
- 57. Tempo
- 58. Skin lesions
- 59. Thought
- 60. Minerals
- 61. Electronic intelligence
- 62. A beloved person
- 63. Totals

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. One of an eastern European people
- 2. Solid with 6 equal square faces
- 3. Arabian Gulf
- 4. To sprout (Spanish)
- 5. Yemen capital
- 6. Former Shah's country
- 7. \_\_\_ et: fruit juice ice
- 8. Ignite
- 9. Streets
- 10. Without hair
- 11. Unfortunately
- 12. Violate a law of God
- 14. Digressions
- 21. Big Blue
- 24. Launching platforms
- 25. Heron genus
- 26. Charges per unit (Br. slang)
- 27. A type of fencing sword
- 28. Epic \_\_\_: gourmet
- 29. Honey badger
- 30. Roman shields
- 33. Vaccinium or \_\_\_ berry
- 35. Burl in wood
- 40. Without hat
- 41. No longer in use
- 42. A dense growth of trees
- 43. Lessen
- 45. No (Scottish)
- 47. Automobile
- 49. Genus gum
- 50. 36 inches
- 51. Breeze through
- 52. \_\_\_ contendere, plead no contest
- 53. Fleur-de-lis flower
- 54. Famous March date
- 55. Orange pekoe or green
- 56. Agile, lively
- 57. Blue grass genus

### Solution



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# Sports

## MAKING THEIR MARK

### Carlson, Farrell spin a gem

#### LEGION BASEBALL

John Farrell and Shawn Carlson combined on a four-hitter to lead Andover Legion Post 8 to a 3-1 victory over Swampscott on Monday, June 30. It was the sixth win in a row for Post 8 (6-0-1).

Farrell (3-0) started and allowed one run while striking out seven over 3 1/3 innings before having to leave the game after being hit in the jaw with a line drive. He was able to recover to make the out at first, and left the game under his own power. Carlson came on and struck out eight in 3 1/3 shutout innings for the save.

Kevin Calabro delivered the hit of the game with a solo homer over the fence in left field for a key insurance run. John Hennessy added an RBI single and P.J. Farnham scored on a passed ball.

#### Andover 6, Middleton 2

In his first start since last Legion season, Dave Arrigg allowed just one run on five hits and struck out six in five innings, helping Post 8 down Middleton 6-2 on Friday, June 27.

Marc Crowley came through with a two-run single in the fourth to break the game open for Andover. Zach Burdeau added an RBI double and Dan Haugh had a two-run single for the winners. Shawn Carlson worked the final two innings on the hill, allowing one hit and striking out three.

#### Andover 8, Winthrop 2

With Andover trailing by a run heading into the sixth inning, Marc Crowley knocked a triple over the center fielder's head that plated two runs, sparking the seven-run inning that gave Andover an 8-2 win over Winthrop on Friday, June 27.

Dan Haugh and Mike Taylor led off the inning with walks, and John Hennessy drove in Haugh with a single. Crowley then delivered his triple, and scored on a double by Kevin Calabro.

Calabro led the way with two hits, and allowed two runs and struck out 10 over six innings on the hill. Tim Hoffman worked the final inning, getting all three batters to ground out.

#### Andover 3, Swampscott 1

Andover (3): Farnham cf 3-1-0, Hennessy 2b 3-0-1, Haugh ss 2-0-1, Taylor lf 3-0-0, Burdeau 3b 3-0-0, Crowley 1b 3-0-0, Calabro rf 3-1-1, Hawkins dh 2-0-0, Gusovsky c 2-1-1, Farrell p 0-0-0, Carlson p 0-0-0. Totals 24-3-4. Swampscott (1): Moran cf 3-0-0, Cassidy 3b 3-0-0, Kinchley 1b 3-1-1, Shinbman c 3-0-1, Gordon p 3-0-0, Mitchell ss 3-0-0, Cameron lf 3-0-0, Witt rf 3-0-1, Squires 3b 3-0-1. Totals 27-1-4. Andover (6-0-1): 101 000 1-3. Swampscott: 010 000 0-1. RBI: A - Hennessy, Calabro. WP: Farrell, LP: Gordon, S: Carlson.

#### Andover 6, Middleton 2

Middleton (2): Simmons ss 4-0-0, Dunn 2b 3-0-0, Splinter ss 2-1-0, Sheppard rf 3-0-2, Bunker cf 3-0-0, Roach 1b p 3-0-0, Duval p/lf 3-1-2, M. Sheppard c 3-0-1, Anderson lf 2-0-0, Bickerton ph 1-0-0. Totals 27-2-5.

Andover (6): Farnham rf 3-1-1, Yastrzemski cf 4-1-1, Haugh 4-0-1, Taylor lf 3-1-1, Hennessy 2b 3-0-1, Burdeau 3b 3-1-2, Calabro dh 3-1-1, Crowley 1b 2-1-1, Clark 3b 1-0-0, Gusovsky c 3-0-1, Hawkins c 0-0-0, Arrigg p 0-0-0, Carlson p 0-0-0. Totals 29-6-9. Middleton: 000 100 1-2. Andover (5-0-1): 012 300 x-6. RBI: A - Haugh, Burdeau, Crowley. WP: Arrigg, LP: Roach.

#### Andover 8, Winthrop 2

Winthrop (2): Moore cf 3-0-0, Eruzione ss 3-1-1, Calen rf 1-1-1, Collins 3b 3-0-1, Shannon c 3-0-0, McGrall 2b/p 3-0-0, Finn 1b 3-0-0, D. Shannon lf/ss 3-0-0, Swanson p/ss 2-0-0. Totals 24-2-5.

Andover (8): Farnham rf 4-1-1, Yastrzemski cf 4-0-1, Haugh ss 2-1-1, Taylor lf 3-1-1, Hennessy 2b 2-2-1, Burdeau 3b 1-0-0, Crowley 1b 1-1-1, Calabro p 3-1-2, Hoffman p 0-0-0, Clark 1b/3b 2-1-1, Hawkins c 1-0-0, Gusovsky c 1-0-0. Totals 24-8-8. Winthrop: 000 200 0-2. Andover (4-0-1): 010 007 x-8. RBI: A - Farnham, 2, Haugh, Hennessy, Crowley, 2, Clark. WP: Calabro, LP: Swanson.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

American Legion Baseball	
July 3	N. Andover (at Merrimack Coll.) 6 p.m.
July 7	at Haverhill 6 p.m.

### Wilmarths give Phillips tennis first NEPSAC title

By DAVID WILLIS  
STAFF WRITER

With a pair of United States presidents, countless renowned scientists and writers and Patriots head coach Bill Belichick listed among its alumni, it's difficult for a student to make history at world-famous Phillips Academy.

But Andover's Lauren Wilmarth, with the help of twin sister Victoria Wilmarth, permanently etched her name into Big Blue lore thanks to her work on the tennis court.

The junior bested archrival Milton Academy's top player in the decisive match that gave Phillips Academy its first ever NEPSAC tourney title.

Over the past two seasons, quite a rivalry had grown between Phillips and Milton Academy. A year ago, the Big Blue cruised through the regular season undefeated, only to fall to Milton in the New England Prep tourney. This season, the Big Blue lost only once in the regular season, to Milton Academy.

"Initially it was a shock because we hadn't lost a (regular season) match in two years," said Lauren Wilmarth. "It was devastating, but it also made us stronger and we channeled our energy toward the tournament."

But advancing to the finals of the 15-team tourney held on May 24 wasn't easy.

In temperatures that reached the low 90s, Wilmarth had to win three matches to earn a berth in the finals. She did just that, but the work took a toll on her body.

"During the early matches my back began to hurt," she remembered. "I was scared because I had made it that far. But my mom (Mary Ann) is a physical therapist and she helped me stretch out. I sat in the shade and drank a lot of water and tried to keep my mind off it."

Another challenge waited in the finals in Milton's Sarah Miller, who had dealt Wilmarth a loss in the regular season.

"I knew she was coming," Wilmarth



PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photo

Lauren Wilmarth, right, won the deciding match that gave Phillips Andover its first ever NEPSAC tennis title. Twin sister Victoria, left, coached Lauren during the final match.

### MEET THE WILMARTHS

**Name:** Lauren and Victoria Wilmarth  
**School:** Phillips Academy  
**Class:** Going into senior year  
**About Lauren:** Won the deciding match to give Big Blue first-ever NEPSAC tourney title. Ranked No. 12 in New England and No. 6 in Massachusetts in USTA rankings. Scored 750 on math portion of SATs.  
**About Victoria:** Plays doubles for Big Blue. Served as a coach for her sister during NEPSAC tourney. Helps arrange Phillips' Non Sibi Day and studied children's rights in Mumbai, India.

said. "I lost to her in the regular season, so I wanted the chance to play her again. I knew I had to work hard, focus and win it."

As her match was about to begin, Phillips coach Martha Grant was still occupied with the other Big Blue matches that were already in progress. So it was Victoria Wilmarth, who was not competing, that stepped up to coach her sister.

"Lauren and I have played together for so long that I can coach her," said Victoria Wilmarth. "I tried just to give her pointers and suggest shots to try. I didn't want to add any pressure."

But during the match, word came that she would decide the championship.

"I had an idea when the other (Phillips matches) were ending," said

Lauren Wilmarth. "But then (senior captain) Maggie Maffione told me we needed my match to win the tournament."

"I tried not to psych myself out. I was feeling the pressure because I wanted to win it for my team. I knew I just had to stay focused. The whole team was 10 feet behind me trying to calm me down."

After needing a tie-breaker to win the first set, Wilmarth pulled away in the second set and won her match 7-6, 6-4 to clinch the title.

"It was really extraordinary," said Lauren Wilmarth. "I turned around and the whole team started screaming. I shook hands (with Miller), then the whole team ran onto the court and tackled me. We had never won it before, so this goes down in history."

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## ■ ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

### From the July 6, 1888, Townsman:

The Fourth of July occupies a conspicuous place in American history for other reasons than that it is the national birthday. In celebrating it, we naturally dwell exclusively on the scenes in Independence Hall at the adoption of the Declaration, but had this illustrious event fallen on any other day, the Fourth should have still held a prominent place in the people's memory. Yet, curiously enough, it is not at all a notable day in military history. No doubt it is well that we have neither to commemorate a great victory won, nor to lament a battle lost upon this day. Though the nation was at war during twenty of the first hundred years of its existence, and has been engaged in more than four hundred battles, yet, with a single exception, there has been no blood shed upon the Fourth.

Several actions have taken place on the third day of the month — the most noteworthy being the culminating struggle of the Civil War at Gettysburg and on the fifth, but had it not been for the unfortunate assault of the Confederates on Helena, Ark., in 1863, the surrender of Vicksburg, that same year, would have been the only important military event connected with the national anniversary.

Mention, however, might be made here of an incident in Washington's career, the memory of which doubtless threw an occasional shade over his rejoicings at the recurrence of this day. During a campaign against the French and Indians in 1754, Washington, at the head of a small force, was compelled, by a greatly superior body of the enemy, to retreat to some hastily constructed entrenchments, which were characteristically called Fort Necessity.

On the night of July 3rd, after a combat which had lasted ten hours, the French commander summoned the brave young Colonial officer to surrender. The parleying continued until late at night, when Washington agreed to the honorable terms offered him, and on the morning of the Fourth marched out of the fort with all the honors of war.

But while few associations of military glory cluster about the Fourth, the "victories" of Peace, "no less renowned than" those of

war, have been numerous. Five treaties with foreign nations have been signed, and one, with Great Britain, ratified on this day, while, on July 4, 1827, slavery ceased in New York.

The first political event of importance which is connected with this date is the first Tariff Act, which was passed July 4, 1789. In view of the present interest in this subject, it may be well to recall the pregnant words of the preamble:

"For the support of the government, for the discharge of the debts of the United States and the encouragement and protection of manufacturers, that duties be laid on goods, wares and merchandise imported, etc."

"Independence Day" is associated with at least one great commercial enterprise.

On July 4, 1817, Governor De Witt Clinton of New York, turned the first sod in the then gigantic work of connecting the waters of the Great Lakes with the Atlantic by means of the Erie Canal. It is well to quote here an extract from another governor's diary, showing the humble beginnings of what was once, and doubtless will be again, a great national industry. Governor Winthrop, of Massachusetts Bay, writes under date of July 4, 1631: "The Governor built a bark at Mistick, which was launched this day, and called the Blessing of the Bay".

Mention may also be made of the fact that the first Cunard steamship, the Britannia, sailed from Liverpool for Boston on July 4, 1840.

One great calamity marked the day — the destruction of a large part of Portland, Maine, by fire in 1866.

But the most solemn associations with the day are those which death has given it. On July 4, 1826, while the nation was celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of its Independence, Thomas Jefferson, to whom more than to any other single man the language of the Declaration was due, closed his eyes on this earth. On the same day, in his distant home, John Adams, his companion in the Continental Congress and fellow-signer, and his predecessor in the presidential chair, finished his earthly career. Five years later, James Monroe "passed over to the majority," making three Presidents of the United States who have died on the national birthday.

## ■ OBITUARIES

EXETER, N.H. — Mrs. Patti (Soreff) Clouse, 60, of Exeter, N.H. and formerly of Andover, died Saturday, June 28, 2008 at the Portsmouth Regional Hospital.

She was born in Lawrence on April 10, 1948, daughter of Sidney Soreff and the late Ida (Segal) Soreff.

Patti graduated from Andover High School and attended Boston



University. She was a licensed re- alter in the Exeter area until her retirement.

She is survived by her loving family, husband of 34 years Howard G. Clouse; sons, Brian Clouse and his wife, Rachel of Boca Raton, Fla., Stephen Clouse and his wife, Gabriella of Weymouth, and Jeremy Clouse of Keene, N.H.; her father Sidney Soreff of North

Andover; sister, Barbara Soreff of Framingham; grandchildren, Livia, Amanda and Gemma Clouse, as well as several nieces and nephews.

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### Roland P. Schelling, 76

discharged. For more than 30 years he was employed with the Raytheon Company in Andover.

He was an active parishioner and Eucharistic minister of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish/St. Theresa's Church in Methuen. He was a bowler with the Senior Bowling League at Park Lanes in Windham, N.H. He was also in the Crusaders Drum and Bugle Corp. He enjoyed spending time with his family especially with his grandchildren.

He leaves his wife of 53 years, Si-

three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home Inc., 233 Lawrence St., Methuen. Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish/St. Theresa's Church in Methuen with burial following in the Elmwood Cemetery also in Methuen. For condolences or directions visit pollardfuneralhome.com. Memorials can be made to American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701-4688.

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### Chanel P. Therrien, 76

the Korean War. He obtained the rank of Sergeant and was the recipient of both the Purple Heart and the Bronze Service Star.

Mr. Therrien was a member of the Methuen V.F.W. as well as a parishioner of St. Patrick's Church in Lawrence.

The son of the late Desire and Leda (LaBelle) Therrien as well as the husband of the late Pauline (Maier) Therrien who passed away in 1984, members of Mr. Therrien's family include, his wife: Lucille (Couture) Therrien; his children, Pamela Mesquita and her husband, David of Andover, Patricia Dore and her husband, John of Methuen, Douglas Therrien and his wife, Joan and Tammy Wilson and her husband, Chuck, all of

New Hampshire; his stepchildren, Lynn Barry and her husband, Robert of Methuen, Judy Kearns and her husband, Mark of New Hampshire, Rena Dupuis of Florida as well as Robert Couture also of Florida. Mr. Therrien is also survived by his grandchildren, John, Andrew, Phillip, Nick, James, Paul, Danielle, Gary, Natalie, Jacob, Amanda, Felicia, Rob, Nick, Mackenzie, Kim, Kristy and Kenny as well as his great-grandchildren: Kalina, John Eric, Emma, Rose, Shane and Hailey. He is also survived by his sisters, Delores Mann of Evansville, Ind. and Gloria Paolino.

Mr. Therrien was stepfather to the late Lorraine Bellemore who was married to Kenny Bellemore

of Lawrence. He was also brother to the late Odelle Martell, Lorraine Lench, Marie LaRochelle, Gerard Therrien, John Therrien and Desire (Joe) Therrien.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, July 1, 2008, at 9 a.m. in St. Patrick's Church in Lawrence. Burial followed at the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Andover. Family and friends called on Monday, June 30, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Ann's Home, 100A Haverhill St., Methuen, MA 01844. To send an online condolence or for more information, please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com.



Mr. Therrien was born in Lawrence and had retired from the Polaroid Corporation where he had worked as a machinist. Prior to that he had worked at Bolton Emerson as a machinist, and at Larry's Woodworking as a cabinet maker and finish carpenter. Mr. Therrien was a United States Army Veteran having served in

LAWRENCE — Chanel Patrick Therrien, 76, a resident of Lawrence,

passed away on Friday, June 27, 2008 at the Nevins Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Methuen.

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## Habitat for Humanity buys local convent

Merrimack Valley Habitat for Humanity purchased St. Patrick Convent at 100 Parker St. in Lawrence on June 19 from the Archdiocese of Boston for \$300,000. The affiliate will convert the gracious three-story structure, which

for nearly 100 years housed the sisters who taught in nearby St. Patrick School, into 10 or 11 units of affordable housing.

"We are thrilled that we will be able to renovate this grand old building for a new century of service," said Larry Sharp, executive director of Merrimack Valley Habitat for Humanity. "Just as the convent provided a beautiful home for the Sisters of Charity of Halifax during the 20th century, it will provide safe, affordable housing for hardworking low-income families in the 21st."

The convent is a 16,469-foot brick building constructed in 1908

for the Sisters of Charity of Halifax, who founded St. Patrick School in 1906. The convent is at the corner of Parker (Route 114) and Salem streets, near Interstates 495 and 93 and within walking distance of the MBTA commuter rail station.

Families who are interested in qualifying for a Habitat house can call 978-681-8858 and ask to be notified of the next informational meeting for potential homeowners. Families are eligible for consideration if they:

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■ Can contribute 300 to 400 hours of their own labor building their own Habitat house and houses for other Habitat families.

■ Can pay closing costs of about \$2,800.

For more information, visit www.merrimackvalleyhabitat.org or call 978-681-8858.

## ■ SUPPORT GROUPS

### Blood pressure/stroke

Free clinic, first and third Friday each month, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the atrium at Merrimack Valley Hospital in Haverhill. Community Education 978-521-8550.

Stroke patient support group, first Wednesday of the month, 6-7 p.m., Paula Hartwell-Bell 603-887-5769, after 6 p.m.

Stroke support group for families and friends, third Wednesday of the month, 7-8 p.m., Rene Baxter 508-373-2901.

### Caregivers

Caregivers support group, sponsored by Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, first and third Tuesday of each month, 10-11 a.m., 360 Merrimack Street, Building 5, Lawrence; Chris Costello 978-683-7747, Ext. 423.

Caregivers support group, offering comfort and support for those caring for aging or chronically ill loved one, meets second and fourth Wednesday of the month, 7-8:30 p.m., Merrimack Valley Hospital, in the hospital atrium; Janice Hrenko 1-800-892-0890.

### Chronic disease

Chronic disease self management is for anyone living with an

ongoing medical condition such as arthritis, asthma, cancer, chronic back pain, chronic fatigue syndrome, diabetes, fibromyalgia, heart disease, high blood pressure, lupus, Parkinson's disease or stroke. Sponsored by Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley and Lowell General Hospital. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 1 to 2 p.m. in Hanchett Auditorium. For more information, call 978-937-6038.

### Diabetes

Diabetes support group meetings: third Wednesday of the month, 7-8:30 p.m., Mary Breen 603-898-5023.

### Down syndrome

"Celebrating Our Special Gifts," a Down syndrome LGH Support Group provides support and education for the parents of children with Down syndrome. Parents encourage and strengthen each other, sharing experiences, knowledge and understanding, to enrich the lives of their children so they may reach their fullest potential. Meets the third Monday of each month, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Clark Auditorium at Lowell General Hospital. Parents of children of all ages are invited. (Children wel-

come.) For information, call group leader Linda at 978-459-6854.

### Cancer

LGH Cancer Support Groups provide support and education for those living with cancer and for their families. LGH also has support groups for children and teens that have a family member affected by cancer. For information, call 978-937-6142 (for adult groups) or 978-937-6129 (for children's groups).

Cancer support group, for people who have cancer and their loved ones, offered by Winchester Hospital Oncology Services, 88 Montvale Ave., Stoneham; 781-756-4760.

Cancer support group, WE CARE, meets the first and third Tuesday of every month, 5:30—7:30 p.m. in the Merrimack Valley Hospital atrium in Haverhill; group offers support for patients with cancer, and their family and friends; Becky Sweeney, director, case management 978-521-3651.

Cancer support group, for people who have cancer and their loved ones, offered by Winchester Hospital Oncology Services, 88 Montvale Ave., Stoneham; 781-756-4760.

Prostate cancer support group, meets third Wednesday of each month, 7 p.m., Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center Auditorium, 70 East St., Methuen; Ron L'Heureux 978-687-0156, Ext. 2021.

### Gay/lesbian

PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), Merrimack Valley Chapter, providing support, education, and advocacy, meets the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover, 6 Locke St., Andover. Co-facilitators are Bob Zimmerman and Rev. Ralph Galen. Call 978-475-4454, or send an e-mail to PFLAGinAndover-MA@aol.com.

## Heroes show independent spirit, courage

Our heroes this week are responsible for making July 4 a big bang holiday.

They are our country's founders. America wasn't always a country. People living in the 13 colonies were British subjects under England's King George III. They didn't have many rights and liberties. They were unhappy with the way they were being treated.

In 1774, the 13 colonies sent delegates to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The gathering was the First Continental Congress. The people wanted changes but were not ready to go to war with the British.

Things did not improve over the next two years.

In May of 1776, the colonies sent delegates for a Second Continental Congress. The delegates agreed that their differences with England could not be worked out.

Delegates selected five people to draft a Declaration of Independence: Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Robert R. Livingston and Roger Sherman. The committee asked Jefferson to write the original draft.

Just 17 days later, the draft was presented to the Congress. Congress debated the declaration on July 3 and 4 and made several changes.

On July 4, the declaration was approved. The United States of America was born!

John Hancock, president of the Continental Congress, was the first person to sign the Declaration of Independence. Historians noted that he signed "with a great flourish" so "King George can read that without spectacles" (his glasses).

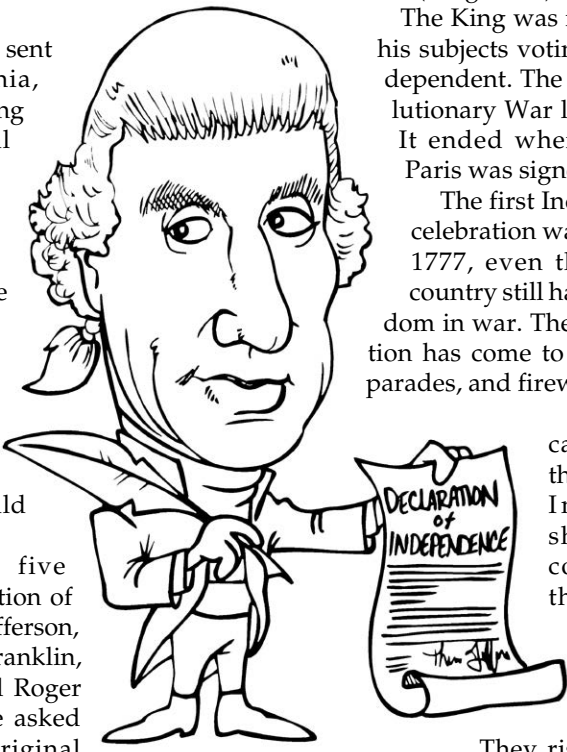
The King was not happy about his subjects voting to become independent. The American Revolutionary War lasted until 1783. It ended when the Treaty of Paris was signed.

The first Independence Day celebration was held on July 4, 1777, even though the new country still had to win its freedom in war. The annual celebration has come to include picnics, parades, and fireworks.

The 56 Americans who signed the Declaration of Independence showed heroic courage. What they did was an act of treason against Britain, punishable by death. They risked their lives.

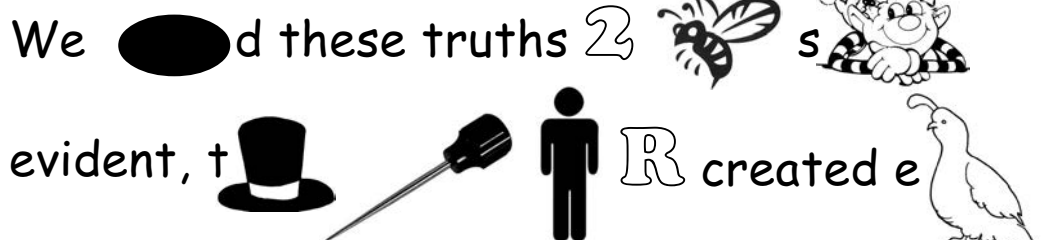
Several were killed for taking part in the revolution.

We thank our heroes for giving us a free and independent America.



### Independence Rebus

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LOST!!!! CAT Grey and white spotted female. No tags, shy, answers to Kimbers. She is an indoor cat, 6 years old. Please help find her!! Heather 781-309-8058

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MISSING CAT, small black & white, pregnant, could be found in Gloucester or Rock-Regue. (978) 282-1837, Feline Rescue.

MISSING since 6/5/08. Gray/Silver male Neutered/De-clawed cat. Right ear a bend to it. His name is Tiggy. Quail Hill Area of Derry NH. PLEASE call if you have seen him. (603)247-7820 or (603)247-7771. We miss him very much.

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## Champagne wishes



Courtesy photo  
Being a professional photographer isn't all fun and games. Andover resident and professional photographer Winslow Townson tasted – or at least absorbed – champagne along with the NBA Champion Celtics, as this photo shows. "I'm sending (Kevin) Garnett the laundry bill," he joked in an e-mail to friends.

## TOWN TALK

### Home on the move

A Salem Street house will be given a new home on High Street next weekend. Selectmen unanimously approved (3-0) a plan by Michael Ristuccia to move the structure currently at 120 Salem St. to the rear of 33 High St. on July 13. A rain date for the proposal is slated for July 20. The plan will temporarily close portions of Salem, South Main and High streets and cause traffic detours along Route 28. To avoid damage to overhead utility wires, Ristuccia said the roof of the home will be removed. Ristuccia also said he would be providing the needed insurance for the town. "The move should be one that's hopefully uneventful," Ristuccia told selectmen on June 30. Ristuccia said the home's footprint is 22 by 34 feet. "It's a good fit," said Ristuccia of the move to 33 High St. "It's a good, affordable house for somebody to come to town and live downtown." — *Brian Messenger*

### AHS football coaches remain

Amid rumors in late June that one or more of Andover High School's assistant football coaches planned to resign, Andover High football head coach Ken Maglio has stated that all four varsity and junior varsity assistants will remain with the team this fall. In mid-June an assistant coach sent a letter of resignation to co-Athletic Direc-

tor Brian McNally through e-mail, McNally confirmed. But after a staff meeting, Maglio said it was determined that the coach would stay with the team.

McNally said all paid football coaches work under one-year agreements for the athletic department. Assistant coaches for the Andover High varsity and junior varsity football teams were paid \$4,700 last season. Along with volunteer coaches, two assistant coaches for the freshman football team work under Maglio. One of the freshman team assistants will not coach for Andover High School next season, McNally said. Maglio said the coach's decision is for personal reasons. — *Brian Messenger*

### Ciao from Venice!

Addison Gallery Director Brian Allen spoke to a Townsman reporter for the page one story about the museum's anticipated closure and renovation via cell phone from Venice, Italy. Allen was in Venice for the installation and opening of the show "Coming of Age: American Art 1850s to 1950s" at the Peggy Guggenheim Collection, to which the Addison sent 70 paintings and sculptures. The exhibit runs through October. The cell phone conversation with Allen was probably the first time an Andover Townsman interview was conducted in St. Mark's Square in Venice, overlooking the city's famed canals. — *Bethany Bray*

### Wednesday grill nights begin

Outdoor grill nights at the Andover Senior Center will be held on Wednesday evenings on the outdoor patio from 5 to 7 beginning July 9. Burgers, hot dogs and chicken will be available each night, along with weekly specials like shrimp or steak tips. Dinner costs range from \$4 to \$8 and include side dishes, dessert and beverages. Advance reservations and payment are necessary. Menus are available at the center.

### 'We love you Conrad, oh yes we do...'

Andover natives Corey Desjardins and Wendy Mellin have been cast in North Shore Music Theatre's summer musical, "Bye Bye Birdie." The show opens July 15 at the Beverly professional theater. "Bye Bye Birdie" revolves around rock 'n' roll superstar Conrad Birdie (loosely based on Elvis Presley), who, to the dismay of his adoring fans, is about to be drafted into the Army. Comic complications ensue when, as part of one last publicity stunt cooked up by his agent, he promises to give a goodbye kiss to one lucky girl from Sweet Apple, Ohio, on "The Ed Sullivan Show." Performances are July 15 through Aug. 3. For tickets or more information visit [www.nsmst.org](http://www.nsmst.org), call 978-232-7200 or stop by the theater at 62 Dunham Road, Beverly.

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