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Brian Allen, above, Director of the Addison Gallery of American Art, gives a tour of the empty interior of the gallery. Allen recently handed over the keys, below, of the gallery to Jennifer Greene Smith and Paul Magee, of Shawmut Design and Construction, to begin a \$30 million restoration.

## TURNING OUT THE LIGHTS

### \$30 million job underway at Addison Gallery

BY NEIL FATER  
STAFF WRITER

The walls inside the Addison Gallery of American Art have supported some of America's greatest paintings and photographs. This week, some of these walls will come down.

The \$30 million renovation and expansion of Addison Gallery on the Phillips Academy campus is underway. The work will bring areas such as the museum's entryway rotunda back to their original state.

"When we reopen, I think people will see it as one of the great museum spaces in America. It's small, but because it's small doesn't mean it's not sublime," Museum Director Brian Allen said Thursday, July 31, standing in the rotunda minutes after he turned over the Addison's keys to the construction crew.

Following the brief key ceremony,

Allen conducted a final tour of the building. Workers already had used orange spraypaint to write the words "DEMO" and "strip carpet" on walls and floor coverings. Many of these marked areas will be removed this week and next.

Shortly thereafter, workers will demolish the barely used courtyard to the left of the building's entrance, according to Jennifer Bentley, communications manager for the contractor, Shawmut Design and Construction.

In this former courtyard area will rise the museum's new addition, including the Museum Learning Center.

By the late winter of 2010 the entire project will be complete, adding the learning center, an expanded library and new office space.

The Addison opened in 1931 thanks to the philanthropy of Thomas Cochran. Over the years, small portions of its exhibition

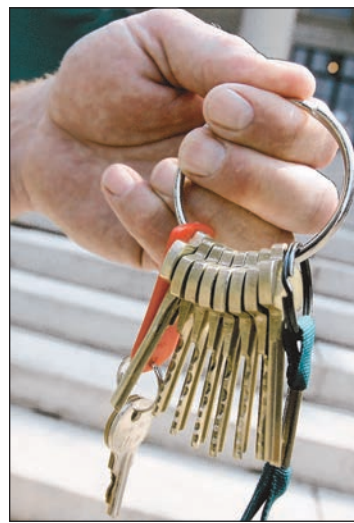
space have been cannibalized to add office space and other areas necessary to operate a modern, growing museum.

Workers will restore the exhibition space, update the building's climate control and wiring, and create enough storage to allow all of the Addison's collections to be stored on site.

As part of the \$30 million project, the Addison's endowment will be further strengthened, allowing the Addison to hire positions such as another outreach coordinator to build relationships with teachers in local schools, including the Andover Public Schools, Allen said.

Because the education areas will be directly above the storage areas, those studying art will be able to see pieces in which they are interested practically on demand.

"If a classroom teacher thinks, right in the middle of class, 'I want to see that watercolor,' it could be brought up in three min-



utes," said Allen.

#### Hidden gains

Some of the benefits to the project will not be obvious to the eye, but Allen said they will increase the museum experience for visitors.

Currently, much of the Addi-

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## Landfill recap still two-plus years away

BY BRIAN MESSENGER  
STAFF WRITER

It could be close to two and a half years before work begins on the Ledge Road landfill recapping project.

Engineers hired by the town have informed state environmental officials that a construction contract for the multimillion-dollar recapping project will be awarded no later than Jan. 1, 2011, according to a "Conceptual Closure Plan" submitted last month to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

The plan also states that a report certifying the completion of construction will be issued no later than Oct. 1, 2012.

MassDEP must still review and approve the closure plan, which was received July 24, less than three months after Town Meeting approved \$7.4 million for the project. Previous project appropriations also total roughly \$3 million.

Under orders from the state, the town must recap all 23 acres of the former Ledge Road landfill, now home to the Deyermont Field complex and a municipal public works storage facility.

The deadline for awarding the recapping project's construction contract is one year later than town officials had anticipated earlier this year, according to Public Works Director Jack Petkus.

"It actually works to the town's benefit," said Petkus. "It gives us additional time to get the ball fields relocated."

Petkus said it should take several months for a contractor to

#### PROPOSED DEADLINES

- Further arsenic results: Aug. 13
- Construction contract award: Jan. 1, 2011
- Certification report upon completion: Oct. 1, 2012

begin work after being awarded a contract.

Once underway, Petkus estimated that the recapping project should take between a year to a year and a half to complete.

The town will also hold off another year before enrolling in a low-interest state loan program, with which it planned to fund the recapping project. Andover will resubmit its bid for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan in 2009.

"We're not going to be able to have a design prepared in time to meet the requirements of the SRF," said Petkus. "We're submitting an application right now for next year."

Petkus said he is confident about the town's chances for approval next year under the loan program.

"I think we're in good position," said Petkus, who formally withdrew the town's 2008 application on July 28.

Delays to both the loan application and the anticipated Jan. 1, 2011, construction award deadline are due to the ongoing investigation into the extent of arsenic contamination in land west of the landfill, Petkus said.

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## Moderator may bring balance to budget talks

BY BRIAN MESSENGER  
STAFF WRITER

Selectmen, school and finance officials are considering using an independent meeting facilitator or moderator to help put last year's contentious budget talks behind them and achieve a "fresh start."

The idea of using an impartial Andover resident to help guide the fiscal year 2010 budget-planning process has been brought up over the summer at multiple selectmen and Finance Committee meetings.

School Committee Chairwoman Deb Silberstein says it is time to begin determining whether a tri-board facilitator

could help officials set and achieve budget-planning goals and adhere to meeting agendas.

"We might want to start to explore that," Silberstein said. "It's an option. It's not worth ruling out at this point."

On July 31, Silberstein, Selectmen Chairman Ted Teichert and Finance Committee Chairwoman Joanne Marden met to discuss a preliminary plan for next year's budget process.

The first tri-board meeting will likely be held in September, according to Teichert.

"I think the biggest thing going into that first meeting is to go in with the attitude that this is a

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## Metlife bails out Binney Street

BY BRIAN MESSENGER  
STAFF WRITER

With the return of rainy weather Aug. 3, so too came fear and anxiety for Cindy DiStefano.

"The thunder came," DiStefano said. "It was just such a horrible feeling. It was a feeling of fear."

Two weeks have passed since the DiStefanos and their neighbors were flooded out of their Binney Street homes on July 24, when a nearby catch basin and culvert system running below Interstate 495 was apparently blocked by debris during heavy rains.

The three families affected by the flooding — residents of 8, 10 and 12 Binney St. — now know they'll be covered by insurance company MetLife. The families were initially told they'd be denied because they didn't have flood insurance.

DiStefano said she is hopeful MetLife will cover both her family's damages and emergency living expenses.

"We have to work out the particulars," DiStefano said. "You never can recoup your total loss in a disaster like this. You just can't replace everything."



Courtesy photo

Water engulfed the DiStefano's basement at 12 Binney Street on July 24.

DiStefano said she was informed by an insurance adjuster this week that it could be up to six months before her family is able to return home. The DiStefanos are living at a friend's rental property in Lawrence, she said.

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# Town saves on insurance

Buzz Stapczynski, Andover Town Manager, has recently received notice that a \$30,182 insurance premium credit has been awarded to Andover by MIIA (Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association) for their proactive loss prevention and risk management activities, according to a release from the town.

The MIIA Rewards Program helps members reduce insurance premiums.

"This innovative program provides a financial incentive for cities and towns to actively manage their risks," says Stanley Corcoran, executive vice president of MIIA. By educating decision makers and eliminating hazards, towns not only earn credits in the short term, but also help to control insurance costs over the long

term. Reducing the costs of claims means lower insurance costs. In Andover, the cumulative efforts of the past 5 years have lowered the town's insurance costs by \$141,850.

Credits are earned through participation in various MIIA training activities, implementing important loss prevention measures, and instituting key management policies, practices, and procedures that strive to reduce injuries, accidents, property damage, and lawsuits.

Participation in the program is voluntary; however Andover officials and employees took the extra steps to meet program requirements leading to lowering the town's insurance costs, according to the release.

## CORRECTION

Megan Quinn, who was in sixth grade at Doherty Middle School last school year, should have been included on the recently published list of Doherty Middle School students

who earned Presidential status in the Presidential Fitness Test for 2007-08.

Due to incomplete information provided by the school, her name was left off.

# GALLERY: Renovated building will reopen in 2010

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son's collection is stored off-site, because it has grown from around 600 objects back in 1931 to about 16,000 objects today.

"It's a tragedy because when something is stored off site: out of sight, out of mind," Allen said. "It's not accessible to the public if it's stored miles away."

The additional storage space will not only allow the Addison to keep its entire collection at the museum and keep items accessible, but give it enough room to house its expanding collection. The new space should be sufficient for the next 25 years, assuming the Addison continues to add about 500 new objects annually, Allen said.

People will not see the updates to the heating, air conditioning and wiring, "but, especially in terms of lighting, the gallery experience will be better," Allen said.

The renovation of the space will be clear when the first people re-enter the building in 2010.

"The rotunda will be restored to its pristine state from the early '30s," Allen said of the museum's entryway.

The Venus sculpture by Paul Manship that greeted visitors in the rotunda has been sent to the Williamstown Art Conservation Center for work. The conservation center has helped conserve the Addison's collection for more than 25 years, preserving works by Winslow Homer, Thomas Eakins, Edward Hopper and James Whistler, among others.



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

During a tour of the building last Thursday, the day he turned over the keys to the construction crew, Allen said, "I feel like I'm at a pre-closing inspection."

The center will clean the Venus sculpture and correct minor cracks in its marble base. Most noticeably for even casual fans of art: when the Addison reopens in 2010, the sculpture's fountain will work again for the first time in years.

While Allen and others are looking forward to the improvements, they will miss the Addison while it is closed.

One Andover resident who often visits the museum came by for a parting look during its final days before closing.

"She came in and she was teary and she gave me a big hug. She said, 'I just had to make my last trip,'" Susan Faxon said. "We feel that way."

Back in January, Allen had wondered what it would be like to not have a ready supply of art for

the first time in his career. He now has his answer.

"It creates an emptiness because a big part of what I love about the Addison is the art, but it's also about working with people," Allen said.

In the museum space, Allen's office is right by the front door and rotunda, offering a great view of and chance to speak with people coming and going from the exhibits.

"Now," he said, "in my office, I'm looking at my brand new coffee maker."

But walking away from the Addison on July 31, Allen focused on the positives — the end results.

"It's a great day for us. It's a great day for Andover also, because we'll be able to do more," he said.

While the museum is now closed, its photography collection will still

be available to people locally, he said. The Addison is also continuing to loan its artwork to other museums.

When an exhibition of 70 of the Addison's most celebrated sculptures and paintings opened in Italy early this summer, it was the most well attended opening exhibit ever seen at the Peggy Guggenheim Collection in Venice, said Allen. The show is called Coming of Age: American Art 1850s to 1950s.

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# In Brief

## PAST & PRESENT



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**THEN:** The house at 269 North Main Street, built around 1905, is a Queen Anne style.



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**NOW:** The trees have grown considerably, but the house has undergone only minor changes, remaining true to its original style.

### NEWS CALENDAR

#### THURSDAY, AUG. 7

**I-93 Tri-Town Task Force**, Public Safety Center, 1 Adelaide St., Wilmington, Mass., 8 a.m.

**Zoning Board of Appeals** regular meeting and deliberations, Memorial Hall Library, the hall, 7 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, AUG. 9

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

#### MONDAY, AUG. 11

**Council on Aging subcommittee on Virtual Assisted Living**, Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., second-floor conference room A, 9 a.m.

**School Committee** executive session on bargaining strategy, School Administration Building, School Committee room, 5 p.m.

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

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

**Cultural Council**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, AUG. 12

**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.

#### MONDAY, AUG. 18

**Board of Health**, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., first-floor conference room, 6 to 9 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, AUG. 19

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

### QUOTE, UNQUOTE ...



"HEARING AIDS IS NOT A ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL business. There's so much technology now, and I really work to keep up with it ... that's what I bring to this business."  
— Wendy Ring, new owner of Amore Hearing Consultants.  
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"UNFORTUNATELY, ONE THING THAT HASN'T CHANGED IN 30 YEARS is the need to keep fighting cancer."

— Dave McGillivray, who celebrates his birthday by running as many miles as his age as a fundraiser, this year for the Jimmy Fund. See Townspeople, Page 11.

"SOCIALLY, I HAD MY FRIENDS, BUT they were my competitors. I couldn't trust my friends. I trusted my friends in Andover."

— Jaclyn Sweeney, who, at 14, left Andover High for IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla., to immerse herself in golf. See Sports, Page 15.



## Night work to be used to put construction on track

Workers will still be constructing new sidewalks in the downtown area into early October, according to the town.

As of Aug. 1, Main Street's sidewalk area is under major construction from Punchard Street (Ultimate Perk) to Chestnut Street (CVS).

"In the last two weeks, several setbacks and issues arose and were resolved (e.g. procuring the correct sidewalk curbing, locating suitable locations for the new light poles, and accommodating the existing underground utilities)," and these delays will prolong the work, according to Lisa Schwarz, town planner. "Newport Construction will perform some nighttime work so that the downtown sidewalk work may be completed as soon as possible. Not all work will be done at night because there are many areas that require daytime light and specialty construction crews. Also, it is important that the work be doubled up, so that it can be

completed more rapidly."

Construction from Punchard Street (Andover Historical Society) to Chestnut Street (Gulf Service Station) began Monday night, Aug. 4 at 8 p.m.

From Monday, Aug. 4, to Friday, Aug. 15, both east and west sidewalks will be under construction. Shoppers should park on the side streets or in the Olde Andover Village Parking Lot.

During this phase of construction, residents will see the contractor grade the soil for even and accessible sidewalks, create new curb locations, install new granite curbing, pour new sidewalks and light pole foundations and upgrade drainage. The new light poles may also be installed and the old cobra head light poles removed.

It is anticipated that Chestnut Street to Elm Square (both eastern and western sides) will be combined and night work performed as well to complete as much as possible prior to Sept. 4, according to Schwarz.

## West Nile virus found in Eastern Massachusetts

BOSTON — The Massachusetts Department of Public Health announced today that West Nile virus has been found in mosquitoes in West Roxbury, Malden, Watertown, Barnstable and Raynham. West Nile virus has also been found in birds in Needham, Dedham and Sudbury, Whitman and Haverhill.

"We have been finding WNV in the Boston and MetroWest area pretty consistently now," said DPH State Epidemiologist Dr. Al DeMaria. "People should consider the virus as being established in these areas for the

summer. In addition, we are continuing to find virus in new areas; the warm, wet summer is continuing to support mosquito populations and allowing the virus to spread."

In 2007, there were six human cases of WNV in Massachusetts. While WNV can infect people of all ages, people over the age of 50 are at higher risk for severe disease. WNV is usually spread to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito.

Tips for preventing infection:

- Be aware of peak mosquito hours. The hours from dusk to

dawn are peak biting times for many mosquitoes. Consider rescheduling outdoor activities that occur during evening or early morning.

- Clothing can help reduce mosquito bites. Wearing long sleeves, long pants and socks when outdoors will help keep mosquitoes away from your skin.

- Apply insect repellent when outdoors. Use a repellent with DEET, permethrin, picaridin (KBR 3023), oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR3535 according to the instructions on the product label. DEET products should not be used on infants under 2 months of age and should be used in concentrations of 30 percent or less on older children. Oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under 3 years of age.

- Drain standing water. Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for

mosquitoes to breed by either draining or discarding items that hold water. Check rain gutters and drains. Empty any unused flowerpots and wading pools, and change water in birdbaths frequently.

- Install or repair screens. Keep mosquitoes outside by having tightly fitting screens on all windows and doors.

- Report dead birds. Dead crows or blue jays may be a sign that the virus is circulating among the birds and mosquitoes in your area. Call 1-866-MASS WNV to report a dead bird.

More information is available on the DPH Web site: [www.mass.gov/dph/wnv/wmv1.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dph/wnv/wmv1.htm). Information about WNV and eastern equine encephalitis is also available by calling the DPH recorded information line at 1-866-MASS-WNV (1-866-627-7968), or the Epidemiology Program at 617-983-6800.

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## BUDGET: Facilitator suggested to give 'fresh start' to process

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fresh start," Marden said. "To go into it with an attitude that we're not fighting last year's battle. ... We're starting over with a new look at the revenues and the expenditures and the needs of the community."

Marden said members of the three boards can work without a facilitator's help and still achieve collective goals.

"I'd say it's one of the issues that we'll be talking about," Marden said. "I'm not convinced that (a facilitator) is what we need."

Marden said she believes there is a willingness among board members to work together. Everyone's goal is to provide residents with the most services using limited dollars, she said.

"Saying that we need some kind of facilitator implies that the boards are coming in with different interests, and I don't think we are," Marden said. "I really believe that we can all work together. We shouldn't need a facilitator."

Selectman Mary Lyman said all three boards agree tri-board budget meetings must run better.

Lyman said at a selectmen's meeting in July that using a meeting facilitator would "make our process more effective and efficient." A facilitator would also add neutrality to the proceedings, she said.

"But if people feel they can do it without it, that's great," Lyman said. "I'm anxious to set up a more productive process."

A facilitator must have a sense of both "the politics and the substance of the budget issues," according to Finance Committee member Dick Howe.

"I think it can work, and I think the whole key is whether you can get a skilled facilitator to (run) the proceedings," Howe said. "By having someone who's responsible for agendas and process and keeping the ball moving, I think it could help."

Howe pointed to Dr. Howard Kassler, an Andover conservation commissioner and member of the town's employee health care task force, as an example of an effective meeting facilitator between town officials and union representatives.

"My impression," Howe said, "is that he is terrifically helpful in keeping people talking and keeping the proceedings moving."

"If we could find someone like that — in a community like Andover there are probably at least a half dozen others who have similar qualities and experience — then I think it could be helpful," Howe said.

The idea of using a facilitator for fiscal 2010 budget talks was brought up by first-year School Committee member Dennis Fargue during his 2008 campaign.

"I supported it," said Fargue. "I still think it's a good idea." Fargue said a facilitator could assist in setting clear goals and adhering to time lines during the budget-planning process.

"We've got to first define what we're doing and how we're going to move forward in the fall," Fargue said. "I'll ultimately decide at that point, but it's something I would certainly consider."

## Teamwork talk resurface; aim is to aid communications

This is not the first summer Andover officials have talked about teamwork and improving communication during the budget planning process. Similar comments were made after 2007 Town Meeting.

The difference this year, according to Selectman Mary Lyman, is a heightened level of frustration among board members after fiscal 2009 budget talks became increasingly strained in the months leading up to 2008 Town Meeting.

Whether or not a tri-board meeting facilitator is used during the fiscal year 2010 budget planning among selectmen and the School and Finance committees, Lyman said, she hopes a plan is put in place before discussions begin this fall.

"I don't want to wait until it's too late," Lyman said. "Townpeople are saying they can't watch us for another year of grinding away. There has to be a new way."

School Committee Chairwoman Deb Silberstein said the three boards must work to develop and meet shared goals.

"I'm predicting this year that we will have learned from our experiences last year and will make improvements," Silberstein said. "I would venture to say that everybody shares the goal of working together to bring forward a budget that everybody agrees on for the community to support. And that's significant."

Despite last year's difficulties, Finance Committee Chairwoman

Joanne Marden said the three boards successfully developed a long-term budget model that helped officials anticipate the town's projected revenue figures.

"At some point the working together fell apart," Marden said. "I think build on your successes. I think that's the way to move forward and work together."

One of the School Committee's stated goals for the upcoming year is to improve its working relationship with the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee. The committee's goals were discussed at a June 30 meeting.

"What we really need is to overcome the highly competitive aspect of our town and school budgets," School Committee member Dick Collins said. "Every year we have to fight for every penny in order to do what we want to do for our schools, and it's very difficult."

School Committee member Art Barber said he was proud of last year's operating budget approved by Town Meeting voters, but not satisfied with the process officials went through to achieve it.

"When the day is over, if we're not able to better work with the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen, we're just going to get into the same battle we got into last year," Barber said. "Anything we can do so that we can improve our relations with those two boards and the citizens should be our primary goal."



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It was once the town dump, and now its known as Deyermond Fields on Chandler Road. It's also part of the 23.8-acre Ledge Road landfill.

## LANDFILL: Final arsenic report due next week

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Next week, the state is anticipating a final report on arsenic soil samples taken over the last several months.

"The arsenic is the big issue right now," said Petkus. "You have to decide how to deal with it before you do anything. That's the big question mark."

According to the closure plan, the town formally withdrew a portion of its recapping plan from the MassDEP review process on Jan. 9 "to allow the arsenic investigation and consideration of remediation measures to progress."

An interim arsenic investigation report was later approved by the state in April, according to the closure plan. Remaining steps in the arsenic investigation include both human health and ecological risk assessments.

The monitoring of water, gas and air at the landfill is ongoing, according to the closure plan.

"Landfill gas will be sampled quarterly, whereas, surface water, ground water, and air will be sampled on a semi-annual basis," wrote the town-hired engineers.

Petkus said he did not know if waiting two years or more to cap the landfill would require more money.

Last year Andover officials cited the "significant increase in construction costs" of landfill recapping projects as a reason to modify the town's recapping plans, according to the closure plan.

The closure plan also states that the \$7.4 million appropriated at 2008 Town Meeting "should be sufficient to cap the entire 23 acre landfill as one construction project, thereby, eliminating the need for project phasing."

## Theater program links youth, elders

On Monday, Aug. 11, Atria Marland Place in Andover will host an intergenerational theater program called Acting Up and Out!

The program is a week-long acting workshop created and led by Robin Allison Lindahl, a professional actress, director and acting teacher with more than 20 years' experience in the industry. The workshop will combine the talents and perspectives of children and older adults, helping to bridge the generational gap.

"The program offers an opportunity to bring two generations to-

gether on stage, where they not only learn to act and build self-confidence, but they also learn from one another," said Lindahl.

Her desire to bring children and seniors together on stage stems from the strong relationships she's shared with her grandmother and her husband's father.

Acting Up and Out! is for students in grades 4 through 8 and costs \$100 for the week, Aug. 11-15 from 9 a.m. to noon. There is no cost for the seniors who attend. To register, call Robin Allison Lindahl at 978-794-3778.

## Green energy support welcomed by rep.

The House of Representatives on July 30 passed the Green Jobs Act, an omnibus legislation designed to grow green energy jobs in the economy of the future.

"We can no longer afford to consume 25 percent of the world's oil when we only make up 5 percent of the world's population," said State Rep. Barry R. Finegold (D-Andover), who urged his colleagues to pass the legislation in a speech on the floor of the House of Representa-

tives late Wednesday afternoon. "With oil hovering around \$150 per barrel, I hope to someday fuel up with hydrogen instead of gas at the pump."

Finegold introduced House Bill No. 2900 earlier this year, a measure that encourages research and development in hydrogen and fuel cell technology.

The Green Jobs Act, filed by House Speaker Salvatore F. DiMasi, allocates more than \$50 million to the creation of new jobs and revenue in the state's clean

energy industry. Among its provisions, the Green Jobs Act creates a \$25 million Clean Energy Seed Grant Program which will award grants from \$2 million to \$5 million per year to startups, a \$2.5 million Clean Energy Fellowship to give experienced Massachusetts entrepreneurs the energy training needed to enter the sector and a \$12.5 million Green Jobs initiative to coordinate workforce development efforts at local universities and community colleges.

"Massachusetts has always been a leader among the country's business and technology communities," said Finegold in a release. "With the passage of the Green Jobs Act, we are one step closer to becoming leaders in the global community." According to the New England Clean Energy Council, clean energy has now become the 10th largest industry sector in Massachusetts, with 14,500 jobs and growing at more than 20 percent a year.

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# Soaring skater



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Denis Bouzon, 11, of Andover takes a jump with style at Andover Skate Park on a sunny afternoon.

## ■ POLICE LOG

### ARRESTS

Tuesday, July 29 — At 7:12 p.m., Michael Desmarais, 23, of 111 Acton Road, Chelmsford, was arrested and charged with failure to wear a seat belt, no inspection/sticker, and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Wednesday, July 30 — At 4:06 p.m., Ralph Joyce, 31, of 104 Hawthorne Way, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

At 4:30 p.m., a 15-year-old male from Andover was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a household member.

Thursday, July 31 — At 1:01 p.m., Luis Acosta, 26, of 50 White St., Haverhill, was arrested and charged with unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, no inspection/sticker, and improper registration to avoid taxes/fees/premiums.

At 3:43 p.m., Heracio Guzman, 29, of 63 Tenney St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and a miscellaneous motor vehicle equipment violation.

Friday, Aug. 1 — At 10:05 p.m., Andrew Ferrier, 25, of 4 Ridge St., was arrested on warrant as a minor in possession of alcohol and for possession of a Class A substance.

Saturday, Aug. 2 — At 4:09 a.m., Rory Linn, 22, of 57 Stevens St., was arrested and charged with resisting arrest and lewd, wanton and lascivious conduct.

At 11:04 a.m., Chad Taylor, 23, of 10 Holly St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and an uninspected motor

vehicle. At 8:30 p.m., Shawn Hayes, 38, of 24 Railroad St., Methuen, was arrested and charged with operating under the influence of liquor.

At 10:27 p.m., William Harvey, 35, of 49 Lupine Road, was arrested and charged with a marked lanes violation, operating under the influence of liquor and an open container of liquor in a motor vehicle.

Sunday, Aug. 3 — At 11:14 a.m., Corey Brousseau, 33, of 158 Hampstead St., Methuen, was arrested and charged as a fugitive from justice without warrant, a red light violation, and the motor vehicle violation of giving a false name/address to police.

Monday, Aug. 4 — At 11:53 a.m., Gianina Rodriguez, 27, of 18 Hobson St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and an uninspected motor vehicle.

### INCIDENTS

Tuesday, July 29 — At 8:37 a.m., a noise complaint was received on Powers Road over loud music.

At 12:08 p.m., illegal dumping of grass clippings was reported in a William Street yard.

At 2:24 p.m., harassment was reported on Lowell Street.

At 10:21 p.m., a disorderly disturbance was reported on Red Spring Road. A gathering of kids kicking a soccer ball around at the rear parking lot of the football field were asked to leave.

Wednesday, July 30 — At 10:46 a.m., threatening text messages were reported on Dean Circle.

At 2:17 p.m., the owner of King Subs on Bartlett Street reported annoying phone calls.

At 2:44 p.m., police followed up

on a case of arson on South Main Street from several years ago.

At 3:45 p.m., a domestic dispute was reported.

At 4:58 p.m., three youths were reportedly on the train tracks behind Brickstone Square.

At 5:36 p.m., vandalism was reported on Smithshire Estates.

At 6:11 p.m., three people were reportedly spotted walking on the railroad tracks near the old Shawshen railroad stop.

Thursday, July 31 — At 8:43 a.m., a missing wallet was reported on Lowell Street near Haggetts Pond.

At 10:25 a.m., harassment was reported on Brickstone Square.

Friday, Aug. 1 — At 4:08 a.m., a noise complaint was received on Brundett Avenue. An officer reported that two employees of MKS Instruments were told to refrain from testing a gasoline-powered remote control car.

At 10:17 a.m., illegal dumping was reported on Walker Avenue.

At 6:09 p.m., vandalism to a sprinkler system was reported on Hazelwood Circle.

Saturday, Aug. 2 — At 10:29 a.m., mailbox vandalism was reported on Pendant Court.

At 11:13 a.m., a rock was reportedly thrown through a screen door on Center Street.

At 1:59 p.m., shoplifting was reported at the Andovers Gift Shop on Main Street.

At 6:35 p.m., a disorderly person was reported on a train and was removed on Andover Street.

At 10:07 p.m., an attempted suicide was reported on Brookside Drive.

Monday, Aug. 4 — At 11:39 a.m., fraud was reported on Salem Street.

### AUTO ACCIDENTS

Thursday, July 31 — At 4:12 p.m., a past hit-and-run accident was reported on River Road.

### AUTO INCIDENTS

Wednesday, July 30 — At 12:12 p.m., motor vehicle theft was reported on Windsor Street.

Monday, Aug. 4 — At 7:46 a.m., theft of a GPS unit from a motor vehicle was reported on Lowell Street.

### THEFTS

Tuesday, July 29 — At 11:19 a.m., theft of power tools was reported on Tantalion Road.

Friday, Aug. 1 — At 3:05 p.m., theft of an air welder was reported on Woburn Street.

Sunday, Aug. 3 — At 3:59 p.m., theft of money from a wallet was reported on Andover Street.

### BREAKS

Thursday, July 31 — At 10:12 a.m., breaking and entering was reported at Cassis Bistro on Post Office Avenue.

Saturday, Aug. 2 — At 11:06 a.m., breaking and entering was reported at a High Plain Road home.

— Compiled by Brian Messenger

# INSURANCE: Flooded Binney Street homes are covered

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DiStefano said the basement and first floor of her home have been gutted.

Kimberly Solt, a resident of 10 Binney St., said her family was still waiting on details from MetLife.

"We're obviously excited because we went from no coverage to now we're covered," Solt said. "We still need to sit with MetLife and see what that means. I'm still trying to find out what they'll cover."

Both DiStefano and Solt credited Sen. Sue Tucker and Rep. Barry Finegold with putting pressure on MetLife to reverse the company's initial stance that the families would not be covered under their homeowners insurance policies.

"They really went to bat for us," DiStefano said. "They worked on this every single day for us. It was daily communication, and they just went above and beyond."

Solt said she was told by the legislators that the effort to provide insurance coverage went as far as Gov. Deval Patrick's office.

"It worked," Tucker said. "They had denied it, but because of the nature of this incident and the losses and the terrible heartache, MetLife stepped up and agreed that they would take claims on these three homes."

Finegold, who owns a condominium in the Balmoral building in Shawsheen Square, said he became familiar with the effects of flooding and its aftermath when the area was inundated with water during the Mother's Day floods of 2006.

"I've seen it firsthand," Finegold said. "I'm familiar with floods, and I know the psychological impact and the monetary impact it has on people. It's tough. I saw that when I visited the (Binney Street) houses the next day."

"They've been through a lot," Finegold said. "That's why I was glad to see the insurance company do the right thing."

The state is continuing its investigation into what went wrong on Binney Street.

The Executive Office of Transportation, which oversees MassHighway, is looking at the drainage structures in the area where the flooding originated, office Spokesman Klark Jensen said.

With insurance coverage in place, DiStefano said Binney Street residents still want more answers.

"Now we need to go onto the next step, which is making sure this never happens again," she said.

Jessen said the state has received claims from Binney Street residents, which could result in further investigation.

Tucker said getting insurance coverage will prove to be a better option than filing a claim with the state.

Tucker said she planned to have a follow-up meeting with MassHighway in several weeks. "This can't happen again," Tucker said. "They have to maintain that culvert. The state's not off the hook."

Both Tucker and Finegold said they believe the flooding resulted from the culvert being blocked.

Solt said she hoped her family could move back into their home by Aug. 6. Her family room was gutted and the electrical wiring was replaced throughout the home, she said. The family's basement was also ruined.

"I'm still trying to pick up the pieces and put my house back together," Solt said. "Bottom line, this should have never happened. If they only listened to the little people."

DiStefano said Andover Youth Services and members of St. Augustine's Church, Free Christian Church and New England Bible Church all responded to Binney Street to help the residents affected.

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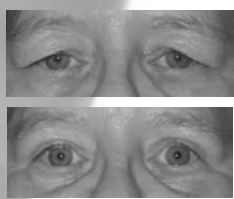
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# Education

## Grad prepares for life at the equator

BY SARAH HALLOWELL  
CONTRIBUTOR

When people graduate from college and start their first job, they might move to a new city or state.

Dan Jordan will head to a new country.

The recent University of Delaware graduate will leave Andover in a few weeks to teach English for a year in Ecuador through the WorldTeach program.

Jordan knew before he graduated that he wanted to do volunteer work somewhere abroad. He looked into the Peace Corps, but the time commitment was too long for him. After talking to Kathryn Martorana, another Andover resident and University of Delaware graduate, he decided he wanted to teach English abroad with the WorldTeach program. Martorana is teaching English in the African country of Namibia, also with WorldTeach.

Jordan is not a stranger to world travel. He studied abroad in college and has traveled all over. His travels have included several South American trips, which was one of the factors in his choosing Ecuador.

As a volunteer with WorldTeach, Jordan will receive a small stipend to cover living expenses, but he has to raise around \$5,000 to cover the program's fee, he said. To raise money, Dan organized a fundraising concert called Ecuafest on June 21 at the Essex Art Center in Lawrence. Several of the bands were local, including the Namechangers, Charlie the Dog and the Whale Watchers. Jordan asked for a \$20 donation and

raised about \$800.

"I've never put together a concert before," he said, but he thought it went pretty well.

Jordan doesn't know yet where or what his assignment will be. In applying to the program, he requested a city in the Andes region of Ecuador. He has visited the Amazon region of Peru; now he wants to be in a different part of the continent. He hopes to be assigned to a midsize city rather than to one of Ecuador's two largest cities, Guayaquil or Quito, or to a rural area. Jordan, who majored in English, said he will probably teach adult night classes or at a university.

He isn't fluent in Spanish, but that isn't bothering him.

"I'll have to pick it up when I get there," he said.

While teaching in Ecuador, Jordan will be living with an Ecuadorian host family.

"I've never done that," said Jordan. "It will be interesting." "You have to accept that not everything will be in your control," he said. Jordan noted that while in Peru, he found people to be more laid back than they were back home. He said that could be hard to adjust to while he is teaching.

He said his family has been really supportive. "They knew I wanted to do something like this," he said. "They are making plans to visit me already."

Jordan plans to submit articles about his experiences in Ecuador to the Townsman. He said he is also still looking for donations and can be reached via e-mail at danjordan@gmail.com.

## Andover schools plan open houses for fall

Although the last day of school was little over a month ago (45 days, to be exact), school staff and administration are already gearing up for the 2008-2009 school year. The first day of school for most students in Andover will be Thursday, Sept. 4.

Here is a list of upcoming open houses and student orientations at Andover schools. Contact your child's school for complete details. This listing includes every school that could be reached before Andover Townsman press deadline.

—Bethany Bray

### SHAWSHEEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal Moira O'Brien, 978-623-8850

Date of orientation/open house:

### ON CAMPUS

Jeanne M. Lothrop of Andover recently participated in the seventh annual Mount David Summit, a campuswide exposition of student academic work at Bates College. Sponsored by the Office of the Dean of the Faculty, the summit is designed to celebrate intellectual life at Bates. More than 300 students gave short talks and readings, screened videos, exhibited artwork and presented posters in disciplines ranging from biology to women and gender studies.

A dean's list student and a senior neuroscience major, Lothrop is a 2004 graduate of Andover High School and the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Lothrop. She spent her 2006 fall semester in Mombasa, Kenya, and participated in the 2008 Bates Career Discovery Internship Program.

Allison Lindsey Hyde and Kelly Rose McGowan of Andover have been named to the spring semester dean's list at Radford University.

Hyde, daughter of Kenneth R. Hyde of 19 Kirkland Drive, is a sophomore fashion major; and McGowan, of 22 Juniper Road, is a

Open house, Thursday, Sept. 25, 6 p.m.; PTO Harvest Fest family event Sunday afternoon, Sept. 28

### BANCROFT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Interim Principal Francine Goldstein, 978-623-8880

Date of orientation/open house: Open house for new families, Aug. 13, 9:30 a.m.

### HIGH PLAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Principal Brenda O'Brien, 978-623-8900

Date of orientation/open house: An open house for all new students will be held Aug. 13 at 1 p.m. On Aug. 21, The High Plain PTO will have an evening open house for all students and families. The event will have games,

activities and ice cream.

### SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Principal Colleen McBride, 978-623-8830

Date of orientation/open house: Thursday, Aug. 14, new family Popsicle night (a letter will be going out with details); Sept. 11, parent breakfast at 8:15 a.m., school-wide parent breakfast to meet the new principal

### WEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Principal Liz Roos, 978-623-8800

Date of orientation/open house: Orientation for new families, Wednesday, Aug. 27, 9 a.m. The principal and assistant principal will be doing story hours with students.

### WOOD HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Principal Patrick Bucco, 978-623-8925

Date of orientation/open house: Sixth-grade open house and orientation Friday, Aug. 22. The event will be an afternoon cookout, and a letter will be going home with details, Bucco said. Upperclassmen "student ambassadors" will be on hand to give tours of the school and answer questions.

### ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL

Principal Peter Anderson, 978-623-8632

Date of orientation/open house: Freshman orientation is Aug. 18, parents night is planned for Sept. 24

### SCHOLARS

Katherine A. Zimmerman of Phillips Academy, who lists her probable career field as economics, has been awarded a National Merit Battelle Scholarship. Battelle serves industry and government in the areas of technology development, laboratory management and technology commercialization. Battelle has operations at more than 100 locations and clients in 30 countries. "At Battelle, company officials believe that all students should be able to go as far in school, in college, and in a career as their ability

and talent will take them, and that a quality education prepares individuals to contribute effectively to their communities and workplaces," according to a release.

Laura Wareham of Andover was selected to the School of Engineering Dean's List for Fall, 2007 and Spring, 2008 at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Laura is the daughter of Lorraine Levinson and Tim Wareham. She is pursuing a degree in chemical engineering.

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# Business

## BUSINESS IN BRIEF

### RBC Dain Rauscher Foundation supports YMCA

With a \$5,000 grant from the RBC Dain Rauscher Foundation, the Merrimack Valley YMCA's Lawrence branch will be able to sustain its Junior and Teen Achievers Program.

This youth development program is targeted to teens, age 11 to 18, and focuses on career, academic, leadership and social development. The program strives to help youths improve academic skills, to achieve higher levels of school performance, to improve overall self-esteem and, ultimately, to prepare for college and future careers. This program will focus on mentoring, tutoring, promoting college awareness among parents and children, guest speakers, SAT preparation workshops, computer training, assistance with college research and college tours.

Tony Giordano, vice president, financial consultant and onsite manager of RBC Dain Rauscher in Andover, supported the YMCA's proposal. Giordano is a YMCA member and former member of the YMCA's Board of Directors and Finance Committee.

"The YMCA provides a critical role in the community helping youth reach their full potential. The YMCA's Junior and Teen Achiever Program is a great fit for RBC Dain Rauscher Foundation's commitment to programs that support culturally diverse community initiatives that foster economic independence, promote self-sufficiency and strengthen families. Over the years I have seen first-hand the great work of the Lawrence YMCA and can clearly appreciate the many benefits the YMCA provides to inner-city youth," said Giordano.

### Local nonprofit receives financial award

VNA of Middlesex-East was one of several local nonprofit organizations that received a financial award from TSB Charitable Foundation. The foundation, established in 1997 through an initial endowment of \$550,000 from the Savings Bank, recently presented a total of \$30,000 to 10 nonprofit organizations serving residents of Wakefield, Lynnfield and Andover.

VNA of Middlesex-East will use the funds to purchase hemostasis monitors. This equipment is used by visiting nurses to perform a simple blood test that measures a patient's coagulation ability.

"We are grateful to the TSB Charitable Foundation for this generous gift. It will help us provide the highest quality of care to our patients," said Merry Beth Rucker, VNA of Middlesex-East chief executive officer.

The Savings Bank is a mutual savings bank with eight offices, including one in Andover.

VNA of Middlesex-East and Visiting Nurse Hospice provides home health and hospice care in 18 Greater Boston communities, including Andover. In 2007, the agency made over 1,300 home visits to Andover residents, it said.

## New owner for hearing aid company

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

There's a new owner for a local hearing aid company that has a 50-plus year history in town.

A business mainstay, Amore Hearing Consultants at 11 Chestnut St. has been around since 1954. It was recently bought by a seasoned practitioner who brings 20 years of experience in the hearing aid and hearing health fields, Andover resident Wendy Ring.

The purchase happened July 1, and Ring has been handling hearing questions at her new location ever since. The business is now named Andover Hearing Center.

The name has changed, but not much else. Testing for an adult's hearing along with the sales and service for hearing aids continues to be the focus.

"Hearing aids is not a one-size-fits-all business," Ring said. "There's so much technology now and I really work to keep up with it ... that's what I bring to this business."

For several years, Ring has been working with people who suffer from hearing loss. She's familiar with a variety of patients, such as those who think they will never get used to a hearing aid but need one or someone who has tuned out when others point out there's a



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Wendy J. Ring, MS CC-A and audiologist, is the new owner of Amore Hearing and is ready to test client's hearing in the audio booth.

hearing problem.

"I really work with patients as individuals ... offering the advantages of state-of-the-art new products and how a product can help someone with a hearing loss is what matters most," she said.

Statistics show that some 30 million Americans suffer from hearing loss and that it's part of the aging process. Hearing loss usually

worsens over time, and fitted hearing aids can effectively help, Ring said.

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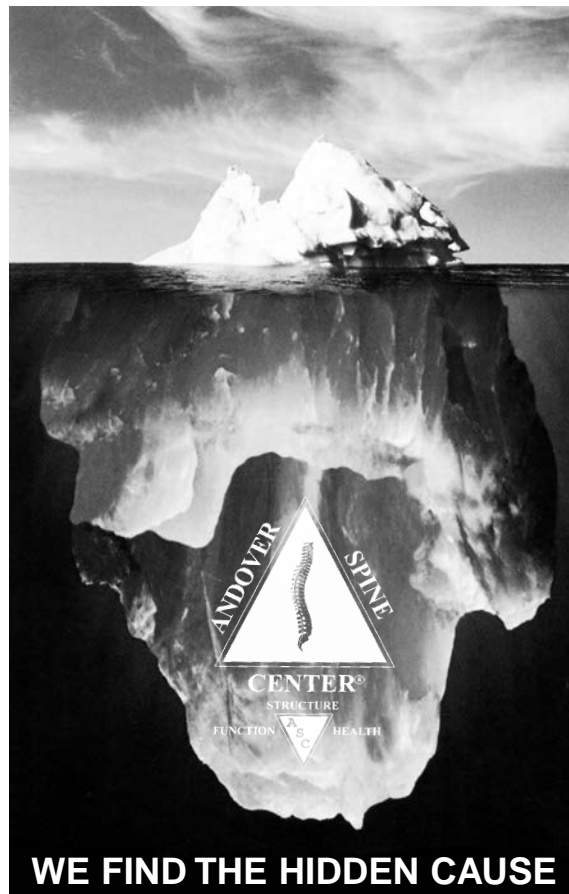
patients in nursing homes and those seeing hearing specialists in private practice.

Ring, who has a bachelor's degree in speech pathology and audiology and a master's degree in audiology from Ithaca College, formerly worked in a private practice hearing center in Haverhill. She has also worked for a large hearing aid manufacturer and for several ear, nose and throat specialists handling the hearing evaluations.

She is married to Kurt Ring, and they have two sons, Dylan, 12, and Trevor, 5, and a Wheaton terrier, Calvin. The family has lived in town for 14 years.

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# Obituaries

## Tony Furnari, 81

DRACUT — Tony Furnari, 81, a longtime Dracut resident, died peacefully Sunday evening, Aug. 3, 2008 at his home. He was the beloved husband for 58 years of Sarah R. (Kane) Furnari of Dracut.

Born in Andover on Feb. 24, 1927, he was a son of the late Salvatore and Rose (Cavallo) Furnari. He received his education in the Andover school system.

An honorably discharged veteran, he served his country during the Korean War as a sergeant in the United States Army.

Mr. Furnari was employed for

30 years by the former Prince Spaghetti in Lowell as an Engineer and Plant Foreman before retiring in 1987.

A self-made man, he enjoyed residential construction in his spare time and also time spent in the company of his family.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Rose and Frederick Pavelka of Dracut; one son and daughter-in-law, Tony and Dawn Furnari of Dracut; four grandchildren, Angela and Jennifer Pavelka and Michael and Stephanie Furnari; one great-granddaughter Hailey Madison Pavelka; one sister, Rose

Hurley of Andover; and several nieces and nephews. He was also the father of the late Samuel Furnari who predeceased him in 1995, and brother and brother-in-law of the late Alfred Furnari and Connie and Anthony Caruso.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Friends may call at **Dracut Funeral Home, 2159 Lakeview Ave., Dracut, on Wednesday from 4 until 8 p.m. His funeral will be held from the funeral home on Thursday at 9 a.m., followed by his funeral Mass to be celebrated at 10 a.m. in St. Michael's Church, Lowell. Interment in St. Joseph Cemetery, Chelmsford. To send an online condolence or for directions, please visit [www.dracutfuneralhome.com](http://www.dracutfuneralhome.com).**

## E.E. Hammond Jr., 86

BRUNSWICK, Maine — Edmond Emerson Hammond Jr., a resident of Brunswick, Maine, since 1987, and, starting in 1959, a MacMahan Island cottager who loved to sail Sheepscot Bay and the Gulf of Maine's bluewater, died peacefully Sunday, July 27, 2008, after a long decline. He was 86 years old.

Born and reared in Andover, Ted, as he was known to family and friends, was the second child of Theo (Betha Miller) and Ned (Edmond Emerson Hammond). Ted earned an MSc degree in mathematics at Brown University in 1949, then spent a few years teaching his favorite subject at Lakeside School in Seattle, a city he had come to know in 1946 after navigating the USS Gold Star to the nearby Bremerton Navy Yard from recently concluded hostilities in the Pacific.

In 1953, after ruling out a Navy career during a second stint of active duty, this time in the Mediterranean as navigator aboard the USS Baltimore, Ted accepted an instructorship at Phillips Academy in Andover, where, as a day student, Class of 1940, he had proved himself to be both a scholar (he graduated a member of Cum Laude) and an athlete (baseball his sport, first-base his position). Ted taught at Phillips Andover for 34 years, eventually heading its math department, co-authoring *Fields and Functions: A Course in Precalculus Mathematics (1970)*, giving courses also in physics and chemistry, playing his cello to elucidate difficult concepts for his students, as well as coaching track and baseball.

The American Mathematical Society and the Mathematical Association of America to which he belonged kept him current with theoretical and pedagogical advances in his field. *Time* (26 October 1962) saw fit to end its cover article on Phillips Andover with Ted's own words: "You can talk about money and prestige," says Science Teacher Hammond, "but the incentive at Andover is much bigger. Here we have the facilities to do our professional job the way it should be done. Here we have the joy of pure scholarly discussion. And those great kids—where can a man find students who are so electrifying? There lies the dream of the good teacher. There is the significance and the challenge here." Ted answered this challenge until his retirement from Phillips in 1987.

Following his accelerated graduation in 1943 from Haverford College, Class of 1944, where he had obtained both a BSc degree (Highest Honors) in chemistry and a place in the Phi Beta Kappa Society, Ted went to the California Institute of Technology to pursue graduate work in Chemistry under Linus Pauling. But the ongoing war drew him to the Naval Reserve in early 1944. His much adored Uncle Zach, eventually a Rear Admiral USN, had inclined him to "mess around in boats" by teaching a young Teddie how to sail and navigate in the Shawsheen's broad-

ening near Ballardvale. Ensign Hammond, after eight weeks' indoctrination in Tucson, Ariz., shipped out for Papua New Guinea and Milne Bay to await the orders that put him on the Gold Star as a deck officer. This cargo ship would supply the fleet that returned MacArthur and his troops to the Philippines. Seeing action en route, notably at Morotai Island, the Gold Star later supported the occupation of Japan, all with Ted aboard.

In retirement, Ted delighted in growing vegetables (he joined the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association; its Common Ground Fair became a highpoint in his year). His youthful advocacy of Koussevitsky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra, especially for their playing of Sibelius, broadened to include Portland's own orchestra, which he was pleased to attend regularly for a number of years (he also followed the Daponte String Quartet's arrival in Maine with special interest, even though he had long before put his cello in its case). Having helped to usher Phillips into the computer age, he remained fascinated with computing (Apple was his brand) and particularly with programming languages and relational database software (oddly, he never got the hang of e-mail and showed little interest in the Web).

Even as his world closed in, Ted rarely missed a game of his beloved Red Sox (NESN was the only reason he and his wife got cable TV; he judged 2004 a fine return on investment). Ted's prodigious intellect and command of English could intimidate even when he did not mean them to. If he had a real flaw, it was that he did not recognize the need to relieve his loved ones of the awe in which they held him. And many were the times that they were awestruck, as when he grew a field of wheat to get the grain he needed to improve the structure of the bread he was fond of making; or when he planted a small vineyard to get the grapes to make his own wine; or when he, ever the self-reliant Yankee, moved heavy boats, floats, and runways into place on MacMahan with jacks, inflatable rollers, timbers, a come-along and available family muscle while other cottagers opted to hire such service; or when he invariably brought Puffin, or Vector, or Mid-Watch out of a fog or a squall to its intended landfall; or when...

Ted's passing completes the void that has been growing in the lives of his survivors. They are Deena, his wife of 54 years, daughter Natalie, sons Matthew and Marc, stepsons Christopher and Eric, and grandchildren Roslyn, Hope, Hannah, Caitlin and Gardiner. No less at a loss is Laurie, his nurse and dear friend these past six years.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** E.E. Hammond Jr. will be interred Aug. 6, 2008 at Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover, alongside his mother, father, sister, a grandmother and a stepdaughter.

## L. Rose Ellis, 82



North Andover.

Recently widowed in March by

CRYSTAL RIVER, Fla. — L. Rose Ellis, 82, of Crystal River, Fla., formerly of Sudbury for 30 years, died Friday, July 25, 2008 in

the death of McGhee "Mac," husband of almost 66 years, Rose leaves daughters, Rosemary Ellis of Lowell and Beth Poulo and husband Louis of Andover. Her beloved grandchildren are Rebecca Poulo of Andover and David and wife Loren of Wilmington.

Rose was a devoted wife and mother, involved in scouting,

church and school activities.

A two-time cancer survivor, her strength and humor give her family lasting memories.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** A memorial service for Rose and Mac will be held Aug. 16 at the chapel of South Church in Andover. Donations may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA 01843.

## Florence C. Robertson, 88

ANDOVER — Florence C. (Connolly) Robertson, 88, of Andover, died Saturday, Aug. 2, 2008 at the Button Hill Center in North Andover. Florence was born in Andover on Aug. 19, 1919.

She worked as an inspector for the IRS.

Florence was a member of St. Augustine Church, Catholic Daughters, and Shawsheen Village Women's Club. Florence attended St. Augustine School and Andover public schools, graduating from Punchard High School. Following her graduation from

McIntosh Business School, she went to Washington for employment.

She is the widow of Harold G. Robertson. She leaves a daughter, Virginia Foulds and her husband David of Sunset Beach, N.C., two grandchildren, D. Boyd Foulds and his wife Angela of Pelham, N.H., Wendy L. Mathes and her husband David of Gary, N.C., five great-grandchildren, one cousin, Shirley Howe Kerlee of Salinas, Calif., several nieces and nephews. She was daughter of the late Thomas and Monica

(O'Brien) Connolly.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Relatives and friends were invited to a funeral Mass on Wednesday, Aug. 6, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St. Andover. Burial will be at St. Augustine Cemetery. Contributions may be made to the Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., Andover, MA 01810 for more information go to: [www.burkemaglioizzi.com](http://www.burkemaglioizzi.com). Burke-Maglioizzi Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover.

## Edward W. Stupack, 88

SANDWICH — Edward W. Stupack, 88, died on Tuesday, July 29, 2008 at his Sandwich, Mass. home.

He was the son of the late Andrew and Caroline (Galla) Stupack of Stratford, Conn. He leaves his wife, Louise Buck Stupack, to whom he was married for 54 years; two sons, David E. of Methuen, and Gregory W. of Pelham, N.H.; a daughter, Robin Ann Halverson, her husband, Erik; two grandchildren, Paul and Christina of West Linn, Ore.; and a niece, Barbara Tenk of Water-

bury, Conn.

Mr. Stupack was a graduate of Ohio University in Columbus, where he sang in the college band. He resided with his family in Andover, and was employed as Personnel Director of the Avco Corporation (now Textron) in Wilmington, for over 35 years.

He was active in Wilmington and Andover community organizations, including the Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club and the United Way. He loved golf and was a former member of Indian

Ridge Country Club in Andover. In his retirement he served at St. John's Church and the Sandwich Kiwanis Club.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Calling hours were held at St. John's Episcopal Church, 159 Main St., Sandwich, on Monday, Aug. 4, from 5 to 8 p.m., and a memorial service will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 5, at 11 a.m. at St. John's Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. John's Memorial Fund, or to Hospice of Cape Cod at 765 Attucks Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601. [www.nickersonbournefuneralhome.com](http://www.nickersonbournefuneralhome.com).

## Donna Lee Tzvetanov



HAMPTON, N.H. — Donna Lee (DeKavis) Tzvetanov passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, July 29, 2008 shortly after giving birth to twins at

Caritas Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

Donna Lee was the daughter of Francis DeKavis of Tewksbury, and the late Beatrice (Pelletier) DeKavis. She grew up in Andover and after graduating from the University of MA, Amherst, earned her law degree from Western New England Law School. She was a member of both the MA and NH Bar Associations.

Donna practiced law in the Hampton area for many years until becoming a mother. She was a wonderful wife, devoted mother, sweet and caring sister and daughter, fun-loving and trustworthy niece, cousin, friend and colleague who always looked for the good in everyone. Donna was immediately and forever loved by all who crossed her path because of her captivating smile, generosity, sense of humor and acceptance of all. She was a creative cook and was known for her excellent entertaining skills.

In addition to her father, Donna is survived by her husband and best friend, Dr. Tzvetanov, her children, Kristiana and Juliana, and newborn babies Alexander and Liliana, brother

Dr. Steven DeKavis of Tewksbury, in-laws, Boris and Ivanka Tzzonev of Bulgaria, aunts, uncles, cousins and countless friends. She will forever be cherished in their hearts.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Calling hours were on Friday, Aug. 1, in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton, N.H. A Mass of Christian burial was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 2, at St. Theresa Church, 815 Central Road, Rye, N.H. The family suggests memorial contributions be made in Donna's name to White Ribbon Alliance for Safe Motherhood, One Thomas Circle NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20005, Easter Seals of NH, 555 Auburn St., Manchester, NH 03103, or a charity of one's choice. [www.RemickGendron.com](http://www.RemickGendron.com).

### SENIOR NOTES

**Grill Nights:** Our outdoor grill nights will be held Wednesday evenings on the outdoor patio from 5 to 7 p.m. 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. In the event of inclement weather, grill nights will be held on Thursdays.

**The Power of Ritual:** Monday, Aug. 11, 18 and 25 at 1:30 p.m. Preregistration is required, the cost is \$10. Why are we all creatures of habit? This interdisciplinary course explores the power of ritual in our lives and communities. We will explore ritual behavior as it applies to sports, politics, religion, travel, etc. We'll be studying theoretical material that will help us better understand our individual and group experiences. Instructor will be Emily Kearns, Ph.D.

**"Remember When"?** Tuesday, 12 and 19 at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$10, preregistration is required. Join our instructors from the Andover Historical Society as they take us on a journey back in time to remember days spent downtown and relieve memories of school days. This interactive program will consist of lively talks, opportunities to look at newspapers, photographs and objects from days gone by, as well as a chance to learn some skills that will help preserve your treasured memorabilia.

**Lowell Spinners Baseball Game:** Thursday, Aug. 7. Leaving the center at 5:30 p.m. The Andover Firefighters Association is treating us to a night at the ball park. We still have a few tickets left, so

come on down and sign up to join us.

**Outdoor Adventures For Women:** Pre-registration necessary, Friday, Aug. 8 from 11 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Our hike leader will be Andy Menezes who will take us on a great walk on the Poms Pond and Fosters Pond area. Join us for a beach lunch first at 11:30 a.m. Bring your own or buy something there. We'll car pool from the center promptly at 11 a.m. Bring bug repellent and sun block.

**Patio Parties:** It's the "lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer". Join us for patio parties on selected Friday afternoons when we'll enjoy some treats as well as music by Ray LaFortune on Aug. 8 we'll be indulging in a "make your own" ice cream sundae bar. Advance tickets only, cost \$2.50.

**Spreadsheets and Mail Mergers:** Aug. 11, 12 and 13 from 1 to 2 p.m., the cost is \$15, advance registration required, limited spaces. This class is for the more advanced computer user. We will work on spreadsheets, develop and address book and turn it into a mail merger. We will also work on simple formulas to do a basic spreadsheet for your checkbook or household expenses. Bring a pencil and notebook to class.

**Seaside Sojourn:** Monday, Aug. 11 at 10 a.m., the cost is \$27. This trip will take us to the ocean vistas and estates of Rye, N.H., as well as the chance to view some of the oldest homes in America in New Castle. There will also be time to walk or sit on the beach. Lunch will be at Brown's in Seabrook, N.H., where we'll enjoy seafood in

the rough with a view of the salt marsh.

**Book Club:** Thursday, Aug. 14, 1:30 p.m. Come join us as we discuss the book "The Corrections" by Jonathan Franzen. Newcomers are welcome and books are available for check out right at the senior center.

**Hawaiian Luau:** Saturday, Aug. 16 at 6 p.m., advance tickets only \$12. Grab your lei's and aloha shirts and join us for a fun night of island cuisine along with entertainment by the Mai Tai Serranaders and the Polynesian Dance Company. The menu will consist of Polynesian roast pork, Hawaiian chicken, tropical fruit salad, island rice, grilled vegetables, beverages and dessert. Get a group of friends together and reserve a table for a fun night out.

**Exercise Registration:** Exercise registration for the fall semester will take place at the senior center the week of Aug. 18. This registration will be for both senior center and "Y" collaborative classes including men in motion, water workout, fit walk, senior spinning, cardio flex, Nordic walking, water yoga, women's strength training, low impact aerobics, tap dance, modified yoga and Sumbala dance aerobics. The fall semester will get underway right after Labor Day.

**Movie Matinee:** Monday, Aug. 18, 1 p.m. no charge. Come in where it's cool and join us for the movie, "The Bucket List". Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman star as two men who realize they have a long list of goals they wish to accomplish before they "kick the bucket". Forging an unlikely friendship

and with their checklist in hand, the two men hit the road to try and fit a lifetime of experience into their remaining days.

**Summer semester:** The summer semester of exercise classes will run through Aug. 22. A complete list of classes and cost is available at the center.

**Shingles vaccine:** The Andover health department has announced that it is the recipient of a generous grant from the Andover Home For Aged People. This money will allow the continued offering of the shingles vaccine Zostavax. The vaccine, at a cost of \$10, is available for Andover residents age 60 and older who have had chicken pox but never had shingles. For further information, contact the health department at 978-623-8295.

**Knit-Wits,** a new drop-in group for those who enjoy knitting, will be on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. Instruction will also be provided for those who would like to learn or improve their techniques. You can bring your own project, or if you'd like to knit for the senior center, we'll supply the yarn if you lend your expertise. Group leader is Sue Finn.

**A licensed massage therapist** will be on site every Monday morning for seated upper body chair massage. Therapeutic massage provides many health benefits including relaxation, improved circulation and joint mobility and improvement in muscular tension and body aches. Advance appointments are necessary and the reduced cost is \$12 for a 20-minute treatment.

### SUPPORT GROUPS

#### Grief and healing groups and workshops

Surviving a Loss is a one-time workshop offered the first Tuesday of every month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Meal and More, a social dinner program for anyone who has lost a loved one, meets the second Monday of every month, from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

All groups are free and meet at the center's offices at 78 Liberty St., Danvers, unless otherwise noted. Space is limited and advance registration is required. For more information or to sign up, call 978-774-5100, e-mail [grief@hns.org](mailto:grief@hns.org) or visit [www.griefandhealing.org](http://www.griefandhealing.org).

#### Blood pressure/stroke

Free clinic, first and third Friday each month, 12:30-1:30 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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### Diabetes

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



# Opinion

## All hands on deck to right budget ship

Every year, Andover leaders talk about meeting deadlines and working together to craft a compromise budget well in advance of Town Meeting. But quite often dates slip, tempers flare, discussions break down and last-minute agreements are needed to avoid a contentious budget fight on the Town Meeting floor.

Now there is discussion within the three boards of selectmen, School Committee and Finance Committee of using a "facilitator" to help guide meetings between the three and help them meet target dates for budget decisions.

Members of the selectmen, School Committee and Finance Committee say they can work together. They believe they can put the arguments of the past behind them. As elected and appointed officials, they must.

However, it may be time to try something new, to help the individuals on the boards move past the yearly issues. Perhaps neutral third-party guidance could give officials the nudge they need.

Yes, current officials should be able to craft budget compromises without such a person. That would be preferable, rather than injecting an unelected person at the center of the budget discussions. And any facilitator position should be a volunteer one, given the annual expectations that Andover could need to cut significantly from current services to avoid a Proposition 2 1/2 tax hike.

But if officials cannot keep their discussions productive, using a facilitator - a resident who has a background in mediation and who injects no opinion into the open process - may be better than enduring another year of last-minute decision making. It may be better than seeing arguments that pit employees and advocates of different town departments against one another.

The end result - a budget taxpayers and those who use town services can live with - is the important goal.

## The power of the individual (assessment)

School Committee members have formed their annual individual assessments of Superintendent Claudia Bach. These have been turned over to School Committee Chairwoman Deb Silberstein so that she can create a joint review. While such a summary of the committee's collective opinion may be helpful, it should serve as an addition to the individual evaluations in the public record, not as a substitute for them. The public deserves to know how each committee member views the direction of the system and the job its superintendent is doing.

It's been said here before, but it bears repeating: Hiring, reviewing and, if ever necessary, firing a school superintendent and town manager are among the most important jobs the School Committee and Board of Selectmen have, respectively.

Voters deserve to know the quality of the reviews and the opinions offered by the individual School Committee and Board of Selectmen members. Releasing individual reviews will allow voters to know which officials see things as they do. Who has priorities similar to their own? Who shares their opinion on what Andover does well and where it could use improvement?

Selectmen and School Committee members always should reveal their individual assessments not only to give the public a clear idea of how Andover's top two leaders are doing, but how its top elected officials are doing, too.

## FIRE UP



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Tina Solari of Andover, a volunteer at the Andover Senior Center, prepares hamburgers during Grill Night on the center's patio, held every Wednesday. Participants have their choice of burgers, hot dogs, grilled chicken, ribs or salmon, the price of which includes side dishes, dessert and beverages.

## The return of my favorite decade

Sue Tabb



Ah, the good old '80s. I just knew they would come back. I held out hope that my boxy blazer with the enormous shoulder pads would someday, in some way, be useful once again. Others doubted me, but I held strong, refusing to give up my "Flashdance" sweatshirt and

Reebok high tops.

Now I'm ready — are you?

According to Glamour magazine, the fashions of the 1980s are officially back, with all their neon radiance. So break out your leg warmers, acid washed jeans and Members Only jackets and get ready for some really big hair. I'm all set in that department since my hair has been freakishly large since about 1982. I think I've mentioned before that my husband often refers to my hairstyle as the "Nancy Bradford" ("Eight is Enough"). But really, who's laughing now? And where is my banana clip?

I remember the 80s so fondly because that was my decade. Those were the years I went to high school and college. Those were the years during which I had no financial obligations, no long-term commitments, really no purpose whatsoever — the good ol' days.

The problem I find with this most glorious resurgence is that it really only pertains to fashion. I want to bring back the movies and the fads and the carefree, e-mail free, cell

phone-free era. I want to watch "The Breakfast Club" and listen to a Duran Duran record on my stereo. I want to play Pac-Man and check my Swatch watch for the time, only to realize that I have no particular place to go. I want to ask "What you talkin' 'bout, Willis?" and "Where's the Beef?" and have someone's eyes light up when they make the connection. I want to try and solve the Rubik's Cube — not!

But it's only the clothes after all. I can don my Jordache jeans and plaid vest and sing karaoke to "Tainted Love," but it just won't be the same. You need everything else to make it authentic — you need the old Madonna, the new episodes of "Dynasty" and the fanatical hype that surrounded Luke and Laura's wedding on "GH." You need the brat pack and Princess Di and Bueller ... Bueller. ...

Oh, we can pretend that we're back, but are we really? It was only 20 years ago but a lifetime ago in terms of where we have been — the Cold War, the Challenger disaster, 9-11, the high-tech revolution. It's hard to bring something back in another context. It's like trying to recreate a honeymoon — you can go back to the same place but things look different when you are older, wiser (and a little 'thicker'). You just

aren't willing — or sometimes even capable of — doing the stupid stuff you did years ago.

It's a bitter sweet thing for me. And it might be difficult to even pull off the fashion at this point. I just don't look as good in leg warmers. And where will I wear my '80s outfits — to work? I can just imagine the look on my boss's face as I appear in my Madonna "Like a Virgin" getup. Or my kids' reaction when I pick them up from school in my Olivia Newton John "Let's Get Physical" outfit. They would never admit to knowing me, and for good reason.

So as much as I would like to embrace the comeback of my favorite decade, I am sorry to say that my participation will be superficial at best. I still look half-way decent in a snug-fitting pair of jeans, and I can probably pull off a bright-colored belt and some large hoop earrings. But I won't be wearing fingerless gloves and parachute pants, and I certainly don't intend to shoot for the Molly Ringwald look in "Sixteen Candles." It just can't be re-mastered.

But the hair — the hair I can do with pride. And I can still remember most of the lines from "When Harry Met Sally" ("Waiter, there is too much pepper on my paprikash, but I'd be proud to partake in your pecan pie") and all the words to Billy Joel's "We Didn't Start the Fire" ("Wheel of Fortune, Sally Ride, heavy metal, suicide...")

I am, like, so totally hipp.

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Sue Tabb's column, which has appeared in North Andover's Town Crossings newspaper, is joining the Townsman.

### ■ ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

#### 100 YEARS AGO: AUGUST 1908

#### "Letter to the Editor"

Editor, Townsman:  
I read a speech yesterday in a Boston paper. The speaker claimed that as much liquor was sold here in Maine as in states that are licensed and sell intoxicating drinks.

Now I have been in this state with headquarters at Old Orchard, for six weeks, have been through different towns and cities including the largest city in the state, have met thousands of people going to and fro from work and on pleasure also, but have not seen a person intoxicated or that I thought had been drinking.

Now strong drink is something that I would never take except for medical purposes, but I thought I would try and see if I could find it on sale. So far I have not been able to find so much as a glass of beer. I have no doubt it can be bought by those who know the ropes (as they say) but the question is, is it not better to have the sale of liquor in places known only to the initiated than to have it on sale in the open sight of everyone.  
— A Citizen of Andover

#### 75 YEARS AGO: AUGUST 1933

#### "Dogs Again Start Massacring Pigs"

The Beacon Street section of West Andover has again been

treated to another dog scare.

Saturday night, Nelson Bennis of 71 Water St., Lawrence, reported that a pig which he owned on the Gleason Farm on North Street, West Andover, was killed Saturday night. Several similar killings have taken place in the district during the past few months. Last week, a large police dog was captured in a barn and another dog escaped after being chased by farmers of the district who reported the animals were chasing a horse.

Wednesday morning a large police dog was fired at several times by Lawrence officers who responded to a telephone call from Napoleon Gingras of 107 Beacon St. about 3 a.m. stating that the pigs were squealing in a pen in the rear of the house. Captain Carl C. Kilpatrick and Officer Sullivan went to the scene. With the owner they went toward the rear of the barn and observed the police dog in the big pen. The officers fired at the animal and then to the fence and fired several other shots as the dog ran through a field and into the woods.

Eight pigs in the pen were badly cut up and had to be killed. The officers went to the Demars farm on Mount Vernon Street and found that the latter's dog was chained up in the yard but they saw another dog nearby that ran away soon as they approached. They learned that the dog was seen about the place during the evening.

#### 50 YEARS AGO: AUGUST 1958

#### "Editorial Thoughts: Mid-Year Out Look"

Andover, like other New England communities, reached the midsummer period with renewed confidence in matters economic. Business was on the upgrade as the year went into its second half.

The New England Council reported many favorable signs, although there were still some weak spots. ... On the whole, there was a new tone of optimism in the air. Everyone was facing the future with confidence. The recession seemed to have run its course.

#### 25 YEARS AGO: AUGUST 1983

#### "Andover Projects Get 'Out of a Pickle'"

The library addition and East Junior High renovation projects being done through private enterprise for tax credit is no longer "in a pickle."

Threatened by being exempted from the tax credit provisions which allow private industry to do the work and gain tax credits thus saving municipalities thousands of dollars in construction costs, the two Andover projects have been exempted from the law through the efforts of Congressman James Shannon and former Congressman Paul W. Cronin.

The bill, now making its way through the House, is called the "Pickle Bill" because its author is

Congressman John Pickle of Texas. It is aimed at exempting school, library or municipal construction from the tax credit provisions and carries a retroactive date of May 29, which would have an effect on the two Andover projects.

Town Manager Kenneth R. Mahony said this week that Congressman Shannon's office was very helpful in getting the provisions exempting the Andover projects inserted into the law. Also, former Congressman Cronin went to Washington last week to assist in the matter and came up with the wording which provided the adequate assistance.

Basically the new provisions exempt projects which have been planned or started prior to the May 29 date. Both the library addition, now in the planning stages following Town Meeting action in the spring, and the junior high renovations, started this past year, now fall into this category.

Mahony noted that the bill itself may be rejected by Congress, but having the safeguards there allows Andover to proceed with the construction and planning of the two projects.

As for the addition and renovations for Memorial Hall Library, Mahony said final design plans are due this month and following review, all developers interested in assuming the ownership and construction on the building will be invited to examine the plans and make proposals.

— Compiled by Sarah Hallowell

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# Students' collect their pennies to fight cancer

This year, students at three Andover schools saved pennies, dimes and other spare change from a life of exile in forgotten pants pockets and wishing wells — all to help find a cure for cancers.

Through the 2007-2008 school year, students at Wood Hill Middle School and Bancroft and Sanborn elementaries participated in the Pennies for Patients program, which raises money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Thousands of students across the country — including youngsters in Andover — raised \$19 million last year by collecting spare change to help fund cancer research and provide services to

patients and their families.

Through Pennies for Patients, Bancroft raised \$461.50 and Wood Hill raised \$605.99, said Randi O'Hara, campaign coordinator for the LLS. Figures for Sanborn were not available.

"Each spring thousands of students across the country learn about the value of community service while raising money to help find cures for leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma," wrote O'Hara in a press release.

In the program, top fundraising classrooms win prizes, including electronics, sports equipment or pizza parties.

Pennies for Patients is the LLS third-largest fundraiser. Since its inception, the program has

raised more than \$120 million through the dedication of millions of school children in the United States and Canada, say organizers.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, headquartered in White Plains, NY, with 68 chapters in the United States and Canada, is the world's largest voluntary health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research and providing education and patient services.

Founded in 1949, the LLS has a mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

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# No minor battle



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Andover Minor League Champs, the White Sox, back row, from left: Mimi Olney, Cameron Flowers, Zachary Barry, A.D. Sullivan, Bobby Dunagan, T. Kevin Zhao; center row: Cole Musto, Kevin Flowers (bat boy), Michael Konjoian, Anthony Christopher, Charlie Alagero; front row: Dillon Clancy, Max Galat; coach Greg Galat with Brian Barry and Steve Olney.

## Extra innings needed for Sox win

This year's Andover Minor League Championship game between the White Sox and the Rockies will go down as one of the more memorable — it went into extra innings. The game was neck and neck all along with only one- or two-run leads throughout the game, according to parents.

Parents reported that with the score 6-5 in the fifth, the Rockies tied the game with an inside-the-park home run. After a scoreless sixth inning, the

game was tied 6-6, so players entered extra innings.

Reaching deep into the pitching rotation, both teams pitched three innings of shutout ball with some great defensive plays. At the top of the ninth the White Sox scored when Mimi Olney tripled by hitting a shot into the gap in right center. A few pitches later, she ran home on a passed ball and the White Sox went ahead 7-6. They held off the Rockies in the bottom of the ninth for the win.

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## Beijing welcomes visitors for summer games

The summer games begin this week as the world's top athletes and spectators travel to Beijing, China.

The Kid looked at air flights to Beijing. The trip from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to Beijing would be about 6,812 miles. The flight would take about 20 hours and cost between \$2,000 and \$5,000.

Beijing is also known as Peking in English. The name means northern capital. It is the capital of the Peoples Republic of China.

With over 17 million people, it is China's second largest city. Beijing is the political, educational, and cultural center of China.

Shanghai is the largest city with over 18 million people. It is the business center.

Beijing is a major transportation center. Many international flights arrive each day.

The city is at the northern tip of the North China Plain. The mountains to the north and west shield the city and agricultural area from the encroaching desert.

Beijing has hot, humid summers and cold, dry winters. During the games, the high temperature should be about 85 degrees. The low temperatures at night will be about 69 degrees.

The Great Wall of China stretches across the northern part of Beijing.

Beijing has had growing pains during the

last years. Problems include rush hour traffic, air pollution, not enough housing, rising costs of electricity and poor water.

Organizers worried that the smog in Beijing would cause breathing problems for the athletes. The government promised to clean up the smog problem before the games.

Since 2001 the government has spent about \$17 billion to clean up the air.

Some factories have been closed for several months. Other factories have moved to other cities.

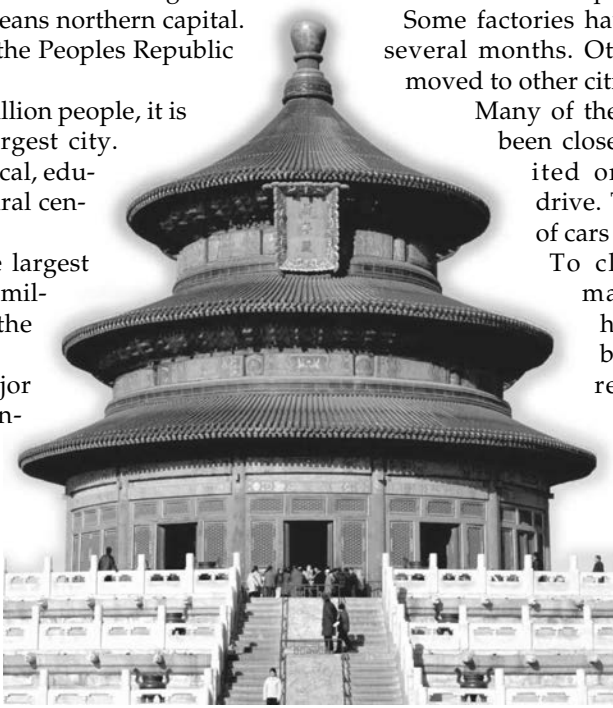
Many of the gas stations have been closed. People are limited on when they can drive. That will take a lot of cars off the road.

To clean up the city, many of the older housing areas have been torn down and replaced with new housing. Some of the citizens were unhappy about moving. However, the government owns the housing so people have little choice.

Beijing has many colleges and universities. Many international students come to study each year. Having people from other countries and cultures in their city will not be new to the citizens of Beijing.

The Kid hopes you will follow the news as Beijing welcomes the world to China.

Soccer matches begin Wednesday. Opening ceremonies are Friday evening (Aug. 8). Let the games begin!



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| 7. Shawn Johnson  | G. USA Womens Swimming     |

### The Temple of Heaven

The Hall of Prayer for Good Harvest (pictured) is part of the Temple of Heaven in Beijing. It was originally built in 1406. The hall was rebuilt in 1889 after a fire. The wood building is made without any nails.

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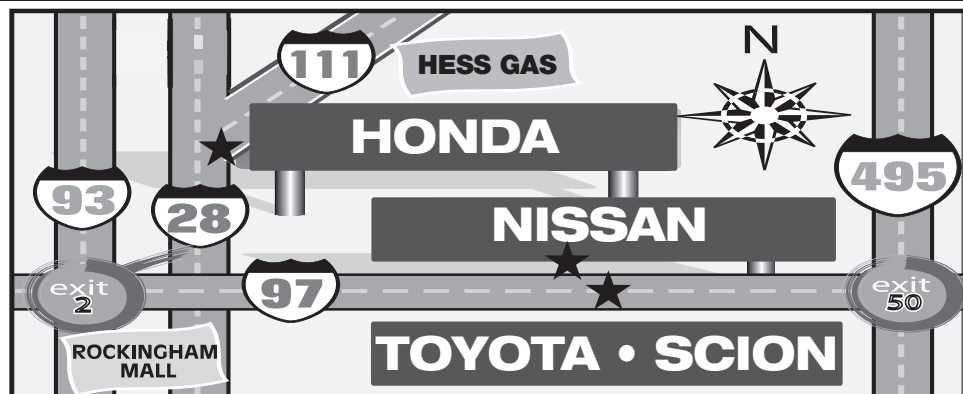
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# Townspeople



## GOING THE EXTRA MILE

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Dave McGillivray is race director for Andover's annual Feaster Five road race, but this time of year, running is all about his birthday run. He will run 54 miles in honor of his 54th birthday this year.

### More than 2 marathons for Feaster Five director's birthday run

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

It's been 30 years since the director of Andover's annual Feaster Five road race put on his racing sneakers and crossed the country as a way to help kids with cancer.

Dave McGillivray ran for 80 days across America — 3,452 miles — to benefit the Jimmy Fund, the fundraising arm of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

*“They ask me, ‘When will you stop this birthday run thing?’ ... I just don't have the answer.”*

Dave McGillivray

That historic run, in which he averaged 45 miles a day, started on June 11, 1978, and ended at Fenway Park on Aug. 29, 1978. Some 32,000 people cheered as McGillivray made his way across the finish line.

He's at it again. This time the distance may be much shorter, but the beneficiary is the same as the Jimmy Fund remains near and dear to this runner with a big heart.

For years, McGillivray, who is also

the race director for the Boston Marathon, has celebrated his birthday in true running style as he runs his age. This year he turns 54, so he's running 54 miles to celebrate. He is taking donations to the Jimmy Fund as the perfect gift from friends. And, he will once again cross a finish line at Fenway Park. He will be at Gate C at Fenway Park at around 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 14. The WEEI/NESN telethon to

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### Why Punchard changed its name

Bill Dalton



*Editor's note: This is the second of two columns on this subject.*

After 100 years of use, the name “Punchard High School” was dropped

by the School Committee in 1957. That fall a new high school had been completed and occupied on Shawsheen Road, and it was called “Andover High School.”

The first story I found about the name change was in the May 2, 1957, Townsman. The Trustees of the Punchard Trust had asked for reconsideration of the decision. The story said the School Committee decided “some time ago” on the name Andover High School, but it would consider a request by the Punchard Trustees to retain the name Punchard High School. The eight trustees called the name change a serious and regrettable mistake and said, “We believe that a town like Andover does not wish to forget its history.”

After the trustees made their presentation for reconsideration, the School Committee asked them to withdraw from the meeting. The decision by the School Committee was made in private session. (This was prior to the “Open Meeting Law” so it was legal to have secret meetings.)

The Townsman had not indicated when the School Committee would meet, nor did it send a reporter to the meeting. Its May 9, 1957, edition carried a brief Page One story. The headline was “Andover High School is Official Designation.” The reasons stated by the School Committee, according to Townsman, were that the new name “allows easier identification plus indicates the new structure is the effort of all the townspeople.”

The identification issue appears to be insignificant. Punchard had

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ROGER DARRIGRAND/Staff photo

Memorial Hall Library Volunteers Katie Knowles, 16, left, Talia Shumen, 12, Brad Lynn, 11, and Gracia Lei, 12, set up a booth to give away bookmarks they made in hopes of receiving donations for a Cedar Rapids flood relief fund.

### From the heart, to the heartland

#### Teen volunteers help flooded Iowa library

BY SARAH HALLOWELL  
CONTRIBUTOR

A torrential rainstorm didn't stop several Andover teenagers from visiting Memorial Hall Library last Thursday.

Unfortunately, their counterparts in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, don't have that option.

Even though the floodwaters that covered much of the Midwest in early summer have subsided, there is lasting damage to buildings like the Cedar Rapids Public

Library. The library's first floor, where the main collection was located, reportedly was submerged under 5 feet of water. A Cedar Rapids news station, KCRG, reported that two-thirds of the entire collection of books, movies and music has been completely lost and a mold problem is preventing cleanup.

To help, the Volunteers — a group of Andover teenagers who volunteer their time at Memorial Hall Library — have been collecting donations through their “Take

a Bookmark, Leave a Donation” campaign. Their efforts are a small piece of the aid that has been coming in from across the country to the Cedar Rapids Library Recovery Fund.

Teen librarians Kim Lynn and Clare Curran-Ball said the library staff had taken up a collection for the Cedar Rapids library, but thought the teenage volunteers might want to get involved.

Lynn and Curran-Ball said they then talked to the teens about a fundraiser and the teens came up

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### World War II vets reunite in town

BY BRIAN MESSENGER  
STAFF WRITER

It was early in the morning on the day after D-Day. Jim Maloney was shaving below deck of the USS Susan B. Anthony when the Navy transport ship struck a mine off the coast of Normandy, France.

“We were only a short way off the beach, Omaha Beach, maybe a couple of miles,” said Maloney, who now lives in Rhode Island. “I was thrown about 8 feet out of the men's room. I was kind of dazed for about a minute or two.”

The Susan B. Anthony would be completely underwater within an hour and a half after hitting the mine, but thanks to the assistance of several Navy destroyers and the USS Pinto, a Navy tug boat, not a single American serviceman was killed.

The several thousand Army troops destined for France were the first to leave the sinking ship, Maloney said.

Soon to follow, and without a moment to spare, was the ship's crew, Maloney said. “It was not five minutes before that ship sunk,” said Maloney. “And that was a sad, sad sight.”

Now more than 60 years removed from their wartime service, Maloney and other veterans of the USS Susan B. Anthony and USS Pinto will convene in Andover Aug. 8-11 for a reunion and

tours of Boston, Lexington and Concord.

Joining them will be members of the USS Mona Island, an engine repair ship serving in the Pacific during World War II.

“I look forward to it every year and every year there's fewer of us left because we're getting older,” said Maloney. “Most of us were 18 or 20 when this happened back in '44.”

More than 66 veterans and their family members are expected to come to the Wyndham Hotel for their 20th annual banquet on Aug. 11, according to Donna Rumrill, event organizer and daughter of Navy veteran George R. Kuhn.

“They're all so excited,” said Rumrill. “They're counting down the days. It should be a good time.”

Rumrill said the veterans are coming from across the country. Last year's reunion was held in Savannah, Ga.

“We're getting a chance to walk with history when we spend the weekend with them,” said Rumrill. “I can't explain it any other way.”

Rumrill and her brother Karl Kuhn Sr. said they help to organize the annual reunions as a way to remember both their father and their sister Debbie Provost, who passed away several years ago from brain cancer.

Their father, George Kuhn, a crew member of both the Susan B. Anthony and the Mona Island,

passed away in 2000.

“We still do it even though we lost our dad,” said Rumrill. “These men are just incredible. Their stories, meeting their families; it's just one big family. We send them Christmas cards.”

Added Karl Kuhn Sr., “These guys get so charged up for it. When they see each other, it's like they're brothers.”

Regardless of the ship they served on, Rumrill said World War II veterans share a common bond.

For William Meroff, 91, a Navy electrician on the Mona Island, this will be his first reunion with the veterans.

“It's been quite a while,” said Meroff, who now lives in Lisbon, Maine.

Meroff said he hopes to talk about “old times” with the veterans.

Meroff said he also participated in a ship rescue in the Pacific Ocean while battling a typhoon.

“It was something out of TV, which we didn't have back then,” said Meroff. “It was dramatic, I'd say, looking back, because the typhoon storm was going. We weren't in good shape ourselves.”

“When they were found it was a thrill to be able to do it,” said Meroff. “One by one, we pulled them over. We saved the whole crew, including their dog. They were quite grateful.”

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# VOLUNTEERS: Popular library program

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with the bookmark idea. The students made the bookmarks and signs and have been sitting at tables in the library.

Since the library can't "sell" the bookmarks, the teens have been asking patrons to make a small donation and then take one of the handmade bookmarks. Donations have ranged from quarters to a \$5 bill. The teens had raised more than \$200 as of last week with the fundraiser planned to continue for at least another week.

"It's been a nice lesson for them," said Lynn. The VolunTeen program, in its fourth year, has about 54 students ranging from sixth through 12th grade. To become a VolunTeen, students need to apply and both Lynn and Curran-Ball said that they usually have to turn kids away; the program has become that popular.

Teens must commit four weeks and volunteer at least 10 hours over the entire summer. Some of the jobs for teens have ranged from decorating the Teen Room to picking out books for the summer reading lists.

The teens themselves have different reasons for wanting to join the VolunTeens.

VolunTeen Cassie Coravos said she applied to the program because she wanted "something to do for the summer."

Devika Ranjan has been waiting all year to become a VolunTeen. "I'm always in the library," she said. "Last summer I saw a bunch of VolunTeen kids



ROGER DARRIGRAND/Staff photo

The teens will be set up at the library in the afternoons for another week.

in the library. I wanted to do it this summer."

Lynn and Curran-Ball have been trying to make the library more teen friendly with the Teen Room. The Teen Room recently received a \$20,000 grant from the Library Services and Technology Act to be used for decorations and furniture, including some comfy reading chairs.

"We've been very lucky," said Curran-Ball. There is more than book discussion on the Teen Room's calendar. Other activities include crafts, film nights, taste-offs, anime club and a "Guitar Hero" competition.

For more information about the VolunTeens and other Teen Room activities, visit teens.mhl.org.

# RUNNING: Donating to Jimmy Fund

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raise money for the Jimmy Fund will be broadcasting live from Fenway at that time.

His 54-mile birthday run starts at the finish line of the Boston Marathon on Boylston Street, then he goes to the start of that marathon in Hopkinton, turns around and runs back to the finish line. Then he will run into Fenway Park.

"Panatical, perhaps," he said of this unique birthday ritual, "but work still needs to be done in cancer research.

"Unfortunately, one thing that hasn't changed in 30 years is the need to keep fighting cancer."

Friends are wondering why McGillivray would subject himself to a birthday run that is the equivalent of two marathons and some

change. After all, it's a run that gets bigger by a mile every year.

"They ask me, 'When will you stop this birthday run thing?' ... I just don't have the answer," said McGillivray.

It's a running ritual that started when McGillivray was just 12 years old. Back then, he faithfully ran on his actual birthday, which is Aug. 22. Now the responsibilities of being an adult with a busy work schedule have meant he has to run as close to his birthday as he can get. And for the past 42 years, he has not missed a single birthday run.

"It's a personal challenge, a goal, a target for me," said McGillivray, who lives in North Andover with his wife, Katie, and four children, and operates his business, Dave McGillivray Sports Enterprises. He is also a

motivational speaker and an eight-time competitor in the Ironman Triathlon World Championship with a personal best finish of 14th overall.

He has run 123 marathons, including the Boston Marathon, for the past 37 consecutive years — the last 21 at night after his race director duties have been completed.

That's added up to more than 130,000 miles in his lifetime — to date.

He'll be adding 54 miles to that count on Aug. 14 as he has been training and running between 15 and 30 miles a day in preparation.

"I still have it," he said. "It's just at a different level."

To make a donation, visit [www.dmsesports.com/Jimmy-Fund](http://www.dmsesports.com/Jimmy-Fund).

# DALTON: Honoring PUNCHARD today

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existed for 100 years, and everybody except outsiders knew what Punchard was and what town it represented. However, the town was brimming with newcomers in the 1950s, and most would have had little interest in one of the town's quaint names.

The second reason given for the change intrigues me, and it is the more important reason. Why were the words, "plus indicates the new structure is the effort of all the townspeople" inserted by the School Committee? If the new name indicated that the structure was the effort of all the townspeople, then the old name — Punchard — must not have indicated that the old structure "was the effort of all the townspeople." The obvious conclusion one deduces from this wording is the School Committee believed that the name "Punchard" was exclusionary.

If that is what the School Committee was thinking — and the need for conjecture wouldn't exist if the School Committee meeting had been open — in what way was Punchard exclusionary? Perhaps the School Committee felt this way due to the religious cast of the Punchard trustees. Although Mr. Punchard had created a school open to anyone over age 12 who was academically qualified and of good moral character, in his will he stated that the pastors of Christ, South and West Parish churches were automatically designated as three of the eight trustees. The five remaining trustees were to be elected, but they also were to be members of those three churches. (Two each from Christ and South Churches and one from West Parish Church.) The easy conclusion is that the reason the name was dropped was because people in town who were not members of those churches felt left out.

It should be noted that for many years prior to the name change, the trustees had played no role in the operation of the school, although a trustee was one of the signers of the diplomas. It also should be not-

ed that when the trust was created, Andover and North Andover were still one town. There were two other churches in what is now Andover — the Baptist Church and Free Christian Church.

A year and a half after the name change was made, the discussion still continued. A letter to the trustees dated Oct. 31, 1958, was written on School Committee stationery by Bill Doherty. (Bill was the man for whom "Doherty School" is named, and he served a remarkable 39 years on the School Committee.) Mr. Doherty, who'd been a longtime reporter, was a good man for facts, and he listened to his constituents as well as led them. His letter said he'd had several conversations with Harry Sellars, the secretary-treasurer of the Punchard trustees, and following these conversations he presented his own ideas to the School Committee; they asked him to pass the ideas on to the trustees.

The letter praised the great tradition of the Punchard name, and asked, "Are we going to throw out 100 years of tradition, we who have lived here all our lives? We hear tradition pooh-poohed, but people have been coming into Andover from all over the country and buying homes here because they like our town ... largely because of our rich traditions. Then, I say that the time has come for us to rise up and hold on to the fine old traditions which some would take away from us ... "The name 'Punchard' in its fullest meaning will always be cherished by us all... Today, we find we have a new name, (Andover High School), a new building, and a new site. True, 'Punchard' to us will always mean the old building at the old site. It was the scene of our joys and glories. We can accept no other."

Toward the end of his letter he said, "I propose that we raise the Punchard Free School and its Trustees to a dignity they have not held for many years." He suggested that (once again) a school within the school be set up by the trustees and that it be a strictly classical school (four years each

of English, math, Latin, science and history, and perhaps including a modern language). If a student fulfilled the requirements of Andover High School and the Punchard Free School, the student would get two degrees.

In his final paragraph, Mr. Doherty said the School Committee expressed favor with the idea of the trustees placing a plaque in the new high school commemorating Benjamin H. Punchard.

Harry Sellars responded for the trustees in an undated letter. He said the trustees did not think the plan in Mr. Doherty's letter "would be a real continuation of Benjamin Punchard's connection with the high school." (Mr. Sellars did not mention the obvious — that the trust didn't have the money to create a school within a school.)

"It is true that in recent years our participation in the carrying on of the high school has been small," he wrote. "We do not question that the responsibility for the high school rests in the School Committee ... " He suggested that the practice of having the head of the trustees be one of the diploma signers be restored and that the trustees play a small role in the graduation ceremony.

Mr. Sellars closed by acknowledging the name change is "in keeping with changes in the times," and stated that the trustees would welcome any preservation of the Punchard name and suggested that the auditorium be named for him and that a plaque be placed there.

The request to name the auditorium for Mr. Punchard was granted. When a new high school was built 40 years later, a plaque honoring him was placed on its library wall.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## EVENTS CALENDAR



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The theatrical folk band **Katfish 4** includes, from left, **Dave Breen** of Melrose, vocals, percussion; **Michael Bloom** of Somerville, guitar, mandolin, vocals, kazoo; **Deborah Angelosanto** of Andover, mandolin, guitar, percussion, vocals; and **Sheila Foley** of Stoneham, fiddle and tin whistle. **Katfish 4** will perform Friday night for the **Cafe Variety Show Night** at **Winnekenni Castle** in Haverhill.

### THURSDAY, AUG. 7

**Third Annual Vehicle Night** at Memorial Hall Library, 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Butler Bank parking lot. Fire, police, public works, and other special vehicles will be featured. For more information, visit the library's Web site at [www.mhl.org/kids](http://www.mhl.org/kids) or call the Children's Room at 978-623-8400, ext. 39.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 8

**Cafe Variety Show Night** at 8 p.m. at **Winnekenni Castle**, 347 Kenoza Ave., Haverhill. Features comedy and comic tunes by Dan Margarita and a mix of comedy skits by the DNA Players in the style of "Saturday Night Live" and "Monty Python" with psychedelic music by Astro AI, songs from singer/songwriter Michael Bloom and folk music by Katfish 4. The show will also feature songstress Karen Westphalen. Refreshments will be served. Call the castle at 978-521-1686 for more information and tickets. Tickets can be ordered online for \$10 pp plus ticket fees at [www.winnekenni.com](http://www.winnekenni.com) or at the door on the night of the performance for \$15.

The **Firehouse Center for the Arts** presents regional favorites Susan Poulin and Gordon Carlisle in "Spousal Deafness ... and Other Bones of Contention" at 8 p.m. Real-life husband and wife Carlisle and Poulin combine original songs, sketch comedy and wacky props for this return engagement at the Firehouse. Tickets for the performances are \$16 members, \$18 nonmembers and can be purchased by calling the box office at 978-462-7336 or online at [www.firehouse.org](http://www.firehouse.org). For more information on the show visit [www.poolyle.com](http://www.poolyle.com).

### SATURDAY, AUG. 9

**Parker Gallery reception:** For the show "Art Quilts at the Whistler IV," an exhibit running through Aug. 15. Reception 1-3 p.m. In conjunction with the Quilt Festival Weekend, "Art Quilts in Bloom" will be on exhibit as well. Gallery hours (valid today only): 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Whistler House Museum of Art, 243 Worthen St., Lowell; 978-452-7641 or [www.whistlerhouse.org](http://www.whistlerhouse.org).

The **Timothy P. Roberts** "Reeling In a Dream" Foundation will host the fourth annual Tourney for Tim Wiffleball Tournament and Rockin for Roberts battle of the bands starting at 8 a.m. Both daylong events take place at North Andover Middle School.

**Manami Morita** performs as part of the Salem Jazz and Soul Festival "Berklee Summer Series" at Derby Square from 5 to 7 p.m. on Front Street in Salem, Mass. The concert is free and open to the public. This venue is within walking distance of the Salem stop on the Newburyport/Rockport line. For more information, visit [www.salemjazzsoul.com](http://www.salemjazzsoul.com) or call 978-744-8258.

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### MONDAY, AUG. 11

**American Girl doll tea:** Smolak Farms in North Andover will host a tea party for local girls and their American Girl dolls at 2 p.m. Tea and crumpets will be served while the girls make matching bracelets for themselves and their dolls, make bookmarks and listen to "American Girl" stories read by Marina Salenikas from the Stevens

Memorial Library. Tickets are \$15 and should be purchased in advance at Smolak Farms Farm Stand or at the Stevens Memorial Library, 345 Main St., North Andover, in the children's room. The farm is located at 315 South Bradford St., North Andover. More information at [www.smolakfarms.com](http://www.smolakfarms.com).

### TUESDAY, AUG. 12

"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" at the North Shore Music Theatre in Beverly opens today at 7:30 p.m. For tickets and more information, visit [www.nsmat.org](http://www.nsmat.org).

### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13

**Auditions will be held** for "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" today from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinitarian Congregational Church, 72 Elm St., North Andover. The play will be performed Dec. 11 to 14 at Old Town Hall in Andover. For more information, visit [www.actingout.biz](http://www.actingout.biz) or call 978-794-0001.

"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" at the North Shore Music Theatre in Beverly at 2 and 7:30 p.m. For tickets and more information, visit [www.nsmat.org](http://www.nsmat.org).

### THURSDAY, AUG. 14

**Evening Labyrinth Walk** at the Rolling Ridge Retreat and Conference Center in North Andover from 7 to 8:45 p.m. led by retreat leader Paul Millin. Walking the Labyrinth is a moving prayer practice in which the body can help bring together mind and heart in a fresh unity. Registration fee: \$15. Call 978-682-8815 or e-mail [thestaff@rollingridge.org](mailto:thestaff@rollingridge.org) to register.

**Gerry Johnston** will perform classic guitar music with Broadway favorites and other popular tunes at 7 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, North Andover. For more information, call the Rogers Center box office Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 978-837-5355.

**Free outdoor concert:** The public is invited to a free lawn concert, 5 p.m. at Ashland Farm at North Andover, 700 Chickering Road. A complimentary barbecue cookout will be served and the music begins at 6 p.m. To RSVP or for more information, call Ashland Farm at North Andover at 978-683-1300.

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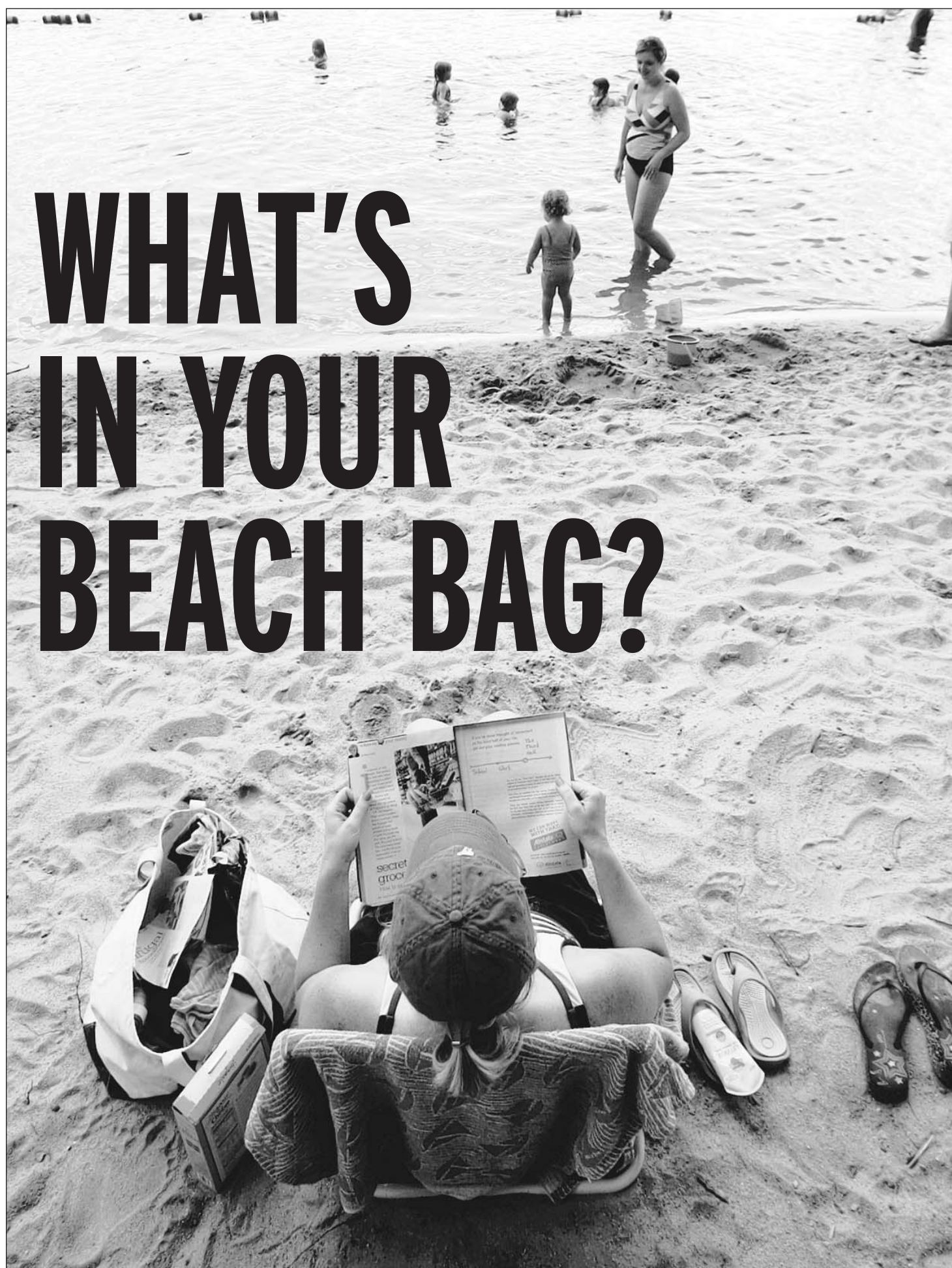
### FRIDAY, AUG. 15

"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" at the North Shore Music Theatre in Beverly at 8 p.m. For tickets and more information, visit [www.nsmat.org](http://www.nsmat.org).

### SATURDAY, AUG. 16

"Wild about Crafts" program at Memorial Hall Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Adults and teens are invited to learn about new crafts, work on projects, and complete free "make and take" projects. Participants should bring their own craft supplies and register by calling 978-623-8401, ext. 49, or e-mailing [eclasson@mhl.org](mailto:eclasson@mhl.org). For more information, call 978-623-8401, ext. 31, or visit the library's Web site at [www.mhl.org](http://www.mhl.org).

**New gallery opening:** The Griffin Museum of Photography celebrates the opening of its new gallery at the Stoneham Theatre with an exhibit of the work of Fran Forman, "Alchemy of Memory," running through Aug. 30 in the Griffin Museum's Atelier Gallery. A reception with the artist is today from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Forman is a visiting scholar at the Women's Studies Research Center at Brandeis University and also teaches workshops in digital montage. The Stoneham Theatre is at 395 Main St., Stoneham; [www.stonehamtheatre.org](http://www.stonehamtheatre.org).



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Tara Stuart of Andover gets some reading in while her kids play at Poms Pond in Andover on a Tuesday afternoon.

## Here's what area educators are saying about summer reading

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

### Top summer reads at Memorial Hall Library

Emily Classon, community services librarian, says the following are the most checked out books in Andover: **FOR ADULTS**

- "Unaccustomed Earth," by Jhumpa Lahiri
- "Certain Girls," by Jennifer Weiner
- "Love the One You're With," by Emily Giffin
- "Fearless Fourteen," by Janet Evanovich
- "Sail" and "Sundays at Tiffany's," by James Patterson

Emily Classon

**FOR TEENS**

- "The Host and Twilight," by Stephenie Meyer
- "The Battle of the Labyrinth," by Rick Riordan
- "The Clique" series by Lisi Harrison
- "Gossip Girl" series by Cecily von Ziegesar

**FOR KIDS**

- "Diary of a Wimpy Kid 1 and 2"
- "Battle for the Labyrinth," by Rick Riordan
- Any fairy book by Daisy Meadows
- "Artemis Fowl: Time Paradox"
- Elephant and Piggie books by Mo Willems
- Any book by Cynthia Rylant

**It's** that time of year when reading for pleasure often comes with a view. Sunbathing readers are plentiful on beaches every summer, including at Poms Pond, while other Andover residents — and summertime readers — prefer the view from the Park or their back porches.

Here's a look at the most popular books in town this summer, and what some Andover educators are saying about their books of choice:

■ Books on the Mass. Book Awards list

### New principal, new books

Liz Roos, who will begin her first year as principal at West Elementary School this school year, tries to keep up with the books her elementary school students — and her own children — are reading.

"I am reading several books with my third- and sixth-grader. We all started 'The Mysterious Benedict Society' by Trenton Lee Stewart, a fun mystery that the three of us can discuss and enjoy. It's a little bit of a Harry Potter

formula with three main characters (some orphans) attending a school for the gifted," she said.

"I have also started an Olympic Reading Club for all my West Elementary kids. I figure if I read all the books, I will better understand the projects they will share with me in August.

"For myself, I've just started 'One Thousand White Women,' by Jim Fergus. The jury is still out. And, I have to read educational books like How to be a Principal!" Roos said.

### Bestsellers at Andover Book Store this summer

- "Big Russ and Me," by the recently departed Tim Russert
- "Wisdom of Our Fathers," also by Tim Russert
- "In the Woods," by Tana French
- "The Lace Reader," by Brunonia Barry

### FOR THE KIDS

- Any book by Stephenie Meyer
- Good Nite Beach, by Adam Gamble

### Speaking of beach reads

Found at the gate at Poms Pond where high school and college-age kids work as lifeguards:

- "The Kite Runner," by Khaled Hosseini

### Nerds and other topics

"I don't know if my reading choices would be very popular with others but here is what is on my nightstand (the first is a wonderful book!)," writes school Superintendent Claudia Bach.



Claudia Bach

Superintendent Claudia Bach.

### HER LIST

- "Three Cups of Tea: One man's mission to promote peace one school at a time," by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin
- "Nerds: Who they are and why we need more of them," by David Anderegg, Ph.D.
- "A Whole New Mind: Why right-brainers will rule the future," by Danile H. Pink
- "The Five Dysfunctions of a TEAM: A leadership fable," by Patrick Lencioni
- "Civility," by Stephen L. Carter

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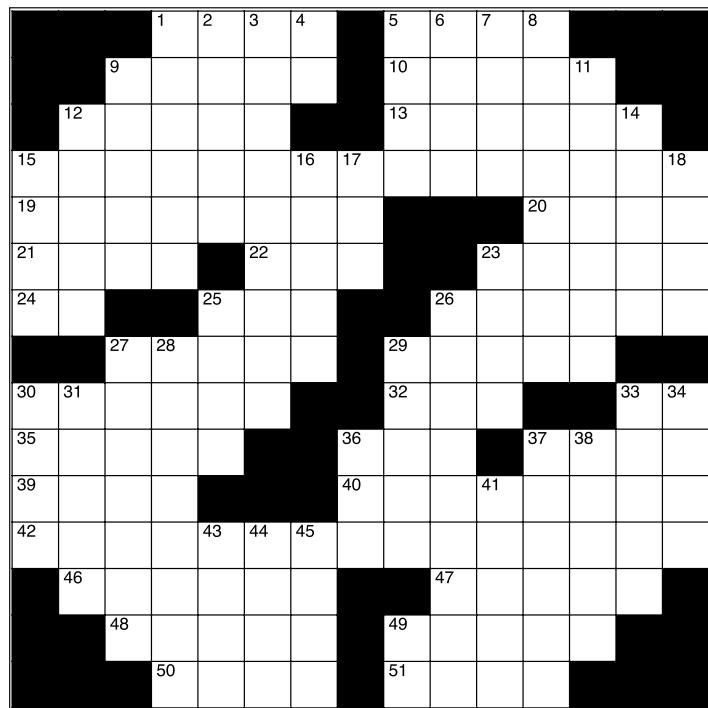
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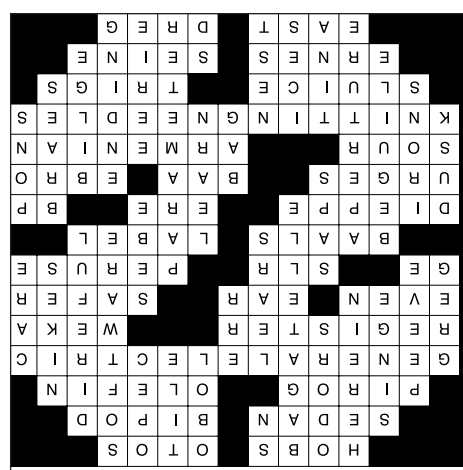


# Crossword puzzle



- CLUES ACROSS**
- Pixies
  - Ph\_\_\_ pictures
  - A closed litter for one passenger
  - Two legged support
  - Small stuffed pastry (Yiddish)
  - An alkene
  - It "brings good things to life"
  - An official list of names
  - Maori hen
  - No variation
  - Organ of equilibrium
  - More secure
  - Common name for #15 across
  - Single Lens Reflex
  - Examine with care
  - Semitic gods
  - Descriptive marker or tag
  - NE French seaport
  - Before
  - 3rd largest oil company
  - Exhorts
  - The cry made by sheep
  - A Spanish river
  - Taste produced by an acid
  - Citizen of Yerevan
  - Sweater making implements
  - Artificial water channel
  - Math of triangles (abbr.)
  - Sea eagles
  - Parisian river
- CLUES DOWN**
- In this place
  - Smells
  - Frippery
  - Tin
  - Ancient Greek coin to life"
  - Clay roofing material
  - Oil cartel
  - Computer programs
  - Burn the edges
  - Inspiring dread
  - Per annoyance
  - "Just do it" shoes
  - \_\_\_ Allman, rock star
  - C\_\_\_ away: unclutters
  - Make a mistake
  - What nurses do for patients
  - One point E of SE
- CLUES ACROSS**
- The countries of Asia
  - Small amount of residue
  - Drains
  - Parametric quantity
  - Influence by slyness
  - Camera control for light
  - Commit to memory
  - The time of day following sunset
  - Metal shackles
  - Hillsides (Scot.)
  - Coloratura soprano
  - Lily
  - Grocery carryall
  - The conclusion
  - The lowest inner part of a ship's hull
  - Strange and frightening
  - \_\_\_ Turner, rock singer
  - Frosts
  - Fit together in a stack
  - Rapid City state

**Solution**



## Youth symphony orchestra holds summer auditions

The Northshore Youth Symphony Orchestra is accepting musicians for its ensembles for the 2008-09 season beginning in the fall. Auditions take place over the summer by appointment.

Symphony Orchestra, NYSO's advanced orchestra, is open to advanced violinists, violists, cellists and double bass players; intermediate string players will be considered for Intermezzo Orchestra, an intermediate orchestral ensemble.

All orchestral ensembles and the NYSO Wind Ensemble have openings for the following wind instruments: trumpet, bassoon, French horn and trombone. In addition, Flute Choir and Clarinet Choir have several openings.

NYSO Chorale invites any advanced vocalist in grades eight through 12 to audition.

Young strings players may audition for Prelude Strings (an ensemble of intermediate beginning players who read well in first position) or for Overture, an ensemble of more advanced beginners playing at the end of Book 2 and beginning Book 3 Suzuki repertoire or equivalent.

To audition or for more information about NYSO, see its Web site at [www.nysorchestra.org](http://www.nysorchestra.org) or call 978-578-6353.



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The piano students are, front row, from left: David Yu, David Jiang, Zenia Bhatena, Amy Bordogna, Benjamin Zhang, and Jackie Viera; second row, from left: Julia Jackson, Alex Zhang, Merrra Bhan, Daniel Zhang, Victor Liu, Ashley Li.

# Student musicians register for national fraternity

Twenty local piano pupils have registered as candidates for membership in the National Fraternity of Student Musicians.

The group is sponsored by the National Guild of Piano Teachers, Teacher Division of the American College of Musicians, of which their teacher, Linda Shen, is a member.

These students have completed their performance of four to 10 pieces and received district, state or national honors, according to Shen. Each entrant was given a certificate, a gold, silver or bronze embossed pin, a report card, and a year's membership in the National Fraternity of Students Musicians.

The students are: Laure Maude-Chenard, Jessica Wu, Merrra Bhan, David Yu, Zenia Bhatena, Daniel Zhang, Amy Bordogna, Kimberly Feng, Alex Zhang, Anna Lang, Jackie Viera, Jessica Fleming, Benjamin Zhang, David Jiang, Victor Liu, Angela Lei, Sarah Blackwell, Ashley Li, Leon He and Julia Jackson.

## Young musician from Andover participates in Junior Wind Ensemble

Andover resident Piper Curtis spent this past spring playing flute for the University of Massachusetts Lowell New England Junior Wind Ensemble.

Piper practiced for four months with other young musicians from

Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

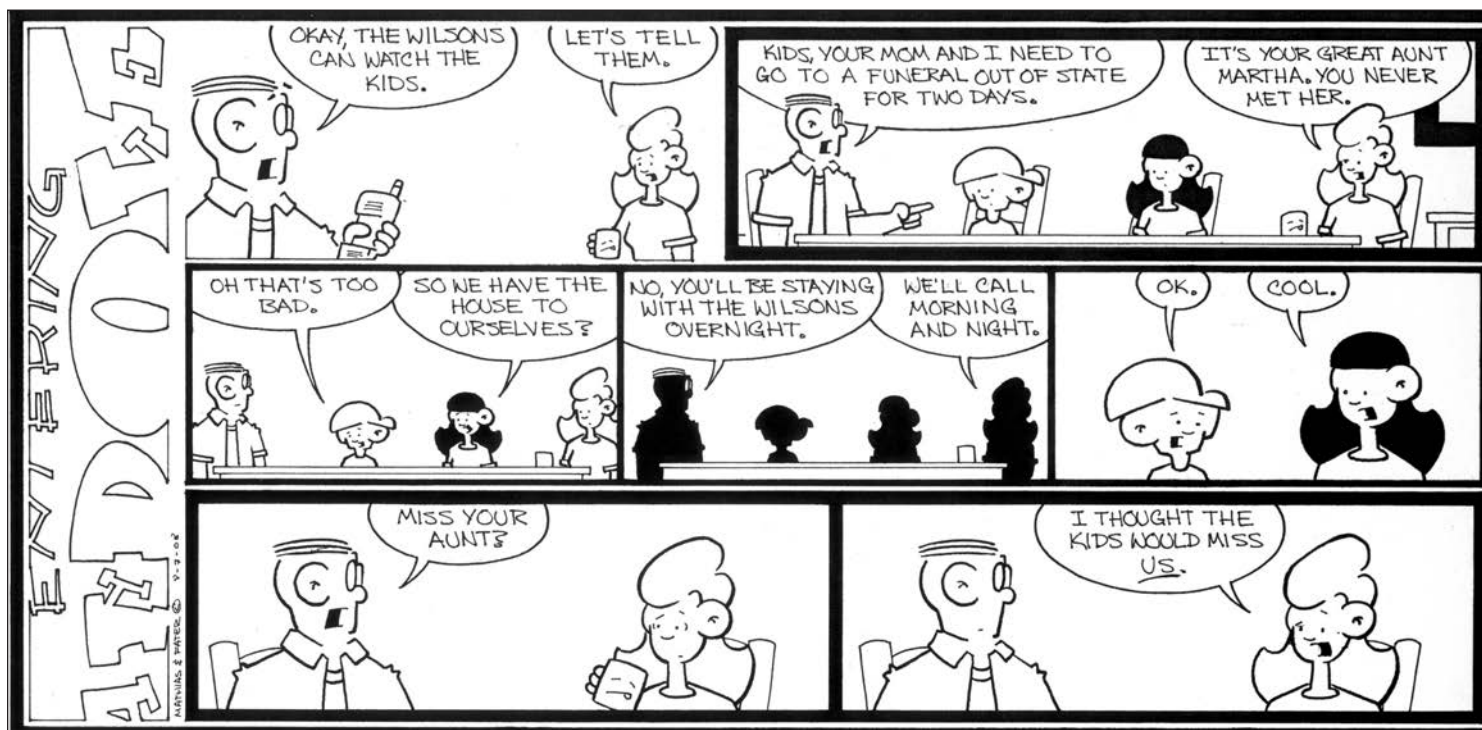
The conductor of the wind ensemble, UMass Lowell Director of Bands Debra-Nicole Huber, was also recently awarded the 2008 Music Advocate Award at the Massa-

chusetts All-State Convention. Huber was student-nominated.

The UMass Lowell New England Junior Youth Wind Ensemble is for students enrolled in grades six through eight who have played their instrument for at least one

year. Offered through the music department, students were instructed by university faculty and current music majors. After practicing once a week, the ensemble performed a concert in the UMass Lowell concert hall.

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# Sports

## Andover Legion Post 8 eliminated by Sudbury

A year later, the trip down Route 128 once again doomed Andover.

Post 8 led by a run through six innings, but allowed four unanswered runs in the seventh and fell to Sudbury, 5-2, in the deciding game of their American Legion playoff series last Wednesday. This marked the second straight season Andover was eliminated by Sudbury.

"It was tough to come back here because we didn't want the same thing that happened (last year) to happen again," said Post 8 outfielder P.J. Farnham. "Unfortunately it did. It was probably in the back of our minds."

Third baseman Zach Burdeau gave Andover a 2-0 lead with RBI singles in the first and third innings. But Post 8 couldn't fully rattle Sudbury starter Sam Finn (9 innings, 2 runs, 6 hits, 8 strikeouts), who retired the final nine batters he faced.

In the fateful seventh, a walk, successful sacrifice (in which Andover tried unsuccessfully to force out the lead runner), and error loaded the bases. A fielder's choice and a pair of singles plated the game-clinching runs.

"They got the timely hits," Farnham said, "and we just couldn't get it done."

Andover starter Kevin Calabro pitched well (6<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings, 3 earned runs), but Andover's offense never really woke up. Farnham did add a pair of hits while Mike Yastrzemski and Marc Crowley each had one hit.

The night also didn't start off on a positive note.

"We got stuck in traffic," said Andover assistant coach Kevin Rourke, who filled in for head

coach Joe Iarrobino while he dealt with a family illness. "We got here at about (6:40). I think that was tough."

### Sudbury 9, Andover 8

Andover led by three runs heading into the ninth inning, but two errors sparked a four-run rally and Post 8 fell to Sudbury 9-8 in the second game of their best-of-three series last Tuesday.

"At this level, you need to play good defense," said Andover head coach Joe Iarrobino. "We had our chances to put this game away, but we blew it in the field."

After four slow innings, Andover's bats exploded in the top of the fifth when Marc Crowley lined a single to left. That was followed by a deep homer over the wall in left-center by catcher Dan Gusovsky. But Sudbury responded with three in the bottom half of an error-filled inning. Andover tied the game in the sixth off a John Hennessy sacrifice, but Sudbury responded to take a 4-3 lead.

Andover added two more in the top of the seventh. Crowley singled to left to lead off the inning, and with two outs, Mike Yastrzemski belted a two-run shot over the wall in right-center to give Andover the 5-4 lead.

Post 8 extended its lead to 7-4 in the eighth on a homer by Crowley that scored Kevin Calabro. But trouble struck in the ninth.

Shawn Carlson also stood out for Andover with eight strong innings.

"Carlson gave us a great pitching performance and we didn't play well enough behind him," said Iarrobino. "That's what it came down to."

### Sudbury 5, Andover 2

#### District 8 playoffs

Andover (2): Farnham rf 4-1-2, Yastrzemski cf 3-1-1, Haugh ss 3-0-0, Taylor lf 4-0-0, Burdeau 3b 4-0-2, Hennessy 2b 4-0-0, Calabro p 1-0-0, Hawkins ph 1-0-0, Crowley 1b 4-0-1, Gusovsky c 4-0-0. Totals 32-2-6

Sudbury (5): Bereszniwicz cf 3-0-1, Watkins 3b 3-0-0, Wilson ss 3-0-0, Finn p 3-2-1, Moore c 3-1-0, Tatkoff rf 3-0-0, Roth 3-1-1, Buckley 2b 3-1-1, Antonellis lf 3-0-0. Totals 27-5-4

RBI's: A — Burdeau 2, 5 — Bereszniwicz 2, Roth 2, Buckley

Andover (14-4-1): 101 000 000 — 2  
Sudbury (17-4): 000 010 40X — 5

WP: Finn; LP: Calabro

## RISK AND REWARD

### Difficult choices paying off for Sweeney

By MICHAEL MULDOON  
STAFF WRITER

To outsiders, the plan seemed risky, even foolhardy. But Jaclyn Sweeney knew she could do it.

At 14 years old, Sweeney left Andover High in December of her freshman year for the IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla. The plan was to totally dedicate herself to golf, something impossible in the Northeast.

It would have been a bold move for someone twice her age. But, skeptics be darned, Sweeney knew in her heart of hearts what she wanted.

How right she was. The extraordinary sacrifices have paid off, as she is one of the country's hottest young golfers.

In June, the Oklahoma State freshman was named to the 10-player Golfweek Women's All-American first team. She broke onto the scene when she became the first freshman to win the 12th annual Big 12 individual title.

"It was really great," Sweeney said. "It was my goal to win a tourney. It was icing on the cake to win the conference tourney. ... It opened my eyes, to be able to beat a college field. It's just a stepping stone."

Staring down an elite field — she shot a 9-over 225 to win by four strokes at her home course, Karsten Creek in Stillwater, Okla. — was a monumental challenge.

"I definitely don't think my nerves could be any more shot than they were after the second round of the Big 12," she said with a laugh. "But it was a good set of nerves. After having that experience, I just know a lot of deep breaths will keep me calm."

She followed that up on May 10 by placing fifth overall at the NCAA West Regionals with a 213, shooting 72s on the final two days of the event.

Every challenge met pays a dividend down the road. As with any young golf sensation, the mental is as important as the physical.

### OSU COACH RAVES ABOUT FRESHMAN PHENOM

Matthews calls Jaclyn Sweeney "a special girl."

Matthews said, "We expected her to come in and do great things. ... But she's going above and beyond what we expected. She definitely has 'it.' She has the passion. At this level, you have the drive or you don't. You can't instill it. That's what makes her unique."

"She has her goals and knows how to attain them. She's doing everything she can to get to the LPGA."

She's had some near misses in some huge tournaments. At famed St. Andrews, she had a near miss in the 2007 Women's British Open qualifier, when she lost a playoff. "That was pretty devastating," she said.

And she shot a first-round 71 at the first stage of the LPGA Q-School, but she struggled down the stretch in the second round, closing with six bogeys to miss the cut by a stroke.

"Whatever doesn't kill you makes you stronger," she said.

That has a double meaning in Sweeney's case, ever since she was involved in a frightening auto accident on Feb. 15, 2006.

"A woman hit me going 60 mph," she said. "The seat belt saved my life. I went to practice the next day. I finally broke down a day and a half later. It felt like I was hit by a truck. Technically, I was."

For the next 18 months, she battled back spasms and lingering emotional scars.

"I feel I'm over it now, but if somebody gets too near me (on the road), I wince," said Sweeney, who was an all-conference golfer with Andover's boys team as a freshman.

Mental toughness has always been her trademark. Without it,

she wouldn't have been able to prosper in the cutthroat world of big-time junior golf. Even though her parents, Joe and Della Sweeney, bought a place nearby, navigating her way through IMG wasn't easy.

"There were definitely a lot of thoughts (of returning to Andover)," she said. "Socially, I had my friends, but they were my competitors. I couldn't trust my friends. I trusted my friends in Andover. It was definitely a hard time. Every year around spring break (I'd think), 'I don't want to do this anymore.' My mom would say, 'OK, no problem, (return to Andover).' But two, three days later I'd be right back on the course."

Early on, she saw firsthand what type of talent was out there.

"I was young and naive. I kind of got slapped in the face," the Big 12 Newcomer of the Year said. "There were so many people better than me."

Not for long.

She went from a good prospect (ranked 387th in Juniors nationally) to a great prospect (ranked 14th in December). She trained like a maniac — she worked with IMG's mental coach, Chris Passarella, and its director of golf, David Whelan, who also coaches LPGA star Paula Creamer.

The IMG experience ran the gamut. It was challenging, thrilling, draining, frustrating. One thing it wasn't was typical.

"All my (Andover) friends showed me prom pictures," said the 5-foot-10 Sweeney. "Instead, I won a tourney. Everyone wants what they can't have. But I'm happy with what I have."

In the fall, she made another bold decision: She'd graduate in December and head to Oklahoma State in January.

She doubled up her efforts in the classroom and earned the necessary credits.

"College seemed to be calling my name," she said. "I'll never re-

### THE JACLYN SWEENEY FILE

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gret going to college early."

Early press releases from OSU said the Cowboys were excited to get a player who would "add depth."

Soon, that lukewarm description seemed comical, as she was finishing near the top of the leaderboard, including a second at the Arizona Wildcat Invitational, a couple of sevenths, then the historic Big 12 championship.

Golfweek has ranked her the No. 12 female in college golf.

More and more, that LPGA dream doesn't seem so far-fetched at all.

"I want to play professional golf," she said. "At the moment, I'm not ready or willing. I enjoy going out and being a regular teenager. ... I can't say for sure I'll be here four years. I can't say for sure I won't be."

Her coach, Laura Matthews, says it pays to be patient.

"I personally wouldn't leave college golf until I dominated or was at least consistently among the best in the country," she said. "I would hope she would look at it the same way."

Sweeney says she knows there are no guarantees, but says, "I really think I'm going to make it. The first event I play in, I want to win. I set very high goals. I want to do for women's golf what Tiger Woods did. I want kids to say, 'I want to hit like Jaclyn Sweeney.'"

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## TOWN TALK



Carl Russo/Staff photo  
Helen West, left, helps herself to fruit salad as Jean Heselton tries the potato salad during Andover Senior Center's Grill Night last week.

### Social seniors

The Andover Senior Center is hosting outdoor grill nights on Wednesdays on its outdoor patio from 5 to 7 p.m. Its Aug. 13 menu choices will be burgers, hot dogs, grilled chicken 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. In the event of inclement weather, grill nights will be held on Thursdays.

### Teen Room circulation up

Andover teens are reading more, a lot more. Memorial Hall Library's Teen Room Librarian Kim Lynn says circulation in the Teen Room, located on the main floor, is up 58 percent in the last three years. She and fellow librarian Clare Curran-Ball said that during the first few weeks of every summer, the shelves in the Teen Room are picked clean. Teens are invited to participate in the Summer Reading Program where they can log online the number of pages they read. Every 100 pages earns teens a small prize and every 600 pages earns the readers a chance to win an iPod. Lynn said that so far, the reading program participants have read more than 55,000 pages. "Some kids do nothing but read," Curran-Ball said. Among the most popular books checked out in the Teen Room is the Twilight series by Stephanie Meyers, The

Gossip Girls series and the Beacon Street Girls.  
— Sarah Hollowell

### Bach being evaluated

After writing individual evaluations gauging last year's performance of Superintendent Claudia Bach, School Committee members have submitted the documents to committee Chairwoman Deb Silberstein. Silberstein will combine the five documents into a single written evaluation, which she hopes to present along with the superintendent's 2008-09 performance goals at a School Committee meeting in either late August or September. After working under a three-year contract covering fiscal years 2006-2008, Bach agreed to a one-year extension that expires June 30, 2009, Silberstein said. Bach's salary for fiscal 2009 is \$155,879.  
— Brian Messenger

### Lowell Quilt Festival

Andover quilt artist Betsy Abbott will have two quilts in this weekend's Images 2008 quilt show in Lowell, as part of the four-day long Lowell Quilt Festival. As judging gets underway, Abbott was notified that one of her two pieces, "Praise for the Morning," which depicts a sunrise, and "Fidelity," a scene with two osprey, created in memory of her parents, has won a third-place prize, she said.

The Lowell Quilt Festival runs Aug. 7 through 10, and the Images show fills the city's Tsongas Arena. For details, visit [www.lowellquiltfestival.org](http://www.lowellquiltfestival.org).  
— Bethany Bray

### Raise for Stapczynski?

Selectmen formally evaluated Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski May 28, but have yet to discuss whether they will give him a raise. Stapczynski is currently making \$133,995 annually.  
— Brian Messenger

### Naming school facilities

Several informal requests to name public school classrooms for former Andover teachers have the School Committee considering the creation of a new policy that would regulate the naming of both new and existing school facilities. The board has reviewed similar policies, which were presented to them by a representative of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, according to School Committee Chairwoman Deb Silberstein. School Committee member Tony James will draft a policy regarding the naming of facilities, which would be reviewed by the committee's school policy subcommittee before being adopted, Silberstein said.  
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