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# Prayers come in for recovering church pastor

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

Since he came to Andover in 2004, Lyndon Myers, pastor of Andover Baptist Church, has

> been focused on bringing people



Lyndon Myers

together. A frequent participant in ecumenical and interfaith events throughout

the Merrimack Valley, he also delivered a message to hundreds at the annual

Christian Men's Breakfast, held in Andover on Christmas Eve During the past two weeks, the community has come together in

Myers' hour of need. Myers suffered a heart attack

on Dec. 28 at the Andover/North Andover YMCA. Myers is now out of intensive

care and St. Elizabeth's Hospital listed him in "good" condition as of Townsman deadline, Jan. 6. Carlo Cadet, a family friend of the pastor, said Myers is "well on his way to recovery.'

Since Myers' attack, the church and the Myers family have received a flood of prayers and well wishes from people in Andover and surrounding communities. A prayer vigil held for the pas-

tor on Dec. 30 drew many from the community, said Cadet, who is the church moderator.

"We had an incredible turnout, with a number of ministers from area churches in attendance," said Denise Wynn, church

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# High school principal to retire in June

Superintendent Bach gets contract extension

Superintendent Claudia Bach but this spring will be the last semester for one veteran school administrator.

has signed a one-year contract Peter Anderson will retire this extension through June 2010, summer, officials announced announcement. at the Jan. 6 School Committee

Andover High School Principal AHS faculty and students, were Committee Chairwoman Debra "saddened" by Anderson's Rahmin Silberstein. "We've

"I've known him for a while, and he has really brought stabil-Bach said she, as well as ity to that school," said School have improved.

won a lot of state and national awards under him, and our test scores and college admissions

"He's navigated through some tough times, and budget cuts, and really done a great job," she

Anderson came to the district in the fall of 2000, as the fourth AHS principal in four years.

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# Challenging times downtown



After being open for seven years on Park Street, Culinary Concepts owner Betsy Powers will be closing her business due to the

# Two shops start new year by closing, others stay course

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

The closure of two small businesses downtown is being seen as a local example of what is happening nationally due

Alpers Fine Art, a gallery at the corner of Main Street and Post Office Avenue, closed Dec. 31, while Culinary Concepts on Park Street will close at the end of the month. Some businesses are suffering because there are fewer shoppers and people are spending less money.

"The first four years were great but the last three have been challenging," said Betsy Powers, owner and operator of Culinary Concepts, a small shop specializing in upscale kitchen gear for the past seven years. "Looking at my numbers, I just couldn't do it anymore.' The former president of the Andover

Business Center Association, Powers said the retail industry has been flooded with specialty shops, like hers. Powers said she will not be surprised if more downtown businesses follow in her steps, since the downtown has many smaller shops.

"I am just so sad about this. ... I have great customers, great friends in Andover," Powers said. "But people are not spending the money they used to. There are fewer and fewer customers."



Andover as she says goodbye. Alpers Fine Art closed New Year's Eve.

Peter Alpers of Alpers Fine Art had cleared out of his rented space by Dec. 31. He was there for eight years and eight

difficult for him to have gallery space in downtown Andover.

"It was not just rent. There's rent but also insurance costs for art pieces, a security system requiring a second phone system, halogen lights, heat, those sorts of He said overhead costs made it too expenses," he said. "Those costs as well

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#### **▶** School Committee

# 'We need Leaders push selectmen to delay Town Meeting

By Bethany Bray

School committee members are strongly at odds with selectmen who voted Monday to start 2009 Town Meeting on April 29 and 30.

This winter, town boards have discussed delaying Town Meeting to give themselves more time to gather information and work on a balanced budget. Tony James compared the selectmen's decision to walking in a mine field, wearing a blindfold.

"I'm flabbergasted that they would take a vote like this.

**■** Committee gets budget

It's bordering on advice. Page 2. irresponsible," he said. "We

need every single day. Every hour is valuable. I'm afraid we'll make bad decisions at Town Meeting (without the extra time).'

All five School Committee mem-

bers expressed their support for pushing back the date of Town Meeting, and took a vote to ask selectmen to reconsider. "We need every possible minute

we can get (to prepare for Town Meeting)," said School Committee member Arthur Barber. "The benefits are clear," said

member Dennis Forgue.

Last April, the state Legislature passed a law allowing towns to hold Town Meetings as late as

Although selectmen suggested a second, special Town Meeting could be held later in the year if budget issues arise, James said he believes residents will not want to

Selectman Alex Vispoli was the only selectman on Monday who favored delaying Town Meeting.

One of the problems with delaying Town Meeting is that the Collins Center at Andover High is booked solidly through the months of May and June, and selectmen were worried about having enough parking space for a later Town Meeting. Barber said the schools have the authority to alter the schedule at the Collins Center to accommodate a later Town Meeting.







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#### 2 Thursday, January 8, 2009 THE TOWNSMAN

# School committee hears from budget 'dream team'

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

A group of former School Committee members, dubbed the "dream team" by current committee Chairwoman Debra Rahmin Silberstein, addressed the committee at its Jan. 6 meeting, giving advice on weathering the current economic storm.

Great Depression," said former 1970s to the present, addressed

"There is no answer of more money out there (at the state or federal level) that we can go and get. The focus is back on you people right here. We still have a school system to run, and 6,000

Tina Girdwood, Robb and 'This time, the financial situa- David Birnbach, all who served tion is worldwide, parallel to the multiple terms spanning the

kids that deserve an excellent

education."

member Don Robb, who served the committee's current five both the school and town departteam," but was unable to attend the Jan. 6 meeting.

The group encouraged the School Committee to make decisions more quickly, communicate with residents, be open to new ideas and look outside the district for ways of collecting

revenue and saving money.

three terms from 1979 to 1989. members. Eric Nadworny, ments "are in the same boat, so another former member, had to speak, and work together for been meeting with the "dream consensus," said Birnbach, who announced this week he will run for office again.

The two most dangerous statements you can make, Robb said to the committee, are "we have always" and "we have never."

Girdwood spoke of having to make the decision to cut the auto mechanics and home economics that it would have made an Also, it's really important that curriculum at Andover High impact in their lives," she said.

School Committee.

"It was painful times," she said, and the committee heard complaints from teachers and students. The eliminated courses were replaced with a technology curriculum.

say, 'I guess it was time to elimi-

School during her tenure on the "The decisions were painful at the time, but were the right

thing to do." Robb agreed, saying the committee has to move local education forward as the times

"You have to ask, if we need to We look back at it now and do this (new course), what are we not going to do? We can't do nate those courses.' Eliminating everything," he said. "There are any class affects some students, no bad programs in our schools. The trouble is, how do we pay for

#### ■ NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Blood drive at temple is Jan. 13

The American Red Cross is asking people to start a new traditiongiving blood.

Residents can visit the American Red Cross blood drive at Temple Emanuel. 7 Haggetts Pond Road. Andover, on Tuesday, Jan. 13. Donor hours are from 2 to 7 p.m. and all blood types are needed.

Less than 5 percent of people who are eligible to donate blood actually do and blood donations are always especially needed around the holiday, the Red Cross reports.

For more information, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE of visit www. givelife.org

#### Learn artistic paper cutting

On Sunday, Jan. 18, the Andovers Artists Guild will host a paper-cutting demonstration by Boston artist Leslie A. Miller.

The demonstration will be held at the North Parish Church in North Andover, at the corner of Academy and Great Pond roads from 2 to 4 p.m.

For more information call 978-683-2345. Meetings are free to members. Guest donation of \$2 is suggested.

## ANDERSON: Search for new principal begins immediately Bach will be back next year

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Member Dick Collins, who knew Anderson as a teenager, said he "thinks the world of him. He's been a fantastic leader."

At Tuesday's school committee meeting, Bach said Anderson had let her know of his intention to retire this week, and she will begin advertising for the job immediately. The district already has ordered a newspaper ad to run in the Jan. 11 Sunday paper for both the Andover High and Bancroft Elementary school principal positions, she said.

Bancroft interim Principal ends at the end of this school intention to apply for the principal search process.

The School Committee has extended Superintendent Claudia Bach's contract, keeping her on through June 2010. The agreement, apparently made in a secret session, was announced at Tuesday's School Committee meeting.

Bach will be given salary and longevity increases "in line with any other staff in the district," said Chairwoman Debra Silberstein, who offered only brief comments at the meeting.

8, 2007, guaranteed her staying through the 2008-09 school year. She is making \$152,000 in fiscal year 2009. Bach, 65, has said in past interviews that she wants to retire as a member of

This year marks Bach's 11th year as

one-year contract extension, signed Oct.

superintendent in Andover. A previous

the Andover Public School system, but she doesn't know exactly when that time

Francine Goldstein's position year. She has announced her students will be involved in the

permanent Bancroft job.

Bach said she hopes to appoint both new principals the end of February. Focus groups of both parents and staff at the schools plan to meet within the next two weeks, looking over candidate resumes.

Moira O'Brien, principal at Shawsheen Primary School, will oversee the candidate process for Bancroft and Assistant Superintendent Susan Nicholson, a former principal of North Andover High School, will oversee the Andover High process. At AHS,

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# **DOWNTOWN:** Businesses are facing challenging times

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as these difficult economic times and a dismal forecast for next year made it too difficult."

Alpers is staying active in the art-dealing business through his Web site, www.alpersfineart. com. Like Powers, he enjoyed some good years on Main Street, he said, but when consumer confidence in the economy plummeted last year, so did his sales numbers.

"2007 got off to a great start but last year was tough. December was my only good month. I think people were reacting to the economy," he said. He also said the Main Street

construction project affected

"It was perceived by many that

getting downtown was too diffi- store this month but there are no cult. I heard from a customer in plans to close the Andover store Alpers location, took out an west Andover and others that they don't drive downtown anymore at all," Alpers said.

Powers said she didn't blame the construction project for her store's closing. But customers often complained about the construction and the parking fee increase at meters. The price doubled from 25 cents to 50 cents an hour last year.

Jim Kapelson of KAPS Menswear on Main Street agreed that these times are challenging for downtown's small business owners. His business had a huge holiday sale to lure customers — the store's very first of the kind and the store succeeded in mov-

or the company's other stores in advertisement in the Towns-Wellesley and at the Burlington Mall, he said. "It's challenging times," said

Kapelson, who has also been president of ABCA. But with the holiday sale, "We accomplished what we set out to do.' Downtown landlord Barry

Finegold, one of Andover's state representatives, said downtown has gone through tough economic times before and always bounced back. Losing downtown tenants is tough, he said, but he expects the former Alpers Fine Art and Culinary Concepts locations to find new tenants.

"It's a great downtown and we ing lots of stock. will weather the storm l KAPS closed its Marblehead have in the past," he said. will weather the storm like we

Bud Simeone, landlord of the man proclaiming "this retail location is the best in Andover." But when reached by the Townsman, he said he did not want to comment. Finegold bought the Musgrove

Building at the corner of Elm and Main streets last year. His wife, Amy Finegold, owns dresscode, one of the stores in the building's street-level spaces. Finegold said a few prospec-

tive tenants have checked out the building's available space but no one new has signed on yet.

"It's always been a long-term plan for the building and I want to use it," he said. "But, (the dour business mood) is everywhere. The economy is what it is."

#### PASTOR: Vigil held to offer prayers for Lyndon Myers victims of the January 2008 fire

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member and wife of deacon Alan Wynn, who organized the prayer vigil. "It was all about healing for our pastor. We had a time of reflection, and we got incredible responses back from people that attended. There was a real sense of togetherness."

Plans are underway for the church's Martin Luther King Jr. Day unity brunch, an event "near and dear" to Pastor Myers, said Wynn. Myers started the annual "unity brunch" last year in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.

**66** (The prayer vigil) was all about healing for our pastor. ?? Alan Wynn, organizer

"There are blessings in all of this, and this is why we're moving forward with the unity brunch," said Wynn. "He saw it as a way to bring people together in the community."

Last year, the church's first unity breakfast had 160 attendees and took a collection for

that destroyed a city block in Lawrence. This year's breakfast is planned for Jan. 19 at 10 a.m., at the Andover Baptist Church, across Essex Street from Memo- Myers has been set up by Andover Baprial Hall Library.

Cadet noted that Sunday ser- heart attack on Dec. 28. vices, Bible studies and Sunday school have been going on as usual in Myers' absence. Myers was installed as pastor of Andover Baptist Church in August 2004. Since his arrival the church's Baptist Church pastoral recovery fund" membership has swelled from 20 to more than 150 people. Myers, 51, is married with four children.

## **RECOVERY FUND**

A special fund for Pastor Lyndon tist Church, after the minister suffered a

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NOW: Stevens Street was the home to the Powder Mills, which were later called Marland Mills. The mills have since been converted to condominiums.

#### ■ NEWS CALENDAR

#### **THURSDAY, JAN. 8**

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

Tri-Town Interstate-93 Interchange

Task Force, Wilmington Public Safety Building conference room,

Triad, Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., 9:30 a.m.

School Administration Building,

School Committee room, 5 p.m. Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing and deliberation, Memorial Hall Library, the hall, 7 p.m. p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 9

**School Council Meeting**, Sanborn Elementary School, 9:30 to 10:30 Offices, 36 Bartlet St., second-floor

a.m.

#### SATURDAY, JAN. 10

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

#### **MONDAY, JAN. 12**

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

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

#### TUESDAY, JAN. 13

Preservation Commission, Town

conference room, 6:30 p.m. Planning Board, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14

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

Spring Grove Cemetery Board of Trustees, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., Plant and Facilities conference room, 7:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, JAN. 20

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

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The awards ceremony will be at a Scout Shabbat Dinner and Service, Friday Feb. 6 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

The program is being facilitated by Jacqui Kamlet, leader of West Elementary Troop 60156 and Len Kamlet, Cubmaster for Andover Pack 77.

There is a registration fee of \$18. Scouts who would like to participate in the workshop must contact Jacqui Kamlet at jkamlet@comcast.net or 978-409-1944. Please let organizers know of any allergies when registering.

## QUOTE, UNQUOTE ...



I am happy that my diploma is in hand, and no one can take it away from me at this point. That was a lot of work for a little piece of paper.

last June when she could not walk with

her class because she was two credits

- Sarah Pearson, who has now received her Andover High School diploma. She appealed unsuccessfully

shy of the 26 required. Story in Education, Page 5.

IT WOULD BE EASY TO FALL IN LOVE WITH A PROSPECT NAMED Yastrzemski. We tried to look at him as if he was Mike Jones, not someone who was the grandson of an all-time great ... Mike's a hard-nosed kid, very smart. He's a prospect, no question.

- Vanderbilt University baseball coach Tim Corbin on recruiting Andover resident Michael Yastrzemski, 18, son of Red Sox Hall of Famer Carl Yastrzemski. Story in Sports, Page 14.

It was kind of weird being with teachers outside of school, but they have a funny side and that's been

– Joe Thibodeau on performing in the a cappella group Swingtown! Story in Arts, Page 12.

good to see.

#### ■ NEWS IN BRIEF

#### College aid seminar will be held on Tuesday

Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School hosts presentation on college financing

Parents and students are invited to attend the free comprehensive presentation on college financing. The seminar will be hosted by Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School on Tuesday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. An experienced MEFA representative will discuss the financial aid process. The seminar will teach parents how to apply for financial aid, compare financial aid award letters, and seek available financing options. Families will receive a seminar booklet that serves as a year-round resource. Time is allowed for questions and answers.

#### Thin Mint season has arrived

on Sunday, March 15. Girl Scouts will sell cookies in the commu-

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#### January health clinics by health department

The Andover Health Department will offer mini clinics on Monday, Jan. 12 from 2 to 3 p.m. at Andover Commons, and on Monday, Jan. 26 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle. Senior-center clinics will be held 2 to 3 p.m. each Wednesday, Jan, 14, 21 and 28. No appointment is necessary.

#### Junior Achievement, Merrimack program

Junior Achievement of Eastern Massachusetts announces a new partnership with Merrimack Col-Girl Scouts of Eastern Mas- and International Commerce to ested in learning about busisachusetts announces that it is offer the JA Academy program. ness and entrepreneurship are cookie time again. The annual This program is an opportunity Girl Scout cookie sale kicked for North Shore high school off in eastern Massachusetts on students who are interested in Monday, Jan. 5, and will conclude leadership and business to come together after school for handson business application. The JA nity outside stores and at peo- Academy at Merrimack College ple's houses. This year Girl Scout will be an educational expericookies will include Thin Mints, ence that will help students take

Caramel deLites, Peanut But- hold of their future, follow their dreams and pursue success. Students run their own company and sell products with the help of business professionals and college students. This mentor team guides students as they address business ethics, teamwork, leadership skills and goal setting, while handling the day-to-day operations of their venture. JA Academy alumna Linda Zheng said, "The exposure we were given and the numerous meetings we've had with impressive, knowledgeable and helpful business figures make this program an incredible experience."

Merrimack College of North Andover joins Northeastern University, Boston University, Boston College, MIT, UMass Lowell, Babson College, Curry College and Suffolk University in hosting the JA Academy.

The JA Academy at Merrimack College will be held weekly from January to April. Motivated lege's Girard School of Business high school students inter-

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From left are Diane Shanahan of Andover, John Parent, scholarship recipient Steven Parent, his mom, Darlene Parent, and Christina Shanahan.

# Scholarship named for dedicated officer, Andover resident

A new scholarship named after Andover resident and state police Lt. Col. Michael B. Shanahan has become the first dedicated to criminal justice students at the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

Steven Parent, class of 2011, has received the scholarship, awarded from the Michael B. Shanahan Memorial Scholarship Fund. The fund was established in April 2008 to honor the memory of Shanahan, a 1985 alumnus.

Diane Shanahan spoke of how important education was to her husband at a recent scholarship dinner.

"My husband was a dedicated public servant, hard working and very determined. ... And for you, Steven, it begins best, and from our family — from our hearts — we are honored to award you this memorial scholarship tonight."

Mike Shanahan served two tours of duty in Vietnam as a U.S. Marine, attaining the rank of sergeant. He joined the Massachusetts State Police in 1971 and retired after 25 years. He joined the Bank of America as a senior corporate security investigator/manager in 1998.

He fought a battle with cancer before succumbing in June 2006.

respected, hard-working individual Officer Deme Gys at 978-934-4810.

• The basis of this scholarship is to honor Mike's spirit and commitment to law enforcement as a career."

Eve Buzawa, UMass Lowell criminal justice department chairwoman

who inspired his children, friends and colleagues," added Diane Shanahan this month. "As a family we want to continue to honor and memorialize him in a way to inspire others, through the gift of education."

The basis of this scholarship is to right here," she said. "I wish you the honor Mike's spirit and commitment to law enforcement as a career and especially in the field of criminal justice for the public good," said criminal justice department Chairwoman Eve Buzawa.

> In addition to family, friends and University representatives, also attending the dinner was Jim Jajuga, former state senator and president of the Greater Haverhill Chamber of Commerce, who helped launch the scholarship efforts.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the Michael B. Shanahan Memorial Schol-"He was an ethical, confident, highly arship Fund should contact Major Gift

#### **■ POLICE LOG**

#### ARRESTS

Tuesday, Dec. 30 — At 10:33 a.m., Martin E. McNeil, 31, of 121 Franklin St., Haverhill, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license.

At 5:27 p.m., Robert M. Hemer, 36, of 77 Essex St., was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended

Wednesday, Dec. 31 —At 12:01 a.m., the owner of a Park Street pub reported that a patron, who was just kicked out for intoxication, allegedly had taken his bicycle. The pub owner chased the person until they turned left onto Central or Essex street. A responding officer found the bike rider on Red Spring Road. At 12:27 a.m., Daniel J. Simard, 22, of 35 Gilbert St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with larceny over \$250, as well as on warrants for speeding and operating under the influence of liquor.

At 11:13 p.m., Andre Dantas Jardim, 31, of 17 Bennett St., Apt. 2, Beverly, was arrested and charged with driving without a license and impeded operation.

Thursday, Jan. 1 — At 3:51 p.m., Bonfilio P. Bravo, 29, of 150 Farnham St., Apt. 1, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving without a license and giving a false name/address to the police.

Friday, Jan. 2 — At 4:34 p.m., Caitlin E. Hickey, 20, of 43 Concord St., North Andover, was arrested and charged on of Fish and Game was notified. warrants for being a motor vehicle operator refusing to identify themselves and a person under 21 having liquor.

Saturday, Jan. 3 — At 1:08 a.m., Shawn Scott, 24, of 90 Winter Lane, Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with operating under the influence of liquor and a lights violation.

person walked into the police station to report identity theft.

Thursday, Jan. 1 — At 11:16 p.m., a resident reported a wallet stolen the previous night.

Friday, Jan. 2 — At 9:24 a.m., a Bellevue Road resident reported identity

At 8:25 p.m., a Greenwood Road resident reported the theft of a Santa Claus decoration from their yard.

Saturday, Jan. 3 — At 1:31 p.m., a Stevens Street resident reported identity

At 5:58 p.m., a Minuteman Road hotel reported that someone had stolen the between last Monday and Wednesday.

Tuesday, Dec. 30 — At 1:48 a.m., police responded, along with an ambulance, to a reported death of a 25-year-old male. office was contacted.

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At 10:32 a.m., a 911 caller reported a low hanging wire by the Horn Bridge on Central Street.

At 5:22 p.m., a suicide hotline in Connecticut contacted the Andover police because they had just received a call from an Andover resident feeling suicidal. The police were able to trace the call through the caller's cell phone to find her address, and send an ambulance. The caller agreed to a voluntary psych evaluation, said the cop log.

At 5:47 p.m., a possible water main break was reported on Abbot Bridge

Wednesday, Dec. 31 — At 12:49 a.m., Andover Police were notified by state police that a person in Alberta, Canada had been threatened by an Andover resident over Facebook.com, a social networking Web site. The U.S. Secret Service and state police were handling

At 6:47 a.m., a water main break was reported on South Main Street.

At 8:06 a.m., police were notified of suspicious activity, of three people getting out of a car in a Federal Street parking lot. They were dressed in camouflage and carrying bows and arrows. A responding officer found that the people were bow hunting. The department

Thursday, Jan. 1 — At 10:18 a.m., a Partridge Hill Road resident called police about a suspicious vehicle parked on the roadside. A responding officer found the vehicle to be stolen from someone in Manchester, N.H. The ignition had been tampered with and a plow removed from the front.

At 8:47 p.m., a caller reported being assaulted by a friend leaving her house. Wednesday, Dec. 31 - At 12:46 p.m., a A responding officer settled the matter and listed it as an "unwanted guest" incident in the cop log.

Friday, Jan. 2 — At 12:44 p.m., a caller said she thought she had lost her cell phone, and just received a phone bill for \$800. All the calls were to the same city, and not made by the Andover person.

At 1:38 p.m., a Henderson Avenue resident reported finding ammunition in their basement.

At 6:31 p.m., Andover police issued two citations for possession of class D (marijuana) in an incident with the Middleton Police on Jenkins Road at Harold Parker Road.

Sunday, Jan. 4 — At 2:06 p.m., a brass caps off the sprinkler system, reported death was recorded. A person called 911 after she went to visit her 72-year-old sister. An ambulance was sent, and confirmed the death; the medical examiner's office was contacted.

At 4:36 p.m., a Morton Street resident called police because a female wearing The Trauma Intervention Program was a blonde wig entered her home, asking notified, and the medical examiner's for a certain man. The caller had never

seen the person before. A responding officer found that "it appears the incident was a mistake involving a wrong address," said the cop log.

At 6:35 p.m., a detective and canine were requested to go to the Chateau parking lot, River Road. A civil complaint was given for class D possession

(marijuana). Monday, Jan. 5 — At 2:27 p.m., a 911 caller reported that a vehicle drove by him on Andover Country Club Lane, and a large group of youths got out, throwing snowballs at his vehicle. He ended

up with a dent in one side of his car. At 10:22 p.m., a large water main break was reported on Tanglewood Way.

#### **AUTO INCIDENTS**

Tuesday, Dec. 30 — At 10:35 a.m., a library worker on Essex Street, reported a silver Volkswagon Jetta had rolled into another vehicle, with no driver present.

At 6:26 p.m., a caller reported their vehicle's tires had been slashed in a Railroad Street parking lot.

At 6:38 p.m., an officer requested a tow truck for a car pulled over on North Main Street. The driver had a suspended license and was given a criminal complaint for failure to dim headlights and operating after suspension.

Wednesday, Dec. 31 — At 8:14 a.m., a Longwood Drive caller reported their blue Toyota had been broken into overnight.

At 1:44 p.m., the Public Works Department requested an officer to come to the Town Yard on Lewis Street. A town truck had been hit.

Thursday, Jan. 1 — At 11:21 a.m., a Shawsheen Road resident reported vandalism to a vehicle.

At 1:36 p.m., a Colonial Drive resident reported that someone had thrown a candlestick through his back windshield overnight.

#### **AUTO ACCIDENTS**

Tuesday, Dec. 30 — At 3:02 p.m., a hitand-run crash was reported from Main Street, where a gray vehicle hit another and left the scene.

At 3:46 p.m., multiple 911 calls were received about a four-car crash with personal injury on North Main Street.

Wednesday, Dec. 31 — At 6:27 a.m., a single-vehicle crash was reported, with a car crashing into a house on Haverhill Street. One minor was taken to the

Sunday, Jan. 4 — At 2 p.m., a crash with no injuries was reported, where a vehicle hit a pole with a flashing light on Enmore Street.

Monday, Jan. 5 — At 4:57 p.m., a hitand-run crash was reported on Crescent

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'SNOW COUNTRY BY YASUNARI KAWABATA

# Novel gives slice of Japan

By Mari Miyach WHAT'S UP CONTRIBUTER

Japan is an intriguing country for many. From when Japan was opened up to foreign trade in 1854 to modern times, the nation has maintained a sense of mystery. Anyone who has seen the movie "Lost in Translation" can recognize the polar differences between our two cultures. While I have been exposed to a great deal of Japanese culture due to my heritage, and indeed, have had the pleasure of reading many a haiku poem, it was not until this December that I read my first piece of Japanese

"Snow Country" by Yasunari Kawabata is the story of Shimamura, a wealthy dilettante from Tokyo, who travels to the hot springs of northern Japan, the snow-laden countryside, where he meets the young and captivating geisha Komako. The two unexpectedly begin a relationship, simultaneously attracted but yet repelled by the other. Their affair is unstable from the beginning due to both age difference and the nature of Komako's life as a geisha. And as the story progresses, fate seems to continue to fight against their love.

The relationship between Shimamura and Komako is indeed a tragedy. The barren landscape of the snow country is a constant reminder of this. It possesses a destructive beauty, one that does not foster life and

While his characters are drawn together by an inexplicable force, Kawabata beautifully details the many forces that tear Shimamura and Komako apart: their jobs, their age, Komako's rival geisha, the weather conditions. But perhaps the most touching and saddest part of "Snow Country" is what is not said in the final scenes, for the fate of their relationship is understood without words.

"Snow Country" is a compelling story on its own, but it is Kawabata's lyrical language that is most impressive. He writes with the simplicity typified in Japanese haiku poems, poetically describing the landscape and nature. While his works are translated, Kawabata's words

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# ABC students get financial lessons

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

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Teens in Andover's A Better Chance program are learning the ABCs of finance this winter.

The Savings Bank is hosting a four-month, eight-part series of financial literacy seminars for the nine girls in the program, who are learning about everything from balancing a checkbook to applying for a car loan.

"You really see the light bulb go off," said Raichelle Kallery, vice president of marketing at the Savings Bank, who is teaching the free seminar. "The girls are fabulous; they ask great questions. They're very

outgoing and are very comfortable with each other."

The ABC program sponsors academically outstanding minority students from underperforming urban schools to attend top public and private

schools around the country, including Andover High

School. Kallery is teaching the students the Federal Deposit

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Former Andover High School student Sarah Pearson was given her diploma the week before Christmas by her guidance counselor. She completed her online courses over the summer because she was two credits short and was not allowed to graduate in June.

# Mission accomplished

## Student who couldn't walk with 2008 class receives diploma

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

For Sarah Pearson, the road to getting her diploma from Andover High School was a rocky one, filled with detours. But the week before Christmas, Pearson missing credits as well as some required reached the end and was handed her AHS diploma by her guidance counselor of four years. Kim Bergev.

"I am happy that my diploma is inhand, and no one can take it away from me at this point. That was a lot of work for a little piece of paper," said Pearson, 18. "I'm still trying to figure out the whole situation.

School Committee and superintendent because she was two credits shy of the 26 credits required to graduate from AHS, and not allowed to walk with her class at graduation ceremonies on June 2. School

policy that requires graduation particitop of a cake. Pearson is still considered pants to have 26 credits. Pearson's name a member of the AHS class of 2008, said was printed on the graduation program, Bergey, and Pearson's diploma gives a but she did not attend.

Pearson completed correspondence courses this summer to make up for her community service hours. When Pearson filed the paperwork in December, Bergey said she was happy to hand over her diploma.

"It was always her goal to get her diploma and I commend her for not giving up, and having the perseverance to follow through," said Bergey, who is in her 11th year as an AHS guidance Last spring, Pearson appealed to the counselor. "I'm most happy about that, because I know it was very important to her and her family."

Pearson said her mother, Lynda McNeil, "can't stop smiling," and has planned a graduation party for her, with officials stood by their decision, citing a copy of Sarah's diploma decorating the

June 2008 date.

Pearson has been working, and couldn't enroll in college courses without a high school diploma. She said she hopes to begin at Northern Essex Community College as an accounting major. When Pearson was handed her diploma

last month, she broke into tears, Pearson

"I can't imagine getting it any other way," she said. "I tried the best that I could do, and I am living with that. But they (Andover school officials) have to live with what they did.

"No one wanted to take ownership of it (not allowing her to walk at graduation). It was the principal's fault, and then it was the School Committee's fault," she

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#### ■ SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

#### Andover public schools, Jan. 12-16:

#### **Elementary schools**

Monday: Rib-a-q on roll, taco bar with all the toppings, grilled cheese, cheesy refried beans, corn, black bean salad and chilled pineapple.

Tuesday: Popcorn chicken, dinner roll, whole wheat cheese pizza, manager's choice, broccoli salad, fresh fruit, mixed fruit and juice. Wednesday: Ravioli, sauce and garlic

bread, egg-and-cheese burrito with hash browns, soup and chicken caesar salad, garden salad, chilled fruit and juice. Thursday: Chicken tenders with dips,

noodles with marinara or meat sauce, manager's choice, breadstick, steamed carrots, noodles and fresh fruit.

Friday: French bread cheese pizza, cheeseburger on roll, manager's choice, greek pasta salad, veggie sticks with dip and fresh fruit.

#### Middle schools

Monday: Twin taco bar (soft shell with toppings), chicken tenders and roll, manager's choice, Mexican rice, corn, mandarin oranges and juice.

Tuesday: Cheese or pepperoni pan pizza, vegetable quesadilla with nachos and salsa, manager's choice, steamed broccoli and cheese sauce, fresh fruit, jello with topping and juice.

Wednesday: Vegetable soup, greek salad and breadstick, lasagna and garlic bread, grilled hot dog on roll, sun chips and pickle, caesar salad, soup, fresh fruit and

Thursday: Cheese or pepperoni pan pizza, roast turkey club, manager's choice, soup, salad, breadstick, green beans, oven fries, fresh fruit and juice.

**Friday:** Fish sticks, french fries, cole slaw. macaroni with meat or marinara sauce, manager's choice, garden salad, fresh fruit and juice.

#### Andover High School

Monday: Chicken sauteed with seasoned garlic topped with Alfredo sauce, broccoli and cheese over penne pasta served with garden salad, breadstick and fruit cup.

Tuesday: Lasagna with meat sauce, garlic bread, seasoned green beans and apple crisp with topping.

Wednesday: Buffalo wings with french fries, cole slaw, dinner roll and fresh

Thursday: Barbecue meatloaf, whipped potatoes, seasoned vegetables, dinner roll and chilled peaches.

Friday: Oven-baked chicken, rice pilaf, seasoned vegetables, dinner roll and chilled pears.

Also available a la carte daily at the

elementary and middle schools: bottled water and juice; ice cream and yogurt; bagel with light cream cheese: fresh fruit: and milk. At Andover High School there is a wrap/deli bar with sandwiches made to order, plus a daily sandwich offering, daily specials and panini specials. For information about lunches, call Gail Koutroubas, food services director, at 978-623-8622.



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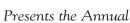
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**REVIEW:** A

slice of Japan

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do not lose their poignancy

and stark beauty. After reading "Snow Country," it is clear

why Kawabata was bestowed the honor of the Nobel Prize for

Literature, becoming the first

Japanese citizen to receive the

I give "Snow Country" an 8

out of 10. Kawabata's strength

as an author lies in his care-

ful poetic language, which

remains striking more than 50

Some things, however, do get

lost in translation, and the plot

moves a bit slowly, especially

superficially and metaphori-

cally; thus, I recommend it for

For anyone remotely interested in Japanese culture, I

believe "Snow Country" is a

concise and accurate portrayal

of Japanese life and values,

and a classic representation

of the Japanese aesthetics of

This novel also deals with more mature topics, both

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in the beginning.

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■ PIKE SCHOOL FALL HONOR ROLL

Pike School in Andover has announced its honor roll for the fall semester of the 2008-09 school year. Students earning distinction are:

#### **HIGH HÖNORS** Grade 9

Louisa Dallett, John French, Jason Nawrocki, Jamison

Hannah Abbe, Sahil Bhaiwala, Emily Carrolo, Rachel Cope, Tahera Doctor, Sarah Eberth, Kevin Fung, Pearson Goodman, Maria Karamourtopoulos, Alex Kramer, Angela Lei, Josh Orlowitz, Juliette Randazza, Carlos Rotger, Andrew Schwartz, Isha Singhal, Daniel Smith, Sebastian Tsai Grade 7

Meera Bhan, Megan Cahill, Moorea Colby, Zoe Gates, Emma Gordon, George Gu, Emily Hatheway, David He, Julia Hoyt, Laura Ippolito, Lizzy Jaekle, Sam Landay, Sophie Landay, Abby Mayer, Jay Patel, Lizzy Rao, Jake Rauh, Carolina Rosas, Soha Sanchorawala, Nathan Sheng

Thayer Anderson, Justin Curtis, Nick DiAdamo, David Enyedy, Analiese Fernandes, Frank Geng, Joe Holden, Andrew Hulshult, Jessica Hutchinson, Karina Keus, Ritu Kumble, Nikita Minocha, Tracy O'Donnell, Tiernan O'Rourke, Gino Roy, Emily Schwartz, Sebastian Silveira, Zach Steer, Meghan Tao

#### **HONORS**

Tyler Britt, Emily Brown, Megan Fanning, Nick Gates, Jessica Horton, Kelsey Hutchinson, Stephen Lafortune, Alex Mellin, Kiera Parece, Nick Sweetser, Sara Teplow

Brant Abraham, Ani Bilazarian, Rachel Bolton, Matti Burns, Zoe Campbell, Caroline Cuoco, Elle Denison, Joe Fennessy, Keiley Glancy, Lydia Godo-Solo, John Grady, Maddie Gray, Ben Grossman, Alex Hammond, Bridget Healey, Amelia Hulshult, Abby Katz, Anna McCabe, Alex Meyers, Julie Moon, Bess Muggia, Sara Nunez, Kelly O'Donnell, Theo Papapetros, Brian Poirier, Logan Poole, Guy Ross, Michael Schelzi, Michael Sciascia, Clark Shipley, Max Silveira, Greg Stern, Tess Watler, Hanna Whirty, Marie Wilson, Harry Wood

Sara Adam, George Apostle, Nick Bradley, Caroline Burke, Teddy Coutracos, Maeve Curley, Michael DeLaus, Emily Dumont, Benzi Edelson, Seve Elkin, Olivia Foderaro, Adam Gerber, Luke Glancy, Guillaume Harmange, Yana Holden, Jake Howell, Ben Manser, Alesandra Miller, Rachel Mills, Kristen Murphy, Sean Nork, Max Novick, Andrew O'Brien, Bailey O'Neal, Bella Papapetros, Emma Parece, Nate Reddi, Tyler Sauvageau Grade 6

Ameer Ahmed, Shuruthe Ananthakrishnan, Andrew Barker-Morrill, Amy Bolton, Lexi Britt, Caroline Colletta, Jessica Conway, Graham Cook, Bianca Di Mauro, Aaron Fang, Emma Fennessy, Charlotte Gacek, Justin Galiney, Mackenzie Gray, Forest Hallee, Blaise Harmange, Oliver Harston, Emily Jin, Tom Johst, Caroline Kent, Colleen MacInnis, Harrison Markell, Dominique Mateo, James Michaels, Alex Munick, Kate Nuzzolo, Margot O'Brien, Naveen Rajur, Molly Reilly, Julia Reynolds, C. J. Rogers, Steven Schelzi, George Siodis, Victoria Skrivanos. Kory Stuer, Sathvik Sudireddy, Michael Walsh, Patrick Watrous, Allen Zhou



State Sen. Sue Tucker and The Savings Bank recently gave a seminar on financial literacy with students from the A Better Chance program. Pictured are (front row, left to right) ABC students Justene Salomon, Shanygne Askins, Camilla Ekokobe, Khaneisha White, Ashleigh Baker and Henrica Bresil; (back row) Sen. Sue Tucker; ABC students Turalloy Jackson, Daree Colon and Alexis Singh; Raichelle Kallery of the Savings Bank; Amy Joyall, Andover ABC president and Dan Hall, ABC board of directors.

# **LESSONS:** ABCs of handling money

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Insurance Corporation's Money Smart program, which is geared for seventh-grade through high school students, she said.

"This is the time when they really start to become exposed to what's out there. Not understanding the tools, resources and options (in finance and banking) can get some people into trouble," said Kallery.

For one of their recent sessions, the ABC students had a special guest, state Sen. Sue Tucker, who has championed the idea of mandating that all students take similar courses. Tucker plans to sponsor a bill, to be filed during this winter's

a uniform financial literacy curricu- accounts, credit cards, setting finanlum to be taught in Massachusetts cial goals, ways to save and borrow schools. She met with both educamoney, how to use credit and how tional and finance professionals this to pay for college, automobiles and fall as she drafted the bill.

Besides Tucker, Kallery plans to bring in other guest speakers, such as a bank loan officer for a class on borrowing.

"It's been a lot of fun, personally, for me to be a part of it," Kallery said. "I'm teaching freshmen to seniors, so some of them already have checking accounts. They're able to talk about some very real life experiences they've had, and maybe some mistakes they've made."

The Money Smart program

MISSION: Pearson earns her diploma from AHS

"The students are finding it very beneficial, and learning things they weren't aware of in managing their own finances. It's particularly important these days, when people are trying to make the dollar go further," said Dan Hall, Andover ABC development chairman, who initially approached the Savings Bank about offering the seminars in Andover.

The Savings Bank is based in Wakefield and has a branch in

housing, said Kallery.

Mari Miyachi is an Andover resident and student

at Phillips Academy.

#### ■ LOCAL SCHOLARS

Central Catholic High School announces its firstquarter honor roll which includes the following Andover students:

Distinguished honors: Senior -

**High honors:** Freshmen – Jeremy Fague and Jacquelilne Himmer

Honors: Seniors - Daniel Blackwell, Sarah Bowler, Lindsay Fague, Brian George, Regina LaRose, Ruth Rickenbacker

Honors: Juniors - William Alcott, Connor Benjamin, Caitlin George, Christopher George, Stephen Lannan. AnnMarie O'Brien.

**Honors:** Sophomores – Thomas Alaimo, Katherine Gillis, Nicholas Hegge, Courtney Naughton

**Honors:** Freshmen – Hannah Carey, Rachel Corbett, Casey Dawson, James Kerrigan, Sarah Lynch, Christopher Rigoli, Alexandra Sanz, Carolina Zappala

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## senate session, that would require teaches about savings and checking Andover.

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said. Her father, Bradford Pearson, lost an 18-month fight with prostate cancer the summer before her junior year. He was diagnosed when she really bent over backwards. she was a freshman. She also transferred to Methuen High School for a few months as a senior for family reasons, but when she came back to Andover, her credits did not carry

"It will be something to graduate from college. Looking back at photos my dad took of my siblings graduating from AHS, it hurts that I didn't get to do it, but it hurts more that he wasn't there," she said.

"She was extremely helpful when

I found out that my dad was sick; High school was not an easy time for me, and she helped me through every step of it," said Pearson. "I wish I could say that the good

memories outweigh the bad (from AHS). But a lot of bad things happened, not even just related to graduation, but the stuff with my dad. I have a lot of friends I've made at

"I'm very grateful for the support I got when I needed it. I couldn't Pearson described Bergey as have done it without my mom. She pursue next.'

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a constant comfort through high really pushed me." After Bergey gave Pearson her

diploma, they used her father's camera to take photos of Pearson, her mother and Bergey together. "It was a really nice moment. It

made it feel like he was with us in the room, and that was really special," Bergey said. "It's been quite a journey, with her father's illness, and with the ups and downs with life in general. Ever since she was a freshman, her teachers and I knew she was intelligent and had many talents to share. Getting her diploma made her ready to move on and find out what she needs to

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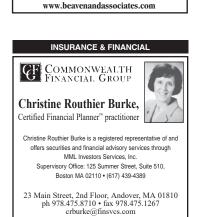


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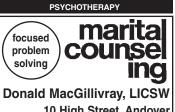
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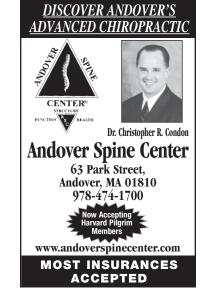
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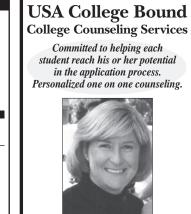


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# Opinion

# Worthy race for our children

The School Committee will lose the analysis and commitment of member Tony James come March, but it seems guaranteed to have two knowledgeable residents fill the two seats up for election this year. That is something any community would envy.

Four residents who have committed significant time to local education have declared they will appear on the March ballot — and there is still a month left for others to join the race. This is the type of competition that one would like to see in every

In addition to incumbent School Committee member Arthur Barber, residents will be able to chose from:

- Paula M. Colby-Clements, a lawyer and professor at the Massachusetts School of Law in Andover. In addition to her recruitment work at the school, she is a former president of the Andona Society, a group of parents well known for raising money for local educational efforts through events such as the widely popular ClownTown.
- David Birnbach, chief executive officer at Vaultus Mobile Technologies, an Andover schools graduate and resident who has served on the Andover School Committee twice, from 1985 to 1988 and from 1995 to 1998. During his tenure, Birnbach was known for his interest in technology and willingness to consider new solutions to old problems.
- Annie Gilbert, vice president of the Andover Coalition for Education, a private group that brought in a grant writer for the Andover school system, resulting in big money for the schools. She is also on the Bancroft school council, Bancroft PTO board and Andover Parent to Parent board.

Residents will agree or disagree with the School Committee candidates on a variety of issues. But they will be able to choose from an experienced group with a proven commitment to improving education in town.

## Prayers for a pastor

A few years ago, the Andover Baptist Church, the church across Essex Street from Memorial Hall Library in downtown Andover, looked headed for consolidation with another congregation. There were only a dozen or so families. Then along came new pastor Lyndon Myers.

Myers has reinvigorated the congregation and become a regular at many spiritual community events. Parish members now offer a new Christmas play each year. Last Martin Luther King Jr. Day, it launched an annual unity brunch that will continue this year.

Myers suffered a heart attack on Dec. 28, but is now listed in good condition. Our prayers are with him, and we wish the dynamic pastor a speedy recovery. We look forward to his involvement in future community events at his growing, active congregation.

### **WEB QUESTION**

#### Should town meeting be delayed?

side are you on?

The selectmen and School Committee have differing opin- and May, for another reason ions on whether Town Meeting should be delayed to offer more or June. We need all the time time for budget discussions.

Last April, the Legislature budget. passed a law allowing towns to hold Town Meetings as late or June, for another reason. as June.

At their Jan. 5 meeting, selectmen voted to keep the standing 2009 dates of April | because Town Meeting is an 29, 30 and May 4 and 5, if nec- inefficient, antiquated system. essary. At their Jan. 6 meeting, the School Committee voted unanimously to request the andovertownsman.com and selectmen reconsider their scroll all the way to the botvote, expressing support for a tom of the page. For lengthier June Town Meeting date.

What do you think? ■ Keep it as is, held in April | andovertownsman.com

This week's web question: Whose and May. Fewer people would attend a later meeting.

- Keep it as is, held in April
- Delay it until later in May we can get to balance the
- Delay it until later in May
- It doesn't matter to me, I never go to Town Meeting.
- This is a moot point,
- None of the above. To cast your vote, go to www. answers, send an e-mail to

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## FOUR ON THE FLOOR (ONE IN THE SLED)

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Sam Rowe, 12, far left, Petey Minigell, 12, Alex Gray, 12, Jillian Gray, 14, and Robert Devaney have their five-person sledding ride fall apart at the bottom of the hill at Andover High School Friday afternoon. If you know of a good sledding spot, send the information to townsman@ andovertownsman.com

# Ankle swearing pacts ... and other examples of sibling love

#### **By Sue Tabb**



Ankle swearing is all the rage. And it's a very serious business; making things like crossing your heart and hoping to die or even swearing on your mother's grave look like mere child's play. If you ankle swear you won't do something, you risk life and limb — or a slimy lick — if you dare

to break the pact. My children have grown quite fond of licking each other as a first line of defense. In their youthful estimation, there is nothing quite as repulsive as saliva.

Let's get back to the sibling love that emanates throughout our home. Since our girls are less than two years apart, they feel it is imperative to be equal in all things big and small. There is a very fine balance of power that is generally defined by who has the better iPod or who gets a better score on the Wii fitness challenge.

If everything in their life is not identical, especially in terms of the total monetary value of all their electronic gadgets, there is trouble in River City. But it's not just about things; the mere presence of one daughter is enough to set the other one off.

If anything has a winner, loser or, (gasp), final score, that is just certain doom. You might as well back into a sharp knife slowly, it will be far less painful than watching the cat fight that will ensue.

But the good news is that it's not that difficult to detect impending disaster since the danger signs come in the form of loud, poignant phrases like:

- Stop copying me! Stop touching me! Stop following me!
- No. you can't borrow that scarf: it's my special scarf
- I need my privacy! You've got three seconds to get out of my room or I'll slam your head in the door! (Not an empty threat by the way.)
- I was playing that game on a harder skill level; I'm really better than you.
- Your spelling words are soooo easy compared to mine!
- Can I borrow her iPod while she's being punished? You are going to punish her, aren't you?

The sisters actually bask in the glory of another's demise; if one daughter is being punished, the other is interested in upping the ante: "That's it? Shouldn't she be grounded for life, sent to her room, banished from town, tortured and stoned to death? And, while she's gone, can I use her cell phone?"

I'm not sure if it's the closeness in age, the same sex thing or if I'm raising a couple of barracudas who are masters in the fine  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1$ art of guerilla warfare. I do have friends who describe the same dynamic in their households, which basically means we're all destined for years of anguish, the kind that only a movie starring Keanu Reeves

But there's a bright side. They'll be best friends one day, with nothing left to argue about except whose turn it is to wheel me around the "home." And even then I can imagine some lively debates about whether they'll order me the applesauce brownie or the tapioca pudding.

The theory is that sisters who fight throughout childhood grow up to be very close in their adult lives. I guess that is generally true, although I still don't forgive my sister for throwing up on me on the Tilta-Whirl when I was 7 ... after eating a carnival hot dog. Some scars just never fade.

Pam Brown is quoted as saving: "Sisters annoy, interfere, criticize. Indulge in monu mental sulks, in huffs, in snide remarks. Borrow. Break. Monopolize the bathroom. Are always underfoot. But if catastrophe should strike, sisters are there. Defending you against all comers.'

But my question is: Will she ankle swear not to lick you? That, my friends, is the true test of sisterly love.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Amazing support is appreciated

Editor, Townsman:

How do you measure a community? We have all seen the lists of

how communities are measured; the best schools, the healthiest place to live, the highest SAT scores, etc., but I have recently experienced Andover in a much different and more significant

Approximately six weeks ago I was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer and have since undergone surgery and started chemotherapy. Although difficult and scary, the outpouring of support and concern from friends, acquaintances and people I didn't even know has been unmatched. Each and every one of your prayers, kind words, and gestures has touched our lives in ways I could never articulate. Your amazing compassion and generosity puts Andover at the top of the types of lists that could never be quantified or measured.

PI HESELTINE

## Oil barons have us over a barrel

Editor, Townsman:

It seems like yesterday that we were paying more than \$4 per gallon for regular unleaded. Right now, you can fill up your car for less than half of what you paid this past July. The steady price run-up during the past two years followed by a nearly freefall reduction in price has many wondering what happened and how do we plan for the future. Will the price stay low or will history repeat itself?

A recent Wall Street Journal article reported on more cuts in petroleum production in the Middle East. The cutbacks will enable oil-producing nations to boost worldwide prices to levels that maintain foreign government revenue levels and avoid reductions in the cartel members' treasuries.

Frankly, the Middle East oil cartel has us over a barrel — it controls production and world commodity prices.

#### **LETTERS POLICY**

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created a toxic environment where terrorism flourishes and energy independence is stifled. Our reliance on foreign energy supplies has enabled oil-rich nations to enhance their standing in the world at the expense of our own. We have suppressed our own

opportunities to create competing energy markets over the past generation by providing taxpayer subsidies to mature Petrodollars and politics have and profitable U.S.-based energy

industries.

We have run out of time for debate and speculation. We must take control of our energy crisis. Federal and state government must provide leadership and resources that will affect a transformation of our society in how energy is produced, managed and used.

Many have begun to change their energy habits. They drive less, buy smaller cars, use public transportation, install solar panels and keep thermostats low. I believe we are witnessing the beginning of an energy revolution.

But to achieve energy independence, we must radically reduce our use of fossil fuels. There is no doubt that this will be painful. We must fast-track alternative energy propulsion systems, mandate higher efficiency standards for cars and trucks, increase appliance efficiencies, and phase out market-distorting taxpayer subsidies to mature and profitable energy companies.

So let us lead the world in an energy revolution, instead of being mired in dependency.

JOHN F. ZIPETO 14 Canterbury St.

#### **■ THURSDAY FILE**

"I learned that it is the weak first four sharpening the ax." who are cruel, and that gentleness is to be expected only from the strong."

— Leo Rosten

"You on the cutting edge of technology have already made yesterday's impossibilities the commonplace realities of today."

— Ronald Reagan

"Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the

— Abraham Lincoln

"Never wish life were easier, wish that you were better."

— Jim Rohn

"All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word: freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope.

– Winston Churchill

"Before we set our hearts

too much upon anything, let us examine how happy those are who already possess it."

"The need for change bull-

dozed a road down the center of my mind." — Maya Angelou

dynamic purposes."

"Strong lives are motivated by

Kenneth Hildebrand

"Habit is necessary; it is the habit of having habits, of turning a trail into a rut, that must - Francois de La be incessantly fought against if Rochefoucauld one is to remain alive.'

— Edith Wharton

without his own approval." - Mark Twain

"A man cannot be comfortable

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their

Eleanor Roosevelt

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# James bows out, two step in for School Committee race

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

Tony James announced Tuesday he will not seek reelection, but there will be no shortage of School Committee candidates with educational experience on the March ballot.

This week, School Committee veteran David Birnbach and law professor and former Andona Society president Paula Colby-Clements announced their intentions to run for one of two available School Committee seats. They would join Andover Coalition for Education vice president Annie Gilbert and School Committee incumbent Art Barber on the ballot.

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papers, complete with 50 signatures of registered Andover voters, to the town clerk by Feb. 3.

After two terms on the school committee, James said he will not run for re-election, citing the desire to fully retire, travel and visit friends and family. He also noted he is "delighted" Gilbert is running to fill his

"I've learned an awful lot from you," said Barber. "I ran against you twice, and both times, you got more votes than me!'

Committee chairwoman Debra Silberstein said James "has always held our feet to the fire, and made sure we thought things through."

A look at the new candidates said.

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#### PAULA M. COLBY-CLEMENTS



Address: 119 Chestnut St. and professor at the Massachusetts School of Law in Andover

Gregg and three children Jordan, 8; Emily, 6, and Jack, almost 4

**Age:** 40 Related experience: Past president of the Andona Society. At the Mass School of Law, Colby-Clements works with college and high school kids through recruitment for the school, and has insight into the school's operation. budget process and grant writing, she

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Why are you running?

Ever since I became a lawyer,

I've thought about going into town **Profession:** lawyer In Andona, I've dealt directly with the schools in town, and had the pleasure, on occasion, of talk-Family: Husband ing to (Superintendent) Dr. Bach on her vision of where she wants the schools to go.

> Being active in town, and last year watching the budget crunch, funding is just going to get worse, particularly this year. We could be facing one of the worst financial crises we've seen since the Great Depression. The next couple of years are going to pose a tremendous challenge.

I'm not sure I have all the ideas, but I hope my experience would lend the ability to help steer us through it.

#### What do you bring to the table that sets you apart?

As a lawyer, (I know) understanding laws is very important. One of the things most important is compliance in things like No Child Left Behind and other mandates.

Having some fundamental (legal) understanding of those things helps you understand that budgeting process. Also having been involved in sports my whole life — I have kids in sports, and friends involved — I'd like to make sure that those things are not forgotten.

#### DAVID BIRNBACH



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Osgood St. **Profession:** Chief executive officer at Vaultus Mobile Technologies Family: Wife

Address: 86

Beverly Birnbach, a stay-at-home mom, and son Jacob, 6 **Age:** 48

Related experience: Andover School Committee member. 1985 to 1988 and 1995 to 1998. Member of MIT Sloan School's executive education assessment committee, and mentor in MIT's Venture Mentoring Service

#### Why are you running?

We're in unprecedented times financially, and at the same time the bar is going up for our students to successfully compete in our rapidly changing global economy. Budgets are tighter than ever, and it will be increasingly difficult to enhance the quality of education without fundamentally re-thinking our present education delivery model and organizational structure. I believe we have a big opportunity to re-think how we deliver educational content and services to our students. I'll add a unique perspective that will complement the other Committee members, and help our administration further enhance the quality of education for our students.

I'm a graduate of the Andover

Committee (1985-88; 1995-98). I'm well versed on our budget and operating models and would hit the ground running and be able to contribute immediately. I was a key member on the school committee that hired Claudia Bach, and I have a good relationship with her. I also have good relationships with our town manager, budget director and Finance Committee chair, and will help improve relationships between the School Committee, selectman and Finance Committee.

#### What do you bring to the table that sets you apart?

Creative problem-solving skills, with a knack for thinking outside-the-box and finding innovative, cost-effective ways to improve the status quo.

Deep knowledge of technology. Communications technology is fundamentally changing how we learn and communicate, and we can better leverage technology to reduce costs and improve our education delivery model. In the near future, personal computers will look similar to the iPhone and iPod Touch, and cost significantly less than what we spend today on desktop and laptop computers. This trend will further impact how we deliver education to our students, and Andover needs someone on the committee who has the knowledge to help our school system Public Schools, and spent six make the best, most cost-effective years on the Andover School technology buying decisions.

# \$15k strategic plan tabled, for now

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

The School Committee will delay drafting a district-wide strategic plan until the spring, after the budget decisions are

"There is just too much going on, with the budget crisis hitting us," said committee chairwoman Debra Rahmin Silberstein. in December to form the plan,

"Starting it up in January is a lot, of community input to begin this with what we're facing. I think we should suspend it for the time being." In mid-November, the School

Committee approved hiring a consultant to help write a strategic plan, to be paid no more than \$15,000 for the seven-month process. Future Management Systems of Beverly was selected

a "road map" for the district's next three to five years, but no contract was signed, said **Business Administrator David** Keniston.

month. Members took a vote Tuesday, Jan. 6, to delay that until "later in the fiscal year" after Town Meeting.

Committee members agreed they'd still like to form focus groups of community members to gain input, as the first part of the strategic planning process.

"I still feel deeply about the value and importance of the strategic plan," said member Tony James.

"The timing is simply several months off-kilter. Everybody's



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# Townspeople

# Residents have places to go for snowy fun



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A group of hikers walk over a footbridge at the AVIS Deer Jump Reservation on Sunday. The property runs along the Merrimack River in Andover.



Marty Gladstein of Andover takes his dog, Simba, on a winter hike through the AVIS Deer Jump Reservation on Sunday.



Alix Driscoll, left, and Al Chasse, both of Andover, talk as they participate in the winter hike led by resident Fred Snell.

# Town to offer winter festival on Feb. 1

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

Did you get cross-country skis for the holidays? Snowshoes? Brand-new sleds for the kids? Get ready to pack them in the car — and don't forget the kids.

The town is hosting a winter festival on Sunday, Feb. 1, for families and plans to show off the winter fun opportunities at Recreation Park.

Recreation Director Kim Stamas said the hill at Andover High School may be

but the lesser-known hill at Recreation are snow hikes for you, too. Park, near the in-line skating rink, is a good sledding hill.

"We want people to use Rec Park in the winter, too," said Stamas, who was busy this week putting the final touches on the town's winter schedule of events and classes. The Family Winter Festival will be announced in the Department of Community Services' booklet to be mailed about two hours. E-mail Helen Palmer next week.

Of course, if you just want to strap on more information.

the most popular sledding spot in town, your snowshoes and quietly go out, there

This New Year stepped off in grand white style last Sunday as hikers — some wearing snowshoes — enjoyed a 2.5-mile hike at the Deer Jump Reservation in west Andover.

Another hike hosted by AVIS is planned for Sunday, Jan. 11, at the Goldsmith Woodlands. Hikers should meet at 491 S. Main St. at 1:30 p.m. The hike lasts at hpalmer.fournature@verizon.net for

#### **IF YOU GO**

WHAT: Family Winter Festival Sledding, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing by a bonfire, hot chocolate, roasted marshmallows available

WHEN: Sunday, Feb. 1, 10 a.m. to noon WHERE: Recreation Park, off Abbot

COST: \$5 per person; \$20 family **More info:** 978-623-8276 Hosted by Department of Community

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#### SENIOR NOTES

Exercise Classes and Registration: The winter semester of exercise classes is just getting underway. Classes are being offered in strength training for women, tap dancing, low impact aerobics and modified yoga. The 12-week winter semester will run through Feb. 20. Call the center to see about space availability. Nordic Walking will resume in the spring. Registration for the senior center and "Y" collaborative classes will take place at the center the week of Dec. 15. Classes will be offered in men's exercise, fit-walk, water workout, cardio-flex, senior spinning and water yoga. "Y" membership is not required.

Gardner Museum Trip: Thursday, Jan. 15, at 10 a.m. The cost is \$36. Housed in a stunning 15th century Venetian style palace with three stories of galleries surrounding a sun and flower filled courtyard. The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum provides an unusual backdrop for the viewing of art. This beautiful spot will take you away from the New England winter for a few hours, while you admire works by Rembrandt, Michelangelo, Manet, Whistler, Sargent. Containing over 2,500 art works, the museum is the only private art collection in which the building, collection and installation are the creation of one individual. A guided tour will be followed by lunch, at cost, at Faneuil Hall Marketplace.

"Chowda Fest": Sunday, Jan. 13, from noon to  $2\ \mathrm{p.m.}$ , advance reservations. Come in where it's warm and enjoy an afternoon of food, fun and entertainment. They will serve chowder, soups, salad, hot dogs, pizza, beverages and dessert while you enjoy the foot stomping music of the New Orleans Jazz Band.

American Art as seen through the Addison Gallery Collection on Tuesdays, Jan. 13, 20 and 27 at 1:30~p.m.Advance registration necessary, cost is \$15. Topics covered in this four session course include an overview of the Addison collection, The American landscape from the Hudson River School through Impressionism, Winslow Homer and Images of the American city at the turn of the 20th century.

Friday Forum: Friday, Jan. 23, at 9:30 a.m. Pre-registration appreciated. The speaker will be Tom Boudreau, Outreach Manager from the Massachusetts Equipment Distribution Program. This program enables people with disabilities to communicate over the phone. They provide specially designed telephones and accessories to qualified Massachusetts residents. Equipment is supplied at little or no cost depending on income. Adaptive equipment is available for those with low vision, hearing impairment, speech difficulties and other challenges.

# Brown's poems capture Andover of his youth

#### **Bill Dalton**



Richard Brown has been writing poems for 40 years and has self-published 14 chapbooks under the company name of Greyhair Press. He's

lived an often difficult life, but two constants have been his love of poetry and his hometown, Andover. He lived here from 1941 to 1956, the first 15 years of his life. His family resided on Webster Street and then, in 1950, moved to Haggetts Pond Road. Richard, who is also called

"Dick," says his dad was a superintendent for the Stevens Mills and ran the Dundee Warehouse for the company. (The Dundee Warehouse is now Dundee Office Park, off Essex Street near the train tracks.) In 1956, the Brown family moved to Franklin, N.H., where his father had been transferred. There, Dick left high school and joined the Navy. He earned his GED while in service. He was awarded an honorary Andover High School diploma last year, of which he is proud. He will soon publish another chapbook called "SALADMANIA."

Dick e-mailed to me, "I grew up with the Hird girls (recently mentioned in a column about the North District) nearby and relate thoroughly. While living on Haggetts Pond Road, I used to ride my bike to Livingston's Apple Farm on Lowell Street, where I was employed for a couple of years when I was 10 and 11 years old. Our nearest neighbor was the Kearns family across the street. Dick Asoian was one of my neighbors and he and I used to play together, sometimes walking up

and down the long rows of his father's vegetable fields looking for something to shoot at with

our BB guns." Dick continues, "Do you know anything of the old Livingston Farm? My friend Carol Winkley (Znamierowski) grew up there as did another friend and classmate, Rosemarie Pickard. (May they both rest in peace.) Rosemarie lived up Lowell Street near Tewksbury, just at the end of the Livingston orchards. I've been told that everything's gone now and find it sad that a part of my childhood has been erased. I attended the West Center School and was a member of the first graduating class of the then brand new West Elementary School." The Livingston Apple Farm was on the right side of Lowell Street driving toward Lowell. It was owned by at least two generations of Porter Livingstons.

Dick has sent a poem about a place in Andover. At my

request, he gives us some background, which I've included after the poem.

"On Wood Hill Road" for David and Andrea Rollins I'm in a 1950's West Andover reverie

meandering between Wood Hill Road

and the former Henry Gosse property:

his Haggetts Pond Road paint house.

ladders, terps, trucks, tarps and brush,

when my parents buy and we move in. Later I find a derelict musty

bungalow on Wood Hill Road I enjoy surveying:

an ancient Diamond Reo dumper rests on what must once have been

the lawn, supine amid some scarlet sumac scrub.

I discover things inside that

bungalow,

forbidden maleficent corroded  $sulfuric\ phantasms-black$ thistle fields.

David Rollins is Dick Brown's best friend and was his classmate. Andrea (Deyermond) Rollins was a year behind them.

Dick says, "The poem takes place shortly after we moved to Haggets Pond Road, circa 1951. We lived at the former Henry Gosse property, which was the last house on the right of Haggetts Pond Road before you reached High Plain Road. If you walked up High Plain Road far enough, it turned into a gravel road which I believe was called Wood Hill Road." (Street directories call it both "Woodhill" and "Wood Hill" Road, and the directories in the 1930s, before Dick's time, show only one house, owned by a Michael Dick continues, "I used the

road as a short cut. There was an abandoned house on the left side of the road that I'd 'investigate' from time to time. This is where the latter part of the poem takes place. Whoever used to live in the abandoned cottage illuminated it with six-volt auto or truck batteries. I remember scads of them hooked up in series and being quite corroded. All the furniture was there, broken dishes, beds, chairs, etc. It smelled musty and magazines were laying about. I found it quite exciting to be in there. There was trash all over the floors, as I was not the first person to explore the place. Actually, I guess I was a trespasser. I hope this helps you better understand the poem. The thistle fields are a metaphor and should be interpreted by readers as they see fit."

Bill Dalton welcomes stories and comments at billdalton@ andovertownie.com.

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# **Obituaries**

## Edward L.W. Soong, 61



Edward L.W. Andover, died 2009 at Lahey

Edward was born in 1947 in

Shanghai, China, to Mary M. Yu of New York and the late Henry H. Soong. He received a bachelor's from Chiao Tung University in Taiwan in 1968, and then immigrated to the United States, where he married Ming Lily Kuo in 1971. He earned master's degrees from City College of New York and Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, and received an MBA from Northeastern University. He worked for Wang Laboratories for 17 years, becoming senior director of Asia-Pacific Operations, and then moved on to become founder and president of Anew Technology in 1995.

Edward was active in business and cultural affairs, serving as president of the New England Chinese Information and Networking Association as well as the Greater

ANDOVER — Boston Chinese Cultural Association. He was a devoted father, rais-Soong, 61, of ing two sons, taking the family on countless trips, and later visiting Thursday, Jan. 1, Europe and Asia with his wife. He also enjoyed playing soccer for Clinic in Burling- many years on various Andover adult league teams.

He is survived by his wife, Lily, son Allen and his wife Pamela Chow of Los Angeles, son Maximillian and his wife Erika of Somerville, his mother Mary Yu of degree in electronic engineering Flushing, sister Elizabeth of Queens, brother Li-Dar of Taiwan, and uncle Hubert Soong of Long Island. He is also survived by granddaughter Yuan-Ho and soonto-be-born grandson Yuan-Le.

> **ARRANGEMENTS: Relatives and friends** are invited to attend his funeral service on Friday, Jan. 9, at 10:30 a.m. in the Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover. Calling hours will be on Thursday from 5 to 8 in the funeral home. Donations may be sent in lieu of flowers to the Edward Soong Tribute Fund at the Lahey Clinic, Philanthropy Office, 41 Mall Road, Burlington, MA 01805, by tele**phone at 781-744-3333, or online at** and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. www.lahey.org/makegift. For directions or to sign the family guest book, visit sharing his experiences of World www.contefuneralhomes.com.

## Joseph G. Driscoll, 83



Joseph "Joe" G. Driscoll, 83, died unexpectedly, Friday, Dec. 26, 2008, at the Lawrence General Hospital, surrounded by his

loving family. Born and educated in Lawrence,

Joseph was the son of Patrick and Theresa (Lawlor) Driscoll.

A graduate of Lawrence High School, Class of 1943, Joe enlisted in the Navy during World War II where he served in the Pacific Theater, including battles at Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Upon his return, Joseph worked for many years at the Lawrence Packaging Co. as an offset pressman. He later went on to work for the Lawrence Public School System until his retirement. A longtime communicant of St. Augustine's Church in Andover, Joe was a member of the Lawrence Lodge of Elks 65 BPOE, A proud veteran, Joseph enjoyed

N O R T H War II, and recently spoke about them to his granddaughters third grade class at the Franklin School in North Andover. Joe loved spending time with his family, especially his three granddaughters.

> Joseph leaves behind, his wife of 57 years, Ruth M. (Fielding); his two children, Kevin J. and his wife Kelly Driscoll of Haverhill, and Mary Ellen Driscoll of North Andover. He is also survived by his three granddaughters, Mackenzie, Grace, and Addison Driscoll. his "special" niece, Sheila Lafond, nephews, William, Leo, John, and Patrick Driscoll and niece, Deborah Blackwell. Joseph is predeceased by his brother, Leo J. and sister, Sr. Mary Teresita, MM.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on Tuesday, Dec. 30, at the Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence St. Methuen. A Mass of Christian burial was held on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 10 a.m. at St. Augustine's Church in Andover, As an expression of sympathy. donations may be made to the St. Augustine's Parish Building Fund, 35 Essex St., Andover, MA 01810. To leave an online condolence, please visit www.pollardfuneralhome.com.

and leaves a daughter, Christine Leland of Martinsville, Ind., and a son, Robert W.Holmes Jr. of North Andover; as well as several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

will be held for Mr Holmes at a later rection of the Conte Funeral Home, 17

date. Arrangements are under the di-Third St., North Andover.

ARRANGEMENTS: A memorial service

#### Robert W. Holmes, 95 ANDOVER — mes. He graduated Plymouth High ticles in several leading business (Wuchter) Holmes of Fall River

Duxbury.



Robert W. Holmes. 95, of Andover died Thursday, Dec. 25,2008, at Academy Manor in Andover.

in Manomet, the

son of Ralph B. and Clara C. Hol-

School, Class of 1931, and also and financial journals and lectured graduated Northeastern University with an engineering degree.

Mr. Holmes was vice president of directors of the Jordan Hospital and chief financial officer of Smith Corona; assistant corporate con-He was born troller at Raytheon Corp.; and was on April 7, 1913, a controller with Olin Matheson, Winchester Arms Division.

Mr. Holmes published many ar-

Mr. Holmes was an avid clam

He was married to the late Vera

extensively on business matters.

He had a long service on the board

in Plymouth. He also served on

several committees of the town of

ROLLFS - Mrs. Doris Rollfs (King), long-time resident of Topsfield, 90, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008, at Ashland Farm in North Andover. Members of her family include

ARRANGEMENTS: Visiting hours Contributions may be made in Doris'

## Celina Kalitka, 88



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ANDOVER — Celina (Swiatek) Kalitka, 88, died 2008 at the Lawrence General Hospital.

born in Lawrence and graduated

from Lawrence High School. She was the daughter of Michael and Ludwika (Dorociak) Swiatek.

Mrs. Kalitka was a housewife and mother of two. Before her retirement she was employed with Rutters Laundry.

Family was important to Celina and she enjoyed traveling with them, reading, cooking, and more importantly spending quality time with her loving family. Celina's family would like to acknowledge  $\;$  Lawrence St., Methuen. To send online the staff at Wingate at Andover for condolences, please visit pollardfunertheir caring and compassion.

The widow of Michael Kalitka who died in 2000, she is survived by one daughter Nancy D. and her Tuesday, Dec. 30, husband Ronald Girard of Salem, N.H., and one son Kenneth M. and his wife Janet Kalitka of Dracut, one sister-in-law Madeline Swi-Celina was atek of Buffalo, N.Y., six grandchildren, Michelle and her husband Derek Reina, Kimberly Girard, Michael Kalitka, Matthew Girard, Celina and her husband Brian Carter and Nicholas Kalitka; two great-grandchildren, Madison and Zachary Reina, and several nieces and nephews.

> **ARRANGEMENTS: A Mass of Christian** burial took place on Saturday at 9 a.m. in Saint Francis Church in Dracut, with burial to follow in Elmwood Cemetery. Friends visited from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, 233 alhome.com.

## Charlotte R. Buchan, 83



Jan. 3, 2009 at her home Andover.

Born in Methuen, she was the daughter of the

late Albert L. and Molly (McMahon) Griffin. Charlotte worked at Phillips Academy in Andover for over 30 years and loved to volunteer at the Andover Senior Center as a driver for those needing trans-

Wife of the late William F. Buchan, Charlotte is survived by her For directions or to leave online condodaughters; Heather Rowe and husband Frank of North Andover; Lee homes.com.

ANDOVER — Beliveau and husband Roch of Pe-Charlotte Ruth terborough, N.H.; Lynne Buchan (Griffin) Buchan, of Methuen; Lori Conant and Kev-83, died Saturday, in Tuttle of North Hampton, N.H. as well as her six grandchildren; Kerry Bergeron and Jason Dewey; Jody and her husband Chris Dunn; Alyson Rowe and her fiance Ryan Denham: Graham Rowe and his fiancee Brynn Pare; Ewen Conant, and Molly Conant.

> ARRANGEMENTS: A memorial visitation was held on Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Conte Funeral Home, 17 Third St., North Andover. Memorial contributions may be made to the Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA 01843. lences, please visit www.contefuneral-

## Susan J. Zemis, 61

lie) Zemis, 61, of Andover, died ews. Гuesday, Dec. 30, 2008 at Baker Katz Nursing Home.

She was born in Methuen, April 25, 1947.

She was a member of St. Augustine Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Leslie J. Andrew-Pascucci and her husband Christopher J. of Bradford; two grandchildren, Justin Andrew-Thompson of Bradford and Grace M. Pascucci of Bradford; one sister, Julie Perrault of

ANDOVER — Susan Jane (Les- Andover; several nieces and neph-

She was sister of the late Pamela Froburg and Frank Leslie. Susan was the daughter of the late Frank and Ada (Miner) Leslie.

ARRANGEMENTS: Relatives and friends attended a funeral service on Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 7 p.m. at Burke-Magliozzi Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover. Calling hours were Wednesday at the funeral home. Contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice. For more information go to www.burkemagliozzi.com.

### ■ DEATHS ELSEWHERE

**CROUCH -** Leonard H. Crouch, Members of his family include his 86, of North Andover, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008 at the Holy Family Hospital in Methuen. He taught at the Greater Lawrence Vocational Technical School. Members of his family include daughter Linda Campbell and husband Robert of Andover.

**ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral service was** held on Monday at Conte Funeral Home, 17 Third St., North Andover. Burial followed in Ridgewood Cemetery in North Andover. To leave online condolences please visit www.contefuneralhomes.com.

**HURLEY** - William W. Hurley. 82, died suddenly on Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008 at Anna Jacques Hospital in Newburyport.

daughter Ann Saba of Andover. **ARRANGEMENTS: Visiting hours were** 

at Paul C. Rogers & Sons Family Funeral Home, 2 Hillside Ave., Amesbury on Sunday, Jan. 4, 2009, immediately followed by services at the funeral home. Interment was private for the family.

**KARELIS** – Edith S. (Silverman) Karelis, 90, of North Andover and a former longtime resident of Haverhill, passed away Sunday morning, Jan. 4, 2008 at The Meadows at Edgewood in North Andover after a courageous battle with cancer. Members of her family include daughter Nancy K. and her husband Stephen Rotman of Andover.

ARRANGEMENTS: The funeral service was Wednesday, Jan. 7, at Temple Emanu-El, Haverhill. Burial followed in the Children of Israel Cemetery, Haverhill. The family also received friends from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday at Edgewood. A memorial observance will be held on Thursday and Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. at her daughter's home, and on Sunday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. at her son Gary's home. Contributions in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society. 9 Riverside Road, Weston, MA 02493; or to Temple Emanu-El, 514 Main St., Haverhill, MA 01830. Arrangements are by the H.L. Farmer & Sons Funeral Homes, Haverhill and Bradford. Condolences may be made at www.farmerfuneralhomes.com.

Edward Rollfs and his wife Sue of

were Saturday, Jan. 3, at Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, Andover, followed by a funeral Mass at St. Rose of Lima Topsfield. Private burial will be in St. John's Cemetery, Gardner. name to the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal St., Watertown, MA 02472 or Topsfield Council on Aging, 8 West Common St., Topsfield, MA 01983. Online condolences at www.contefuneralhomes.com.

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## Jacqueline H. Rogers, 82



Rogers, 82, longtime resident of Andover, died peacefully on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009 at Ashland Farm in North Andover.

Jacqueline was born Dec. 16, 1926 in Bronxville, N.Y. to Chester A. and Helen K. Hervey.

She graduated from Boston University and worked at the Harvard Business School before marrying Irving E. Rogers, Jr., former publisher of the Eagle-Tribune Publishing Company, in 1952. Together they had four children. Jacqueline lost her husband to cancer in 1998, and sadly, she succumbed to illness shortly thereafter.

Jacqueline was active in several civic organizations, most notably the Lawrence General Hospital Auxiliary and the Visiting Nurses Association. She firmly believed in providing an opportunity for those suffering from long term illness to receive compassionate care in familiar surroundings.

Besides her family and friends, Jacqueline's greatest joy was flowers. She was never more content than when she was outside in her beautiful yard tending to her many flower gardens. As an active member of the Andover Garden Club, she became an accomplished flower-arranger, and garnered numerous awards.

many valuable lessons during her visit www.dewhirstfuneral.com.

Fr. George R. Morgan, 69

Methuen.

on Sept. 10, 1962. He then spent a of Bow, N.H. and Constance Morgan

phy. He then went to Augustinian cousins, friends and his Augustinian

Sept. 10, 1965. He was ordained to be celebrated in St. Augustine Church,

born on Aug. 19,

1939, in Cam-

bridge, the son of

the late George W.

and Mary G. (Noo-

nan) Morgan.

He was baptized on Sept. 7, 1939 at

St. Raphael Catholic Church, in West

Medford. He attended St. Mary

School, Winchester, Matignon High

School, Cambridge, and Merrimack

College, North Andover, where he

obtained a BS degree. He was re-

ceived into the Order as a novice on

Sept. 9, 1961, and after a year as

Good Counsel Novitiate, New Ham-

burg, N.Y., he professed first vows

year at Villanova University, com-

pleting his course work in Philoso-

College, Washington, for his theo-

logical studies, obtaining an MA de-

gree. He professed solemn vows on

the priesthood on Nov. 19, 1966,

Merrimack College, by Richard Car-

Fr. George was first assigned to

Austin Preparatory School, Read-

ing, where he taught from 1967 to

1969 and from 1970 to 1976. He later

served as associate pastor at Saint

Augustine Parish, Tower Hill, Law-

rence (1977-1978). From 1978 to

1981, he was assigned to Our Moth-

er of Good Council Monastery and

Merrimack College, North Andover, where he taught. In 1986 he was as-

signed to Saint Augustine Parish,

Andover, where he served as asso-

ciate pastor, (1987-1995). In 1994 he

was appointed as chaplain for the

Lawrence General Hospital, (1994-

1996), and also served as chaplain

to Massachusetts General Hospital

in Boston. From 1995 to 1996 he

served at Saint Augustine Parish,

Lawrence. In 1996 he returned to

Saint Augustine Parish, Andover,

and worked for Merrimack College

Ministry at Merrimack College, he

expanded the liturgical life of the

campus and he provided pastoral

care and counseling. As Director of

Alumni, he brought the Augustini-

an mission of care and compassion

for every person to the office and its

programs. For thousands of

Merrimack College's alumni, Fr.

George was an embodiment of the

college's Catholic identity and Au-

gustinian heritage. He has worked

over the years with many faculty

members to bring Catholic social

teaching and moral theology into

the curriculum and classroom. He

was also an important part of the

When he was Director of Campus

in Alumni Relations through 2008.

dinal Cushing, Archbishop.

ANDOVER — 82 years, but her ability to main-Jacqueline H. tain her grace, dignity, and humor in the face of great adversity is her lasting legacy, and one which her children and grandchildren will proudly carry on.

Jacqueline will be sorely missed and forever loved by her children, Martha R. Gurry and her husband Kevin of Andover, Deborah R. Pratt and her husband Edward of Middleborough, Irving E. Rogers, III and his wife Holly of Andover, and Stephen H. Rogers and his wife Kara of Newbury, and by her grandchildren, Kathryn K. Doherty, Abigail H. Scully, Andrew R. Doherty, James F. Scully, Jr., Irving E. Rogers, IV, Sawyer J. Rogers, and Davis K. Rogers.

Jacqueline's family wishes to extend its love and heartfelt appreciation to all the wonderful people who gave her such tender and compassionate care during her long illness. Their love and affection for Jacqueline provided both comfort and joy for her and her family and will never be forgotten.

**ARRANGEMENTS: Arrangements are by** the Charles F. Dewhirst Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St., Andover. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a memorial service Saturday, Jan. 17, at 11 a.m. at Free Christian Church in Andover. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Jacqueline's memory to the Massachusetts Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association at 311 Arsenal St., Watertown, MA 02472 or online at www.alz.org. Jacqueline taught her family To make an online condolence, please

he passed over to the Lord on Jan.

5, 2009, at Holy Family Hospital,

missed by his loving siblings; Mary-

ann and her husband, Walter Roger

of Thibodeaux, La., William and his

wife, Maureen Morgan of Ken-

nebunk, Maine, Gerard E. Morgan

of Burlington, Ruth H. and her hus-

band Bill Curtis of Danvers, Kath-

leen and her husband, Harry Molloy

of Hudson. Fr. Morgan is also sur-

vived by many nieces, nephews,

family. He was predeceased by his

ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral Mass will

43 Essex St., Andover, Saturday, Jan. 10,

2009, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are

most welcome to attend. Fr. Morgan will

lie in state in St. Augustine Church,

Andover, Friday, Jan. 9, 2009, from 2 to

8 p.m. Interment will be in St. Mary Im-

maculate Conception Cemetery, Law-

rence. Arrangements have been entrust-

ed to the Burke-Magliozzi Funeral Home.

Andover. For additional information,

please visit www.burkemagliozzi.com.

loving niece, Christine Roger.

Fr. Morgan will very sorely

## John Sullivan, 78



John "Terry" Sullivan, 78, of Andover, and Ft. Pierce, Fla, died on Friday, Jan. 2. 2009 at the Lawrence General Hospital.

Terry was born in Lawrence and graduated from Lawrence High School in 1947. He was the son of late John and Eva (Hyde) Sullivan. He was the 2nd generation owner of the family business, Sullivan Ceiling Co., until his retirement in 1994. Terry was an avid antique car and bike enthusiast, and an active member of several antique car clubs including: Granite State, Early Ford V-8, Minute Man Model A Club, North Shore Old Car Club, Cadillac, Pals, and High Wheelman of New England, as well as Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club and the 5-6-7 Chevy Club of Florida. Terry was also actively involved in the Lawrence High School and Wetherbee School reunion com-

Devoted husband and family man, he held a close relationship with his children and grandchil-

Terry is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Patricia, and their five children, Terrance Terry" Sullivan Jr. and wife,

Susan (Paulinca) Sullivan of Derry, N.H., Kathleen Sullivan-Dube and her husband, Richard Dube of Andover; Mary Lou Sullivan of Andover, Thomas G. Sullivan and his wife, Penny (Lepage) Sullivan of Marion, Mass., Timothy A. Sullivan, and his wife, Cindy (Garland) Sullivan of Andover. He also leaves his sister, Ann Sullivan Maloney and husband, Richard Maloney, of Andover; brother James F. Sullivan and wife, Maureen of Chelmsford: sister-in-law. Priscilla Sullivan of Newburyport; loving grandfather of Kristin and Richard "Chad" Dube, Nicole and Victoria Sullivan, Heather, Kelly and Laura Sullivan; and Patricia and Ann Sullivan. He was predeceased by a brother, William J.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on Monday, Jan. 5, 2009, at the Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence St., Methuen. A Mass of Christian burial took place on Tuesday, Jan. 6, at St. Augustine's Church in Andover with burial to follow in Ridgewood Cemetery in North Andover. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Thoracic Oncology Program, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02445-7226 Attn: Contribution Services. For directions and to leave an online condolence, please visit www.pollardfuneralhome.com.

## Matthew A. Adey, 25



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Adey, a lifelong resident of Andover and beloved son of David A. and Stephanie M. (Luciak) Adey, died unexpectedly at his

home on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008. He was 25 years old.

He was born on Nov. 18, 1983. Mr. Adey was a graduate of Andover High School, Class of 2002, and Plymouth State University in New Hampshire, Class of 2007. He graduated with a degree in Psycholo-

Matthew was very adventurous, traveling extensively around the U.S. In 2005, he worked a summer at Denali National Park in Alaska for a resort hotel. He also was employed by Waterville Valley Ski

Matthew was an avid mountain Matthew Allen backpacker and hiked the Presidential Range as well as parts of the Appalachian Trail. Matthew traveled to Europe and he skied the Swiss and Italian Alps. He also loved to play the guitar and piano.

He will be greatly missed by his parents David A. and Stephanie M. (Luciak) Adey of Andover, brother David M. Adey of Tewksbury; an aunt, Donna and her husband Dan Kelly of Florida, an uncle, Paul Oliver of Texas. and numerous cousins in Maryland, Indiana, Texas and California.

**ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral Mass** was celebrated in St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover, Monday, Jan. 5, 2009. Calling hours were held in the Burke-Magliozzi Funeral Home, 390 North Main St., Andover, Sunday, Jan. 4. Interment was in West Parish Garden Cemetery, Andover.

## **Eleanor Castle Young, 99**



Eleanor C. (Cas-Needham, mother, grand and great-grandmother, and active community member, died

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008 at the North Hill retirement community in Needham. She was 99.

Born in 1909 at home in Quincy, Ill., she married in 1935 and moved to the Isaac Abbott homestead in Andover. She lived there for 55 years before moving to North Hill

She graduated from St. Catherine's School in Richmond, Va. in 1928 and studied at the Art Institute of Chicago in 1929. Mrs. Young worked for future Governor Robert F. Bradford in his law office, now Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge, and then for the director, Professor Warren K. Moorehead, of the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archeology at Phillips Academy in Andover until she was married.

She was active in Andover as a member and leader with the is scheduled for Saturday morning, Andover Village Improvement Society, the Andover Historical Society, and especially at Christ Church where she was active with the Altar and Needle Arts Guilds. During those years she enjoyed work-

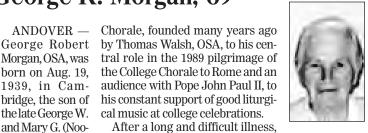
ANDOVER — ing in the Phillips Academy Library where, among many others, tle) Young, of George W. Bush was one of her charges.

Mrs. Young was the wife of Ernest S. Young of Boston and then Andover. They were married for almost 50 years before he died in 1985. She is survived by two sons, Joshua A.S. of Charlestown, and Timothy C. of Gill; two grandchildren Joshua A.S. II of Arlington, and Andrew S. of Murrieta, Calif.; and three great-grandchildren, Kelsey Sargent of Penacook, N.H.; Emma G. and Elijah G. of Arling-

Mrs. Young had two sisters and a brother, and her family was the most important part of her life. She was very close to her nieces and nephews: Sandra C. Hull of Wooster, Ohio, Abby Locke Castle of St. Louis; Lucy K. Pieh of Arrowsic, Maine; Rosamond K. McLean of Arrowsic, Maine; Frank G. Castle and his wife Hanne of Andover; David C. Olivetti of Ivrea, Italy; Alfred C. Olivetti of Charleston, S.C.; and Philip T. Olivetti of New York.

**ARRANGEMENTS: A memorial service** Jan.17, 2009, at 11 a.m. at Christ Church, Andover. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Christ Church Memorial Fund. Arrangements by J.S. Waterman & Sons & Waring of

#### Julia Dziura, 86



ANDOVER — Julia (Peterof) Dziura, 86, of Andover, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008, at the Lawrence General Hospital.

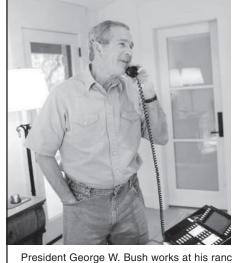
The daughter of the late Frank and Caroline (Puk) Peterof, Julia was born Jan. 13, 1922, in Andover, and was educated in Andover schools.

For many years, she was employed as a winder in the local textile mills, and later was employed at the Meadowbrook Laundry in Lawrence, and later employed as a quality control inspector at the Delaware Valley Corporation in Lawrence, from where she retired. She was a member of the former Immaculate Conception Polish National Catholic Church of Lawrence, and currently was a member of the St. Casimir Polish National Catholic Church in Lowell. She was also a member of the Ladies Blessed Sacrament Society (A.N.S.) at Immaculate Con ception. She enjoyed cooking, knitting afghans, gardening and spending time with her entire fam-

Julia was the wife of the late Walter H. Dziura, she is survived by a sister, Alice V. Rosmus of Andover; three nieces and their husbands, Carolyn M. and John Guide of Atkinson, N.H., Judith A. and John Monarca of Andover,

and Chervl A. and James Grieve of Andover; a sister-in-law, Marcelle Peterof of Andover; grand nieces and grand nephews, Jason A. Monarca, Gregory P. Recupero, Stephanie M. Recupero, Jessica A. Monarca, James F. Grieve, Joseph P. Grieve; a great grand niece, Lily Monarca; and several cousins. Julia was predeceased by her brothers, the late Frank Peterof, the late Mitchell Peterof, and her nephew, Frank Peterof III.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass was held Monday, Jan. 5, 2009, at 10 a.m. in St. Casimir Polish National Catholic Church, Lakeview Ave., Lowell. Burial followed in the Polish National Catholic Cemetery in Methuen. Relatives and friends may call Sunday from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Boles Memorial-Baron-McAuliffe-Yameen Funeral Home, 184 Jackson St., Lawrence (978-686-





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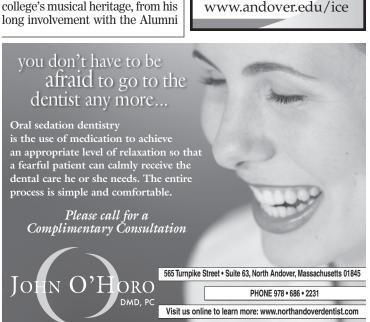
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The Bush family will have two residences in Texas. They are buying a new home in Dallas and will also spend time at their Prairie Chapel Ranch, just north of Crawford. The ranch is a 1,583-acre estate. President

Bush hosted many dignitaries at the ranch while he was president.

The ranch was named after the historic Prairie Chapel School. The school was built over 100 years ago on land donated by the Engelbrecht family, German immigrants who settled in Texas. In 1999, while Bush was still governor of Texas, he bought the land from the Engelbrecht family.

The Bush family built a 4,000 square foot home with a large porch. The outside is faced with honey-colored native limestone. Mrs. Bush said they designed the home on a single level so their older parents would feel comfortable while visiting. She also said she and her husband wanted to grow old there themselves.

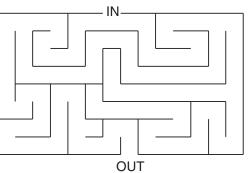
The home was built using many "green" ideas. The passive-solar house is situated to absorb winter sunlight that warms the interior walkways and walls of the home. Geothermal heat pumps circulate water through pipes buried deep in the ground.

A 25,000-gallon underground cistern collects rainwater from the roof. The wastewater from sinks, toilets, and showers go into underground purifying tanks before being funneled into the cistern. The water from the cistern is used to irrigate the landscaping around the house.

The ranch also has a guesthouse and a garage in separate buildings. There is a helicopter landing area and hangar. The original Englebrecht farmhouse is still used.

There are seven canyons on the land. The land touches the Rainey Creek and the Middle Bosque River. There is an 11-acre man-made pond stocked with fish.

The two Bush daughters urged their dad to build a large swimming pool. The architect didn't want them to have the pool. He thought it would interrupt the stark views. However, the girls won. The President called it "the whining pool - whine long enough and you get it."





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#### Newspaper in Education Activity Search your newspaper for stories or ads that encourage being "green."

Discuss with your class why you think President Bush decided to have two homes in Texas.

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#### EVENTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JAN. 9

MERRIMACK VALLEY PEOPLE FOR PEACE, meet at First United Methodist Church, 55 Peters St., North Andover, for a beginning of the year pot luck meal, www.merrimackvalleypeopleforpeace.org. Everyone is welcome; Mary Todd, 978-687-7864, mtodd75@comcast.net.

#### **SATURDAY, JAN. 10**

WEST PARISH CHURCH HAM AND BEAN SUPPER, 129 Reservation Road, Andover, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Meal of spiral ham, homemade beans, macaroni and cheese and other dishes including homemade pie for dessert. Adults, \$8; children 12 and younger, \$4.

#### **SUNDAY, JAN. 11**

AUDITIONS FOR "SLEEPING BEAUTY" BALLET, New England Civic Ballet will hold open auditions for all area dancers ages 10 and older to cast roles for their March 21 and 22 performances of this classic ballet. Auditions are located at 4 Dracut St. (just off South Broadway in Lawrence). Audition times are by age. There is a \$10 audition fee but no production fees. For more detailed information regarding levels and times, go to www.newenglandcivicballet.org (click on company/auditions) or call the studio at 978-975-0289.

FREE TENNIS, Cedardale Health and Fitness, 931 Boston Road, Haverhill, will be offering a free beginner tennis lesson for adults and juniors. The junior lesson will be held from 11 a.m. to noon. Adults will play from noon to 1 p.m. The lesson is designed for beginners or people who haven't played in many years. Contact tennis director Adam Molda at amolda@cedardale-health.net or call the Cedardale Tennis Desk at 978-373-1596 to reserve your spot. "A VIEW OF THE HARBOR," by Massachusetts playwright Richard Dresse,

opens at 7 p.m., Merrimack Repertory Theatre, 50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell, running through Feb. 1. Tickets range in price from \$26 to \$56 and can be purchased at MRT's online box office at www.merrimackrep.org, or in person at 50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell, or by calling 978-654-4MRT (4678). Groups of six or more save up to 30 percent off single ticket prices. HIKE OR SNOWSHOE, Goldsmith Woodlands, 1:30 p.m., easy terrain in

scenic woodland, about two hours. Park at reservation entrance in front of 491 S. Main St. Led by Helen Palmer, hpalmer.fournature@verizon.net or 978-657-9153, and Pat Andres, pandres1@partners.org. CELEBRATION OF AMERICAN MUSICAL THEATRE CONCERT, 2 p.m.,

Memorial Hall Library. Solos, duets and trios performed by Susan Bishov, pianist; Diane Hagelstein, soprano; Lynne Johnson, alto; and Paul Johnson, tenor. Their repertoire includes musical show and operetta ranging from Gershwin to Simon.

**PUPPET SHOW,** Sir George & the Dragon by Pumpernickel Puppets, Puppet Showplace Theatre, 32 Station St., Brookline, 1 and 3 p.m., \$10 per person, prepaid reservations recommended, 617-731-6400, www.puppetshowplace.org.

SPECIAL SCOUT PROGRAM, 12:30-3 p.m. at Congregation Beth Israel, 501 South Main St., Andover. Participants will use the programs set by the National Jewish Scouting Councils. Visit online at http://www.jewishscouting. org/ http://www.njgsc.org/. All levels of Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturersare welcome, regardless of religion or affiliation. RSVP to Jacqui Kamlet, leader of West Elementary Troop 60156, jkamlet@comcast. net, 978-409-1944. Registration is \$18.

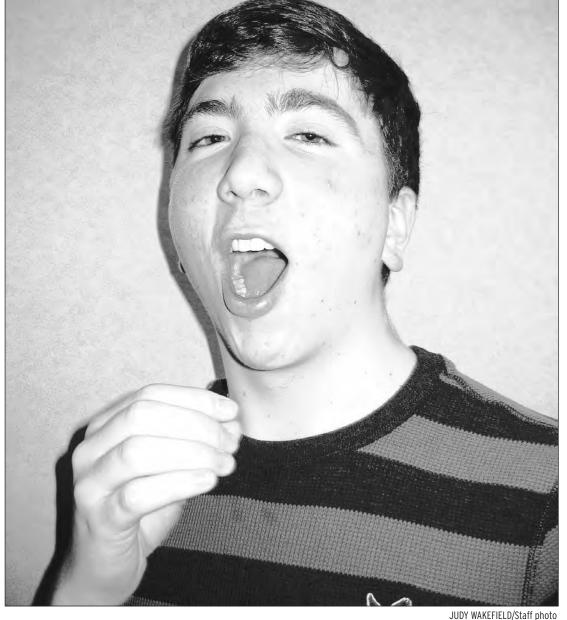
#### TUESDAY, JAN. 13

FREE WORKSHOP ON SOCIAL NETWORKING, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., with Neal Bocain, co-sponsored by Small Business Development Center, Salem State College Salem Mass

WEIGHT MANAGEMENT LECTURE, with Dr. Tara Greaves and Donna Schneider of FirstHealth of Andover. The two-part lecture will describe the risks, symptoms, prevention and treatment for heart disease and osteoporosis as well as the effects of weight loss on health, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library; www.mhl.org.

#### **WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14**

ADDISON GALLERY OF AMERICAN ART, presents Close Encounters, the Watercolors of Winslow Homer with Brian T. Allen, Mary Stripp and R. Crosby Kemper, 11 a.m. to noon, School Room, Abbot Hall, Abbot Campus, this is



Tenor Joe Thibodeau, 16, prepares for his upcoming a cappella concert at St. John's Preparatory School.

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

The song list is crowd-pleasing enough to  $\ \blacksquare\$  **WHAT**: A cappella concert by Swingtown! include "Love Potion No. 9," Cyndi Lauper's "Time • WHO: 24-member club of teachers and students at St. After Time" and a Coldplay tune. Sprinkle in some John's Preparatory School, including co-president Joe Thibo-Motown hits, including "Good Lovin'," and you've deau of Andover got a taste for the style of Swingtown!, the a cap- • WHEN: Friday, Jan. 16, 7 p.m. pella club at St. John's Preparatory High School. Swingtown! is led by Joe Thibodeau of Andover, Alumni Hall, 72 Spring St., Danvers a junior and a cappella club co-president.

performance roles around his hometown. He Mass. played Tony in last summer's production of "West Side Story" by the Summer Theatre Ensemble. He also has performed in several Merrimack Junior Theatre shows.

But these days, he skips the instruments when he performs. It's all about his tenor voice and his club of fellow a cappella enthusiasts which totals 24 students and faculty at his high school in Danvers.

"I just love music and this is something different for me. I always did theater and I wanted to who graduated from St. Augustine School. "I've good to see." Please see **EVENTS CALENDAR**, Page 13 | been in the club the longest, three years, and it's

#### **GET IN THE SWING**

- WHERE: St. John Preparatory School, Kaneb Theatre,
- COST: \$10 adults; \$5 children. Tickets may be purchased Thibodeau, 16, is best known for his musical at the door. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph's Food Pantry, Salem,

because I love it."

It's been an easy musical adjustment. Thibodeau said he simply "goes with the flow." Swingtown! rehearses once a week after school for three hours, and the environment is relaxed and encouraging for all members, he said.

"It's just fun for all of us," Thibodeau said. "It was kind of weird being with teachers outside of try something else in music," said Thibodeau, school, but they have a funny side and that's been

There are three teachers and 21 students in ments. It's pretty cool. My friends really like it.

the club, including one teacher Thibodeau had

"Teachers are like us. They take part because it's a different take on music and they like it," said this Carmel Road resident who likes Motown music, Frank Sinatra, Whitney Houston and Mariah Carey.

"My mom and her sisters love Motown, and the oldies (radio) station is always playing at my house," Thibodeau said.

Club members suggest performance songs, and Thibodeau chose "Good Lovin'," made popular by The Rascals, and "Breakfast at Tiffany's" by Deep Blue Something. Both will be performed at a Jan. 16 concert. A Coldplay tune is now being rehearsed for the spring concert's song list.

Thibodeau said a cappella is catching on for teens. It was standing room only for his club's concert last spring.

He said listeners enjoy the instrument-free versions because they are all about "making it

"It's got a following," Thibodeau said of the music style. "Our take is to add the sounds of instruments even though there are no instru-

# New takes on history: Historical Society picture book released

By Elaine Clements HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Andover Historical Socithis week, chronicling the history of Andover through more than 200 historic black-and-

Curator Andrew Grilz, the book cal Society voted on a new misplaces, local celebrations, recety has released a new book reation, schools and places of

collection. Compiled and written different ways. In April 2008, the such as more electronic exhibits stories, whose stories, does the Andover community to tell their by Andover Historical Society members of the Andover Historiand an Andover history wiki. celebrates Andover's people, sion: to tell "the unique stories of Andover" through its museum, library and programs.

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#### Reflecting on 2008

of the Andover Historical Soci-It is also part of the Histori- new media for storytelling, in ety. Its new mission reflects a its. "Main Street Memories: A Ford's had been for 50 years. cal Society's continuing experi- 2009 the Society will upgrade its new outlook and presents new Walk Down Memory Lane" was

and tell those stories?

white photographs from its ment to tell Andover stories in Web site and add new features, challenges to the Society. What a vehicle for members of the

Society tell? How can we gather stories. With help from the Sintros family and others, the Soci-Throughout 2008, the Society ety recreated a Main Street icon, Gathering and telling local experimented with different Ford's Coffee Shop. The instalhistory stories is at the heart answers. In February, it opened lation became a gathering place one of its most successful exhib- for informal storytelling, just as

Please see **HISTORY**, Page 13



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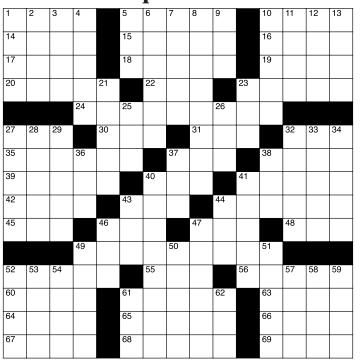
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#### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Dog sound 5. Intelligent 10. Canadian flyers
- 14. Fe 15. S.A. burrowing rodents 16. Rule, Britannia!
- composer 17. Network of nerves 18. Idiom with smart fide (Latin) 20. Speed competitions
- 22. A section of a circle 23. Chick pea plant 24. Winter slider 27. Tell on 30. Lilly, drug

company

- 31. Food grain 32. Where passengers 35. In a way, loved
- 37. Namesake son (alt.
- 38. Alpha Lyra 39. Storybook elephant 40. Foot (Latin)
- 41. Breakfast meat 42. Caricatured
- 43. Athletic floor pad 44. Tempo
- 45. Teletype (abbr.)
- 46. Non-commercial TV 47. Not cooked
- 48. Side sheltered from the wind

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- 49. Often served with spaghetti 52. Re-equip a factory 55. Away from 56. Cavalry sword \_\_\_ Ladd, actor 61. Ridge on Doric column 63. Necktie cord
- 64. Texas armadillo 65. High alcohol lagers 66. Lazily 67. Frame that holds the
- window panes 68. Works diligently at a trade 69. Cape or headland **CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Ethiopian monetary unit 2. Length X width 3. College army 4. Leg joints 5. Health resort 6. African country 7. Sour or bitter in taste 8. Masked mammals
- 9. Expression of disapproval 10. Excessive devotion to a cause 11. Crocodile
- 12. Frank's diary 13. Feel anxious & apprehensive 21. Distasteful expression

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#### beekeeping, historic foods and cooking, dairy goats and furni-

23. Cathode-ray tube

27. Capital of Morocco

29. SpiderMan Maguire

32. Filmmaker de Mille

28. Accommodate

33. Past (archaic)

37. Coal-black

40. Bucolic

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ostrich

starlings

52. Knocks

54. Stabs

winas

34. Ambit or scope

43. License for Wall

46. Cribbage marker

49. Tropical Asian

50. Strong and heavily

51. Oral polio vaccine

53. Philosopher Zeno

57. World Cup skier Miller

58. Right angle building

59. Beams of light

62. Used to be U

61. Current unit

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47. Flightless bird such as

36. Radioactivity unit

38. Short for summer trip

25. Not new

26. Swiss river

ture making. Through its first serialized exhibit, the Society told the story of the Pole Hill Murder, a tragedy that happened at Ballardvale's Pole Hill picnic grounds in 1900. Each week, the next installation of the story was rolled out so Farmers' Market shoppers could pick up some "fresh local history" along with their fresh local produce. The Pole Hill story can still be read by following a link

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Society, along with community

partner Libby Poland, hosted the

second annual Andover Farmers'

Market. The Farmers' Market is

not only a valued community

service, but a way for residents

to connect to Andover's past as

a farming community. Museum

Educator Sarah Sycz and volun-

teers hosted free weekly educa-

tion programs such as those on

andoverhistorical.org. To close out 2008 with the new mission statement in mind, the Society recast Tastes & Treasures

on the exhibits page of www.

#### **HISTORY:** New book released on Andover's yesteryear its successful annual silent Looking forward to 2009 From July until October, the auction fundraiser — as a month

of holiday activities designed to meet the new mission while raising money. Through a history-inspired

tree exhibit, the Society invited the Andover community to be inspired by 19th-century objects from the Society's collection and design and decorate a tree based on those objects. A Victorian dessert tasting event paired traditional 19th-century desserts with the history of the foods, while actors from the Quannapowitt Players read and performed as characters from Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." It was an unusual historic coincidence that Dec. 2, 2008, was the 141st anniversary of Charles Dickens' first reading of "A Christmas Carol"

during his 1867 American tour. Local actress and storyteller Susan Lenoe told Harriett Beecher Stowe's story of Christmases in Andover in the 1860s at a special evening event that corresponded with the December ice storm that left thousands without electricity. Nearly 1,000 people attended Tastes & Treasures events.

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In 2009, the Society will continue with popular programs such as its fourth annual What's It Worth? Antiques Appraisal event featuring "Antiques Roadshow" favorite Stuart Whitehurst. It will select a Andover Heritage Award winner and again offer its summer Farmers' Market and winter holiday Tastes & Treasures program.

But new ways to tell stories, such as the picture book released this week, will be added.

- "Images of America: Andover" will be available for purchase at the Historical Society and at the Andover Book Store. Curator and author Andrew Grilz will give a lecture and book signing at the Andover Book Store, Thursday, Feb. 5, 7 to 9 p.m.
- A more traditional museum way of storytelling will open on Friday, Feb. 27. "From Near & Far: 350 Years of Making Andover Home" will share stories about why people choose to make Andover their home, from the 1600s to today. "From Near & Far" will be open for the public until October 2009.

■ A slightly different flavor of local history is what the Historical Society has come to see as "very" local history. Many of the people who use Society resources are interested in learning the history of their family, their house, and their neighborhood. Family and house genealogists use the Society's library and archives to uncover unknown stories.

For the past two years, the Society has run a series of Andover Neighborhood Programs that tell the story of Andover's neighborhoods, including Ballardvale, Shawsheen Village, downtown, and what the Historical Society dubbed "The Elm Street-High Street Triangle." Invitations to a special neighborhood history program are mailed to each neighborhood resident. Past programs have included walking tours, historical talks, reminiscences by neighborhood residents and exhibits of newly discovered photographs.

■ In spring 2009, the Society will invite residents of West Andover and other neighborhoods to learn and share their neighborhood stories.

# **EVENTS**

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the first of a three-part series of intimate visits with the collection hosted by Addison curators.

#### **THURSDAY, JAN. 15**

"HOW A LENDER LOOKS AT YOUR LOAN REQUEST" WORKSHOP, free, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Learn from a banker and a consultant about credit quality, cash flow and collateral. This presentation will focus on preparing an existing business or startup venture for financing. Bob Vieira, management consultant and former banker, Salem State College, Salem, Mass., will be the speaker.

# Prize-winning pianist offers free concert

Phillips Academy music department will present a faculty piano recital featuring Mana Tokuno performing the music of Beethoven.

The free, public concert will be in Cochran Chapel on Chapel

Avenue. First prize winner of the Competition Internationale (New Mexico), Tokuno also garnered special jury awards at the Corpus Christi International Competition and the International Competition Valsesia Musica in Varallo, Italy. Among her other sity of Fine Arts and Music, where academy at 978-749-4263 or send

workshops at Carnegie Hall.

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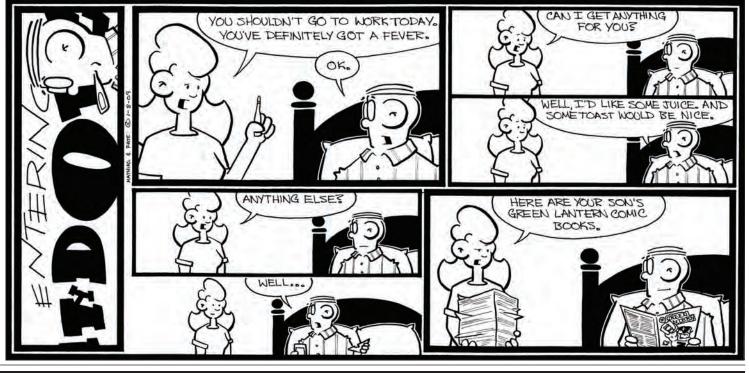
A soloist and chamber musician, Tokuno graduated with honors from the Tokyo National Univerhonors, she was selected from a she studied with Midori Tanabe. an e-mail to music@andover.edu.

Sunday, Jan. 11, at 3 p.m., the worldwide pool of applicants to Her master of music studies were participate in both the Daniel as a student of Victor Rosenbaum Barenboim and Leon Fleischer at the New England Conservatory, and she graduated with academic honors and performed with the NEC Orchestra at the commence-

An active performer in both her native Japan and the United States, Tokuno is a faculty member of Phillips Academy and has taught and coached at the New England Conservatory Preparatory School and Continuing Education.

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By BILL KIPOURAS Staff Writer

ANDOVER - Mike Yastrzemski made only one official college visit over the summer: to Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn.

"It's down south, which is what I wanted, so I could play ball almost all year," said the 18-year-old outfield prospect from Andover and St. John's

The grandson of Red Sox Hall of Famer Carl Yaztrzemski didn't waste much time in joining the baseball ranks of the Southeast Conference, choosing the Commodores.

Mike Yastrzemski gave Vanderbilt baseball coach Tim Corbin a verbal commitment on his Sept. 4 to 6 visit and signed with the school in November. Boston College offered Yastrzemski the same type of tuition package as Vandy did. He also checked out Brown and Harvard, which also recruited

"I was sold on Vanderbilt right away," Yastrzemski said. "It was exactly what I was looking for ... hard-nosed baseball. I especially liked the attitude on the field and how they prepare mentally. The coaching staff is excellent, too. Coach Corbin grew up in Wolfeboro on Lake Winnipesaukee."

Vanderbilt was above all other colleges for him in terms of academics and baseball, he said. There was also the scouting exposure afforded the southern ballplayers.

"I'm going to major in communications," the Prep senior said. "I'd like to do something like being on ESPN if I can't make it baseball,"

Yes, his famed grandfather Carl Yaztrzemski — was involved in the choice. He's back working with his grandson most every Sunday as he recovers from triple bypass surgery.

"He had a lot of contacts and made calls for me, looking for the best academic-athletic situation," Mike Yastrzemski said. "My mom (Ann-Marie) was a big part of it, too. We had an adviser, Jack Toffey of Boston. He was a friend of my dad."

The 5-foot-11, 175-pound Yastrzemski, who throws and bats left-handed, is the Prep's leadoff hitter. He hit in the high .400s as a junior.

"I'm thankful for what the Prep has done for me," he said. "I also have to give a lot of credit to Dave Bettencourt, who operates DB's Baseball and Softball Academy in North Andover. Dave has always been there for me in my needs."

Yastrzemski has also been a starting outfielder for the powerhouse Andover Legion baseball team the last two years. After emerging late in the summer of 2007, he was the established starting center fielder and No. 2 hitter this past summer for the team that finished 14-4-1, and left no doubt

about his skills. The lefty hit a team-best .471 with 19 runs scored and 15 RBIs. He was 4 for 4 in Andover's playoff opener, and hit a two-run home run in the second game of the playoffs. He also hit two homers in one game against Revere in the regular season.



Andover's Mike Yastrzemski, left, receives advice from his grandfather, Red Sox Hall of Famer Carl Yastrzemski. The younger Yastrzemski seems to have taken that guidance to heart. He has signed to play baseball for powerhouse Vanderbilt.

# Andover pushes Central to brink in **Christmas Tourney**

Andover captain Connor Arnold drives to the basket during the

championship game of the Greater Lawrence Christmas Tournament.

Arnold and his Warriors pushed powerhouse Central Catholic to the

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

limit before falling 59-51.

Andover managed to cut the lead to five with just over a minute remaining, but could get no closer and fell to arch rival Central Catholic 59-51 in the championship game of the Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney on Friday.

The Golden Warriors' final thrust, a **Sean Ehlbeck** jumper followed by **D.J. Fazio**'s long three sliced the margin to 51-46 with 1:05 to play.

"Did we really play well?" asked Andover (5-1) coach Dave Fazio. "I mean, I think offensively, we can be a lot better. I guess I'm happy with the way we played defense. The bottom line is they won the game, and that's really all that matters.

Joe Bramanti once again led the Golden Warriors with 13 points, Ehlbeck had 10 points and Fazio had nine. Andover kept itself in the game much of the night by cashing in at the foul line, hitting 19 of 25.

Sophomore Joe Bramanti kept rolling, hitting five 3-pointers on his way to a team-high 17 points as Andover downed twotime defending New Hampshire Class L champion Salem, 78-64, to advance to the finals of the Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney last Monday. Kevin Polanco added 16 points, Connor Arnold chipped in 14 points, and D.J. Fazio and Sean Ehlbeck each hit two 3-pointers for the straight win (5-1). Warriors.

#### Fortnight award

season, John Haak was given the Player of the Fortnight award. ity of teammate this award is all about," said coach Dave Fazio. "He's improving all the time, he

has great basketball knowledge, he's vocal and supportive of his teammates.'

#### **GIRLS TRACK**

#### **Cronin wows opponents**

Moira Cronin won the high jump with a 5-4, was third in the 55-meter hurdles in 9.28 and ran leadoff on the 4x400 relay that took third (4:25.03) for Andover at the Freshman-Sophomore Large School meet over the weekend. Emily Shield added a fourth in the 55 dash, Jessica Salley was fifth in the 1,000 and long jump, Maggie Mullins was eighth in the mile and Rae Bronenkant was 12th in the 600 for the Warriors.

#### Sister act vaults Andover Heather Paonessa opened the

scoring with a goal in the first period, and twin sister Danielle Paonessa finished it off with a tally in the third as Andover bested Reading 2-0 last Monday. Sarah Oteri assisted on two goals, and Meaghan McCarthy and Nicole Giroux each recorded one assist. Megan Pettoruto made 13 saves.

Sarah Oteri scored her seventh goal of the season as Andover defeated Billerica 2-1 on Saturday. Laura Drew also scored, Heather Paonessa had an assist and Megan Pettoruto made 21 saves in the Warriors' fifth

Megan Pettoruto made 13 saves for her fourth straight shutout For the opening weeks of the as Andover downed Everett 2-0 on Friday. Heather Paonessa and Nicole Giroux each scored a goal, "John is a great addition to our and Sarah Oteri and Meaghan McCateam who epitomizes the qual- rthy each had an assist for the

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#### THE MIKE YASTRZEMSKI FILE

**Age:** 18 Height: 5-11

Weight: 175

Year: Senior

School: St. John's Prep On the field: Starting center fielder and leadoff hitter for St. John's Prep, hitting in the high .400s last season. Also starting outfielder for the Andover Legion baseball team, hitting team-high .471 with 19 runs scored and 15 RBI last

**College:** Has signed to play college baseball at powerhouse Vanderbilt. Also received offer from Boston College. Has been scouted by major league teams, including Red Sox.

Family ties: Grandfather is Red Sox legend and Major League Baseball Hall of Famer Carl Yastrzemski. Late father Carl "Michael" Yastrzemski stood out at Florida State and advanced to Triple A with the Chicago White Sox.

#### The school

Corbin saw a lot of Yastrzemski at the annual Area Code Games Showcase in Long Beach, Calif. The Commodores were looking for a left-handed hitter and had an open spot after one of their recruits, Ryan Westmoreland of Rhode Island, signed with the Red Sox instead.

"It would be easy to fall in love with a prospect named Yastrzemski," Corbin reflected. "We tried to look at him as if he was Mike Jones, not someone who was the grandson of an all-time great. I think he was a great fit, because Vandy is so well-recognized for academics, and that was a feature for him.

"Mike's a hard-nosed kid, very smart. He's a prospect, no question. We'll use him in all three outfield positions.'

Vandy has had plenty of success in recent years. The Commodores have made the NCAA tourney the last three years, won the Southeastern Conference title last year and have sent impact players to the majors, including Tampa Bay pitcher David Price, who was crucial in the Rays' ALCS victory over the Red Sox last year.



Mike Yastrzemski lays down a bunt for the Andover Legion team last summer. He led the team with a .471 batting average.

So, can Yastrzemski step in and play?

"That point in time is up to him," Corbin said. "It's a real a tough conference for any freshman, but we never would have recruited him if he didn't fit into our plans.'

#### **Professional options**

While his plans are to attend Vanderbilt, Yastrzemski also knows his name could be called during the Major League Baseball draft when it takes place in June. Unlike in other sports, athletes do not have to declare

for the MLB draft, and do not risk losing amateur status if drafted.

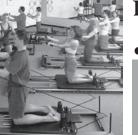
The Red Sox, Yankees and Kansas City Royals have all sent scouts to see Yastrzemski work

"I get to thinking about the draft a lot," Yastrzemski said. "I hope it happens. It doesn't matter if it's the Red Sox. I would hope to be drafted by anyone. But I've been told not to think about it so much that it gets in my head. My mom said I should wait until the time comes and I can make a decision."



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## **ROUNDUP:** Captain earns Fortnight award

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#### **GIRLS GYMNASTICS**

Mattison dominates

**Rachel Mattison** wasted no time picking up where her stellar freshman season left off. The sophomore won the vault (9.1), floor exercise (9.0) and the allaround (35.2) as Andover bested Chelmsford 139-134 last Tuesday. Jenn Quirnbach added a win on the beam (9.2) and a second on the floor, and Kristen Coneeny was second on the vault for the winners.

#### **BOYS TRACK**

#### **Voorhees wins two-mile**

Simon Voorhees won the twomile in 10:11.51 for Andover at the Freshman-Sophomore Large School meet over the weekend.

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

#### **Boudreau gives Andover fifth**

Nicole Boudreau tallied 19 points to vault Andover to a 53-35 win over Methuen in the fifth-place game of the Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney on Saturday. Point guard Natalie Gomez-Martinez added 10 points, stood out in the

Natalie Gomez-Martinez scored eight points and excelled distributing as Andover drubbed Lawrence 60-26 in the second round of the Greater Lawrence tourney last Tuesday. Nicole Boudreau scored a game-high 15 points and Alex Alois had 11 for the winners.

#### Fortnight award

Following the tourney, Jessie Miller was given the first Fortnight award of the year. "Jesse is a senior captain who has really helped our team get off to a great start," said coach Jim Tildsley. "She's had an injury that she hopes to come back from this season. She's a super leader who really helps motivate the other girls."

#### **BOYS SWIMMING**

#### Millerick leads Andover

Adam Millerick won the 500 freestyle (5:37.59) and the 100 backstroke (1:05.90) as Andover crushed arch rival Central Catholic 97-80 last Tuesday. Paul Hunter took the 50 freestyle (23.90), Nick

D'Innocenzo took the 200 freestyle (1:56.93) and they teamed with Peter Belanger and Aaron Clark to win the 400 freestyle relay (3:55.87) for the Warriors.

**Paul Hunter** won the 200 freestyle in 1:47.27, the 100 backstroke in 54.44 and swam on the winning 200 and 400 freestyle relays, but Andover fell to St. John's Prep 99-79 last Friday. Mike Bakies and **John Belanger** each swam on the two winning relays and Nick D'Innocenzo won the 200 IM and 100 breaststroke for the Warriors.

#### **BOYS HOCKEY**

#### Flanagan's efforts for naught

Andover's George Flanagan scored a pair of goals, but the Golden Warriors fell to Waltham 5-2 on Friday. Matt Eriksen had two assists and Paul Russell had one helper for the Warriors (3-2).

#### **Boys Basketball**

Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney, championship game, Central Catholic vs. Andover

Andover (51): Joe Bramanti 1 10-13 12, Connor Arnold 1 7-8 9, Kevin Polanco 2 0-0 6, Sean Ehlbeck 4 0-0 10, D.J. Fazio 3 1-2 9, Brian Miller 1 0-0 2, Spenser Rose 1 0-0 2, Totals 13 19-25 51

2, totals 13 19-25 51 Central (59): Carson Desrosiers 7 3-4 17, Benny Fernandez 3 2-2 8, Jim Zenevitch 4 0-0 8, Billy Marsden 3 6-9 14, Michael Alvarez 1 0-0 2, Jose Pena 1 2-2 4, Tim Wheeler 1 0-0 2, Michael Garcia 1 0-0 2, Luis Puello 1 0-1 2 Totals 2 13-19 50 2, Totals 22 13-18 59 3-pointers: CC - Marsden 2; A - Polanco 2, Fazio 2,

Central Catholic (5-0): Andover (5-1):

#### Andover 78, Salem (NH) 64

Andover (78): Connor Arnold 5 4-8 14, Josh Torres 1 3-4 b, D.J. Fazio 2 2-2 8, Sean Ehlbeck 4 0-0 10, Jimmy Johnson 1 0-0 2, James Connors 0 0-2 0, Kyle Rillahan 0 0-0 0, Joe Bramanti 6 0-0 17, Kevin Polanco 6 4-6 16

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3-pointers: A: Bramanti 5, Fazio 2, Ehlbeck 2; S: Adamson 4, LaRosa 3, Jones, Shields
Salem (NH) (2-1): 20 16 9 19 — 64
Andover (5-0): 14 24 21 19 — 78

#### **Girls Basketball**

#### Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney (at Methuen), Andover vs. Lawrence

Lawrence (26): Clark 2-0-4, Quinones 0-0-0, Francisco 0-0-0, Nunez 3-0-6, Brenz 2-2-6, Rodriguez 0-0-0, Sicard 2-0-4, Santiago 1-0-2, Mendez 2-0-4. Totals 12-2-26
Andover (60): Fazio 3-1-7, Gomez-Martinez 4-0-8, Cooney 0-0-0, Boudreau 4-4-15, Alois 3-5-11, McDonald 2-2-6, Long 1-0-2, Cataldo 1-0-2, Scarpa 3-0-7, Miller 0-0-0, Bill 1-0-2, Nagy 0-0-0, Drivas 0-0-0. Totals 22-11-

**3-pointers:** A — Boudreau 3, Fazio, Scarpa; L — none **Lawrence (1-3):** 0 10 8 8 — 26 Lawrence (1-3): 16 16 17 11 — 60 Andover (4-1):

#### Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney, 5th place game, Methuen vs. Andover

Andover (53): Fazio 4-3-11, Gomez-Martinez 4-2-10, Long 1-0-2, Cataldo 1-1-3, Cooney 3-0-6, Bill 1-0-2, Boudreau 8-0-19, Scarpa 0-0-0, McDonald 0-0-0, S. Miller 0-0-0, J. Miller 0-0-0, Nagy 0-0-0, Alois 0-0-0, Drivas 0-0-0. Totals 22-6-53

Methuen (35): Adams 3-3-9. LeBlanc 2-0-4 Ortiz 1-0-2 Mertuen (33), Adams 3-5, Lebian 2-0-4, Olta 1-0-2, Pare 2-0-4, Agboola 4-8-16, Cloutier 0-0-0, Condon 0-0-0, Newell 0-0-0, Costa 0-0-0, Scarelli 0-0-0, Dolbeare 0-0-0, Murach 0-0-0, Sessa 0-0-0. Totals 12-11-35 3-pointers: A — Boudreau 3; M — none

#### **Girls Ice Hockey**

#### Andover 2, Reading 0

Goals: A — Heather Paonessa, Danielle Paonessa Assists: A — Meaghan McCarthy, Nicole Giroux, Sarah Saves:A — Megan Pettoruto 13; R — Meaghan

Andover 2, Everett 0

Goals: A — Heather Paonessa, Nicole Giroux Assists: A — Sarah Oteri, Meaghan McCarthy Saves: A — Megan Pettoruto 13 Records: Andover (4-1)

#### Andover 2, Billerica 1

Goals: A — Sarah Oteri, Laura Drew Assists: A — Heather Paonessa Saves: A — Megan Petteruto 21, B - 27 Andover (5-1): 1 0 1 — 2 Billerica: 0 0 1 — 1 101 - 2

#### **Girls Gymnastics**

#### Andover 139, Chelmsford 134

Andover placers: Vault: 1. Mattison 9.1, 2. Coneeny 8.8; Bars: 1. Marble 9.0; Beam: 1. Quirnbach 9.2, 2. Coneeny 9.1; Floor: 1. Mattison 9.0, 2. Coneeny 8.8, Marble 8.8; All-around: 1.

#### **Swimming**

#### Andover 97, Central Catholic 80

Andover winners: 200 medley relay: Andover (Dave Hunter, Abe Iyengar, Yubo Liu, Craig Schwarz) 1:56.34200 freestyle: Nick D'Innocenzo 1:56.93; 200 IM: Colin Trepicchio 2:23.34; 50 freestyle: Paul Hunter 23.90; 100 butterfly: John Belanger 1:01.93; 100 freestyle: Mike Bakies 52.50; 500 freestyle: Adam Millerick 5:37.59; 100 backstroke: Millerick 10.00 freestyle: Millerick 10.00 ck 1:05.90; 100 breaststroke: Iyengar 1:13.38; 400 free-style relay: Andover (D'Innocenzo, Peter Velanger, Aaron

Clark, P. Hunter) 3:55.87

#### St. John's Prep 99, Andover 79

200 freestyle: Paul Hunter 1:47.27;200 IM: Nick D'Innocenzo 1:58.63; 200 freestyle relay: Andover (Hunter, Mike Bakies, John Belanger, D'Innocenzo) 1:31.69; 100 backstroke: Hunter 54.44:100 breaststroke: D'Innocenzo 59.20;**400** freestyle relay: Andover (Belanger, Bakies, Hunter, D'Innocenzo) 3:37.37

#### **Boys Ice Hockey**

Waltham 5, Andover 2

Goals: A - George Flanagan 2 Assists: A - Matt Ericksen 2, Paul Russell Saves: A - Kyle Berthiume 22 200-2 Andover (3-2): Waltham: 3 1 1 — 5

## Winning Assault



The Andover Assault soccer team in the boys U-14 Division 1 were 2008 Champions of the 26th annual North Andover Columbus Day Soccer Tournament. Pictured are, bottom row, from left: AJ Vernaglia, Eric Wybenga, Jonathan Abbott, Hemang Kaul and Demetri Papageorgiou; middle row, from left: Assistant Coach Phil Weeks, Ryan Nesteruk, Sahil Bhaiwala, Evan Davison, Ben Dykstra, Michael Maldari and An Huynh; top row, from left: Assistant Coach Ian Davison, Tyler Weeks, Henry Ewing, Drew Johnson, Brandon Wanthal, Jeremy Day and Head Coach Matt Johnson, Not pictured is Michael Sciascia.

#### **■ SPORTS FROM THE COMMUNITY**

#### Andover girl is track MVP

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Nysa Casha

ship meet. Casha was also named a Catholic Central League All-Star for the second consecutive year. She is the daughter of Lawrence and Mary Casha of Andover.

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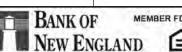
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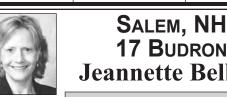
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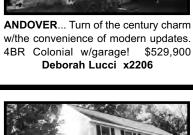
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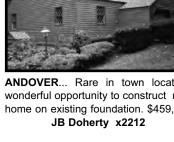
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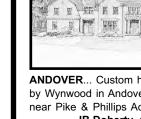








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FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR To all persons interested in the above cap-

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GIAN, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court. Date: December 8, Pamela Casey O'Brien Register of Probate

AT - 1/8/09 LEGAL NOTICE

#### COMMONWEALTH OF **MASSACHUSETTS** THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** Docket No.

ES08P3137GD In the matter of: Robert Jameson Of: Andover, MA NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN OF MENTALLY RETARDED PERSON To the above named

ward, his/her spouse, and heirs apparent or presumptive, a petition has been filed in the above captioned matter alleging that said ward of Andover, MA is a mentally retarded person to the degree that he/she is incapable of making informed decisions with respect to the conduct of his/her personal and/or financial affairs and requesting Amy Buonanno of

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ESSEX Division Docket No ES05P1914GI1 NOTICE OF GUARDIAN/ CONSERVATOR

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ested in: Richard A. Williams You are hereby noti-

fied pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the **second** account(s) of **Diane Mcgarvey**, the guardian/conservator, of the property of the above named ward has/have been presented to said Court for allowance.

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serve your right to file an objection to said in the will to serve Withaccount(s), you or your attorney must file a writout Surety IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, ten appearance in said court at Salem on or NEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEAR-ANCE IN SAID COURT before the 01/26/2009, the return day of this citation. You may upon AT: Salem ON OR BEFORE TEN written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account(s). If you desire

ON: **02/02/2009** In addition, you must file a written affidavit of to object to any item of said account(s), you objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon must, in addition to fil-ing a written appearwhich the objection is based, within (30) days ance as aforesaid, file after the return day (or within thirty days after said return day or with-in such other time as such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accor-dance with Probate the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the Rule 16. Essex Probate and grounds for each objec-

Family Court 36 Federal Street tion thereto, a copy to be served upon the Salem, MA 01970 (978) 744-1020 fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5. WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this First Justice of this Court. Date: December 17,

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Date of Death:

09/09/2008

NOTICE OF PETITION

FOR PROBATE OF

WILL

ested in the above cap-

tioned estate, a petition

has been presented

requesting that a docu-

ment purporting to be

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November 30, 2005 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District)

Registry of Deeds at Book 9922, Page 335, of which mortgage Deutsche Bank

National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Trust 2006-1 is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 a.m. on

January 19, 2009, on the mortgaged premises located at E-2 Colonial Drive,

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located in Andover, Massachusetts, and established pursuant to the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 183A by Master Deed dated 6/16/1987, and

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flooor plans of the building filed simultaneously with said master deed, and on a

Said Unit is conveyed together with an undivided percentage interest in the

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in said Master Deed as being attributed to the Unit, as may from time to time be

The Unit is conveved subject to and with the benefit of the provisions of

M.G.L.A. Chapter 183A, and the said Master Deed and the Declaration of Trust, recorded in Book 2522, page 137, all as may be amended (Collectively the

Together with the rights, restrictions, rights of way, and easements for the ben-

Being the same premises conveyed by Deed dated December 31, 2004 and

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with Essex County (Northern District)

These premises will be sold and conveved subject to and with the benefit of all

rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the

nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax

titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or

liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable.

having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will

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

AT-12/25/08, 1/1, 1/8/09

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recorded with Essex North Registry of Deeds Book 2522, Page 105.

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A certain tract or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situated in the Northwesterly side of Bellevue Road, in Andover, County of Essex, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the northwesterly side of

the premises, all and singular the premises

described in said mortgage, to wit:

Bellevue Road, said point being 150 feet southwesterly along said Bellevue Road from land now for merly of Mabel I. Baron: then at an angle of 90 degrees with the northwesterly line of Bellevue Road in a Northwesterly direction, 310 feet to an iron pipe at other land of White; thence turning and running southwesterly, by other land of said White, 193.30 feet to an iron pipe; thence turning and running southeasterly; by other land of said White, 250 feet to the Northwesterly line of Bellevue Road. 183.75 feet to an iron pipe at the point of beginning.

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taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check,

bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR LONG BEACH MORTGAGE TRUST 2006-1 the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

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## TOWN TALK

Headed to the Big Easy A dozen members of Andover's South Church will head to New Orleans Jan. 17 to 24 to help rebuild homes damaged by Hurricane Katrina in August 2005. Six of the volunteers have helped out in New Orleans before.

"We're really excited to see what progress has been made since a year ago," said resident Beth The group will be staying in a

church that opens its space to volunteers each week, she said.

— Neil Fater

#### Gallery gone, but he's still connected

His Andover gallery has closed, but Peter Alpers is staying connected to the local art scene.

"I am not leaving art by any means," said Alpers, who formally owned Alpers Fine Arts on Main Street. The gallery closed last week after seven years.

He has teamed with artist Virginia Peck of Lowell, best known for her Buddhist sculptures. Their on-the-road show comes to First Health of Andover, at 1 Dundee Park, next week. After the First Health stop, the show moves on to Harvard Divinity School, he said.

— Judy Wakefield

#### **School Committee** members recognized

At a recent convention of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Andover School Committee Chairwoman Debra Rahmin Silberstein was named School Committee Person of the Year for District 1 and member Art Barber was elected as vice chairman of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees. Division 1.

Both Silberstein and Barber are members of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, representing District 1, which contains 42 towns and is one of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees' nine districts in the state.

"It was quite an honor for Deb, and for the town of Andover, and we're very proud," said Barber. "I'm very happy for Deb, and it's an honor to serve (as vice chair)."

Both Silberstein's award and Barber's election were voted on by their peers in the association.

Barber said his vice chairman position will allow him to work closely with members from other school districts and share ideas even more important in tough eco-

The convention was held in

November in Hyannis.

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— Bethany Bray

#### Chinese performances coming

Andover residents are helping to promote a Chinese New Year Spectacular in Boston.

The Divine Performing Arts, billed as the world's premier Chinese dance and music company, returns to Boston with new programs on Jan. 10 and 11 at the Boston Opera House. With Chinese classical dance as its main artistic form, the event showcases traditional Chinese dance and vocal and instrumental music in a twoand-a-half-hour performance.

Tickets start at \$38. For more information visit DivineShows.

Andover dancers also will be among those participating in a separate event on Jan. 10, called the Greater Boston Dance Celebration.

More than 100 costumed dancers from communities, including ours, will present a program of colorful and intricate traditional Chinese folk dancing, as well as modern, jazz and ballet dancing on Saturday, Jan. 10, at 7 p.m., at the Sorenson Center for the Arts at Babson College in Wellesley.

# Town survey results released

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

Andover's biggest problem last year was automobile speeders, at least according to those who responded to a town

Earlier this fall, 672 Andover residents responded to a survey of how they felt about their town, its services and government. The preliminary results of the 2008 Citizen's Survey, released last month, show that opinion has not changed much since the last survey was given in 2004

Overall, residents were generally pleased with the town in both 2004 and 2008 surveys. Public schools were praised in both years, but services for seniors and retirees were said to need improvement.

The town spent \$6,600 to administer the survey, partnering with Merrimack College's Center for Public Opinion. The college was paid \$2,900 to administer the survey, and the town also paid an additional

works out to about \$5.50 per survey.

The survey was mailed to 1.200 randomly selected addresses, 10 percent of the town's 12,000 households. In both 2004 and 2008, a little more than half of the surveys were completed and returned.

Merrimack College Professor Russell Mayer, director of the Center of Public Opinion Research, continues to analyze the survey's results with a team of students.

Here is a breakdown of some of the numbers, comparing 2004

- In 2004, residents rated the overall quality of life in Andover: 60 percent "good" and 34 percent "excellent"; in 2008, 60 percent rated Andover's quality of life "good" and 30 percent "excellent."
- In 2008, 57 percent of respondents said Andover was an excellent place to raise children (48 percent said so in 2004), and another 39 percent said it was a good place to raise \$3,700 for mailing costs, which children (47 percent chose the

"good" rating in 2004). ■ A total of 54 percent of

this year's respondents said Andover was a fair or poor place to retire (a total of 57 percent chose the bottom two ratings in 2004).

- In both 2004 and 2008, town services that received at least 90 percent excellent or good ratings include: library services, handicap accessibility, town parks, recycling, trash collection, police services, fire and EMS services, and public schools.
- In 2008, automobile speeding was named by respondents as being Andover's biggest problem, followed by vandalism and property crime. In 2004, taxes, traffic congestion, drugs and too much growth were seen as the town's major problems.
- In both 2004 and 2008, lowest rated town services included transportation; public parking availability; sidewalks and streets; land development and planning, building and zoning; and public health permits and codes.











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