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MIAA: AHS swim title could be stripped

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

A state Supreme Judicial Court ruling could open the door for the MIAA to strip the Andover High School swim and dive team of its 2003 state championship, said a Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association spokesman this week.

Ending a five-year legal battle for Andover's Mancuso family, a Jan. 23

"This means AHS used an ineligible player, and in normal circumstance that would require forfeit."

MIAA spokesman Paul Wetzel

court ruling determined that participating in extracurriculars at a public school, including varsity sports, is a privilege, not a right. The proceeding focused on the case of Elizabeth Mancuso, a 2003 Andover High School

graduate and standout swimmer on the AHS girls swim team dynasty that won a series of state championships. The MIAA believed Mancuso should not have been allowed to swim her senior year.

"We're clearly disappointed. The issue for us was making sure that all student athletes, including our daughter, have the opportunity to participate in sports. We were optimistic that we would get a fair due process, and that's not what we got," said Michael Mancuso, Elizabeth's father. "It was a good fight, and we felt we were on the side of what was

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Recycled idea: Fee for extra garbage

Residents' petition calls for one barrel limit

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Andover soon may have a new incentive to create less trash and recycle even more than it does now. Some residents are circulating a petition requesting selectmen limit the amount of trash the town will collect without a fee. Unlimited recycling would be collected for free, but any trash beyond what can fit in a single trash barrel for weekly trash pickup would be charged by the bag.

More than 70 residents are out collecting signatures for the petition, a brainchild of the town recycling committee and League of Women Voters, said Candy Dann, a member of both groups.

"The trash limit is 'not a new idea, but an idea whose time has come,'" said Dann. "The time is right because the economy and town's finances are in tough shape."

Trash fees collected through the policy, dubbed the SMART (Saves Money and Reduces Trash) waste reduction plan, would bring in much-needed revenue, said Dann.

There are more than 120 towns in the state that have adopted similar trash policies, Dann said.

Extra trash, beyond what can fit in one barrel, would have to be put to the curb in specially-marked bags. Under the plan, bags would be purchased at one of several stores in town, who would send the purchase price - roughly \$2 - they collect back to the town.

One large item a week, such as a couch or appliance, could be put curbside under the SMART plan. "The average family in town does recycle, but a

SMART TRASH REDUCTION PLAN FORUM

- Wednesday, Feb. 4, 7 p.m.
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- For more information, visit www.lwv-andovers.org
- The League is also circulating a citizen petition asking selectmen to enact the SMART program.

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THE JUMP DOCTOR



Andover resident Scott Sigman is one of the team doctors for the U.S. Nordic and ski jump teams, and will travel with them to the World Championships in Slovakia on Feb. 2.

ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Surgeon travels with U.S. Nordic and ski jump team

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Every wonder what would happen if a world class ski jumper crashed after sailing through the air? Andover resident Scott Sigman would have a lot of work to do.

Along with doctors for other

teams from around the world, Sigman waits long hours in the cold at the bottom of a ski jump during competitions, at the ready for any medical emergencies.

"In ski jumping, it's all or none, either the thrill of victory or the agony of defeat ... It's the equivalent of going 100 miles an hour off a 10-story building. You're at

the bottom of the ski jump, just waiting. Once they land, everyone breathes a sigh of relief," Sigman said. "It can cause potentially very severe injuries, such as organ lacerations or severe trauma to bones. It's not to be taken lightly, and takes a lot of training."

Sigman is an orthopedic surgeon and sports-medicine specialist at

Lowell General Hospital. He was chosen this summer from a pool of thousands of physicians to be one of six team doctors.

On Feb. 2, he will travel to Slovakia for the World Junior Championship for Nordic Combined Skiing and Ski Jumping, covering

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Coyote encounter reminds woman to be aware

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

While walking her dog in the woods, Tracy Callahan and her dog, Toby, a 25-pound beagle and pug mix, encountered a coyote, who followed them for a mile as Callahan ran back to her car at a trail head on Haggetts Pond Road. Caught unaware by the canine, Callahan said it was "the scariest thing that has ever happened to me in my entire life."

"No one knew I was out there," said Callahan of her mile walk

around the pond. "It was like a horror movie or something, all I could do was scream and run because I was scared ... I think he could have easily overtaken us at any point, if he had wanted to. It was terrifying. I felt so unprepared."

The coyote's eyes were fixed on her dog, who was on a leash at her side, said Callahan. He kept at a distance of about 10 feet, and stayed "dead center" in the path, but kept following her despite her screams.

It's an experience, Callahan said, she hopes other residents won't have

to go through. Since her encounter on Saturday, Jan. 17, Callahan has educated herself about the animals, and hopes those who hike, walk dogs or snowshoe on trails in town do the same.

Now, she walks with a whistle and walking stick.

"I admit to not being aware of my surroundings," said Callahan. "I want people to be aware that this can happen to you. You need to remember you're in the woods."

Coyotes are found in every town and city in Massachusetts except the

islands, said Laura Hajduk, a wildlife biologist for the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game, and are more active this time of year because they're starting their breeding season.

"People see them patrolling their territory, looking for mates and report hearing them howling more (this time of year)," said Hajduk. "They're curious animals, so they investigate other animals in their territory, especially the attraction

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Tracy Callahan and her dog, Toby, were recently followed by a coyote for a mile on a trail along Haggetts Pond in Andover.

ROGER DARRIGRAND/Staff photo

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TITLE: Injunction allowed 'ineligible' swimmer

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correct to do. If we had to do it all over again, we would do it again."

"The decision upheld MIAA's authority to regulate and set rules," said MIAA spokesman Paul Wetzel. "We're still looking into (the 2003 title), nothing has been decided. (Taking the title away) is a possibility. In effect, this means AHS used an ineligible player, and in normal circumstance that would require forfeit. The effect on AHS is yet to be seen."

Elizabeth Mancuso's court case began with a discrepancy with the MIAA during her senior year. Mancuso had spent one year as a freshman at Austin Prep, swimming with a private club team. She transferred to AHS, repeating her freshman year because she was younger than her classmates.

When she became a senior at AHS, the MIAA deemed her ineligible to swim, because of a rule stating a student's athletic eligibility expires four years after completing eighth-grade, said Wetzel.

Mancuso applied for a waiver, granting her an exception to swim as a fifth-year student, which was denied by the MIAA, said Wetzel. The Mancusos then sued and a temporary injunction was granted by the courts as her case made its way through the judicial system. With the injunction, Mancuso swam with the AHS team in 2003, winning a state championship.

Friday's decision was the court's final ruling on Mancuso's case, originally filed in 2003. It is expected to have broader effects.

"Privilege vs. entitlement is a big issue," Wetzel said. "It will affect us in the future. It happens two or three times a year that a parent challenges a MIAA ruling. Now, attorneys will look at this ruling and say, 'You can't challenge, you can't win.'"

One title stripped before
In 2003, the MIAA stripped

AHS of its 2001 state swimming title, because of another discrepancy involving Mancuso. The MIAA ruled she was ineligible to swim in 2001 at AHS because of a rule that states an athlete who transfers to a school is ineligible to compete in a sport if they've competed for another school's varsity "or its equivalent," said Brain McNally, AHS athletic director.

"It's difficult to interpret what is equivalent. The MIAA thought her season with the Pirates (a private swim club, while she was a freshman at Austin Prep) was a varsity equivalent, and she would have needed a waiver from MIAA" to swim with AHS the following year, said McNally. "They ruled that every meet she participated that year had to be forfeited, which meant the state title."

In 2003, AHS went through the MIAA's appeal process, hoping to get back its 2001 state title. In a hearing with the MIAA board, it lost by one vote, said McNally.

Michael Mancuso said he is under the impression — from the Jan. 23 court ruling and his lawyer — that the court agreed Andover would keep the 2003 state title.

"In the end, we're somewhat disappointed, but pleased that Andover and Elizabeth get to keep their titles," he said. "We're disappointed that student athletes have no rights (to participate), which is disappointing for any parent of a student in Massachusetts."

After AHS, Elizabeth Mancuso went to Dartmouth College, and was co-captain of the swim team there. She is currently working in the Boston area, said her father.

"Our family would like to thank AHS Principal Peter Anderson, Athletic Director Brian McNally, (girls swim coach) Marilyn Fitzgerald and the AHS swim team," said Michael Mancuso. "I can't emphasize enough the wonderful support we got from them."

TRASH: Fee would be charged for extra bags

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lot could recycle more. I've seen plans like this work in so many towns," said Dann. "People find ways to recycle more, make more donations to charity, compost more and less ends up in the trash. It's a financial incentive instead of just a plea (to recycle). It makes it worth it to them."

The SMART petition has been circulating for about a week, and will be presented to selectmen in February, said Dann.

Previously, a program was proposed in Andover to charge a fee for every bag of trash. It was met with great resistance. In 2004, many linked incumbent Selectman Ray Hender's election

loss to his support for a Pay-As-You-Throw trash-fee plan.

This year's plan is different, and residents are "still getting a lot with their tax dollars," said Dann, because one barrel of trash and unlimited recycling is picked up.

"The last time we did pay to throw, I had never gotten so many phone calls, ever," said Selectman Mary Lyman, recalling an earlier proposal.

None of the selectmen have seen the petition yet, she said.

"We need to look at all the positives and negatives, and costs affiliated with setting up a new program. I would like to have multiple proposals (regarding trash fees). I hope we can work together on

this, finding what's the most cost effective and the least punitive.

"In the past (trash fee proposals) have prompted very strong response from residents. We want to look at all petitions, not just one," said Lyman. "They're already paying their taxes (which cover trash removal), and now we're adding in a fee."

The contract with the town's trash contractor ends this year, noted Lyman. Once the petition is presented at a February meeting, selectmen would most likely take a vote on the measure at the next meeting, two weeks later, she said. The next selectmen's meeting is Feb. 9.

Sandy Gerraughty, business manager at the Department of

Public Works, said her department had not yet seen the petition, and did not want to comment.

The town of Topsfield has had a "pay as you go" trash policy for 10 years, said Donna Rich, Topsfield recycling coordinator. Residents are charged \$1.50 for a special sticker for every extra bag of trash they put out besides their first barrel, she said.

The program has increased recycling in town, she said. About 3,000 of the special stickers for extra trash bags are sold each month at one of three stores in Topsfield.

Even after 10 years, residents still call with questions, she said.

"Trash is a big deal to people," said Rich. "That's most of the calls I get."

DOCTOR: Andover resident to travel to Slovakia

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the U.S. men's ski jump and Nordic combined teams. Many of the athletes at this competition, who are all under the age of 19, are Olympics-bound, he said.

As a team doctor, he is there for the evaluation and management of injuries, Sigman said, but he cannot treat or operate on patients overseas because of licensing.

If there is a "catastrophic medical event," the skier is flown out, accompanied by a team doctor, on a Med Flight helicopter.

Besides the thrill of competition, Sigman said he is also looking forward to the challenge of driving a rental car through Slovakia and collaborating with physicians from around the world.

"The adventure of traveling to a country I've never been to is the most exciting thing," Sigman said. "Also the camaraderie of working with the kids (on the ski team), and seeing people from other countries. It's fascinating seeing all the athletes with jackets from different countries, all speaking different languages."

While he is in Slovakia, Sigman plans to keep in touch with his wife, Marla, twin sons Zachary and Caleb, 6, and 4-year-old son Jayden, through a video chat feature on his computer.

Sigman traveled to Beijing, China, as part of the 2008

Summer Olympic Games, and helped train Chinese orthopedic surgeons, he said. During that trip, he met another American doctor who was involved with the U.S. ski team, which is how he became a candidate for a position with the ski jump team.

He is currently the team doctor for the University of Massachusetts Lowell, and has worked with the Boston Cannons professional lacrosse and other teams, he said.

Sigman played lacrosse and football in high school and at Tufts University, which led to his career choice of sports medicine, he said. He's treated some of his former teammates.

"Now I much prefer to treat sports injuries rather than get them myself," he said. "It's a unique job. I really get to make a demonstrable difference in (patients) in a quick fashion. You see immediate results, which can very much positively effect their lives."

Working as a doctor for the U.S. ski team is a labor of love, and he said he appreciates the support he receives from other doctors in his private practice. Sigman and the other team physicians are not paid, even to travel to overseas competitions.

However, he was given a "really cool" jacket with the U.S. ski team logo — a nice perk, he said with a laugh.

CORRECTION

A head-and-shoulders photo published with the Education article "Bartle retires from development center" last week was misidentified. The photo was of Veryl Anderson, executive director, not Priscilla Bartle. A photo of Priscilla Bartle, who retired after 30 years of service to the Professional Center for Child Development, is included here. The Townsman regrets the error.



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In Brief

PAST & PRESENT



THEN: Built literally around the Hulme and Scott mansions in 1961 and containing more than 50 boutiques, business, and offices, Olde Andover Village is the largest single retail complex downtown Andover. A large addition was added to the rear of the building in the 1980s. The rooflines of the original mansions can still be seen from across the street. The Andover Bookstore occupies the former barn from the Scott mansion.



Now: Olde Andover Village was built in 1961. The original rooflines of the mansions can still be seen from across Main Street.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Kaps closing, Wyeth purchased

After nearly two decades as an anchor business, Kaps will close March 1, becoming the latest and largest downtown casualty of the down economy.

According to store owner Jim Kapelson, all four Kaps locations - there are others in Burlington, Marblehead and Wellesley - will close at the end of a February liquidation.

Kaps joins Culinary Concepts on

Park Street and Alpers Fine Art on Main Street, both downtown businesses that have been forced to close this month.

Wyeth, a pharmaceutical company and Andover's largest taxpayer, has been purchased by Pfizer, leaving locals to wonder about the fate of that plant.

Kapelson said Kaps financial difficulties worsened over the last year. His great grandfather, Elias Kapelson, first opened a Lawrence haberdashery in 1885.

- Brian Messenger

SELECTMEN NOTES

Hold it ... TM delay reconsidered

Those who penciled in April 29 as the start of Town Meeting might need an eraser after all.

Reversing their decision from earlier in the month, selectmen voted this week to explore changing the date of Town Meeting, following concern from the School Committee.

By holding Town Meeting in May or June, town and school officials would use the additional time to work on operating budget planning.

All available dates in May and June at the Richard J. Collins Field House and J. Everett Collins Center for the Performing Arts will be examined before a final decision is made. Because the field house is not air-conditioned, the board will also explore using facilities at Merrimack College.

On Jan. 5, selectmen voted 4-1 to keep Town Meeting as scheduled: April 29 and 30 at the Collins Field House and May 4 and 5 at the Collins Center for the Performing Arts.

The decision drew concern from the School Committee, which prompted the re-vote. Present at the selectmen's meeting on Jan. 26 were School Committee members Dennis Forgue and Dick Collins.

"We're facing the same challenges you're facing," Forgue told the board. "We didn't see a downside to changing (the date)."

No vote on hiring freeze

Selectman Mary Lyman's proposed hiring freeze policy will be treated as a guideline by Town Manager Buzz Stapeczynski, it was announced Jan. 26.

The board chose not to take a vote on Lyman's proposal, which offered eight proposals aimed at minimizing hiring and avoiding a situation where a potential hire would be denied after an opening was advertised and interviews were conducted.

"Many of them we've been doing for the last year and

a half or so," said Stapeczynski. "I think we understand, myself and my team, what's expected."

Selectman Alex Vispoli said the guidelines will offer "further justification of hires."

"The key is before you even go to advertise to give us a heads up," he told Stapeczynski.

Before the meeting, Lyman said she did not mind if the board failed to make the proposals an official policy, as long as the town ensures payroll costs are kept in check.

"Whatever terminology you give it, it doesn't matter," said Lyman. "To me, it's semantics. How is (a hire) going to affect the budget and what happens to services?"

Business parking plan extended

Selectmen voted unanimously to extend the downtown parking sticker program for six months, with the expectation that the monthly \$50 fee for stickers will increase later this year.

Originally, a two-year extension on the sticker program was proposed.

But a fee increase will be needed after the Main Street redesign project is completed, said police Chief Brian Pattullo.

"We didn't want to impact the businesses during the construction," he said. "We'll stay with the status quo for six months and work together to come up with a good plan."

Under the sticker program, there are 61 parking spaces restricted for downtown business employees. The program generated \$29,360 in revenue for the town last year.

Outdoor dining regulations

Selectmen unanimously approved regulations for outdoor dining in the downtown.

On Feb. 9, the board will vote on a proposed \$500 application fee that restaurant owners will have to pay to gain approval for outdoor dining.

- Brian Messenger

QUOTE, UNQUOTE ...



These guys stationed out there are hardened warriors. But I've seen a valentine from home, like these kids are making, bring a soldier to tears.

- Rick Eldridge, a U.S. Army and Gulf War veteran, on Shawsheen School's K-2 students making valentines and collecting supplies for volunteers in Iraq. Story in Education, page 13.

"I think he could have easily overtaken us at any point, if he had wanted to. It was terrifying. I felt so unprepared."

- Resident Tracy Callahan, who while walking in the woods with her 25-pound dog encountered a coyote. Story, page 14.

For the rest of my life I will remember standing in that crowd chanting 'Yes We Can!' not really hearing my own voice, but hearing the voices of thousands of Americans as we watched the goals of our founding fathers become a reality.

- Andover High School senior Alexandra Hsu who attended the presidential inauguration in Washington last week with 2 million other Americans. Story in Town Talk, pages 9 and 20.



Third quarter property tax bill due Feb. 2

The town of Andover has mailed the actual tax bills for fiscal year 2009, and third quarter payment is due Monday, Feb. 2. Taxes unpaid after that date are subject to interest charges of 14 percent.

Questions about property valuations and appeal procedures should be directed to the assessors office at 978-623-8265. The assessors office will be open later than usual Monday, Feb. 2, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Applications for abatements must be received in the assessors office no later than 7:30 p.m.

The Town Offices at 36 Bartlet St. are open Monday to Friday

from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Payments can be mailed in the envelope provided or dropped in the white mailbox with a blue Town of Andover seal in front of the offices at 36 Bartlet St. The tax collectors office will be open Monday, Feb. 2, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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Renewable energy forum this Saturday

A forum on Bringing Renewable Energy to Andover will be held this Saturday, Jan. 31, at 10 a.m. in Andover Baptist

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Planning study calls for second RR track

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Nearly 40 years after the state ripped up a second railroad track through Andover, local officials are talking of rebuilding it, to improve rail service to and from Boston.

A study by the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission recommends recreating a second track through Andover, which would help people who seek public transportation into Boston, including commuters on Interstate 93.

"The residents who sit in that 'conga' line to Boston would support more available rail service," said Andover's Director of Planning Paul Materazzo. "The state wants to ease congestion and get people out of their cars. A second track would help."

But he notes people would need a place to park if a second line allowed for more trips from Andover. Increasing commuter parking is being discussed as part of the town yard redevelopment plan. The current town yard is across the tracks from the Andover commuter rail stop.

"We need more commuter parking. I hear the (commuter) lot is filled by 7 a.m. If you aren't there by then, you're forced to drive to Boston," Materazzo said.

From that so-called "conga line" last Tuesday morning, Andover state Rep. Barry Finegold agreed that commuters want more frequent trains.

"That double track stops in Wilmington. It's not a long stretch through Andover and I agree that we should put in another track," Finegold said. "It's not good for commuters the way it is now."

Finegold was commuting to the Statehouse in Boston when he talked about the town's rail service.

"I left Andover at 8:15 this

morning and it's 9:35. I'm in traffic and I still have about 20 minutes to go. I know how commuters feel," he said, adding that more trains to Andover would get more cars off the highway.

But one obvious obstacle is finding the money to pay for it. "They (the MBTA) need better locomotives, better everything ... so I'm not sure if this can happen," Finegold said.

A telephone call to the MBTA's headquarters in Boston was not returned before the Townsman's deadline.

Tony Komornick, transportation program officer at Merrimack Valley Planning Commission, said there were two railroad tracks connecting Andover and Boston through the early 1970s.

"It's a well known rumor that the second track was taken up by the state as a way to save (money on) maintenance costs," Komornick said.

His group's new long range study says it's not just commuters who would benefit from a second track. So would baby boomers and the disabled. The MVPC study reports the number of people over 65 will increase 89 percent and the disabled population will grow 23 percent by 2030.

Komornick said there is room to put down another track in Andover and he suggested it could be done in about two years with the proper designs, permits and community support. He did not estimate a cost for the project.

Currently, the one track railroad design continues to the MBTA train stop in Lawrence. Two tracks resume there for service to Haverhill and Plaistow, N.H.

The MVPC study, which focuses on the transportation needs of seniors and the disabled, is on its Web site, www.MVPC.org.

DeLeo gets Finegold's support for House speaker

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

State Rep. Barry Finegold supports Democrat Robert DeLeo of Winthrop who is expected to battle House majority leader John Rogers to become the next House speaker, following the resignation of Salvatore DiMasi.

"He's a former selectman, so he knows what it takes to run a town," Finegold said.

When DeLeo (D-Winthrop)

was in town last summer for a barbecue at Finegold's home, the telephone rang. A sleepover wasn't working out for Finegold's 5-year-old and she wanted to come home.

"I'm thinking, 'What am I going to do? Do I leave the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee?' But I really needed to get my daughter," Finegold said.

DeLeo didn't mind the disruption and jumped in the car with Finegold to pick up Finegold's

daughter. "To me, that says a lot about him. He's humble," Finegold said. "He has two daughters, so he understood. That's important."

DiMasi resigned Tuesday just three weeks after most state representatives, including Andover's two House members, voted for him to continue as House speaker. State Rep. Barbara L'Italien (D-Andover) will also vote for DiMasi's replacement but could not be reached

for comment.

DiMasi's resignation came after a report that Richard Vitale, a close DiMasi friend already accused of illegally lobbying the speaker on behalf of ticket brokers, also paid \$7,500 in debts for the speaker's in-laws.

"I think it was time for Sal to leave," Finegold said. "It seemed that some were more interested in why he was resigning instead of what is going on in their districts."

■ POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Tuesday, Jan. 20 - At 9:57 a.m., a juvenile male was arrested and charged with carrying a dangerous weapon, possession of class D drug with intent to distribute and having controlled substances in, on or near a school or playground.

At 10:25 a.m., Frank M. Courtney, 25, of 93 North Main St., was arrested and charged on two warrants.

Wednesday, Jan. 21 - At 12:28 p.m., William M. Desantis Jr., 28, of 43 Thorndike Road, first floor apartment, North Andover, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked license as well as on a warrant for operating after suspension.

Friday, Jan. 23 - At 3:59 p.m., Derek Gill, 28, of 8 Harvest Drive, Apt. 217, North Andover, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked license, number plate violation and a tinted glass violation. He was also given a civil violation for possession of marijuana.

At 7:10 p.m., Brendan J. Mahoney, 17, of 166 High Plain Road, was arrested and charged with operating under the influence of drugs.

Saturday, Jan. 24 - At 10:39 a.m., Dean J. Voyer Jr., 20, of 33 Corbett St., was arrested and charged on several warrants.

At 12:31 p.m., Brett E. Hardin,

50, of 12 Merrill St., Danvers, was arrested and charged with possession of class D substance (marijuana).

At 12:44 p.m., Glenn A. Hardin, 55, of 6 Turnpike St., Pembroke, N.H., was arrested and charged with distribution of class D substance.

Sunday, Jan. 25 - At 9:05 p.m., Francisco Flores, 29, of 308 Stevens St., Lowell, was arrested and charged with failing to wear a seat belt, driving with a suspended license and a number plate violation.

At 11:10 p.m., Matthew R. Pauk, 27, of 559 East Second St., Apt. 4, Boston, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked license.

Monday, Jan. 26 - At 3:41 p.m., Scott L. Wilson, 27, of 164 Winn St., Woburn, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked license.

THEFTS

Tuesday, Jan. 20 - At 4:37 p.m., an Andover Street resident reported the theft of a FedEx package.

Saturday, Jan. 24 - At 10:39 a.m., a Salem Street gas station reported that a woman in a dark colored Audi just filled her tank with \$30 of gas and drove off without paying.

Monday, Jan. 26 - At 1:42 p.m., a Woodland Road resident reported

being scammed, after he tried to rent his house on Craig's List.

BREAKS

Wednesday, Jan. 21 - At 1:40 p.m., an Andover Street resident reported breaking and entering that happened sometime the night before.

At 7:21 p.m., a breaking and entering was reported from Highland Road, with several items stolen.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Thursday, Jan. 22 - At 7:15, 7:24 and 9:04 a.m., breaking and entering to motor vehicles was reported on Boston Road, Hidden Road and Snowberry Road.

Saturday, Jan. 24 - At 2:51 p.m., a parent filed a report that a daughter's car had been vandalized at Andover High School.

INCIDENTS

Tuesday, Jan. 20 - At 3:59 p.m., a parent spoke to an officer regarding the family's daughter being harassed at Andover High School on Shawsheen Road.

At 9:15 p.m., a Bullfinch Drive resident reported that for the past three days someone had been ringing his doorbell and taking off.

Thursday, Jan. 22 - At 12:23 p.m., the property manager at Dundee Park reported a homeless man sleeping in a bathroom.

A responding officer found the sleeper to be an employee from another floor.

Friday, Jan. 23 - At 3 a.m., fire and police responded to an elderly female who had become unconscious in a hallway on Salem Street. The person was found to be dead upon arrival of safety personnel, said the police log.

Sunday, Jan. 25 - At 3:39 p.m., a Forrest Hill Drive resident called to report suspicious footprints in his backyard.

AUTO ACCIDENTS

Friday, Jan. 23 - At 9:16 a.m., a hit-and-run crash was reported on South Main Street.

Saturday, Jan. 24 - At 8:54 p.m., a hit-and-run crash was reported on Elm Street, where a Honda was hit while parked in front of Palmer's restaurant.

Sunday, Jan. 25 - At 7:33 p.m., police assisted a vehicle that was in a snowbank on Elm Street. The driver had possibly had a seizure. The vehicle was towed.

Monday, Jan. 26 - At 8:03 a.m., multiple 911 calls were received for a two-car crash, with airbag deployment, on Central Street. Two vehicles were towed.

At 12:40, someone in St. Augustine's center on Essex Street called to report that a tractor-trailer struck a car in the parking lot and then left the scene.

— Compiled by Bethany Bray

COYOTES: Best defense is to scare the animals off with movements, loud noises

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of a domestic dog."

"Keep your dog on a leash, and that way the coyote sees it as an extension of a person," she said.

Richard Lindsay, a veterinarian and founder of the Andover Animal Hospital, said he knows coyotes are a presence here - he just has to look out the hospital window to see them. The staff of the Lowell Street facility can hear them howling at night. In 54 years as a veterinarian and animal

inspector, he's never seen an animal brought in with wounds inflicted by a coyote, he said.

"We see puncture wounds, and the animal goes into quarantine for 45 days. It's hard to tell (what bit the animal), but it's usually another dog or raccoon. This year we have quarantined 18 or 20 dogs for biting people," said Lindsay. "I don't think coyotes are a big problem at this point. I look at coyotes as being a nuisance. My advice is to leave them alone. Outdoor cats are at risk, but I've not seen dogs

tangle with coyotes."

Coyotes first migrated into Massachusetts around 1950, said Hajduk, and since then only three cases of attacks on people have been documented. Two of those coyotes were rabid.

David Dargie, land manager for AVIS, the Andover Village Improvement Society conservation group, said he comes across coyotes fairly often.

"Like all wild animals, they see humans and go in the other direction. They're more scared of us than we are of them,"

ON THE WEB

For more information on coyotes, their behavior, habitat and other facts, visit the Mass Wildlife's "living with coyotes" site at: www.mass.gov/dfwet/dfw/wildlife/living/living_with_coyotes.htm

said Dargie. "If I see a coyote, I stop what I'm doing and watch, because he's not there for long."

It is essential — for the benefit of both coyotes and humans — that residents make sure they are not feeding coyotes in any

way, through trash left unsecured or pet food left out, said Hajduk. If you do come across a coyote, it's best to harass the animal, she said, through loud noises or movements.

"Maintaining coyote's fear of people is good for everybody in the long run," she said.

"Make yourself as big as possible, open up your jacket. Throw a stick or a snowball. It's important to reinforce the natural fear of people these animals have," said Hajduk. "For the most part, coyotes are scared of you. In a

suburban area, they get used to the sights and sounds of people. Car doors slamming, people talking, car horns are everyday sounds to them. If you come across a coyote, do something they're not used to, make a new sound."

Since meeting the coyote, Callahan walks with friends in less remote areas in town, she said. It will be a while before she will return to Haggetts Pond.

"I love it out there, it's so pretty," she said. "But I am afraid. That coyote is in the woods, where he belongs."



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THE SCIENCE AND CHALLENGE OF CLIMATE CHANGE-SUPPORTING SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES, 7-8:30 p.m. Join Liz Duff, who has taught a graduate course for teachers on climate change for the past three years, as the group investigates the science and challenges of this phenomenon. The cost is \$7 (\$6/Mass Audubon members). Advance registration is required. To register, call 978-887-9264.

FRIDAY, JAN. 30

HOCKEY EVENT, The Friends of Merrimack College invite hockey fans to enjoy a dinner in Merrimack College's Blue Line Club, then cheer on Merrimack's Warrior hockey team as they face-off against No.1 ranked Hockey East rival the Boston University Terriers at the Volpe Athletic Complex, Merrimack College. Dinner 6 p.m., game at 7, \$20 per person. Only 50 tickets are available. For more information, call 978-837-5117 or e-mail: joanne.mermelstein@merrimack.edu.

CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION, the Peabody Essex Museum will host a special screening of Red Heroine, one of the first silent Kung Fu films, with live musical accompaniment by Boston's Devil Music Ensemble. For more information, visit online at www.pem.org/events.

THE NEW WORKS FESTIVAL 2009, 8 p.m., provides insight on the playwriting process from conception to presentation. This opportunity to see talented people in New England spans two weekends and is presented by the Firehouse Center for the Arts and is sponsored in part by Focus Publishing. The cost is \$12 adults, and \$35 for a four-day festival pass. All seats are reserved. For more information, call 978-462-7336.

LIVE THEATER, The Quannapowitt Players, 55 Hopkins St., Reading, "Key for Two" by John Chapman and Dave Freeman and directed by John Pease. Production dates are: Jan. 30, 31 and Feb. 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, and 14; Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 p.m.; Sunday performances are at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$18 regular, \$16 students and seniors. Reservations recommended by calling 781-942-2212 or online at www.qptheater.com.

SATURDAY, JAN. 31

FACULTY VOICE RECITAL, 7:30 p.m., Cochran Chapel @ Phillips Academy, featuring The Italian Songbook by Hugo Wolf, free, public welcome.

CHESS FOR BEGINNERS, (for ages 8-108), 2-4 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square. Learn how to play chess in one hour, and practice by playing against other beginners. Glenn Davison, lifelong chess player and instructor, will explain how to set up the board, special moves, tips for a better game, and how to win a game in four moves. Memorial Hall Library; www.mhl.org or 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

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COASTAL TRACKING ON PLUM ISLAND, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Join sanctuary naturalist Scott Santino for this new tracking program. There will be an indoor presentation at Parker River National Wildlife Refuge's visitor center on trail patterns created by canines, weasels, rodents, rabbits, and deer. Then we'll head over to the refuge to search for tracks and signs. The refuge's extensive sand beach and meandering boardwalks through shrub thickets offer wonderful tracking opportunities. The cost is \$20 (\$17/Mass. Audubon members). Advance registration is required. To register, call 978-887-9264.

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SUNDAY, FEB. 1

SPECIAL SCOUT PROGRAM, will be held two Sunday afternoons, 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/> or <http://www.njsgc.org/>. All levels of Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers are 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.

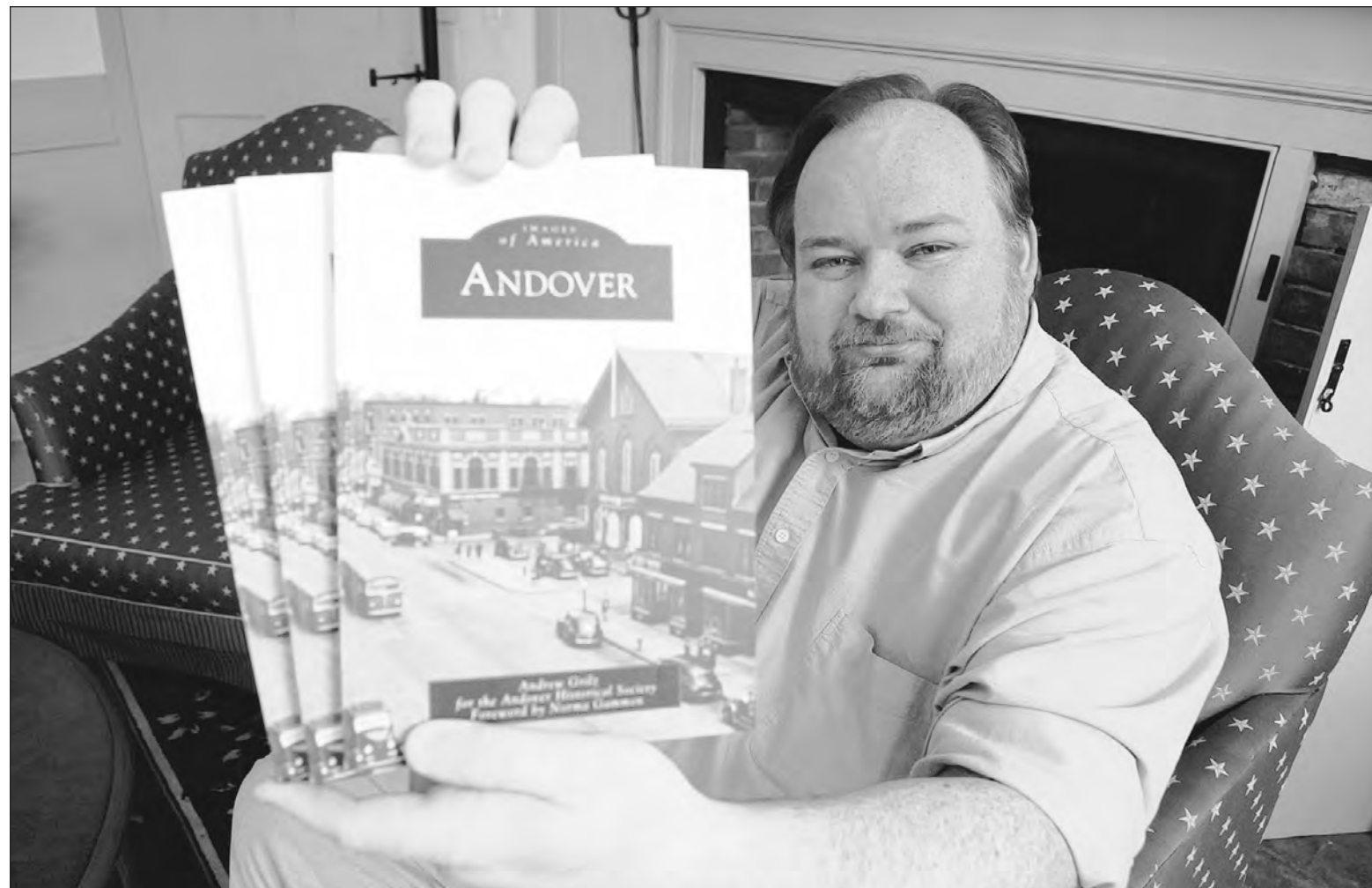
EXHIBIT OPENS, retired news reporter and photographer Tom Vartabedian of Haverhill will present a photographic exhibit of his works titled "Armenian Village People - A Country Kaleidoscope," in the ArtSpace Gallery of the Bentley Library at Northern Essex Community College on the Haverhill campus, 100 Elliot St., throughout the month of February. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A public reception is planned Thursday, Feb. 12, from 5 to 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEB. 3

ANDOVER GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS "OUR SHAWSHEN RIVER & ITS FUTURE" LUNCHEON, The Andover Garden Club has invited representatives from the Shawshen River Watershed Association, the Center for Ecosystem Restoration's Shawshen River Restoration Project, and the Shawshen Renaissance Project to talk about the state of the Shawshen River and present their organizations' plans for its future. The program will conclude with a brief question and answer period, and then lunch will be served 10:30 a.m. at Salvatore's (Sal's Pizza and Italian Restaurant), 354 Merrimack St., Lawrence. The cost is \$20 for members; \$25 for nonmembers; reservations required; Susan Johnston, 978-475-7830, sjohnston@comcast.net.

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Andy Grilz holds up copies of his book, "Andover."

Farmland to cul-de-sacs

Town's transformation pictured in new book

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Lock Andy Grilz in a basement with piles of old Andover Townsman newspapers, and he'd be happy for hours.

Grilz has been the curator at Andover Historical Society since 2006, though he was informed Tuesday that he will be laid off (*see sidebar*). Of course, he is a history buff, but he has a particularly strong affection for quality photographs that document the history of communities. The Andover Historical Society has 15,000 photographs of Andover through the years, Grilz said. He enjoyed sifting through them.

He selected 216 of those photographs to be published in his new book, "Andover" (Arcadia Publishing, \$21.99). The book, released earlier this month, documents the town of Andover from 1646 to the early 1960s. It is part of the publisher's "Images of America" series.

This is the first book for Grilz, who sought to offer Andover readers a "connection" with their town's history by showing people living and working where people still live and work today. He hopes readers will recognize the locations photographed.

"A photographic history is the best resident artifact a town can have," he said. "It is personal."

Historical books are often text-heavy, making little space for photographs. Not Grilz's book, which is all about Andover images.

ABOUT AUTHOR ANDY GRILZ

- Grew up in Newburgh, N.Y.
- Boston University graduate
- Graduate of Harvard University's museum studies program
- Andover Historical Society curator 2006-2009
- Worked for several other museums, including Cape Cod Science Museum and Boston Museum of Science
- Member of New England Genealogical Society, founding member of Save Ellis Island Foundation
- Likes to cook; reads alternative historical fiction, biographies, mysteries
- Married to Robin, lives in "the real Salem" (i.e. Massachusetts, not New Hampshire)

"Academic books can be almost intimidating. I hope the book will lure people, that was what I intended. There is a power of the image in the book, I hope."

Andy Grilz, author of "Andover"

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"Academic books can be almost intimidating," the 40-year-old said. "I hope the book will lure people, that was what I intended. There is a power of the image in the book, I hope."

Asked to highlight some favorite photographs, Grilz shared these:

FAVORITE PHOTOGRAPH: "Photographer Donald Look (onetime owner of Andover Photo) took a shot of downtown on Christmas Eve, 1950. It was rainy, so the photograph is glossy. What I like is the small-town feel of this photograph. It says, 'This is a place I want to live.' It's a picture-perfect postcard image of what Andover wants to look like. It's beautiful and captures a moment."

ANOTHER FAVORITE: "The photograph of downtown's west

side taken from a window in the Musgrove Building, which was built in 1895. It was chosen because it shows how history has survived. The building is still there and (a more recent) photograph was used for the cover of the book. That one was taken in 1946 from the same window. We are really lucky to have these photographs. The town has so much respect for all the different buildings around here."

MOST FUN TO RESEARCH: "Chapter 5, Page 74, which is a photograph of a pair of soccer teams taken in 1919. I didn't know who played soccer back then. Historian Joan Petrakis of Andover helped me with this one. The Townsman covered the game and it was the PA boys (Phillips Academy) playing."

Curator's layoff comes just before his book launch

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Just three weeks after his first book was published, Andy Grilz was laid off Tuesday from his curator job at the Andover Historical Society.

The nonprofit group's 19-member board of directors made the decision Monday night because its endowment had dropped from \$2.3 million to \$1.5 million, and it is feeling the same economic pinch as other businesses, said Elaine Clements, executive director.

"We're in the same market, the same economy, and we had to address the shortfall," Clements said. "It was a wrenching decision as (Grilz) was a very valuable and talented employee."

The timing couldn't have been worse for Grilz, as his new book's signing was set for Thursday, Feb. 5. The event will go on as scheduled, but will now feature a speaker from the Historical Society instead of Grilz.

"I just couldn't stand there signing books after this ... I just couldn't," said Grilz, whose last day at the Historical Society is Friday, Jan. 30.

Clements said there are no other layoffs planned nor will museum hours or programs — such as meetings on neighborhood history or visits by the town's third-graders — be cut.

"We're an independent nonprofit along with many other worthy nonprofits ... look at what happened to North Shore Music Theatre," Clements said, citing the money woes that may cause the theater's closing.

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Coffeehouse performance to fund Nicaraguan mission



Bill Staines

The Ballard Vale United Church will sponsor a coffeehouse event on Friday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m., featuring singer and songwriter Bill Staines.

For the last several years, the church has presented two coffeehouses a year, featuring well-known performers such as Staines and Bob Franke, as well as local talent. The proceeds

from this coffeehouse will benefit a mission trip planned for church youth and adults to Nicaragua in February 2010.

Staines has traveled across the country for the last 35 years, performing music at festivals, folk song societies, colleges, concerts, clubs and coffeehouses, according to his Web site. A New England native, he has been involved

with the folk scene since the 1960s and now averages around 200 concerts a year. His songs have been recorded by other artists including Peter, Paul and Mary; Nancy Griffith; The Highwaymen and Glen Yarbrough. He has recorded 22 albums and published four song books. A release about the concert notes Staines' comic timing and "blend

of wit and gentle humor."

Tickets are \$15 and will be available at the door. Children under 12 are \$5. Coffee and dessert will be available for purchase.

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LAYOFF: Plan is to use volunteers

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Andover's 100-year-old Historical Society gets no money from the town or state and did not receive any federal grants this year, Clements said.

"It's very hard right now for retail, nonprofits, everyone," Clements said.

The bleak financial news comes after a good year for the Society. Its Main Street exhibit, Farmers Market and Taste & Treasures event were all successful in 2008. The plan is for volunteers and remaining staffers to make the extra effort to make sure successful programs continue.

CALENDAR

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Musical Theatre, Danversport Yacht Club, 161 Elliot St. in Danvers, 6:30 p.m., Tickets are \$40 general admission and will include dinner and entertainment; www.nsmt.org, call the NSMT Box Office at 978-232-7200 or mail checks to NSMT, P.O. Box 62, Beverly, MA 01915. Checks must be received by Jan. 31.

SPECIAL KICK-OFF RECEPTION, 1 to 3 p.m. at the Wyndham Andover, for the upcoming celebrity golf tournament to benefit Caritas Christi Hospital in Methuen. JoJo White and other special guests will be in attendance. This event is open to the public. If you are interested in attending, call 978-687-0151, public affairs.

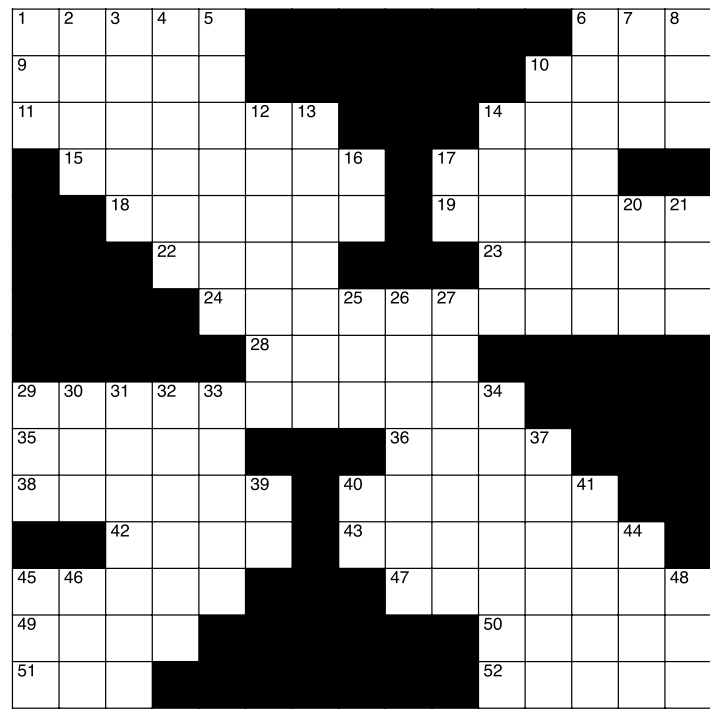
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS, "Be a Reader," children in grades K-1, 3:45 p.m., Memorial Hall Library. Registration is required because space is limited; 978-623-8400.

FISH ON!, Memorial Hall Library and the Friends of the Library kicks off its 10th annual month-long series of fishing programs in February. Fish On! Andover 2009 will be held Tuesdays Feb. 3-24. Programs begin at 7 p.m. and are free. Each week features fishing movies at 6 p.m., door prizes, and a room filled with free fishing catalogs, magazines and maps. For complete listing visit www.mhl.org, or call 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32. Programs are held at Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square, Andover.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 4

"AFGHAN STORIES: GIVING WOMEN A VOICE," a multi-media presentation by Paula Lerner, a Boston-based photographer who has visited Afghanistan some six times since the fall of the Taliban and Rangina Hamidi, a well-known Afghan-American women's advocate and founder of Kandahar Treasure, 7 p.m., free, presented by Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies Program, Cascia Hall, Merrimack College, N. Andover; 978-837-5277.

Crossword puzzle



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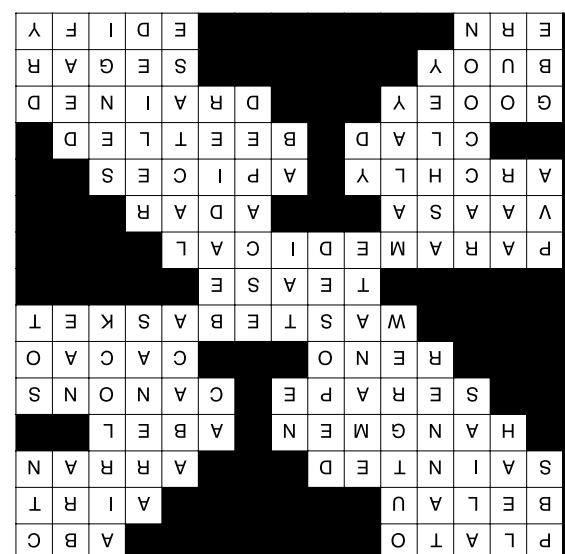
1. Athenian philosopher
6. Basics
9. ___d; praise greatly
10. Redirect
11. Angelic
14. Island in the Firth of Clyde
15. Public executioners
17. Cain and ___
18. Mexican shawl
19. Large artillery
22. Gambling town
23. Source of chocolate
24. Trash container
28. Playful harassment
29. About an EMT
35. Seaport in Finland
36. 6th Jewish month
38. In an arched manner
40. The highest points
42. Dressed
43. Overhung
45. Soft and sticky

47. Of an empty sink
49. Float on the water
50. Reap (Spanish)
51. Grey sea eagle
52. Enlighten

CLUES DOWN

1. Public TV
2. Wife of Jacob
3. Assumed name
4. Processes leather
5. Matured beyond
6. Access to pressured air space
7. Women's undergarment
8. Co-tangent (abbr.)
10. Spectacle locations
12. Give forth
13. Removed from power
14. Manila hemp
16. Point midway between N and E
17. Atomic #89
20. No (Scottish)
21. Drunkard
25. A citizen of Thailand
26. Fled from confinement
27. More bead-like
29. Vinyl paint polymer
30. Jack P___; talk show host
31. Nocturnal masked mammal
32. GWTW's Mr. Wilkes
33. S.E. Asian peninsula
34. Mammalian enzyme
37. Counted on
39. 36 inches (abbr.)
40. Blood group
41. Grey faced shrew
44. People who cannot hear
45. Gaborone airport code
46. Relevant to us
48. Not wet

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Opinion

VOICES LIFTED

A call to end secrecy

During his first days in office, President Barack Obama talked about creating “a new standard of openness” in government. From his mouth to the ears and actions of every official, including those here in Andover.

Andover residents rarely learn much about what officials discuss in closed-door sessions, and committees such as the selectmen and School Committee seem to enter these sessions before or after most of their public sessions.

In a speech talking about ethics in Washington and announcing limits on lobbyists entering or leaving his administration and all those who serve in the administration, Obama said appointing new responsible government officials or creating new rules could not open government on its own. “The way to make government responsible is to hold it accountable. The way to make government accountable is to make it transparent so the American people can know what decisions are being made, how they are being made and whether their interests are being well served,” he said. To do that on a local level, residents need officials to use closed-door meetings sparingly and to take meaningful notes about what takes place in those meetings.

A recent example of how town leaders used closed-door meetings was displayed with the School Committee’s decision to extend Superintendent’s Claudia Bach’s contract. The School Committee voted to extend Bach’s contract 3-2 in a closed-door session on Sept. 23. The record of the meeting is a one-page document that is little more than a roll call vote, yet it was not approved for release until Nov. 18. No one, of course, would have known to look for the document until the School Committee announced with a few words at its Jan. 6 meeting that it had, in another closed-door meeting that day, finalized a new contract with Bach.

This isn’t to say the School Committee is doing anything different than any other Andover committee. You can look at the skimpy records from closed door meetings about everything, from mundane matters to the approximately \$30 million Andover High School expansion project that ran late and overbudget and you will find little information. It is to say that all committees should be doing better.

As the president said, in talking about Washington, it’s time for change:

“For a long time now there’s been too much secrecy in this city. The old rules said that if there was a defensible argument for not disclosing something to the American people then it should not be disclosed. That era is now over. Starting today every agency and department should know that this administration stands on the side not of those who seek to withhold information but those who seek to make it known ... But the mere fact that you have the legal power to keep something secret does not mean you should always use it. The Freedom of Information Act is perhaps the most powerful instrument we have for making our government honest and transparent, and of holding it accountable. I expect members of my administration not simply to live up to the letter but also to the spirit of this law.”

We’d love to see those words put into action in the nation’s capital and in our hometown.

Feb. 3 deadline to run

People have just a few days to get their name on the ballot for this year’s town election.

Five people have taken out papers to run for two School Committee seats, including the latest candidate Diane McCarron of Napier Road. But only one challenger has taken out papers to oppose the two selectmen incumbents. The current moderator is running unopposed.

Democracy is meant to provide people a choice, and we encourage those with different views who want to make a difference to consider running. The last day to submit nomination papers to the Board of Registrars to be nominated on the ballot is Tuesday, Feb. 3 at 5 p.m. To appear on the ballot, a candidate must acquire 50 signatures of Andover registered voters.

Residents interested in running for office should contact Randy Hanson, town clerk, at 978-623-8259.

WEB QUESTION

Pay to throw?

Inauguration Day: speech yes, fashion no

Last week’s Web question was “What stood out to you on inauguration Tuesday?” Your answers:

The top two responses, “I didn’t watch the inauguration” and “The hope and energy felt” received 35.71 percent of votes.

This week’s web question: Pay to throw: Approve or can it?

The League of Women Voters and recycling committee are circulating a petition proposing a trash fee in Andover. Trash beyond what can fit in one barrel will incur a fee, roughly \$2 a bag, say organizers. Unlimited recycling will be collected at no

additional charge. How do you feel about the proposed trash fee?

■ Approve: It’s a revenue source for the town, and will increase recycling.

■ Reject: We already pay for trash pickup through our taxes.

■ Approve: One barrel of trash per week is more than enough for my household.

■ Reject: One barrel of trash per week is not nearly enough for my household.

To cast your vote, go to www.andovertownsmen.com and scroll all the way to the bottom of the page. For lengthier answers, e-mail Editor Neil Fater at NFater@andovertownsmen.com



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Tenor Rockland Osgood performs with the Andover Choral Society and Orchestra during their performance of “Elijah” at the Rogers Center for the Arts on Sunday.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Store’s closing a loss to the downtown

Editor, Townsman:

This is in response to the Jan. 8 story “Challenging times downtown: Two shops start new year by closing.” I especially wanted to comment about the closing of Culinary Concepts, owned by Betsy Powers for seven years.

As past president of the Andover Business Center Association, Betsy’s indefatigable energy has been enormously beneficial to our little downtown area and to ABCA members during the last few years.

One benefit to shopping in a small downtown area is personal service, of course, but also the welcome feeling of stepping into businesses where people know your name. Small business owners typically go the extra mile for their customers, many of whom tell us they prefer to support local businesses because of variety, convenience and service not available in larger stores. Small businesses also support their community in many ways, contributing, for example, to various fundraising efforts throughout the year. Many of our customers become friends and are thus the reason we all work so hard, so we are all the worse for the loss of small businesses and owners who go that extra mile for their customers and their community.

The sad truth is that a lot of businesses have taken a hit with the worsening economy over the last few years. The media predict doom and gloom for months in advance, and those predictions can sometimes be more detrimental than the actual downturn. Besides high gas and other escalating prices this past summer and fall, the downtown construction project, despite its many benefits, resulted in more limited parking and limited access to stores. Some stores also saw an increase in shoplifting and passing of bad checks, so we have faced a variety of challenges.

The closing of stores owned by hard-working people who have become friends and enriched our community hurts us all. I must admit I have been in denial over the closing of Culinary Concepts because Betsy has been such a wonderful friend. Many customers and businesspeople have visited her in the last few weeks to tell her how much they will miss her, and I will, too.

KAY DEMASO
Owner, Quiet Pleasures Jewelry
29 Main St.

Pride and presidential oaths

Editor, Townsman:

I wonder how many hardly bother to read the Townsman Web question. No figure is ever given as to how many respondents answer.

In response to “How you watched the inauguration,” 34.78 percent said they watched on TV. Another 30.43 percent said they didn’t because they voted for “the other guy” and 13.04 percent said they had other things to do and were not interested. The sum

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total of those who didn’t watch was 43.47. Ouch!

What pride and joy there was to see this historic inauguration, and yet there are those who let this momentous occasion pass by. Where is their pride in America?

CAROL S. RATHORE
North Main Street

Praise for AYS — and workers’ families

Editor, Townsman:

I know I am joined by many who appreciate the families of Bill Fahey, Glenn Wilson, Tony Lombardi, Susie Allen and Sobhan Namvar (aka Soap) for supporting their loved ones whose passion and dedication to Andover’s youth seems without end and which requires a most precious commodity (besides funding) — time.

We as a community are facing significant challenges ahead and we are extremely fortunate to have this team in place as our children, no doubt, will be impacted no matter how much we try to shield them. For the past decade and a half, Andover Youth Services has developed a plethora of programs for our middle-schoolers and high-schoolers but they also provide so much more — as a resource not only for our kids, but for teachers and community leaders.

CAREY ADAMS
9 Flint Circle

Time for new generation of town leaders

Editor, Townsman:

Many personal anecdotes come to mind when I think over my nearly two decades-long friendship with Will English, candidate for selectman. Many of them give a glimpse into the kind of person he is, but none is all-encompassing. So I must rely on big words to tell you about a big person and to let you know what kind of selectman you will vote for if you pull the lever for English on March 24.

English is a magnanimous, extremely loyal, generous and genuine person with an affable demeanor that belies his acute sense of certitude and his serious commitment to the community. He possesses an intuitive curiosity and a deep desire to make meaningful change in the place, and with the people, that mean the most to him. His willingness to listen and to incorporate the ideas of others will serve him well.

English has been at the front

door for years taking tickets at middle school dances at Old Town Hall or volunteering at the Andover Youth Services’ Christmas tree lot in subzero temperatures with a smile on his face. His resume of accomplishments reaches beyond Andover to the Midwest where he worked tirelessly on a presidential campaign, and north to the Maritimes where he served as student president of his college. But he is back in Andover because he believes in this community and wants to improve life for its residents.

One of the many things our recent presidential election tells us, I think, is that at this watershed moment in our nation, it is time for a new generation of leaders and citizens to take responsibility for enacting the change they seek. English is taking that step, working to better the lives of people in his town. I can’t think of a better person to bring new ideas and new enthusiasm to Andover.

DAVID TANKLEFSKY
23 Pasho St.

Gilbert worthy of place on School Committee

Editor, Townsman:

I have had the honor of working side-by-side with Annie Gilbert for over three years. As president of the board of Andover Coalition for Education, time and again I have seen the skill, attention to detail and thoughtfulness she applies to working with different groups to find common ground-creating partnerships. It is a skill that will be critical in the difficult times ahead for Andover’s schools.

As vice president of the board of ACE, Gilbert has had extraordinary “big picture” vision and provided quiet leadership to our educational foundation that works with the superintendent’s office to fund curricula-enhancing programs. She has been invaluable in connecting different organizations to bring about critical support for initiatives such as the new Engineering is Elementary program now in all six elementary schools, and the new engineering lab at Doherty Middle School.

Gilbert’s volunteer work with the Bancroft PTO, the Bancroft School Improvement Council, the Doherty Middle School PAC, and the Parent to Parent Association have provided her a clear picture of the day-to-day needs of our schools. She has gained a reputation among parents, teachers and administrators for diligence, patience, creativity and fairness.

She understands the need to work in a collaborative manner to improve our schools.

The School Committee is facing extraordinary challenges as it works with selectmen and the Finance Committee to navigate the looming budget crisis — challenges that will demand calm analysis, clear judgment, experience, civility, respect and cooperation. I know no one more qualified to help guide our schools through the rough days ahead.

TINA GIRDWOOD
15 Tucker Road
ACE President

Where’s the sacrifice, town side?

Editor, Townsman:

So here we go again, it’s budget time. But this year, things are much worse. We look around us and see friends and family members losing their jobs. We hope with a new president things will turn around but we must plan for next year now, with a lot of unknowns.

I listen to the superintendent and School Committee members talk about all the things we are doing to save money. We are conserving energy in the schools by lowering the thermostats. The School Department has put into place a hiring freeze and a supply freeze. Parents are all writing letters to elected officials to help us get more funding for our schools.

What is the town doing to save money? All I’ve heard from the selectmen is that they are afraid they might have to turn off some street lights and that the town didn’t have money to pay an extra person during a recent snowstorm, so a person from another department volunteered to help out.

Well, I have news for the selectmen and members of the Finance Committee: Try spending a day in our schools. If you walk the hallways you will likely see many parents volunteering every day. Maybe you will see children lugging into school paper towels, tissues or other school supplies because the teachers don’t have a budget to purchase more. Maybe you will see the children sitting in class all day with their jackets on because their classrooms are too cold. Maybe you will see a teacher teaching a math class for 25 kids with diverse learning styles. Try walking into a special education class and think, how will this teacher manage to teach these children next year without an extra aide?

Our schools have been making sacrifices and are looking at more drastic cuts this year. You can turn off a street light, and a road will be a little darker. Lay off a teacher and we lose an educational opportunity many children can never get back. You can’t, and should never, equate the cuts we are making in our schools or the sacrifices we are making in our classrooms to shutting off some street lights.

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Chairwoman to Feds: Time to deliver on education

Calling for peace

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

ON THE WEB
For complete text of the letter, visit andovertownsm.com

School Committee Chairwoman Debra Rahmin Silberstein recently mailed a letter to Andover's federal legislators asking for "bold action" from U.S. Congress for local funding, specifically to the schools.

The letter, mailed last week to Sens. John Kerry and Edward Kennedy and Congresswoman Niki Tsongas, asked for support

of President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

"It is about time the federal legislators deliver on obligations to the children in this country (which they have legislated), by funding IDEA and NCLB (No

Child Left Behind), as promised," Silberstein wrote in an e-mail to the Townsman. "The proposals in the Recovery and Reinvestment Plan allow for much needed short term stimulus and then future recovery by investing in education of our children. Based on some preliminary numbers I have seen from the state it could mean an additional \$1,063,600 in 2009 and \$956,000 in 2010, for a total of \$2,019,600 to Andover." IDEA, which ensures services

to children with disabilities nationwide, governs how states and public agencies provide early intervention, special education and related services. More than 6.5 million Americans with disabilities are eligible, from infants to age 21.

Silberstein collected signatures from parents, Selectman Ted Teichert and other School Committee members to add to the letter. It was mailed Friday, Jan. 23, Silberstein said.



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David Katz of Andover, left, member of the Merrimack Valley Friends of Israel and Merrimack Valley Jewish Federation board member, greets guest speaker Nadav Tamir, right, consul general of Israel to New England, after the peace service in support of Israel held at the Congregation Beth Israel in Andover last week.

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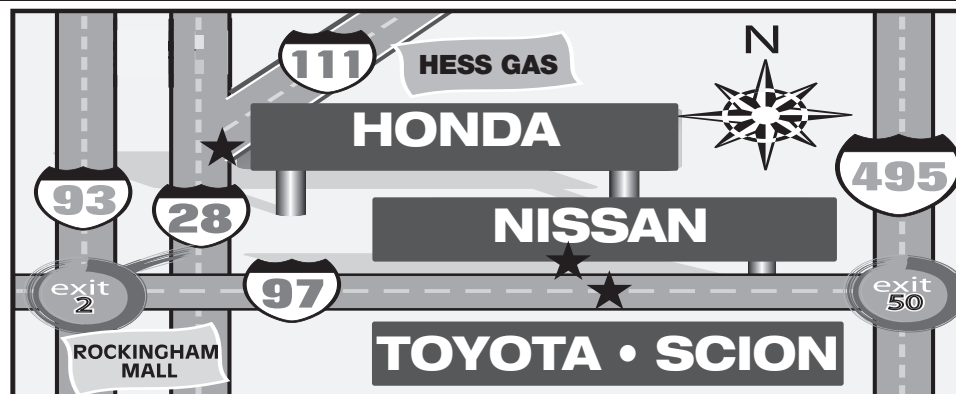
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Get In Shape for Women has recently launched a Women helping Women campaign. They have teamed up with the Greater Lawrence YWCA to help women escaping domestic abuse, which escalates during difficult economic times such as these. In addition to collecting toiletry kits for women escaping abusive situations, for every 12 week Transformation Package sold they will donate \$50 towards a 12 week after school program for a young girl in need.

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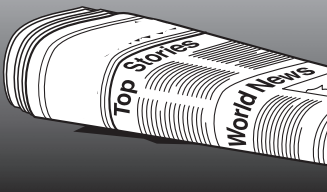
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Townspeople

Loschi makes Coaches Hall of Fame

Soccer coach netted 300 wins; 16 MVC championships

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

In 1980, Andover High School embraced a first ever — a varsity soccer program for girls.

Back in the pre-Mia Hamm days, Andover was not a soccer feeding program for the high school's new team. Rather, about 35 girls showed up for the school's varsity soccer tryout and most of them had never booted a soccer ball, according to the assistant coach at the time, Dick Loschi.

Loschi would go on to be an integral part of soccer

development at Andover High. He was named head coach of the girls soccer team in 1985 and stayed in the position for 20 years, retiring in 2005 as co-head coach.

Last Sunday, he was named to the Massachusetts Soccer Coaches Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony took place in Natick.

"I was very honored and very humbled," said Loschi, who still coaches the Bay State Scholastic girls soccer team. "In my life, to be recognized by such an elite group is quite an honor."

Reflecting on his early years,

Loschi said soccer was nowhere near as popular as it is today.

"Some of the girls had never seen a soccer ball, never mind played the game. They were athletes and could run and jump," he said. "What changed is the tactics and techniques of the game."

He calls his tenure the "golden age of soccer in Andover" as town-run soccer programs for girls were just beginning. Those programs eventually blossomed and proved to be the feeder system for the successful soccer

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Andover High soccer coach Richard P. Loschi talks to his team in 2004.

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Town Talk

In D.C. for inauguration

Andover High School senior Alexandra Hsu journeyed to Washington, D.C. last week for the inauguration of President Barack Obama, thanks to the leadership group Presidential Youth Inaugural Conference. Hsu sent the *Townsmen* a first-hand account of being on the Mall for the inaugural festivities on Jan. 20. More detailed comments and photos can be found online at andovertownsmen.com.

In part she said: Standing packed like a sardine with people I didn't know was one of the most amazing experiences. Not only did all of those people keep me warmer, but we were all there together witnessing a piece of history that embodies the true spirit of what America is about. For the rest of my life I will remember standing in that crowd chanting "Yes We Can!" not really hearing my own voice, but hearing the voices of thousands of Americans as we watched the goals of our founding fathers become a reality.

I don't think that I have ever experienced a place where so many people united for one cause, everyone ecstatic and wanting to share that joy with everyone around them.

'82 grad Avalos now San Fran supervisor

Barack Obama wasn't the only person taking office this January.

John Avalos, 1982 Andover High graduate, became a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors as supervisor of the 11th District, following his election late last year.

Avalos reports fondly remembering his years studying at East Junior High School and Andover High School under social studies and civics teacher Patricia Dye. Avalos credits Dye for providing students with a world view that challenged them to think about other countries and cultures from their points of view.

After graduating from Andover High School in 1982, Avalos moved to back to California where he was born and took a year off from school to work and save money for college. He attended the University of California at Santa Barbara, graduating cum laude in 1988. After earning a master's degree in social work at San Francisco State University, he became a community and labor organizer.

As a city supervisor, Avalos, a Democrat, will help craft San Francisco's \$6.6 billion budget, approve decisions on the use of land, write legislation and ensure that San Francisco City Hall provides adequate services to the people of his district, according to a release.

Avalos thanks his mother, Erlinda Parks, who still lives on Abbot Street, for teaching him to respect and care for people. She and her husband, John's stepfather, Joel Parks, served on the local board of Andover A Better Chance and other organizations.



Alexandra Hsu



TIM JEAN/Staff photos

▲ Debbie Piazza learns a new step from Fred Contrada during the Andover Knights of Columbus' Warm Up from Winter dinner/dance and silent auction at Angelicas Restaurant & Function Hall.

Night of dancing to benefit the Knights

► More than 50 Andover residents danced the night away during the Andover Knights of Columbus' Warm Up from Winter dinner/dance and silent auction at Angelicas Restaurant & Function Hall Saturday night.



▲ Father Joseph L. Narog, O.S.A., of St. Augustine Church, left, chats with Mark and Mary DeFrancisco.



► Jerry Fox bids on the "City of Champions" artwork by artist Brett Kunze during Warm Up from Winter dinner/dance and silent auction.

Shawsheen Luncheonette: No small potatoes

Bill Dalton



is the person who talks to the public and manages the tables.

while Bryan does the cooking. Both of them do their work behind the counter, and it's interesting to watch.

On weekend mornings you might have to wait a little to get in because the place is crowded. It's been that way for years. If you're looking for a quiet brunch, this isn't the place. However, if you're looking for good food and a little fun, the Luncheonette fits the bill. I don't know how many weekend hangovers have been cured

there, but I've brought a few in myself and have witnessed many more.

The Shawsheen Luncheonette was opened in 1956 by Roland Boisvert, who still owns the building. Amy and Bryan have owned it for 20 years. If you don't know where it is, it's in the heart of Shawsheen on Lowell Street.

Bryan has worked there for 28 years, starting at age 18 by washing dishes. Amy is as colorful as the diner. She knows

a lot of names but calls most everyone "Hon" or "Sweetie" or the like. She and everyone who works there wear tie-dyed, '60s-like T-shirts, and the rest of the decor follows with rainbows of color. There are little signs that say things like: "The most important things in life aren't things," and "Please and 'thank you' go a long way." Amy says she and Bryan try to inspire their customers.

I asked about the shirts and she said they once required the

waitstaff to wear white collared shirts, but that didn't work out because sometimes a staff member would show up with a Budweiser logo or something, and you can't keep plain color shirts clean in a diner; they're always getting splattered. One day, one of her children came home from a concert with a tie-dyed shirt. Bingo, the perfect shirt to get splattered, Amy thought. You can buy the shirts there; my wife and I did. Amy said the shirt will get you an "extra cup

of coffee, etc."

Amy genuinely likes people, and that's not true of everyone who works with the public. She likes the people who work for her. Most of them start as bus-kids, move on to waitstaff, stay for years, then go to careers in other fields. Amy stays in touch with many of them and was excited when she spoke to me of a former employee who was about to get a doctorate.

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■ **ENGAGEMENT**

Courtney Murphy Lawler and Christopher Andrew Ouellette

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lawler of San Antonio, Texas, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Courtney Murphy Lawler, to Christopher Andrew Ouellette of Andover.

Ms. Lawler received a bachelor's degree in human development from the University of Texas and a master's degree in child life from Wheelock College. She is a child life specialist at Boston Medical Center.

Mr. Ouellette is a graduate of Andover High School, worked at The Eagle-Tribune and received a bachelor's degree in computer science from Merrimack College and will complete his master's from Boston University in May. He is currently employed at Brown Brothers Harriman in



Boston as a technical lead. The couple plan to exchanged vows on June 6 at Boston's Old South Meeting House.

DALTON: Everyone knows your name at Luncheonette

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Including Amy and Bryan, there are five full-time and six part-time employees. Although they've mostly been high school and college students, some have been long-time employees. For instance, Chrystl, who was eating in a booth the last time I was there, worked at the Luncheonette for 23 years. Whenever she's in Andover, she stops by for breakfast or lunch. That tells you something about the place, doesn't it?

There's a lot of loyalty associated with any diner. The good ones like the Luncheonette and Lantern Brunch uptown are a little like "Cheers," where everyone knows your name. Some customers come in like clockwork and sit in exactly the same place every day. In fact, the counter at the Luncheonette has several names glued to it. As Amy pointed to a name and a certain stool, Amy said that so-and-so stops in at 7 every weekday and sits on that stool. I asked what happens if someone else is sitting there first and she said, "Oh, we explain

that so-and-so sits there at 7 and the person moves." People take it well and usually laugh.

Bryan never stops cooking. On a busy day he'll cook 60 dozen eggs and 30 pounds of pancake mix. Besides handling the counter, Amy helps Bryan by cutting up and cooking a whopping 400 pounds of home fries every week. ("Not bad for a place that seats 55 people, huh?" she says.) Amy and Bryan get to the diner at 4:45 a.m. to do food preparation, and they open at 6. They close at 1 p.m. on weekends and 2 p.m. the rest of the week. Monday is a day off. It takes about 90 minutes to close, clean and prepare for the next day. During that entire time, Bryan and Amy are on their feet. They don't expect any more from their staff than what they are willing to do themselves. (And that, folks, is good leadership.)

Amy and Bryan met at the diner. He was already working there and she was an interior decorator who was a customer. She became a regular, then a prep cook. One thing led to

another, and they were eventually married and have worked together ever since. Their children have worked there and Amy thinks all kids should work someplace where they have to work hard and with the public.

The food's good, the people are friendly, everybody seems to like it there, and what else do you want from a diner? Amy says she

and Bryan have had a lot of fun over the past 20 years. It shows.

■ ■ ■
For Bill Dalton's further comments about the Shawsheen Luncheonette see the online Townsman. Bill Dalton writes a weekly column for the Andover Townsman and invites your stories and comments at billdalton@andovertownie.com.

■ **OBITUARIES**

Ronald N. Howard, 65



METHUEN — Mr. Ronald Norman Howard, age 65, passed away at Methuen Health and Rehabilitation Center in Methuen, on Friday, Jan.

23, 2009. Born in Lawrence on July 31, 1943, he was the son of the late Norman Howard and Simone (Rheume) Howard Aughtigan. Ronnie grew up in Andover and attended Andover public schools.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in the Vietnam War and was a member of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry, receiving the Purple Heart, and the Bronze Star for gallantry in action.

He was also a member of the Veteran of Foreign Wars and the American Legion Post 122 in Methuen. Ronnie loved the ocean and salt water fishing. He was always concerned about his extended family and eager to help them in

whatever ways he could. He is survived by his wife Lisa (Robichaud) Howard, three sisters, Norma, wife of James Ryley of Lawrence, Sally, widow of Wayne Lord of Palm Bay, Fla., and Debra, wife of Jack Medeiros of Lawrence. He also leaves nieces and nephews, Elizabeth Coughlin, Matthew Ryley, Michael Ryley, Valerie Mills, Beverly Gaudet, Kevin Gaudet and Lisa Medeiros.

ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. in Christ Church in Andover. Burial will follow at the West Parish Garden Cemetery in Andover. Family and friends may call on Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2009 from 5 to 6 p.m. in the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. For online condolences and other information please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Ronnie's memory to the Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301.

Arlene Rancourt, 100



SEABROOK, N.H. — Mrs. Arlene (MacDonald) Rancourt, 100, a resident of Seabrook, N.H., and formerly of Andover, and Barefoot Bay, Fla., passed away on Thursday, Dec. 18, 2008 at the Country Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Newburyport.

Born in Hershey, Maine on Jan. 14, 1908, Mrs. Rancourt was the daughter of the late John and Florence (Porter) MacDonald of Paten, Maine. She attended the Paten schools and was a graduate of the High School in Paten.

Mrs. Rancourt then went on to receive her certificate in Nursing. She had worked in the Arlington Mill and then as a Nurse in the Oxford Paper Mill.

After her retirement, Mrs. Rancourt and her husband William enjoyed traveling through Europe

and the United States. She will be remembered as a kind, generous, and loving person.

Mrs. Rancourt is survived by her beloved husband of 53 years: William J. Rancourt; a daughter: Joyce Quinlan and her husband Robert of Andover; a son: George Haigh and his wife Nancy of Belmont. She was the mother of the late John Haigh, and sister of the late Vinyl MacDonald, as well as sister to Erferd MacDonald and Adrian MacDonald. She is also survived by several grandchildren as well as several nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends are invited to a funeral Mass which will be celebrated on Friday, Jan. 30, 2009 at 9 a.m. in St. Monica's Church in Methuen. Burial will follow in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence. There are no calling hours. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. To send an online condolence, please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com.

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Obituaries

Helen A. Healey, 93



ANDOVER — Helen A. Healey, 93, died on Sunday, Jan. 25, 2009 at Academy Manor, Andover with her family by her side.

Helen was born in Bridgeport, Conn. and lived most of her life in Lawrence. She was a retired dietician.

She was predeceased by her two sons, Robert and Michael Healey both from Lawrence. Her family members include her two daughters, Kathleen Boone of New

Hampshire and Carole Nolet of Salisbury. Helen leaves several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She leaves several nieces and nephews including her niece, Barbara and her husband Gerald DeLang of Florida.

ARRANGEMENTS: There are no calling hours. Funeral services are private. Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA 01843. Arrangements are by The Charles F. Dewhirst Funeral Home, 80 Broadway, Methuen. To send an online condolence, please visit, www.dewhirstfuneral.com.

William J. McDonald, 74



NORTH ANDOVER — William J. McDonald, 74, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009 surrounded by his family.

He was born in Andover on June 11, 1934, son of the late Augustine J. and Helen (Driscoll) McDonald.

Mr. McDonald graduated from St. John's Prep and Merrimack College. He starred on the hockey teams of both schools and was a whiz on skis, conquering Tuckerman's Ravine twice. The hockey rink he built in the backyard was a family favorite. Lake Winnepesaukee was his favorite destination. When he wasn't building houses on the lake, he was passing on his love of the water and surrounding mountains to his eight children.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 50 years, Mary K. (Feinen) McDonald and his eight children, daughter Kathy Kelly and husband Kevin, son John McDonald and wife Gayle, daughter Joan Shaughnessey and husband David, daughter Anne Saffie and

husband Bill, daughter Maureen McDonald and fiancé Max Frechette, son Joseph McDonald and wife Kristin DePonte, son Paul McDonald and wife Janet, daughter Andrea Jelley and husband John. He is also survived by 15 grandchildren, Alexandra, Patrick and Ryan Kelly, Erin and Kate Shaughnessey, Amanda and husband Justin Fay, Holly, Allison and Noah Saffie, Valerie Laquidara, Kellie and Hannah McDonald, Seana, Kevin and Dennis Jelley and three great-grandchildren, Chevelle, Dylan and Ireland. He is also survived by a brother Augustine (Jay) McDonald and his wife Marie and his sister-in-law Constance Marston and husband James, as well as several nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Relatives and friends attended his calling hours on Monday, Jan. 26 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Conte Funeral Home, 17 Third St., North Andover. A gathering was held immediately following. In lieu of flowers, William may be remembered through donations to Alzheimers Research at www.alz.org For funeral home directions or to sign the family guest book, please visit www.contefuneralhomes.com.

Gardner M. Macartney



NORTH ANDOVER — Gardner M. Macartney, known to most as Tom, 82, died peacefully at his home with his family by his side after a short illness Thursday morning, Jan. 22, 2009.

He was born in Lawrence and raised and educated in Methuen. He was a graduate of Williston Academy and served with the U.S. Navy during World War II. In 1950, he graduated from Brown University with a Bachelors Degree in International Relations.

Tom, along with his brother, Robert owned and operated the successful Macartneys Clothing Stores started by their grandfather, RJ Macartney in 1880 with locations in Lawrence, Andover and Chelmsford, until closing in 1991. Macartneys had been a family owned business for 112 years. Tom had many interests including flying, golf, art, skiing, playing the piano, banjo, guitar and harmonica as well as entertaining family and friends with music and his great sense of humor. He was also very involved in the community

including being a member of The Lawrence Exchange Club, Masons, Lawrence Ski Club and as a volunteer at The North Andover Senior Center and Lazarus House in Lawrence.

Dearly loved by his family and many friends, Tom will be sadly missed. He is survived by a sister, Salley M. and her husband, William Osborn, a brother, Robert J. and his wife, Lenore Macartney, a niece, Wendy W. and her husband, Craig Hollis, two nephews, Daniel J. and his wife, Margaret Osborn and R. Jeffrey and his wife, Mary Macartney, 10 great-nieces and great-nephews and one great-great-niece.

ARRANGEMENTS: Calling hours will be on Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009 from 3 to 6 p.m. at The Charles F. Dewhirst Funeral Home, 80 Broadway, Methuen. A memorial service will be on Friday, Jan. 30 at 10 a.m. in St Pauls Episcopal Church, 396 Main Street, N. Andover. Burial will follow in Bellevue Cemetery, Lawrence. Memorial contributions may be made to Make a Wish Foundation of Massachusetts, 1 Bulfinch Place, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02114 or to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack Street, Lawrence, MA 01843. To send an online condolence, please visit, www.dewhirstfuneral.com.

Diane M. Pitochelli, 68



ANDOVER — Diane Marie Pitochelli, 68, of Andover, died on Friday, Jan. 23, 2009 at the Lawrence General Hospital.

Born in Methuen to the late William and Marie (Lanciani) Pitochelli, Diane graduated from St Mary's High School, Emmanuel College & Smith College graduate school, with further study at the Tyler School of Art in Rome, Italy, and she received a certificate in Landscape Design from the Radcliffe Seminars in Cambridge. She had a long career as a technical and science writer and editor at Houghton Mifflin and at the Digital Corporation.

A renaissance woman, Diane traveled widely, was an avid bird-watcher, classical and chamber music appreciator, wrote exquisite poetry, and painted seascapes of her beloved Maine coast. - always displaying her formidable talent and intelligence. She was chosen Poet Laureate 2007, by the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement, Cambridge, where she was an enthusiastic student and study group leader. Her paintings are in many private collections and three of her collages are in the

collection of the Addison Gallery of American Art, Andover.

Diane is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, William and Mary Pitochelli, her sister Frances McCormick of Andover, her sister and brother-in-law, Kathleen and Hank Hamel of North Andover, her niece and nephew-in-law, Annmarie and AJ King, her nephews John Pitochelli of Andover, and Patrick McCormick and niece-in-law Babette Fahey both of Melbourne, Australia, and nieces Amy McCormick of Somerville, Alyssa Hamel of San Francisco and Maria Hamel of North Andover, and her two aunts Beatrice and Anne Pitochelli of Methuen.

ARRANGEMENTS: A memorial gathering was held on Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 11 a.m. in the Chapel at West Parish, located in the West Parish Cemetery, 129 Reservation Road, Andover. Burial followed the service. For more information and to leave online condolences please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the John Breen Funeral Home, 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. In lieu of flowers Memorial contributions may be made in her name to: LCS-Creative Living-Andover, 888 Worcester St., Suite 160, Wellesley, MA 02482, or CLASS, 1 Parker St., Lawrence, MA 01843, or Dana Farber Institute, 44 Binney St., Boston, MA 02115, or Save the Children, 54 Wilton Road, Westport, CT 06880.

Norma N. Ota, 80



ANDOVER — Norma N. (Kanzaki) Ota, 80, of Andover, beloved wife of Tadashi B. Ota, died Friday morning, Jan. 23, 2009 at her home.

Born in Alameda, Calif. she was the daughter of the late Jack and Fumiko (Yoshida) Kanzaki.

A resident of the Town of Andover for the past 40 years, she was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother, who will be missed by all who knew her.

In addition to her husband, with whom she shared 62 years of marriage, she is survived by one

daughter, Bobbie Firth, seven sons, Brian Ota, Mark Ota, Wayne Kanzaki, Michael Ota, Robert Ota, Barry Ota and Glen Ota, 19 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, one brother, Norton Kanzaki, many nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on Monday, Jan. 26, 2009 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen. Her funeral service on Tuesday, Jan. 27, were private. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Norma's memory to the Covenant House, Times Square Station, P.O. Box 731, New York, NY 10108-0900 or call 1-800-388-3888. For directions and condolences, please visit our website and online guestbook at www.cataudellaFH.com.

Raymond G. Reed Jr., 74



PORT ORANGE, Fla. — Raymond G. Reed Jr., 74, of Port Orange, Fla., formerly of Andover, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2009.

He was born in Ballardvale to the late Mary (Rennie) and Raymond G. Reed Sr. of Reeds Turkey Farm on Dascomb Road. He was a 1953 graduate of Puncard High School where he was active in all sports, particularly football and baseball. The Class of 1953 was well known for their prowess in sports with many accomplished athletes. His interest in sports continued as he happily served as a professional umpire in Ohio and Michigan. As his children played sports, he coached their teams for many years.

Upon retirement Raymond and his wife Nancy moved to South Carolina and later to Florida.

Following his service in the United States Air Force, he was employed throughout his career as an electrical engineer, primarily in the Aerospace industry, especially the Apollo Program in Texas.

Raymond is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Nancy and their daughters, Debra Reed of Longwood, Fla., and Mary Ann Satkowiak and husband Joseph Satkowiak of Livonia, Mich., grandchildren, Megan, Danielle, Heather, Travis and Tyler. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Raymond was preceded in death by his parents, son, Scott R. Reed, and his brother, George R. Reed of Andover.

ARRANGEMENTS: The family gathered for services in Port Orange, Fla., at Lohman Funeral Home, Port Orange, Fla., www.lohmanfuneralhomes.com. Committal services will follow in Andover at the convenience of the family.

Doris M. Pelrine, 81



ANDOVER — Doris M. (Carpinella) Pelrine, 81, of Andover, died Friday morning, Jan. 23, 2009 at the Wingate at Andover.

Mrs. Pelrine was born in Medford on Oct. 4, 1927, daughter of the late Michael A. and Veronica (Kirwan) Carpinella.

She was a very active member of the Shawshen Village Women's Club; St. Augustine Parish, Andover, where she served as a Hospitality Minister and a Eucharistic Minister. She also served as the Holy Family Hospital Auxiliary President, and enjoyed volunteering in the Hospital gift shop; and the Beta Sigma Phi International Sorority.

Mrs. Pelrine's greatest dedication was to raise awareness of Type I and Type II Diabetes, having her daughter, Cynthia, diagnosed and losing her battle with Type I Juvenile Diabetes in 1982; and having her great-granddaughter diagnosed as well. Loving wife of almost 50 years to the late Robert J. Pelrine who died in 2000. Her surviving family members include her loving daughters, Susan Ackroyd and her husband Dennis of Casco, Maine, Judy Pelrine of Salem, N.H., Jacki Colburn and hus-

band Bob of Atkinson, N.H. and Denise Santoro and her husband Ignazio of North Reading; mother of the late of the Cynthia Hyslip; grandchildren, Jenn Taiani and her husband Matt, Steph Westergren and her husband Rob, Jeremy Ackroyd, Jocelyn Ackroyd, Rachel Gallagher, Valerie Gallagher, Jonathan Santoro, Jason Santoro, and Benjamin Colburn; great-grandchildren, Michaela and Dylan Taiani, and Reid and Cooper Westergren; brother Terry Carpinella and his wife Ruth of Chelmsford; sister-in-law, Helen Pelrine of Melrose; brother-in-law, Walter Pelrine of Walpole; and cousin, Carol Trainor of Stoneham.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral services were held Monday morning, Jan. 26, 2009, beginning in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 No. Main Street, Andover at 9 a.m. Funeral Mass of Christian burial was celebrated in St. Augustine Parish, 43 Essex St., Andover at 10 a.m. Interment will follow in Spring Grove Cemetery, Abbott Street, Andover. Calling hours will be Sunday afternoon in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 No. Main Street, Andover from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends kindly invited. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Mrs. Pelrine's memory to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 175 Ammon Drive, Suite 201, Manchester, NH 03103.

Rose C. Sullivan, 95

NORTH ANDOVER — Rose C. Sullivan, 95, of North Andover, formerly of South Lawrence and Andover, died Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009.

She was born in Lawrence on Jan. 17, 1914, daughter of the late William E. and Rose (Fee) Bradley Sullivan.

Rose attended the Breen School in S. Lawrence, Lawrence High School, and the North Shore Babies Hospital in Salem. She worked for many years taking care of newborn infants and small children. She was affectionately known as "Sully" to the Gardinir, Bundy and Sapienza families, whose children she cared for.

A past resident of Abbot Street, S. Lawrence and the Andover Commons in Andover, she lived at Sutton Hill Elder Care in N. Andover for the past 12 years. The family is ever grateful to the nurses and all the staff at Sutton Hill for the excellent care and love that they have shown to Auntie Rose.

She was predeceased by her six brothers, Charles Bradley, Edward, John, William, Joseph and Daniel Sullivan; and four sisters,

Gertrude Lee, M. Louise Reid, Evelyn F. Bradley and Dorothy M. Sullivan.

Rose is survived by her nieces, Elinor Ancinic of Dearborn Heights, Mich., Evelyn R. Martineau of Andover, Doris Giles of Methuen, Gertrude Sirois of Londonderry, N.H., Maureen Burke of Gloucester, and Paula-Lee Chambers of Methuen. As well as dear friends, Charles and Jane Gardinir of Manchester, Mary Bundy of New York, and Kaye Sapienza of Naples, Fla. She is also survived by grandnieces and grandnephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Relatives and friends are invited to funeral Mass on Thursday, Jan. 29, at 11 a.m. at St. Patrick Church, 118 S. Broadway, Lawrence. Calling hours are Thursday 9:30 to 10:20 at Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover. Burial in Immaculate Conception Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sutton Hill Recreation Dept., 1801 Turnpike St., N. Andover, MA 01845, or to Beacon Hospice Inc., 350 Main St., Haverhill, MA 01830, or to the charity of one's choice. For more information go to www.burkemagliozi.com.

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STONE WALL Real Estate Corner

by Bill Buck, Broker/Owner

RENTER'S PLIGHT

A recent study conducted by the Center for Housing Policy shows that the number of low to moderate renters who pay more than half of their income for housing has doubled. Between the years 1997 and 2005, the number of renters using more than half their income for housing costs increased from 1 million to 2.1 million. During that same time period, the number of homeowners who paid more than half their income for housing increased only 75 percent (from 1.4 million to 2.4 million). Among other things, this study indicates that renters may be having a more difficult time keeping up with housing costs. If you are a renter, you may want to explore purchasing options that may be more financially advantageous.

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HINT: According to the Center for Housing Policy, a family is defined as having critical housing needs if they pay more than half their income for housing.

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Business

Business In Brief

Andover firm helps pharmaceutical companies manage risk

Action for Results, an international consulting firm to organizations in biotech, health care and pharmaceuticals, authored a feature article in the August 2008 issue of Pharmaceutical Formulation and Quality magazine. Titled "Protect Investments by Managing Risk—Learn How to Spot the Storms Ahead," the article on project-level risk management reflects a growing awareness in the pharmaceutical and biotech industries of the extreme cost of delays in delivering a new drug to market from failing to anticipate risk throughout their introduction process. The PFQ article from the Andover firm explores effective risk-management tools for pharmaceutical project teams. According to article co-author and Action for Results senior consultant Jim Stewart, "We're excited to have been selected by Pharmaceutical Formulation and Quality to help pharmaceutical companies understand the benefits of taking a methodical approach towards managing risk at the project-level. When you consider that only one out of 10,000 potential medicines is approved for patient use and an estimated \$60 billion was spent by the drug industry on R and D in 2007, you quickly realize that there's a lot at stake for everyone. We know our methodology improves the odds for pharmaceutical and biotech companies to successfully bring more useful drugs to market."

River Bank opens new branch

In celebration of the opening its seventh New England branch in Derry on Tuesday, Jan. 27, all River Bank locations, including the one in Andover, is offering a \$25 cash bonus for all new xStream Savings accounts opened Feb. 2 through Feb. 21.

Coldwell Banker donates



Merrimack Valley YMCA and Andover Community Trust representatives receive donation checks from the Andover Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office's Coldwell Banker Cares program. Pictured here, from left, are Cathy McCarthy, manager of Andover's Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage; Joan Johnson, Realtor at Coldwell Banker and member of ACT; Don Schroeder, treasurer of Andover Community Trust; Stephen Ives, president and CEO of Merrimack Valley YMCA, and Barbara Grasso, Andover's Coldwell Banker Cares Representative and Realtor at Coldwell Banker in Andover.

Food, other donations sought by local charities

Dealerships host food drive

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Local food pantries and other charities are finding their cupboards bare this winter following a marked decrease in donations and increase in expenses.

"As things get worse and worse out there, people need us more and more. The need is greater, and donations are less. We're at the lowest in supply we've ever been," said Nancy Kanell, director of Project Home Again, a nonprofit organization run by Temple Emanuel. "Our shelves are very bare at this point, and I think it's because of the economy. People are so unsure of the future, and are just not giving stuff away. They're not forgetting (to donate, some) just don't have it to give right now."

Stocking a Lawrence warehouse, Project Home Again connects social workers with furniture, housewares and anything that would help set up a new home for local clients starting their life over.

"The demographic of who is in need is changing," she said. "We had someone that came in who had lost their home. Before they lost it, they had sold off all their furniture to be able to keep their home, and needed help getting started again."

Ken Campbell, food coordinator for Lazarus House, a Lawrence nonprofit, said he anticipates a long, hard road ahead as the country weathers the recession.

"Because of the economy, the wiggle room that individuals have (with finances) has shrunk. The people that are seeking help didn't have any wiggle room when food and gas prices went up, and now they're hit with heating costs. They're still making the wages they were making a year ago. It's a struggle," Campbell said.

After a very generous surge of donations over Thanksgiving and the Christmas holidays, donations have dropped since the first of the year, Campbell said.

"I look at the shelves, and what will come off this week, next week, it's not being replenished," said Campbell, who noted that Lazarus House goes through 4 tons of food every week, between its homeless shelter, soup kitchen and food pantry.

At the same time, the cost of food has risen, and restaurants and bakeries that donate excess food at the end of the night are cutting back, so there is less excess to donate, he said.

Every little bit helps, Kanell said. Tough times demand hope, as seen through Gladys Catterton, a resident of Edgewood retirement home, who organized a donation drive after

Several local car dealerships, in partnership with The Eagle-Tribune and Andover Townsman, are sponsoring a food drive to benefit local charities. Through Feb. 8, folks can drop off dry or canned food items at participating car dealerships, including Woodworth Motors on North Main Street. The food will be given to a local charity of the car dealership's choosing. Kevin Bihl, marketing manager at Woodworth Motors in Andover, said the company was glad to help. "We're hoping that the Andover community will be generous," Bihl said. "We didn't think twice about becoming a drop-off point, without a doubt. The economy's tough right now."

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- Commonwealth Motors, 1 Commonwealth Drive, Lawrence
- Rockingham Motors, Main Street and Route 97 or Routes 28 and 111 intersection, Salem, N.H.
- Bill Deluca Dealerships, Bank Road, Haverhill
- Amesbury Chevy, 103 Macy St., Amesbury
- Nassar Ford, 320 South Broadway, Lawrence
- Wall's Ford Lincoln Mercury, Route 1, Salisbury and Exit 46 off I-495, Methuen

PROJECT HOME AGAIN IN NEED

Project Home Again, a nonprofit organization run by Temple Emanuel, has an urgent need for donations of furniture, housewares and anything that would go in an empty apartment. They are specifically looking for sheets, blankets, dishes and glasses.

Next month, two townwide collections will be held at Temple Emanuel. Items can be dropped off at the temple, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, on Feb. 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Feb. 8 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

For information or to donate, visit www.projecthomeagain.us or call 978-470-1356.

hearing Project Home Again's need for donations, she said.

Local car dealerships have come together with "The Drive for Food," asking people to drop off dry or canned food at their dealerships (see box).

Through it all, Campbell remains positive.

"I think all of the (charity) organizations would repeat the same thing — we live a miracle every day. Because in one way or another, we're provided with what we need to serve the people that are seeking our assistance. Even in the worst of times, we're confident that God will show us the way," Campbell said. "All we are shepherds of all of this. We may have to work harder, make a few more phone calls, but it's provided."

Collection call: Supermarket work earns honor

Andover tops nation in cell phone donations

Workers at Market Basket were honored recently for their "enthusiastic assistance" in helping to put people's used cell phones into the hands of senior citizens who can use the phones for emergency calls.

On Jan. 16, Ethel Olsen of Andover TRIAD presented

certificates of appreciation to Ron Savage and Gill Billington of DeMoulas/Market Basket at Shawheen Plaza because of the store's work in the TRIAD cell phone collection program. The Essex County Sheriff's Department and the Essex District Attorney's Office authorized

the certificate. TRIAD began the cell phone collection program in 2007 with members placing cell phone collection containers throughout town. They can be found at Market Basket, Yang's Martial Arts, the Andover School of Montessori, Town Offices, Memorial Hall Library

and the Public Safety Center. The collection bucket at Market Basket has been one of the most successful locations.

To date, more than 1,000 phones have been donated through the generosity of the community. Phones that cannot be distributed to seniors are sold to a repurposing center in Colorado, where they are outfitted for other charitable uses, according to TRIAD member Tom Deso. While the primary purpose of the program is to provide emergency-use phones to seniors in Andover, the money raised promotes other programs sponsored by TRIAD, such as the Numbers Up program, Yellow Dot and Files of Life.

Andover TRIAD has turned in more phones for reuse than any other community in the United States, according to Cellular Recycler in Colorado.

TRIAD has just learned that Cellular Recycler is also now accepting other electronic devices, such as digital cameras, Wii, Xbox and Gameboys, iPods and laptop computers, reports Deso. Residents wishing to donate these items may leave them in the donation buckets throughout town, or they can contact the Andover Senior Center. In addition to repurposing these items for other uses, Cellular Recycler responsibly discards non-working items, keeping them out of America's landfills.

Andover's TRIAD program, established in February 2006 by a selectmen's vote, is a partnership between the town's Council on Aging, the Andover police and fire chiefs, the Essex County Sheriff's Department and Essex District Attorney's Office.

Its chartered purpose is to work to reduce both criminal victimization and unwarranted fear of crime against elders in the community.

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BOOK REVIEW 'THE TALES OF BEEDLE THE BARD'

'Tales' gives Potter fans a quick fix

By MARI MIYACHI
WHAT'S UP CONTRIBUTOR

I began reading the Harry Potter series when I was just in the fourth grade, and J.K. Rowling's magical world continues to captivate me at age 16. I commend the wildly popular series for its imaginative plot and multidimensional characters, and while Rowling has her critics, as all artists do, she should be given credit for authoring books that encourage young children to read and learn. The Harry Potter books possess an irresistible charm: They are not challenging reads, but pleasing and curious stories.

Thus, when I first heard "The Tales of Beedle the Bard" was to be mass published, I set out on getting a copy. Beedle the Bard was the wizarding world's Brothers Grimm, according to Rowling, and his tales were mentioned in the final Harry Potter book, "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows." The particular fable described in "Deathly Hallows," "The Tale of the Three Brothers," is included in this new book, along with four similarly clever magical legends. Commentary by Dumbledore, former headmaster of Hogwarts school, follows each story, shedding light on the

cultural relevance of the stories to wizards and witches.

"The Tales of Beedle the Bard" is cute, witty and concise. For fans of the "Harry Potter" series, the tales build off familiar themes: magic as both an aid and detriment; the importance of muggle and wizard relations; the consequences of pursuing power through magic. As opposed to most classic children's tales, the "Beedle the Bard" stories do not have "fairy tale" endings and fate relies not on outside forces, but on the actions of the protagonist. These are amiable morals and ring true, despite the padded commentary of Dumbledore.

I give "The Tales of Beedle the Bard" a 7 out of 10. It is an entertaining group of stories for those already invested in the Harry Potter series, and an ideal short novella for a quick afternoon read. While Rowling publicly announced that she would not continue with more sequels following "Deathly Hallows," it seems that she could not long stay away from her most famous creation. And for those fans craving a dose of Harry Potter in their lives, this is the perfect fix.

Mari Miyachi is an Andover resident and student at Phillips Academy.



CARL RUSSO/Staff photos

Rick Eldridge, a chief warrant officer in the Army, talks to Shawsheen Elementary School students about the war in Iraq while showing a photo taken by a U.S. soldier of Iraqi children playing. Joining Eldridge was Eric Peterson, a chief warrant officer in the Navy. The students also made Valentine's Day cards to send to the soldiers in Iraq, along with care packages. Eldridge, who is from Nashua, N.H., did not serve in Iraq but spent 20 years in the Army and did a tour of duty in several countries. Peterson, who is from Tewksbury, served in Iraq, stationed on a ship.



Tessa Berry, a second-grader, has a question during the presentation by Navy Chief Warrant Officer Eric Peterson and Army Chief Warrant Officer Rick Eldridge.



Shawsheen Elementary School second-grader Abigail Sleeper makes a Valentine's Day card for the U.S. servicemen and women in Iraq.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS: FEB. 2 TO 6

Elementary schools

Monday: Rib-A-O on a roll, jumbo pretzel with yogurt, grilled hot dog on roll, steamed broccoli, baked beans, fresh fruit and juice.

Tuesday: Meatball sub topped with sauce and cheese, whole-wheat pizza, manager's choice, Greek pasta salad, green beans and fresh fruit.

Wednesday: Roast turkey club with lettuce, tomato and bacon on a roll, manager's choice, cheese ravioli with sauce, garlic bread, garden salad, oven-roasted carrots and pudding with topping.

Thursday: Rice and chicken soup, tuna salad sandwich, BLT with cheese on croissant (turkey bacon), chicken tenders, oven baked fries, fruit cup and juice.

Friday: Cheese or pepperoni pan pizza, chicken patty with lettuce and tomato on a bulky roll, manager's choice, roasted potato wedges, fresh fruit and juice.

Middle schools

Monday: Chicken tenders and dip-pers, meatball sub, grilled cheese on whole wheat, soup, oven baked fries, veggie sticks and dip, soup and fresh fruit.

Tuesday: Cheese or pepperoni pan pizza, cheeseburger deluxe with bacon, lettuce and tomato, Bosco sticks with marinara sauce, Greek pasta salad, steamed broccoli with cheese sauce and fruit cup.

Wednesday: Manager's choice, fish basket, fries, cole slaw, vegetable lasagna, garlic bread, garden salad, Jell-O and topping and fresh fruit.

Thursday: Cheese or veggie pan pizza, roast turkey dinner with all the fixings, manager's choice, soup, salad, assorted veggies, apple crisp and juice.

Friday: Twin soft taco bar, manager's choice, grilled footlong chili dog, Mexican rice, refried beans, chilled pineapple.

Andover High School

Monday: Oven-baked chicken, rice pilaf, seasoned peas, dinner roll and fresh fruit.

Tuesday: Pasta bar, spaghetti or rotini with meatballs, meat or marinara sauce, garlic bread, green beans and chilled peaches.

Wednesday: Roast turkey dinner, mashed potatoes, squash, cranberry sauce, stuffing and apple.

Thursday: Stuffed shells topped with mozzarella cheese, garden salad with dressing, bread stick and chilled fruit.

Friday: Manager's choice.
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For prices or other information about lunches, call Gail Koutroubas, food services director, at 978-623-8622.

OPERATION VALENTINE

Shawsheen students create holiday gifts for troops

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Shawsheen School students saw a slice of what life is like in Iraq for both soldiers and civilians last Friday. Then, they got to work creating valentines for troops who serve there.

"We (soldiers) so much appreciate what you do for us," said Chief Warrant Officer R. Eric Peterson, a U.S. Navy veteran. "We count on your support, your love, your letters. Thank you."

Peterson and Rick Eldridge, a U.S. Army veteran, spoke at an all-school assembly Jan. 23, answering questions and showing a slide show of photos from Iraq and life aboard an aircraft carrier. The visit kicked off a project in which youths will help create valentines and care

packages. After seeing photos of Iraqi landscapes and villagers and soldiers at work and on patrol, the students had plenty of questions: How do you sleep on a ship? What is it like to live in a tent? The photos were taken by Eldridge's nephew, who recently returned home from his third tour in Iraq.

The students were impressed to find out that a soldier's combat helmet weighs 8½ pounds, and they giggled when they saw a photo of Navy soldiers sleeping, stacked on top of one another in bunks on an aircraft carrier.

"These soldiers are there to

protect them, help them, and to make sure they have the freedoms we have," Eldridge said, after showing photos of soldiers giving away stuffed animals and playing with Iraqi children.

Following the assembly, second-graders Amy Gong, 8, and Elissa Lonie, 7, worked on making valentines with doilies, stickers and plenty of pink and red hearts.

As she wrote "thank you" with marker on her card, Elissa said she hoped the soldier receiving her valentine "feels happy" when he or she opens the mail.

Peterson, of Tewksbury, and Eldridge, of Nashua, N.H., both work at Raytheon in Andover and were invited to speak by Bob Cuozzo, another Raytheon employee, who has a daughter at Shawsheen.


Care packages and items from home mean the world to Americans working abroad, they agreed.

"These guys stationed out there are hardened warriors. But I've seen a valentine from home, like these kids are making, bring a soldier to tears," said Eldridge, a Gulf War veteran. "There's nothing worse than when you're away from home for Christmas, or your birthday or other holidays. Anything they get from home, they appreciate."

Valentines and supplies collected by the students — such as toiletries, candy and playing cards — will be given to Raytheon and shipped to an Army post office in New York, Cuozzo said. From there, the military will deliver them to soldiers in the field.




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Sports

BACK WITH A VENGEANCE

Smith battles back from injuries, disappointment

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

Andover hockey's loss to Austin Prep in the Division 1 North quarterfinals a year ago was tough on every member of the Blue and Gold. But no Golden Warrior took the loss harder than starting center Cam Smith.

"The feeling after the game was just indescribable," Smith said. "It was so tough to see the seniors so emotional. There were so many emotions, and to be there knowing I didn't have an impact on the outcome of the game is tough to think about."

Smith could not help his teammates because, as the game was being played, the then-junior was sitting in the press area, his arm in a sling with a separated shoulder he had suffered just days earlier.

"It just killed him to miss that game," Andover coach Mario Martiniello said. "He is so competitive and was a big part of the team, just as he is now. It was tough to look down the bench and know that he wasn't there."

Smith was in the midst of a breakout season a year ago. After scoring only two goals as a sophomore, the center was third on Andover in goals with 11 and points with 18 through the regular season last year.

But while on the ice during the Golden Warriors' regular-season finale against Arlington, trouble struck.

"It was a very weird play," he remembered. "I was carrying the puck into the (opponents') zone. A defenseman hit me and I hit the boards at the same time."

"Right after the play I thought I was fine. I went back to the bench and I moved my shoulder around and it didn't feel bad. But after a while it really started to hurt. The trainer took a look at it and said it was definitely separated. But they didn't know how bad it was."

The next day, Smith went to a shoulder specialist for X-rays that confirmed the diagnosis of a separated shoulder. Further tests showed the severity was a 2¾, just short of a severity of 3,



Andover's Cam Smith, middle, plows over a Methuen player. Despite a pair of serious injuries, the senior co-captain remains physical on the ice.

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THE GREAT WHITE NORTH

Hockey is in Smith's blood. His family is originally from Canada, and he live just outside of Toronto until he was in the fourth grade. His father captained his hockey team at Mount Allison University (Sackville, New Brunswick) and his brother Ryan played hockey at Central Catholic.

"(Cam) will just do whatever it takes," said Martiniello. "He can snap the puck off really quick for a shot, and he is such an asset in the defensive zone. And we want him taking every key faceoff. He just finds a way."

which is a total tear.

"They told me I could either sit for 2½ weeks and it would probably feel OK," he said. "Or I could have surgery and be out for three months. I went back to talk to my parents and considered waiting because I would be back just in time for the state finals."

"But if I didn't have surgery, the odds were good it would separate with another big hit. So I decided surgery was the best option for me."

Smith underwent surgery later that week, and had to watch from an area above the bench as his Golden Warriors fell in their playoff debut 2-1 in a shootout.

"You work your whole season for the playoffs," he said. "And to know how close I was to being a part of that was really tough. They tried to rally around it. But to see the shootout just made it that much harder."

He was cleared for physical therapy three weeks after the surgery, but still had to sit out the first two months of lacrosse season. He did return for the last game of the season, scoring a goal in the final moments to the joy of every teammate and fan in attendance.

"I wasn't even wearing a legal jersey on the sidelines," he said. "When they called my name to go into the game, I

had to change my jersey. Then the ball was just sitting there and I don't even know what I did next. It was incredible to score."

Smith then began training for his return to the ice. He worked out three days a week at the gym, and two days a week skated with Martiniello, his coach since he was 8 years old. But just as he began to regain his form, he encountered a serious setback.

While playing in a fall league tournament, Smith sustained a serious hit while attempting to take a shot.

"I went back to the bench and reached for a water bottle, but I couldn't squeeze it," he said. "I kept playing, played the next day and practiced for two more weeks. I thought it was my shoulder, but it just got worse."

This time it was not his shoulder. Doctors informed the senior he had a herniated disk in his spine.

"I just said to myself, 'Again?'" he remembered. "The injuries just

wouldn't go away."

Smith went to a spine specialist, who administered a cortisone shot. The first did not help, but a second shot a week later finally began to relieve the pain. He was forced to sit out hockey tryouts, but was back on the ice for Andover's first scrimmage.

Through 12 games this season, the co-captain has scored three goals and dealt out seven assists for 10 points, good for third on the team.

"It felt great to finally be back on the ice," he said. "I finally get to be out there with the team and not just watching them. But after taking three months off in the spring and two more months in the fall, it was really tough to get my timing back. But I am slowly but surely making my getting back to where I want to be."

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Roundup: Quirnbach, Andover edge archrivals

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Jenn Quirnbach earned Andover's three wins, taking the beam (9.45), floor exercise (9.3) and all-around (37.0) as the Golden Warriors slid past archrival Central Catholic 143.50-140.75 on Saturday. Quirnbach dealt the Raiders' Shilanna Gallo (36.7) her first loss of the season in the all-around.

"This is the best all-around team that I have had in my three years," said Andover head coach Kristen Vadala. "Scoring a 143 twice this week is two points greater than we have scored in the last three years."

Rachel Mattison added a second on the beam and a third in the vault.

Jenn Quirnbach won the floor exercise (9.5) and all-around as Andover defeated Dracut 143-115 last Thursday. Rachel Mattison won the vault (9.25), Leah Psoinos took the bars (8.8) and Jenny Coneeny earned a win on the beam (9.4) for the Warriors.

WRESTLING

Andover sweeps

Gianni Miceli won all three matches at 215 pounds as Andover swept Norwell (40-34), Southeastern (48-18) and Plymouth North (46-24) on Saturday. Mike Tiwali (119), Caleb Lynch (130) and Josh Devine (160) all went 3-0 on the day for the Golden Warriors. Heavyweight Josue Davilla added two wins.

BOYS SWIMMING

Belanger, Andover roll

John Belanger won the 50 freestyle (23.93) and 100 freestyle (51.5) and swam on the winning 200 medley relay and 200 freestyle relay as Andover pounded Acton-Boxboro 97-84 last Tuesday. Paul Hunter added a win in the 200 freestyle, teamed with John Belanger, Peter Belanger and Nick D'Innocenzo on the 200 medley relay and the Belangers and Yubo Liu to take the 200 freestyle relay.

Abe Iyengar won the 200 freestyle

(2:04.88) and 100 breaststroke (1:11.43) as Andover eased past Haverhill 99-74 on Friday. Peter Belanger won the 200 IM and teamed with Adam Millerick, Paul Hunter and Craig Schwarz to win the 200 medley relay while Schwarz, Mike Bakies, Yubo Liu and Nick D'Innocenzo teamed to win the 400 freestyle relay.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Oteri scores twice in victory

Sarah Oteri tallied two goals, giving her 10 for the season, and recorded one assist as Andover cruised past Medford 6-1 last Wednesday. Nicole Giroux scored one goal and assisted on two others while Lea Macheras, Jill Manning and Katie Shields each scored once. Laura Drew also chipped in with two helpers for the winners (8-2-1).

BOYS HOCKEY

Russell, Berthiaume excel

Paul Russell scored his eighth and ninth goals of the season and assisted on another as Andover stayed hot with a 5-1 victory over Arlington on Saturday. George Flanagan added his 17th tally of the season along with three assists and Cam Smith and Riki Retelle each chipped in with a goal for the winners. Alex Patti had three helpers and Kyle Berthiaume stood out with 21 saves.

With just over five minutes remaining in the game, George Flanagan took a pass from Joe Lamagna and scored to give Andover a 1-0 win over Billerica last Wednesday. It was Flanagan's 16th goal of the season. Kyle Berthiaume made 19 saves for his first career varsity shutout.

BOYS TRACK

Voorhees, Warriors cruise

Simon Voorhees placed first in the mile in 4:42.1 as Andover won every even on its way to crushing Chelmsford 70-19 last Wednesday. Connor O'Neill won the 600 (1:21.4), Adam Vetere took the 1,000 (2:27.0), Scott Waller won the



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover's Colleen Shannon runs to victory in the 1,000 against Haverhill two weeks ago. She also won the event against Chelmsford last week in a time of 2:55.3.

2-mile (10:16) and Andrew Pallotta took the 50 hurdles (7.2).

GIRLS TRACK

Andover wows in distance

Andover dominated the long-distance events on its way to beating Chelmsford 54-34 last Wednesday. Maggie Mullins won the mile (5:38.2), Molly Van Doren took the 2-mile (12:28.1), Laura Cody took the 600 (1:34.5) and Colleen Shannon won the 1,000 (2:55.3) for the Warriors. Moira Cronin added a win in the high jump.

BOYS SKIING

Sherman, Warriors surging

Andover earned four of the top 10 spots, led by a third by Nick Sherman (21.09), as the Golden Warriors drubbed Haverhill 106-29. Eric Heath was fourth (21.10),



JARROD THOMPSON/Staff photo

Peter Wakeling holds himself upside down on the parallel bars during the meet between Salem, Andover and Lowell at Salem High School on Jan. 22.

Andrew Carrington was fifth (21.59) and Matt Cummings was seventh (21.60) for the Warriors (4-0).

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Alois turns in big day

Alex Alois notched a double-double with 11 points and 13 rebounds as Andover topped Notre Dame 64-44 last Tuesday. Star guards Natalie Gomez-Martinez and Nicole Boudreau continued to shine. Gomez-Martinez knocked down five 3-pointers on her way to 25 points, and Boudreau hit three triples and finished the day with 19 points.

Ally Fazio and Marissa Cataldo each scored a game high nine points as Andover cruised to a 67-27 win over Dracut last Wednesday. Shannon Cooney and Courtney McDonald each added six points and Alicia Scarpa hit a 3-pointer for the Warriors.

Behind 24 points from Natalie Gomez-Martinez, Andover continued to roll with a 64-37 trouncing of Billerica on Friday. Nicole Boudreau added 18 points while

Shannon Cooney and Kylie Nagy stood out on defense for the winners (11-2).

Drivas takes Fortnight

Junior Cassandra Drivas was last week's "Player of the Fortnight" award winner.

"Cassandra is a very good role player who comes off the bench and really boxes out and defends the other team's big players well," said Andover coach Jim Tiidsley. "She always gives us a spark when she comes into the game. We're looking forward to a great rest of the season from her."

BOYS GYMNASTICS

Parker helps Warriors to split

Damian Parker was second overall on the high bar (6.0) and third in the rings (5.8) as Andover placed second in a tri-meet with 137 points, beating Lowell (128 points) but falling to Salem, N.H. (138 points) last Thursday. Chris Chu was second in the vault,

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THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL

Jan. 30...at Haverhill..... 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 1...at Brookline..... 3 p.m.
Feb. 4...Central Catholic..... 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Jan. 29...Haverhill..... 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 3...at Central Catholic..... 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 5...at Lowell..... 7:30 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY

Jan. 31...Waltham..... 1 p.m.
Feb. 4...at Tewksbury..... 8 p.m.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Jan. 31...Billerica..... 4 p.m.
Feb. 4...at Chelmsford..... 5:10 p.m.

BOYS TRACK

Jan. 29...at Lowell..... 4 p.m.
Jan. 31...at Coaches Invitational..... 10 a.m.
Feb. 1...at Coaches Elite Meet..... 10 a.m.
Feb. 4...Central Catholic..... 3:30 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK

Jan. 29...at Lowell..... 4 p.m.
Jan. 31...at Coaches Invitational..... 10 a.m.
Feb. 1...at Coaches Elite Meet..... 10 a.m.
Feb. 4...Central Catholic..... 3:30 p.m.

BOYS SWIMMING

Jan. 29...Chelmsford..... 3:30 p.m.

BOYS SKIING

Feb. 2...North Andover and St. John's Prep..... 3:30 p.m.
Feb. 4...Haverhill and Bishop Fenwick..... 3:30 p.m.

GIRLS SKIING

Jan. 29...Austin Prep and N. Andover..... 3:30 p.m.
Feb. 3...Bishop Fenwick and Haverhill..... 3:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

Jan. 31...New Bedford Quad Match..... 9 a.m.
Feb. 4...at Cambridge..... 5 p.m.

BOYS GYMNASTICS

Jan. 30...Newton South..... 7 p.m.
Feb. 5...Attleboro..... 7 p.m.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Jan. 29...Lowell..... 7 p.m.
Feb. 5...at Methuen..... 7 p.m.

ROUNDUP

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pommel horse and all-around (37.6) while Peter Wakeling was third on the parallel bars and fourth in the all-around for the Warriors.

Despite a stellar effort from Chris Chu, Andover fell to Braintree 175-140 last Tuesday. Chu led the Golden Warriors in the vault (8.0), parallel bars (6.2), high bar (5.5), pommel horse (6.5), floor (7.3) and all-around (38.7). Jeff Sirois paced Andover in the rings (5.3).

BOYS BASKETBALL

Johnson leads Warriors

Jimmy Johnson scored eight points, grabbed four rebounds and dished out three assists as Andover earned a 70-55 win over rival Lawrence on Friday. Connor Arnold scored a team-high 16 points, Kevin Polanco and D.J. Fazio each added 10 points and Brian Miller had nine for the winners (7-5).

Despite 18 points for Connor Arnold, Andover dropped a 71-59 decision to league foe Dracut last Tuesday. Jimmy Johnson added 10 points for the Golden Warriors.

Torres earns Fortnight award

Senior forward Josh Torres earned the "Player of the Fortnight" award for two weeks ago.

"Josh is a senior guard who really works hard for this team," said Andover coach Dave Fazio. "He's wearing a mask that's a distraction for him, but he always pushes this and other concerns aside and always does what's right for the team. He's a very selfless guy who always works hard."

Boys Basketball

Dracut 71, Andover 59

Andover (59): Arnold 7-4-18, Torres 0-0-0, Fazio 1-0-3, Ehlbeck 3-0-7, Johnson 2-5-10, Bramanti 2-2-6, Polanco 2-2-6, Miller 4-1-9, Rose 0-0-0, Haak 0-0-0, Totals 21-14-59
 Dracut (71): Bent 3-4-10, Shepherd 3-0-7, Rivera 1-1-3, Szymanski 3-0-6, Murphy 4-3-11, Barbosa 12-5-29, Nash 2-1-5, Totals 28-14-71
 3-pointers: A - Fazio, Ehlbeck, Johnson; B - Shepherd
 Andover: 7 12 24 16 - 59
 Dracut: 17 17 22 15 - 71

Andover 70, Lawrence 55

Lawrence (55): Perez 0-0-0, Cueto 0-0-0, Allica 8-5-24, Nieves 2-0-4, Tejada 0-2-2, Hiraldo 3-1-7, Jones

2-0-4, Berroa 2-0-4, Diaz 1-0-2, Pimental 1-0-2, Canary 1-0-2, DeJesus 2-0-4, Totals 22-8-55
 Andover (70): Arnold 8-0-16, Torres 1-0-2, Fazio 4-0-10, Ehlbeck 1-1-3, Johnson 4-0-8, Bramanti 6-0-12, Polanco 4-2-10, Miller 3-3-9, Rose 0-0-0, Haak 0-0-0, Connors 0-0-0, Rillahan 0-0-0, Totals 31-6-70
 3-pointers: L - Alica 3; A - Fazio 2
 Lawrence (65): 10 11 18 16 - 55
 Andover (75): 18 15 14 23 - 70

Girls Basketball

Andover 64, Notre Dame 44

Notre Dame (44): Reilly 4-0-8, Stefaniak 1-0-2, Kenney 5-2-12, Arous 2-0-4, Whitham 2-1-5, Reardon 5-1-11, McClelland 1-0-2, Totals 20-4-44
 Andover (64): Fazio 2-0-5, Gomez 10-0-25, McDonald 0-0-0, Long 0-0-0, Cataldo 1-0-2, Scarpa 0-0-0, Cooney 1-0-2, Hill 0-0-0, Nagy 0-0-0, Boudreau 7-2-19, Alois 4-3-11, Drivas 0-0-0, Totals 23-5-64
 3-pointers: A - Gomez 5, Boudreau 3, Fazio
 Notre Dame: 18 16 3 7 - 44
 Andover: 16 16 21 11 - 64

Andover 67, Dracut 27

Dracut (27): L'Heureux 1-0-2, Mulno 1-0-2, Barron 3-1-7, Ledbetter 2-0-5, Long 2-0-4, Baril 0-1-1, Mahoney 2-0-4, Heitzman 2-2-2, Totals 11-4-27
 Andover (67): Fazio 3-2-9, Gomez-Martinez 3-0-7, McDonald 2-2-6, Long 2-0-4, Cataldo 4-0-9, Scarpa 1-0-3, Cooney 2-2-6, Hill 1-0-2, Nagy 1-0-2, Boudreau 4-0-9, Alois 3-0-6, Drivas 2-0-4, Totals 28-6-67
 3-pointers: A - Fazio, Gomez-Martinez, Cataldo, Scarpa, Boudreau; D - Ledbetter
 Dracut: 2 5 12 8 - 27
 Andover (10-2): 16 18 20 13 - 67

Andover 64, Billerica 37

Andover (64): Fazio 2-1-5, Gomez-Martinez 11-0-24, McDonald 3-0-6, Long 0-1-1, Cataldo 3-0-8, Scarpa 0-0-0, Cooney 1-0-2, Hill 0-0-0, Nagy 0-0-0, Boudreau 5-5-18, Alois 0-0-0, Drivas 0-0-0, Totals 25-7-64
 Billerica (37): Deveau 1-0-2, Williams 2-0-4, Nolan 1-0-2, Cavalier 1-0-2, Crow 3-2-8, Vance 1-0-2, Bozza 1-0-2, Brooks 2-1-5, Moore 2-6-10, Totals 14-9-37
 3-pointers: A - Boudreau 3, Cataldo 2, Gomez 2
 Andover (11-2): 17 22 14 11 - 64
 Billerica (7-3): 15 7 6 9 - 37

Boys Gymnastics

Braintree 175, Andover 140

Andover top performers:
 Vault: Chris Chu 8.0, Peter Wakeling 8.0, Billy Mara 7.9; Parallel bars: Chu 6.2, Mara 5.7; High Bar: Chu 5.5, Damon Parker 5.0; Pommel horse: Chu 6.5, Wakeling 5.2; Floor: Chu 7.3, Wakeling 6.5; Rings: Jeff Sirois 5.3, Chu 5.2; All-around: Chu 38.7, Wakeling 33.9

Salem (NH) 138, Andover 137, Lowell 128

Andover placers:
 Vault: 2. Chris Chu 8.1; Parallel bars: 3. Peter Wakeling 5.4; High Bar: 2. Damon Parker 6.0; Pommel horse: 2. Chu 6.4; Floor: 3. Chu 6.8; Rings: 3. Parker 5.8; All-around: 2. Chu 37.6

Boys Swimming

Andover 97, Acton-Boxborough 84

Andover winners:
 200 medley relay: Paul Hunter, Peter Belanger, John

Belanger, Nick D'Innocenzo 1:47.47; 200 freestyle: Hunter 1:52.86; 200 IM: D'Innocenzo 2:03.58; 50 freestyle: J. Belanger 23.93; 100 freestyle: J. Belanger 51.56; 500 freestyle: Dave Hunter 5:18.94; 200 freestyle relay: J. Belanger, P. Belanger, Yubo Liu, Mike Bakies 1:37.56; 100 backstroke: Hunter 56.44; 100 breaststroke: D'Innocenzo 1:04.13; 400 freestyle relay: Bakies, Adam Millerick, Huntre, D'Innocenzo 3:36.23

Andover 99, Haverhill 74

Andover winners:
 200 medley relay: Andover (Adam Millerick, Peter Belanger, Paul Hunter, Craig Schwartz), 1:54.17; 200 freestyle: Abe Iyengar 2:04.88; 200 IM: P. Belanger 2:16.66; 500 freestyle: Mike Bakies 5:13.77; 200 freestyle relay: Andover (Ioannis Wallingford, Iyengar, P. Hunter, Nick D'Innocenzo), 1:45.31; 100 backstroke: John Belanger 57.88; 100 breaststroke: Iyengar 1:11.43; 400 freestyle relay: Andover (Bakies, D'Innocenzo, Yubo Liu, Schwartz), 3:39.69

Boys Ice Hockey

Andover 1, Billerica 0

Goals: A - George Flanagan
 Assists: A - Joe Lamagna
 Saves: A - Kyle Berthiaume 19; B - 24
 Andover (8-3): 0 0 1 - 1
 Billerica (4-3-2): 0 0 0 - 0

Andover 5, Arlington 1

Goals: A - Paul Russell 2, George Flanagan, Ricky Retele, Cam Smith
 Assists: A - Alex Patti 3, Flanagan 3, Russell
 Saves: A - Kyle Berthiaume 21; A - Paul McCarthy 47
 Arlington: 0 0 1 - 1
 Andover (9-3): 1 0 4 - 5

Girls Ice Hockey

Andover 6, Medford 1

Goals: A - Sarah Oteri 2, Lea Macheras, Jill Manning, Katie Shields, Nicole Giroux
 Assists: A - Alex Patti 3, Flanagan 3, Russell
 Saves: A - Meghan Pettorino 3; M - 38
 Medford: 0 1 0 - 1
 Andover (8-2-1): 3 1 2 - 6

Boys Indoor Track

Andover 70, Chelmsford 19

Andover winners:
 50 yard dash: 1. Chris McConnell 5.5, 2. Matt Vetere 6.0, 3. Andrew Osborne 6.0; 90 hurdles: 1. Andrew Palotta 7.2, 2. Jake Ponti 7.3, 3. Mark Gong 7.3; 2-Mile: 1. Scott Waller 10:16, 3. Brandt Wronski 11:11.4; 300: 1. Brendan Crawford 34.5, 3. Kerrick Stevens 35.4; 600: 1. Connor O'Neill 1:21.4, 2. Mark Vetere 1:21.6; 1000: 1. Adam Vetere 2:27.0, 2. Chris Goodwin 2:39.5; Mile: 1. Simon Voorhes 4:42.1, 3. Andrew Speen 4:53.8; SP: 1. Stephen Moore 42-5; HJ: 1. Andrew Osborne 6-0, 2. Pat Morrow 5-6; 4x400: Andover (Robert Martin, Brian Knapp, Stevens, Troy Cayon) 3:51.2

Girls Indoor Track

Andover 54, Chelmsford 34

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COACH: Longtime leader named to Hall of Fame

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program at AHS under Loschi. During his tenure, the girls soccer program grew to three teams — freshman, junior varsity and varsity — and the number of students trying out tripled in his 25 years. Loschi said tryouts for the year eventually attracted about 110 high school girls and that large number of hopefuls continues today.

"Parents were very involved and supportive. Andover was at the forefront of girls soccer," said Loschi, who guessed that he coached about 500 girls at AHS during his tenure.

Loschi was also at the forefront of winning soccer games. His overall record for his 25 years at AHS was 300-81-48. His team won the Merrimack Valley League championship 16 times during those 25 years and was the state's Division 1 co-champion in 1987.

"He is a wonderful guy and I'm thrilled for him," said Dick Collins, a School Committee member and former football coach and current track coach at AHS. "He had a tremendous record in Andover."

In addition to current-day



COURTESY PHOTO

Soccer coach Richard Loschi displays his Hall of Fame award.

coaching, Loschi serves on soccer committees statewide and nationally, including one that lists the best girls soccer teams in the country.

It's challenging, but Loschi enjoys staying connected to the sport he loves.

"It's been a long ride for me and great fun," said Loschi, now 59 and still living in town with his wife, Vern. "I enjoyed myself and enjoyed meeting so many parents. It was my pleasure to coach their daughters."

Girls Gymnastics

Andover 143, Dracut 115

Andover winners:
 Vault: Rachel Mattison 9.25; Bars: Leah Psinos 8.8; Beam: Jenni Conery 9.4; Floor: Jenni Quimbach 9.5; All-around: Quimbach 35.95
 Andover 143.50, Central Catholic 140.75
 Andover placers:
 Vault: 2. Jenni Quimbach (A), 9.35; 3. Rachel Mattison (A), 9.3; Bars: 2. Stephanie Marble (A), 9.1; 3. Quimbach (A), 8.9; Beam: 1. Quimbach 9.45, 2. Mattison (A), 9.3; Floor: 1. Quimbach 9.3, 3. Jenni Conery 9.1; All-around: 1. Quimbach 37.0,

Boys Skiing

Andover 106, Haverhill 29

Meet Results:
 Top 15: 1. Chris Hopkins (NA) 20.69, 2. Tyler Zahourko (NA) 20.98, 3. Nick Sherman 21.09, 4. Eric Heath 21.10, 5. Tyler Straus (STJP) 21.59, 5. Andrew Carrington 21.59, 7. Matt Cummings (21.60) A, 8. Nevin Clay (M) 21.64, 9. Thomas Rogers (STJP), 10. Andrew Dieselman (STJP) 21.74, 11. Tom Suglia 21.76, 12. Kyle Heffrin (STJP) 21.82, 13. Billy Donahue (NA) 21.83, 14. Alex Vorrilas (STJP) 21.85, 15. Josh Lamm (NA) 21.88
 Records: Andover 4-0, St. John's Prep 3-1, North Andover 2-2, Masconomet 2-2, Haverhill 1-3, Bishop Fenwick 0-4

Wrestling

Plymouth North 2, Andover 1

Team scores: Andover 40, Norwell 34, Andover 48, Southeastern 18, Andover 46, Plymouth North 24
 Andover records: 112: Mike Oliveri 2-1; 119: Mike Tiwari 3-0; 125: Reinaldo Brito 3-0; 130: Caleb Lynch 3-0; 135: Sean McDonalds 2-1; 140: Yesak Fauconier 1-1; 145: Cody Baker 0-3; 152: Thomas Iannatafo 0-2; 160: Josh Divine 3-0; 171: Nick Marcotte 0-2; 189: Paul Jackson 2-1; 215: Gianni Miceli 3-0; HVY: Josue Davilla 2-0

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It is fun to watch snow fall. But in some parts of the United States the only snow falling is in snow globes.

Snow globes have also been called water globes or snow domes.

A snow globe is a clear sphere that holds a little scene. The glass globe also contains water and flakes that fall slowly. When you shake the globe, it looks like snow is falling on the scene.

We don't know when the first snow globe was made. They appeared in France during the early 1800s. In 1878, snow globes were displayed at the Paris Universal Exposition. At least five companies were selling them by the next year.

Snow globes became popular in England in the 1920s. Soon, they appeared in the United States. In 1927 Joseph Garaja of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania was granted the first snow globe-related patent.

Some snow globes are placed on a musical base. Some new designs contain lights. The snow moves even when no one shakes the globe.

Snow globes can be fun to make.

What you need to make a snow globe

- A small glass jar with a tight-fitting lid (clean and dry).
- Distilled water, or water that has been boiled and allowed to cool.
- Glycerin (can be found in most drug stores or crafts stores).
- White or silver glitter (not too fine), or white crushed eggshells (clean and remove the membrane).
- Small waterproof toys or ornaments
- Clear silicone sealant or waterproof glue (adults should handle the sealant).
- Florists clay or cool temp glue.

Making the globe

- Build up some clay on the inside of the jar lid or use some other method like cool temp glue to attach your toys or ornaments to the lid. To make sure the scene is at the right height, put the empty jar over the lid to check it out.
- When you are happy with the way it

looks, add cold water and ½ teaspoon of glycerin to the jar, leaving about ½ inch at the top.

- Add glitter into the jar; about ½ teaspoon for a medium to large baby food jar, more for a larger jar.
- Line the inside of the lid with silicone sealant or waterproof glue then screw the lid down as hard as you can. Run a bead of silicone or glue around the outer edge of the lid.
- Let dry with the lid side up overnight.
- You can then paint or decorate the lid base.
- Shake it up and let it snow!

Unscramble these words describing snow

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On the hunt for the woolly at Wood Hill



Woolly hunter Michelle Gencorelli takes aim.

Forget about student-athletes. Wood Hill Middle School is creating student-hunters. Their target: woolly mammoths. As part of their studies on early man and prehistory, grade six students patrolling the tundra around the school last Friday morning took aim with an atlatl and dart at several woolly mammoths. Along with Monti the Mammoth, images of Mikey, Winston, Stewie and baby Wally were all created by Frank DeFusco's students and attached to a large wall of hay bales. DeFusco taught the students how to hold the atlatl, a hunting technology pre-dating the bow and arrow. The atlatl the students used was a wooden device about 2 feet long. The darts were 6 feet and fit into the end of the atlatl. The thrower held the dart between thumb and

pointer finger with the other three fingers grasping the atlatl. With a strong forearm and powerful wrist flick, the dart was sent soaring toward the mammoth, according to parent Kate Margoese. The students were eager to take turns using the atlatl, she reported. After each of the six darts had been sent soaring, they quickly retrieved them to have another try. A loud cheer was heard each time a dart found its mark in the mammoth, according to Margoese. The atlatl allowed early man greater leverage, speed, distance and power than throwing a spear by hand. While the Wood Hill woolly mammoths didn't pose a threat, when the atlatl was first used, one of its greatest benefits was allowing the hunters to keep a greater distance from their dangerous prey.



COURTESY PHOTOS BY KATE MARGOLESE

After practice, students found their mark pegging mammoths like Monti with darts.

One hungry run

Mother Nature may have hit us with the fifth snowstorm of the season this week, but spring is coming — really — and so is the Boston Marathon. Local runner Bill Pennington has e-mailed friends already about his campaign to "Strike Out Hunger" when running this year.

A longtime volunteer at Lazarus House in Lawrence, he has seen the number of families in their bread lines double to more than 300 in the past year alone. His running team is asking for donations. To donate, visit lazarushouse.org/BostonMarathon/default.asp and click the "donate" button located on the

bar next to Pennington's name. — *Judy Wakefield*

Catapult for cash

Students with the rare and unusual talent of being able to build a catapult that can throw an egg into a frying pan up to 60 feet away could again win a four-year college scholarship to

Merrimack College in Andover/North Andover. The winning catapult designer will receive \$15,000 per year to study civil engineering at Merrimack College. Entrants will aim to win the scholarship on March 14 at Thinkfest, a festival-style event that shows high school students

the wonders of engineering, science, and technology through hands-on experiences. High school juniors and seniors are encouraged to design and build a Trebuchet-style (see www.trebuchet.com) catapult. Students will then bring their catapult to the Merrimack campus to be put to the test at the

ThinkFest. The scholarship winner will be announced that day. Catapult design registration deadline is Feb. 13. Contact the department of civil engineering at Merrimack College at 978-837-5187 or e-mail reynoldsj@merrimack.edu for information on eligibility, rules, competition format, etc.

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