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Sorry, kids, it's going to be a short summer break

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Memorial Day weekend is said to signal the unofficial start of summer. But for Andover public school students, summer won't begin until the afternoon of the last day of school, Friday, June 26. Four snow days pushed the last day of school deep into the

month. And, for the first time in years, school in Andover will start before Labor Day, making for a shorter-than-usual summer.

The first day of school for students next school year is Thursday, Sept. 3. Teachers report two days earlier on Sept. 1.

The news is not expected to sit well with some families. "I know people have probably

made plans and will not be happy about this," said Tom Meyers, president of the teachers union. "I wonder if some kids won't even be back from vacation (to go to school)."

For the first time in their 13 years of public school in town, the upcoming senior class at Andover High School will return to school before Labor Day.

Andover typically heads back to school on the Wednesday after Labor Day, But Labor Day this year falls on Monday, Sept. 7.

According to Andover teachers' contract, staffers can report to work Sept. 1 or later.

Meyers said the School Committee sent two school calendars to the union for a vote. The calendar starting Sept. 1 for teachers

and two days later for students was approved. The other calendar would have started the 2009-10 school year even earlier.

"I know it's not the first time (school is starting before Labor Day), but it's been awhile. It works out this way with Labor Day so late," Meyers said.

Snow days are usually taken into account at summer camps,

including the local day camp run by the Department of Community Services.

DCS Director Mary Donohue said the camp begins Monday, June 29, as the original last day of school was June 22.

"There are always snow days," she said and the extra week would have provided time for staffers to get ready for the camp.

July 4 parade, pancakes canceled



FILE PHOTO

Andrew Seifer, 9, and his sister Danielle Seifer, 5, wave flags as they walk along Park Street during the 2008 Horribles Parade in Andover. The parade went on despite heavy rain last year. This year, the town says the budget storm will claim the parade, which dates back to the early 1800s. The annual pancake breakfast will also be canceled.

Town to try cheaper option: hot-dog picnic

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

There will be no town pancake breakfast or Horribles Parade down Main Street this Fourth of July.

After suffering a \$3,000 cut to its holiday celebration budget, the town instead will celebrate Independence Day on July 3 with a family hot dog picnic, before the usual July 3 concert and fireworks, said Mary Donohue, Department of Community Services director.

"It's a potential new tradition in Andover," said Donohue. "We wanted to approach the holiday and have a win-win for everyone. We're just switching the menu to the all-American hot dog. We will save money, and still party together

as a town. The holiday will still be an old-time activity enjoyed by thousands."

The July 3 event will feature live music by the Middlesex Concert Band, a long-standing tradition for Andover's Fourth of July, and a fireworks display after dusk. It will be held behind West Middle School near Andover High School, off Shawsheen Road. Families can bring blankets and have a picnic supper of hot dogs, chips and drinks.

Selectmen approved the change May 18.

"I'll definitely miss the pancakes. It's a tradition in town, and we get a chance to rib each other along the grills (while we cook). We have a lot of fun with it. We'll have to do the same with hot dogs," said Selectman Brian Major, who volunteers

with his fellow board members to cook each July 4. "I'm willing to try something new. We've got a standardized location for the fireworks, and an opportunity to tie them with food and activities."

"Flipping the hot dogs and throwing them in the air might not have the same effect as a pancake," joked Major. "Blueberries on top of a hot dog just might not have the same taste. And (Selectmen Alex) Vispoli is definitely going to burn the dogs."

"It's something different. The Fourth falls on a Saturday, so the crowds might be a little lighter. We can always go back (to the pancake breakfast). But nothing can go forever," said Ted Teichert,

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Town Meeting

Voters support schools

Expect fall meeting to balance budget

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Schools supporters carried the first night of Town Meeting, approving a budget that is half a million dollars more than what the Finance Committee and selectmen supported.

After more than an hour of debate, an amendment to lower the schools 2010 operating budget from \$60.4 million to \$59.9 million failed 354 to 613. The schools budget this year is \$59.4 million.

When discussion began on the schools portion of the town operating budget, six people immediately formed a line at the microphone to speak in favor of the higher dollar amount, while no one stood at the opposing microphone for most of the debate.

"We can leave Town Meeting with an unbalanced budget, as long as its balanced before the tax rate is set in November," said School Committee member Annie Gilbert. "We're not simply throwing up our arms (asking for \$60.4 million). Our goal instead is to think differently, and deliver

BY THE NUMBERS: FIRST NIGHT OF 2009 TOWN MEETING

- 967 - number of people who voted on the \$130 million budget
- 3:15 - approximate length in hours and minutes of night
- 15 - warrant articles voted on
- 1 - standing ovation, for Andover's Destination Imagination team that took first place at global finals competition, recognized by Superintendent Claudia Bach

services that are essential in a sustainable way. This is the first step towards changing how we do things."

Several town officials, including Town Manager Buzz Stapeczynski, said a Special Town Meeting this fall will be needed to balance the budget after the state finalizes what amount of local aid it will provide. The town's budget must be balanced this fall so Andover's tax rate can be approved by the

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Maureen Zonghetti of Andover knits a baby blanket while attending the Andover Town Meeting Tuesday night.

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Staff photo

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state department of revenue, Staszynski said.

The first night of Town Meeting lasted for more than three hours, ending around 10:15 p.m., but most of the night was devoted to budget discussions. Only 15 of the 71 articles were addressed, leaving Wednesday night to start with Article 16, which would allow for the town to develop a master plan for the town yard area in the downtown.

Holes and priorities

To begin the discussion on the FY2010 operating budget, Finance Committee Chairwoman Joanne Marden said the faltering economy dictates that budgets with no increases are needed.

It is "basic arithmetic" that layoffs will be necessary this year because labor contracts dictate pay raises, while the town has seen a decrease in revenues, she said.

"The first step to getting yourself out of a hole is to stop digging," said Marden.

Resident Bob Pokress suggested an amendment that would decrease the entire fiscal year 2010 Andover budget to its 2009 level. Because the budget is voted on by individual line items, Moderator Sheila Doherty said Pokress would have to propose a revised figure for each of the budget's up to 26 line items.

Lacking clear calculations for each line item, Pokress ultimately withdrew his amendment.

The \$60.4 budget figure already reflects teacher layoffs and elimination of programs, said School Committee Chairwoman Debra Silberstein. Any stimulus money the schools may receive would be "wiped out" by reductions in state aid in other areas, she said.

If the \$59.9 million budget were approved, cuts would become dire, said Superintendent Claudia

RECAP: TOWN MEETING'S FIRST NIGHT

COMPILED BY BETHANY BRAY

Article 1, Election: Approved
Article 2, Election not required by ballot: Approved

Article 3, Elected officials' salaries: Approved

Article 4, Budget: Approved, funding the schools at \$60.4 million, bringing the total budget to \$130 million

Article 5, Capital projects fund: Approved for the amount of \$1,332,000

Article 6, Budget transfers: Approved

Article 7, Supplemental budget appropriations: Approved, transferring \$334,000 from free cash for current year out-of-district special education expenses.

Article 8, Free cash: Withdrawn

Article 9, Unexpended appropriations: Approved, with the amount of \$232,352.84 rolling back into free cash. This figure is the total of unused money

from several different town projects, dating back to 1987 Town Meeting.

Article 10, Accumulated Employee Benefit Account: Withdrawn; \$225,000 to pay for this year's accumulated employee benefits - money for unused sick time and vacation days paid to retiring workers - will be funded from the operating budget

Article 11, Petition on contractor quotes: Approved

Article 12, allowing Punchard Free School trustees to be any resident of town, regardless of church membership: Approved

Article 13, FAA lease: Approved

Article 14, Transfer: withdrawn

Article 15, Insurance Recovery Transfer: Approved

To see results of voting from the second and third nights of Town Meeting, Wednesday and Thursday, May 27 and 28 visit www.andovertownsm.com.

Bach. An additional 12 classroom teachers would have to be laid off, and elementary class sizes would swell to 27, 28 or 29 students, she said.

"Let's make sure we set our priorities," said former School Committee member Tony James. "The loss of jobs in town departments is trivial, while there are over 40 school employees with jobs in jeopardy. That's a ratio of 10 to 1. That does not appear to be balanced."

The public safety budget is unscathed, said James, with police and fire departments not facing any layoffs.

In opposition to the higher figure, Selectman Brian Major said the \$59.9 million figure balances for expected revenues, and is level-funded at 2009 levels.

The schools are getting \$453,000 from the state for special education expenses, said Major, plus roughly \$450,000 in stimulus money.

Jon Stumpf, a member of the Finance Committee, also expressed his support of the \$59.9 million budget because it

would not tap into town reserves. Instead, Stumpf called upon school union leadership to help out with the budget shortfall.

Selectman Jerry Stabile also said the need for layoffs would be eliminated if all school personnel agreed to 1 percent less of a raise next year.

"It amazes me that they would stand by and watch their fellow workers get cut because they're not willing to make what they made this year, plus a little bit," said Stabile. "The labor unions could help a lot."

When it comes time to renegotiate their contracts, the teachers union always says "it's for the kids," said resident Greg Rigby, "yet they are willing to give up nothing" when asked this spring.

Cyr Circle resident Mary Carbone agreed.

"The schools have been given everything they've asked for in the past. We've gotten to a point of no return," said Carbone. "The children are being used by the unions to increase their salaries."



CARL RUSSO/Staff photos

Andover High School seniors, from left, David Keohane, Brian Mason, Kasey Quinlan and Brendan Crawford, are congratulated by School Committee members while being honored at the Andover Town Meeting Tuesday night for capturing first place in their team challenge and level at the Destination Imagination 2009 Global Finals, which had 903 teams from around the world competing. The creative problem-solving competition required teams to write an eight-minute skit and perform it at multiple levels of competition.

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Group forming to work to improve animal welfare

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This group is an offshoot of previous outreach efforts by the MSPCA's advocacy section and

will work on local issues that supplement the actions of the state MSPCA. At the meeting, the group will develop a plan to pursue issues that impact on animal welfare in the Merrimack Valley and North Shore.

Bring your ideas and suggestions as the group starts this exciting endeavor.

For more information, contact Lois Karfunkel at lmwk1946@aol.com.

Public pensions scandal in spotlight

Experience an illustrated presentation by Sean P. Murphy, award-winning veteran investigative reporter, followed by questions and answers on public pensions and their abuses, on Tuesday, June 9 at 7 p.m. at the Tewksbury Public Library, 300 Chandler St., Tewksbury at the corner of Main Street, Route 38.

Health clinics announced

The Andover Health Department will offer mini clinics on Monday, June 8, from 2 to 3 p.m. at Andover Commons, and on Monday, June 22, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle. Senior center clinics will be held 2 to 3 p.m. each Wednesday, June 3, 10, 17 and 24. No appointment is necessary.



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I RAN A JACK HAMMER FOR 30 seconds, but I can't imagine doing that all day.

Jacqui Algiers, an Andover High School senior, who attended Construction Careers Day recently. Story in the Kids Special Section, Page S2.



Urgent need for foster volunteers

Volunteers are needed in the Haverhill area to help review cases of children who have suffered from abuse and neglect.

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YMCA introduces new strength system

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Those wanting to exercise with the new Strive Smart Strength system will complete a brief orientation by appointment. Nonmembers of the YMCA are invited to experience Strive with a complimentary two-week pass, which includes a free orientation by appointment of the new equipment.

For information, contact Dave Raymond, member advancement director at 978-685-3541 or stop by the member services desk at the Andover/North Andover YMCA, 165 Haverhill St., Andover.

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NEWS CALENDAR

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School Committee executive session negotiations, School Administration Building, School Committee room, 9 a.m.

Board of Selectmen, Andover High School, Chorus Room C13, Collins Center, 6 to 7 p.m.

Town Meeting (third night if needed), Andover High School Collins Center, Shawsheen Road, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY MAY 30

Preservation Commission site visit, 1 Highland Road, Phillips Academy, 9:30 a.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 2

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

Disability Commission, Memorial Hall Library activity room, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

School Building Committee Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 8 a.m.

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After bus-stop incident, High Plain refocuses on safety

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

The 11-year-old student who brought an air soft gun to a school bus stop on Monday, May 18 will receive a summons to appear in Lawrence Juvenile Court, where he will be charged with possession of a dangerous weapon and four counts of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, said police.

The High Plain Elementary student showed the air soft gun to a number of other children and discharged the gun three times, hitting students without seriously injuring them, according to police. The student also discharged the weapon one more time on the school bus before arriving and being apprehended at school.

In the week since the incident, High Plain Principal Brenda O'Brien has visited every classroom with a counselor to follow up and talk with students, as well as send letters home to parents and reply to numerous e-mails and calls of concern.

"Our No. 1 concern is to always

IN TIMES OF CRISIS, PLANNING KICKS IN

The Andover Public Schools have a detailed emergency and crisis management plan, known to all school personnel, from elementary to high school, said Superintendent Claudia Bach.

"There are a dozen or so categories, from evacuating a school on a snow day to a death in the school, or a stranger on campus," she said. "We practice various parts of that plan, and the teachers go over it every year."

One former principal used a toy skunk to practice, said Bach, and would place the stuffed animal around the school. Students would spot the skunk quickly, she said, and alert a teacher. After the exercise, the principal would talk with students about what to do if a "skunk" - or crisis - was in the school building.

Each of Andover's schools has a crisis team that carries out specific responsibilities during a crisis. The plans and team members are updated every year, said Bach.

"With the reality of Columbine, we practice different scenarios that might arise. It's the same as with the H1N1 flu, we have a plan. We have had those pieces in place for a long time," said Bach. "In any case, those things click in really quickly. Whenever we have issue, I'm in the loop immediately, and we have very, very good communication with the police department. The processes we have in place have served us well so far, in any incident we've had."

maintain the safety and security of every child," said O'Brien. "The students brought this (student) forward to us, and I can't compliment them enough that they understood this was important to maintain safety for all of us."

The 11-year-old's weapon was not a BB gun, as previously reported, but an air soft gun,

said O'Brien. Air soft guns shoot plastic pellets with compressed air, and are often fashioned to be replicas of real weapons.

Citing student privacy and confidentiality, both O'Brien and Superintendent Claudia Bach would not give the name of the student, nor comment on the punishment.

"We are very, very eager to protect all of our students, so we feel very strongly about it ... It's in the hands of Brenda (O'Brien), and her team of teachers will be looking into situation very, very thoroughly," said Bach. "Brenda O'Brien is, in every way, the most conscientious of principals you could ask for. She handles all situations with the greatest degree of attention and care. She goes overboard in responding to parents', teachers' and students' concerns. She really is 100 percent the most conscientious."

The student handbook of the Andover Public Schools cites a "safe school environment" policy, with zero tolerance for drugs, alcohol, weapons and violence. The handbook is sent home with students every year, and parents must sign a statement saying they've read the policies.

Under the zero-tolerance policy, any student found in possession of a controlled substance or "a dangerous weapon, including, but not limited to a gun or knife ... may be subject to expulsion from the school or school district by the principal."

The same policy guarantees the student in question a hearing to present evidence and witnesses before the principal. After the hearing, "a principal may, in his/her discretion, decide to suspend rather than expel a student," reads the policy.

On May 18, the student with the air soft gun was reported to High Plain staff by other children on the bus as soon as the bus arrived at school.

The student was immediately brought to the office, and the police were notified, wrote O'Brien in a letter sent home to parents last week. During the course of an interview in the office, the student turned over the air soft weapon from the student's backpack.

"I assure you," wrote O'Brien to parents, "that the safety and security of your children is of paramount concern to me and that I have taken every appropriate action to prevent any such incidents from occurring in the future."

Last week, O'Brien and High Plain counselor Janet Yedinak visited each classroom at High

Plain to tell students "on buses, recess, anywhere - we have rules because safety is No. 1 to us," said O'Brien.

"We recognize in all these situations, the importance of providing appropriate communication. We met with every class, and explained that one of the things that is so important is safety, and why we have rules, so they can feel secure. Anything that feels unsafe, they should tell an adult."

O'Brien said she has been responding to every call and e-mail from parents about the incident, and has tried to be very open with staff, students and the High Plain community.

"My goal is to make sure parents feel we are providing the communication they need and responding to their concerns," she said.

Andover Police have reported that the 11-year-old bought the gun at a New Hampshire flea market without parental knowledge or permission.

When the student discharged the weapon, four students were hit, ranging in age from 9 to 11, said police.

■ POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

ARRESTS

Tuesday, May 19 - At 4:07 p.m., William E. Nickles, 48, of 88 Moore St. Apt. 4, Lowell, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked license, subsequent offense and failure to notify the Registry of Motor Vehicles of a name/address change.

At 8 p.m., Wilson J. Perez, 24, of 24 Florence St. Apt. 2, Lawrence,

was arrested and charged on a warrant for municipal ordinance violations.

Wednesday, May 20 - at 12:10 p.m., Falysha Courcy, 21, of 40 Bridge St. Hillsboro, N.H., was arrested and charged on warrants for breaking and entering and larceny over \$250.

At 9:49 p.m., Scott P. Mulhern, 40, of 429 Waverly Road, Apt. R2, North Andover, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license, subsequent

offense, and operating under the influence of liquor, second offense; also on warrants for assault and battery and larceny over \$250.

Thursday, May 21 - At 5:42 p.m., Joseph Giardina, 27, of 104 Myrtle St., Lynn, was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a household member.

Friday, May 22 - At 4:02 p.m., Donald R. Bodwell, 57, of 40 Howard St. third floor apartment, Haverhill, was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license.

At 6:02 p.m., Alex P. Steeves, 19, of 5 Clinton Court, was arrested and charged on warrants for breaking and entering unarmed and assault, and larceny over \$250.

Sunday, May 24 - At 2:08 p.m., several 911 calls were received about a head-on collision, with injuries, on River Road. Two ambulances and two tow trucks were called. At 2:55 p.m., Robin P. Seavey, 51, of 6 Crest Road, Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with a marked lanes violation and operating under the influence of liquor, second offense.

Monday, May 25 - At 12:56 p.m.,

nine officers responded to an alleged drug sale on Lowell Street. At 1:28 and 1:54 p.m., Dennis A. Brennick Jr., 29, of 39 Brown St., Tewksbury, and Patrick W. Leavitt, 22, of 5 Brenner Drive, Newton, N.H., were arrested and charged with possession of a class A substance. At 2:17 p.m., Andrew T. Bourque, 22, of 13 Gale Str., Malden, was arrested and charged with distribution of a class A substance and trafficking heroin.

At 3:17 p.m., Barry L. Phung, 23, of 77 Tower Drive, Lowell, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked registration, uninsured vehicle trailer and possession of a class B substance.

At 4:02 p.m., Jessica Lynn Coon, 18, of 34 Island Pond Road, Atkinson, N.H., was arrested and charged with possession of a class E substance and being a person under 21 transporting liquor.

INCIDENTS

Tuesday, May 19 - At 7:37 a.m., Phillips Academy called for an ambulance for a 17-year-old female who tried to harm herself

by taking pills.

Wednesday, May 20 - At 1:41 p.m., a Morton Street resident reported their home was egged last night.

At 4:39 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square, reported finding a knife in the teen room.

At 11:31 p.m., an ambulance was dispatched for a 16-year-old who was feeling suicidal.

Thursday, May 21 - At 2:17 a.m., an officer questioned two suspicious males who were taking pictures on Main Street.

At 4:39 p.m., a caller reported she was walking in the woods of Haggets Pond and a coyote took her dog and left the area. Four officers responded, and the dog was found deceased.

Saturday, May 23 - At 1:18 a.m., a 911 caller reported a woman hitting and kicking a black car in a parking lot, causing the alarm to go off. The woman drove off, only to return and start hitting and kicking the car again. A responding officer couldn't find the woman, and found a car that matched the description with a flat tire. At 2 a.m., another call was received from Bullfinch Drive reporting the same female hitting the same vehicle. A responding officer confronted the woman, who said "she was hitting her ex-husband's vehicle, trying to make the alarm go off to get his attention, due to the fact that she didn't know which apartment he was in," said the police log.

At 7:44 a.m., a Pheasant Run resident reported vandalism to his mailbox and bird bath.

At 10:48 p.m., a 911 call was received from Blueberry Hill Road that someone had been

banging on a home's door for the past 10 minutes. A responding officer could not find the person. At 11:41 p.m., a Fairway Drive resident called with the same complaint, and an officer again found no one.

Sunday, May 24 - At 2:05 a.m., a resident reported their 19-year-old daughter ran away. She had come home from the beach intoxicated, and left because she was afraid her parents would be upset with her. Five officers searched the area and her friend's houses. Officers eventually found the female at 5:09 a.m.

Monday, May 25 - At 12:17 p.m., a resident called police reporting "a neighbor who was upset by his mother cleaning her rugs," said the police log.

BREAKS

Wednesday, May 20 - At 2:57 p.m., a Brookside Drive resident reported coming home to find a window open, and several video games and game systems missing.

Thursday, May 21 - At 8:39 a.m., a Morton Street resident reported his basement window had been forced open.

THEFT

Wednesday, May 20 - At 12:52 p.m., a Wild Rose Drive resident reported a theft.

Saturday, May 23 - At 4:11 p.m., a Patriot Drive resident reported identity fraud.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Wednesday, May 20 - At 9:31 p.m., an employee at an Old River Road business reported her car had been broken into and a global positioning system stolen.

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Vicente completes apprenticeship program

David L. Vicente of River Road, Andover, was one of 35 to graduate from the Pipefitters Local 537 apprenticeship programs in April.

"Over the past several decades, the United Association's training programs have produced a stable, skilled workforce responsible for building and maintaining piping systems in the various industrial and residential facilities that make up the North American landscape," it reported in a release.

The UA spends over \$100 million annually on training programs efforts involving approximately 100,000 journeymen and apprentices in over 400 local training facilities at any given time.

In addition to the Pipefitters of Local 537 five-year apprenticeship programs, it offers continuing education that includes journeymen training and certification, as well as an associate's degree program.

Enterprise Bank CEO to chair heart walk

Jack Clancy, chief executive officer, Enterprise Bank, will serve as chairperson for the 2009 Merrimack Valley Start. Heart Walk, an annual event that raises funds to support vital heart and stroke research and education. Each step raises funds to support lifesaving heart and stroke research with this year's goal at \$300,000.

The Merrimack Valley Start, Heart Walk will be held rain or shine on Saturday, Oct. 3, at Sampas Pavilion in Lowell. The Heart Walk will bring together more than 2,000 walkers including many heart disease and stroke survivors on a 1- or 3-mile jaunt by the Merrimack River.

Top of market award for ServePro of Andovers

Eric, Gregg and Brian White, owners of ServPro of Lawrence, of Lowell, and of The Andovers received the Top of Market Award for Insurance Restoration Services, Duct Cleaning, and Commercial Cleaning. The Whites, local fire and water, cleanup and restoration professionals, were presented the award during the Annual SERVPRO Awards Banquet.



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by Bill Daly, M.D.

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Beacon Hospice names new medical director

Beacon Hospice Inc., which serves local patients out of its Haverhill office, announces the appointment of Andover resident Anthony E. Turiano, MD, as the new Hospital Medical Director for Beacon Hospice at Caritas Holy Family Hospital. Turiano has been in private practice for more than 21 years and specializes in Family Medicine and Primary Care.

Before joining Beacon Hospice's team, Turiano served as the associate director of Merrimack Valley Hospice for several years. Turiano also sees patients at Holy Family Hospital where he was voted Physician of the Month in October 2008 and can admit patients to Lawrence General Hospital.

In Turiano's new role with Beacon Hospice he will support the care of Beacon Hospice patients needing hospitalization. He hopes to act as a palliative resource to attending physicians, collaborating to provide pain control and symptom management. As is consistent with hospice philosophy, Turiano expects to work with all members of the Beacon Hospice team as they support both patients and their families.

Turiano was voted onto the 2009-10 Board of Directors of Merrimack Valley Physicians, Inc., an independent physician association that acts as the liaison between the individual physician office and health plans, and provides support, both clinically and administratively, to member physician offices on a variety of issues related to medical practice management. He also serves on the Ethics Committee at Holy Family Hospital and is a member of UNICO National.

Turiano received his medical degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo and completed his residency at the University of Maryland Medical Center.

Drive for Life Law Enforcement Awards

MADD honored members of law enforcement committed to enforcing drunk driving laws on Wednesday, May 13.

The DFL 2009 Honorees from the Massachusetts State Police barracks in Andover are troopers Eric Bernstein, Kevin Bibeau, Joseph Crowley, Bryan W. Erickson, James Foley, John R. McNeil, John M. Ragosa and Jeremy Sweeney.

Local passes NH Bar examination

Douglas Cooper son of Stephen and Frances Cooper of 6 Rocky Hill Road has passed the New Hampshire Bar Examination and will be admitted to practice law in New Hampshire on June 2 at the swearing in ceremony in Concord, N.H. Cooper is a 2000 graduate of Andover High School, a 2004 graduate of St. Anselm's College in Manchester, N.H., and a 2007 graduate of Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H. He also will be graduating from Simmons College, Boston in June 2009 with a master's degree in library science.

Andover doctor joins Emerson hospital

Andover resident Dr. Brian T. Callahan Jr., a general surgeon, recently joined Emerson Hospital.

For Callahan, who spent the past 20 years tending to acute care surgical patients, the opportunity at Emerson allows him to change the focus of his practice and to forge more meaningful connections. "What I like best about medicine is the relationships you develop," said Callahan. "My work at Emerson will allow me to pay personal attention to my patients."

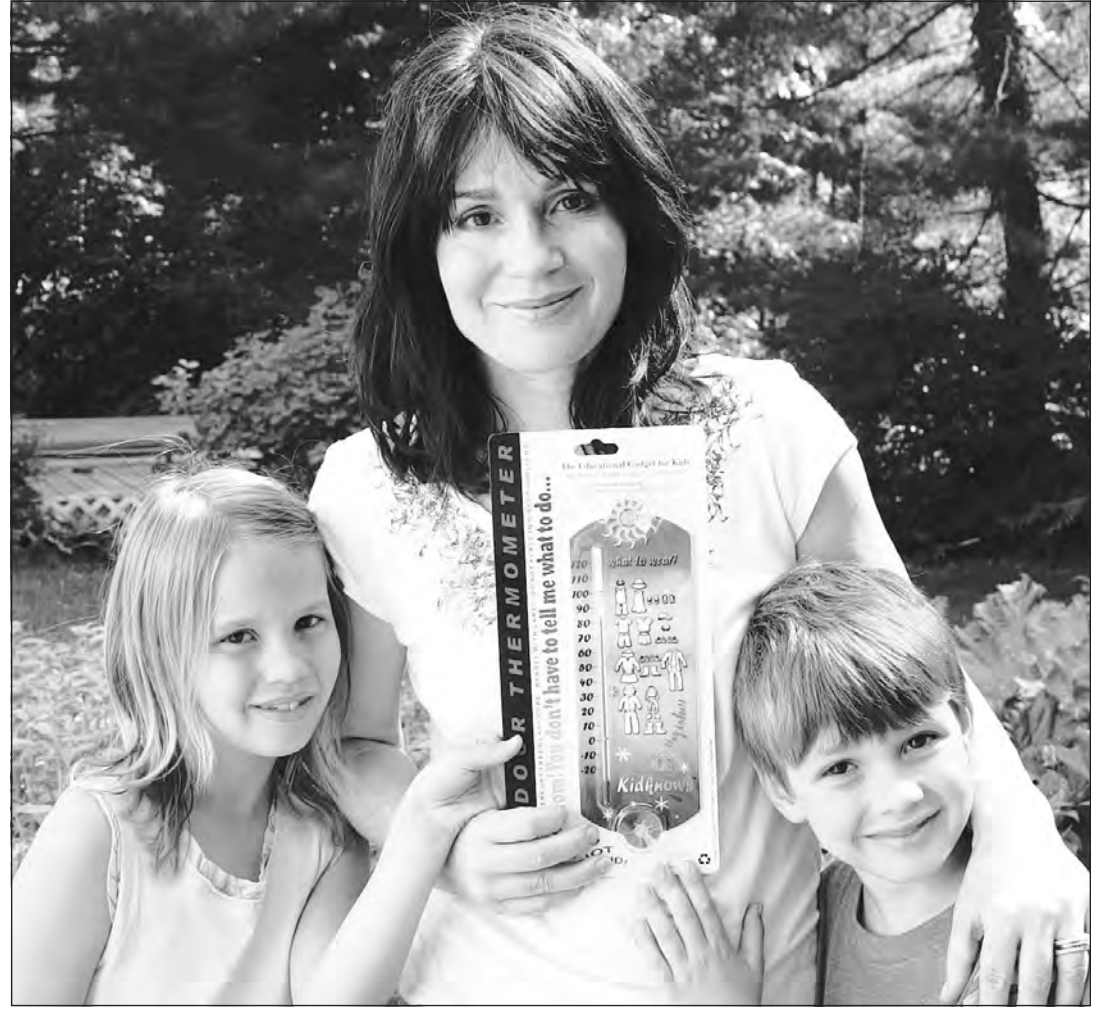
A lifelong Massachusetts resident, he earned his medical degree from Tufts University School of Medicine. He completed his residency in general surgery at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center. He is board-certified in general surgery and has clinical interests in minimally-invasive surgery, including laparoscopic gallbladder and colon surgery, incisional hernia repair, and the evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of breast issues.

Callahan joins Emerson at a time when the hospital recently completed significant investments in its surgical center, part of a \$36 million initiative to enhance the patient experience in three key areas: surgery, obstetrics and interventional radiology. The project combined new construction with a series of innovative renovations and upgrades.

Callahan's office is located in suite 500 of the John Cuming Building at Emerson Hospital.



Brian Callahan Jr.



COURTESY PHOTO

Showing a new outdoor thermometer designed for kids, are Daniela Homza Stark, and her children Kristen, 9, and Peter, 7, all of Andover.

'What to wear' a struggle at your house?

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Every parent can relate to struggling with a 4-year-old who insists on wearing a Spiderman tank top to preschool on a 20-degree January day.

Local mom Daniela Homza Stark was at her wits' end. "He was so stubborn," Stark said of the morning routine with her son. "Every morning was a power struggle when it came to getting dressed."

She eventually packed weather-appropriate clothes for her toddler and his preschool teachers graciously handled the situation. "I noticed a lot of mothers with bags and realized I was not alone," said Homza Stark, who lives on Sherry Drive.

Now a stay-at-home mom, she's an industrial designer by trade and she began thinking about a product that could help kids wear appropriate clothes. "I wanted to empower kids to independently choose the right outfit to wear in various temperatures," she said.

She believes she's found the way to eliminate tank tops in January. It's called the Kidknows Outdoor Thermometer.

Kid-friendly, the thermometer is colorful and easy to read. It is made of durable plastic and its glass thermometer is filled with an alcohol-kerosene mixture. Two suction cups can secure the thermometer to a window.

Kids can check the outdoor temperature and see appropriate clothing illustrations for that weather. For example, over 65 degrees gets shorts and short-sleeves, while the 20-degree days get parkas, hats, boots and mittens.

Kids learn to read numbers while making the decision about what to wear, she said.

While empowering kids, this new product just might relieve some morning stress for parents, which was also important to Homza Stark.

"The simplicity and kid-friendliness can make the morning routine faster and easier," Homza Stark said. Manufactured in China, about 5,000 outdoor thermometers are expected to arrive at Homza Stark's home next week. The product will sell for \$6.99. Homza Stark said Learning Express in Andover has committed to carrying the product.

"When I got it, my son (now 7-years-old) got dressed appropriately without any help," Stark said. "I knew this product would be a hit." To learn more, check out www.kidknows.net.

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Obituaries

Barbara A. Becotte King, 69

LAWRENCE — Barbara A. Becotte King, 69, of Lawrence died on Saturday, May 16, 2009 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Barbara was born, raised and educated in Andover and has lived in Lawrence for the past 15 years. Before retirement, she worked for Murrell pharmaceuticals of Tewksbury. Barbara was an avid sports fan. She loved the Red Sox and The Patriots. She was a very loving and giving person.

Her family members include

her son, William and his wife, Lisa (Lorlaorenza) Becotte of Lawrence and she leaves a brother, several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and one grandson and three step-grandsons and one step-granddaughter.

ARRANGEMENTS: Calling hours were Thursday, May 21, 2009, from 4 to 7 p.m. at The Charles F. Dewhirst Funeral Home, 80 Broadway, Methuen. Private burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover. To send an online condolence, visit, www.dewhirstfuneral.com.

Rebecca J. Solomon, 18



METHUEN — Rebecca J. Solomon, 18, of Methuen, died Wednesday, May 20, 2009 from injuries sustained as the result of an automobile accident.

Born in Lawrence, on Jan. 30, 1991, Becca was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Church and an honor student at Sacred Heart Grammar School until its closing. She then attended St. Patrick's Grammar School, Lawrence, for one year and went on to Central Catholic High School. Becca would have been graduating on Friday, May 22, 2009. She was looking forward to attending the University of Rhode Island in the fall to study Kinesiology and Nutrition.

At Central Catholic, Becca was an honor student, Peer Leader, Student Ambassador, a member of GUTS, Math Club and Cross Country.

Playing softball from the age of 6 through 16, Becca became

the league's star pitcher with a large following of fans. She also played softball for four years in high school and attended many of the school's sporting events to support and cheer on fellow students. She most enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

Becca leaves behind her parents, Joseph and Susanne (Cote) Solomon of Methuen; her brothers, David Solomon and Pamela Merrill of Sandown, N.H., Michael Solomon and Stacey Morin of Andover; and her sister, Amanda of Methuen; as well as her maternal grandmother, Annette Cote of Lawrence; along with several aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

ARRANGEMENTS: Friends and family were invited to a visitation at St. Patrick's Church, South Broadway, Lawrence on Saturday, May 23, 2009 from 9 to 11 a.m. A funeral Mass followed in St. Patrick's Church. Burial services were private. In lieu of flowers, please make memorial contributions in Rebecca's name to Central Catholic High School, 300 Hampshire St., Lawrence, MA 01841. Arrangements by the Boles Memorial-Baron-McAuliffe-Yameen Funeral Home, 184 Jackson St., Lawrence.

Edward R. Whitton, 82



SANDOWN, N.H. — Edward R. Whitton, 82, of Sandown, N.H., formerly of Andover, North Reading and points north, died Wednesday, May 20, 2009, at

the Greenbriar Terrace Health Care in Nashua, N.H. He was the husband of the late Lillian (Dalton) Whitton.

Born in North Reading, on July 16, 1926. He was the son of the late James and Agnes C. (Heyden) Whitton. He attended North Reading Public Schools. Edward was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He was a Sergeant and served in the European Theater, including Germany and Czechoslovakia.

He worked as a brick mason and also for the Town of Andover, with the Parks and Recreation

Department.

He was member of the Elks in Andover and the St. Matthews Masonic Lodge, A.F.&A.M. He was also a member of AMVETS. He loved his family and his camp in New Hampshire, he loved to socialize and to play some golf. He enjoyed the Red Sox and Patriot games. He was always generous and helpful to others.

Family members include his loving sons, Russell Whitton of Cary, N.C.; Dennis Whitton and his wife Jan of Pelham, N.H. and Timothy Whitton and his wife Nancy of Lexington, Ky. His brother, James Whitton of Haverhill. He is also survived by two grandchildren, Christian and Vanessa Whitton.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral services were held at the Crowell Funeral Home, 19 Bow St., North Reading on Saturday, May 23, at 10 a.m. Calling hours were on Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover.

Eleanor M. Twickler, 89



NORTH ANDOVER — Eleanor Martha (Evans) Twickler, 89, of North Andover, died Tuesday, May 12, 2009.

Mrs. Twickler was born on Nov. 24, 1919 in Akron, Ohio, the daughter of the Albert W. Evans and Vera L. (Randall) Evans. She graduated from South High School in 1938, a member of the National Honor Society and recipient of the Womanhood Cup. She attended Akron University and was a member of the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. At Akron University she met and married her husband of 65 years, George H. Twickler, who died in 2007.

The Twicklers raised their family, two boys and one girl, in Wooster, Ohio for over a decade. She the secretary-treasurer and real estate agent for Twickler & Associates. Together with her husband, George, they designed, built and sold 28 homes in Wayne County. The family moved to the Boston area (Needham) in 1962. In 1970, they founded Crovel, Inc., in Hartford, Conn. Crovel specialized in the manufacturing and marketing prosthetic hair replacements for men, women and children, in the U.S.A. and abroad.

Mrs. Twickler was a volunteer in church and school organizations, and also served the community through the Girl Scouts,

Juvenile Diabetes, and Literacy Volunteers of America. A natural athlete and outdoor enthusiast, Eleanor enjoyed hiking, skiing, yoga, surf fishing, golf, tennis and sailing.

After retirement in the mid-1980s, the Twicklers returned to the Boston area (North Andover) to be closer to their children and grandchildren. While living in North Andover, Eleanor was an active member of the North Parish Church, serving as an usher and contributing her own hand-painted ceramics and needlepoint crafts to the Christmas fair.

Eleanor is survived by her children, Eric G. Twickler and his wife Cecily of Worcester, Bruce A. Twickler and his wife Janet, Holian of Andover, and Stephanie Meegan and her husband Richard of Boxford; as well as four grandchildren and their spouses, Sarah and Joe Twickler-Johnston of Chelmsford, Jennifer and Craig Meegan-Harsip of Reading, Peter and Sarah Moriarty-Twickler of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Laura and Kevin Meegan-McSorley of Boxford. She is also survived by her brother David Evans and his wife Kay of Akron, Ohio.

ARRANGEMENTS: Memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd St., New York, NY 10016, or the North Parish of North Andover, Outreach-In Memory of Eleanor Evans Twickler, 3 Great Pond Road, North Andover, MA 01845. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Conte Funeral Home, 17 Third St., North Andover, MA 01845.

Mary E. Walsh, 95



ANDOVER — Mary E. (Lord) Walsh, 95, of Andover, formerly of North Reading and Woburn, died on Sunday, May 24, 2009, at the

Hammersmith House in Saugus. She was the loving wife of the late Willard M. Walsh.

Born in Woburn, on May 4, 1914, she was the daughter of the late Edwin J. and Mary E. (Collins) Lord. She attended Woburn Schools and was a graduate of Woburn High School, Class of 1931.

Mary worked as a Saleswoman for Gorin's Department Store (formerly Almys) in Woburn for many years. She has been a resident of Andover for 49 years. She was a member and Treasurer for the North Reading Historical Society, for over 30 years and a member and Treasurer for

the Upton Club in North Reading. Mary was a member of the Woburn Grange and a volunteer for the Andover Thrift Shop.

Family members include her loving nieces, Beverly Anderson and her husband Paul of Lynfield and Barbara Belanger of Woburn; nephews, Edwin Lord of Woburn and George Lord and his wife Mary of Yarmouthport; her Godson, Shawn Ferris of Reading; also survived by grandnieces and great-grand nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral services will be held from the Crowell Funeral Home, 19 Bow St., North Reading on Friday, May 29, at 9:15 a.m., followed by a 10:30 a.m. funeral Mass at St. Theresa's Church, 63 Winter St. (Route 62), North Reading. Calling hours will be held on Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in North Reading. Memorial donations may be made in her memory to Beacon Hospice, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 222 C, Beverly, MA 01915.

Thomas S. Matton, 66

ANDOVER — Thomas S. "Tom" Matton, 66, of Andover, died Monday, May 18, 2009 at Winchester Hospital, Winchester.

He was born in Lawrence on May 3, 1943 and was a lifelong resident of the area. He attended Andover schools and Notre Dame University.

Beloved husband of Lois (Bernstein). Father of Mark Matton and his wife Danielle of Burlington and Todd Matton of Andover. Son of the late Ernest and Mary Matton. Brother of Ernest of North Carolina and John Matton

of Illinois. Grandfather of Noah Matton.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral was from the Cota Funeral Home, 335 Park St., North Reading, on Friday, May 22 at 9 a.m. Funeral Mass in St. Augustine's Church, 43 Essex St., Andover, was at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends visited at the funeral home Thursday 4 to 8 p.m. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's memory to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, and its Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02445. www.cotafuneral-homes.com.

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brilliant, thorough and tough negotiator and litigator, however. He was not only highly respected for his dignified demeanor in the courtroom, but also for several high-profile victories in cases ranging from homicide trials to complex real estate development litigation.

In recognition of Wilbur's excellence and prominence as a local attorney, he was elected to serve and did so as President of the Lawrence Bar Association in the late '60s/early '70s and was awarded its most prestigious Leadership Award in 2008. His dedication to serve all within the Immigrant City of Lawrence was prodigious.

Wilbur Hyatt was a founding member—and served as pro bono general counsel to help establish—several important Lawrence-based charities: (1) Lazarus House Ministries (Lawrence) (2) Semana Hispana (Lawrence) (3) Plains Community Center (Lawrence) (4) Essex Symphony Orchestra (Andover) (5) Lebanese Community Housing for Elderly (a/k/a "Cedars Homes") (Methuen) He also devoted time to public service in the Town of Methuen as chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals from 1962 to 1969, when was then elected to served on the Board of Selectman for two consecutive 3-year terms, from 1970 to 1976, at which point Methuen changed to a Town Manager form of government. For the past 40 years, Atty. Hyatt has been active as an Officer or a Board Member on many other civic, fraternal or charitable organizations, some of which included: Italian-American Toilers, Hamblet Health Club (YMCA) he was a charter member of its Board of Directors. He has served as an Overseer of the Lawrence General Hospital and as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Basilian Salvatorian Order, with its Seminary in Methuen. Attorney Hyatt's legal career has also involved extensive legal work in union labor negotiations for the electrical construction industry, including several appearances in arbitrations at the Department of Labor's Industrial Relations Council in D.C. From 1960 until the end of 1992, he was Manager of the Northeast Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association, dealing with collective bargaining in seven wage areas in Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire. As a Negotiator, he helped establish Apprenticeship Programs, Local Pension Plans and Health and Welfare Plans in all regions he serviced. He served on the Board of Trustees of these plans and was Secretary/Treasurer of the chapter area National Electrical Benefit Fund for electrician-members of the I.B.E.W. nationwide.

Wilbur has been a Member of the Board of Directors for the Salem Cooperative Bank in Salem, N.H. from 1995 until his passing. He was the founding Chairman of that bank's affiliate, Salem Community Benefit, Inc. He is also an Officer of the Essex Symphony Orchestra, a special event professional symphony orchestra based in Andover. As a boy, little Zeke spoke only Arabic at home, learning to speak English at Tarbox Elementary School in Lawrence, before attending Lawrence High School, then Northeastern University, and finally Boston College School of Law, where he earned his Juris Doctor in law.

ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, May 25, 2009 at 10 a.m. in Saint Joseph's Melkite Church in Lawrence. Burial followed at the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence. Family and friends called on Saturday, May 23, 2009 from 6 to 8 p.m. and Sunday, May 24, 2009 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at Saint Basil Seminary, 30 East St., Methuen. For online condolences and other information, please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Saint Basil Seminary, 30 East St., Methuen, MA 01844.

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Opinion

Your vote counts

Andover residents spent most of the first night of 2009 Town Meeting on Tuesday debating the budget and ultimately supporting a School Department-supported \$60.4 million schools request that is expected to require a fall Special Town Meeting to balance the budget.

The second night of Town Meeting at the field house on the left side of Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road, will begin at 7 p.m., after this paper is published and is in stores. The third night will begin in the performing arts center at 7 p.m. on the right of the high school after this paper arrives in subscribers' homes.

A number of items critical to the future of Andover will be decided Wednesday and Thursday. With money tight, residents need to decide which projects are a necessity to advance and which, if any, are not worth the increased tax burden. Among the issues left to decide are whether the town should move and redevelop the town yard in the downtown, create new fields on Blanchard Street in southern Andover, replace Bancroft Elementary School (and possibly combine it in some way with part of Shawsheen School), build a new fire station and close the Ballardvale station, and repair Memorial Auditorium at Doherty Middle School. Fewer than 1,000 residents of the 1,089 in attendance approved the approximately \$130 million budget Tuesday, and fewer residents typically attend the second and third night's of Annual Town Meeting. But we encourage people to attend. Even in down times, some money must be spent to advance and maintain the town, and Town Meeting allows residents to determine how much work is appropriate.

Time to stop the digging

"Never waste a good crisis" has become a favorite phrase of some officials who say they are looking to reform government and reduce waste. "Reform before revenue," was the battle cry of Senate President Therese Murray as she rallied senators to the barricades in defense of the state's taxpayers. But so far there's been more talk than action. Murray's barricades crumbled to dust as the Senate voted to raise the sales tax and include alcohol sales in the higher tax, with no real reform of state government in sight.

Many state and community-level officials seem to be looking at so-called federal stimulus money to get them through this troubled year. But, just as borrowing from town reserves for operating budget expenses only serves to increase the problem in subsequent years, relying on one-time federal money to do the same will be a disastrous plan if it is not followed with true reform, especially to the salary, benefits and pension packages that make up the bulk of town spending.

Most years, people only pay attention to the town budget in the month before Town Meeting — and then promptly forget about the spending for another 11 months. However, we expect residents will continue to keep an eye on town and school spending this year with a Special Town Meeting now needed in the fall to balance the budget.

"The first step to getting yourself out of a hole is to stop digging," said Joanne Marden, Finance Committee chairwoman, by way of introducing the budget article on Tuesday night. We hope residents keep the pressure on to ensure this is the year town officials, the Andover School Department and the state stop digging and start reforming.

WEB QUESTION

Will you miss the pancakes?

Swine flu: No worries

Last week, Andover's department of public health confirmed two cases of the H1N1 "swine" flu in town, one at Andover High School and one at High Plain Elementary. We asked you if you were worried about catching the virus. The results of those who voted:

■ "No. There's too much hype. This is no more severe than the regular flu," received 38.46 percent of votes.

■ "There is more than enough information about flu prevention on the Internet and in the news that I feel accurately prepared" received 23.08 percent.

■ "Yes. I have children in the public schools and am worried about transmission" both received another 23.08 percent.

■ "No. I have children in the public schools and feel they are handling the situation well" and "No. Common sense measures, like washing your hands, are defense enough" both received 7.69 percent.

This week's question: Will you miss the pancakes?

Last week, the Department of Community Services announced that, due to budget

cuts, it will not be able to host the town's annual pancake breakfast and Horribles Parade on the Fourth of July. Instead, the town will celebrate with offer a hot dog picnic along with the band concert and fireworks the evening of Friday, July 3. How do you feel about the change?

■ DCS is doing the best they can with their allotted funds.

■ July 4 won't be the same without the pancakes and parade.

■ Change can be good, and I'm willing to give the picnic idea a try.

■ As long as selectmen are at the grill, it will be a good time.

■ The Horribles Parade has been a tradition in Andover for more than 100 years, and it's a shame that it has been cancelled.

■ A nonprofit or civic group will take up the tradition and plan something for the Fourth.

■ Other.

To cast your vote, go to www.andovertownsmen.com and scroll all the way to the bottom of the page. For different or lengthier answers, email Editor Neil Fater at nfater@andovertownsmen.com



Memorial Day Parade Grand Marshal David MacDonald is applauded for his World War II service in the Navy - and surrounded by many family members - during the Memorial Day ceremony in the Park on Monday.

PHOTO BY BARBARA INNES

GRAND GREETING

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Teacher: Schools choosing cost over quality without override

Editor, Townsman:

Eight years ago I accepted a job at Andover High School teaching English. I left a struggling system plagued by factional town politics and a general mistrust of educators and schools. I believed I was joining an enlightened community where residents believed in the value of public education and supported it in both word and action. There was evidence all around me to support these assumptions: the Collins Center, stunning art work lining the hallways at every turn, consistently high standardized test scores, an exceptionally high rate of graduating seniors attending elite colleges, championship banners lining the gymnasium walls, highly credentialed professionals in the classrooms. I assumed that behind all this was a School Committee working in partnership with educators, dedicated to excellent learning for all children. This was a system that valued educator expertise and expressed that value in fair compensation and good working conditions. This system gave teachers the time needed to plan and to grade - a rare commodity for educators. This system invested in ongoing, onsite professional development, fostering professional dialog in an easy-to-access, no-cost venue for its teachers. This system kept teachers invigorated, informed and motivated.

Two contract negotiation cycles and one recession later, the curtain has been lifted. People I once believed were genuine advocates for education on the School Committee I now can see are primarily politicians. Their solution to budgetary and educational challenges seems to be one of efficiency and cost control. Andover is increasingly concerned about the salaries and benefits offered to its educators, as this is the biggest line item in the budget. In an attempt to shrink budgets, the School Committee has put enormous pressure on teachers to re-negotiate the salary schedule a year before the contract expires. This feels like politicians taking advantage of economic conditions and a public in economic pain to do something they've been wanting to do for quite some time: break the negotiation cycle, break the

union. There are threats of job losses if we don't come to the table. What will job losses mean to kids in Andover classrooms who become smaller as classes become bigger? What will job losses mean to the quality of education in this town that considers itself the educated elite? For that matter, what will a salary freeze for teachers mean to all of the aforementioned?

For educators it means falling further behind the cost of living. Yes, we are suffering losses too. We too have seen our home values decline or retirement money dwindling. We too are wondering how we will pay for higher education for our own kids, we too are facing tax increases in our own communities and rising costs in health care.

We are being told repeatedly by the superintendant and the School Committee that there simply is no money. I don't believe it. Why is no one on the School Committee proposing a Proposition 2 1/2 override in the name of economic crisis? Why are teacher salaries and planning time the primary target every time? Again, it seems to me that politicians are making choices. Where is the commitment to excellence? Your teaching staff is the most valuable resource you have in delivering quality education to the children of Andover. All of the evidence suggests we are doing an excellent job. Attacking teacher salaries makes no educational sense at all, but it sure does clean up a red spreadsheet.

There is a clear choice being made by your school advocates: cost over quality. You won't get both.

JENNIFER MEAGHER
Amesbury
English teacher, Andover High School

Music at the Manor

Editor, Townsman:

I want to share the happiness of the residents of the Academy Manor nursing home. The piano teacher Svetlana Seifer performed music here. Her students played piano on Sunday, May 3. It was lunch time and the residents were very happy listening to music. It was a pleasure to watch their smiling faces and shining eyes. The home asked Svetlana to come again and play the piano, and Svetlana promised she would.

MARIA MAIMINA
216 Stowe Court

Deceptive parking meters cheat shoppers in the downtown

Editor, Townsman:

Beware the "deceptive" parking meters in the town of Andover parking lot behind the Old Town Hall. The definition of the word "deceptive" in the Webster Dictionary is "having the power to deceive."

I parked my car in the Andover town parking lot behind the Old Town Hall on May 13. I walked to the front center of my parking space and deposited 75 cents in the parking meter there for 45 minutes of parking time. I returned to my car in 25 minutes and had 20 of parking time remaining on the parking meter and a Pay and Display \$15 parking violation on my left rear window. The parking policeman stated I "put the money in the wrong meter" when I showed him the parking meter directly in front of my car. I was cheated out of 20 minutes of parking time I bought and paid for on that meter and given a \$15 parking violation with 20 minutes remaining on the meter. It cost me \$15.75 to park for 25 minutes in the town of Andover parking lot. Sadly I will park, shop and take my business elsewhere, for I experienced parking-lot robbery.

MARY C. HAMILTON
190 Chickering Road
North Andover

The writer notes she is a former Andover resident (1953-2004) and worked as a Andover public health nurse for 35 years.

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THURSDAY FILE

"My spelling is Wobbly. It's good spelling but it Wobbles, and the letters get in the wrong places."

— A.A. Milne

"I have enjoyed greatly the second blooming that comes when you finish the life of the emotions and of personal relations; and suddenly find — at the age of 50, say — that a whole new life has opened before you, filled

with things you can think about, study, or read about. ... It is as if a fresh sap of ideas and thoughts was rising in you."

— Agatha Christie

"Every day you may make progress. Every step may be fruitful. Yet there will stretch out before you an ever-lengthening, ever-ascending, ever-improving path. You know you will never get to the end of the journey. But

this, so far from discouraging, only adds to the joy and glory of the climb."

— Winston Churchill

"Ignorant people think it is the noise which fighting cats make that is so aggravating, but it ain't so; it is the sickening grammar that they use."

— Mark Twain

"Correct spelling, indeed, is

one of the arts that are far more esteemed by schoolma'ams than by practical men, neck-deep in the heat and agony of the world."

— Henry Louis Mencken, "The American Language"

"The family seems to have two predominant functions: to provide warmth and love in time of need and to drive each other insane."

— Donald G. Smith

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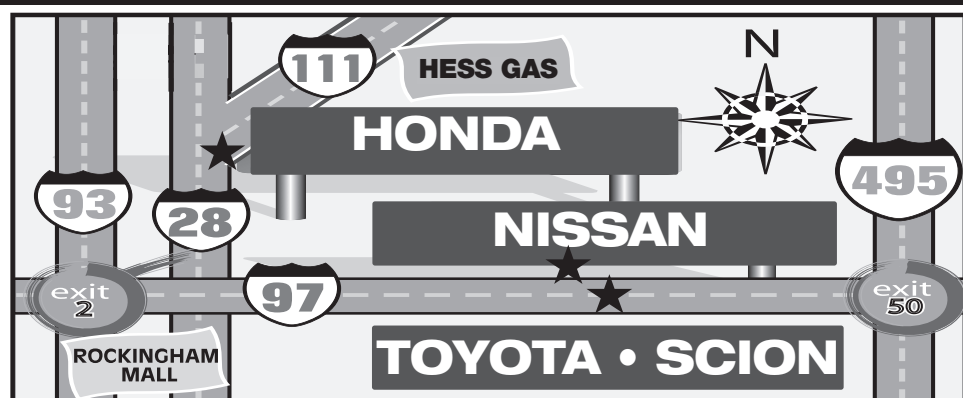
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FILE PHOTO

Nice weather in 2007 drew a sizable crowd to the annual July 4 pancake breakfast in the Park, at the corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets. This year, the breakfast will be dropped for financial reasons.

PARADE: Town opting for low-cost picnic

Continued from Page 1

selectmen chairman.

"It's always worth trying something different. I'm all for it, why not try it? We always get a good crowd there for the fireworks," said Teichert. "We'll have to see if selectmen can roll hot dogs instead of flipping pancakes. Some may need practice."

On average, about 1,000 people usually come to the pancake breakfast, said Donohue, and she expects the same turnout for the July 3 festivities this year. Details are still being worked out, but a hot-dog meal will probably run between \$3 and \$4 per person, she said.

Every person who purchases a hot-dog dinner on July 3 will receive a commemorative Fourth of July button. For decades, the buttons have been given to participants in the Horribles Parade, said Donohue, and some residents collect them.

The idea of charging a small fee for the buttons was a way to

keep the tradition alive despite lack of funding, said Donohue.

According to the "Andover Answers" information resource from Memorial Hall Library, Andover's Horribles Parade tradition dates back to the early 1800s. The tradition has waned and been revived several times through the years.

Although originally more an adult political event, featuring satire of officials, the contemporary Horribles Parade primarily features the children of Andover, who decorate doll carriages, strollers, bicycles and homemade floats in patriotic themes.

"There are a lot of people that look forward to the parade and being able to get pancakes. It will be missed," said Major, who noted the festivities will be on his birthday this year, July 3. "We'll take the feedback from this year, and play that into what our decision will be next year, and take a look at different alternatives of how to fund it."

Major said his favorite thing about July 4 in Andover was the pancake breakfast.

"I personally love it," he said. "It's the perfect start to the morning. Great, patriotic music (is playing), and everyone's in a great mood. We've just had the phenomenal fireworks the night before, and it's the perfect way to kick off, and the kids get excited for parade."

Due to the budget cuts, DCS would have been unable to provide the entertainment portion of the pancake breakfast and

parade this year, said Donohue. In past years, the parade has been led by a band and the breakfast has featured patriotic music, games for children, an organ grinder, dunk tank and Uncle Sam impersonator.

"Just to come out for pancakes without the surrounding holiday-themed entertainment would not be in the best interest... [you'd lose] the community feel," said Donohue. "We knew people would be meeting for fireworks (on July 3), so we decided to combine the events. We will have something nice offered by the town for fewer dollars. We said, 'Let's go to where the people are and give them a concert, and community meal.'"

The hot-dog picnic is less expensive to organize, said Donohue, because it requires less set-up time from staff and eliminates the need to rent tables and chairs.

The July 3 fireworks are paid for jointly by the town and the efforts of resident Jerry Silverman, who collects donations every year for the display.

"Many years ago, we had different tradition on Fourth, with all-day activities in the Park and a chicken barbecue and lobster bake. That ran its course, and we switched to pancakes. Now, we've had a very nice run with the pancakes, and maybe it's time to try something different," said Donohue. "It's good to have traditions, and good to create new ones."

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'Iron Brides' will test local woman's relationship mettle

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER



Kristy Marsh

"Iron Brides" sounds like a television show about female body builders tying the knot.

Instead, it's a new reality TV show where a bride's strength is measured by some pretty basic rules of marriage, like figuring out who will do the cooking and how to be a better partner.

An Andover bride-to-be is among the eight real-life brides vying for the show's top prize of \$9,000 in wedding package gifts.

She's Kristy Marsh, 31, who grew up in Andover, and graduated from Andover High School in 1996. She went on to Merrimack College and earned her master's degree from Lesley College. Now a third-grade teacher in Chelmsford, she plans to marry Colby Streeter in July 2010 at the Harding Allen Estate in Barre.

"This real life bride already knows a thing or two about budgets as the couple is remodeling a home in Rutland. She's living with her parents, Robert and Claudia Marsh of Andover, to save money before her wedding. "So to win would be a huge help to my budget," she said.

Marsh was spontaneously approached to audition for the TV reality show at a bridal expo. She was asked to submit a videotape to the producer, thinking she was a long shot for selection as she described herself as someone who would never be on a reality show. Much to her surprise, she made it.

She said the show offers brides a chance to gain confidence. That's why she decided to send the video.

"What I like about the show is that it seems more positive and not dramatic like most reality shows," she said. "It will be a good experience for me."

This is the second season for

the show, which airs on MY TV on Comcast (channel 18). Taping starts June 6 for this second season and continues through September. The show airs in October.

Bridezilla, it's not, as the hard

work needed for a successful marriage gets all the attention - not any weight gains by wedding attendants or other drama.

"It's not mean," George C. Jobel, executive producer of Iron Brides Productions of Nashua, N.H., said of the show. "It's a life-lessons focus where we talk about being a better companion and better partner."

"Marriage is not a simple question. It's a complicated decision and we want the girls to learn all about it," he said.

Contestants must meet regularly with a life coach, take part in group discussions about marriage, blog each week and keep a journal every day. In addition, contestants meet with a lawyer, a financial planner and personal trainer as making time for fitness should be part of everyone's daily routine, he said.

Last season, one Iron Bride called it quits before the wedding. Jobel said the couple both agreed with "their heads and hearts" it was the right thing to do. So, he believes the show is helpful to marrying couples.

Marsh hopes the show will teach her more about herself. She would like to learn more about cooking, picking vendors for her wedding and ballroom dancing, and wants to hear and share wedding tips with other contestants as each plans her big day.

"It will be quite an adventure," she said. "I'm excited."

Townspeople

For Memorial Day, cannon not the only focus

By NEIL FATER
STAFF WRITER

Residents greeted the unveiling of their refurbished icon, the Park's World War I trophy cannon, with obvious appreciation during Andover's Memorial Day program. Several people could be heard uttering "Wow" when the tarp covering it was removed.

But perhaps the most sustained applause came from a more unexpected moment.

After presenting Marine Christopher Laverty with a Global War on Terrorism Commemorative award, Veterans Director Michael Burke said he'd been informed that day that another resident was home from active duty. To resident Brian DeCourcy's surprise, DeCourcy was asked to come up and also receive a WOT Commemorative.

At Burke's urging, DeCourcy explained he was home on leave from Iraq where he is serving with the Coast Guard overseas.

Grand Marshall of the Memorial Day Parade and lifelong Andover resident David MacDonald was honored for his service during World War II. After enlisting in the Navy at 17, MacDonald became a "plank owner," or member of the first group to serve on the USS Yorktown. He was wounded in action in the Pacific and earned a Purple Heart.

"All told, he spent nine months in Navy hospitals attempting to recover from war wounds he would bear the rest of his life," Burke told the crowd assembled after the parade for the day's ceremony in the Park.

The audience offered applause for both MacDonald and his family members, who also were asked to stand by Burke.

Al Dusey, a member of the American Legion Post 8 Honor Guard and a World War II veteran whose first mission in the Air Corps occurred on Christmas Eve to help support the Battle of the Bulge, received the George Rice Harris Award.



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Greater Lawrence Technical School student Adolfo Acevedo, who helped research the history of the Andover field piece known as "the cannon," poses with Veterans Services Director Michael Burke.

Jim Bedford and Dave VanDooren received honors for their work finding people to repair the iconic cannon, and properly removing it and returning it to the Park, respectively.

Greater Lawrence Technical School student Adolfo Acevedo shared with the Memorial Day crowd some of the history of the so-called cannon. (It's actually a howitzer, which means it can fire at a much higher trajectory, an important attribute during World War I.)

The tidbit that seemed to stick with many people is that the howitzer could hit something 6 miles away, which Acevedo explained was like firing a blast from its home in the Park to the Texas Roadhouse on the Methuen/Salem, N.H. border.



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Marine Christopher Laverty salutes as he stands with his father Rich during the Memorial Day ceremony held at Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover.



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Veterans Jack Schwing, left, and David Adey, salute during the National Anthem at the Memorial Day ceremony held at Spring Grove Cemetery.



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The Andover High School marching band takes part in the Memorial Day program held Monday morning.



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Jim Bedford helps unveil the Park's refurbished and iconic cannon - actually a 105 mm World War I war-trophy howitzer - to the Memorial Day crowd. The cannon is now propped up so that the wheels can be rotated to lessen the wear and tear on them caused by New England weather conditions. For more about the so-called cannon, see the Townsman Web site, www.andovertownsmen.com.

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

May 14, 1909

Memories of the days immediately after the Civil War were revived here today by the unveiling of a monument to the memory of Captain Henry Wirz, keeper of Andersonville prison, who was hanged by federal authorities after the war. Speakers referred happily to the spirit of reunion and the common interest that has taken the place of the bitterness of the past.

Charged with making false returns by falsifying his figures on the cancellation of postage a West Kennebunk man was arrested and brought to this city. He furnished bail for his appearance at the June term of the United States District Court at Bangor.

May 11, 1934

The 123-acre farm of Joseph DomBowski on Argilla Road has been purchased by the Lithuanian National Church of Lawrence for the Purpose of Maintaining a home for the aged members of the parish and also supplying needy families of the church with farm products. Rev. Michael Valadka, pastor of the church, was the leading factor in negotiating the sale.

Stafford A. Lidnesday was named president of the Shawheen Parent-Teacher Association at the annual meeting held Wednesday evening in the school hall. The retiring president, Mrs. Frederick C. Smith in her closing speech reviewed some of the most important events during her administration.

May 14, 1959

An effort will be made by the selectmen to have a school bus to alleviate the children's pedestrian problems on Beacon Street. Residents of the street appeared before the Selectman Monday night to present their case for preventing truck traffic along the street, where there are no sidewalks.

Little Judy Holland was found asleep in the woods on Blanchard Street just after 6 o'clock, ending an afternoon-long search. Judy, 5, walked off into the woods shortly after 12 o'clock, when she got off the bus from west middle school.

May 10, 1984

They have delivered a baby on an Andover sidewalk, revived persons thought to be dead after automobile accidents and rescued painters after a 50-foot fall but for Andover's emergency medical technicians it's all in a days work. The emergency medical training that is now mandatory for Andover's firefighters.

Fifteen Delegates from the South Church, including five young people, departed Monday for a mission's journey to the highlands and jungles of Peru. They were commissioned during a special Worship Service Sunday night, the final event in a 10-day missions conference at the church. They are spending three days in Lima visiting Church World Service Missions before going to the Andes Mountains.

Favorites in time: A school, a delicacy, a committed priest

By Bill Dalton



George Connors, Baron's oldest son, adds information about Indian Ridge School on Cuba Street. ("Baron" Connors was a legendary

Townie. His nickname came from his professional wrestling days.) The Connors family lived next to the school. George, and his brother, Barry, went there until it closed in 1952.

George says, "Of all the schools I went to (and believe me I went to many) it provided the best education. The school being so small, you received special attention and participated in everything. I was a

patrol leader, in the Christmas Play, in the minstrel show, and represented the school in the town spelling bee. We went on field trips and picnics and had parties for every reason under the sun. We walked from Cuba Street to the Little Brown Jug for the farewell closing of Indian Ridge. It was the 'school of schools.'"

George now lives in Aspen, Colo.

The Little Brown Jug that George mentions was a favorite of many, although it existed only for a few years, closing in 1956. I asked Maury Shea to describe the inside of "the Jug." He says, "The entrance was on the left side of the building. There was a counter to your left as you entered and the kitchen was in back - it was small. Past the counter were a few booths - not many. We rarely sat in a booth unless we were with

dates. It was cozy."

Fiddlehead season is passing. If you've never eaten fiddleheads, you should. I think they taste a little like lobster, only more subtle. My wife says they taste more like artichoke hearts. They're cut from ostrich ferns and are found in early spring. Most all ferns grow fiddlehead-shaped fronds, but only those from the ostrich fern is a delicacy. They have a brown, scaly hood when very young, and that's when they should be cut.

They're called "fiddleheads" because their coiled shape looks like a fiddle's head.

If you are picking them yourself, be careful; some ferns can make you sick. (It's always a good idea to spit out anything that tastes real bad, Mother Nature's trying to tell you something.) Even the ostrich fern

has to be washed in a bowl until you get water with only green matter in it. You should cut less than half the fiddleheads off the fern, so you don't destroy the plant. You only eat the heads. Most people keep fiddlehead locations secret.

We boil and saute them. Be careful not to over-boil; you don't want them mushy. I'd always heard fiddleheads couldn't be cultivated, but this year cultivated fiddleheads are in the market. We bought some yesterday, and I'm eating them now. The taste is milder than those from the wild, but the cultivated fiddleheads have good tooth and fine flavor. Although some folks put them on toast, I think fiddleheads should be eaten all by themselves, so you can concentrate on the taste.

I close on an interesting and sad historical note. I've

mentioned that during the 1918-19 Influenza Epidemic the Andover Board of Health closed the movie theater and Memorial Hall Library. Tom Garvey sent information from the 1918 Andover Annals of the Sisters of Notre Dame: "The dreaded influenza made its way from the congested city districts to the little country town and precaution closed our school doors [St. Augustine School] on September 28. The Sisters volunteered to nurse the plague-stricken and two went out for three hours daily. The Board of Health forbade indoor church services. Father John Nugent, O.S.A., the Pastor, celebrated outdoor Mass at which the Sisters were present. It was an inspiring sight to see so many of the faithful kneeling and standing around the altar in silent, reverent adoration of their God."

The annals then speak of the

Rev. Daniel Fogarty, a priest at St. Augustine Church, beginning with a quote from the Gospel, "Greater love than this no man hath than that he lay down his life for his friend." In the heart of the Reverend Daniel Fogarty, O.S.A. this great love was found. During the time of pestilence, he labored among the people not only as a devoted priest, but as a servant to all. Entirely forgetful of self, he performed tasks both menial and strength-taxing until he himself contracted the disease." Daniel Fogarty died when he was only 34 years old.

Bill Dalton writes a weekly column for the Townsman. People can leave comments on the Web site at www.andovertownsmen.com. He welcomes your e-mails at billdalton@andovertownsmen.com

■ MAY BIRTHDAYS



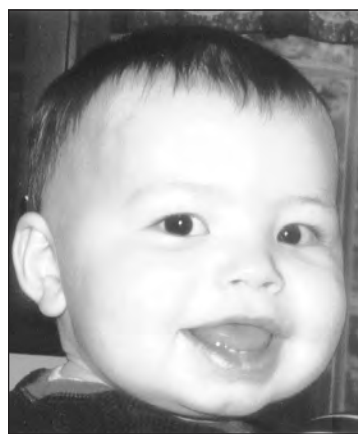
Emma Elizabeth Denoncourt
Emma Elizabeth Denoncourt celebrated her first birthday on May 6. She is the daughter of Jim and Kim Denoncourt of Salem, N.H. Grandparents are Bill and Connie Denoncourt of Andover and Frankie and Laurie Gauthier of Florida. Great-grandparents are Omer and Rita Moreau of Lowell. Emma loves to play with her big brother, Tyler, 8.



Thomas Charles Enman
Thomas Charles Enman celebrated his first birthday on May 1. He is the son of Andrea (Biondo) and Charles Enman of Andover. Grandparents are Barbara Biondo of North Andover and the late John J. Biondo, and George and Jane Enman of Waldoboro, Maine. Great-grandparents are Rose and Milton Burke of Andover and Nelly Kershaw of Waldoboro, Maine. "Thomas is such a fun and happy little boy. He loves going for walks outside, swinging on his swing and pointing to all of the animals in his many books. He is always giggling and laughing, especially when his older brother John, 2 1/2, who he adores, is anywhere near him," according to his family.



Gregory Thomas Guckenburg
Gregory Thomas Guckenburg, son of Sarah (Witham) and Alex Guckenburg of Newburyport, celebrated his first birthday on May 25. He is the grandson of Sue and Tom Witham of Andover and the nephew of T.J. Witham of New York City. Gregory is a happy little guy who loves to giggle, and has brought great joy to his family, they said.



Jackson Lewis Fuller
Jackson Lewis Fuller celebrated his first birthday on May 17. He is the son of Jeffrey and Colleen (Murnane) Fuller. Grandparents are Michael and Marcia Murnane of Andover, Jeanne Fuller of Hampton, N.H., and Jerome Fuller of Boston. Great-grandparents are James MacMillan of Andover, and Clara Boone of St. Petersburg, Fla. Jackson loves music and dancing and is always on the go. He also enjoys playing with his cousins, Abby, Brendan, Tres, Jordan and Jaeda.



Tyler D. Mondejar
Tyler D. Mondejar turned 1 on May 12. He celebrated this milestone in style at Ballardvale playground with his big sister, Claire, 6 and big brother, Bret, 4 as well as his 12 cousins and many close friends. Tyler loves to explore and is happiest on the go. Proud parents are Meredith and Brandon Mondejar.



Taylor Ryan McGrath
Taylor Ryan McGrath celebrates her first birthday today, May 28. She is the daughter of Kelly (Young) and Daniel McGrath of Windham, N.H. Grandparents are Judy and Fred Young of Salem, N.H., formerly of Andover, and Michelina McGrath of Malden. Great-grandmother is Carmela Young of Wakefield. Taylor enjoys playing with her sister, Ava, 4, and brother, Connor, 3.

Scouts help out Neighbors in Need



Andover girls in Girl Scout Troop 494 recently volunteered to help sort and stock crates for the Neighbors in Need organization. Helping out were, row 1, from left, Lucia Smithson, Caroline Brink, Shiobhan Kindlan, Erika Merrill and Julianna Temple; and row 2, from left, Kira Hudkins, Maggie Norris, Caroline Healy, Julianne Teichert and Andara Katong.

■ SENIOR NOTES

By PAT BECKER
ANDOVER SENIOR CENTER

Exercise Classes: Our summer semester of exercise classes will get underway next week. Classes will be offered in low impact aerobics, off road Nordic walking, tai chi, men in motion, modified yoga, tap dancing, strength training & water workout. The 12-week summer semester will run from June 1 through Aug. 21. Please call the center for class schedules and costs. Reiki and chair massage therapies are also available by appointment.

"Dr. Fix-It": Friday, June 5, 9:30 a.m.; no charge; advance reservations, please; Come join us for a continental breakfast and a most informative program. Statistics show that 90 percent of us want to stay in our own homes as we age. Bob Bakst, owner of "Dr.

Fix-It", will explain how existing homes can be modified to safely achieve this goal. Designated as a certified Aging In Place Specialist by the National Association Of Home Builders, Bob has been trained to provide supportive home improvement services that promote independent living for seniors. Come learn about modification solutions that promote independent living with comfort, safety and dignity.

"The Survey Of Western Architecture": Monday, June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29; 1:30 p.m., \$25 pre-registration necessary; This five session course is a collaboration with the Explorers Lifelong Learning Institute at Salem State College. Come learn how Western architecture began with innovative solutions to structural problems. This fascinating survey course will begin with the Egyptians, continue to

examine changes through different historical periods as culture and society demanded adornment and generated thousands of examples including Trinity Church in Boston, and end with examples of modern architecture. Instructor: Monty Morris
Steak Night: Come join us on Wednesday, June 10 at 6 p.m. for steak night. \$10, advance tickets only. Our dinner menu will be fresh fruit cup, salad, rolls, steak tips, baked potato, fresh grilled veggies and beverages. After dinner, stay and watch the Red Sox take on the Yankees on our new large screen tv. Coffee and desserts will be available during the game. If you're not into sports then bring your game boards or a deck of cards and enjoy a night out.

Tai Chi: Four session class

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meeting on Thursday, June 4, 11, 18 and 25, \$16. Tai chi is a low impact, mind-body exercise practiced for health by millions of people of all ages. Because consistent practice has been recognized to have positive effects on several physical ailments, including balance issues, it has been recommended as a beneficial exercise system for seniors. This introductory course combines gentle warm-up and relaxation techniques with the slow flowing postures of Yang style tai chi to actively engage body and mind for better balance, increased flexibility and more energy.

Joint Replacement Forum: Friday, June 12, 9:30 a.m., pre-registration appreciated; Our presenter will be Neil Washington, a physical therapist from Northeast Rehab. The focus of his talk will be how improved fitness and education prior to replacement, as well as appropriate rehab following surgery, can greatly improve outcomes. If there's a

joint replacement in your future, then come hear how this total approach can help you better prepare for and recover from joint replacement surgery.

Sleep Well Workshop, "Say Goodnight To Insomnia": Tuesday, June 2 and 9; pre-registration necessary; \$10. Nearly 50 million Americans suffer from sleep problems. The focus of this two part workshop will be to learn some interesting and proven techniques including meditation, relaxation, visualization, stress-reduction and neuro-linguistic programming that will enable us to improve our "sleepability". Presenter will be Martha Erdem, R.N., member of the National Sleep Foundation.

Outdoor Adventures For Women: Shawsheen River; Monday, June 8. Hike and lunch option; pre-registration is necessary. Meet at the center at 9 a.m. and join us for a beautiful hike along the Shawsheen River from the Horn Bridge to the Ballardvale Dam and back to the Andover Deli and Pizzeria. The woodlands and river combine for beautiful

viewing, and we'll hike 4 to 5 miles along a basically flat trail. A walking stick & hiking boots are needed due to probable wet conditions and the narrow trail which is adjacent to the river. The hike will end by 12 noon and lunch optional by 1 p.m.

Movie Matinee: Monday, June 15, 1 p.m.. "Nights In Rodanthe". Adapted from Nicholas Spark's popular novel, director George C. Wolfe's "Night in Rodanthe" tells the tale of a doctor Richard Ger en route to reconcile with his estranged son. His mission is sidelined when he checks into an inn at a North Carolina beach town and enters into a relationship with an interesting woman played by Diane Lane.

Reiki Therapy: Friday June 12 and Friday, June 26, by appointment. Reiki therapy is a gentle method of hands on healing that was developed two centuries ago in Japan. Reiki mainly works around the idea of relaxing patients to relieve pain and stress. Reiki can also be focus on specific areas of pain. Due to

supplemental temporary funding, the cost of our 1/2 treatments will be \$10. Call Pat at the senior center if you would like to schedule an appointment.

Fix-It Shop: Monday, June 8, 1:30 p.m.; Our fix-it volunteers will be happy to take a look at any small household item or appliance in need of repair. Cost is \$4 plus parts for seniors ID required.

Travel Memories in Pictures and Words: Tuesday, June 23 and Friday, June 26, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. This two part workshop will focus on recording and communicating your travels or vacation with photographs and words. The first session will look at image composition, editing and presentation. The second session will look at writing interesting journals, e-mails or blogs during

the trip. The combination of photography and writing lends itself to scrapbook or photobook treatment after the trip.

"Taking Control Of Your Future: A Legal Check-up For Retirees": Friday, June 26, 9:30 a.m.; no charge but pre-registration is appreciated. Attorney Robert Ford will be here for a discussion and update of important legal issues affecting retirees including maintaining up to date documents, estate planning instruments and long term care issues. Come with your questions.

MVRTA Presentation: Thursday, June 25, 1:30 p.m. The senior center will host representatives from the MVRTA to answer any questions you might have on the MVRTA's EZ Trans and Ring

and Ride service for seniors and disabled residents of Andover. There will be a short presentation followed by a question and answer session. Applications and brochures will be available as well. Pre-registration would be appreciated.

Gluten-Free Cooking: Tuesday, June 30, 1:30 p.m. \$5. Wheat free entrees and desserts can still be on your menus. Bring a little appetite and come taste without worry. This workshop will be appropriate for those with celiac disease or anyone wishing to learn more about gluten free eating and cooking. Frank, our senior center chef, will show you how you can still have a broad and appealing selection of food in your diet.



Punchard High class of 1948.

Punchard Class of 1948 meets

The 60th reunion of the Punchard High School Class of 1948 was held on April 17 at Angelica's Restaurant in Middleton. Members traveled from as far away as Florida to attend the party.

Pictured, seated, from left are Donald Porter, Joanne York,

Ella Richards Riley, Audrey Tompkins Provenal, Bernice Bryant Downs, Jenny Giovinco Lloyd, Elaine McLellan Batcheller and Marilyn McKay Gillen.

Standing, from left, are Vincent Davey, John Pingree, Barry Grecoe, Laurence Marocco,

John Yancy, Leo Bernard, Hil-damay Cargill Clements, Rita Groleau Carrier, Arlene Stevens Coon, Walter Lloyd and Marjorie Harshaw Robie.

Also attending the party but not in the picture were Fred Davidiet, Catherine Grudzinski and Dorothy Keith Gordon.



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FOR WEEK OF MAY 24-30, 2009

Don't play with lightning

You see a little flash of light. You hear a low, distant rumble of sound. You know what is coming: a spring storm.

You may think, "I've still got time to play outside."

"I can stay in the pool a little longer."

"I bet we can get in another inning."

Wrong! Lighting is one of the most dangerous parts of any thunderstorm.

Most people don't take lightning seriously. However, it's a bigger threat than you might realize. Across the United States, lightning kills about 70 people per year.

Lightning can carry millions of volts of electricity. It can travel over 100,000 miles per second. Lighting can heat up to 50,000 degrees, hotter than the surface of the sun.

What is lightning?

Lightning is electricity created when tiny particles in the atmosphere come together at a very great speed.

As a thunderstorm moves, the air bumps and swirls around. This movement separates the negative electrons from the atoms, turning the atoms into positive ions. The particles build up to great levels.

However, the positive ions and negative electrons don't like to be separated. Eventually, the particles come together with a blinding, white-hot flash of lightning!

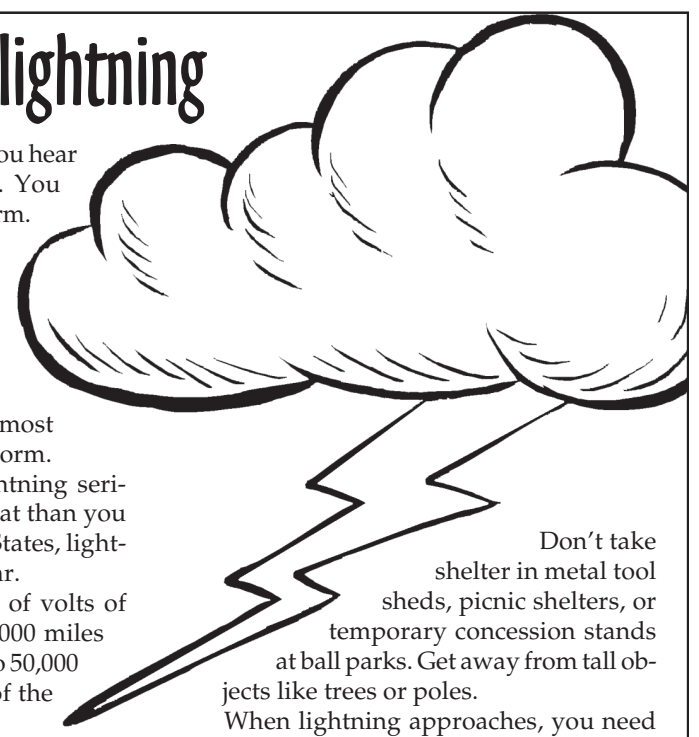
When lightning rips through and superheats the air, it creates shock waves that we hear as thunder.

Have you ever scuffed your feet across a carpeted floor, especially on a dry, cold day? Then, you touch something and get a shock. Your movement causes static electricity. That little shock is a small demonstration of what happens in a thunderstorm.

Lightning safety

When you see lightning or hear thunder, go inside a sturdy house or building, or get into your car.

If you are inside a car, don't touch metal parts. The lightning will strike the metal exterior of the car and travel along it to the ground.



Don't take shelter in metal tool sheds, picnic shelters, or temporary concession stands at ball parks. Get away from tall objects like trees or poles.

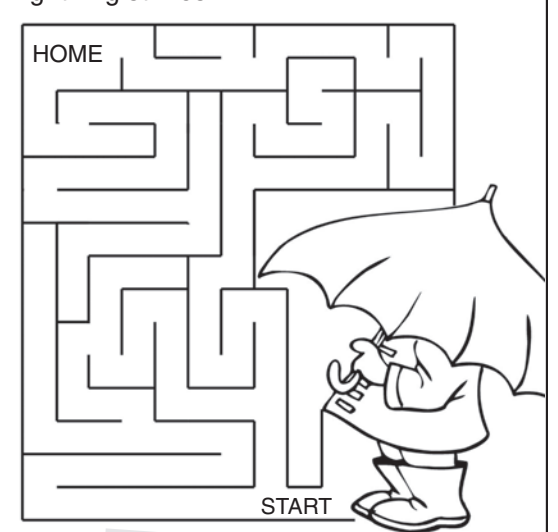
When lightning approaches, you need to be inside. Don't use the telephone or take a shower or bath, because lightning can travel along telephone and water lines.

How can you know if you're about to be struck by lightning? Your hair may stand on end or your skin may tingle.

If this happens when you're outside, immediately squat down into a baseball catcher's position. Try to remain on your toes with as little of your body touching the ground as possible.

Be safe. Don't mess with lightning!

Maze Help the child get home before lightning strikes



Newspaper in Education Activity

To safely experience a hair-raising event, rub a large balloon on top of your head. Slowly pull it away. You'll feel your hair standing on end! You can also do this by rubbing a piece of newspaper against your head. Read your newspaper and look for stories about the weather.



Education

Lesson learned: Listen to your mother-in-law

By ERNIE GREENSLADE
NORTHERN ESSEX



John Priest

It's a good thing John Priest of Andover listens to his mother-in-law. As a result, he now has a new career in health care he says he loves and soon will start a new job with the Boston Medical Center.

A couple of years ago, when he was exploring career options, his mother-in-law, Debbie Boettcher, an emergency room nurse and longtime resident of Andover who recently moved south, advised him to consider a career in health care.

On Saturday, May 16, he graduated with high honors and an associate degree in respiratory therapy from Northern Essex Community College. He was recently hired as a respiratory therapist at the Boston Medical Center.

"It's always busy, always changing, and there's always something to learn," said Priest, quick to credit Boettcher with providing the inspiration for his career choice.

After graduating from high school in 1998, Priest attended Southern Connecticut State University where he played baseball and majored in exercise science. He left college three semesters shy of earning his bachelor's degree and began working in the baseball industry, helping minor and major league baseball players to develop training programs and select equipment.

The work was exciting but somewhat seasonal, which led Priest to explore new options that would provide more stability.

When his mother-in-law suggested health care, Priest was intrigued.

As an undergraduate, he had already taken some of the courses that were pre-requisites for entrance to health-care programs, such as anatomy and physiology, so had a head start.

After one year in the program, Priest was hired by Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell to work with his student license.

He found he enjoyed working with his patients who were coping with a variety of respiratory conditions, such as asthma, pneumonia and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

When he starts his job at Boston Medical Center, he will care for patients in the intensive care unit and the emergency room.

A college degree and new career are not the only milestones that Priest and his wife Kimberly have celebrated recently. On April 25, the couple welcomed their first child, a daughter named Taylor Rae Priest.

Methuen-raised, former Miss USA Susie Castillo was the featured speaker at Priest's May 16 commencement. Now Los Angeles-based, Castillo is an actress who recently wrote the book "Confidence is Queen: The Four Keys to Ultimate Beauty through Positive Thinking," published by Penguin Group last July.

The student speaker, Diannely Antigua of Haverhill, who

NEW NECC GRADUATES

Andover graduates included:
Kayla M. Burke, Certificate in Medical Assistant with Honors
Nicole A. Castle, Certificate in Medical Assistant
Kristine E. Cunningham, Associate in Science, Radiologic Technology with High Honors
Laurie E. Dynes, Certificate in Dental Assisting
David W. Froburg, Associate in Science, Criminal Justice
Kane D. Guthrie, Associate in Arts, General Studies
Lan He, Associate in Science, Nursing with Honors
Meghan C. Hill, Associate in Science, Elementary Education
Robert E. Jennings, Associate in Science, Computer Information Sciences: Applications Option
Mischa M. Kossodo, Associate in Arts, Liberal Arts: Biology Option with Honors
Tanya P. Lombardo, Associate in Science, Nursing with Honors
Meghan C. Lozowski, Associate in Arts, General Studies
Jennifer A. Luber, Certificate in Information Technology Fluency with High Honors
Patrick J. McDaniel, Certificate in Law Enforcement with Honors
Patrick J. McDaniel, Associate in Science Criminal Justice with Honors
George E. Montgomery, Certificate in Alcohol/Drug Abuse Counseling with High Honors
Beverly J. Nolle, Associate in Science, Early Childhood Education with Honors
John R. Priest, Associate in Science, Respiratory Care with High Honors
Victoria Roark, Certificate in Dance Education with High Honors
Cristina M. Santiago, Certificate in Paralegal Studies with High Honors
Theresa Sheehan-Smith, Associate in Science, Nursing with High Honors
Linn W. Spitzer, Certificate in Medical Assistant with Honors
Quincy H. Torres, Associate in Science, Criminal Justice
John J. Zimmer, Associate in Science, Business Transfer with Honors

graduated with a perfect 4.0 average and an associate degree in liberal arts, is now enrolled at UMass Lowell where she is majoring in English and Spanish with plans to eventually become a writer and teacher.

A highlight of the commencement ceremony was the awarding of emeritus status to five retired NECC professors and staff members.

At Northern Essex, the rank of emeritus is an honor that recognizes sustained excellence in performance, character, and meritorious service to the college.

Emeriti recipients include Priscilla Bellairs of Newburyport, professor emerita of English; Patricia McDermott of Newburyport, assistant dean emerita of developmental studies, Gerard Morin of Belmont, professor emeritus of history & computer technology, Paulette Redmond of Salem, N.H., professor emerita of mathematics, and Mary Roche of Haverhill, coordinator emerita of the reading center.

Elaine Barker of Haverhill, the owner of Paper Potpourri, received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the college's Alumni Association based on her career success and many contributions to the college and the community.

Bill Drummond, Andover's own 'Mr. Chips,' retiring

By Ken Seifert



Bill Drummond

One of my favorite movies is "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" starring Robert Donat. The setting is a boarding school in England. For

half a century, Mr. Chips was an educator in one school. He loved his students. He loved his school. As each new class enrolled, he knew the future they would face and did his very best to prepare them for such uncertainty. He also knew what they were thinking and how they felt.

Officially, when the school bell rings to end the 2008-09 school year, Andover High will say goodbye to our Mr. Chips, Mr. Bill Drummond. He is also

another character from literature, Uncas, Last of the Mohicans. He is the sole remaining teacher who was in the Andover Public Schools when I arrived in 1969.

Can you imagine the student changes he has witnessed from 1969 to 2009? In all of those years he has always been Mr. Drummond.

He could always tell you the dances of the day, what music and movies the students preferred, what clothes were in, and how well all of the athletic teams were doing. He was active in clubs, and student social causes. In late autumn, he would fight the elements in Al Ratelle's tree bucket and relay plays to Mr. Collins during Friday night football games. So did Mr. Hixon and Paul Hopkins. He announced athletic events.

In the classroom, his students were attentive. On rare occasions when some students had

fallen asleep with their eyes open, he would walk to the back of the room and hurl the eraser at the blackboard. My daughter Kim, who was fortunate to have him as a teacher, said the students loved his approach. When the students were progressing well, he would have special Fridays. This was a time to discuss a variety of topics sometimes related to math. I enjoyed his invitation to discuss probability and my experience living in Las Vegas.

He is one of the foremost authorities on birds. He can recognize every bird in the Western Hemisphere. When we arrived in New England, my wife, Norma, adopted the hobby of bird watching. On one occasion she spent almost two days plowing through bird books to identify a bird she has seen. Mr. Drummond told Kim to have her give him four characteristics. The next day, between classes, Kim gave him

the scrap paper with that information and in two seconds he identified the bird as an indigo bunting. He saved Norma hours of further research.

I suppose what I admire about him is that he is one of the most low-profile overachievers I have seen. If something needs to be done, he does it and moves on to the next order of business. In the parade of life, you will not see him at the head of the line waving, but rather marching alongside the band seeing that they step proudly and assisting as the need arises.

Mr. Drummond, how honored I was to work with you. I thank you for being yourself and the role model you provided. You're better than Robert Donat. He acted the part, you lived it.

Ken Seifert is a 40-year town resident and former Andover superintendent of schools who writes about education and raising children.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Students such as Stephen Hutchins and Chris McCarthy of Andover listen to stories from retired Andover teacher George Walsh, as they explore Central Street.

Hands-on history at St. Augustine

Students from St. Augustine School were transported back to the 1800s last week during a class field trip to The Amos Blanchard House, the downtown museum operated by the Andover Historical Society. Students dressed in colonial skirts and aprons and practiced firsthand the daily duties of a middle-class person living in the early 19th century.

"It was great watching my fifth-grade class search for chicken eggs in the barn, roll out bookmarks using an old printing press, and eagerly participate in a bucket brigade," said teacher Karen Landers. Landers brings her history class to the Historical Society every spring.

"We love the personable and informative museum guides and the unique hands on opportunity they provide our students."

Karen Landers, teacher
St. Augustine School

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The Andover Historical Society was founded in 1911 and offers free educational programs

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Andover fifth-graders Joseph Straceski and Ji-Young Seo enjoy participating in a lively bucket brigade at the Andover Historical Society.

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■ ON CAMPUS

Conlin P. O'Neil has received a doctor of science degree in biomedical engineering from the Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne. He is a graduate of St. John's Prep and the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and is the son of Fran and Pat O'Neil of Andover. He is pursuing post doctoral research at the university and resides in Switzerland with his wife, Dena, and son, Sam.

Andover High School graduate Joseph Abisso has been named a University Honors Scholar at New York University. He earned this distinction by maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher, in addition to fulfilling the requirements of the Tisch School of the Arts. He will be graduating from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts with a BFA in Film and Television. He is the son of Stephen and Kathy Abisso, and he graduated from AHS in 2005.

The following area students enrolled at Syracuse University were named to the dean's list for their respective school or college for the fall 2008 semester.

Unless otherwise noted, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale during the semester to qualify for their school or college's dean's list.

Students listed twice are dual majors within their respective colleges.

College of Arts and Sciences
Erin Korte, majoring in political science

Michael Nickerson, majoring in pre-medicine

Tarek Zatet, majoring in international relations

College of Human Ecology
Christine Cronin, majoring in sport management

College of Visual and Performing Arts
Catherine Charlebois, majoring in musical theater

David Silberstein, majoring in communication and rhetorical studies

Gabrielle Traub, majoring in voice

Amanda Trerotola, majoring

in computer art
Martin J. Whitman School of Management

Emily Barker, majoring in marketing management

Caryn Espy, majoring in retail and supply chain management

Corey Psoinos, majoring in management

S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications
Paolina Josephson, majoring in advertising

School of Information Studies

Area students named to dean's list at Middlesex Community College

The following Andover residents were named to the dean's list at Middlesex Community College for the fall 2008 semester: Andrew D. Anketell, David V. Bradley, Richard B. Coelho, Jun Lu, Catherine A. Mazzuchi, Adam T. McCabe, David J. Nader, Susana E. Romo, Margarita Ruiz, Edward G. Sawyer III, Robin P. Vella, and Dahui Wang.

All students carrying 12 credit hours or more who earn a 3.20 grade-point average or higher in any semester without D, F, I or IP grades, shall be acknowledged by inclusion on the Middlesex Community College dean's list.

The following Andover student enrolled at Virginia Tech were named to the dean's list for the fall 2008 semester.

Colin U. Ng, a freshman majoring in general engineering in the College of Engineering.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must attempt at least 12 credit hours graded on the A-F option and earn a 3.4 grade point average on a 4.0 scale during the semester.

Founded in 1872 as a land-grant college, Virginia Tech is the most comprehensive university in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Area resident inducted as member of Golden Key International Honour Society.

Gabrielle Traub of Andover, a sophomore voice major in the College of Visual and Performing Arts, was accepted as a member of the Syracuse University

Golden Key International Honour Society. The Syracuse University chapter, chartered in 1989, includes hundreds of members and honorary members on the campus.

Golden Key International Honour Society is a nonprofit organization comprised of 345 chapters located in the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Canada, Australia and Malaysia. The society recognizes and encourages commitment to academic excellence. Membership is by invitation only; students must rank in the top 15 percent of the junior or senior class, top 10 percent of the sophomore, or have a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale as a graduate student. Golden Key is a prestigious, interdisciplinary organization recognized by major corporations and graduate programs around the country. The organization sponsors scholarships and hosts service events throughout the academic year.

The following Andover students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2008 semester at Washington University in St. Louis:

Allison Butler, is enrolled in the university's college of Architecture in the Sam Fox School of Design and Visual Arts.

To qualify for the dean's list in the College of Architecture, students must earn a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or above and be enrolled in at least 14 graded units.

Ellen Cody, is enrolled in the university's college of Art and Sciences.

To qualify for the dean's list in Arts and Sciences, students must earn a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or above and be enrolled in at least 14 graded units.

Christine Nigh, is enrolled in the university's college of Art in the Sam Fox School of Design and Visual Arts.

To qualify for the dean's list in the College of Art, students must earn a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or above and have full-time standing with the

university.
Matthew Skinner, is enrolled in the university's school of Engineering and Applied Science.

To qualify for the dean's list in the School of Engineering, students must earn a semester grade-point average of 3.60 or above and be enrolled in at least 12 graded units.

Washington University is counted among the world's leaders in teaching and research, and it draws students and faculty to St. Louis from all 50 states and more than 125 countries.

More than 13,500 undergraduate, graduate and professional students enroll each year.

The university's 3,140 faculty teach in seven schools: Arts and Sciences, Olin Business School, Sam Fox School of Design and Visual Arts, School of Engineering and Applied Science, School of Law, School of Medicine and George Warren Brown School of Social Work.

Twenty-two Nobel laureates have been associated with Washington University, with nine doing the major

portion of their pioneering research here.

The university offers more than 90 programs and almost 1,500 courses leading to bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in a broad spectrum of traditional and interdisciplinary fields, with additional opportunities for minor concentrations and individualized programs.

Babson College announces the following Andover residents qualified for the fall semester dean's list, which recognizes outstanding student scholarship:

John Alexander Chartier, sophomore

Jessica Huang, junior

Rachel Marie Licciardi, freshman

Katherine Nichols, senior

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The following Andover students were named to the dean's list at Suffolk University in Boston for the fall semester of the 2008-09 academic year:

Heather Maloney, Alexandru Pisc, Natalie Pinta, Olivia Daher, Jaime Morocco, Troy Isenhardt, Andrew Ciampa, Allison Ryans, Justin Malins, Zachariah Zatet, Zachary Lebowitz, Andrew Brickley and Samuel Spector.

Amanda Chomicz, a senior at Wheaton College in Norton, has been named to the fall 2008 dean's list for outstanding achievement. She has achieved dean's list status for the last seven consecutive semesters. She is the daughter of Brenda and Steven Chomicz.

Matthew Moschitto of Andover was named to the dean's list at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, as a result of his scholastic standing during the fall semester of the 2008-09 academic year. Moschitto, a chemistry major, is a 2007 graduate of Lawrence Academy. He is the son of Linda and Larry Moschitto of Andover.

Colby-Sawyer College has named the following Andover students to the dean's list for academic achievement during the 2008 fall semester:

Molly Travis Prudden, class of 2012, majoring in child development

Chloe Rose Sempere, class of 2011, majoring in studio art

To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve a grade-point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.0 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours in graded courses.

Colby-Sawyer, founded in 1837, is a comprehensive liberal arts college located in the scenic Lake Sunapee Region of central New Hampshire that integrates the liberal arts and sciences with pre-professional experience, it says.

HISTORY: Students get splash of the 1800s

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used by many of the Andover public and private schools.

Exploration club

Some students continue their exploration of history after school. From crossing the tracks of the Andover train station to brushing back grass concealing gravestone epitaphs, students in the private school's Outdoor Exploration Club are bringing local history back to life.

The club meets weekly after school and its destinations have included historic stops like the America House near Phillips Academy where the song "America" was composed, and Christ Church Cemetery where Andover war veterans from as far back as the 1700s are remembered.

Co-founded by teachers Mary Ferguson and Landers, the outdoor club has gained popularity for both its athletic excitement and historic intrigue, said Landers.

The real draw to the club, however, she said, has been local history expert George Walsh, a retired Andover teacher who joins the group weekly to lead expeditions and provide commentary.

Together students climbed to the top level of the Memorial Hall Library to see the chiseled names of Andover citizens who served in the Civil War.

They also traversed busy Main Street to the Park to read memorials dedicated to veterans of the Korean War and World Wars I and II.

"Mr. Walsh is an inspiration," said Landers, admiring his ability to connect with the club of fourth- and fifth-grade students. "He knows essentially everything about the rich history of Andover and really brings it to life for these kids."

Walsh was a teacher in the Andover Public School system for 38 years before retiring.

He grew up in Ballardvale and volunteers as a substitute teacher at St. Augustine School, where he enjoys seeing two of his granddaughters in the hallways.

■ SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Here is what's for lunch in the Andover public schools, June 1-5:

Elementary schools

Monday: Popcorn chicken, dinner roll, bagel with yogurt or cheese stick, grilled cheese and pretzels, buttered noodles, seasoned veggies and mixed fruit.

Tuesday: French toast, blueberries and cream, sausage or turkey bacon, cheese quesadilla, nachos and salsa, potato wedges, applesauce cake and orange juice.

Wednesday: Pasta with meat or marinara sauce, garlic bread, grilled chicken with lettuce and tomato on a roll, side of pasta salad, garden salad, fruited jello with topping and fresh fruit.

Thursday: "Rib-A-Q" and roll, grilled ham and cheese, greek salad, bread stick, BBQ baked

beans, veggie sticks with dip, juice cup and fresh fruit.

Friday: Cheese or pepperoni french bread pizza, tuna salad pocket with chips, steamed broccoli and cheese, warm peaches and cinnamon and juice.

Middle schools

Monday: Chicken fajitas, spanish rice, grilled hotdog on a roll, black bean salad, kernel corn and fruit cup.

Tuesday: Cheese or pepperoni french bread pizza, chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, grilled cheese, sunchips, garden salad, steamed veggies and fruit cup.

Wednesday: Rotini with meat or marinara sauce, garlic bread, pulled pork on a bulky roll, pasta salad, garden salad, fresh fruit and juice.

Thursday: Lemon pepper chicken breast on a bulky roll

with lettuce and tomato, nachos with beef, cheese and toppings, cheese or pepperoni pan pizza, broccoli salad, fresh melon and juice.

Friday: Cheddar burger on a roll, chicken-and-cheese quesadilla, chicken caesar salad, bread stick, baked fries, pudding and topping and juice.

Andover High School

Monday: Grilled teriyaki chicken, rice pilaf, steamed broccoli with cheese sauce and chilled fruit.

Tuesday: Roast pork dinner, seasoned carrots, mashed potatoes, dinner roll and fresh fruit.

Wednesday: Oven barbecue chicken, corn on the cob, cole slaw, biscuit and watermelon.

Thursday: American chop suey, garlic bread, green beans and jello with topping.

Friday: Ultimate nachos with beef, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, spanish rice, whole kernel corn and chilled fruit.

Also available a la carte daily at the elementary and middle schools: bottled water and 100 percent juice; low-fat ice cream and yogurt; bagel with light cream cheese; yogurt; fresh fruit of the season and milk. At Andover High School there is a wrap/deli bar with sandwiches made to order with favorite toppings, plus a daily sandwich offering, daily specials, and panini specials.

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Sports

TRACK STAR MARTIN RACES TO MEDICAL CAREER

By DAVID WILLIS
Staff Writer

LOWELL — Andover's Rob Martin looked the picture of focus before the Merrimack Valley Conference Meet last Saturday, nearly unrecognizable with a white hood over his head and his face obscured by a pair of Top Gun-era sun glasses.

It is that intensity that has become the signature for the man that hopes to one day go by the title Dr. Martin.

"I'm a very focused person," said the senior co-captain. "I work to stay on task and never let anything slip both on the track and off. I want to challenge myself."

At the MVC Meet, Martin delivered the race of his career as he leaned forward at the last inch to win the 400 by just 0.05 in a result that had to be reviewed before it was announced. But track may not even be the area in which Martin best excels.

"Rob has elevated himself so much on track," said Andover sprint coach Scott Price. "He is an MVC champ and has the chance to be a state champion, and that all comes down to intelligence and dedication to be the best. And it is the same in track as it is in class. He is the epitome of a student-athlete."

That hard work and dedication is never stronger than in the classroom. In the fall he will start his first semester at elite Johns Hopkins University, where he will pursue his dream of becoming a doctor.

"The summer before my junior year my dad and I visited the campus and I fell in love," he said. "It was so beautiful, and Baltimore is a city a lot like Boston. The city is the place for me. I applied early acceptance, so I learned I had been accepted after Thanksgiving."

Martin has stood out in academics since elementary school, and once he entered high school he earned National Honor Society status. This year, while seniors everywhere are cruising towards graduation, Martin has tested himself in Advanced Placement Latin, English, chemistry and calculus.

He hopes that effort will prepare him for the challenges waiting for him at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, which is ranked No. 2 in the country by US News. He also plans to run track at the Division 3 school.

"Johns Hopkins has a great reputation in the medical field," he said. "I have wanted to study medicine since I was young. Surgery and the human body have always interested me. I am fascinated by human anatomy."

"I love dissecting things. We have dissected a pig and cat in school and I know a lot of people think it's disgusting, but I love it. I am always on the Discovery Channel watching



Andover's Rob Martin surges to the finish as the anchor of the 4x400 relay. A standout on the track in the 400 and relay, Martin has also been accepted to Johns Hopkins and plans to become a surgeon.

documentaries on different surgeries. That complements track in some weird way. In track, you learn to push your

body to limit." This season has been the pinnacle of a four-year varsity track career for

Martin. In the winter, he won the state title as part of the 4x400 relay, which also took second at New England's. The

THE ROB MARTIN FILE

- **Age:** 18
- **Sport:** Track
- **On the track:** Last Saturday, won the Merrimack Valley Conference title in the 400, and ran anchor of 4x400 relay that took first. Has been a member of the relay for four years. Also helps coach sprinters.
- **In the classroom:** Received early acceptance to elite Johns Hopkins, where he will study to become a surgeon. As a senior, took Advanced Placement Latin, English, chemistry and calculus. A member of National Honor Society.

Golden Warriors also took home the All-State crown as a team.

That success has continued into the spring. After a stellar regular season, at the MVC Meet, Martin ran the anchor leg of the 4x400 relay — which he has been a member of since freshman year — that won in 4:04.99 and took the dramatic 400 in 51.07, just ahead of Joe Van Gelder of Chelmsford (51.12).

Martin, who missed all of last post-season with an injury, will run at the Division 1 meet on Saturday. And his coaches expect even more from him in upcoming meets.

"He is running unbelievable," said Andover head coach Peter Comeau. "I think he has a chance to become the next Andover runner to break 50 seconds in the 400 after myself, Rick Collins and (school record holder) Carnell Cooper. Running (under) 50 is really a big deal for a boy."

But Martin is not simply a runner for the Golden Warriors, he has also developed a second job, as an assistant coach and advisor.

"Our sprint coach (Price) works at an elementary school so he does not get out until practice starts," Martin said. "So I'm the sprint coach through warm-ups and for the first part of practice. Sometimes he even gives me the workouts ahead of time."

"I am all business. I don't take any garbage from anyone, even my best friends on the team. I like to keep them focused and on task. The seniors will sometimes give me some trouble, but I don't let it get to my head. I want to do whatever it takes to be successful."

With the spring track season nearing its end, the Golden Warriors coaching staff is not looking forward to going into next year without their leader.

"When I met him he was a 53 (second) 400 runner," said Price. "He might not be the most talented guy out there, but his intelligence and heart have allowed him to be one of the best around at an event that is all guts and no glory. I have no doubt that, when his track career is over, he will be successful at whatever he does."

► Andover High Roundup

Carlson, Farrell pitch Andover to Lawrence Tournament title

BASEBALL

Andover entered the Lawrence Invitational Baseball Tournament without a ticket to the Division 1 North dance, and left with the "team nobody wants to see early" tag.

Behind their second straight dominant pitching performance, the Golden Warriors sent a shudder through Division 1 North by winning their 15th title at the 28th Lawrence Invitational Baseball Tournament by knocking off Lawrence High 5-1 on Sunday.

"We're a different team now," said coach Ken Maglio.

That day, it was co-ace Shawn Carlson that dominated, throwing a three-hitter with some 90 mph gas and a nasty 80 mph deuce to improve to 6-0 on the year.

"They beat us 1-0 in the last game, and that's a good hitting lineup," said Carlson. "First inning I really didn't have it, but my defense backed me up. That double-play (on a tough one-hopper up the middle by John Hennessy) was huge."

The Warriors took the lead in the fourth as Dan Colombo's infield grounder plated one, and Christian Lightner's drag bunt hugged the third base line for a hit to score the eventual game-winner. Hennessy chipped in a late RBI hit and scored the fifth run for the Warriors, who finish the regular year at 11-9, awaiting the tournament.

When Jake Ponti's eighth-inning liner found the Mark Devlin Field turf, emotion poured from the Andover High dugout — first elation then relief.

It took an absolute pitching Picasso from John Farrell, but the Warriors squeezed past North Andover, 1-0, in the Lawrence Invitational Tournament semifinals.

With the pressure on, Farrell simply overwhelmed the rival



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Andover's Shawn Carlson delivers a pitch over the weekend. His three-hitter gave the Golden Warriors a 5-1 win over Lawrence and their 15th title at the 28th Lawrence Invitational Baseball Tournament.

Knights, striking out a career-best 17 with just a pair of walks in the four-hitter.

With one out, an infield error put Warrior Dan Colombo on first. Colombo then advanced when a pickoff throw sailed over Mike Weisman's glove. A third Knight error allowed Christian Lightner to reach, and both runners move up on a wild pitch, setting up Ponti's final at-bat.

Andrew Ruiz-Henriquez had three hits and drove in a run, but Andover lost to Cambridge 7-2 last Tuesday. Jake Ponti also had three hits and Alex Patti had an RBI for the Warriors.

GIRLS TRACK

Andover takes record

Andover is known for its relays, and last Saturday was no different. The team of Colleen Shannon, Chelsea Angelosanto, Sydney Eberth and Jessica Salley ran a 4:04.99 in the 4x400 relay, breaking the previous Merrimack Valley Conference Meet record. The Golden Warriors (112 points) finished second as a team, just behind Central Catholic (118).

Moirá Cronin once again tied the school record of 5-6 in winning the high jump, Kayla Baldwin (12.87) took the 100, Emily Bellucchi (34-11) won the triple jump and Shannon beat the meet record in the 800 with a 2:15.19, but ended

up finishing second.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Andover keeps rolling

Katie Shields scored four goals and had a pair of assists as Andover crushed Billerica 15-6 last Monday. Heather Sullivan added a hat trick, Kelly Fox and Meghan Morris each scored two goals and Jules Konjoian made seven saves for the winners.

Cat Gross and Meghan Morris each had three goals as Andover played Needham to an 11-11 tie last Tuesday. Katie Shields and Heather Sullivan each tallied two goals and Rosie Forster had one score for the Warriors.

BOYS LACROSSE

Kuta delivers career day

Entering the game with four goals for the season, Joe Kuta scored four times as Andover edged Waltham 10-8 last Monday. Josh Torres added a pair of goals and Joe Lamagna scored once and assisted on two more and Jake Gostanian made 11 saves for the winners.

Gavin McIver and Matt Eriksen each scored twice, but Andover lost to Lincoln-Sudbury 15-8 last Wednesday. John Fiorentino added a goal and an assist for the Warriors.

BOYS TRACK

Martin a double-winner

Rob Martin turned in a dramatic win in the 400, and followed it up by anchoring the winning 4x400 as Andover took fifth at the MVC Meet with 58 points. Simon Voorhees added a third in the mile, Adam Vetere was fourth in the 800 and Steve Moore was fourth in the discus. The pole vault had not taken place at deadline.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Warriors rally for win

Gary Hinds registered a team-high 11 kills and nine digs as Andover rallied after losing the first set to beat Haverhill 14-25, 25-18, 25-18, 25-20 last Monday. Mike Emmons chipped in with 27 assists and Mike Bakies had six blocks for the winners.

BOYS TENNIS

Andover takes four straight

Eric Heath won No. 1 singles and Andrew Mack took No. 3 singles as Andover beat Boston Latin Academy 4-1 on Saturday. Christian Waters and In Joong Yoon added a win at No. 2 doubles for the Warriors (15-1).

A total of 14 different Andover players earned a win at either singles or doubles as Andover swept a pair of matches from Haverhill, both 5-0 on Friday. In Joon Yoon, Andrew Gray and Christian Waters each took a singles win and Zach DeLuca and Tim Huntley won No. 1 doubles for the Warriors.

Bjorn Merinder, Eric Heath and Christian Waters combined to take the three singles spots as Andover bounced back from its first loss with a 5-0 win over Central Catholic last Wednesday. Andrew Gray and Graeme Johnson added a win at top singles.

Shane Huggins and Nitin Mahesh teamed to take first doubles and Andrew Mack and Randy Sartor teamed to win No. 2 doubles as Andover edged Lowell 3-2 last Monday. Jeff Birenbaum added the other win, at No. 3 singles.

Despite a win at No. 1 singles for Bjorn Merinder, Andover lost to the first time this season, 3-2 to St. John's Prep last Tuesday. Shane Huggins and Nitin Mahesh added the other win, No. 1 singles.

GIRLS TENNIS

Warriors go 2-1

Rachel Trotta and Kirsten Arvidson won No. 1 doubles as Andover remained undefeated with a 4-1 win over Central Catholic last Thursday. Michelle Krupnik added a win at No. 2 singles and Maggie Carter took No. 3 singles for the winners (14-0).

Sarah Arvidson won No. 1 singles 6-3, 6-0 as Andover bested Lowell 5-0 last Monday. Michelle Krupnik took No. 2 singles and Maggie Carter won No. 3 singles for the winners.

Despite a win at first doubles for Reid Campbell and Kelsey Chapman, Andover suffered its first loss of the season, 3-2 to Lynnfield last Thursday.

SOFTBALL

Strock, Warriors clutch

Alex Strock had two hits and two RBIs and Meaghan McCarthy scored twice and had one RBI as Andover edged Lawrence 6-5 on Saturday. Jeanette Doucette added three hits and Megan Pettoruto scored once and had two hits.

Heather Paonessa had two hits and drove in a run as Andover bested Haverhill 8-4 last Wednesday. Molly Awiszus added two RBIs while Meaghan McCarthy and Taylor Farris each drove in one run for the winners.

Alex Strock was 2 for 2, but Andover fell to Methuen 7-1 last Thursday. Meaghan McCarthy added a hit and the lone RBI for the Warriors.

Despite two hits and four RBIs for Molly Awiszus, Andover lost to Chelmsford 11-7 last Monday. Meaghan McCarthy and Megan Pettoruto each added an RBI for the Warriors.

Arts & Entertainment

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAY 28

GIRLS NIGHT OUT, part of Butler Bank's reaching out to downtown businesses, 6-8 pm, at Carina & Co., 3 Barnard St., light refreshments, FREE Makeovers, "Colors" & Accessorizing Advice; Rosemary Radulski at Butler Bank. 972-623-8000

FRIDAY, MAY 29

FASHION SHOW, West Middle School's "Best Dressed at West," 7 to 9 p.m., in the auditorium. All proceeds will be used to buy picnic tables for the school; 978-623-8700.

COCKTAIL HOUR, with Eddie Maranado (Accordian), 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

INTRODUCTION TO CALLIGRAPHY WORKSHOP, the Museum of Printing, North Andover, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., students will be introduced to the basics of using a calligraphy marker and dip pen nib for creating letters of the PETRARCH alphabet, \$25 for members, \$30 for non members plus materials fee: \$8.00 per student. Registration at www.museumofprinting.org.

LIVE MUSIC, with The Symphony and Chamber Orchestras of Phillips Academy, 7:30 p.m., Cochran Chapel, free and open to the public; 978-749-4263 or music@andover.edu.

LIVE JAZZ MUSIC AMONG FLOWERS, Friday Night Music in the Garden opens, free, 5 to 7 p.m., the public is invited to bring picnic suppers to the Garden and listen to music while enjoying their suppers on the covered deck overlooking the gardens, general admission to the Garden; \$8 adults, \$6 seniors and students with identification; \$4 youths 3-18.

OPENING RECEPTION, for Andover resident and artist Lynn Loscutoff, "Color and Line Personified," 6 - 8 p.m., North Shore Art Association, 11 Pirates Lane, Gloucester.

SATURDAY, MAY 30

PLANT SALE, Village Garden Club of Andover, 9 a.m. to noon, rain or shine, in The Garden of Betsy Williams, 155 Chestnut St., Andover. Choose from a wide selection of perennials, herbs and shrubs from our member's gardens. Colorful container gardens and a raffle will be also be featured. Proceeds support the Village Garden Club civic beautification and garden therapy projects.

LIVE MUSIC, with the Phillips Academy Chamber Music Society comprised of faculty and students, 6:30 p.m., free and open to the public, the Timken Room at Graves Hall on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover; (978)749-4263 or music@andover.edu.

SUNDAY, MAY 31

FREE KAYAK CLINICS, Plum Island Kayak is Partnering with Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition to provide two free kayak clinics at 38R Merrimack St in Newburyport from 3 to 6 p.m. The clinic is geared toward beginners but all level paddlers are welcome. The expected paddle is 2+ hours; www.mbcc.org/swim, to register call 339-927-4275.

NATURE FESTIVAL, Mass Audubon's Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary, Topfield, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$12 a car. A highlight is the live owl presentations and lots of activities for adults and families including nature walks, ponding, and exhibits to learn about birds, beavers, butterflies and more; 978-887-9264, www.Massaudubon.Org/ipswichriver.

PAINTING DEMONSTRATION, by Andover resident and artist Lynn Loscutoff, 4 p.m., North Shore Art Association, 11 Pirates Lane, Gloucester.

MONDAY, JUNE 1

PRESIDENT'S CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT, hosted by The Friends of Merrimack College, Indian Ridge Country Club in Andover. The tournament hosts golfers and business sponsors, with all proceeds going to support student scholarships. Morning and afternoon tee times; player prizes for top four in each division; closest to the pin; hole-in-one; and a grand raffle; Joanne Mermelstein 978-837-5117 or joanne.mermelstein@merrimack.edu.

GOLF TOURNAMENT BENEFIT, The Pregnancy Care Center of The Merrimack Valley's Golf Fore Life, fAR Corner Golf Course, West Boxford, \$160 p/p; Register online at www.pccnortheast.org/golf or CALL Deb Pryor at 978-373-5718.



Andover High School students rehearse the production of A Chorus Line at the Collins Center in November 2008.

FILE PHOTO

Andover High's 'Chorus Line' back in spotlight

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Andover High School's November production of "A Chorus Line" is among the 22 high school shows nominated for a Spotlight Award from North Shore Music Theatre in Beverly.

Dubbed "the Tony Awards of high school musicals," NSMT Spotlight Awards highlight outstanding high school musical productions in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Fifteen awards will be presented

CENTER STAGE

Spotlight Award nominations for Andover High's production of "A Chorus Line":

- Best musical
- Best leading actress, Blair Beasley as "Cassie"
- Best supporting actor, Brian Mason as "Paul"
- Best featured performer, David Keohane as "Bobbie"
- Best ensemble/chorus
- Best choreography, by Becki Dennis
- Best musical direction, by Jennifer D'Onofrio
- Best lighting design, by Stephanie Somin and Christine Zhou

during a black-tie awards ceremony at NSMT on June 2. AHS's production of "A

Chorus Line" is nominated in eight Spotlight Award categories, including best musical and

best leading actress (see box).

A team of three judges from NSMT evaluate the high school productions to determine nominees for each category, and sat in on a performance of "A Chorus Line," in November at AHS. The show was directed by Susan Choquette, AHS director of drama, and involved more than 100 students.

At the Spotlight Awards ceremony on June 2, the 10 schools in the running for best overall musical will each perform one song from their show on the main stage, with the

house orchestra from NSMT. Also, the finale number of the evening will include two students from each of the 24 high schools.

Individual winners receive money for college, and this year, students winning the best leading actor and actress Spotlight Awards will be invited to participate in the first presentation of the National High School Musical Theater "Jimmy" Awards, to be held in New York City on June 29.

For more information, visit www.nsmat.org



Andover resident Janet Hamlin, who created this work, will be among the artists participating in this year's New Paint auction on June 6.

All in a day's work

Ward Hill, Foster's Pond paintings join New Paint

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

The on-the-spot-painting event "New Paint" is coming to Andover this year.

Lawrence used to be the only location for artists taking part in the event, which requires painters to pick a spot for a day, paint it, and then put their painting up for auction that night. This spring, the popular event has

branched out to Andover and other communities, as artists can now paint any spot they want. At least two artists will be in Andover on June 6, the day of event, at Foster's Pond and Ward Hill.

Artists will return their work

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Trails Day not just for hiking anymore

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Trails day: it so much more than hiking.

That could be the slogan for the local celebration of National Trails Day, which is jam-packed with events on June 7. Besides guided hikes on several local trails, participants can learn about everything from native butterflies to orienteering.

Events will be held at the Ward Reservation, a 695-acre conservation property with 13 miles of trails in both Andover and North Andover. Ward is always free and open to the public, maintained year-round by the Trustees of Reservations.

The reservation has the highest point in Essex County, the 420-foot Holt Hill, and from the top of it one can see the Boston skyline. On trails day, folks who pause for a picnic lunch on top of the hill will be treated to live music.

"Our theme this year, besides celebrating National Trails Day itself, is kicking off the season, and making people aware of what we have here. It's not just one day and done," said Chris Ward, superintendent of Ward Reservation for The Trustees. (It's just a coincidence his last name is Ward, he says.)

"It's a free opportunity for people to come out, ask questions, learn about the properties



The Ward Reservation is known in part for its solstice stones - and view of the Boston skyline.

LOCAL CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL TRAILS DAY

- Sunday, June 7, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Ward Reservation, Prospect Road
- Free
- Organized by the Friends of North Andover Trails, Andover Trails Committee and The Trustees of Reservations
- Directions are available at the Trustees website, www.thetrustees.org
- For more information, call 978-682-2580

and become aware of what's out there," he said. "There's always something new to learn."

This is the third year the non-profit Andover Trails Committee, the Friends of North Andover Trails and the Trustees of Reservations have collaborated to organize a local trails day event.

Last year's festivities had about 100 participants, said Ward.

Ward called Ward Reservation, the Bay Circuit Trail and numerous conservation properties and hiking trails in the area "hidden gems."

"First timers that come are always blown away," said Ward.

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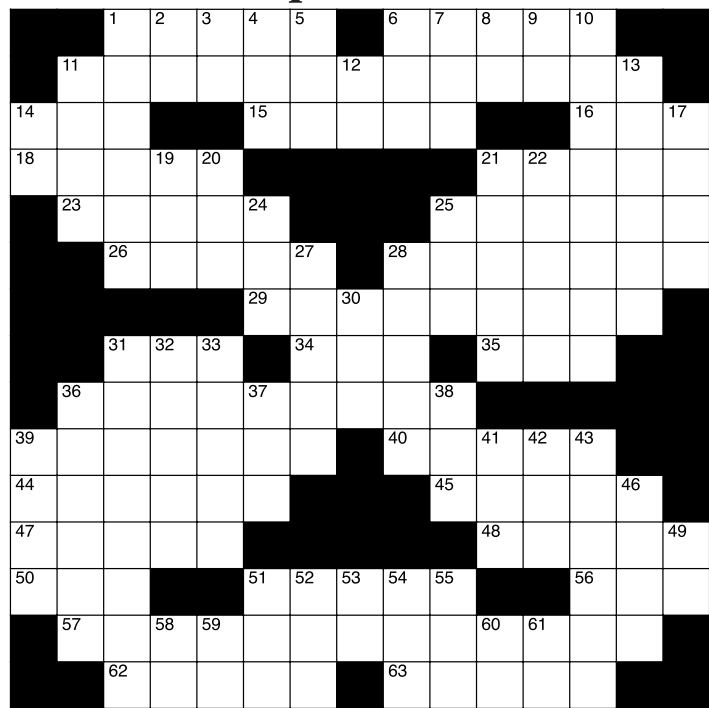
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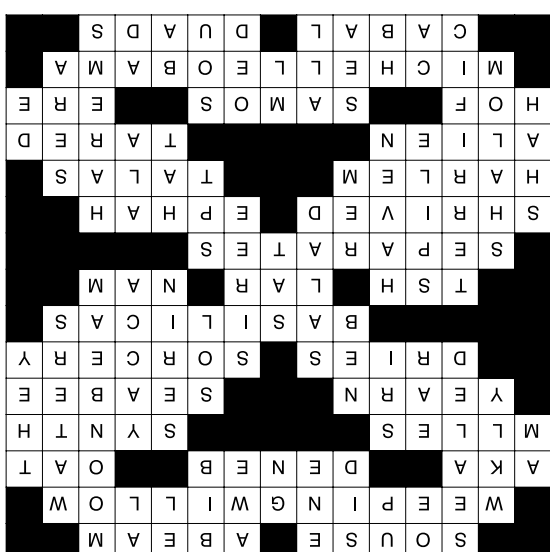
- 1. Drench with liquid
- 6. At right angles to the keel
- 11. Salix babylonica
- 14. Alias
- 15. Brightest Cygnus star
- 16. Cereal grass
- 18. French young women
- 21. ___ esiser: musical instrument
- 23. Have a yen for
- 25. Member of U.S. Navy
- 26. Eliminates moisture
- 28. Black magic
- 29. Roman public buildings
- 31. Thyroid stimulating hormone
- 34. Household god (Roman)
- 35. 1960's Veterans battleground
- 36. Moves apart
- 39. Granted remission of a sin
- 40. 10 X = 1 kor
- 44. A district of Manhattan
- 45. W. Samoan monetary unit
- 47. From another world
- 48. S ___: looked fixedly
- 50. ___stra University
- 51. Greek island
- 56. Before
- 57. First Lady
- 62. Political plot
- 63. 2 items of the same kind

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Closed hermetically
- 2. Old English
- 3. Rise
- 4. Comedian Caesar
- 5. Point midway between NE and E
- 6. Reverence
- 7. Top part of an apron
- 8. Raised railroad track (abbr.)
- 9. Aluminium
- 10. A ray of moonlight
- 11. Every seven days (abbr.)
- 12. Genesis (abbr.)
- 13. "Hairspray" creator
- 14. Morning
- 17. General reference to people
- 19. Pinna
- 20. ___ Lanka
- 21. ___us: finch genus
- 22. W. Indian evergreen
- 24. Beak or bill
- 25. Sun (Span.)

- 27. Leafy dish
- 28. Phrase "Yes ___ Bob"
- 30. Seated
- 31. Highly exceptional
- 32. Barrel or flask plug
- 33. Place of safety
- 36. Peace (Hebrew)
- 37. Radioactivity unit
- 38. Seaport (abbr.)
- 39. Former ruler of Iran
- 41. Pate protection
- 42. Pie ___ mode
- 43. Seraglios
- 46. Tes ___: small mosaic tile
- 49. Delaware
- 51. A large body of water
- 52. The whole of
- 53. Millilitre
- 54. Largest English dictionary (abbr.)
- 55. Small coin (French)
- 58. Element #20
- 59. Halfback
- 60. College degree

Solution



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TUESDAY, JUNE 2

NEW MEMBER COFFEE, HOSTED BY NEWCOMERS CLUB OF THE ANDOVERS, FOR ALL RESIDENTS OF ANDOVER AND NORTH ANDOVER, PANERA BREAD IN NORTH ANDOVER, 10 A.M., RSVP TO STEPHANIE GUTOWSKY AT 978-655-4560.

SINGALONG, with Mary Ellen Driscoll, 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

ART EXHIBIT FOR ANDOVER ARTIST, Elm Square clothing store dresscode will present the artwork of Andover resident Delphine Zohn at an opening reception from 6-9 p.m. with light hors d'oeuvres, wine, gift bags and discounts. The exhibit will continue through June 11. Zohn graduated from Massachusetts College of Art in 1998 and moved to Andover four years ago with her family.

AUTHOR HALLIE EPHRON, will talk about her new thriller, "Never Tell a Lie," on Thursday, June 4, at 7 p.m. at the Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park St., North Reading.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

FISHING DERBY, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., benefits the Timothy P. Roberts "Reeling in a Dream" fund for Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Fish from the shore at Brooks School for \$10 per person or from a boat on Lake Cochichewick for \$25 per person. Boats can launch from Brooks School, or the hatch. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged at Treadwell's Ice Cream at Smolak Farms during regular business hours or online at www.reelingadream.org.

NEW PAINT, Essex Art Center's annual auction and fundraiser, held at Jackson Lumber and Millwork in Lawrence, local artists spend the day painting a scene in Greater Lawrence. At the end of the day the pieces of art are brought back to Jackson Lumber and Millwork to be auctioned by Billy Costa of New England Cable News' TV Diner; www.essexartcenter.com/hotnews.html to purchase tickets.

PLANT SALE, Andover Garden Club, 9 a.m. to noon, Old Town House, 20 Main St., Andover, free admission; contact Judy Wright at 978-337-7942 or at wrightspaces@comcast.net.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

RUN/WALK BENEFIT, The Krit Classic 5K Run/Walk for the Krit Kearns Memorial Scholarship Fund. Krit captained the swimming/diving and gymnastics teams at Andover High School. She died in a bike accident last year at the age of 26. Race starts at 9 a.m., Andover High School; www.KritClassic.com to register.

CHILI COOKOFF, Lawrence Rotary Club's "Heroes of Lawrence Chili Cookoff and Music Festival," Pemberton Park on the Merrimack River, with live music by The B Street Bombers, Wicked Automatic, salsa dancing and more.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

MISS MASSACHUSETTS JUNIOR NATIONAL TEEN, Kendall Wipff of Andover visits, 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

FLAG DAY CELEBRATION, 2:30 p.m., with David Polanski Patriotic Tunes, Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL, crafts fair, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine, Topsfield Town Common. There will also be a Revolutionary War Encampment featuring Col. Bailey's 2nd Massachusetts Regiment.

ARMENIAN FOOD FAIR, St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church of Merrimack Valley, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Jaffarian Hall, 158

Main St., N. Andover, hosted by St. Gregory Ladies Guild; (978) 685-5038.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

ANTIQUA TRACTOR PULL, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Smolak Farms, North Andover, live music, BBQ, children's games, hayrides, Kids are free; Adults admission is \$5

BASEBALL JAZZ, with Art Springer, co-author of "The Year the Red Sox Won the World Series," 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

AUTHOR VISIT, author Alan Hoffman speaks about his most recent work, a translation of Auguste Levasseur's Lafayette in America, a journal of General Lafayette's 1824-1825 Farewell Tour of all 24 United States, 6:30 p.m., 97 Main St., Andover, hosted by the Andover Historical Society; www.lafayetteinamerica.com/index.html, 978-475-2236, education@andoverhistorical.org.

GOLF TOURNAMENT, benefits Northeast Independent Living Program 20 Ballard Road, Lawrence, 8 A.M. shotgun, \$150, Georgetown Club, 258 Andover St., Georgetown; Kevin or Nanette 978-687-428, kfarrell@nilp.org. Register by May 29.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL, 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

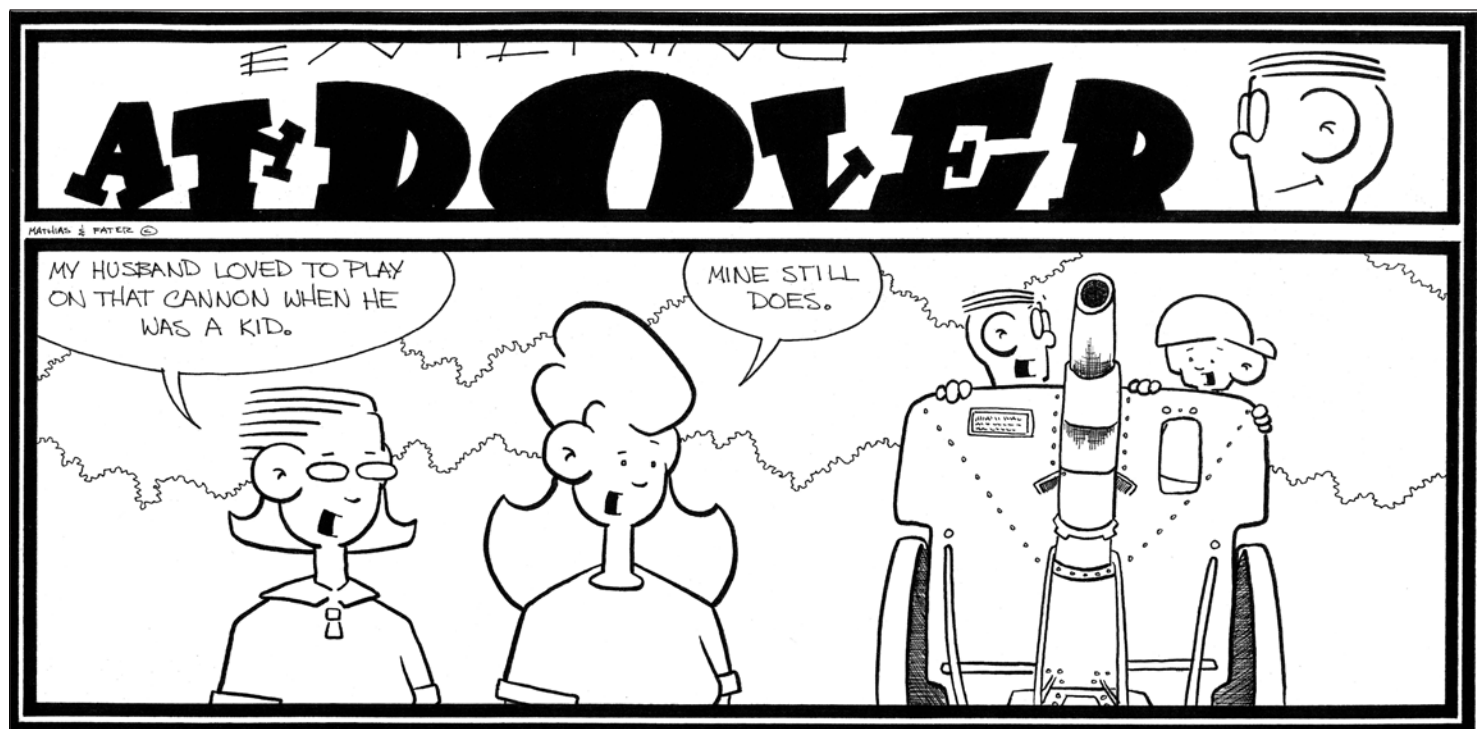
LECTURE ON HISTORY OF TYPE, at the Museum of Printing, North Andover, 2 to 4 p.m., presented by Frank Romano, Professor Emeritus, RIT School of Print Media. This informative lecture will take you from moveable type to digital type, through 500 years of typography. Learn about the tormented history of Garamond, the curious case of Baskerville's body, and the story of Napoleon and the Courier font, among other typographic tales. A PDF of the presentation will be available to all attendees. Free to Museum of Printing member; \$10 for non members.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL, Smolak Farms, North Andover, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., PYO (pick your own) strawberries, live music, hayrides, wee wagon rides, duck races, make your own strawberry shortcake for kids, REMAX hot air balloon, free admission,

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PAINT: Local artist joins on-the-spot event

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to Jackson Lumber and Millwork in Lawrence by 4 p.m. on Saturday before this year's bidding begins. Proceeds are split between the artists and the Essex Art Center of Lawrence, which hosts the event.

Billy Costa of New England Cable News' TV Diner, is the auctioneer. Dinner will be catered and the music will be live.

The fundraiser is a great way to bring art supporters around the Merrimack Valley area together, said Leslie Costello of

NEW PAINT AUCTION

When: Saturday, June 6 What: Essex Art Center's annual auction and fundraiser

Where: Jackson Lumber and Millwork in Lawrence

Who: Auctioneer Billy Costa of New England Cable News' TV Diner

Attend: www.essexartcenter.com/hotnews.html to purchase tickets.

the Essex Art Center. "It's a way to support the artists and to support us," said

Costello, noting that 425 art enthusiasts attended last year. She said artists will also be painting scenes at Stevens Coolidge Museum and Smolak Farm in North Andover, and in Boston, Ipswich, Newburyport and locations around Lawrence.

A scavenger hunt is planned for the kids. "Or adults," Costello chuckled, noting artists will have clues around their workspaces.

For more information, call Costello at 978-685-2343.

Memorial Day observance



Brendan Hart, 9, watches a Memorial Day ceremony held at Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover.

The Andover Days 5K

The Fifth Annual Andover Days 5K Road Race to benefit the Andover Youth Center and Andover Youth Services programs is ready to roll on Friday, May 29. We are looking for all local runners to take part in this challenging event. If you prefer a more leisurely pace, the AYS is putting together the world's largest group of walkers to stroll the course. As one massive group, we'll march around the streets together and we'd love to have you be part of our team no matter who you are, what school you are in, or how old you are. Meet us behind Doherty Middle School at 6 p.m. to register. Come be a part of history.

You can download an application and see a course video at http://www.andoverdays5k.com/.

The race is sponsored by the Andover Business Center Association.

Chamber awards for Schroeder, Sutton

The Andover Chamber of Commerce will hold its 2009 Annual Community Service Awards Ceremony and Breakfast on Thursday, June 4, 2009 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Indian Ridge Country Club in Andover.

The morning's program will include high school student community service award winners, who will be presented college scholarships, and this year's winners of the Andover Chamber of Commerce awards for distinguished community service: Donald Schroeder and

James Sutton.

According to the event organizers, "Don Schroeder, in his capacity as a town of Andover committee member and non-profit organization board member and Jim Sutton, in his role as the director of Andover's Memorial Hall Library and through his active community involvement, have contributed in many important ways to the civic well-being of Andover. These are indeed special people who make our community special. They are most deserving of this award."

Tickets for the Thursday, June 4 Andover Chamber of Commerce Community Service Awards Breakfast are \$25 per person, and may be obtained by contacting the offices of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce at 978-686-0900.

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TV debut for local band

The four-person Andover band known as One Step Away will make its television debut over the weekend of May 29-31 on "Community Auditions: Star of the Day," the nation's longest-running TV talent showcase, according to a release.

The series is hosted by Ramiro of Jam'n 94.5 and Patriots sportscaster Kristina Akra, and is taped live onstage at the Foxwoods Resort and Casino.

One Step Away is made up of Andover's Adam Carrington, Westford's Michael Nuzzolo, Revere's Alex Kwmuntis and Wilmington's Terence Healy. Adam and Michael are students at Andover High School while Alex and Terence

attend St. John's Prep.

Michael and Terence started the band in 2007, adding Adam in 2008. Alex came on board earlier this year. One Step Away has performed all over the area, including The Andover Country Club, Boston Hall Plaza, The Collins Center, Waterfront Park and Boston's Hard Rock Café. "We also took pride in playing The Boston Music Festival," said Terence. "It was awesome to see folks streaming in from all directions when they heard our music."

The shows broadcast times are Friday, 9:30 p.m. (WSBK TV38 Boston); Saturday 7 p.m. (WCTX MyTV New Haven); Saturday 10:30 p.m. (WPXT TV Portland's CW); Saturday midnight

(WBZ TV CBS 4 Boston); Sunday noon (WSBK TV38 Boston); Sunday 7:30 p.m. (NECN).

Jobs for grads

Are you a recent grad looking for a better job - or any job?

Memorial Hall Library will host a free session on "Launching Your Career in a Down Economy" Thursday, June 25 at 7 p.m. Parents, current college students, and recent graduates are encouraged to attend for an update on the entry-level job market as well as tips and strategies for finding work in a down economy with a focus on using social media. Registration is recommended. Contact Emily Classon at 978-623-8401, ext. 49, or eclasson@

mhl.org to register. For more information, visit the library's Web site at www.mhl.org.

Art at dresscode

Elm Square clothing store dresscode will present the artwork of Andover resident Delphine Zohn at an opening reception on Thursday, June 4, from 6 to 9 p.m.

There will be light hors d'oeuvres and wine, gift Bags and discounts, and the exhibit will be up through June 11.

Zohn was born in New York City and graduated from Massachusetts College of Art in 1998. She and her husband, Len, and their children, Ava and Adin, moved to Andover four years ago.

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Pilates is next. With a concentration on core muscles, the benefits of Pilates are long-listed. This exercise is known to improve strength, flexibility and suppleness of core muscles. Pilates is a system of stretching and strengthening exercises developed by Joseph H. Pilates. He called his exercise method "The Art of Contrology," or muscle control, to highlight his unique approach of using the mind to master the muscles. Pilates strengthens and tones muscles, improves posture, provides flexibility and balance, unites the body and mind, and creates a more streamlined shape. Pilates is offered on a private, semi-private basis and as a part of the Yoga & Pilates classes at Yang's.

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