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Eartha Dengler, former Andover resident and founder of the Immigrant City Archives, now the Lawrence History Center and Immigrant City Archives, sits on a stairway in the courtyard of the Essex Company Headquarters Compound. Eartha received the prestigious "Outstanding American by Choice Initiative" given by the U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Former Andoverite Dengler honored as Outstanding American

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

For decades, Eartha Dengler worked to highlight the lives of immigrants who built the city of Lawrence, coming to work in its mills from all over the world. This week, it was her turn to be recognized.

Dengler, a former Andover resident and founder of the Immigrant City Archives in Lawrence, received Outstanding American by Choice Initiative recognition from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service. The president recorded a message that was played.

Tuesday was a homecoming, of sorts, for Dengler, who flew in from Minnesota for a special ceremony on Sept. 15. She reconnected and visited with friends from Andover, and received her award in the courtyard of the organization she founded, now known as the Lawrence History Center, Immigrant City

Archives and Museum.

"It was my interest to save the life (stories) of this generation (of immigrants). They are an important part of the American story," said Dengler. "They provided a foundation for America's history in Lawrence and all over."

Dengler was born near Hamburg, Germany, and emigrated to the United States in 1951 with her husband, Claus. She started the Immigrant City Archives in 1979 with a shoestring budget and a few dedicated volunteers.

"Having grown up under Nazi rule, she appreciates freedom more than most of us do. She knows what a dictator is and has fought that all her life," said Chris Young, Andover resident and personal friend of Dengler's. "She comes from having lived through that, knowing what was going on, and seeing their friends taken away. Sometimes it takes someone from



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Eartha Dengler, who founded the Lawrence History Center, receives a certificate from June Black, with Congresswoman Niki Tsongas, during a Citizenship/Naturalization ceremony.

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Introductions and inclement weather

New Phillips students welcomed

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Phillips Academy upperclassmen welcomed 350 new-to-campus students Saturday morning creating a colorful welcoming scene despite the dismal weather. Rain poured for hours.

The noisy welcoming group stuck to its annual agenda and welcomed new arrivals and their parents from 8:30 a.m. until nearly noon.

They set up at the corner of South Main Street (Route 28) and Chapel Avenue asking – actually screaming – for passing cars to honk.

The rain caused the lettering to run on their "Welcome to Andover" signs but their enthusiasm did not appear to be diminished by the showers.

The scene is a tradition, as the elite private high school holds a welcoming event for new students every September just before school starts. Classes started Monday.

Amy Morris of the school's public information office said the school's Blue Key group voluntarily welcomes new recruits every year. Many club members wore tie-dye

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JUDY WAKEFIELD/Staff photo

Members of the Blue Key Club at Phillips Academy welcome new students to campus on a rainy Saturday.

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Solving a budget puzzle

Emergency funds for schools, no leaf pickup among proposals

By BETHANY BRAY AND BRIAN MESSENGER
STAFF WRITERS

Town leaders are still searching for the right pieces to solve the jigsaw puzzle that is Andover's currently unbalanced 2010 budget.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski estimates the town's deficit to be \$1.4 million, after a property tax growth deficit figure was revised and Town Meeting voters approved a hotel tax increase on Aug. 31, that will bring \$320,588 in additional revenue for the year.

Both town and school leaders are working on lists of possible cuts, negotiating with labor unions for contract concessions and pouring over budgets line by line in preparation for an Oct. 7 Special Town Meeting.

Several warrant articles have been submitted in hopes of helping the schools close a budget gap without impacting students, including taking money from free cash and the stabilization fund – the town's "rainy day" money. A private citizen has also submitted a warrant article to increase the meals tax in town, which was defeated by eight votes at the August Special Town Meeting. Another idea is to eliminate curbside pickup of leaves.

More pieces of the puzzle may come together tonight, Sept. 17, as the school and finance committees

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Downtown turnover includes new restaurant

Andover seeing downsizing, moves, openings, closings

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

With about two weeks to go before the town celebrates the finished \$3 million Main Street construction project, big changes are happening on the downtown business scene.

Andover's only standalone ice cream shop is closing after six years while a new Lebanese restaurant is opening on Nov. 1. Another business has downsized from Main Street to Post Office Avenue, and two additional businesses are swapping locations.

Indra Salon is expanding and moving to the former Athlete's Corner on Main Street, which closed last Sunday, Sept. 13. Athlete's Corner will downsize, selling running shoes only, and move to Indra's current location in Elm Square, according to downtown business owners.

"We're very excited about this," said Indra co-owner Jose Batistine. "We are growing and need a bigger space."

"Main Street is more visible for us and this new

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Blood drive on Saturday

West Parish Church is teaming up with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive on Saturday, Sept. 26, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall at West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road in Andover. Walk-ins are welcome or call 1-800-GIVE BLOOD, to make an appointment to donate.

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shirts and beads. Skirts were worn by some of the guys and at least one horn blared.

So, who are these students now calling Andover home (at least during school hours)?

Those 350 new students represent an international slice of the world as they hail from Albania to two native American nations, according to Morris.

Here's more information:

- 184 are boys; 166 are girls
- 215 are freshmen; 82 in grade 10; 22 in grade 11; 31 are one-year seniors
- 24 countries are represented
- 4 states are represented
- 2 American Indian nations (the Navajo Nation and the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma) are represented

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join selectmen for a tri-board meeting at 7 p.m.

Schools ask for \$1 million from rainy day funds

The School Committee has submitted warrant articles asking for sums "up to \$500,000" be transferred from both the stabilization fund and free cash to the school and town department operating budgets, to offset the FY2010 budget deficit.

Stapczynski passed out copies of the warrant to attendees at Monday's selectmen meeting, just hours after it closed on Sept. 14. He emphasized that the two warrant articles asking for stabilization and free cash funds were not written by him, and town departments would not accept money from either, despite the wording "school and town department operating budgets."

In past budget discussions, both selectmen and Stapczynski have shied away from touching the town's rainy day monies, noting that it offers a short-term, one year fix.

POSSIBLE CUTS

Possible cuts

Town Manager's Preliminary FY2010 Budget Reduction Plan for Town Departments (as of 9/11/09)

- Police - \$112,000
Reduce overtime by reassigning personnel and training; 1.5 FTE patrolmen vacancies, and 1 military deployment
- Fire/Rescue - \$90,000
Reduce overtime by flexible assignment of ladder-aide position; 3 FTE firefighter vacancies, and 2 potential retirements in January
- General Government - \$58,000
Reduce overtime; Expense reductions in Legal Services, Medicare, and other office expenses.
- Public Works - \$83,000
Eliminate leaf collection; Street light reduction; reduce solid waste tonnage; expense reductions; union concessions

- Community Development - \$27,000
Reduction in sanitary inspection services; 0.4 FTE sanitarian vacancy.
- Plant & Facilities - \$69,000
Bald Hill Compost Site revenue; custodial service reorganization (reassigning custodians from buildings with shortened hours); expense reductions; union concessions.
- Library - \$41,000
Reorganization; Expense reductions; 1 librarian vacancy (Beth Mazin was promoted to director, replacing Jim Sutton; her previous job as assistant director has not been refilled).
- Other - \$16,000
Various expenses transferred to revolving funds.

TOTAL: \$496,000

Note: FTE = full time equivalent. Most of the existing and anticipated vacant positions above will be held open through the remainder of FY10.

Meals tax rises again

Canterbury Street resident John Zipeto, an outspoken supporter of Andover's public schools, has submitted a private warrant article asking to impose a local meals tax increase of 0.75 percent.

The measure, proposed and defeated at an August Town Meeting, would have brought in revenues estimated at \$275,818 for the remainder of FY2010.

The state meals tax went from 5 to 6.25 percent on Aug. 1. If Andover were to approve the increase of 0.75 percent, the total rate would go up to 7.0 percent, and Andover would get 0.75 percent of that revenue - or 75 cents for every \$100.

Unions differ on concessions

Despite renewed efforts from

town and school leaders to negotiate pay concessions, it appears the unions representing teachers and firefighters don't plan on budging.

Firefighters, the Andover Education Association and town employees represented by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees are the only employee groups in Andover who so far have resisted pleas to forgo any of their 3.5 percent cost-of-living raises this year.

On Monday, Stapczynski said he and AFSCME representatives are "working very hard" to come to an agreement, and he may have something to announce soon. AFSCME membership includes town Public Works and Plant & Facilities employees.

The School Committee sent a letter earlier this week to AEA president Tom Meyers, urging the union representing teachers, instructional assistants, licensed practical nurses and secretaries to give up 1 percent of members' 3.5 percent cost-of-living raises this year. Such a concession is expected to save the School Department \$421,612.

AEA's approximately 50-member executive board voted against opening up its contract for renegotiation in a near unanimous vote, said Meyers.

On the municipal side, it appeared early last week that the firefighters union was headed toward an agreement with the town to accept a raise of 2.5 percent instead of 3.5 percent.

But the potential agreement hinged on solving a grievance over ladder truck staffing, according to firefighters union President Thomas Agnew.

Because Stapczynski has decided not to restore the two-man ladder truck team that was broken up in July to cut down on department overtime costs, Agnew said the union has filed for an independent arbitration hearing.

Agnew said the loss of the ladder aide position endangers firefighters and violates their contract. Barring the restoration of the position, he said any pay concession is unlikely.

Part-time employee health insurance on the table

A 6 p.m. executive session before tonight's tri-board meeting will include discussions on strategy to approach unions regarding benefits. Selectmen touched on the subject at Monday night's meeting, noting that employees

working 20 hours per week or more are eligible for health insurance through the town.

Part-timers who get benefits include 16 town employees working 20 to 25 hours per week and four working 26 to 30 hours per week; 72 school employees who work 20 to 25 hours per week and 32 who work 26 to 30 hours per week. Between individual and family health care plans, town part-time workers cost the town \$227,724.48 per year and school employees cost 1,236,608.88, according to Human Resources Director Candace Hall.

Possible cuts to leaf collection

One of the budget cuts proposed by Stapczynski is elimination of leaf collection by the department of public works. Selectman Mary Lyman spoke out against the idea, asking to see alternative suggestions.

Stapczynski said he would "revisit" the idea of cutting leaf collection. An alternative, he noted, is for residents to buy a vehicle sticker and use the compost site on Bald Hill, High Plain Road, for leaves.

DPW Director Jack Petkus said leaf collection could not be delayed or shortened, because the same amount of leaves fall every year. Petkus said he also researched hiring a private contractor that would use a vacuum truck to collect piles. The cost would average \$100 per property, he said.

The School Committee is also developing a list of proposed cuts, which will be fine-tuned and discussed at tonight's tri-board meeting. On Tuesday, committee member Dennis Forgue indicated the list was not yet ready for release.

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another place that has seen something else to sort of wake up Americans to injustice. I think she felt it was an injustice not to record the lives of these people."

Dengler is also almost single-handedly responsible for the acquisition of the old Essex Co. building that now holds the Lawrence History Center and archives at 6 Essex St. The building was the former home to the corporation that essentially built Lawrence, purchasing the land, planning and building many of the canals, mills and homes of the city.

In an era when immigrant histories were being forgotten and records discarded, Dengler sought to collect documents concerning Lawrence's rich immigrant heritage of the 19th and 20th centuries, often sitting down to record oral histories from former mill workers one-on-one.

The archives, now housed in the building of the Essex Company, have grown to more than 750 oral

histories, photographs, city records and documents — from maps, directories and census data to School Committee meeting minutes from the 1850s.

"People didn't save records like that. They were too 'ordinary.' Now, scholars come from across the country to consult and read (what Dengler collected). You can find anything about the city there, and a great deal about its people," said Young. "Because she is an immigrant, she understood that their stories have to be told. They were very humble people that came to Lawrence, but are very proud of what they've built and accomplished."

Among the archives, Dengler insists some of the most important records lie in the small details of everyday life, recorded from immigrants themselves.

"We were doing interviews, looking at the every day. How they raised their kids, how did their children play? Questions that are easy to answer," said Dengler.

Once she began to collect oral

histories, word spread, said Dengler, and Lawrenceans began bringing in old photographs and materials, asking to be interviewed.

"They realized they were an important part of American history," she said. "All of the sudden, they had so much pride that someone thought (their stories) were important."

Dengler said learning and living her German heritage was a natural part of her upbringing, which sparked her interest in preserving history.

"It wasn't anything special, but a feeling that you are a part of a bigger stream of events that links you to other people and communities," she said.

The Lawrence History Center is now directed by Andover resident Barbara Brown, who orchestrated many of the award festivities this week.

Dengler, 88, lived in Andover for more than 30 years before moving to be closer to family in 2000. Eartha and Claus Dengler raised their three children, Anne, Claudia and Thomas in town, and Eartha worked at Memorial Hall Library. She has a degree from the

University of Massachusetts and a masters in library science from Simmons College.

At Tuesday's ceremony, Dengler was recognized with Albanian immigrant Eva Millona, executive director at the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition. Their award, given from the federal government, recognizes significant contributions and achievements of naturalized U.S. citizens who have made a personal decision to become Americans by choice. Past recipients include Elie Wiesel, author and Nobel Peace Prize winner and General John Shalikashvili, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

"To me, it really is an award given to the archives, to this institution," said Dengler. "So many people have provided assistance, helped with the collection from the community and really put the seeds out. I feel a little bit overrated that it should come to me, and that it should go to the archives."

For more information, to get involved or read a complete bio of Dengler, visit www.lawrencehistory.org

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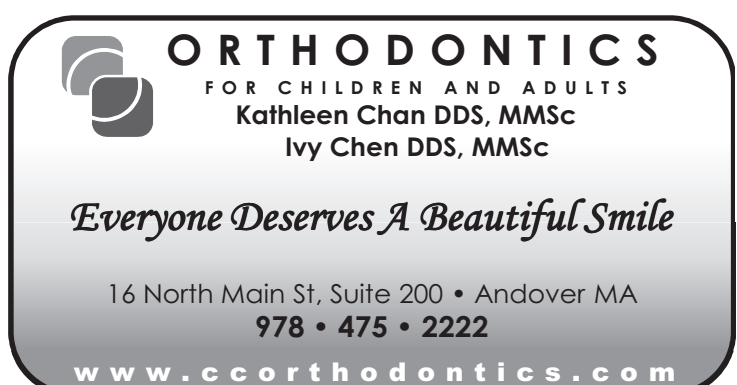
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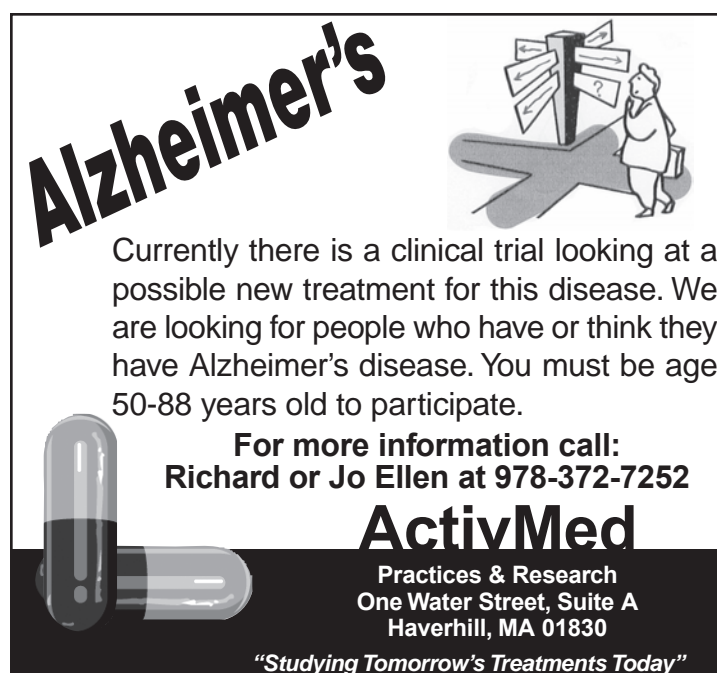
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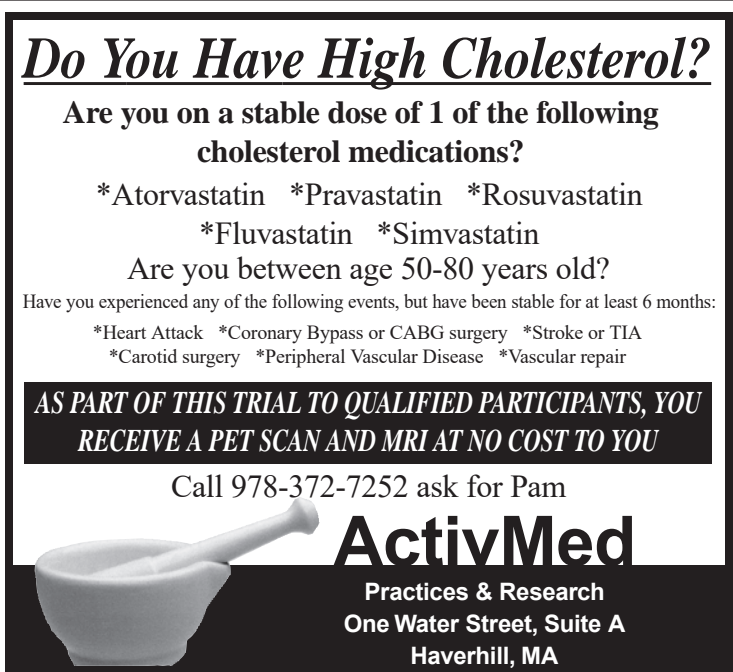
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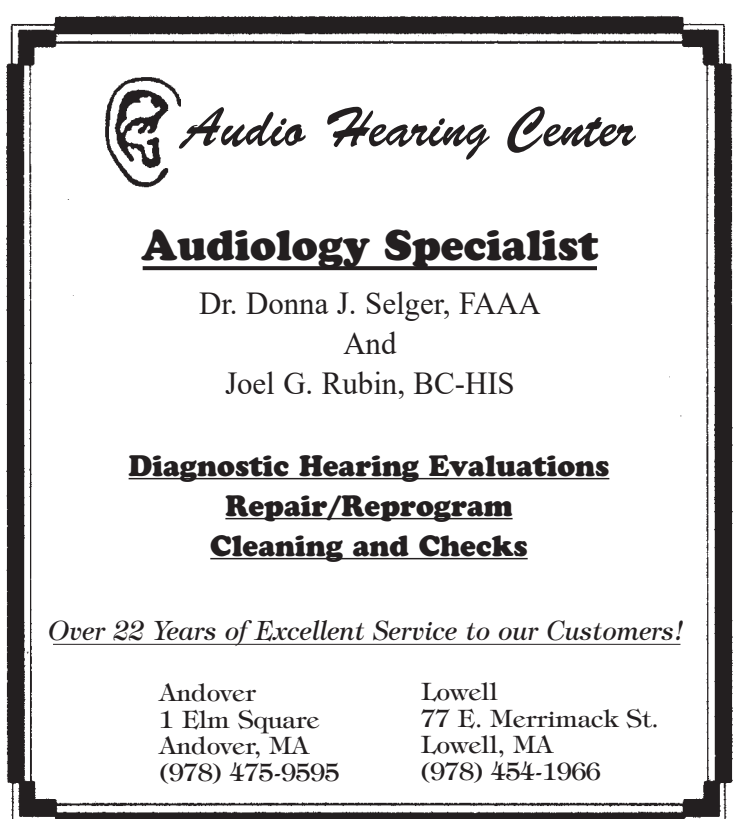
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THEN: One Chestnut Street as it looked in 1914. This was the former home of Horace G. Tyer. On Sept. 8, 1914 St. Augustine School opened, staffed by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.



NOW: St. Augustine's present building opened to eight grades in 1918, in a new building next to the convent. The sisters' convent was demolished in 1960 to make room for a new addition to St. Augustine School's first school building.

Cub Scout Pack 100 signups are on Sept. 21

Cub Scout Pack 100 is hosting an information and sign up night for boys grades 1-5 on Monday, Sept. 21 at 6:30 p.m. at Sanborn School. There will be information about activities held during the year in addition to a Pine Wood Derby display with the

track and cars. The Pack 100 Cub Scouts already have many exciting events planned. In October the group will build rockets and launch them. In January it will spend the night on a battleship. In February, the boys will build

and race Pine Wood Derby cars. The Pack 100 Cub Scouts are involved in helping the community. As a pack, it has helped clean up AVIS trails, raked leaves for seniors, and assisted with donations to Lazarus House. Other fun activities

include hikes, trip to the Statehouse, and visits to the police and fire stations.

If you have any questions in advance of Monday Sept. 21, call John Kirks, assistant Cub Scout leader, Pack 100 at 978-475-0141.

Third-graders featured in nationally televised game show

Third-grade students from St. Augustine School in Andover were contestants on a nationally-televised Catholic game show called "Wow: The CatholicTV Challenge."

"Wow" is a game show reminiscent of "Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?" and "Jeopardy," except that the show teaches the Catholic faith.

The episode aired on CatholicTV last week, and can be watched online at www.CatholicTV.com. CatholicTV runs on national cable outlets, including Sky Angel, Verizon and Comcast.

St. Augustine's "Wow" contestants include: Ben Krasove and Christian Di Vincenzo

Mary Beth Falvey
Adam Carey
Micah White
Brianna Calareso
Greg Arsenaull
Isabel Bernal
Camille Andersen

"Wow" is hosted by Father Robert Reed, a priest of the Archdiocese of Boston. Contestants are third-graders and are

asked open-ended questions. Father Reed gives a brief explanation of the answers and occasional commentary. The show erupts with laughter and shouts of "wow!" when contestants answer questions correctly. Each show has a Catholic theme such as "The Sacraments" or "The 10 Commandments".

Preschool screenings held on the third Friday of each month

The Andover Public Schools will be conducting a screening for 3- and 4-year-old preschool children in the community on the third Friday of every month.

The screening is completely

voluntary and available to parents who have a concern about their child's development. The screening is conducted by members of the special education staff and provides information

about a child's functioning in the areas of speech and language ability, fine and gross motor skills and overall cognitive growth. Screening results help to indicate whether more

specific information or evaluation in a particular area of development is needed.

Call Mary Kay Poe at 978-623-8850 to schedule an appointment.

Career coaching mixer is Wednesday, Sept. 23

The Saint Robert Bellarmine Networking and Resources Group will present an "Economic Mixer" from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 23, in the church's Gathering Space, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. The "Economic Mixer" is free and open to all.

The Saint Robert Bellarmine Networking and Resources Group is dedicated to providing fellowship and support during the

current economic crisis by assisting in the development of career contacts and support networks; providing guidance on increasing visibility in the job marketplace; sharing job opportunities; and providing access to economic, financial and legal counseling and resources.

This event will feature three brief 10 to 15 minute discussions on career coaching, resume and

interviewing skills, and a computer tutorial on their Web site, their google group and on LinkedIn. There will be socializing opportunities following the presentations. More in-depth workshops on these subjects will be held on Saturday mornings, Oct. 10, Oct. 24 and Nov. 7.

For more information about the group, visit www.saintroberts.net/networking.htm

Business mixer

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will present "Business Networking Mixer" on Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 5 to 7 p.m. at NMTW Community Credit Union, 40 Market St., Lowell. The cost is \$10 for members and \$20 for non-members. For more information call 978-686-0900.

Rep. L'Italien office hours

State Rep. Barbara L'Italien will hold constituent office hours in Andover at the Andover Senior Center on Whittier St., near the Park. Office hours will be held on Friday, Sept. 18, from 10:30 to

11:30 a.m. L'Italien represents the 18th Essex District which includes Andover precincts 1, 7 and 8. All are welcome to attend.

Register for Cub Scout Pack 76 tonight, Sept. 17

Pack 76 Cub Scout registration is Thursday, Sept. 17, from 7 to 8 p.m. in South School Cafeteria. Signups for new and returning scouts is open to all boys in

South School district in Grade 1 through Grade 5.

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ARRESTS
Tuesday, Sept. 8 – At 12:25 p.m., Wilson Horton, 29, of 8 Grace Terrace Apt. 8, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with failing to wear a seat belt, speeding, driving with a suspended license and giving a false name/address to police.
At 8:49 p.m., Michael J. Ramsdell Jr., 21, of 6 Tamarck Lane, Peabody, was arrested and charged with possession of a class A substance.
At 11:07 p.m., Edward J. Mofitt, 48, of 1 Vine St., was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a household member. The incident was the result of an argument between husband and wife, according to the couple.
Wednesday, Sept. 8 – At 12:52 p.m., 10 officers and detectives responded to a warrant arrest on River Road. At 1:47 p.m., Philip Kamal, 45, of 113 Hunters Run Place, Haverhill, was arrested and charged on warrants for

driving with a suspended license and a number plate violation.
Saturday, Sept. 12 – At 4:26 a.m., Peter J. Ward, 31, of 20 Amici Way Apt. 4, was arrested and charged with a marked lanes violation and driving under the influence of liquor, second offense.
At 9:18 p.m., Jared Plamondon, 25, of 3 Plamondon Avenue, Hudson, N.H., was arrested and charged with making an improper turn, giving a false name/address to police and failure to yield; also on warrants for possessing liquor while being under the age of 21, possession of a class A substance, being present where heroin is kept and conspiracy to violate drug laws.
Sunday, Sept. 13 – At 2:39 p.m., Leslie Legacy, 31, of 54 North Main St. Newmarket, N.H., was arrested and charged with possession of a class A substance.
At 10:44 p.m., Scott M. Hitchko, 26, of 9 College Circle,

was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a household member.
THEFT
Friday, Sept. 11 – At 2:47 p.m. someone reported an attempted shoplifting at CVS, Main Street.
Monday, Sept. 14 – At 8:12 a.m., a landscaping company reported the theft of equipment from its truck on Harper Circle. The suspect left in a red pickup truck.
AUTO INCIDENTS
Wednesday, Sept. 9 – At 7:24 a.m., the LaQuinta hotel, River Road, reported an overnight vehicle break-in.
Friday, Sept. 11 – At 7:32 a.m., a River Road driver was given a criminal application for driving with a suspended license and having no license in his possession.
At 4:05 p.m., vandalism to a student vehicle was reported on Shawshen Road.
Saturday, Sept. 12 – At 8:11 and 9:52 a.m., there were reports of

overnight vehicle break-ins at the Wyndham Hotel, Old River Road.
Sunday, Sept. 13 – At 11:04 a.m., there was a report of an overnight vehicle break-in at LaQuinta hotel, River Road.
At 6:32 p.m., there was a report of an overnight break-in at the Residence Inn, Minuteman Road.
Monday, Sept. 14 – At 6:58 a.m., someone reported another overnight vehicle break-in at LaQuinta on River Road.
INCIDENTS
Tuesday, Sept. 8 – At 1:28 p.m., a 911 cell phone caller reported a large, injured bird on the sidewalk of North Main Street. Animal Control Officer Wayne Nader responded, and took a hawk to the animal hospital.
At 2:55 p.m., four officers responded to a report of a girl hit by a vehicle on High Street, with minor injuries.

ACC golfers must wait for 19th hole to cry in their beer

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Golfers at the Andover Country Club will not be enjoying libations on the green, after selectmen Monday denied the club's request to serve beer and wine on the course.
The Canterbury Street club has an all-alcoholic beverage license, and had applied for an alteration to allow it to sell drinks from carts or stands on its golf course. As part of the proposal, the club agreed alcohol would not be allowed across public ways, including Andover Country Club Lane and Beacon Street.
Selectmen Jerry Stabile and Alex Vispoli were absent from the Sept. 14 meeting; Mary Lyman and Brian Major voted against the club's request and Ted Teichert in favor.

Major said more discussion is needed between the club and abutters before he would approve a liquor license extension.
Teichert was more favorable to the idea, saying club staff would know not to serve those who had reached their limit. Issues with trespassing and errant balls are separate from the liquor-license request, said Teichert.
Under the liquor license extension, alcohol would have been sold on the green only for special events, not daily, said Muccio. Club staff serving drinks would be certified in Training for Intervention Procedures, or TIPS, an alcohol training program, and signs and trash receptacles would be placed before each public way.
"It's not our goal to have drunk golfers," said Muccio, who noted club policy is to sell a limit of two drinks to patrons.
Muccio emphasized the club offers to have their insurance adjusters visit any abutter who receives damage from errant balls, but also feels they should understand the risk when buying property next to a golf course.
After the vote, the group of abutters continued a discussion in the hallway and asked questions of Muccio. Police Chief Brian Pattullo, who was at the meeting for a different agenda item, stepped into the hallway to subdue the group and ask them to move away from the conference room door.

DOWNTOWN: Businesses are coming and going

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space will allow us to grow," added co-owner April Graffeo.
Work on their new location was scheduled to start this week. Indra is going from its present 1,700 square feet to about 4,000 square feet. Graffeo said the new location will feel like a "city spa," which means clients arrive to "hurry up and relax."



Signing the leases to officially swap locations are, from left, Indra Salon co-owners Jose Batistine and April Graffeo with Tom Belhumeur, owner of Athlete's Corner.

"They will be energized and then they are on to their next errand," she said.
Indra's renovation plans include five "zones," offering day spa treatments for customers, including massages, oxygen facials, hair treatments, nail service and teeth whitening along with an Internet bar. There will be 27 stations offering services and also a stage with a runway, as fashion shows are planned. Indra hopes to open in the new location on Dec. 1. The business will remain open at Elm Square until then.

understand a smaller version of that store, with a focus on running shoes, will open after Indra Salon moves out.
Beauty & Main, an upscale makeup business, already has moved, in its case from Main Street to Post Office Avenue on Sept. 1, according to the landlord of both locations, Rep. Barry Finegold.
The new, smaller location was empty and used to house the Cupcake Boutique, which moved to Haverhill months ago. The former space on Main Street is empty, although Finegold says he has received inquiries.
Also new to Post Office Avenue

will be a Lebanese restaurant called Yella.
"That's Lebanese for 'come on, let's go,'" Danielle Berdahn said of her restaurant's name.
This event planner who grew up in North Andover and her Lebanese chef husband, Carlos Berdahn, are planning a Nov. 1 opening. Several restaurants have come and gone over the years at the location, most recently Cassis restaurant.
Finegold said he is optimistic about the future of the area, now dubbed "restaurant row." The plan is to make the small, one-way street a place for pedestrians and diners only. He said the Berdhans are the

first tenants of "restaurant row."
"You will be able to get a falafel in Andover. – that's great news," he said.
But you won't be able to visit an ice cream shop for dessert downtown. Main Line Creamery, located near the railroad tracks on School Street, is closing for good on Sunday, Oct. 4. The shop has been there for the past six years. Owner Paul Clancy did not return a phone call.
Finegold said he is on the hunt for an ice cream shop to come to Main Street.
"I remember Brigham's, Friendly's and Emack & Bolio while growing up in Andover," he said. "Now we don't have one and we need one."

New businesses are always welcome, said Betsy Powers, president of the Andover Business Center Association.
"I'm sorry to hear about Main Line, but there are new businesses coming to Andover and that's good," she said. "Phillip Ciampa (a hair salon) is expanding on Park Street and a nail salon is going into the old Izzy's (a clothing boutique) on Barnard Street," she said.
It's a busy time for the downtown, as plans are also being finalized for the Andover Days event to be held on the same day as the grand re-opening of Main Street, Saturday, Oct. 3.
"But, it's exciting, too," Powers said.

A vocal group of abutters spoke out in opposition to the measure, saying alcohol will only exacerbate the problems they have with trespassing golfers and wayward balls. Problems are worse on Mondays, they said, when the club hosts tournaments open to nonmembers.
"I can only imagine what it would be with inebriated golf cart drivers," said Kathy Segal of Bobby Jones Drive, who said she's seen golf balls hit her condominium and parked cars. "It will only get worse ... I don't understand the need to booze up (patrons)."
Andover Country Club Lane resident Michael Grossman said he's knows of two people who have gone to the hospital after being hit by golf balls, and a wayward ball narrowly missed his teenage son after flying through the door of his home.
"Nobody is arguing the need to have alcohol at a golf club. But I

■ REUNIONS

Andover High Class of 1974 has set its reunion/get-together for Oct. 10, the Saturday of Columbus Day weekend, at Old Town Hall, 20 Main St., Andover. The Classes of '73, '74 and '75 are invited and people are asked to RSVP by Oct. 1.
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Education

Preparing for H1N1 this fall at schools

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Public health professionals expect to see an uptick in the H1N1 or "swine" flu in Andover this fall, and are preparing accordingly, from education on cough and sneeze etiquette in schools to setting up public flu shot clinics.

"Prevalence (of H1N1) has been less over the summer, but it certainly has been here in the community," said Tom Carbone, Andover's director of public health. "We will almost certainly see an increase in incidents ... It's going to be here, it's going to happen. Don't panic, but plan, and then you'll be ready for it."

Last May, cases of H1N1 were confirmed at Andover High

FALL FLU SHOT CLINICS

The following are dates and times for vaccinations for the regular, seasonal flu, open to Andover residents. Vaccinations are free of charge; residents are asked to bring their Medicare card, if applicable.

- Oct. 15, 3:30 to 7 p.m., Andover High School field house, Shawsheen Road (vaccinations to age 18 and over).
- Oct. 20, 5 to 7 p.m., Andover Senior Center, Bartlett Street, (family clinic, vaccinations for ages 2 and older, accompanied by a parent or guardian).
- Oct. 23, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Andover Senior Center, Bartlett Street (vaccinations to age 18 and over).
- For more information, visit www.andoverma.gov/health or call 978-623-8295

School and High Plain Elementary; Andover schools continued to see a spike in student absences due to flu-like symptoms until school ended in late June.

This fall, hand sanitizer gel is being widely distributed and used in Andover classrooms, and staff are continuing to stress common-

sense practices such as frequent hand washing and sneezing into the bend of your elbow instead of your hand.

Residents of all ages are asked to stay home from school or work if experiencing a fever of 100.4 or above. Stay home until you are fever-free, without the aid of pain

reliever or other medication, for 24 hours.

"We are already seeing cases of the flu (in the public schools)," said Director of Nursing Rita Casper. "This year, it may not be the severity of symptoms, but large numbers of people (ill) at the same time."

The only difference between the regular seasonal flu and H1N1 is that it's a new virus so no one is immune, said Carbone. "The symptoms are the same. The long and short of it is that it's a type of virus that our bodies just haven't seen yet," he said.

Andover's Department of Public Health has three free clinics scheduled in October to vaccinate residents against the seasonal flu.

The public schools will also make seasonal flu vaccinations

available for students in fifth grade through high school. For around \$30, students can be vaccinated through injection or nasal flu mist during the school day in late September and early October. Specific information about dates and locations will be coming home to parents via listserv, said Casper.

The Centers for Disease Control is currently developing an H1N1 vaccine, which will have a limited distribution in late fall, possibly November, said Carbone.

Once developed, the H1N1 vaccine will require two shots over several weeks. The first demographic to receive an H1N1 vaccine will be health-care workers, said Carbone, along with pregnant women and families with an infant. After that, preference will

KEEPING H1N1 AT BAY

- Stay home if you have a fever of 100.4 or above with sore throat, cough or runny nose.
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be given to children, then adults, and lastly senior citizens.

Statistically, people aged 24 and under have seen the highest rates of H1N1, not the elderly, said Casper.

SCHOOL MENUS

Here is what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, Sept. 21 to 25.

Elementary schools

Monday: Chicken stir fry and fresh veggies over rice, fortune cookie, french toast, fresh berries, turkey bacon, fresh fruit, applesauce cake and juice.

Tuesday: Soft shell tacos with all the toppings, manager's choice, baked potato and special toppings, black bean and corn salad, steamed broccoli and fresh fruit.

Wednesday: Hotdog on a roll, cheese ravioli, veggie wrap, fresh squash, fresh fruit and juice.

Thursday: Chicken nuggets, dinner roll, chef's salad, bagel and string cheese or yogurt, corn on the cob, maine potatoes and apple.

Friday: Pan pizza, pepperoni or veggie, manager's choice, bagel and yogurt or string cheese, orzo salad, veggies and jello with topping.

Thursday: Pizza calzone, chef's salad, grilled teriyaki chicken breast on a roll, corn on the cob, BBQ beans and apple.

Friday: Oven fried chicken, bread stick, mashed potatoes, sweet and sour meatballs, soup, grilled cheese sandwich, orzo salad, veggies and kiwi.

Andover High School

Monday: Chicken cacciatore over pasta, garlic bread, side salad and fresh fruit.

Tuesday: Meatloaf, whipped potatoes, seasoned veggies, dinner roll and fruit cup.

Wednesday: Pulled pork sandwich, oven fries, veggies sticks and dip and fresh fruit.

Thursday: Lasagna with meat sauce, italian bread, green beans and fresh melon.

Friday: Baked fish topped with bread crumbs, rice pilaf, broccoli with cheese sauce and cookie.

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.

For prices or other information about lunches, call Gail Koutroubas, food services director, at 978-623-8622.

Middle schools

Monday: Cheese omelet and mini yogurt, french toast with strawberries and cream, manager's choice, turkey bacon, home fries with basil, fruit cup and orange juice.

Tuesday: French bread pizza, cheese or pepperoni, steak and cheese roll up with pretzels, baked fish sandwich, coleslaw, maine potato salad and blueberries and cream.

Wednesday: Hawaiian orange chicken, rice, roll, baked potato, steamed broccoli and cheese, manager's choice, roasted veggies, fresh peach and juice.

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BOOK REVIEW

'Host' is a sometimes intriguing guest for one's bookshelf

By MARI MIYACHI
WHAT'S UP CONTRIBUTOR

After reading *Twilight*, the wildly successful teen romance novel that spawned the Hollywood blockbuster of the same name, I was not eager to finish Stephanie Meyer's series. Indeed, I've had misgivings about reading any of Meyer's work. However, given Meyer's phenomenal popularity, I decided to give the author another chance and read her latest piece of teen fiction.

The *Host* by Stephanie Meyer is set in a distant future, and humans no longer rule this planet. Humanity has been taken over by aliens known as souls, who operate inside the human form, or the host, living in and controlling the body. Wanderer

is a particular well-traveled soul, who upon coming to Earth is met by an unwelcome surprise. Her host, Melanie, is still conscious and asserts an abnormal and troubling amount of influence upon Wanderer. As the novel progresses, Wanderer and Melanie develop a strange and unique friendship, and the two undergo immense pain and fear as Wanderer begins to question her role as a soul and her species' unwelcome presence on Earth.

Described by the book's publisher as Meyer's first adult literature and a science fiction thriller, *The Host* is clearly marketed as a departure from the *Twilight* series. However, the description goes on to call *The Host* a "gripping story of love

and betrayal in a future with the fate of humanity at stake." Does this sound eerily familiar to the *Twilight* romance of Bella and Edward, which was under the constant threat of ill-willed vampires?

In fact, *The Host* bears many similarities to *Twilight*. In my opinion, both books are geared towards a teen audience, and are engaging and fast-paced. Both novels also contain angst-ridden love triangles and swoon-worthy romantic sacrifices, bound to appeal to the many fans of Meyer's previous work. I admit that I enjoyed parts of *The Host*, as it seemed to avoid clichéd romance plotlines by focusing more on the fascinating friendship between Wanderer and Melanie. The dialogue between

the two characters is original and witty, and their dynamic touching. When the balance between these two fades later on, *The Host's* plotline consequently drags and loses much of its entertainment value.

I give *The Host* a 7 out of 10. An interesting book with a good concept, *The Host* will please many *Twilight* fans eager for more of Meyer's familiar writing. Wanderer and Melanie are well-developed, multi-dimensional characters. However, Meyer disappoints in the end, finishing *The Host* with a neat and ill-fitting conclusion to a complex and potentially stirring plot.

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

ON CAMPUS

Carrie Caselden, daughter of John and Nancy Cronin of Andover, received a bachelor of science degree with honors from the School of Nursing at Johns Hopkins University during its 2009 diploma and awards ceremony on May 21 at the Lyric Opera House in Baltimore. After graduating, Carrie began employment with Johns Hopkins Children's Center in the

pediatric psychology unit. She resides in Baltimore with her husband, Dan Caselden and two English bulldog puppies, Betsy and Charlie.

James Benjamin Hoopes of Andover graduated from Lyndon State College, Lyndon Center, Vt. on May 17. The "Eye on the Sky" team from the Fairbanks Museum in St.

Johnsbury, who are all alumni of Lyndon's Meteorology Program and are well-known forecasters in the state, gave the commencement address. Hoopes received

a bachelor of science degree in recreation resource and ski resort management, adventure-based program.

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Early flu season — what you need to know

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP Medical Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) —

Flu season's in full swing two months early this year — and nearly all the cases are the new swine flu strain that so far is targeting mostly children and younger adults.

That doesn't mean older people are off the hook. They sometimes catch swine flu. Also, we could see a one-two punch when regular flu strains start circulating as the weather gets colder. You probably won't know which kind you have. Very few people will get the specialized testing to tell. That doesn't matter — treatment's the same for both.

Here are answers to some questions about what the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention predicts will be a busy and long flu season.

Q: Where's the vaccine, and how many shots will I need?

A: Many people will need to line up twice. One vaccine protects against regular winter flu, and that vaccine's available now. A separate vaccine to protect against swine flu — the 2009 H1N1 strain — will arrive in October. It appears that adults

will need one dose of that vaccine; dose studies are under way in children to see if they'll need a booster.

Q: Why couldn't both kinds be put into one shot?

A: Bad timing. Swine flu didn't burst onto the scene until April, after manufacturers had already begun brewing this fall's regular flu vaccine and too late to add into that mix.

Q: How does swine flu compare to regular flu strains?

A: So far it doesn't seem any more deadly than regular flu, which kills 36,000 Americans a year and hospitalizes 200,000. But swine flu does sicken the young much more frequently than the old, and it spreads very easily, especially in crowded schools. A University of Washington study found the typical sick school student infects two to three classmates — so keep sick kids at home.

The sad reality: You can be contagious up to 24 hours before you show symptoms, one reason flu spreads so easily.

Q: Who's at highest risk of severe illness or even death?

A: Children under 5. Pregnant women. People 65 or older. And people of any age with asthma

or other lung disorders; diabetes; heart, kidney, liver or blood disorders; neurodevelopmental disorders such as cerebral palsy; or a weakened immune system.

Q: I think I had swine flu over the summer. Do I still need the vaccine?

A: Yes, says CDC flu specialist Dr. Anne Schuchat. Other viruses mimic flu so it's hard to be sure what you had.

Q: How does swine flu affect children, and what symptoms should prompt a race to the pediatrician?

A: Symptoms are the same regardless of age: Fever, aches, cough, sore throat, sneezing or runny nose, sometimes diarrhea and vomiting.

The CDC says to seek immediate care if a child has difficulty breathing or is breathing fast, turns bluish, isn't drinking enough fluids, has severe vomiting, is hard to wake up or lethargic, or is so irritable the child doesn't want to be held. Also seek care if the fever breaks and then later returns, sign of a possible bacterial infection.

Q: What are emergency signs for an adult?

A: Difficulty breathing, pain or

pressure in the chest of abdomen, dizziness, confusion, severe vomiting or a rebound fever.

Q: Won't I or my child need those anti-flu medicines, Tamiflu or Relenza?

A: No, most won't, stresses CDC's Schuchat. Most people will recover with rest and fluids — don't get dehydrated.

But people at high risk should make a plan with their doctor now, before they're sick, Schuchat advises. They may need Tamiflu within the first 48 hours of symptoms, and some doctors may agree to an advance prescription if they promise to call with symptoms — saving time and exposing others in the waiting room.

Q: How long should sick kids stay out of school or day care?

A: For 24 hours after the fever breaks naturally, not because of fever-reducing medicine. And never give a child aspirin, only non-aspirin fever reducers. For a child under 5, ask a doctor first about type and dose.

You're considered more contagious while feverish. But children especially can be contagious for over a week, so doctors say use common sense — stay home if you're still sick after the fever breaks.

Q: Is it true that not everyone gets a fever?

A: Yes. There are no good estimates although the CDC thinks it's not too common.

Q: Someone's sick in my office. How long until I know if I caught it?

A: Up to a week.

Q: Do I have an obligation to notify my friends or employer if I or my child get sick?

A: "Of course you tell your friends," especially if you've been around someone who's at high risk, says Dr. William Schaffner of Vanderbilt University. Treat flu like any other easy-to-spread illness. Families normally tell the school and playmates when a child gets strep throat, for example. Employers must weigh privacy requirements but certainly can advise that flu has hit the office.

Q: Can you catch flu from the flu shot? You hear people say, "I was sick the day after the shot!"

A: No, it's biologically impossible for a flu shot to give you influenza; it's made with a dead virus. But the flu shot won't prevent a cold or other flu-like viruses, causing some confusion.

Q: But what if I hate shots?

A: There's FluMist, the squirt-in-your nose vaccine, available for people ages 2 to 49.

Q: What if I have asthma?

A: Any flu can worsen asthma attacks, warns CDC asthma specialist Dr. David Callahan. Children may be prescribed Tamiflu at the first symptoms, so call your doctor. Keep a good supply of regular asthma medicines, including "rescue" inhalers for asthma attacks, on hand.

Q: What if I have diabetes?

A: Flu can increase a diabetic's blood sugar, so test frequently and call your doctor about adjusting insulin or other medications, said CDC diabetes specialist Dr. Ann Albright. Keep a two-week supply of regular medication. Stay hydrated. And check your ketone levels.

Q: My child was told to bring hand sanitizer to school and use it regularly. Is there any concern with that?

A: Nope, says the CDC. It shouldn't be more drying to skin than soap. Just keep the whole bottle away from toddlers who might try to swallow it.

Q: Why isn't everybody tested?

A: Rapid tests just tell if you have flu, not which strain, and aren't always accurate. More sophisticated testing takes too long to be practical. The CDC does enough testing to tell what strains are circulating where but for the average person it doesn't matter — flu's flu.

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Go less, shorten treatments to hold on to the spa

By MEGAN K. SCOTT
Associated Press Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — In this economy, we could probably all use a little pampering: a massage, a facial, a pedicure. Perhaps a nice soak in a hot whirlpool.

The spa, new figures show, is one thing we're not giving up, even if it means opting for a cheaper experience and fewer treatments.

In June, 46 percent of the 3,200 members of the International SPA Association reported an increase in the number of shorter treatments of 30 minutes or less, and close to half reported a decrease in the amount spent per visit compared with the same time last year.

The findings show some of the effects the economy is having on the spa industry, which has experienced exponential growth in recent years.

Revenues were up almost 18 percent in 2008 from the previous year to \$12.8 billion, according to ISPA's 2009 U.S. Spa Industry Update. The number of spa visits increased 16 percent and the number of locations rose almost 19 percent to 21,300 in the U.S. (Day spas make up almost 80 percent). But per spa, revenues and visits were slightly down. According to SpaFinder's State of Spa Travel Survey, 58 percent of travel agents reported declines in spa travel bookings year-over-year from Jan-

uary through June of this year, though only one in five agents reported that spa travel declined 'significantly.'

"We have certainly seen an effect," said Susie Ellis, president of SpaFinder Inc. and SpaFinder.com.

But not as much as hotels, she said.

"Spas are somewhat recession-resistant," Ellis added. "The number one reason people go to spas is to de-stress and relax. While they may not be able to afford it, they need it more."

Some spa trends:

PAMPERING, RESULTS: Spagoers want to relax and de-stress, but they also want to leave with results, said Ellis. Their blood pressure goes down after a week at a destination spa, they lose weight or their skin is clearer after a facial. "You want to walk out with a lighter step," said Lynne McNeese, president of ISPA. "That may be as simple as leaving worries on the massage room floor because you finally got to just let it go."

ORGANIC: Organic is becoming the buzz word for spas, as more offer environmentally-friendly products and design treatments that use indigenous plants from local environments.

For example, Aspira Spa at The

Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, Wis., recently debuted its Elderberry Facial at ISPA's Media Event. Freshly ground dried elderberries are added to the exfoliant and dried elderberry flowers to the mask. A cup of elderberry tea with honey finishes the service.

"People want to stay away from the chemicals and get as pure as they can," said Chris Bird, general manager at Mii Amo a destination spa at Enchantment in Sedona, Ariz. The spa uses Eminence Organics for its facials.

But spa-goers are also looking for an experience, said McNeese, like a Whipped Cocoa Bath at the Spa at The Hotel Hershey in Hershey, Pa.

KIDS: The kids want to be pampered, too.

Scoops Kid Spas, which resemble retro ice cream parlors, are now open at 10 Great Wolf Lodge Properties for kids ages 4-12. Each service has the look, feel and smell of an ice cream treat, like an ice cream flavored fizz that is placed in the pedicure tub and moisturizing icings for the hands before polish is applied.

"It's been very, very successful," said Kim Schaefer, CEO of Great Wolf Resorts, who was inspired by her own daughter, now 14, to open a kid-friendly spa. "Even in today's times when people are being a little more conscious about the money

they spend, Scoops has been completely sold out this summer."

GEN XERS, YERS: Gen Yers and Xers are going to replace their Baby Boomer parents as the spa industry's core clientele, according to SpaFinder.

That means spas are rethinking everything from design and treatment menus to technology and wireless connectivity inside the spa, said Ellis.

For example, the winner of the 2009 Student Spa Strategy Challenge at the Global Spa Summit in May, re-imagined the spa for the 21-30 demographic as a social place where people go to network, eat, drink, work out and get a treatment.

MEDICAL SPAS: Is there a doctor in the spa? The number of medical spas continues to grow at the fastest rate of all the spa types, according to ISPA, growing 85 percent since July 2007.

While most people aren't going for a pedicure, people are using them for Botox, filler treatments and even a script for the new eyelash lengthening drug, said Ellis.

MEN: Men continue to frequent spas, making up about one-third of U.S. spa-goers, according to ISPA. When ISPA surveyed its members in June, 82 percent of them had

treatments for men. The most popular: the massage. (It's also the most popular for women).

But men are also opting for stress relief treatments that are anti-aging, a 30 minute glycolic peel that makes skin visibly younger, for example, said Frank Westerbeke, president of Gadabout Salon-Spas in Tucson, Ariz.

The trend is toward multiple services at once, he said in an e-mail. For example, Gadabout Man offers a facial with a massage component, or a guy can add a manicure to his hair cut.

"Men like to spend no longer than an hour at the salon or spa," he said. "Men don't enjoy the fluff. They just want the results."

HEALING ENERGY: Spas are offering healing energy therapies for people who are interested in alternative medicine, said Ellis.

Canyon Ranch in Tucson, Ariz., has an energy healing menu that includes Acutonics — a sound healing treatment — and a Chinese Herbal consultation, in which a specialist in Chinese medicine recommends herbs to treat ailments, including PMS, migraines, asthma and arthritis.

CLASSES: It's not only about relaxation and wellness. You can leave a destination spa knowing how to cook, draw, even plant your

own vegetable garden.

Lake Austin Spa Resort's new Gardening for Life program features classes, such as Eating for the Season, Cooking from the Garden and Healing Herbs. The Texas spa is known for its organic gardens, which produce hundreds of plants, herbs, fruits, vegetables, spices and wildflowers. Ojai Valley Inn & Spa in California has an Artist's Cottage & Apothecary with painting, drawing, jewelry-making and other craft-inspired experiences.

DEALS: If you are looking for a deal, this is the time to find one. In 2008, 70 percent of agents reported that spa resorts were lowering rates and rolling out more special deals than in years past.

That number has increased to 90 percent so far this year, according to SpaFinder's State of Spa Travel Survey. About 60 percent of agents said spas were offering 'historically' or 'significantly' more aggressive deals than ever before.

ISPA reports hotels are throwing in free treatments or spa credits with bookings. Some spas are offering memberships similar to a gym membership. So a 12-month membership may include unlimited use of the spa, one treatment a month and discounts on additional services.

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Arts & Entertainment

Art in the Park this Saturday

BY BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

The Park at the corner of Bartlett and Chestnut streets will transform into an outdoor art gallery this Saturday for the Andovers Artist Guild's annual Art in the Park event.

Watercolor and oil paintings, pastels, photography and mixed media pieces by more than 50 artists will be on display Saturday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rain date for the event is Sunday, Sept. 20, same time and location.

The event, which allows artists to connect with local residents in a more relaxed, casual atmosphere than a museum or gallery, will offer different types of art to suit any taste, said Diane Butler, chairwoman of the Art in the Park committee. A disc jockey will play music as folks browse.

Now in its 35th year, artist registration fees from Art in the Park go toward scholarships the Andover Artist Guild awards each year to local high school graduates headed to art school, said Butler.

Artists can enter favorite pieces to the event's judges ring, which gives out monetary prizes for "best in show" and other top categories, said Butler.

Participating artists keep all the proceeds from pieces they sell that day. Last year's event had close to 80 artists display and sell their works. Butler attributed a dip in participation this year to the economy.

Andover residents participating in the event include photographer Jim Primmer, artist Gerald Smith, who will have graphite and water color works on display and 8-year-old Zoe Yin, who has been showing her work during Art in the Park since age 6.

The Andovers Artists Guild began in 1970 with a membership of nine artists and craftspeople. In close to four decades, the nonprofit organization has grown to more than 90 active members from Andover, North Andover and surrounding towns.

For more information, visit www.andoversartistsguild.com

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Mary Cataudella laughs as kids try to squeeze balloons into oversized long underwear during the 8th Annual Ballardvale Block Party on Sunday.



Sam Huntress, 9, chases after a ball while playing giant dodgeball.



Scott Shirmer and his daughter, Lucy, 10, carefully play water balloon toss during the Block Party on Sunday.



Water splashes on Will O'Neil, 8, and Reed Spencer, 15, as they try to catch water balloons fired from a slingshot during the eighth annual Ballardvale Block Party.

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPT. 17

DOWNSIZE TO A RETIREMENT HOME, with certified Relocation Transition Specialist Rosemary Draper and Edgewood Retirement Community, free, seminar and dessert social, 2 p.m., Edgewood, 575 Osgood St., North Andover; 1-888-319-0787 to reserve a spot.

AUTHOR READING, Jennifer Haigh will be reading from her new novel, *The Condition*, 7 p.m., free, Andover Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St.; 978-475-0143.

JOURNEY TO THE ANTARCTIC, 2 p.m., free, Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park St., North Reading. Greta Barresi of North Reading will show slides from her trip; 978-664-4942.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 18

HIKE, AVIS Deer Jump Reservation hike along the Merrimack River. Park on Launching Road off of River Road. Trail entrance is past house #15 on the right. Led by Fred Snell, 978-

686-3647.

LIVE THEATRE, "N Toon Too: Ever Ever After" opens, The Quannapowitt Players of Reading, cast includes Kathy Wackowski of Andover, \$20, through Oct. 3 at Quannapowitt Playhouse, 55 Hopkins St., Reading; 781-942-2212, <http://www.qptheater.com/boxoffice.asp>.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 19

SPICKET RIVER CLEANUP, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Manchester Street Park, 75 Manchester St., Lawrence, wear pants, sturdy shoes and clothes you don't mind getting dirty; www.groundworklawrence.org/spicketrivercleanup.

LIVE MUSIC, Vance Gilbert, New Moon Coffeehouse, Universalist Unitarian Church, 16 Ashland St. (Routes 110 and 125), Haverhill, 8 p.m., \$20.

SALTY DOG DAY, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Essex Shipbuilding Museum, 66 Main St., Essex. Find out how dogs have, and continue to be, important friends not only on land, but at sea. Bring the whole family including your leashed dog; 978-768-7541.

LIVE COMEDY, Salvatore's of Lawrence, 354 Merrimack St., Lawrence. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8:30 p.m., \$20, benefits the American Heart Association and the Merrimack

Valley Start! Heart Walk on Oct. 3.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 20

FREE JAZZ CONCERT, featuring The Squirrel Hill Jazz Band, West Parish Chapel, Reservation Road, 3 p.m.

AUTHOR VISIT, Brunonia Barry, author of "The Lace Reader," benefits PATHS (Patient Advocacy Training & Health Services), a nonprofit that offers training to help people learn to navigate their healthcare journey effectively, 2 to 4:30 p.m., Wyndham Andover Hotel, 123 Old River Road, Andover, \$20, dessert buffet, coffee, tea. Reservations: Donna Wagner, author@

patientpaths.org or 978-838-0290. E-mail preferred.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 22

FLASH FICTION TALK, with writers Tara L. Masih and Sue Williams, both of Andover, discussing their new book, *The Rose Metal Press Field Guide to Writing Flash Fiction*, Tips from Editors, Teachers, and Writers in the Field, 7 p.m., Flint Memorial Library, North Reading.

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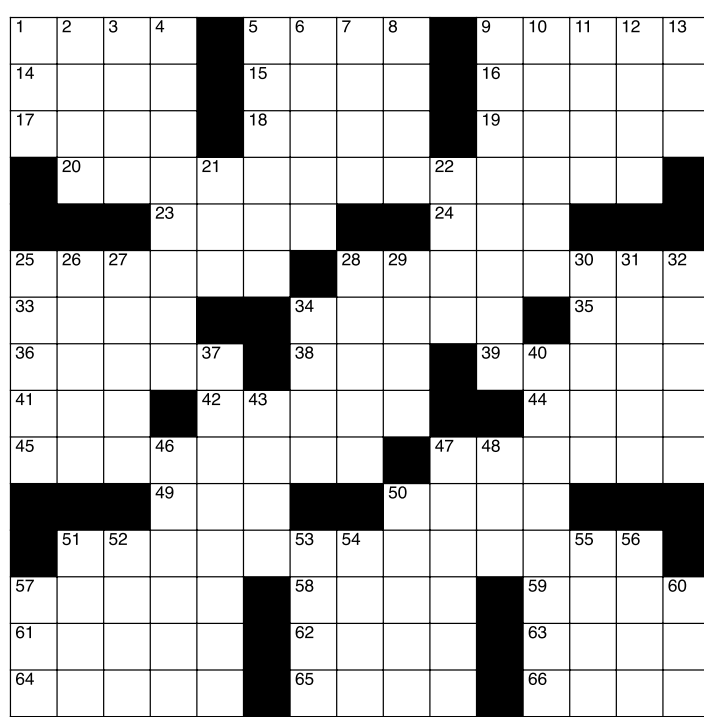
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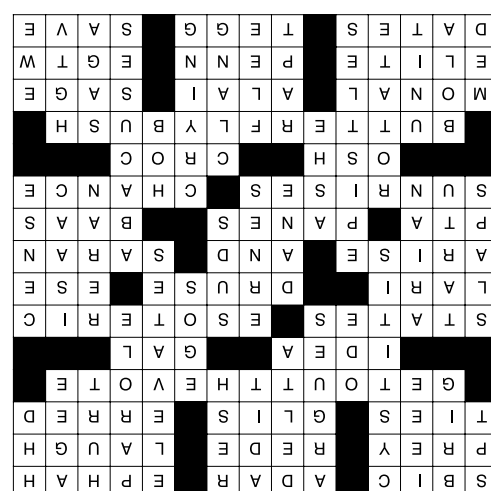
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39. Clear plastic wrap
41. School organization
42. Sheets of glass
44. Blats
45. First lights
47. Probability
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50. Popular rubber shoe
51. Buddleia
57. Genus lophophorus
58. Jai ___ sport
59. Ramona cooking herb
61. Chosen above others
62. Actor Sean
63. Oaksey Park Airport
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65. Unsheared sheep
66. Lay aside

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1. Seaport (abbr.)
2. A ship's jail
3. Where electrical engineers meet
4. Inflammation of the bladder
5. Quarrels
6. The 4th Greek letter
7. Nearly horizontal mine passage
8. The 20th Hebrew letter
9. Moves to a higher place
10. Prisoner's conditional release
11. "Body Heat" actor William
12. "A Death in The Family" author
13. Hoghead (abbr.)
21. A lyric poem
22. Conscious identities
25. Open handed hits

26. SE Estonian city
27. One born under "The Ram"
28. Sea eagles
29. Soapy water
30. Showed old movie
31. Sir ___ Newton
32. Odorize
34. A citizen of Denmark
37. Formal missives
40. Calculating machines
43. USTA stadium
46. Revolve
47. Weeping
48. ___goblin: folklore creature
50. Loud metallic noise
51. Cord tie
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Sleep is overrated

Sue Tabb



I used to be a fantastic sleeper. When I was a teen, I could sleep through a category four hurricane, an ear-piercing alarm, and my sister climbing over my bed, jumping out of the window onto the roof, and hopping into her boyfriend's Camaro with the fuzzy dice. That's some serious shut eye.

Fast forward to now: if the temperature in our bedroom drops below 68.5 degrees, a cricket chirps or one of my girls sneezes, I'm awake. Not only am I up and at 'em, but I am in red alert mode. I am immediately vertical, adjusting thermostats and ceiling fans, checking the girls' breathing patterns, responding to e-mails and writing out a grocery list.

I'm not kidding. Right now it's about midnight and my husband is snoring away as I write this - he doesn't care that the closet door is ajar or that there is a load of laundry I forgot to take out of the washer that will smell like dirty feet by morning. He is peacefully resting, which makes me want to throw this pen at him; or at the very least, shuffle some papers while sighing loudly. Hey, don't judge me, I think I am a budding insomniac with a bright future in sleeplessness and we can become quite irritable around good sleepers.

But the older I get the more I

think sleep is overrated. Really, do we need eight hours of rest every single day? Who came up with that rule - Rumpelstiltskin?

It seems rather arbitrary. Can't we just make up a new formula? For example, why not determine how much sleep you need by taking your kids ages, adding them together and dividing by four? In my case, that would be 5.5 hours, a more obtainable goal. If you don't have kids, you can stay up all night or sleep all day or do whatever the heck you want at any given moment so we - the ones with the deep circles under our eyes - are all bitterly jealous of you. Go take a nap already.

So now, when I contemplate what superpower I'd like to have (and doesn't everyone?), I believe it would be the power to sleep anywhere, anytime, with the snap of a finger. That would beat lying in bed with the Rolodex of worries I mentally flip through each night. *What if someone wakes up with a fever? What if my alarm doesn't go off? Why didn't I mail that birthday card that's been sitting in my car for a week? How am I going to fit a trip to the grocery store into my day? Isn't my car due for an oil change? Can I really trust Sleepy's for the rest of my life?*

As Charlotte Bronte once said, a ruffled mind makes a restless pillow. You can say that again, Char. I don't think there

is enough Ambien on the planet to turn this creaky cranium off. And I've tried it all - hot showers, green tea, lavender slippers, Sudoku puzzles, reading, writing and arithmetic. OK, not arithmetic. I was never very good at that, but everything else.

I want an off switch for my next birthday. That would be a cool gift. The kids are fighting, the meeting goes long - no worries - just turn yourself off. My problem is that I don't know a living being that would opt to turn me back on. That would be the end of me.

So I will have to adjust to this new sleep pattern, namely, the just-give-up method. Rather than stare at the clock, counting down the few hours of sleep I will get each night, I have decided to embrace this new state. You can't get anything done when you sleep. This new pattern affords me several extra hours a day. I could learn to speak a new language or knit a blanket or watch the entire last season of Lost I have recorded. The possibilities are endless.

But you know I won't do any of that. I will lie awake worrying about the field trip form I forgot to send in, the early morning meeting I have and whether we'll ever know where in the world Matt Lauer is.

Then I'll adjust the thermostat.

EVENTS CALENDAR

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and Circus Arts Center, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Chickering Plaza behind Keys Grille on Route 125, North Andover. This is a series of free lectures with tips on how to get your child to consume more fruits and vegetables; 978-683-8493 to register.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR VISIT, Judy Schachner, author of "Skippyjon Jones Lost in Spice," 3:30 p.m., free, Andover Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St.; 978-475-0143.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

LIVE THEATRE, "N Toon Too: Ever Ever After," The Quannapowitt Players of Reading, cast includes Kathy Wackowski of Andover, \$20, through Oct. 3 at Quannapowitt Playhouse, 55 Hopkins St., Reading; 781-942-2212, http://www.qptheater.com/boxoffice.asp.

AUTHOR VISIT, Juliette Fay reads from "Shelter Me," her book which chronicles the mountains and valleys of the first year of widowhood, Andover Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St., Andover; 978-475-0143.

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Obituaries

Josephine M. Arcidy, 85



ANDOVER — Mrs. Josephine M. (DeLuca) Arcidy, 85, of Andover, beloved wife of the late Carmine S. Arcidy, died Thursday, Sept. 10, 2009 in

the Lahey Clinic Medical Center in Burlington.

Born and raised in Lawrence, she was the daughter of the late Samuel and Mary (Vernile) DeLuca.

Mrs. Arcidy was a loving mother, grandmother and aunt who will be missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her son, Samuel S. Arcidy and his wife Mary of Andover, four grandchildren, Christina Arcidy and

her husband Brian Satwicz of Seattle, Matthew Arcidy of New York, Lauren Arcidy and her fiancé Mark Chen of Cupertino, Calif. and Gregory Arcidy of Andover; several nieces and nephews including her loving nieces, Joan Normand and Linda Sousa and her husband, Ken all of Methuen.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral Mass was held on Saturday, Sept. 12, 2009 in Corpus Christi Parish at the Holy Rosary Church, Lawrence. Her visiting hour was held prior to the Mass on Saturday in Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen. Her burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Josephine's memory to the charity of one's choice. For condolences, please visit the online guestbook at www.cataudellaFH.com.

E. Haffner Fournier, 72



NORTH ANDOVER — E. Haffner Fournier, 72, longtime president and CEO of Haffner's Service Stations, Inc. passed away

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2009 after a long courageous battle with cancer.

Known simply as "Haff" to his family and friends, he was the son of the late Emile and Louise (Haffner) Fournier. Haff was born in Lowell on Aug. 15, 1937 and raised in Lawrence.

He was a graduate of Babson College and earned his Masters in Business Administration from Northeastern University. Haff was active in numerous local civic education and charitable organizations. He was a member of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce and served on the board of directors at Northern Essex Community College. He was a director at Mary Immaculate Health Care where he received the Pilgrimage of Love Award in 2004. Haff was instrumental in starting the North Andover Girl's Soccer Program and was a long time parishioner of St. Michael's Church in North Andover.

Haff had a special passion and zest for life. Whether it was taking long walks with his wife Joanne, cheering on his grandchildren at their sporting events, or running the

family business, everything was done with a smile.

He is survived by his devoted and loving wife of 48 years, Joanne (Dole) Fournier of North Andover; son David and his wife, Allyson of North Andover; daughter Amy Fournier of Andover and three adoring granddaughters, Robyn, Danielle, and Marley Fournier. Haff is also survived by two brothers-in-law, Ernest Dole of Tucson, Ariz., Richard Picard and his wife Elizabeth of Andover; two sisters Jolyne Boyle and Susan Spruce and brother Richard. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews and his extended family of Haffner's employees who will continue his legacy of integrity and hard work. He was predeceased by his brother John.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends were invited to a Mass of Christian burial on Friday, Sept. 11, 2009 at St. Michael's church in North Andover at 11 a.m. Burial followed in Ridgewood Cemetery. Friends called on Thursday, Sept. 10 at Conte's Funeral Home, 17 Third St., North Andover. In lieu of flowers, please make memorial contributions in E. Haffner Fournier's name to Merrimack Valley Hospice House, 360 Merrimack Street, Bldg. 9, Lawrence, MA 01843. Cor Unum, 118 South Broadway, Lawrence, MA 01843. Lazarus House, 410 Hampshire St., Lawrence, MA 01841 or a charity of one's choice. To place online condolences please visit www.confeterialhomes.com.

Robert K. Branscombe Sr., 67

MARLBORO — Robert K. Branscombe Sr., 67, of Marlboro, died on Friday, Sept. 4, 2009 at St. John Regional Hospital in St. John, New Brunswick, Canada. He leaves his wife of 42 years, Patricia (Johnston) Branscombe of Marlboro.

Robert was born in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada, son of the late Kenneth and Mae (Dunn) Branscombe and was a graduate of Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School in Cambridge. He served as an infantry officer in the Army National Guard, 26th Yankee Division.

He owned and operated Precision Metal Fab, Inc. in Marlboro for 15 years, and then worked at Fabrico, Inc. in Oxford as a production manager until his retirement. He had many interests, including fishing and photography, and he also developed a great interest in genealogy of his family decent. But most of all he enjoyed the wonderful times he shared with his grandchildren.

Besides his wife, he is survived

by his son, Robert K. Branscombe Jr. and his wife Jacqueline of Andover; his daughter, Susan Coyle and her husband Brian of Marlboro; one sister, Linda Branscombe of Peterboro, Ontario, Canada and three brothers, Dale Branscombe of Taymouth, New Brunswick, Canada, Reginald Branscombe of Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada and Osborne Branscombe of Toronto, Ontario, Canada. He is also survived by his five grandchildren, Miles, Michael and Matthew Branscombe, Austin and Griffin Coyle and many nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral service was celebrated on Friday, Sept. 11 at 11 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church, Hudson. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery, Marlboro. Calling hours were on Thursday, Sept. 10, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Tighe-Hamilton Funeral Home, 50 Central St., Hudson. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Robert may be made to Grace Baptist Church, 353 River Road, Hudson, MA 01749.

Genevieve M. Cahill, 95



LAWRENCE — Genevieve M. "Girly" Cahill, 95, a lifelong resident of Lawrence, passed away peacefully at the Mary Immaculate Restorative/

Nursing Centre in Lawrence, on Saturday, Sept. 12, 2009.

Born in Lawrence to James P. and Lillian E. (King) Cahill. She was a graduate of St. Patrick's High School and a lifelong communicant of the church as well. Genevieve received her Bachelor's Degree from Boston University and a Master's Degree in education from Suffolk University. She began her life long journey as an educator and taught in the Lawrence School System for 40 years and retired as Principle of the Lawlor School in Lawrence.

Genevieve was very proud of her teaching profession and took pleasure as many of her former

students would visit her through the years. She was active in the Greater Lawrence Girl Scouts for over 50 years and was a director of the Girl Scout Camp Maude Eaton at Pumps Pond in Andover.

Ms. Cahill is survived by her loving niece, Kathe Newcomb and her son Matthew Newcomb of Andover, and close friends, John and Marie McAvoy of Hampton, N.H. She is also survived by several other cousins. She was predeceased her two brothers: James Cahill and G. Robert Dunn.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009 at 11 a.m. in St. Patrick Church in South Lawrence. Burial followed in the Elmwood Cemetery in Methuen. Friends called on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009 at John Breen Memorial Funeral Home Inc., 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. To send an online condolence go to www.breenfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to the Mary Immaculate Nursing/Restorative Centre, 172 Lawrence St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

Joan E. Gannon, 77



LOWELL — Joan E. (Lynch) Gannon, 77, of Lowell, died Wednesday morning, Sept. 9, 2009 at Saints Medical Center in

Lowell. She was the beloved wife of David L. Gannon, Sr. They would have celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary on Friday, Sept. 11, 2009.

Born in Lawrence, Feb. 14, 1932, the daughter of the late Joseph A. and the late Ardele (Janis) Lynch, she attended Lawrence schools and was a graduate of Lawrence High School in the class of 1949. She then went on to attend Bentley College in Waltham.

Before retiring, Mrs. Gannon was the Head Bookkeeper for the J.W. Watson Construction Company in Andover for over 50 years. Previously, she worked at the U.S. Office of General Services in Andover as a Personal Tax Preparer.

Mrs. Gannon enjoyed her summers in Rye, N.H. and her winters in Florida. She was an avid reader and was extremely skillful at solving crossword puzzles. According to family members, she was a kind and loving friend and her eyes always lit up when she talked about her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was so proud of all of them and thoroughly enjoyed their company. She spent much of her spare time as a volunteer at St. Augustine Church in Andover.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Gannon is survived by four children Joyce Watson of

Portland, Maine, Joseph "Bud" Watson and his wife Jane of Andover, James Watson and his wife Susan of Salem, N.H. and Julie Watson and her companion Michael Reilly of Andover; three stepchildren, Beth Moffett and her husband David of Somersworth, N.H., Dr. Laura Murakami and her husband Kentaro of Shelburne, Vt., and David L. Gannon, Jr. and his wife Camille of Austin, Texas; 10 grandchildren, Kristin Watson, William Guild, Ryan Watson, Sean Watson, Emily Watson, Jason Barnes, currently serving in the U.S. Coast Guard and his wife Ashley, Kyle Barnes, Ken Murakami, Gina Murakami and David Gannon III; two great-grandchildren, Jason Barnes, Jr. and Shayla Barnes; Her in-laws, Richard Gannon of Sandwich, Isabelle Gannon and her husband Paul Paris of Methuen, Katherine Kiernan, Theresa Gannon, Joan Publicover and Sheila Bishop, all of Lowell, Frank Mulcahy of Salisbury, and Alan Palmer of Florida; and many nieces, nephews and dear friends. She was also sister of the late Geraldine Palmer and the late Justine Mulcahy.

ARRANGEMENTS: Friends called at the O'Donnell Funeral Home, 276 Pawtucket St. at Fletcher on Sunday. Her funeral Mass was held at Monday at Immaculate Conception Church. Burial in St. Mary Cemetery in Tewksbury. E-condolences at www.odonnellfuneralhome.com. Those wishing may make contributions in her memory to the American Lung Assn. of Mass, 460 Totten Pond Road, Suite 400, Waltham, MA 02451. Arrangements by Funeral Directors James F. O'Donnell, Jr. and John W. Crane. (978 or 866) 458-8768.

RELIGION

The Saint Robert Bellarmine Networking and Resources Group will present an "Economic Mixer" from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 23, in the church's Gathering Space, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. The "Economic Mixer" is free and open to all.

The Saint Robert Bellarmine Networking and Resources Group is dedicated to providing fellowship and support during the current economic crisis by assisting in the development of career contacts and support networks; providing guidance on increasing visibility in the job marketplace; sharing job opportunities; and providing access to economic, financial and legal counseling and resources. This event will feature three brief 10 to 15 minute discussions on career coaching, resume and interviewing skills, and a computer tutorial on their web site, their google group and on LinkedIn. There will be socializing opportunities following the presentations. More in-depth workshops on these subjects will be held on Saturday mornings, Oct. 10, Oct. 24 and Nov. 7.

For more information about the group, visit www.saintroberts.net/networking.htm

On Tuesday, Sept. 22, Temple Emanuel of Andover will hold its next in a series of Professional Networking Open Houses, geared toward assisting professionals in transition. This month's guest speaker, Jennifer Taylor, director of the Direct Placement Services Group of The FootBridge Companies, will discuss social networking mediums such as LinkedIn, Twitter and Facebook, and how to use them effectively to land your next job or extend the visibility of your professional online portfolio. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. and concludes at 8:30 p.m. There are no fees associated with this program. Temple Emanuel is located at 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. For more, visit the Web site at www.templemanuel.net or call the temple office at 978-470-1356.

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On Friday, Oct. 2 at 5:30 p.m., Temple Emanuel of Andover, will hold a "TOT Shabbat" Sabbath service, for toddlers, preschool, and school aged children. Rabbi Robert Goldstein will lead the child-centered liturgy and tell a story. Cantor Donn Rosensweig will lead the singing. This service is Open to the Public. Service will be followed by a Shabbat Dinner in the Sukkah at 6 p.m. Reservations are required for Shabbat Dinner. Temple Emanuel is located at 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. Please visit the Web site at www.templemanuel.net or call the Temple Office at 978-470-1356.

On Friday, Oct. 9, Temple Emanuel of Andover will hold its annual Simchat Torah Celebration. The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with a falafel dinner available, sponsored by TEMYT. Services will begin at 7 p.m., with singing and dancing with the torahs, Israeli flags will be given to all the children along with sweet treats for everyone. Temple Emanuel is located at 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. Please visit the Web site at www.templemanuel.net or call the Temple Office at 978-470-1356.

On Friday evening, Oct. 30 at 7 p.m. Temple Emanuel of Andover will hold a Kabbalat Shabbat Unplugged Service, led by Rabbi Robert Goldstein, Cantor Donn Rosensweig and Assistant Music Director, Idan Irelander, accompanied by a variety of professional musicians. The service of soulful music and inspiring prose is open to all, regardless of age, affiliation or faith. Wine and cheese will be served at 6:30 pm. Temple Emanuel is at 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover.

Rita A. Dowling, 103



ANDOVER — Miss Rita A. Dowling, 103, of Andover, formerly of Lawrence, passed away on Sunday, Sept. 6, 2009 at the Academy Manor Nursing

Home in Andover. She was born in Lawrence, on June 7, 1906 to the late John F. and Annie (Hogan) Dowling. Rita was educated in the local schools of Lawrence and later attended Secretary School.

Her family members include her nephew, Gus Dowling of Apopka, Fla.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral service will be held on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009 at noon in the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. Burial will follow in Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence. Family and friends may call on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009 from 11 a.m. to noon in the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. For online condolences and other information please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com.

Henry T. Watkinson, 100

CAPE COD — Henry Thomas "HT" Watkinson, 100, formerly of Andover, "flew away" (his words) on Monday, Sept. 7, 2009.

Born in Hessele, England on July 19, 1909, he recently celebrated his 100th birthday on Cape Cod at a festive clambake with over 80 relatives from around the Country.

He attended Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Rutgers University and taught Engineering Design courses at Wentworth Institute in Boston.

He retired from the Bell Telephone Laboratories in North Andover after a 45-year career, where he was a supervisor and a Member of the Laboratory Staff. He was also a Registered Professional Engineer in Massachusetts. In retirement, he spent his time volunteering in both Florida

and Cape Cod.

His wife Veronica (O'Grady) predeceased him in 1993, as well as two brothers and two sisters. Survivors include a daughter, Lois W. Gallo; a son, Bob and his wife Helen (Ellis); a brother, Edwin; seven grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and one great-great granddaughter.

He is in a place that "Eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither hath entered into the heart of man, the things that God hath prepared for them that love Him." (1 Corinthians 2:9).

ARRANGEMENTS: A memorial service will be held at the Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St., Andover on Saturday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m. A private burial will take place on Cape Cod. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Seeing Eye Foundation, P.O. Box 375, Morristown, NJ 07963.

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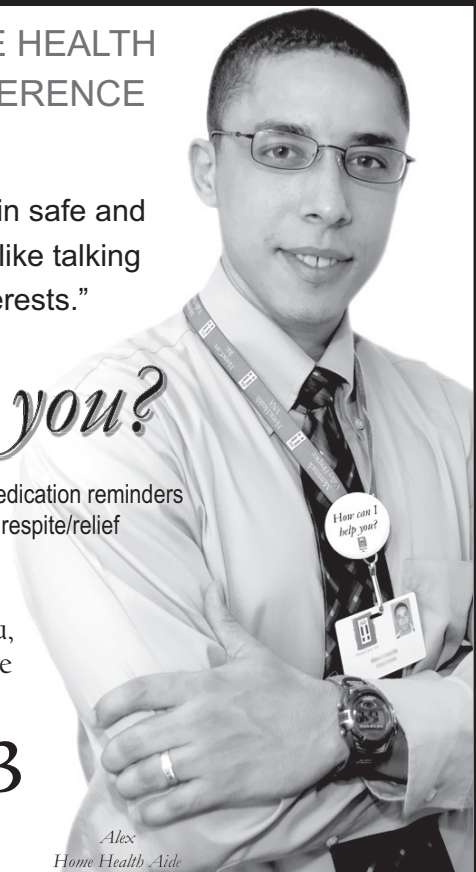
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Opinion

Emergency cash not for operating budget

Here we go again. Andover needs to find money to balance the budget, and part of the School Committee's solution is to take money from emergency accounts to prop up its operating budget. The problem with the idea – an idea the School Committee seems to return to whenever members believe they do not have enough money – has been outlined many times in this space. Emergency accounts should be used to handle extraordinary emergencies, not the annual budget, which is fueled by the contracts negotiated by leaders such as the School Committee. If emergency money is used for the operating budget, next year that "rainy day" money will be gone, and then so will the program. The town will deplete its reserves and merely delay the inevitable for one year.

Kudos to Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski for making it clear that he does not recommend that fiscally irresponsible approach and would not want to use such money to prop up town departments. Again, using such money only offers a one-year fix, making the hole even deeper the next year. It's time for Andover to put away the shovels and deal with its spending problem by making the best cuts it can now and negotiating more modest contracts in the future.

REMEMBERING 9/11



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

At right, the Rev. Christopher P. Makiej, of Saints Constantine and Helen Church offers the opening prayer during Andover's September 11th Remembrance Ceremony in front of Town Offices. During the ceremony, wreaths were laid to remember residents Christopher Morrison, 34, Millie Naiman, 81, Betty Ong, 45, and Len Taylor, 44 who died as a result of the attacks that day. Also honored at the ceremony was Haverhill native Army Pfc. Evan O'Neill, who was 19 when he was killed fighting in Afghanistan. His father, Mike O'Neill, is a lieutenant with the Andover Fire Department.

Prime beginning

Jay Leno's back, and the debut of his new show Monday night augurs well for both his network and TV in general.

The quick hour featured many of the funniest bits from the Andover native's old late-night gig. And the combination of talk, comedy and music certainly provides a refreshing change from the exploitive reality shows that dominate programming today. (One of Monday's segments featured a spoof of the syndicated "Cheaters," in which people who suspect their spouses are cheating on them are encouraged to first spy on them, then tearfully or violently confront them, all for the entertainment of the masses.) We expect the viewing public might be ready for a change from the fare normally offered at this hour.

This first show offered everything from guest appearances by the top male and female TV personalities of their era | Jerry Seinfeld and Oprah Winfrey | to an interview with rapper Kanye West fresh off his embarrassing interruption of the MTV Video Music Awards the previous night.

The hour was sandwiched by a shorter-than-usual opening monologue (on South Carolina Congressman Joe Wilson shouting "You lie!" at President Obama last week: "At least the two sides are talking"), and an amusing reading of embarrassing headlines and other material from the print media.

Leno has a special place in the hearts of many here he has stayed in touch with the people of his hometown and always speaks warmly of it – but it seems he will continue to have a large place in the daily lives of people throughout America.

WEB QUESTION

Take it of 'leaf' it?

Last week's question: bring on the breakfast

The tradition of having a place to gather for free coffee and doughnuts returned to downtown Saturday, Sept. 12, with volunteer greeters welcoming people to Old Town Hall. With a limited responses to our poll, you said doughnuts, bagels and danish all sound good.

The top choice, with 35.29 percent of votes was "all of the above."

Second place, with 29.41 percent, was doughnuts.

Bagels received 11.76 percent and "none of the above" received 23.53 percent.

This week's question: Make like a tree?

One cost-saving idea proposed to close the town's budget deficit is to eliminate seasonal curbside leaf collection. How would you feel if that

service was eliminated?

■ It will be an inconvenience, but the town has to cut costs somehow.

■ No big deal, I don't put leaves out to the curb.

■ I will buy a vehicle sticker and take my leaves to the compost site on High Plain Road anyway.

■ Curbside leaf collection is a luxury.

■ Curbside leaf collection is a needed service, and should not be taken away.

■ If curbside collection is eliminated, residents will start putting leaves in with their trash or dumping them illegally.

■ None of the above.

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, e-mail Editor Neil Fater at nfater@andovertownsmen.com

Ken Seifert



When I arrived in 1969, athletics had taken a more dominant role in children's lives than when my siblings were

children in the '30s and '40s. It was obvious parents had differing viewpoints on the role athletics should play in the education process in the Andover Public Schools.

Donald Dunn was the director of athletics and physical education. We decided it would be beneficial to state to the community what that role should be. We composed our thoughts and passed it to the School Committee. There was unanimous agreement and it became policy. In the '80s, we composed a brochure describing the Andover Schools and other pertinent data. The realtors gave a copy to new homeowners. Here is what it said:

The purpose of the athletic program is to foster the physical, social and emotional development of all participants.

The development of physical fitness skills, coordination and an appreciation for activity are encouraged. Students are encouraged to excel; however the educational values of athletics are kept foremost when emphasizing the value of the program.

When groups of parents wanted to fire the coach or were saddened we didn't win the championship, the above policy was pointed to as the guide. Athletics has taken a bigger than life role today. When things calm down a bit, I think a revisit to the policy and a clear written statement might be helpful. I thought this topic might be a good letter to the grandkids.

Dear Grandchildren, In our town, the fall sports season is in full swing. We have a difference of opinion regarding youth sports. Some parents want their children to be world champs. Some parents want their children to just play a game. Some parents don't care what their children do as long as they stay out of trouble. Our School Committee, superintendent and athletic director have to navigate through such an uncertain sea.

As a former superintendent, I can tell you it is never a calm sea when parents take children's games so seriously they become children themselves.

In a town far away and many years ago, here is how we handled the issue. My father, your great-grandfather, never played sports of any kind. He may have thrown a ball or two, raced a few kids down Dole Street but he never owned a jersey and never played on a sports team.

He and your wonderful great-grandmother raised seven children. As a family we won more individual and team championship awards than any other in the neighborhood. He rarely attended our sports events. He was too tired from working on the Ford production line so we could have the good life. Your great-grandmother was too busy keeping house. We had no station wagon. As one member of such a family I was fortunate to win local, city, collegiate, and regional awards in a variety of sports. He attended only one event in all that time. It was the finals of the regional Golden Gloves championship. He probably went to see his second child make a fool of

himself. I was lucky that night.

As we grew from childhood to adulthood he had one rule in sports and life in general. It was quite simple yet profound: If you do your best and follow the rules you will be a winner every time you play the game. The wins and losses are just a scoresheet for those who think that is important. Grantland Rice, a sports writer, said, "It is not whether you win or lose but how you play the game."

Whenever we came home and sat around the kitchen table to discuss our efforts, he would ask a simple question. Were you a winner? We were honest with him. Sometimes we said yes and sometimes no. As the years passed there were more yeses than no Dads.

There have been many challenges in my life. Since my boyhood, I have learned the harder I work, the luckier I get. May you be a winner all of your life. If you do, your great grandfather and grandpa will be in the stands. We will be smiling and saying, "You have learned one of life's greatest lessons."

Ken Seifert is a 40-year Andover resident and former superintendent of schools.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Community is not made by schools alone

Editor, Townsman: Perhaps the gentleman who wrote about Andover's water should be aware of the gift to which he is entitled every time he turns on his faucet ("Town's drinking water is not reason people value Andover," Letters, Sept. 10).

Many people have labored to make certain he enjoys remarkably pure water. Oh, I understand his point, but he misses the message that a community of excellence does not rest on any one achievement. Many contribute.

The Robert McQuade water treatment facility, built for about \$29 million is such a wonder. Our water comes from the Merrimack River by way of Haggetts Pond.

The water is placed in huge vats with ionized alum to remove particles. It is then passed through several ozone chambers. We make our own ozone, and the gas removes dangerous bacteria. The water then is passed through several feet of activated charcoal. We have one of six on-site laboratories in the Commonwealth. We have a magnificent and well trained cadre of employees to make certain the highest standards are achieved. In fact, we significantly surpass the federal guidelines for removing impurities. We also generate enough pure water to, if need be, serve other neighboring communities. The bottled water some people

buy is less pure than that which comes from our plant.

We are probably the finest such facility in the state. I do hope the gentleman will visit the plant and see what he obviously knows little about.

DR. LARRY LARSEN
Bryan Lane
Former Andover Selectman

Change needed, but not public option

Editor, Townsman: Dr. Michael Kempster addressed some of my points in a letter ("Healthcare Reform an Attainable Dream," Aug. 27). He seems to assume that I favor doing nothing to the present system. Nothing could be further from the truth. I specifically wrote my original letter because

the liberal attempt to disembowel the private healthcare system has raised so many bogeymen that the chance of passing truly important reforms – many proposed by President Obama – may slip by the way.

We need transparency. We need (well publicized) unbiased outcomes research. We need administrative standardization. We need electronically available medical records. We need to eliminate pre-existing conditions limitations (although we should try to protect insurers against adverse selection). We need an obesity and exercise education campaign on the order of the anti-smoking campaigns of 20-40 years ago. But the desire to socialize medicine may kill all of that.

I support change, including many aspects of the President's plan – I simply don't support undoing what works for 285 out of 300 million so that we can satisfy the 10 million to 15 million who fall through the cracks, the real number of uninsureds. Forty-seven million is a misleading number, as it includes people eligible for Medicare and Medicaid but not signed up including illegal aliens, people already on Medicare/Medicaid but wrongly reported and people ELIGIBLE for coverage at work but choosing not to pay their fair share.

Dr. Kempster by saying that there is no attempt by the government to take over health care. I respectfully disagree. President Obama has LONG been a

proponent of a single payer system, and in a widely circulated video of his speech when running for the Senate he states that's his goal and that the first step is to offer a public option. Today, of course, he claims he "never said he supported a single payer system" despite documented proof of his earlier statements.

In fact, that is the spoken goal of many of the supporters of the "public option." They've said so publicly, and it takes, as Hillary Clinton said two years ago, "a willing suspension of disbelief" to claim otherwise.

Moreover, at the end of five years every American must move to a "government-approved" (i.e., owned or subsidized) plan. You can't stay on your plan, even if you want to. Read the bill: that's a fact, not an opinion.

He says the "public option" may not be included. Correct, thank heaven, but not because liberals in Washington have re-thought their position. Rather, it's because it's become readily apparent that the American public isn't quite as naive as they believed, and we've spoken out loudly and strongly against this terrible idea.

Lifestyle choices are the largest single factor in the "unhealthiness" of the American public. Having Washington pay the bills won't solve that problem.

JIM EDHOLM
158 Summer St.

For a longer version of this letter, with additional points, please see andovertownsmen.com.

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Deadline to vote on budget at Special Town Meeting is next week

Now that the local hotel tax increase has been approved, Andover officials estimate they will have a \$1.4 million budget gap to close. For the next several weeks, they'll look at the best

ways to do so, and prepare a list of possible service or position cuts to be voted on by residents. A Special Town Meeting to balance the fiscal year 2010 budget will be held in Andover on Oct. 7,

2009 at the Andover High School Field House on Shawsheen Road. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. The warrant closed Monday, Sept. 14. There was only one private article, a request to vote

again on the meals tax. The last day to register to vote for non-registered voters is Friday, Sept. 25. The town clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. for voter registration. The Finance Committee Report and warrant will be mailed by Sept. 30. A shuttle bus will be available from the parking lot on Red

Spring Road and will make a loop through the West Middle School parking lot to the high school entrance. Shuttle service will start at 6:15 p.m. and end 30 minutes after the close of the meeting. Upon request, sign language interpreters, material on tape, and other auxiliary aides and services will be provided to ensure effective communications

as specified in the American with Disabilities Act. Arrangements must be made by contacting Candance Hall, the town's ADA coordinator, at the Town Offices at 978-623-8530. All registered voters who attend Town Meeting will need to be checked into the meeting in the lobby of Andover High School.

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Earth spins into autumn, equinox

A change of season takes place next week. Some people call it autumn and some call it fall. On Sept. 22, we say goodbye to summer with its long days and hot temperatures.

What causes the four seasons?

Our Earth travels around the sun in a big circular orbit. At the same time, Earth is tilted at an angle of 23.5 degrees.

As Earth makes its annual trip around the sun, different parts of the Earth are either tilting toward or away from the sun, receiving varying amounts of heat.

When the Southern Hemisphere is tilted away from the sun, it is colder with shorter days.

At the same time the Northern Hemisphere is tilting toward the sun. It receives more direct rays from the sun. The weather is warmer and it is summer.

In six months, the Earth is on the other side of the sun. So, the seasons are reversed.

Autumn starts in the Northern Hemisphere when the top of the Earth begins to lean away from the sun. The days get shorter and darker. Temperatures start to cool down. Leaves turn color and many fall from the trees.

As days get shorter in the Northern Hemisphere, winter sets in with really cold temperatures. This year, winter will arrive on Dec. 21.

An equinox marks the beginning of autumn and spring.

An equinox is one of the two days a year when the sun is directly over the equator. It occurs on Sept. 22 or 23 and again on March 20 or 21.

On the equinox, the nights and days are just about the same length everywhere on the Earth. The word equinox means, "equal night," with 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of night.

In some tropical regions the temperature change is less drastic. It is more common for the people to call their seasons rainy, hot or cool. Some areas identify their seasons as tornado season, hurricane season, and or wildfire season.

No matter what we call the seasons, it's interesting to see how humans and wildlife adapt to the changes. Some animals hibernate, some migrate and some brave the temperature changes.

Many people have "winter blues" caused by the long dark days of winter. A few people suffer extreme symptoms caused by the lack of sunlight in the winter. To help them cope, some doctors suggest that they use a light box to create some added artificial sunlight.

The Kid enjoys the autumn season. Watch for different colors of leaves and enjoy being outside during the cooler weather.

Seasonal Scramble

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Newspaper in Education activity

As the season changes we play different sports. Search your newspaper for sports in your local area, then answer these questions.

1. What is the name of the sport?
2. Is the coach named?
3. Where is the sport being played?
4. How many players were named in the story?
5. Are there photos of the sport along with the story?
6. Count how many different sports are in your newspaper.

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ON TOUR: A 250-YEAR-OLD BEAUTY

Gates & Gables house event includes a historical farmhouse on Dascomb Road

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD
Staff Writer

Andover is a town with history, and many homeowners of today want to learn all about the role their home played in the Andover of yesteryear.

When the popular Gates & Gables house tour steps off Saturday, Sept. 26, eight historical Andover homes will be featured. The farmhouse at 125 Dascomb Road is one of them and offers a glimpse of what life in an earlier Andover was like.

Lovingly restored over the years by numerous owners, the property is now owned by Steve and Maria Crockett, antique buffs who love old houses. The couple lives with their two children, Marian, 15, and Robbie, 12. Steve's elderly mom also lives with the family and there is a tenant space. The Crocketts bought the historic home in 1995.

The Crocketts are not only thrilled to be on the house tour for the first time, they are joyfully celebrating the historic home's 250th birthday this year. The home was built in 1759. And there is so much

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GATES & GABLES HOUSE TOUR

- Hosted by Andover Historical Society
- Saturday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- \$35 per person
- Tour will treat visitors to an inside look at eight private Andover homes displaying an intriguing diversity of architectural, collecting and decorating style.
- Tickets, more info: 978-475-2236



Steve and Robbie Crockett stand in the front yard of their historic home in Andover.

ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

PRESERVING HISTORY

Homeowners help keep town's character

Each year, the Andover Preservation Commission offers preservation awards to homeowners and businesses who have helped preserve some of Andover's architectural history.

What follows is a list of the homeowners honored earlier this year at the 19th Annual Preservation Awards, with summaries of the homes provided by Karen Herman, chairwoman of the Andover Preservation Commission.

AWARDS FOR EXTERIOR PRESERVATION



7 ABBOT ST.

Owners: James W. and Mary M. Pannos

Summary: The construction of this "good and respectable house" was true to the words of the restriction that came with the land in 1883. The "Ripley House," a gracious late-19th century house with intact Classical details typical of the Colonial Revival style, has been sensitively maintained.



75 PARK ST.

Owners: Christopher and Christine Bensley

Summary: This pleasing house was built in 1890 in a simple Victorian-era vernacular style seen at the end of the 19th century. Its carefully maintained facade and period color scheme lend it an attractive presence in its historic downtown neighborhood setting.



362 SALEM ST.

Owners: Larry and Gail Wangerin

Summary: The imposing design of this Federal style house is well displayed at its Jenkins Corner location. Built around 1807, it served as an early 19th century "post house" on the road to Salem. The Benjamin Jenkins House has been meticulously preserved by its owners.



21 ARUNDEL ST.

Owners: John and Lynn Makiej

Summary: This pair of Colonial Revival houses was designed by the well-known architect and artist Addison LeBoutillier for the planned community of Shawsheen Village. Built for mill magnate William Wood, they housed middle managers at the American Woolen Mill Company. The owners of both homes have preserved the spirit and intent of these charming and well-designed residences.



23 ARUNDEL ST.

Owners: Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCumber



21 ROCKY HILL ROAD

Owners: David and Stephanie Howard

Summary: Farmhouses such as this one, with a series of connected buildings, were once common sights in Andover. Its owners appreciate its agricultural legacy and have taken care to preserve it for future generations.

MORE HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS, SEE PAGE 14



Home builders look to greener future in Andover

Today's home buyers are demanding more energy-efficient products and services. Next Thursday, members of the Northeast Home Builders will meet in Andover to show how workers how they can set themselves apart from other companies by building highly energy efficient homes with little or no increase in costs above a more traditional building package.

"We want to get across is that Energy Star is not that difficult or expensive to implement, and provides for builder protection as far as call backs are concerned. A lot of energy technologies do not make and will never make financial sense, but making these improvements will make a great deal of

sense," says Andover builder Bill Perkins.

The Northeast Home Builders meeting will be scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 24 at the Andover Country Club at 7p.m., preceded by a 6:30 reception. An experienced panel will discuss how they build EnergyStar rated homes without breaking the bank. Scheduled to take part in the panel are former NEBA president and 2005 Builder of the Year Tom Piekarski, Design/Build Architect and LEED AP Mark Yanowitz and RESNET certified energy rater Michael A. Browne. The night will be moderated by Certified Green Builder/Consultant Bill Perkins.

For tickets or more information call: NEBA Office at 978-858-3555.

TOM PIEKARSKI

- Concordia Homes
- Piekarski has more than 25 years experience in real estate development and home building. A former president of Northeast Home Builders, Tom was Builder of the year in 2005 and was also selected as Energy Star Developer of the Year in 2005.

BILL PERKINS, P.E.

- Hearthstone Realty Corporation
- Perkins has more than 25 years of experience in engineering, energy efficiency and real estate development. He is a registered professional engineer in Massachusetts and New Hampshire and a licensed construction supervisor in Massachusetts. He has his National Building Operator Certification and is a Certified Green Builder by the NAHB.
- He is a graduate of Cornell University School of Engineering.

FEATURED SPEAKERS

MARK JOSEPH YANOWITZ, LEED AP, ASSOCIATE AIA

- Verdecos Designs, LLC
- Yanowitz has more than 20 years of experience designing and building energy efficient real estate projects. He is a LEED Accredited Professional. He is conversationally proficient in Spanish and French. He is a graduate of University of Maryland's School of Architecture and the University of Colorado.

MICHAEL A. BROWNE

- Advanced Building Analysis
- Mike Browne is a RESNET certified Energy Rater based in Amesbury, that provides complete building energy performance certification. As more and more energy efficiency alternatives become available, Mike is excited to be able to help local builders and home owners quantify their options and take advantage of the best construction practices and the best funding assistance programs available (tax credits, rebates, grants and energy efficient mortgages).
- Mike holds a B.S. in Material Science and Engineering from Brown University.

AWARD FOR EXTERIOR PRESERVATION



71 LOWELL ST.

Owners: Charles Parrott III and Jean Farrell
Summary: Richard Ward, a milkman and dairy owner, built this quintessential Queen Anne cottage in 1885. The owners have lovingly restored the home, preserving its form, texture and elegant details.

AWARD FOR CONTEXTUAL APPROPRIATENESS IN NEW DESIGN



94 CHEEVER CIRCLE

Andover Community Trust House
Architect: John Pearson, Margulies Peruzzi Architects
Builder: Kevin Smith, Smith Construction
Summary: The Andover Community Trust builds affordable houses for Andover residents. This custom built house, reminiscent of an Arts and Crafts bungalow, compliments its neighboring houses in both style and scale and is an attractive asset to Cheever Circle.

TOUR: Eight historical homes in Andover are participating in the Gates & Gable event

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to celebrate. While the Crocketts have masterfully renovated the home, its historic charm clearly prevailed among the renovation plans.

"We really loved this stove, so we worked around that," Steve Crockett said while showing the home last week.

The gas stove is made to look old and all the must-have amenities of today are included alongside in the kitchen. But cabinets are minimal

as the Crocketts built a tuck-away pantry to store food.

"We had to have that," Steve Crockett said of the pantry.

Nooks and crannies abound throughout. Rooms are somewhat small as the simple farmhouses of yesteryear just had the basics. The Crocketts turned a former screened-in porch into a fireplaced family room, while a family room for the kids and the high-definition television quietly stems off the back of the house. Antique pieces,

including a nanny's rocker, a piano and lots of old clocks, decorate the home.

The second floor and impressively landscaped backyard were off limits on this tour as organizers of the house tour said they can't reveal everything because they want tourgoers to see for themselves.

The Dascomb family would be rightly proud that their Andover home has been so beautifully preserved over 250 years.

HISTORY OF THE DASCOMB ROAD HOUSE

Town records from the Andover Historical Society show the first record of this house dates to 1711 when Thomas Johnson distributed pieces of land to various family members. Jacob Johnson ran his blacksmith business from the present house site. When he died, the house, blacksmith shop, a barn and 50 acres (worth a total of \$670) were left to his son, Osgood, who lived there until his death in 1808.

Osgood Johnson's only son and namesake would eventually inherit the house and would become principal of Phillips Academy. Upon

his death, the property was deeded to his sister, Fanny, and her husband, Jacob Dascomb.

A succession of homeowners, including a sea captain, a boarding house proprietor and an undertaker, followed. Electricity was installed in 1905 along with new oak floors.

There have been lots of additions to the home over its lifetime, but its simple roots have always been remembered.

"It is a simple farmhouse," Steve Crockett said. "That's what you have to remember (during renovations) and that's what you want to always remember."

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BOLD & BEAUTIFUL

From Parisian runways to your home, purple is the it color

By MIRIELLE CAILLES
Content That Works

When purple exploded all over runways this past year, color experts took the hint and ran with it:

Purple is here with a bang. And when it comes to your outdoor space, the color couldn't be more perfect.

"[Purple] has two personalities," says Donna Schroeder, color marketing and design manager for Krylon Paints. "The really dark shades are mysterious and masculine, while the lighter shades are more feminine."

Whether it's in your lawn furniture or garden bed, purple's versatility allows for simple, dynamic looks. "Light shades against a darker background can really pop, but you can also use a dark shade to ground against brighter colors like pink or orange," Schroeder says.

Here are some ideas for using this trendy hue at home.

1. SNOOZE IN COLOR

Refresh your yard's palette and paint your planters, window boxes or panes a shade of purple. Add a hint of color to your outdoor furniture by repainting your plastic furniture this bold shade. Throw a colorful hammock or hammock chair into the mix for a touch of relaxation.

2. PAINT IT PRETTY

According to James Martin, founder of The Color People in Denver, having a colorful exterior is very fashion forward. He recommends using a dark purple to accent different features of your outdoor space. "Paint the back of your garage to accent your patio," Martin says. It's also a great color for a front door in

a darker shade with really high gloss, he says. Pick from various shades and types to find the best fit for your home.

3. LEARN FROM THE FLOWERBED

If you're looking to combine your favorite shade of purple with another hot color, Schroeder recommends yellow. These two colors really complement each other, she says. Other great color combinations include purple with blues or reds. But if you're unsure about mixing colors, experts advise to look in your own backyard.

"See different flower arrangements in nature and how they work together," Schroeder says. Whether it's Florida Blue lisianthus or some easygoing petunias, take a page out of Mother Nature's book. "Take cues from nature and incorporate them into your color scheme." To go bold, try mixing purple and bright green. Because of purple's many tones, a monochromatic scheme is also great for the outdoors.

4. MIX AND MATCH

To grab just a taste of the color, choose entertaining pieces in any shade of purple -- everything from plates and tablecloths, to candles and cushions. Smaller accessories like birdhouses, doormats and pillows also allow you to test the color with the rest of your outdoor décor.

5. FOLLOW A THEME

Martin loves to see purple added to create an entire theme from head to toe to tools. "I love when people incorporate the color into their gardening clothes and tools -- items like gloves, boots or shoes," he says. "It becomes a whole ensemble, a personality."



Content That Works photos

AFTER: The family room was transformed by carefully choosing where to place furniture, cleaning up clutter and adding personal items.

Makeover makes most of room with great light

By KIT DAVEY
Content That Works

"What a spacious, light-filled room!" I exclaimed as I entered my client's family room.

The light and space were the only things my client liked about this room. She didn't like the mishmash of furniture, particularly her husband's old black couch. And she felt the room didn't reflect her personal style. Her daughter's toys were heaped along the opposite wall (out of view on the left) and this bothered her, too.

"We can fix all that!" I reassured her. I asked how flexible she was in moving furniture about, and she was game to try anything. But she didn't have the budget to buy new furniture, so we would have to use only what she had.

BEFORE

The black couch did not meld with the rest of the room's furniture and blocked the space off from the adjoining kitchen.

■ This room had some nice pieces, but the arrangement looked awkward.

■ Clutter was heaped on top of the dresser, and a large quantity of kids' toys and books were piled in front of and around the fireplace (out of view on the left).

■ The room needed a little more color and a lot more pizzazz.

AFTER

■ No matter where we put the couch in the room, it didn't look right because its style was

so different from all the other pieces. (The photo doesn't show the slanted arm rests and the "just out of college" look it had). We had to find a home for it since her husband couldn't bear to give it up.

■ I admired my client for having the courage to convert her dining room into a playroom for her daughter. This was a really good use of the space, considering that they probably only used their dining rooms about once a month, but her young child played every day, all day! When I asked her where she sat while her daughter played, she said: "Usually on the floor." When I suggested we move the black couch into the playroom she agreed. All it needed was a few brightly colored pillows and it would fit right in to the decor.

■ The sofa and dresser seemed scrunched too far to the left. I moved the dresser to the right of the couch, where it became more accessible and helped balance out the room. I found another cube hidden amongst the kid's toys to use as a coffee table/footrest. Moving out the black couch made the room look more cohesive and inviting.

■ We needed to find more seating, since we had moved out the black couch. Fortunately, my client had the perfect leather armchair downstairs in her master bedroom. We lugged it up her back steps and positioned it at an angle across from the couch (You can just see its arm in the lower left had side of the photo). This helped create a simple conversation area.



BEFORE: The original family room was a little cluttered and lacked the owner's personal style.

■ We did a quick clutter clearing. We moved all her daughter's toys in to her nearby playroom. The revamped family room looked more "adult" and calmer without all the house plaque lying about.

■ We added more personality to the space by hanging family portraits, and placing some

colorful pillows on the loveseat. I found a tea set and set it up on a tray, along with an iPod dock to put on top of the dresser.

On completing our room makeover my client felt a sense of relief. She loved that the room looked more pulled-together, the balanced arrangement and that it was now clutter-free.



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A small bit of wisdom might be a better method to remove aphids from your vegetable patch. A big wisdom could be an idea that changed the way you look at life. These insights might have been learned from your parents or another person. All wisdom is important, but it's made more important if it's communicated.

Some wisdom simply restates a concept so that folks understand the concept better. For example, I made a comment years ago that I've used hundreds of times since. In fact, I used it yesterday, and it drew the same reaction it usually does: a little laugh that says, "Yuh, that makes sense." The statement is, "Let's hide behind the truth." I'll explain what it means in a minute.

Time's passage adds experience, but wisdom isn't directly a product of age; it's a product of experience with your intelligence applied to it. We all know young people who, because they are perceptive and/or have had intense experiences, are wise beyond their years.

Benjamin Disraeli said that the "wisdom of the wise and the experience of the ages are perpetuated by quotations." He was partly right, although there's a lot of wisdom that isn't memorialized in quotes. When I looked for quotes, most concerned big, philosophical pieces of wisdom. I didn't find any about aphids in the garden.

"Wisdom is found only in truth." Goethe.
"No lie ever reaches old age." Sophocles.
"Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers." Calvin Coolidge.

A couple of quotes applied to all wisdom, big or small.

Arnold Palmer said, "Putting is like wisdom - partly a natural gift and partly the accumulation of experience."

An anonymous quote points out: "It is impossible to make wisdom hereditary."

With the possible exception of Shakespeare, Benjamin Franklin was best at articulating wisdom (and owning a printing press was no small assist). His wisdom touched subjects big and small. Two examples:

"A penny saved is a penny earned."

"A great empire, like a great cake, is most easily diminished at the edges."

It's likely that some of Franklin's quotes were the wisdom of others that he first put in printed form. That's good. If others had insights that weren't communicated in a useful manner, the insight might have died with the person. When wisdom is communicated it gains long-term worth.

If you have one small insight that most of us missed, you should spread that bit of wisdom like good fertilizer. You shouldn't be deterred because you think you aren't articulate. Some of the most perceptive comments come from modest people.

My "hide behind the truth" comment was only saying something in a different way, but it's been helpful. It started when I was working with a client who'd received a nasty letter from a lawyer. My client explained to me what happened, and, although the facts were complicated, my client had acted reasonably and broken no laws. He asked for my advice. I thought for a minute, and then answered, "We're going to hide behind the truth." He looked at me and laughed with relief. I hadn't said anything momentous; I'd simply stated a concept in an unusual way, but it made clear to my client that he'd done nothing wrong.

So, I need your help. Send me your insights, your bits of wisdom, big and small, practical or philosophical. What has your unique set of experiences taught you? You can remain anonymous in my column or use your name - that's up to you.

Bill Dalton writes a weekly column for the Andover Townsman and readers can respond to his request at bill-dalton@andovertownie.com.



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Andover has revived the tradition of gathering downtown every Saturday morning for coffee, doughnuts and conversation at the Olde Town Hall. Elizabeth Marascia, owner of Andover Auto School helps herself to a bagel.



Andover has revived the tradition of gathering downtown every Saturday morning for coffee, doughnuts and conversation at the Olde Town Hall. Enjoying the morning are, from left, Nancy Gump, Andover Council on Aging; Tom Garvey of Andover; and Jo-Ann Deso and Vincent Cottone, both with Andover Council on Aging.



Andover has revived the tradition of gathering downtown every Saturday morning for coffee, doughnuts and conversation at the Olde Town Hall. Gail Renaud, left, Mary McGivern, right, greeters from the Andover Senior Center, welcome Kay Edwards of Andover, center. Gail and Mary served as host for the two-hour event.

LOCKS OF LOVE



Lily Rauh of Andover recently cut off 11 1/2 inches of hair to donate to Locks of Love.

TOWNSPEOPLE

Andover resident Mohammed M. Khusro was recently appointed to the executive board of the Center for the Study of Jewish-Christian-Muslim Relations at Merrimack College.

The center promotes understanding and reverence for the richness of Judaism, Christianity and Islam; the history together; and the imperatives of ongoing relations, while breaking down and healing all stereotypes and prejudices directed at members of these communities: antisemitism, anti-Christian animus, and Islamophobia. The center encourages joining together to act more effectively for justice and peace.

Khusro has spent most of his life in the U.S., and has been involved in community based organizations, interfaith work, and has given lectures before and after 9-11 to promote better understanding between peoples of different faiths. He is involved in humanitarian efforts in India and Pakistan for poor and underprivileged families to promote better education and health.

Professionally, Khusro has successfully managed large groups at two Fortune 100 Companies with multi-million dollar budgets, which required excellent interpersonal, communication, financial and technical acumen both with higher level executives

and staff. He owned and according to a release operated several motels in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire for several years, and has operated a riding academy in Massachusetts for the past 30 years. He has successfully completed numerous multi-million dollar real estate development projects in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. Khusro has resided in Andover since 1972, is married to Nafees Khusro, and has a son, Imran Khusro.

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Sports

FALL WARRIORS: PART 3

Girls Volleyball

Arvidson sisters leading Andover

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

ANDOVER — Longtime Andover volleyball coach George Sullivan laughed as he took a razzing from a pair of his players during practice last week.

"Let me tell you," he said with a chuckle. "When you get all three of the Arvidson sisters together like we did recently, they'll tease you like crazy. They are a just so funny."

While the Arvidsons may have a sense of humor in common, they share another key trait. They all happen to be stars on the volleyball court.

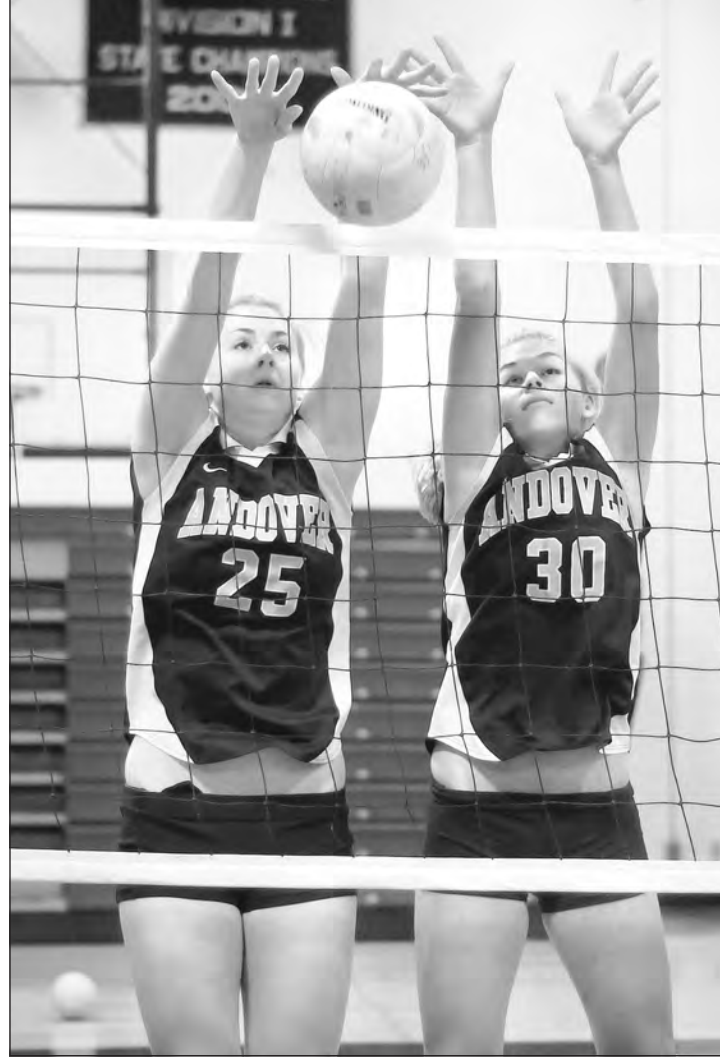
This year, the Golden Warriors volleyball team, which opened the season with a stellar performance in a loss to Central Catholic, is led onto the court by senior co-captain Kirsten Arvidson and her sophomore sister Sarah. That continues the tradition set fourth by sister and 2007 Andover High graduate Heather Arvidson.

"My sisters have inspired me a lot," said Sarah. "I have to live up to them and be as good as them. And since I am younger, I want to be even better. They push me to be as good as I can be."

The Arvidsons fell in love with volleyball the moment Heather, who would go on to be named All-Merrimack Valley Conference as a senior, first gave it a try when she entered high school.

"She started playing her freshman year and we all started after that," said Kirsten. "I used to go to a lot of her games and that's what introduced me to volleyball."

The year after Heather graduated, Kirsten made the varsity team. The 6-foot-1 sophomore



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover 6-foot-1 senior Kirsten Arvidson, left, and 5-foot-10 sophomore Sarah Arvidson go up together for a block. The standout sisters are key members of the Golden Warriors volleyball team, following in the tradition of older sister Heather.

earned the job as starting middle hitter on the Golden Warriors squad that advanced to the Division 1 state semifinals in 2007.

Andover High struggled as a

team last season, going 7-11 and missing the tournament. But it was a stellar year for Arvidson.

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Girls Swimming

Hespeler charismatic in and out of pool

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

During her career at Andover High, Colleen Hespeler has been a member of two state champion teams and last year earned a third-place finish at the Division 1 swimming and diving championship as a member of the 200 medley relay.

But none of the tri-captain's accomplishments have impressed Golden Warriors coach Marilyn Fitzgerald as much as the speech Hespeler delivered at a recent meeting with the parents of this season's team.

"She gave a speech in front of all the parents and swimmers," said Fitzgerald. "She got up and explained to all of the parents how the kids would be able to balance the demands of practice, homework, club swimming and everything. She did it with more authority than I ever could have because it was coming from an athlete's mouth."

"She just said to them, 'It will be hard but, believe me, your daughter is capable of this.' If I said that, they wouldn't have believed me. But they believed her."

Hespeler is one of the leaders of a Golden Warriors squad that looks to earn another state title after its streak of hoisting nine straight championship trophies was snapped last season, and that opened this season with a 97-76 win over Methuen on Friday.



Colleen Hespeler

GIRLS SWIMMING

2008 record: 11-2-1

Returning lettermen: Sheila Cremin, Sr.; Katie D'Innocenzo, Sr.; Laura Hansen, Sr.; Colleen Hespeler, Sr.; Christina Iannalfo, Sr.; Jess Mancini, Sr.; Jenni McCarthy, Sr.; Brittany Ross, Sr.; Ashleigh Ryans, Sr.; Sahana Simha, Sr.; Maya Spencer, Sr.; Lizzy Carroll, Jr.; Kanella Christopoulos, Jr.; Liv Eisenbach, Jr.; Gabby Galat, Jr.; Olivia Johnson, Jr.; Lauren Kim, Jr.; Monica Patterson, Jr.; Melissa Ragonese, Jr.; Jill Beucier, Soph.; Jenny Coneeny, Soph.; Jill Gray, Soph.; Sam Hall, Soph.; Audrey Hanson, Soph.; Candace Ju, Soph.; Nina Mazzarelli, Soph.; Rachel Moore, Soph.; Hannah Ragonese, Soph.; Anna Ryan, Soph.; Courtney Stone, Soph.; Kate Sullivan, Soph.

Newcomers: Nadja Arifovic, Frosh.; Emma Bentley, Frosh.; Emma Cammann, Frosh.; Debra Daly, Frosh.; Geena Denny, Frosh.; Maggie D'Innocenzo, Frosh.; Mackenzie Dutton, Frosh.; Emily Edwards, Frosh.; Syd Frerichs, Frosh.; Emily Hunt, Frosh.; Clara Kim, Frosh.; Alexa Korsberg, Frosh.; Ashley Korsberg, Frosh.; Anna Millar, Frosh.; Mikaela Ross, Frosh.; Montanna Valler, Frosh.

Captains: Brittany Ross, Ashleigh Ryans, Colleen Hespeler

Head Coach: Marilyn Fitzgerald

"We have more drive than ever because we really want to come back and win another title," said Hespeler. "Last year was disappointing, but we knew we did our best. We actually feel like an underdog this year. The freshmen and sophomores don't know, but the juniors and seniors know what it's like to win a title."

Hespeler fell in love with swimming as a youngster at local pool parties. And since then she has earned a spot in the group of Andover's top performers.

"I have always loved it," she said. "I really enjoy the 200 free-style relay, but I am best at the 100 backstroke."

She is also a leader on the 200 medley relay, which she teamed with Christina Iannalfo, Maggie D'Innocenzo and Monica Patterson to win in the season-opener.

But swimming isn't the only area she excels. Hespeler ranks in the top 15 percent of her Andover High senior class and scored a 2,050 on the SATs. True

to her message in her speech, she feels swimming is a key to her success away from the pool. Wesleyan, Fairfield and Assumption are among her top college choices.

"Swimming really helps me academically," she said. "You have to be organized and have to focus. I never have time to watch TV or go on-line. I'm in school, doing homework or in the pool. It helps."

Both in competition, at practice or simply at a team gathering, Hespeler has made her impact on her coach.

"Every few years a kids comes along that impacts you more than you could ever impact them," said Fitzgerald. "I have respect for all of my kids, but I have so much respect for Colleen. I am almost in awe of how level-headed she is."

"She may not be a (University of) Texas swimmer. But between her brains and swimming ability, she will be able to choose what school she goes to. She just gets the whole picture."

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VOLLEYBALL: Sisters delivering for Warriors

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Elected a tri-captain as a junior, Arvidson earned Eagle-Tribune All-Star and All-MVC honors as she led the Golden Warriors in kills (194) blocks (108) and notched an 82 percent hitting percentage. Now in her final season of high school volleyball, she feels even more comfortable as both a player and a captain.

"Its difference because I'm a senior," she said. "You're the top dog now. It's all been kind of a blur. It's good to have people that look up to me and (fellow co-captain) Anne Ye."

One of the players looking up to the team's lone returning senior is her younger sister Sarah.

"It works because we get along so well away from the court," said Sarah. "I think we communicate well and she pushes me if I am lagging behind."

At 5-foot-10, Sarah Arvidson earned a starting job as an outside hitter as a freshman and tallied an impressive 80 kills, 79 digs and 18 aces.

She opened this season in style, leading the team in kills (8) and digs (14) as the Warriors nearly upset MVC favorite Central Catholic.

Oldest sister Heather is still active on the court too. She is currently a middle back for Colby. So far this season, she leads the team that opened the season 3-1 in kills (27) to go with a .846 serving percentage.

"Sarah is excellent as an outside hitter," said Kirsten. "I am a middle hitter and don't see much of the back row, so we don't work together too much. But being out there with her is awesome. It was different with Heather because I was on the JV team when she was here. But, with Sarah, we are on the same row a lot together. It's so exciting when she does well."

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

2008 record: 7-11, didn't make state tourney

Returning Lettermen: Kirsten Arvidson, Sr., 6-1, hitter; Annie Ye, Jr., 5-6, defense; Molly Burke, Soph., 5-5, setter/defense; Sarah Arvidson, Soph., 5-10, hitter; Ava Bakhtyari, Soph., 5-10, hitter; Elise Brogan, Soph., 6-1, middle hitter

Promising newcomers: c. Jr., 5-8, setter; Moira Cronin, Jr., 6-0, right hitter; Jillian Pengeroth, Jr., 5-10, right hitter; Zoe Co, Soph., 5-5, defense; Penelope Jones, Sr., 5-10, outside hitter; Tijana Samadz, Sr., 5-7, defense; Laura Gibson, Frosh., defense, 5-6; Marcela Bolanos, Frosh., 5-5, defense

Captains: Kirsten Arvidson, Annie Ye

Head Coach: George Sullivan (23rd year, 331-151)

Enxing the hero in season-opener

By DAVID WILLIS
Staff Writer

ANDOVER — On a freezing, rainy Friday night in North Andover, Nick Enxing received the unlikely birthday present of a jug of ice water over the head. But he couldn't have been happier about it.

"That's exactly what I wanted for my birthday," he said. "I wanted a win over North Andover."

The senior co-captain delivered the game of his career on offense, and closed it out with a tremendous play to save the day on defense as Andover opened its season with a 27-21 win over North Andover.

"I knew the ball was in the air," said Enxing. "I didn't want to shield (the receiver). Once the ball came down, I knew I had to knock it away so I went for his hands. I knew I could knock it out."

With just six seconds left on the clock and the ball at the Golden Warriors' 6-yard line, Scarlet Knights QB Brandon Walsh threw a pass into the end zone that looked like it was caught. But, at the last second, Enxing jarred the ball loose with a hammer to the hands of North Andover's Zac Iovanello. Enxing was then lifted into the air in celebration by teammate and friend Craig Hornung.

"(Iovanello) went up for the catch and had it for a second," said Hornung, who added a pass deflection a play later to clinch



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover's Nick Enxing (9) makes his way down field with the ball. He rushed for 191 yards and a touchdown, but his biggest play was a pass deflection with 6 seconds left to save the win.

the win. "Then I saw Nick go for his hands and knock it away. I ran over right away and picked him up. He's my man."

But that was just the final highlight of a huge game for Enxing.

In his first career start at running back, Enxing rushed for a whopping 191 yards on just 15 carries. He scored the game's first touchdown on a 66-yard run, and added a 70-yard scamper to set up the Warriors' second score. He entered the game

with just 12 career varsity rushing yards.

"It was a lot of fun," said Enxing. "I have never been a starting running back in my life. I was always a backup. So it was great to get some carries."

QB John Hennessy added 80 rushing yards on only nine carries and three scores. The best was his last, faking a handoff to Enxing and sprinting 35 yards around the corner for the winning score. He also notched an

interception to halt a North Andover drive in the red zone.

Defensive linemen Jake Lebowitz (8 tackles) and Peter Theodorou (6 tackles) paced the defense that held North Andover star running back Iovanello to 76 rushing yards.

"The kids were struggling some in the first half," said new Andover coach John Rex. "They came out in the second half and put in a quick score which was huge. And Enxing is a gutsy player and a gutsy kid."

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First Quarter

A — Nick Enxing 66 run (kick failed), 5:14

Second Quarter

NA — Brandon Walsh 1 run (Dylan Lurvey kick), 5:10
NA — Zac Iovanello 1 run (Lurvey kick), 0:18

Third Quarter

A — John Hennessy 21 run (Hennessy run), 9:36
NA — David Foote 89 kickoff return (Lurvey kick), 9:20
A — Hennessy 1 run (Kerrick Stevens kick), 5:49

Fourth Quarter

A — Hennessy 35 run (kick failed), 4:18

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RUSHING: A (27-284) — Nick Enxing 15-191, John Hennessy 9-80, Nick Price 2-16, Christopher McConnell 1-(-3); NA (33-81) — Zac Iovanello 26-76, Brandon Walsh 7-5

PASSING: A — Hennessy 4-14-1, 39; NA — Walsh 13-29-1, 178

RECEIVING: A — Jimmy Johnson 2-19, Brian Miller 1-12, Ned Deane 1-8; NA — David Foote 8-101, Mike Weisman 1-42, Iovanello 1-13, John Hutziger 1-13, Jon Swanton 2-9

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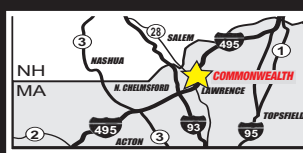
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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at the SELECTMEN'S CONFERENCE ROOM, 3rd FLOOR, 36 BARTLET ST., ANDOVER on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2009 at 7:00 PM. on the petition of Kevin & Kristin Loucks, 1 Jenkins Rd., Andover, MA for a Variance from Article VIII, §4.1.2 &/or for a Special Permit under Article VIII, §3.3.5. to construct additions & alterations to an existing dwelling that will not meet the minimum front setback requirement.

PREMISES affected are located at 1 Jenkins Rd., Andover, MA in an SRC District as shown on Assessor's Map 13 as Lot 8.

Stephen D. Anderson, Chairman Board of Appeals AT - 9/17, 9/24/09

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68MA Roommates/Housing To Share MA

HAVERHILL, share single family with female. \$600 inc. utilities everything!! No pets, no smoking. (978) 379-9545

LOWELL, Looking to share nice townhouse, 1.5 bath, washer/dryer in unit, parking. \$325 + utilities. (781) 888-4726

BEVERLY Ryal Side, near Cummings Center/train, share with female fully furnished house, parking, yard, laundry, \$595+ 1/3 utilities. Available now. Paula, 978-590-7120.

BORDER of MA/NH, near Amesbury/Salisbury, 5 minutes to 495/95, share large house, country setting, utilities included, washer/dryer. Non smoker/No pets. \$545. Call 978-807-0569; 603-394-7336

BRADFORD, FURNISHED large room, off 495 & 125. \$550 month. Includes utilities. 1st & last month. (978) 857-8775.

GLOUCESTER, Bass Rocks, Female seeking same to share large Victorian at the ocean. October - May. All utilities included. \$475. Call 978-281-3694

GLOUCESTER fabulous 3 / 1 home to share, many amenities, stunning landscape, pets welcome. \$750 + w. 978-281-4494

GLOUCESTER, roommate wanted to share 2 bedrooms. \$500/mo. or pay weekly. Available now. No pets. (781) 727-4268.

NEW 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo to share with owner at Ironwood on the Green in Middleton, MA. \$900 all utilities & cable TV included. Contact Joe at 978-371-2187.

Roommate wanted to share 3 bedroom home. Walk to train, upscale neighborhood. Includes use of entire house including facilities, washer, dryer, etc. Must love animals. \$400/mo. Ready now. Wendy 978-281-9785; or Bob 508-662-8474.

HAVERHILL, large room in big apartment, furnished, super nice! Safe and clean. \$150 week. Drug and alcohol free home. (978) 476-3410

HAVERHILL - Teacher has bright, sunny, quiet large furnished bedroom. Non-smoking. \$500/mo. Laundry & garden. (978) 372-0023

LAWRENCE: Prospect Hill Share 1st floor with professional male. Cable ready. \$425-\$725 includes utilities. NO PETS Call (978) 688-7365

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at the SELECTMEN'S CONFERENCE ROOM, 3rd FLOOR, 36 BARTLET ST., ANDOVER on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2009 at 7:00 PM. on the petition of Kevin & Kristin Loucks, 1 Jenkins Rd., Andover, MA for a Variance from Article VIII, §4.1.2 &/or for a Special Permit under Article VIII, §3.3.5. to construct additions & alterations to an existing dwelling that will not meet the minimum front setback requirement.

Premises affected are located at 1 Jenkins Rd., Andover, MA in an SRC District as shown on Assessor's Map 13 as Lot 8.

Stephen D. Anderson, Chairman Board of Appeals AT - 9/17, 9/24/09

SALEM, MA: Furnished room for short term sublet, \$135/wk. including all utilities, cable & laundry. Call 781-632-6147. Oct 1.

SALEM: Share house, heat/electric, washer/dryer, utilities included. No pets/smoking. \$650/mo. 978-210-5604

SALEM, MA: Unfurnished bedroom in my home. \$420/mo utilities included. Call (603) 898-8133

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102 Articles for Sale

MAPLE ROCKER, excellent condition, \$30; recliner, green leather with mouse slightly used, \$25. (2) twin beds, \$20 each. (978) 774-6576

MATERIAL - 2 bags of quality material to sew a complete ensemble. Consists of coat with lining, skirt, dress & blouse. \$50 or best offer. Call (978) 683-2184

MENS LEATHER JACKET, black, size large, Colebrook Co., like brand new, \$100 or Best offer. (978) 852-2067

Mongoose Bike, 21 speed, dual shocks great condition \$90.00 Rabbit Hutch \$50.00 (978) 689-4299

MOTORCYCLE HELMET HJC-CL33, excellent quality, large, silver with face shield, in new condition, cost \$119 new, will sacrifice \$60. (603) 474-3387

MOVING BOXES (80) small/med/large boxes 45/100; 3 wardrobe, 6 dish & 2 picture boxes \$2 ea 978-378-4647

MOVING! FURNITURE, ELECTRONICS, COLLECTIBLES go to webpage creativesense.com/stuff David, (978) 852-6263.

NASCAR TICKETS (2) Landoni, NH 9/20, Loudon Section Aisle seats, excellent!! Reduced \$80.00 each (603) 432-1535

PATRIOTS TICKETS WITH VIP PARKING PASS pair of tickets seat 236 vs NY Giants Thursday 9/3 VIP Parking Pass Face Value \$284 Only \$195 Call 978-535-2204

PEARLS, 30" strand, cultured, gold clasp, half of written appraisal, \$475. (978) 470-2036

LIKE NEW

PELLET STOVE Harmon Acctura Fireplace Insert, 3 years old used 2 seasons. Will include 1 ton of hardwood pellets \$300 new asking \$ 290. Call 978-887-6254. Moving must sell.

PELLET STOVE Super Stove! All Digital controls, 3 bag hopper, used 3 mos. Still hooked up so you can check it out, \$1500. Plus, \$275 of pipe, FREE with stove. Call Dave: 603-895-1334

PHONE, cordless Uniden with caller ID, 5.8 GHz, 2 MUSIC BOXES, \$25 each, antique like copper with movable parts when played. 978-478-7897

PICNIC TABLE Massive picnic table, pressure treated wood, in good condition for \$100, call 978-877-3206.

PLAY STATION 11 - Memory card, 2 controllers, power pack, \$60. Call Dick in Hudson, NH 603-888-9066

POOL TABLE - 9x5, made by Johnson & Anderson of Boston, asking \$780. Must be picked up by buyer. Call (603) 432-0501

POOL TABLE Excellent condition, regulation size, high speed rails & cues covered, sticks & holder (wall mount), \$1300. After 5:30p 603-434-2280

PURITAN LAWN CEMETERY LOT Valued at \$3,050; sell for \$2,500. Call (603) 488-1518

PUSHMOWER \$20; BASKET MAKING BOOKS \$15; SMALL END TABLE \$5; 207-205-5335

35-40 gallon bow style fish tank, sits on Oak cabinet with shelves. All inclusive \$189 Call (978) 374-4224

RIDING LAWNMOWER TROYBILT 42" deck with grass catcher, 17.5 HP. Like new, used only 5-6 times. \$850. 978-281-3235 978-239-8764

RUG HOOKING - 2 cutters, lap frame, pattern, wool, plus extras, \$200/best. Call (978) 682-1949

SLEEP SOFA, CHAIR, AND OTTOMAN cashmere feel size sleep sofa, chair and ottoman. greys, 13 years old, \$3000 when new, sell for \$2000. call dave 603-458-1518

SNOWBLOWER - Ariens 824, new \$1400; for sale \$450. Needs tune up. (603) 887-2479

SNOWBLOWER, Ariens, working condition, \$100 (508) 243-0061

SNOWBLOWER Craftsman, Be Ready for winter! 26" 2-stage, electric start. Brand new fall fall, never used! \$750/best. (978) 525-2271

SOFA: 85" teal blue plaid sofa; \$100. Very good condition. Great for college apartment. Call (978) 535-6560 after 5:00PM.

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SOFA BED Beige/tweed sofa bed 7' L x 3.5' D Queen size. Used once, Atkinson, NH 603-262-4657. \$325.00 or best. Excellent condition.

SONY PLAYER/RECORDER brand new \$100 best offer. Fish Tank, 10 gallon, with all accessories + extras, \$75 best offer. 978-594-5349.

SPEAKERS, MTX, magnum's, 2x2, comes with amp, \$195. Call Joe 978-270-2502

STEAM TUB - Upright with built in person enclosure. On rollers. Fiberglass, electric. Over \$400 new, asking \$165. Boof seats, back/back blue/white. \$175/pair. 603-382-8991

ST. JOHN'S PREP BOOK, reasonable priced \$25. (978) 325-3424

STROLLER, Baby trends expedition jogging stroller, good clean condition, \$60; ceramic duck canister set new \$25, nightstand \$20. (603) 362-9287

SWING SET, Creative Playthings, wooden, slide, swings, playdeck, \$150. (781) 729-8909

TICKETS - U2, Sun. Sept. 20th, Gillette, 2 Club 7, Row 1 & Row 15. \$275 each. Section 116, Row 22, mt15. Selling at face. 978-376-3604.

TOOLS Garden, small, hand, \$5. Craftsman grass trimmer \$15. (978) 882-7028

TOPPERS FOR GOLF CLUBS & iron covers. \$25 or best offer. Call (603) 456-1644

TREADMILL - Pro, 3.5hp, 4 programs. \$200. (978) 388-2832

UPHOLSTERY FABRIC Cotton blend; natural/rose/green stripe. Was \$39/yard. 18 yards. \$150. 978-683-5280 (978) 682-1114

VISCO MEDIC Maonetic magnetic pad, full size, original cost \$1000. Asking \$200/best. (978) 882-1114

WHEELCHAIR, Electric, \$499. 508-783-0779

WHEELCHAIRS adult size, one \$75 a one \$45. Also several kid bikes, sizes 12, 16 & 20, \$10-\$15 each. 978-462-6777

Will game, Dual, glow w/bers, 1 red, 1 blue, attaches to your remote. Perfect for all sort fighting games. \$15. Mint condition. (978) 682-4913

WOODEN SWING SET 3 years old from Lowes: Good condition. Swings- slide raised platform with canopy, more. \$175 Chris 978-877-9276

WOODSTOVE 24 x 48 \$499 or best offer (603) 898-4135

WOOD STOVE - Large, air-tight, fire view with new window, 6 inch top flow, easy overnight burn, gold trim, re-finished like new. Will load \$495. Call 603-502-0071

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103 Household Goods

AIR BED, New, \$175! BEDS!! ALL NEW!!! Twins \$140, Fulls \$169 5-pc Maple Bedroom set New in Boxes \$599 603-566-3840

AIR CONDITIONER 5000 BTU by Frigidaire, with manual/remote, bought May, used 1 season, excellent condition/performance, paid \$138, ask \$68. 978-546-0148 Rockport.

AIR CONDITION with remote \$50; peg Pergo baby seat with base \$40; folding baby stroller \$10. (978) 688-8954

ALL Brand New, King ORPAD - Deluxe mattress & box in plastic. Cost \$1,300. Sacrifice \$595. Can deliver. 603-430-1116

AMANA FREEZER Amana upright freezer, 18 cubic feet- old but still runs. \$125.00 Call 978-768-6993 after 5pm

AMANA REFRIGERATOR, largest size available, black freezer on bottom. \$550/best. 978-259-3529

***** APPLIANCES ***** \$100 & UP. SHOWROOM: 15 SPRING ST., PEABODY. delivery available 978-538-1300

ARMOIRE large, double, with built in desk, chair & light, approximately 120" long, & end table, good condition, \$50/best. Call (978) 335-2607

BARSTOOLS (2), contemporary style, black, excellent condition. \$60. (978) 474-5059

BAR STOOLS, 4 dark oak swivel, 30" high, \$125; Juice man Juicer, all accessories, \$50. (978) 373-0769

BAR with 4 black upholstered stools, bar front upholstered in red, top is formica, back has compartments with sliding doors \$495 978-372-9249

BED - KING WATERBED Great condition. Solid pine headboard with lights and mirror. Includes heater and side rail cushions. Asking \$175. 603-898-1473 Salem, NH.

BEDS - Queen plush orthopedic mattress & box. Super Nice! New in plastic. Cost \$899; Sell \$200. Can deliver. 603-427-2001.

BED Queen, wood head & footboard, from Cabot House \$400. REAL WICKER family room set; sofa, 2 fauteuils and 2 ottomans, chocolate color, \$1200. DINETTE \$300. Moving Must sell 978-238-0679

BEDROOM - 7 piece Cherry-wood Platform Bed, Dresser/Mirror, Chest, and Nightstand. Still in Boxes. Cost \$2,800 Sell \$795. 603-430-1116.

BEDROOM SET Boy's 10 piece, dresser/mirror, book cases, desk/drawers, headboard, \$800/best. 978-470-1775.

BLINDS, vertical, 2 40x81" & 17 1/2" x 83.5" good for slider, creamy beige, (multi-) color, \$75 for all. (978) 851-8557

BOOKCASE - Mahogany, antique, good shape, \$250 firm. Please call 978-683-1254.

BOOKSHELF - \$30 WRITING DESK \$80/24x30, honey color - \$40 Matching End Table - \$40 (603) 734-2613

BUNK BED, double, single solid pine frame, \$300; Piano - Free!! (978) 283-6562

CABINETS - Custom glazed maple. Never installed. Can add or subtract to fit kitchen. Take \$1,650. Sells for \$8,000. Plus, 603-433-4665.

CARPET - I have access to several thousand yards of plush & Berber carpet. Carpet your living room & hall with pad for \$495 based on 30 sq. yds. John 781-862-0909.

CEDAR CHEST - 18 high 18 wide 47 long \$59. Coffee table 54"x18" Danish modern teak \$49. Call before noon 978-470-0071

CHAIR - Office chair with adjustable seat, arm rests & high back, \$20. Call (978) 682-7141.

CHAIR Wingsback chair. Floral fabric pattern. Very good condition. \$30 firm 978-521-5694

CHAISE-LOUNGE SOFA CHAIR, 2 years old, color is sage/green. Microfiber/velvet, good condition, non-smoker home. \$75. Call 978-361-5169

CHILD'S BEDROOM SET Bookcase style twin bed with storage space, dresser with mirror, and armoire. Asking \$400 or best offer. Contact Fred at 978-373-6903.

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BUNKBED, full bed on bottom, twin on top, \$100 (\$124-2006)

CHINA by Dalton, "Imperial" pattern, service for 16, 7 pieces in each place setting, grey & white with silver rim; accessories doubled, \$200/best. (978) 688-6928

CHINA CIRCA 1948 PEACH BLOSSOM BY W.S. GEORGE \$80 total pieces of china. \$50. Call 978 685 1583 for the sizes and qty. of each piece

Chippendale formal camel back sofa, green fabric, saure leg \$250.00 (978) 468-3229

Corner china cabinet with 3 glass shelves, 5 years old \$300; (978) 479-4470 can email pictures

COUCH - Blue Lazy-Boy sleeper couch with air mattress & motor. Like new. \$200. 978-546-6054

DESK, BEAUTIFUL, cherry wood, excellent condition - 4 drawers 51" long x2.5". \$50. (978) 774-6576

DESKS: Computer desk, wood, good size with bookcase top, \$40. Secretary desk with hutch & 1 large drawer, wood, \$75. (978) 478-5466

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26 Christopher Dr Rain/Shine (off Rte 121, look for signs)

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Attorney **George R. Moore** of the Devine Millimet law firm in Andover recently received major recognition in Chambers USA, a well-known guide to law firms and lawyers. Each year Chambers USA researchers interview a vast range of lawyers and their clients to determine the strengths and reputations of U.S. attorneys. Results from the research are compiled to create a listing of the top lawyers in the country.

Chambers' sources noted that Devine Millimet "really rises to the challenge of providing full-service" legal counsel. Chambers ranks attorneys based on legal technical ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial astuteness, diligence, commitment, and other qualities. Clients of the firm, when interviewed, pointed to the "seasoned and skilled attorneys who understand the business landscape well."

Moore was named a top attorney in commercial litigation.

He is a shareholder of Devine Millimet, whose practice focuses on a wide range of complex

commercial litigation cases. His trial experience extends to business litigation, securities litigation, business governance disputes, and professional liability matters. He has extensive experience litigating intellectual property rights, including patent infringement, trademark, and trade secret claims. In addition, Attorney Moore has handled issues concerning business and property valuation, real estate, and tax disputes, as well as disputes arising out of the transfer of wealth, including disputes over wills, trusts, fiduciary accountings and guardianships. He actively practices in both Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Schwartz Hannum PC, 11 Chestnut St., Andover, has received formal re-certification as a woman-owned business enterprise from the nationally-recognized Women's Business Enterprise National Council, the nation's largest third-party certifier, according to a company release. The firm is certified as a WBE both by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

and WBENC, and is the only labor and employment law firm in Massachusetts to receive both of these certifications.

WBENC was created to meet the need for access to a nationally-recognized standard of certification for women-owned business enterprises.

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"The new technology demonstrates the center's leadership in adopting the newest and best treatment for its patients," says Dr. Robert Beechinor, Medical Director at Andover Surgery Center.

Anton's Cleaners has been singled out in a field of more than 10,000 drycleaning businesses across the country as the recipient of the prestigious 2009 Industry Positive Recognition Award. The recognition was given by The Drycleaning & Laundry Institute, the largest trade association for garment care professionals in the world.

The award recognizes Anton's long history of sponsoring two outstanding community relations

programs, Coats for Kids and Belle of the Ball. The honor calls attention to Anton's leadership in leveraging its company resources to assist those living in the community it serves.

In the 14 years since its inception, the Coats for Kids program has collected, cleaned and distributed 562,188 coats. For Belle of the Ball, Anton's has collected and cleaned 17,691 prom dresses over the past five years, and hosted five unique boutiques for deserving high school girls.

"We established both these programs as a way of giving back to the communities we serve, and the response by the public has been overwhelming," said Charles A. Anton, President of Anton's Cleaners. "In many ways, this recognition also honors our many employees and the hundreds of volunteers who have worked so hard to make both programs successful."

Anton's Cleaners, Inc., based in Tewksbury, operates 44 stores in eastern Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire. It is a family owned business that has been operating since 1913,

resident of Medford, he is practicing at Burlington Eye Associates where he specializes in cataract and refractive surgery, cornea and external disease, and anterior segment surgery.

A native of Andover, Dr. Kwon earned his undergraduate and medical degrees at Northwestern University in Chicago. He completed an internship in internal medicine at Worcester Medical Center's Saint Vincent Hospital in Worcester, a residency in ophthalmology at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Department of Ophthalmology and a fellowship in cornea and refractive surgery at Price Vision Group in Indianapolis.

Kwon is a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, American Academy of Ophthalmology, and American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery.

FirstHealth of Andover, through a collaboration with Nutrition in Motion, announces the newest addition to its clinic staff. **Rebecca Panzer**, RD, LD, has begun to see patients. A registered dietician, her nutritional services are often covered by a patient's insurance. She will work as a strength and conditioning trainer for physical medicine and weight loss programs.



Three for the road

The 14U Nor'Easters baseball team recently won the bronze trophy at the AAU National Championships in Sarasota, Fla. and has three players from Andover: Jason Nawrocki of Powers Road, Alex Mellin of Johnson Road, and Ben Murphy of Meadow View Lane. The Nor'Easters baseball program is run out of Extra Innings in Tewksbury. Jason Nawrocki is in the back row, second from left; Alex Mellin is back row, last one on the right; and Ben Murphy is in the front row, second from right.

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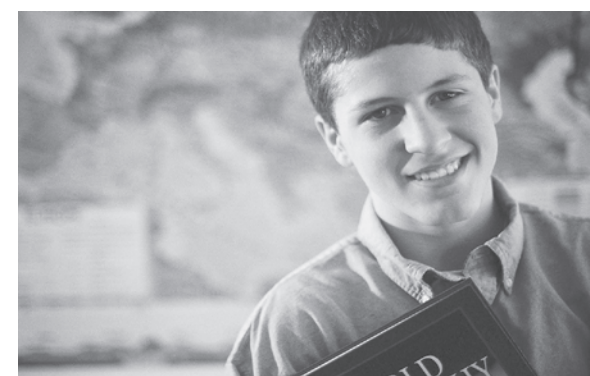
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Physical Education Teacher Ben Gibson emerges from the dunk tank clad in swimmies and goggles to the delight of hundreds of students during the annual Sanborn Pizza Night at Sanborn Elementary last week.

TOWN TALK

Leno in prime time

You can bet there were a number of Andover televisions tuned into "The Jay Leno Show" for its debut at 10 p.m. on Monday. The hour-long daily show is something new for prime-time TV, and Leno, who grew up in town, remains a favorite of many here.

Seniors on stage

The Friends of the Andover Senior Center will host a Spaghetti Supper Show with entertainment, prizes and give-aways on Saturday, Sept. 26 at 6 p.m. There will be dance performances by the Sunset Tappers and comedy scenes by the Starlight Players. Tickets are \$7

and may be purchased in advance at the Senior Center on Whittier Court. Call 978-623-8321.

60th reunion golden opportunity for the '49ers

Speaking of former local high school graduates, the Punchard High School class of 1949, "the '49ers," will meet at Angelica's in Middleton for its 60th reunion.

They were front-page news 60 years ago with the Townsman headline "Punchard High presents diplomas to 84 students" displayed above a picture of the entire class in caps and gowns. Forty-four people, including

28 classmates, plan to attend the reunion, with the farthest traveler coming from Henderson, Nev., said graduate Mary Giata, who still lives in Andover. She created a lovely booklet for her classmates, which contains the names and contact information for all living member of the class, as well as an "in memoriam" page acknowledging the other graduates.

Greek festival

Get your appetite ready. The Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox church festival is set for Sept. 26 and 27 this year.

Coffee with Claudia

Andover School Superintendent Claudia Bach has announced dates for her monthly "coffee chats," with the first being this morning, Sept. 17.

Parents and residents are invited to stop by Starbucks coffee, 14 Main St., at 10:30 a.m. to meet the superintendent face to face, ask questions and bend her ear about current issues.

Coffee chat dates for the year include Sept. 17, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Jan. 14, Feb. 10, March 17, April 15, May 19 and June 10 (all at Starbucks, 10:30 a.m.). Dates are subject to change.

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