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# Andover native Sharma, 22, a Sundance kid

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

Growing up in Andover, Kunal tharma knew he wanted to be n actor.

"I wanted nothing else but to "The Kids Are All Alright," which created buzz at Sharma knew he wanted to be

be in films," said Sharma, 22. "I had made up my mind when I Film Festival. It was a kid that I wanted to be an actor, no matter what."

It is safe to say that dream Mark Ruffalo. is coming true, as the Andover

native has been seen on TV and in movies, most recently in the independent film the Sundance

**Kunal Sharma** stars Julianne

Moore, Annette Benning and "I feel like everyone has a away is taking my life away," doing (otherwise). Being on a India. movie set, as stressful it can be,

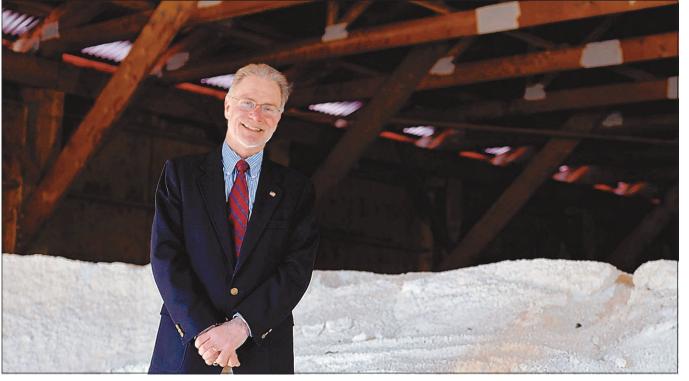
it down is so much fun." At 17, Sharma was recruited

purpose – do what you're pas-sionate about, do what moves California. Within six months, you. Acting is the one thing he landed his first job on "Phil of that I'm so passionate about. the Future," a television show on I do it all the time, I live it and the Disney Channel. In his first breathe it and eat it. Taking it major leading role, Kunal played a prince in the Disney Channel said Sharma. "I can't think of movie "The Cheetah Girls: One a single thing that I would be World," which was filmed in

He has also acted on "The taking a character and breaking Office," "Castle," "Commander

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### Back to the salt mine



ANN HERMES/Staff Photo

Buzz Stapczynski was reappointed on Monday for another five-year term as town manager, during which he'll seek to move the town yard and its salt piles - which he is standing on for this photo - out of downtown Andover.

# 25 years of Stapczynski

# Selectmen unanimous in keeping town's longest-serving manager

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

Buzz Stapczynski, Andover's town manager since 1990, will be leading the town through 2015.

The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously Monday night, Feb. 8, to reappoint Stapczynski to an unprecedented fifth term.

Stapczynski, 62, is working under a Stapczynski's new contract will begin five-year contract that expires June 4 June 5, 2010. and is paid a base salary of \$131,497. Stapczynski's new contract, the board Vispoli. In 2008, 30 Andover employees

made more than Stapczynski. The town manager's salary is typically set year-to-year, said Vispoli.

"As the newest member of the board, I This winter, as selectmen begin to draft thought really long and hard about this decision," said Selectman Jerry Stabile will discus his compensation as well, said 
Jr. "We don't need change for change's sake. He's demonstrated success in the role over the years. I know there are

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# 4 finalists for top school job

By Judy Wakefield AND BETHANY BRAY STAFF WRITERS

Two of the four finalists to become Andover's next superintendent would be extremely familiar faces in town schools. One is serving as the Andover assistant superintendent and another has done so.

Current Assistant Superintendent Susan Nicholson, and the superintendents of Hamilton-Wenham, Gloucester and a rural Maine district are the finalists to replace Claudia Bach, who is stepping down as Andover superintendent this year. In three weeks, on Thursday, March 4, the School Committee expects to announce which of these four finalists will be Andover's new superintendent.

School Committee Chairwoman Debra Silberstein did not want to comment on specific candidates this week.

'The School Committee has a lot of work to do going forward, their homework," Silberstein said. "All of us recognize that ward for our children."

School Superintendent Christopher Farmer; and Kelly Clenchy, superintendent of Rural School school district for the communities of Orono, Veazie and Glenburn.



Christopher Farmer, Gloucester



Susan Nicholson, assistant superintendent

**CANDIDATE** 

**PROFILES** 

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more information

on the four final-

ists for Andover

Superintendent of

Schools including



Marinel McGrath, Hamilton-Wenham superintendent

Kelly Clency, superintendent of a rural Maine district

Clenchy, 53, oversees schools and everybody is going to do in three Maine towns that were consolidated into a regional school district this summer. this will be the most important His wife, Brooke, is the superindecision we're making going for- tendent in Winchendon, Mass., a town about an hour from Besides Nicholson, the final- Andover, near the New Hampists are Marinel McGrath, who shire border. After years of livleft Andover in 2002 to become ing long-distance from each the superintendent of schools for other, Clenchy says he's lookthe Hamilton-Wenham Regional ing to moving to Massachusetts School District; Gloucester to be with his wife, and feels Andover would be a good fit. 'I'm looking for an area with a similar philosophy to my own. Unit No. 26 in Maine, a regional (Andover is) very 21st century astute, and that's a firm belief of

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#### A cut above



ROGER DARRIGRAND/Staff Photo

Tony Lombardi, who had sported a beard for years, sees the barber on stage during Friday night's Raise the Roof Telethon to raise money for Andover Youth Services. See story, Page 6.

# Governor to Andover base: 'Who's nervous?'

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

Looking to reform and reenergize the grassroots network that brought him into office, Gov. Deval Patrick was in Andover on Saturday afternoon and his opening remarks got right to the point.

"Who's nervous?" he asked a crowd of about 75 Democratic supporters at the Andover Senior Center.

Of course, Patrick was refering to the recent historic Senate win for Republican Scott Brown and the fears of Democrats that they could be vulnerable in future elections. More tan 58 percent of Andover voted for Brown in the special election last month, according to Town Clerk Randy Hanson.

Since then, Patrick, who is up



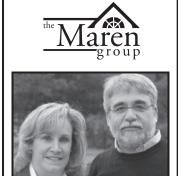
Governor Deval Patrick visited Andover on Saturday.

running with grass roots cam- Democrats. paigning around the state. He is focusing on what he sees as his accomplishments and hoping to

for re-election, has hit the road ease the sense of panic among

"Grass roots campaigning is

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#### **GOVERNOR**

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about meeting the people and listening," Patrick said after his one-hour visit to the Andover Senior Center. "I enjoy that."

Patrick focused on his handling of the state budget, health care

during this legislative term.

"In these worst economic times." we had a balanced budget that was on time," he said. "It was a challenge, but it was done."

His latest education reform legislation, which will tackle achievement gaps and target under performing schools, strengthens the state's bid for and education as key winners the federal Race to the Top grant

are rising in the state. In fact, the Class of 2009 in Massachusetts schools posted the highest SAT math scores in the country, Patrick told the crowd.

As for health care, the state has 97 percent of residents covered and "no other state comes

close," the governor said.

dollars, he said. And, test scores floor to comments and questions. Outgoing School Committeewoman Deb Silberstein suggested that state Democrats agree on a simple message for the upcoming election.

Someone yelled out, "Let's finish the job," which Patrick said was a "great tag line."

State Rep. Barbara L'Italien said Patrick eventually opened the the purpose of the governor's visit

was "to re-energize all of us." "We're excited that he's here," she said.

CORRECTION

in the contract.

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His Andover visit came just a week before the town's Democratic caucus. The Democratic Town Committee meets Saturday, Feb. 13, to elect delegates for the 2010 Democratic Convention in June. Chairwoman Pat Commane of Andover said 34 delegates (17 better."

men, 17 women) will be selected. The meeting will be 10 a.m. at Memorial Hall Library.

Upon leaving the meeting, attendees agreed they felt a bit more energized than they did

before the governor's visit. "We're in panic mode," said one man who didn't want his name used. "I feel just a little

#### **FINALISTS**

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mine. They understand the necessity of being globally aware and advantages of a strategic plan. I've been in my current position for six years and am looking for new challenges," he said. "I bring a broad experience base to the table -- I spent 10 years as classroom teacher, K - 12."

When reached by telephone Tuesday, McGrath said she was "declining" to answer questions until the search is over.

Farmer also would not answer specific questions about why he applied. "I don't intend to be interviewed through the newspaper. I am very pleased to have the opportunity to meet with the (Andover) School Committee and discuss the open position," he said.

Nicholson was asked why she wants the top school job and she replied: "Andover is an excellent school district and in transition as we prepare students for the 21st century. We have embarked upon a strategic plan that will help us set the direction for the next five years. As lead administrator in the district for the with disabilities."

**MANAGER** 

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they're in the majority."

consensus among staff.

people out there that may dis-

agree with that, but I don't think

Selectmen lauded Stapczynski

for his budgeting skills, hiring

quality employees and building

for the entire town, for educa-

tion, jobs, families and retirees.

Reappointing Buzz will serve the

entire town well," said Selectman

Alex Vispoli. "There's always

room for improvement, and it's Selectman Brian Major.

'The town manager's job is

#### **KELLY CLENCHY**

**Experience:** Superintendent of Rural School Unit #26 in Maine, 2004 to present; superintendent of Herbert School Division in Saskatchewan, Canada, 2000 to 2004; principal of Grasslands School District in Alberta, Canada, 1987 to 2000

Current district (Rural Unit 26, Maine): five schools in three towns (two kindergarten through eighth-grade, one kindergarten through fifth-grade, one middle and one high school) with enrollment of roughly 1,500 students

#### Lives in Glenburn, Maine Highest degree obtained: Masters

in educational administration and curriculum, Gonzaga University, postgraduate work at University of Calgary, Alberta Canada

#### **CHRISTOPHER FARMER**

**Experience:** Superintendent in Gloucester, 2003 to present; principal

strategic plan, I know first hand

the opportunities and the chal-

lenges we face in this district.

We need to leverage the use of

technology to transform teach-

ing and learning and to create a

level playing field for students

incumbent on this board to help

him ... We need a strategic plan,

long-term, not just putting out

By town charter, Andover's

town manager must live in town

and serve in five-year terms.

Stapczynski and his wife, Sandy,

have two sons in college and live

the right positions has positioned

us well as a community. He cre-

ates budgets that works well for

our community, and through

each and every year, town depart-

ments are a unified voice," said

"Selecting the right people for

on Phaeton Circle.

fires.'

of Redwood Middle School Saratoga 1987 to 1994

Current district (Gloucester): eight

Highest degree obtained: Masters in geography, archaeology and anthropology and post-graduate certification

Experience: Superintendent in Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District, 2002 to present; assistant superintendent in Andover, 1995 to 2002; director of curriculum in Newburyport, 1986 to

The Massachusetts Associa-

search and is being paid \$8,500.

job and a search committee made

#### Current district (Hamilton-

Wenham): five schools in two towns (one high school, one middle school and three elementary schools) with enrollment of more than 2,000 students.

Lives in Byfield Highest degree obtained: doctorate in education policy, Boston University

#### **SUSAN NICHOLSON**

**Experience:** Assistant superintendent in Andover, 2007 to present; principal of North Andover High School, 1999 to 2007; assistant principal of North Andover High School, 1997 to 1999

Current district (Andover): 10 schools (one high school, three middle schools and six elementary schools) with enrollment of over 6,000

#### Lives in Methuen

Highest degree obtained: doctorate in leadership in education, UMass Lowell

# **Andover Townsman**

A Town Talk item last week incorrectly stated that Ken Maglio

had filed a grievance about the head baseball coach position. The

teachers union the grievance on behalf of four of the six candidates

who applied, who are Andover Public School employees. The union

contract calls for preference to APS employees who are qualified.

Maglio is a retired teacher so he is not covered by that provision

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USD in Saratoga, Calif., 1997 to 2003; superintendent in Coventry, England,

schools (one high school, one middle school and six elementary schools), with more than 3,000 students.

#### Lives in Gloucester

in education with distinction in teaching from the University of Cambridge,

#### MARINEL MCGRATH

The job was advertised as payup of parents and school staffers ing \$180,000 to \$200,000 a year. met with 10 of the applicants.

"That's the most I've seen," tion of School Committees served Michael Gilbert of MASC said of as the consultant for Andover's Andover's applicant pool. "I'm in the middle of four superintendent searches and 32 (applicants) Thirty-two people applied for the is high."

After Monday night's vote was Through the next five years, taken, selectmen lead the room in a standing ovation, applauding Stapczynski. Smiling, Stapczynski rounded the table, shaking each board member's hand. Stapczynski said he was grate-

ful the selectmen of 1990 "had confidence in a young man." "They were looking for a consensus builder, to move the team

ahead," he said. "I was happy to fit that vision." He said that while "opinions fly behind closed doors" he knows his department members are

team players. "I have a challenge, and an opportunity to continue the legacy that has been left to us. I am ready, willing and able to roll up my sleeves," he said. "The folks that work for me and for you are

energized to move ahead."

Stapczynski will oversee significant changes in leadership many town departments. Hiring replacements for Town Clerk Randy Hanson and Superintendent Claudia Bach is ongoing; Jack Petkus, director of public works; and John Pollano, superintendent of the water treatment plant also plan to retire within the next year.

Important projects on the horizon include building of a new interchange off Interstate 93 into Ballardvale that will open up 700 acres to development, replacing Bancroft Elementary School, creating ballfields on town-owned property on Blanchard Street, building a new fire station in Ballardvale, relocating the town yard and closing the Ledge Road

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#### Past & Present



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NOW: Elm Square in Andover today.

#### Office hours for Barbara L'Italien

State Rep. Barbara L'Italien legislative aide will be available

will hold constituent office hours to meet with any interested resiat the Andover Senior Center on dents. Residents can also speak Friday, Feb. 26. From 10:30 to directly with L'Italien's office 11:30 a.m. either L'Italien or her anytime by calling 617-722-2380.

#### Water meter replacement is section by section

meters section by section, the in these sections who have not Department of Public Works yet made an appointment should wants to remind people that residents will receive a letter first, before needing to make an appointment.

Not all the letters have gone out as DPW has divided the town into six sections, and has only sent letters out to three. Letters go out just prior to the section being addressed, according to DPW.

homeowner's section on it. Public works has sent three Questions? Call Morris Grav at letters or notices to homes in 978-623-8350, Ext. 518.

As it replaces residents' water Sections 1, 2 and 3. Residents call Easton Winwater at 866-983-

> Residents in Section 5 have been sent the first round of letters. Residents in Sections 4 and 6 will receive their first letters in the spring.

Residents can call to schedule half-hour appointments Monday though Friday. They cannot call Each water bill lists the on Saturday. But work will be done Monday through Saturday.

#### QUOTE, UNQUOTE ...



Our neighbors, within a radius of three miles, 'rambled' over to our kitchen and created a community of storytelling, music, dance, flirtation, cardplaying and hilarity that lasted until my mother declared it was time to go home

– Andover writer Thomas Rice in his non-Memoir." Story in Townspeople, page 11.

The key thing that people should know, as important as spending plan is, the revenue is equally if not more important. We spend a lot of time cautiously and carefully putting together the best plan we can.

– Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski whose recommended budget for the schools is milfiction work "Far From the Land: An Irish lions less than the superintendent's recommended budget. Story, page 2.

#### NEWS CALENDAR

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 11

Council on Aging, Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., 8 a.m.

TRIAD, Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet p.m.

#### **TUESDAY, FEB. 16**

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

#### **WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17**

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

Board of Assessors, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet

St., assessors conference room, 9 a.m. Joint meeting between selectmen and Finance Committee, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

# College scholarship applications are now available

The Andover Chapter of Dol- in an accredited two- or four- Andover Town Hall and Memolars for Scholars announces year program of education rial Hall Library. that scholarship applications is eligible to apply. Applicafor the 2009-2010 academic tions are available at HYPERyear are now available. Any LINK "http://andoverma.gov/ Andover resident, including residents/adfs.pdf" http:// graduating seniors, returning andoverma.gov/residents/adfs. students, or adults working pdf and at the guidance departtoward their first undergrad- ments at Andover High School, uate degree, who has been Phillips Academy, Greater accepted as a full-time student Lawrence Technical School,

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# Appointment-only flu clinics scheduled

has announced that an addiimmunization clinic has been scheduled.

This clinic is by appointment only.

The clinic will be held on Tues-Office Building 36 Bartlet Street, 2nd Floor.

This clinic will be for persons age 2 years and older, and both Nasal Mist and traditional shots will be offered at this time.

first or second doses for their occur this flu season caused by children are welcome. Those either 2009 H1N1 viruses or seeking a second dose must bring documents showing when While the incidence of the the first dose was administered, H1N1 illness is down, public

The Andover Health Division or they will not be immunized. health officials believe there is reimbursing communities for the

tional H1N1 and Seasonal Flu Public Health and the CDC recommend continuing vaccination with seasonal influenza vaccine and 2009 H1N1 vaccine due to the fact that the timing, spread and severity of influenza day, Feb. 23 at the Andover Town viruses is uncertain. Outbreaks of influenza may occur in different places at different times, and with different people affected during each wave.

Flu season can last as late as May. It's possible that other Persons seeking either the waves of influenza activity may regular seasonal flu viruses.

The Mass. Department of a strong possibility of a third wave of infection; vaccination now will decrease your chances of becoming ill from this virus. By being immunized, residents protect not only themselves but also those around them.

Persons attending the H1N1 clinic are asked to bring a photo copy of their insurance card for the Health Division records. Several insurance companies in Massachusetts are now



costs associated with the administration of the vaccine, and the town will seek that funding.

Please call the Health Division at 978-623-8295 for an appointment. No walk-ins will be accommodated.

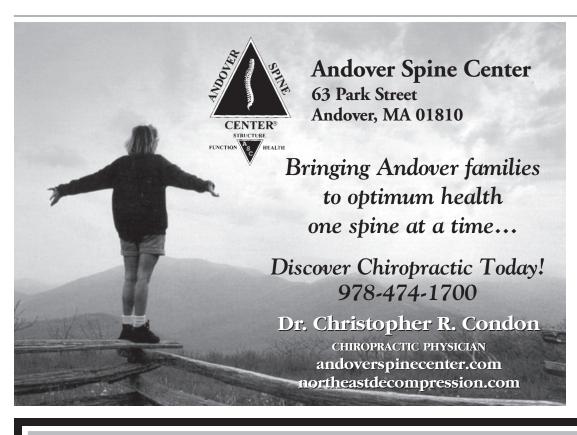
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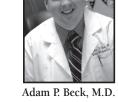
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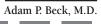
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# Education

### No secret, there are loads of stories about Lincoln

#### **Ken Seifert**



Last celebrated Abraham 200th birthday. It was always easy for

me to remember when Lincoln was born, because my father was born 100 years after him, on Feb. 12, 1909.

There is a great deal written about President Lincoln. There is probably more folklore regarding his life than any other American. Just the number of times his body was moved after he was buried in Springfield is interesting. I saw a documentary that proved he was moved 10 times. I thought it was three.

We all have our favorite stories of Honest Abe. Here are a few of mine:

#### Leaving the scene

It was 1944. We were fourth graders in P.S.33 in Buffalo New York. Miss Turner, one of my favorite teachers, gave us a rah rah story about how sensitive one of our greatest presidents was. President Lincoln was riding in his carriage he saw a pig stuck in the mud. As the vehicle moved on down the road he told his driver to turn around. When he revisited the scene, he jumped out of the buggy and pulled Porky out of the quagmire. Miss Turner smiled and reminded us what a fine thing that was. Most of the kids sighed with patriotic adulation.

Bill Wilke, one of the quiet kids in the class, raised his hand. "Yes, Bill, what is it?" asked Miss Turner. Bill wanted to know what kind of person would have left the scene of an accident and not stopped immediately? Miss Turner responded, "Interesting thought, Bill, it is time for recess.'

#### I'll have what he's having

Abe, like all presidents, had the usual number of staff members who would sell their mothers down the river just to get into the good graces of the seat of power. On one such occasion a staff member wanted Abe to know he had a general with a severe drinking problem. Abe inquired as to the culprit. It was revealed that the person was General U.S. Grant. Abe sat back in is chair rubbed his beard and requested a favor. He asked the informer to find out what Grant was drinking so he might provide some of his less capable generals with the same magic liquid.

#### My all-time favorite

We are all nosy and want the inside scoop. President Lincoln would have street side press conferences. One reporter asked the president something he knew was in his best interest to keep to himself. He motioned to the reporter that he get closer so he could whisper in his ear. Can you keep a secret was the question. Of course I can was the reply. Once again Abe motioned the reporter to lend an ear. He then said "SO CAN I." This has become part of our family tradition. If anyone in the family wants to keep something to themselves they apply the Abe method. We all understand that means it is none of your business. It is used by each member of the family. Thank you, Abe!

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

# Schools seek input on town's priorities

ning process, the Andover Public Schools will host a community meeting and focus group on Thursday, March 11, from 7 Andover High School, Shaw-

values and vision for our school district.

'We need your valuable input to help guide decision-making to 9:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at and resource allocation for the next three to five years. Join us for this unprecedented opportu-

School District," wrote Assistant Superintendent Susan Nicholson in a release. "Our goal is to have well over 100 people engaging in conversations about our school

The format of the evening will All citizens of Andover are nity to directly impact the future be large and small focus groups. assistant superintendent at 978- Offices at 36 Bartlet St.

district."

facilitator who will ensure that olson@aps1.net. every voice will be heard.

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If you are interested in participating in the community March 11, call Susan Nicholson,

As part of a strategic plan- invited to share their priorities, direction of the Andover Public Each group will have a trained 623-8506 or e-mail her at SNich-

Facilitator training has been scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 25, from 9 to 11 a.m. in the School meeting and focus group or in Committee room in the School being trained as a facilitator for Administration Building on Whittier Street, behind Town

# Andover's own super bowl champs

Doherty Middle Schoolers take first place, scholarships in science and math competition



COURTESY PHOTO

The Doherty Science Team took first place, winning college scholarship money, in the Super Math and Science Bowl sponsored by Raytheon on Jan. 30. Held at Gillette Stadium, the competition between six towns involved students answering math and science questions in a quiz bowl format in front of an audience.



COURTESY PHOTO

Doherty Middle School student Jacki Long (right) is all smiles with science teacher Lynn Ricker after their team took first place at a recent math and science super bowl held at Gillette Stadium, home of the New England Patriots.



COURTESY PHOTO

The names of the members of the Doherty Science Team that took first place in the Super Math and Science Bowl sponsored by Raytheon on Jan. 30 are displayed on the Gillette Stadium scoreboard.

While some Patriots were getting ready to play in the Pro Bowl two weekends ago, the Doherty Middle School Science Team was competing at Gillette Stadium, winning first place and grand scholarships in a new math and science competition called the Super Math and Science Bowl.

Nine Doherty Middle students studied and prepared for the competition. The six who did the best on tasks, such as a qualifying test and an essay on how math and science improves everyday living, competed against teams from other towns on Saturday, Jan. 30 - and

The six students who received \$1,000 scholarships are Sebastian Silveira, Rebecca Savord, Julian Amirault, Jackie Long, Jason Grosz and Derek Yau. Alternates to the team, who were also declared winners and received first-place trophies, were Sydney Alepa, Julia Jackson and Jack Kiely.

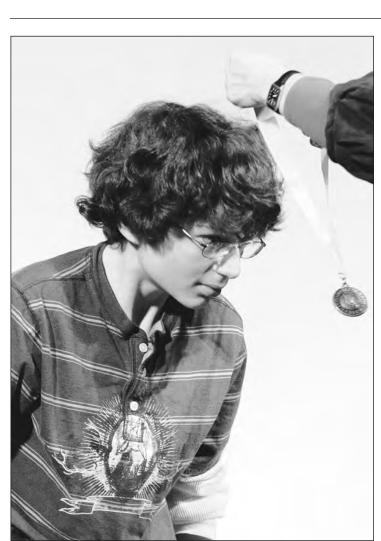
Sponsored by Raytheon Corp., the special math and science program began with a kick-off assembly where Raytheon engineers excited the Doherty Middle seventh-graders with robotics and examples of math-in-motion, according to Doherty Middle Principal Theresa McGuinness-Darby. Students then participated in months of math and science instruction with drills by Andover High School student volunteers, eighth-grader Jaydeep Sambangi and seventh-grade science and math teachers.

Then, on Jan. 30, seventh-grade students from Andover, Billerica, Foxborough, Sudbury, Tewksbury and Woburn represented their schools in the football-inspired contest.

Science teacher Lynn Ricker was the Doherty Middle coach.

The competition between six towns involved students answering math and science questions in a quiz-bowl format in front of an audience in the club house at Gillette Stadium. This event was designed by Raytheon in response to a predicted significant decrease in the engineering workforce due to impending retirements and the 2007 U.S. trends in International Mathematics and Science Study report which indicated the US scores much lower than other countries in international math and science benchmarks.

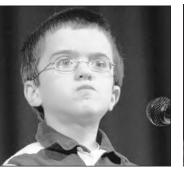
"By making math and science fun and interactive, students developed teamwork skills while making a connection between their interests and future careers,' according to Christina Bianchi, a Raytheon communications



Geography bee held last month.

TIM JEAN/ Staff photos

Jonathan Cohen was the winner of West Middle School's annual



Max McCarthy thinks about his response during West Middle School's geography bee.



Seamus Curtin-Orsmond pauses before answering a geography bee



Daniel Zhang, shown during this year's West Middle bee, competed at the state level last year.

# Geography gurus West, Doherty Middle crown geo-bee champs

Andover middle-schoolers will compete in the state geograhave been boning up on world knowledge from Albania to Zimbabwe – and two have a shot at competing in a statewide geography bee.

schools both held geography bees last month, crowning winners.

After Doherty eighth-grader Jonathan Cohen and West eighthgrader Hugh Smith won their school's geography bees, they studied to take the qualifying test for the state geography bee on Jan. 25. Once tabulated, the top 100 test scorers in the state seventh-graders Daniel Zhang,

phy bee on April 9, said teacher Emily Thompson, who organized the Doherty Middle bee. Results are not yet available.

West and Doherty middle school-bee runner up was sixthgrader Jesse Girrell. West Middle's geo bee was organized by Teacher Dave Piscia.

Second-place winner in Doherty's geography bee was seventh-grader Seamus Curtin-Orsmond. Other Doherty finalists included sixth-graders Max McCarthy and Evan Chang;

Jeremy Brownholtz, Michael Weber and Michael Adams and eighth-graders Evan Duerr, Peter Reilly and Karmesh Behera.

Wood Hill Middle School did At West Middle School, the not have a geography bee this winter, according to the school's office. The teacher who organized the bee last year does not work at the school this year.

Last year, West Middle student Daniel Zhang won his school's geography bee and competed in the state bee at Clark University.

- Bethanu Brau

# Salinger's best-known book worth catching again

By Mari Miyachi WHAT'S UP CONTRIBUTOR

In honor of the recent passing of author J.D. Salinger, I am reviewing his classic novel The Catcher in the Rve. Holden Caulfield, the novel's protagonist, is an icon of modern American culture, and the book itself a hallmark of midcentury literature. Though The Catcher in the Rye is far from Salinger's only notable work, it is by far his most popular and controversial piece, well worth the attention of high school readers today.

The Catcher in the Rye is told from the first-person perspective of the 16-year-old Caulfield in the days following his expulsion from preparatory school. Caulfield journeys to New York City, where he experiences a fleeting moments of real-world hardships and humors even as his past continues to chase him. Told in stream-of-consciousness style, the story makes Caulfield comes alive as a troubled and alienated adolescent amidst a personal rebellion.

In addition to capturing the spirit of New York City, Salinger creates an intense portrait of teenage angst. The Catcher in the Rye was once a frequent name on banned book lists for a number of reasons: vulgar language, violence and sexual

#### BOOK REVIEW

'CATCHER IN THE RYE'

By J.D. SALINGER

references. However, I believe one of the unspoken rationales behind the prohibition of this novel may have been the reader's natural and potentially frightening empathy towards Caulfield's anger. The feeling of isolation, while particularly pertinent to teenagers, is stranger to no one.

I would give The Catcher in the Rye a 9 out of 10. Salinger's pioneering literary techniques and diction bestow the book with imminence and a certain urgency. There are few novels whose characters have simultaneously frustrated and inspired me as does Holden Caulfield, and I can easily say that this book will have a similarly powerful effect on high school readers of any level. I encourage all readers, younger and older alike, to pay their respects to Salinger, and whether it be the first time or the 10th, pick up a copy of his Catcher in the Rye.

The writer is an Andover resident and high school student at Phillips Academy who reviews books for young

# Grasping nature

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# College offers special classes for kids beginning Feb. 13

On Saturday mornings this spring, Northern Essex Community College's Corporate and Community Education Division will offer five noncredit natural history courses designed especially for families and taught by Peter Money of North Andover, the former director of education at the Harvard Museum of Natural History

Taught at Veasey Park on Washington St. in Groveland, these courses will include New England's Prehistoric Past, Life in the Sea, Mineral Madness, Jaws and Claws, and Incredible Insects.

adult and one child, is \$34 for animals while learning about each Saturday class. Additional siblings are \$8. Children must be crabs, anemones, octopi and at least 8 years old and accompanied by an adult. Classes run from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

New England's Prehistoric Past, scheduled for Feb. 13, looks at what New England looked like over the past 500 million years by examining rocks, fossils, and living animals which will give clues to ancient oceans, erupting volcanoes, missing mountains and more.

Life in the Sea on March 13 explores the world under water animals, mounts, artifacts and

the ecology and adaptations of other species.

Mineral Madness examines the world of gems and minerals by showing how crystals grow, seeing minerals that glow, learning how to identify different types, and learning how to find minerals that grow in one's own home on April 10.

Jaws and Claws, on May 8, covers how predators adapt register, call Mary Shattuck at by learning how to hunt fish, mice and other prey. With live

The fee, which includes one by examining specimens and live more, families will be able to see how these animals use their eyes, ears and teeth to hunt effectively.

> Incredible Insects, June 12, is designed to examine a variety of live insects and learn why they are important parts of our world. Using live insects, hands-on collections, and other techniques, participants will learn how these insects grow, feed, attract mates and escape enemies.

> For more information or to 978-556-3837 or mshattuck@ necc.mass.edu.

# Poems-about-peace contest for K-12 students

Students in grades kinder- publication in a small book of of the violence he faces daily, as developed a Web site, designed ern Essex Community College's Second Annual Peace Poetry Contest and Reading. Participants may create and submit original poems on the subject of peace.

The deadline for submission is Monday, March 15. Some artwork will be selected for wrote about the grim realities rating on the project and have edu/service learning/poetry.

garten through 12, from both poetry to be published later in public and private schools, are the spring. In addition, selected invited to participate in North- entrants will be invited to take part in a poetry reading from 6 of English Dr. Paul G. Saintto 9 p.m. on Friday, May 7 in the Amand, a Vietnam era veteran Technology Center on the college's Haverhill campus.

Last year's contest, the first, attracted over 600 entries from more than 40 schools, including a poem from 10-year-old 80 poems and accompanying boy from Lahore, Pakistan, who

well as his hopes for peace.

This contest is coordinated by NECC associate professor who is committed to peace.

"As an educator. I want to fuel children's imaginations toward peace," he said in a release. "A lot more has been written about war than about peace."

NECC students are collabo-

posters and award certificates, and will host the public reading.

Entries can be submitted to peacepoetry@necc.mass.edu or NECC Peace Poetry Contest, 100 Elliot St., Spurk 317H, Haverhill, MA 01830-2399.

For additional information. contact Saint-Amand at 978-556-3307, psaintamand@necc.mass. edu or visit www.necc.mass.

#### ■ SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools, Feb. 22-26:

#### **Elementary schools**

Monday: Meatball sub, nachos topped with beef and cheese, hummus salad with feta cheese, pita bread, garden salad, steamed veggie and chilled fruit.

**Tuesday:** Cheese pizza bagel, crunchy fish sticks, roll, crispy chicken salad with pita bread, broccoli salad, cole slaw and

Wednesday: Chicken parmesan, manager's choice, french toast and sausage, sweet potatoes and apples, green beans and juice.

Thursday: Hamburger sliders, chicken, broccoli and ziti, bread stick, ham and

cheese on wheat, roasted butternut squash, chicken and wild rice soup and

Friday: Cheese or vegetable pan pizza, tuna salad on wheat, greek salad, pita bread, caesar salad, ice cream sandwich and fresh fruit.

#### Middle schools

**Monday:** Broccoli, cheese or chicken parmesan calzone, chicken caesar salad, bread stick, manager's choice, garden salad, fresh fruit and juice.

**Tuesday:** Tacos and toppings, french bread pizza, italian sub with the works and pretzels, spanish rice, corn and fresh

Wednesday: Spaghetti with marinara

or meat sauce, garlic bread, steak and cheese sub, fish on a whole wheat roll, green beans, sweet potato fries and pudding and topping.

Thursday: Oven-fried chicken with biscuit, manager's choice, hummus and tabouli salad, pita bread, whipped potatoes, seasoned peas and kiwi.

Friday: Buffalo, chicken or veggie pan pizza, tuna pocket with lettuce and tomato, manager's choice, garden salad and apple crisp with topping.

#### **Andover High School**

Monday: Cheese, pepperoni or veggie individual pizza, broccoli-and-cheese or pepperoni-and-cheese calzone, rotini or spaghetti with marinara sauce and

a side of meatballs, tossed salad, garlic bread, sausage, peppers and onions sub, chicken finger sub, steak tip sub and

Tuesday: Buffalo chicken, cheese or pepperoni slice of pizza, garden salad, chicken wings, oven fries, cole slaw, seasoned veggie, dinner roll, gyro, bacon burger, eggplant sub and jello with topping.

**Wednesday:** Cheese, chef's special or pepperoni individual pizza, meatball or veggie calzone, meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread stick, petite banana, grilled chicken teriyaki sub or wrap, latin wrap and pastrami on a bulky roll.

Thursday: Bacon, cheese or pepperoni

slice of pizza, garden salad, american chop suey, caesar salad, garlic toast, grilled hotdog, grilled fresh veggie and cheese wrap, steak and cheese and fresh

**Friday:** Cheese, pepperoni or sausage individual pizza, buffalo chicken or spinach-and-cheese calzone, manager's choice, haddock filet sandwich and mozzarella sticks with marinara sauce. 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;

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.



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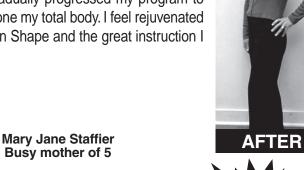
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# Razors, youth win

# AYS telethon raises over \$90K

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

It was the first night of last week's benefit telethon for Andover Youth Services and the razor was ready. AYS Director Bill Fahey had promised to shave his beard if \$50,000 was raised on that night. Other AYS staffers, including Jamey Grieco, Tony Lombardi and Glenn Wilson, joined the "beards for bucks" pact.

The beards came off each of them as about \$55,000 was pledged that first night while another \$35,000 came in on the second night. That's a total of \$90,000, with more money trickling in, making every lost hair worth it, said Fahey.

"There is such a connection to the community," Fahey said of his AYS program. "Money is still coming in...\$90,000 is just fantastic. People really responded."

Local grandparents even donated to the cause as the Sunset Tappers, a tap-dancing group from Andover Senior Center, convinced Fahey and gym teacher Wayne Puglisi to wear tap shoes and join Gaynor song "It's Raining Men" played, the two men reigned on Pearson Street.



Callers offering cash convinced Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski to shave his beard - well, most of it - to help the AYS cause.

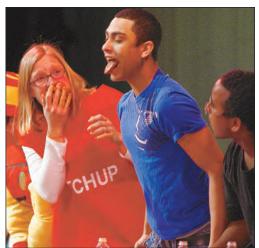
"They were saying, 'We're grandparents...We want your programs," Fahey said.

Money raised through the telethon will be split among various AYS programs. Highlights include giving 20 percent to the fund for the proposed youth center, helping to pay for new ramps at the skate park behind West Middle the tap dancing. While the Gloria School and building a new sound studio at the AYS headquarters on School.



Operators take calls during Friday night's Raise the Roof Telethon for Andover Youth Services on Feb. 5.

AYS member Suzi Allen stuffs her face while Santi Costello shows he finished all of his buffalo chicken in the eating competition during Friday night's Raise the **Roof Telethon** for Andover **Youth Services** at Andover High





**AYS Director** Bill Fahey finally has his facial hair trimmed after raising over \$50,000 during the Raise the Roof Telethon, which was held Thursday and Friday to raise

money for

Services.

**Andover Youth** 

**SHARMA** 

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in Chief," "Veronica Mars," "Crossing Jordan" and "Hannah Montana."

"I was growing up and lead-

driveway ... going to high school, junior. He finished schooling in spending all my evenings with my family," said Sharma. "I came out here, and I was like a baby crawling, had no idea of what to do. I had to go from crawling to walking to running.'

Sharma credits his parents, Naresh and Uma, who still live ing a very normal life, shooting in Andover, for allowing him to hoops like any other kid in his leave Andover High School as a

California to follow his dream.

"Making that kind of decision was one of the most difficult things in the world. They took a very courageous step, and just the fact that they believed so much in me, it was the greatest gift they could ever give me," he

California with his mother, splitting the very close Sharma family, leaving his father and older sister behind. After one year, Una moved back to Massachusetts but would fly to the West Coast

Now living on his own, and after five more years in the busi-

often to check on her son.

how a role can help their career, but focus on their character.

"I try not to think too much about (fame). When I started out, that's all I could think about everything I went into was huge. I had to tell myself, 'OK, this is just another role, one gig at a time," said Sharma. "It's so easy ness, Sharma said he's learned to let those extra things fill up At first, Kunal moved to the best actors don't think about your head, and that can keep you

from giving a great audition."

If he can help it, Sharma says he never watches himself on a finished movie or TV show.

"I am incapable of watching any of my work. Part of acting is that you have to be yourself. I don't want to hide any flaws, or be polished or perfect," he said. Family life is the one thing

Sharma says he misses the most, living away from Andover. Back in Andover, his father can't get enough of seeing him on the Cheetah Girls, he added, chuckling.

Next on the list is cold weather and snow.

"I recently did a movie in Michigan ("MOOZ-lum," with Danny Glover). It was freezing, but I loved every second of it,'

Sharma has a coming-ofage role in "The Kids Are All Alright," playing Jai, an awkward teenager.

"He's a normal teenager that happens to have feelings for his best friend. He has something in common with her, he is comfortable around her," said Sharma. When I first read the script, l thought, how cute – these two kids have no clue of how to take their friendship and make it more than what it is.'

Besides Moore, Benning and Ruffalo, the film has, as Sharma's character's love interest, Mia Wasilowski, an up-and-coming actress who stars as Alice in Tim Burton's "Alice in Wonderland," which opens this spring.

"They're really cool people, very normal," said Sharma of his A-list costars. "I have an immense amount of respect for each and every one of them."

The film's director, Lisa Cholodenko changed Sharma's character in the middle of the project, altering Jai from a mature, adjusted guy to an awkward character new to romance.

Everything about the character he'd studied, even the costuming, changed, said Sharma. "He went from being the

aggressor to playing defense," said Sharma of Jai.

"The Kids Are All Alright" is tentatively set for release nationwide in July.

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#### Plowing ahead



Plant & Facilities employees Mark Wood, left, and David Vandooren, prepare plows at the town yard for Wednesday's snow storm.

# Charges dismissed against Finance Committee member

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By Jim Patten

Criminal charges against Andover businessman and Finance Committee member Stephen Stapinski have been dismissed in Lawrence District

Stapinski, 56, of 12 Apache Road, was arrested early on the morning of Dec. 20 outside the Valley Lodging rooming house at 77 South Union St. in Lawrence and charged with two counts of assault and battery and one count of malicious damage to property over \$250 for allegedly breaking a window there.

One of the assault and battery charges and the malicious damage charge were dismissed two weeks ago in a court proceeding.

Last week, Judge Mark Sullivan dismissed the remaining count of assault and battery, after the alleged victim in the case failed to appear in court for the trial.

Assistant District Attorney Maura Officer asked the court for another court date, but Scott Gleason, the lawyer for Stapinski,

66 Thankfully this is over. Mr. Stapinski was totally innocent and he remains totally innocent."

Scott Gleason, attorney objected.

'This case was originally on for trial two weeks ago," Gleason told the court.

"This was the second opportunity for the victim to show up and she elected not to do so," Gleason later said.

"Thankfully this is over," Gleason said outside the courtroom. "Mr. Stapinski was totally innocent and he remains totally innocent."

The alleged victim, Roxanne Noltemy, 32, of 77 S. Union St., has been charged with attempting to commit a crime, larceny over \$250, after she allegedly attempted to use Stapinski's ATM card while he was still in police custody after his arrest.

Stapinski told police he was checking his properties in

Lawrence about 2 a.m. and was flagged down by a woman who asked him for a ride home. He told police he agreed to give her a ride, but had to stop at an ATM first.

When they got to the rooming house, Stapinski said he went inside to use the bathroom and was confronted by two men, one of whom asked him what he was

doing with the man's wife. Stapinski told police a fight ensued and someone reached into his pants pocket and took all his money and credit cards and told him to leave.

He told police he was banging on the door to demand that his credit cards be returned and broke the window while doing it. Someone opened the door and threw his belongings into a snowbank, but he realized his ATM card was

Noltemy and another woman told police that Stapinski had assaulted them, pushing his way into Noltemy's apartment, grabbing one of them around the neck and tearing open the shirt of the

#### ■ POLICE LOG

#### **ARRESTS**

Thursday, Feb. 4 – At 1:21 p.m., Edison Veras, 43, of 7 Washington St., Apt. 241, Methuen, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license; also on warrants for unarmed robbery and assault and battery.

Circle, Methuen, was arrested and charged with a marked lanes violation and operating under the influence of liquor.

Saturday, Feb. 6 – At 9:03 a.m., Stephen E. Gonzalo, 44, of 359 Ocean Boulevard, Apt. 8, Hampton, N.H., was arrested and charged with receiving/buying a stolen vehicle, receiving a stolen credit card, using a vehicle without authority and misleading a police officer; also on warrants for felony assault, annoying telephone calls and intimidating a witness. Gonzalo's car was found

and notified Amesbury police.

At 1:28 p.m., Penny P. Brown, 46, of 5 Locke St., Apt. 2, was arrested and charged on warrants for driving an uninsured vehicle with a suspended registration.

At 8:11 and 9 p.m., Angela G. Fazio, 33, and Scott G. Stillman, Friday, Feb. 5 – At 8:07 p.m., 40, both of 800 Bullfinch Drive, David P. Aucoin, 57, of 7 Deana were charged with receiving stolen property; Fazio was also charged with driving with a suspended license.

Sunday, Feb. 7 – At 1:46 p.m., Kristoffer K. Riddar, 25, of 326 Dorchester St., South Boston, was arrested and charged with driving without an inspection sticker and with a suspended license; also on two warrants for driving with a suspended registration, license plate violation and driving with a suspended license.

#### **THEFTS**

Tuesday, Feb. 2 – At 4:43 p.m., to be stolen out of Amesbury, and an Inwood Lane resident reported

account.

Thursday, Feb. 4 – At 10:31 a.m., a Minuteman Road caller reported theft of a cell phone.

Friday, Feb. 5 – At 1:45 p.m., a Brickstone Square caller reported credit fraud at Vision Retailing

#### **INCIDENTS**

Tuesday, Feb. 2 – At 10:30 a.m., an Osgood Street resident called police after seeing "what appeared to be a pair of legs" on the first floor of her house before she entered her garage, said the police log. A responding officer found no one inside the home.

At 7:31 p.m., a no trespass notice was served on Woodhaven Drive.

Thursday, Feb. 4 - At 12:05 a.m., a Riverina Road caller reported a strong odor of natural gas. An officer also noticed the smell of natural gas on North Main Street. Bay State Gas was notified and Andover police towed the vehicle money was taken out of his bank the fire department was put on

standby.

with a group soliciting money on 41-year-old male resident who North Main Street, telling them not to come back.

At 2:45 p.m., a witness summons was served on Theodore

At 10:58 p.m., an ambulance responded to a suicidal 15-yearold male. Friday, Feb. 5 – At 5:55 p.m., a

juvenile summons was served on Brundrett Avenue. At 8:15 p.m., a juvenile sum-

mons was served on Appletree At 10:06 p.m., three officers

responded to a report of suspicious activity at Andover High School, Shawsheen Road.

Saturday, Feb. 6 – At 8:37 a.m., a caller reported hearing gunshots while walking a dog on Downing Street.

At 11:18 a.m., an officer spoke an ambulance responded to a accidentally overdosed on pre-

> At 5:03 p.m., a resident reported receiving a threatening phone call from an ex-boyfriend.

scription medication.

Monday, Feb. 8 – At 5:26 p.m., a Cross Street caller spoke with an officer about a past assault.

At 7:38 p.m., an anonymous caller reported a blue Honda CRV parked on Doric Way with a female in the vehicle appearing to be drinking wine. The vehicle left, heading toward Woburn Street. A responding officer checked the area without finding anything.

#### **AUTO ACCIDENTS**

Wednesday, Feb. 3 - At 8:59 p.m., a 911 caller reported a tractor-trailer stuck in a snowbank

Sunday, Feb. 7 – At 7:20 a.m., on River Street. A tow truck was called.

> Thursday, Feb. 4 – At 8:58 p.m., a car was towed from Red Spring Road after crashing into a utility

Monday, Feb. 5 - At 7:22 a.m., a 911 caller reported a two-car crash on High Plain Road. Both cars were towed.

At 7:32 a.m., Officer Robin Cataldo reported she was involved in a minor two-car crash on Shawsheen Road. Detective Peter Reming responded to take photos of the incident.

At 10:13 a.m., a two-car crash, with injuries, was reported on South Main Street. An ambulance responded and took one female with leg pain to the hospital.

—Compiled by Bethany Bray



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# Obituaries

#### Sophie Guertin, 94



ANDOVER (Kwiatkoska) Guertin, 94, the late Kendwent home to

Thursday, Feb. 4, 2010 from the Lawrence General Hospital.

Sophie took pride in her home and family. She spent much of her time gardening, cooking, sewing and decorating her home. Sophie had always had a love for dogs. She had a beautiful soprano voice and enjoyed sharing that gift at Sunday morning church services.

Sophie is survived by her daughter, Elaine Zaloga of

Kerry Broadhurst and her hus-Mrs. Sophie band David and Jason Zaloga and his wife Min; her greatgrandchildren, David Jr., Kendbeloved wife of all, Kiley, Casey, Zachary, Ethan and Miley. Sophie was one of six rick Guertin, children with one living brother, Alfred Kwiatkoska and his wife be with her Lord Bea of Foxboro. Sophie was also Jesus Christ on survived by several nieces and nephews.

We would like to leave Sophie with these words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant... as a senior operator. Enter thou into the joy of the Lord." Matthew 25:21

ARRANGEMENTS: At the request of the family, her funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Sophie's memory to the Teen Challenge of New England, P.O. Box 3265, Brockton, MA 02304. For online condolences and Andover; her grandchildren, guestbook, please visit our website at David Zaloga and his wife Tillie, www.cataudellaFH.com.

### Alvin E. Harvey, 85



85, of Andover, died Monday, Feb. 1, 2010 at the Merrimack Valley Hospice House.

Born in Law-Albert E. and Lucy L. (Ainsworth) Harvey. Mr. Harvey attended Lawrence High School until he left to join the United States Army. He served our country from 1943 until 1946. He was part of the Normandy Invasion and later fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He was active with the

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ANDOVER — Boy Scouts as a young man, and on Oct. 11, 1951 in Lawrence and Alvin E. Harvey, later became an assistant Scout Master.

He was also a graduate of Bentley College, an active member of the Merrimack Valley Amateur Radio Club, a member of Triad in Andover, and a member of Mystic Valley Train Association, where rence, he was the son of the late he shared his passion for model railroading. One of Alvin's favorite things to do was share his stories about traveling throughout the United States and Europe. Above all, Al was a patriot who was very proud to have served his country.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn (Moore) Harvey of Andover; his sister, Janice (Duane) Fitts of Kent, Ohio; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and three stepchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Mary (Zaglanski), to whom he was married for over 35 years.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral service was held last Friday at the Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover. Burial followed in Elmwood Cemetery in Methuen. Family and friends called Friday prior to the service at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Church of Christ, Scientist, Andover, 278 North Main St., Andover, MA 01810; or to the Service of the Armed Forces through the American Red Cross at www.redcross.org. To leave online condolences, please visit and four grandchildren, Michael www.contefuneralhomes.com.

### George A. Batta, 69



Mr. George A. neers of America. Batta, 69, died Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2010 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Born in Lebanon, Mr. Batta had been an area resident for the past 35 years.

He retired in 2001 from Lucent Technologies, where he worked

ANDOVER — Telephone and Telegraph Pio-

Mr. Batta is survived by one daughter, Nicole and her husband Edward Archibald of Salem, N.H., and her mother, Linda (Myers) Batta of Salem, N.H.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on Monday from 9 to 10 a.m. at Edgar J. Racicot Inc. Funeral Home, 256 Broadway, Lawrence. A funeral service was held at the funeral home. **Burial followed in Pine Grove Cemetery** in Salem, N.H. Information available at He was a member of the www.racicotfuneralhome.com.

#### Susan M. Pizzano, 58



Susan M. Pizzano, 58, Burlington, on Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2010 after a brief illness.

She was born grew up in Andover. Susan was a graduate of Andover High School. After high school she attended the Boston School of Fashion Design, and was later employed as a fashion designer for Sullivan Sports, Reebok, New Balance and Alps Sportswear. She was loved by friends and family for her light hearted personality and her joy of life.

Susan is survived by her husband of 39 years, Joseph

SALEM, N.H. M. Pizzano of Salem, N.H.; her mother, Anna M. (LaBonte) April of Salem, N.H.; her father, David passed away at D. April of Colorado Springs. Lahey Clinic in Colo.; two sisters, Colette and her husband Robert Tefft of Haverhill and Joanne and her husband Tom Karlinski of Atkinson, N.H.; two brothers, David and his wife Lisa April of Salem, N.H. and Steven and his wife Shelia April of Lawrence; two sisters-in-law,

> other loved ones. **ARRANGEMENTS: Private services** are being arranged by her family with the assistance of Brewitt Funeral Home, 14 Pine St., Exeter, N.H. For more information, please visit www.brewittfuner-

> Cvndi and her husband Joseph

Cammarata of Exeter, N.H. and

Lisa Pizzano of Rye, N.H.; and

several nieces, nephews, and

#### George R. Keeffe, 91

ANDOVER — George R. Keeffe and Sean Regan and Nicholas died on Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010 at and Emily Keeffe; sister, Mary the Wingate at Andover Nursing Center. He was 91-years-old.

Born in Arlington, on Aug. 18, 1918, he was the son of the late William Harold and Mary (McKay) Keeffe. George was a member of St.

Augustine Church in Andover and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He loved his family and was an avid sports

George is survived by his wife M. Nancy (Sweet) Keeffe of Andover; son, Thomas Keeffe and his wife, Kathy of Pelham, N.H.; daughter, Ellen Regan and her husband, Jeffrey of Methuen;

Carey of Winchester; and several nieces and nephews. George was predeceased by his brothers, William, John, Paul and Joseph

ARRANGEMENTS: Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 10, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Burke-Magliozzi Funeral Home, 390 North Main St., Andover. His funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, Feb. 11, at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Church, 20 High Vale Lane, Andover. Burial will be in St. Augustine Cemetery, Andover. Donations in George's memory may be made to the American Red Cross of Massachusetts Bay, 139 Main St., Cambridge, MA 02142. For additional information, please visit www.burkemagliozzi.com.

### Thomas M. Darby, 77



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ANDOVER Thomas 77, of Andover, died Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2010 at his son's home

in Haverhill. Born in Andover Feb.

13,1932, he was employed with Converse and later Raytheon. He was a member of St. Augustine Church and a graduate of Central Catholic High School

Carlene Ann (Erickson) Darby go to: www.burkemagliozzi.com.

of Andover; two sons, Thomas "Ed" Darby and his wife Michael Darby, Angela of Guildland, N.Y., Eric Darby and his wife Kathleen of Haverhill; one daughter, Carlene Hackett and her husband Bill of Andover; eight grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass was held on Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., Andover. Arrangements by Burke-Magliozzi Funeral Home, 390 North Main St., Andover. Burial in **Spring Grove Cemetery. Contributions** and Merrimack College. He may be made to Alzheimer's Assoc., served in the U.S. Coast Guard. Mass Chapter, 311 Arsenal St., Water-His survivors include his wife, town, MA 02472. For more information

### Belen Ortega Williams, 85

ANDOVER — Belen Ortega Williams, 85, passed away peacefully on Monday, Feb. 1, 2010, at Wingate at Andover in Andover, with her son and daughter at her side.

Belen was born in Havana, Cuba, on Nov. 5, 1924. She graduated from Barry College in Miami. She was the devoted wife of Francis Williams, who predeceased her in 1997, and West Palm Beach, Fla., for many 28 Florence St., Andover.

years. She moved to Andover in

Survivors include her daughter, Angie (Williams) Lowe and her husband Jeff of Andover; her son, Alejandro Williams and his wife Nancy of Boynton Beach, Fla.; and three granddaughters, Amy Lowe, and Jennifer and Katie Williams.

ARRANGEMENTS: Services will be private. Arrangements are under the with whom she had lived in direction of the Conte Funeral Home,

#### Ruben C. Montalvo, 74



Ruben C. Montalvo, 74, died Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2010 at Lawrence General Hospital with his family at his bedside.

Mr. Montalvo was born and educated in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, the son of the late Vicente Montalvo and his wife Maria Cruz. Mr. Montalvo moved to New York City at the age of 17 and later to Lawrence

of service as a machine operator from Raytheon Co. in Andover. Mr. Montalvo enjoyed following boxing and Thoroughbred in St. Mary-Immaculate Conception horse racing on television. He Cemetery. For more information, also loved to travel with his please call Louis J. Farrah, II at 978-

in 1974. He retired after 21 years

LAWRENCE Las Vegas, Atlantic City and Foxwoods.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Margaret "Peggy' Orlando Montalvo of Lawrence; one son, David Montalvo of New York City; step-son, George Champey and his wife Marla of Groton; one brother, Johnny Montalvo and his wife Agapita of Reading, Pa.; sisters, Luisa wife of Augistine Vasquez of Puerto Rico, Maria, wife of Alfonso Yambo, of Lawrence and Isabel Maldonado of

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral service was held at Farrah Funeral Home, 133 Lawrence St., Lawrence. Burial was wife "Peggy" to Puerto Rico, 682-4060.

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# Superintendent seeks \$2.6M more than manager

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

Andover's budget season has begun with a \$2.6 million rift between the superintendent and town manager's proposed budgets for fiscal year 2011.

Superintendent Claudia Bach has proposed a budget with a 6.7 percent increase over last year, while Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski plans for a more modest increase of 2.26 percent for the schools.

"It's her starting point, it's not my starting point. My recommendation is of course, less,' said Stapczynski of Bach's recommended budget figure. "It remains to be seen where the School Committee is on this. That's the next piece."

Town Meeting, when residents will vote to approve next year's budget, is set for late April. Fis-

cal year 2011 starts July 1, 2010. Neither the schools nor town's proposed budgets provide for cost-of-living wage increases other than contractual step increases, said Stapczynski. Any wage increases would have to be "mined" from other areas of union contracts in negotiations, he said.

School Committee Chairwoman Debra Silberstein said specifics of the budget are still very "fluid," but will be discussed extensively in the coming months, starting with Tuesday's meeting, Feb. 9.

"I don't think we can sustain reductions at the level the town manager appears to be recommending at this point, without moving from a tier one to a tier two school system. (Causing a) significant change to the face of education in Andover -- not a change that I think this community wants to see," said Silberstein. "The School Committee has the budget now, and that's our challenge ... we will look at this budget, ask questions, see if we want to make any changes

#### FIND MORE **INFORMATION**

- The town manager's fiscal year 2011 proposed budget is posted at www. andoverma.gov under the "what's new" box
- The superintendent's fiscal year 2011 proposed budget is posted at www.aps1.net. Click on "superintendent's office" and then "budget updates"
- Questions? Concerns? Visit the triboard budget blog at www.andoverbudgetblog.blogspot.com

and have further discussions." Stapczynski unveiled his proposed budget to selectmen Monday Feb. 8. He recommends a total operating budget of 139,872,338, which is a 2.4 percent increase over fiscal year

Bach presented her budget to the School Committee on Tuesday, Feb. 2. She recommends a \$63,725,451 operating budget for the schools, which carries a 17.7 percent increase in expenses and a 3.9 percent increase for salaries - step advances and increases set in existing union contracts.

Stapczynski's recommended total for the schools is \$61,078,014.

"The key thing that people should know, as important as spending plan is, the revenue is equally if not more important. We spend a lot of time cautiously and carefully putting together the best plan we can," said Stapczynski on Tuesday. "It's a moving target right up to Town Meeting, and sometimes after Town Meeting."

Stapczynski emphasized his budget does not use any Free Cash – money from the rainy day fund – to pay for day-to-day operations. Three vacant municipal positions will not be filled, creating an estimated \$400,000 savings for next year, he said.

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While town officials have been

hearing complaints because less than \$1,400 is allocated for Andover Youth Services seasonal program – which used to have about \$45,000 - Stapczynski says there is an overall \$11,000 increase to the Andover Youth Services budget.

For the next eight weeks, Stapczynski and selectmen will meet with department heads every Wednesday night to comb through budget items and ask questions.

#### Challenging times

Stapczynski chose the theme "navigating through a nor'easter" for his 2011 budget.

"Navigating the fiscal turbulence of the past two years has forced us to be guarded in our approach to the town's revenues and spending plans. We have had to look for other ways to do business, cut costs while providing an acceptable level of services to our residents. This will not change. It is the constant as we navigate from FY2010 to FY2011, and hopefully, out of the storm," Stapczynski wrote in a cover letter to his proposed budget.

Within Bach's budget is a new special education program to be housed at Andover High School. The program would serve five students with two full-time teachers paid salaries totaling \$98,908 and three full-time instructional assistants paid salaries totaling \$54,984.

"It's early in process, but it appears to me that the superintendent has presented a levelservice budget. I'm mindful that at the federal and state level, both the governor and president have not cut aid to education," said Silberstein on Tuesday. "We had significant reductions in services last year, which impacted education throughout the system. In many effects, the downturn throughout school departments has been a catalyst for getting people to think

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# **Opinion**

# Steady as we go

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski's personality and management style matches the town and are probably significant reasons why he'll be back to lead Andover for another five years. Stapczynski doesn't take big risks, builds consensus and is the

#### **QUESTIONS WITH THE MANAGER**

What must be accomplished during the next five years? Top two or three priorites?

a. We need to continue to develop budgets that are within our ability to pay. The revenue budget is as important as the spending plan. The challenge for the next 5 years will be to control the appetite to be "all things to all people." We need to prioritize our valued programs and services, and find creative partnerships to expand the revenue base.

b. Replace the Bancroft School and the Ballardvale Fire Station

c. Move the Town Yard to another location and re-use the existing Town Yard site for a mixed use transit-oriented development project. d. Expand playfield opportunities - develop the Blanchard Road site for Little League baseball and soccer.

#### How important is moving the town yard out of the downtown?

I feel it is a priority to move the Town Yard to another location and re-use the site for its highest and best use. That location lends itself to be a perfect site for mixed use (retail, housing, parking, office space) and being located next to the railroad tracks it's an ideal transit-oriented development site. The MBTA will be doubletracking the rail line from Reading to Haverhill. This will greatly enhance the rail service for Andover.

#### Looking ahead, what would you like to be your legacy?

I hope it is instilling fiscal discipline in the organization. Also, there are the bricks and mortar projects that are so visible in the community. Finally, it is appointing all the people that work for the town in all the departments and on the boards and committees. They are the heart and soul of our community and real legacy of

consummate professional manager setting a steady course. These skills will be needed to guide the town through the tough years ahead, while still allowing it to advance in some important areas such as with developing the area around the proposed interchange and moving the town yard.

Stapczynski dodged a direct question about whether this would be his last term as manager. His response: "I'm excited about being re-appointed by the Board of Selectmen and look forward to a successful fiveyear term."

Asked about the legacy he'd like to leave, the town manager talked about "fiscal discipline" and hiring the right people. These are the meat-and-potatoes of a well-run town. But it's not exactly inspirational, grand vision stuff. If there is to be a greater vision for Andover's future it needs to come from selectmen and other leaders – or from the people themselves.

#### Give them shelter

The Rotary Club of Andover is raising money to help provide shelter and aid to victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

As one of dozens of clubs in their Rotary District 7980, the club is raising money to purchase \$1,000-each shelter boxes through the nonprofit organization ShelterBox. ShelterBox instantly responds to disasters around the world by delivering boxes – shelter boxes – of aid. Each box supplies an extended family of up to 10 people with a tent and lifesaving equipment to use while they are displaced or homeless. The contents are tailored depending on the nature and location of the disaster, according to the organization.

On Feb. 27, the Andover group will cover the New Hampshire mall's booth along with the high school and Merrimack College Rotary clubs known as Interact and Rotaract. Buck say's the Andover Rotary has pledged a box and the Interact Club is determined to match it. You can help.

To donate to the Rotary Club of Andover's effort, send a check to Rotary Club of Andover, P.O. Box 1152, Andover, MA 01810 and put Haiti shelter box in the memo line.

#### **WEB QUESTION**

#### Do you see the light?

Last week, we asked you why you thought so few people are running for office this to turn on 17 street lights that spring. Andover's town election in March will have only one contested race, with three the fall, 626 street lights (out men vying for two seats on the of Andover's 1,704 total lights) Board of Selectmen. With 27 people voting:

"Don't have time for hundreds of meeting hours" received 33.33 percent of responses

"Apathetic about town government/issues" and "Feel turn any more off. that serving on a town board makes no difference" received 18.52 percent

"Happy with incumbents," collected 14.81 percent

'The incumbents are too hard to beat," received 7.41

"Don't want to work with current members of government" and "None of the above" received 3.7 percent of the votes.

were previously turned off as a cost-savings measure. Over were shut off, saving more than \$20,000 in energy costs. The 17 were turned back on after residents complained. What do you think?

This week, selectmen voted

- Turn them all back on.
- Keep the 626 off, but don't

■ Turn all off the police see

- as reasonable. ■ Turn all 1,704 off, saving energy and cash.
- I don't care.
- None of the above.

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

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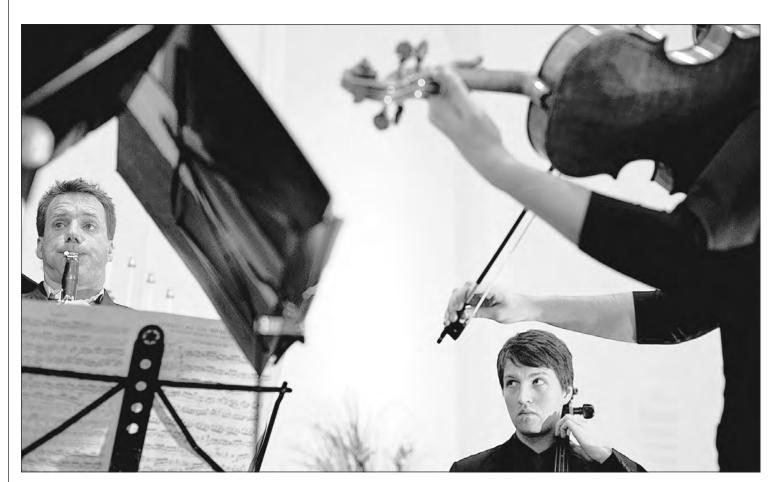
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#### Music of the heart



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Clarinetist Todd Palmer, right, cellist Adrian Daurov, center, and violinist Gabriela Diaz rehearse before a Andover Chamber Music event, "The Heartstrings of Saint Petersburg Valentine Concert" at the West Parish Church Sunday night.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Effect of teachers union **LETTERS POLICY**

decision unknown

Recent letters to the editor by

Tom Meyers and Kerry Costello

of the Andover Education Asso-

ciation stated that Andover Public

Schools only stands to gain \$29,000

in grant money by participating

in the Race to the Top proposal

recently submitted by Massachu-

setts to the federal Department

of Education. I am not aware of

any published information from

the state or federal government

indicating the amount of an award

to an individual district from this

What we do know is that if Mas-

sachusetts were to receive the

entire \$250 million that the state

may be eligible for, approximately

half of that total would be distrib-

uted according to Title I rules and

the other half would flow to the

state Department of Elementary

and Secondary Education and

could be used for state initiatives

and infrastructure, or be passed

on to districts through competi-

Race to the Top proposal submit-

ted to the federal government that

it received, but did not accept,

memorandums of understanding

from districts, like Andover, that

did not have all signatures. Thus,

Andover will likely not be eligible

for any funding that derives from

Race to the Top. This could include

state initiatives or teacher profes-

sional development programs,

grants for using data to inform

instruction, teacher quality grants,

collaborative projects with other

districts that are eligible for fund-

ing and perhaps opportunities to

generate revenue by offering train-

ing or professional development to

MOU is a criterion that will be

used to compare proposals from

different states, it is also possible

that the absence of the 25 percent

of districts that did not submit

signed MOU, which includes some

but not all higher-performing dis-

tricts, will harm the state's chances

of winning an award or reduce the

have given up for students, teach-

ers, or the district by not becoming

There is one more important fact

to be added to Randy Hanson's

record as town clerk ("Red, white

and oh-so-blue," Feb. 4). She is the

Andover was incorporated in

1646 and, since Hanson became

clerk in 1990, it only took 344

In light of the number of uncon-

tested races in Andover this year,

the League of Women Voters

would like to urge interested citi-

zens to consider running for local

office. Even though the deadline to

file nomination papers has passed,

first woman to hold that office.

League pushes for

sticker campaign

Editor, Townsman:

We do not yet know what we

LISA GLICKSTEIN

**JOAN PATRAKIS** 

35 Chandler Road

**Grants Coordinator** 

**Andover Public Schools** 

147 Main St.

Because the number of signed

such districts.

award amount.

part of this state effort.

Barrier breaker

**Editor, Townsman:** 

years!

The state has indicated in the

Editor, Townsman:

program.

tive grants.

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candidates can still run for office by conducting a sticker or writein campaign. This has been done in Andover before. The candidate would be eligible to participate in the League's candidates' forum, as well.

a good place to start for information. The Secretary of State's office also has information at www.sec. state.ma.us/Ele/elestkr/stkridx.

> STEFANI TRAINA President League of Women Voters of Andover/ **North Andover**

#### Candidate pledges to be taxpayers' voice

Editor, Townsman:

My name is Larry Bruce. I have lived in Andover for 21 years and I am respectfully asking for your vote for selectman.

I have spent my professional life as an engineer. Simply put, I fix things that don't work. Our town government is not working for us. As your selectman, I could help fix town government.

We have lived through a challenging economy these past few years. We have had to make do with less. Yet, each year we learn that our town property taxes are going up...again...and again. And then we read of yet more cutbacks in town services – 626 streetlights shut off, cuts to our children's sports and music, and fees for school buses. Higher taxes, fewer services – something is not right

I am running for selectman because of my frustration with the status quo in town government. In the past I have alerted the town to problems, such as the preventable pollution of Fish Brook. I have found myself up against a stone wall of bureaucratic indifference and inertia. I promise you that I will be the voice of the taxpayers, and not the entrenched interests at Town Hall.

As selectman, I will be the taxpayers' watchdog. During the budget process, I will be the one who asks the questions that have been so seldom asked, let alone answered. Like, why is the water department spending \$583 a month on office supplies? Why does our library spend \$7,000 each year on phone bills? And of course perhaps the biggest question, what is hidden behind the word "other"? Our Town Manger's FY2011 budget classifies over \$3 million dollars in expenses under "other." It's time someone tells you exactly what you are paying for. It's time for Andover to explain "other" to you

and make some firm decisions.

If you are satisfied with the services you currently receive in return for ever-rising property taxes, then I am not your candidate, and you might consider the "oth-Andover can do better, please vote for me as your selectman.

LARRY BRUCE 254 Chandler Road

#### Teacher: Support efficient, critical AYS

Editor, Townsman:

As long as I have been associated with Andover – and I have taught at the High School for more than 13 years – I have been aware of the indispensable role that the Andover Youth Services plays in this town.

There is no other organization that does as much, for as many, for envy of other communities.

The town clerk's office would be manager, might decide that monies youth of this town. might be better spent elsewhere defies logic.

> Where else will the kids find the services that they so desperately need? Who or what might pick up the slack? If some roads do not get repaired, if some streets must make do without designer street **Editor, Townsman:** lighting, very little impact will be noticed five years from now. If your children – my students – are not well-served at these junctures in their lives, the impact will be felt for years to come. Do not – literally, perhaps – throw out the babies with the bath water!

Most Andover residents are proud to get so much for so little in the budget battles. It is a matter of pride for many folks. Any cuts to the budget of AYS will mean that those great benefits, to the town and to its residents, will be lost. If we lose them, we lose kids at a critical point in their lives.

What a shameful decision to

**TIM VAN WEY** Salem, Mass. Andover High School Science Department

#### Don't cut AYS, it made me a leader

Editor, Townsman:

By cutting funds from Andover Youth Services again the town is removing hope of continuing sumintramural sports and many other activities. As a young woman who has graduated from the Andover school system and spent countless hours with AYS, I am cannot stand the thought of taking funds from this life-changing organization. My years with AYS did not only consist of attending programs, but also working with full-time staff on numerous committees in hopes of raising awareness and funds for a youth cCenter. AYS is not only an after school program, or a place to go in the summer, but a haven for any and all adolescents.

Andover Youth Services provided me with skills that I use today in college and no doubt will use after graduation. I became the leader I am today through Andover Youth Council and later Youth Action Council. Working with fulltime staff to see change, I learned skills many do not learn until they enter the work force. It would be an extreme loss to the town if no other teenager were able to be a part of that.

The staff at Andover Youth Services is the most remarkable group I have ever met.

Sometimes it seems those not directly related to AYS forget why ers." But if you believe the town of this organization was created. Seventeen years ago, after the tragic suicides of multiple AHS students, it was apparent that the youth of Andover needed something. Ever since then youth services has been slowly building an array of programs. Each year they add more with the limited funds they have. Simply talk to hundreds of the Andover High School students to fully understand the impact AYS has had on their lives. In times of economic crisis, programs that bring joy and self-improvement to otherwise mundane lives should by no means be cut. For nearly two decades, AYS has not stopped supporting the youth of this town. This such a little cost, as AYS. It is the is our chance to return the favor. Please consider your vote to sup-The idea that the town, or its port the continual growth of the

EMILY MCLAUGHLIN **Elon University 2012** 16 Sagamore Drive, Andover

#### AYS is community for teens who cannot vote

I am now living 460 miles away

from Andover, but news of a possible cut to the Andover Youth Services budget still reached me very quickly. Although I am now a sophomore at Georgetown University in D.C., AYS is something I will ardently stand up for. During my younger years, my summers and school vacations were filled with its programs.

My mother works full time as a nurse at Lawrence General, and it was often difficult for her to find a place where my little sister and I could spend time without feeling like we were being abandoned. Andover Youth Services provided me with that arena. I can still recall when the AYS brochure would come out and everyone at school would clamor over which trips we would try to get in. AYS was not just another camp or daycare, it was a community.

Not only was I an avid participant in the programs, in high school I joined the Andover Youth Council so that I could contribute to the group that had done so much for me as a child. Andover Youth Council mer programs, the skate park, helped me to become more organized, to gain more responsibility, and to give back. Andover Youth Services is a family, and I speak for not only myself, but my entire peer group when I say that it would be a grievous mistake to limit or cut its funding. I understand the economical pressures that are being placed on our town and towns across the country

Despite this, it is both irresponsible and cruel to respond to this burden by cutting back on services that cater to a constituency that cannot vote. While my peers and I are now old enough to participate in government debates, most of us are at schools that are located too far from Andover to come to the Town Meeting. I am writing this letter to you so that you can understand what Andover Youth Services means to the children and teens in this town. We are a large presence that is fiercely dedicated to keeping AYS alive.

**MARY BURKE** Georgetown University '12 10 Pasho St., Andover



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# \$5 million gift to help kids attend PA

co-chairwoman of The Campaign for Andover and class of 1930 Abbot Academy alumna, has pledged \$5 million to establish an endowed financial aid scholarship fund at Phillips Academy.

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"I believe highly in education,

have a chance to experience an outstanding education," said Ogilvie in a release.

Phillips Academy said she Ogilvie would not be granting

which was established on campus in 1996. She is also an ardent Abbot and Andover." supporter of Girls Inc.

the Gelb Science Center, and the as honorary cochairman of the Brace Center for Gender Studies, campaign. "Few can rival her legacy of commitment to both

"In many ways, Donna is a enriched many areas of the financial aid as a philanthropic school. To date, Phillips Academy Ogilvie's legacy of support most remarkable lady," said Andover program for years," Head priority, the academy now has reports raising more than \$187 and I believe young children spans decades and includes David M. Underwood, trustee of School Barbara Landis Chase \$39 million toward its goal of \$65 million toward the overall goal.

foundly grateful for her support of need-blind admission.'

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Donna Brace Ogilvie, honorary - from all circumstances - should previous gifts to financial aid, emeritus and Ogilvie's partner said. "In this instance, we are promillion for financial aid. Such scholarship funding is part of the campaign's overallgoal of \$300 With Ogilvie's gift and the million, which also includes supsupport of other alumni, parents port for the academic program "Donna's philanthropy has and friends who have chosen and the faculty, according to the

#### TOWN TALK

#### Ship keeps moving with annual fundraiser

Friends around Andover pledged to "keep the ship moving" after the death of resident Corinne (Morris) Johnson. Johnson, mom of Andover High athlete Jimmy Johnson, died from pancreatic cancer in March 2008. A memorial scholarship was established in her memory with money helping college-bound teens who have lost a parent or close family member to attend college. Nine scholarships were

awarded last year. The annual scholarship fundraiser is Friday, March 26 at Andover Country Club. Email Julie Gadziala at juliegadziala@ gmail.com for tickets, which cost \$75 for adults and \$50 for teens. There will be a limited ticket rafle for a white gold diamond Electric Aircraft Engine Plant



The late Corinne Johnson of Andover sought to help kids who lost a parent to attend college.

ring appraised at \$3,725. For raffle tickets call Jeannie Scarpa at 978-886-0979 or e-mail c.scarpa@ comcast.net.

Johnson, the first female general manager at the General of education. She hoped friends or Birnbach returned calls seekwould make sure the education ing comment this week. ship would keep moving for kids who lost a parent.

#### Future debate

Discussion between Superintendent Claudia Bach and School Committee member David Birnbach became heated in the last 30 minutes of the Feb. 2 meeting. Birnbach said he believes the district must immediately start creating a unified framework to bring the schools into the 21st century, and Bach offered support for the strategic planning process under way.

As voices became raised in the exchange, Silberstein told Bach over it," Patrick said. and Birnbach to stop or take the

in Lynn, was a strong proponent discussion outside. Neither Bach

– Bethany Bray

#### - Judy Wakefield Ride to remember

What are the most difficult job requirements for Gov. Deval Patrick? Raising money and bragging about accomplishments, the governor said during his visit to the Andover Senior Center on Saturday.

But when Patrick shared those comments with President Barack Obama during a limo ride from Logan Airport to a Democratic fundraiser for Martha Coakley last month, the president had just three words of advice for

"He (Obama) told me to 'get through Feb. 14.

– Judy Wakefield

#### Creole cuisine benefits Haiti quake victims

Railroad St., is selling a \$9.99 Haitian-inspired dinner for two form on WriteWordsInc.com, and in the prepared foods department where all proceeds from sales will go towards Partners in Health's Stand with Haiti efforts. The Creole Shrimp with Red Beans and Rice pre-packaged dinner was created at the company's kitchens with the help of retirement after a debilitating Haitian employees who work at the Everett facility.

Customers can also donate at registers toward Partners in Health's efforts in Haiti. The red beans and rice dinner will be sold

Local writer's book

Cambridge Books has just released The Kiss of Night, a Whole Foods Market, 40 novella by Andover writer K. S. Brooks. It is currently in e-book will soon be available in print and through other online venues, including Amazon.com.

In The Kiss of Night, Special Agent Kathrin Night, an anti-terrorist agent introduced in Lust for Danger, is forced into early injury and deals with new mysterious bodyguard, Agent Aleksey Khovechkin. "It's a glimpse into Agent Night's past and future," Brooks said in an e-mail. "Readers can finally experience the events which catapulted her from teenager to anti-terrorist

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# Town turns back on some lights

By Bethany Bray STAFF WRITER

The last of the 626 street lights shut off in a town savings

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program went dark in October. This month, 17 of those lights will be switched back on.

Town officials said they received close to 50 complaints after National Grid, under selectmen instruction, shut off 626 of Andover's 1,704 total street lights this fall.

Public Safety Officer Chuck Edgerly re-evaluated 35 lights mentioned in resident complaints, and identified 17 to be turned back on. Selectmen voted unanimously Monday Feb. 8 to illuminate Edgerly's 17 recommended street lights.

Turning on the 17 lights will cost an estimated \$1,900, decreasing the program's total savings for fiscal year 2010 to \$23,000, said Edgerly.

While re-evaluating street lights this winter. Edgerly compiled a list of 51 additional lights in "over-lit" areas he felt could be

#### **COMING BACK**

Locations of street lights to be turned back on:

- Princeton Road ■ Wildwood Road
- Brown Street (two lights)
- Buxton Court ■ Cutler Road
- Grav Road
- Greenwood Road
- High Plain Road (two lights) ■ Lowell Street

■ Tewksbury Street (two lights)

■ Main Street (three lights) ■ South Main Street

turned off without compromising safety. Edgerly plans to bring the list of 51 before selectmen after Town Meeting in April, he said, depending on the outcome of a private warrant article penned

by resident Chester Darling.

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The article, if passed, would reverse selectmen's August decision to shut off 626 street lights. Darling, a retired civil rights litigator, says the program creates hazardous conditions for motorists and pedestrians and opens the town to possible lawsuits and increased crime.

His warrant article would transfer up to \$55,650 from free cash to the town's street light expenditure account and "take every affirmative act to ensure that the restoration of the street lights shall be permanent."

Monday night, Edgerly quoted statistics that do not support Darling's claim. Comparing October through January of last year to the same period this year, reported incidents of vandalism decreased by 10, from 47 last year, and vehicle crashes during dark hours decreased by nine incidents, from 145 to 136.



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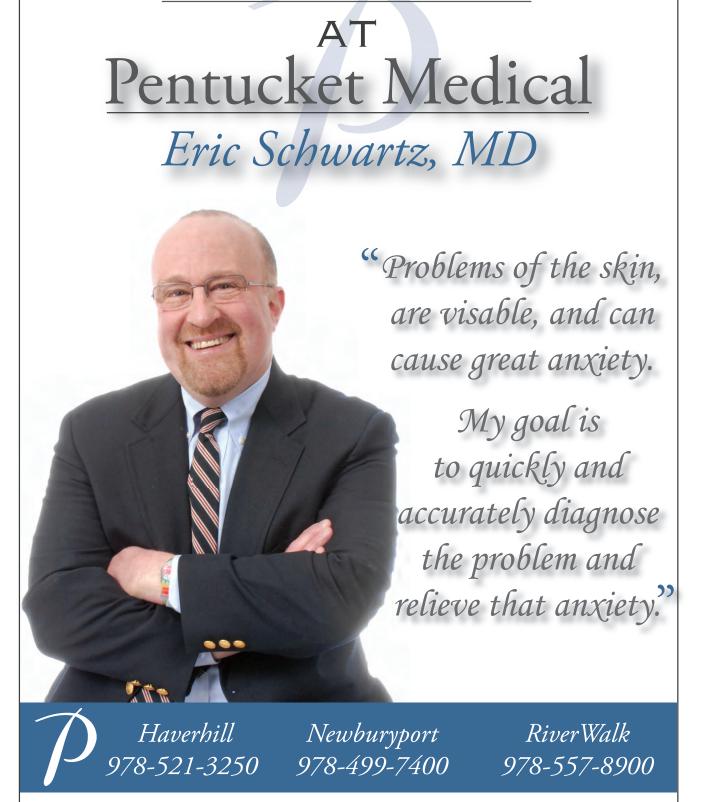
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# Townspeople

#### All Those Years Ago

COMPILED BY SUSAN McKelliget

#### 100 Years Ago Feb. 11, 1910

An alarm rung in from box 23 summoned the local hose company to William Hackett's house in Scotland district last Saturday forenoon. It proved to be a chimney fire which was quickly extinguished without much difficulty.

Franklin Stacey, the local pharmacist, has placed outside his drugstore a new mortar and pestle, which adds decidedly to the front of the

John Flint of High street is engaged in finishing the interior of the new chapel in the West Andover cemetery. He is doing the work under the direction of a Boston party.

A party made up of thirty one members of the Women's Relief Corps recently surprised Miss Sadie Hobbs at her home in Elm Court and altogether passed a very delightful evening. Refreshments were served and a general social time enjoyed. The affair took the form of a pound party.

#### 75 Years Ago Feb. 8, 1935

William A. Wheeler of Portland, general representative of the Boston and Maine Railroad, will speak on the new stream-lined "Flying Yankee" at the meeting of the Service Club next Thursday evening. The new train will pass through Andover Thursday morning on its way to Lawrence, where it will be on exhibit for a short while.

Special expenditures amounting to over \$80,000 are included in the annual warrant which was closed at five o'clock last night. The warrant will contain 31 articles, among them requests for another new police car, the installation of traffic lights at Shawsheen Square, and several water extensions.

Two Andover girls, Miss Marie Walsh of 16 Morton St. and Miss Rita Sullivan of 64 Morton St. and a man from Kittery Maine were slightly injured last Saturday evening when the roadster in which they were riding was struck by another car at the intersection of Main and Morton

#### **50 Years Ago** Feb. 11, 1960

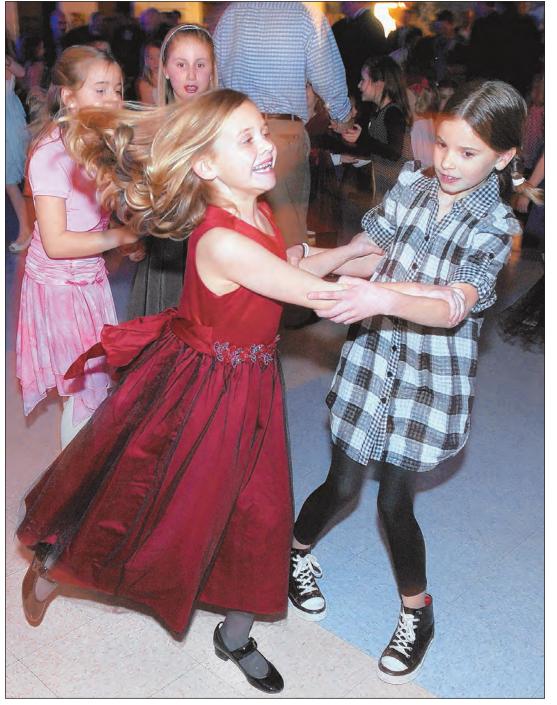
The Hardy Brush Co. may move its business out of Andover if present plans to sell its real estate on Haverhill street reach a satisfactory conclusion.

A 4.5-percent wage increase for full-time town employees has been approved by Town Manager Thomas E. Duff. The raises will cost an estimated \$23,467 for the remaining nine months of the year after Town Meeting.

Valentine gifts, perfumes, toiletries, candies are advertised at Dalton Pharmacy on Main street and Park street. Tel. GR 5-0107.

A statement of the Recreation Committee's position on a Town Meeting article to spend \$5,000 for tennis courts will probably be forthcoming from a meeting next Monday night. Chairman James Doherty anticipated this week that his group will meet, probably with some of the proponents of the article, then decide where to stand on the issue.

## Warm up to Valentine's Day



CARL RUSSO/staff photos

West Elementary School held its father-daughter "Sweetheart" dance Friday night. Third-grade classmates Katie Adams, left, and Kristina Rivard twirl themselves around the dance floor.



Rich Giunta dances with his daughter, Rachel, a third-grader at West Elementary School, during the Sweetheart dance Friday night.



Mark Fotter swings his daughter, Emily, high in the air during the dance Feb. 5. She attends kindergarten.

# Youth, through green-colored glasses

Author Rice captures Ireland of childhood

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

Irish storytelling is legendary. Some say the gift of gab and telling stories - is an Irish

Local Irish author Thomas Rice grew up in the Emerald Isle and is sharing his childhood story in his new book, "Far From the Land: An Irish Memoir" (iUniverse, \$24.95).

Rice, an Andover resident since 1993, agreed that some of his childhood memories might make revisiting too emotional for some other people. After all, he was one of six kids to a no-show "Da" who was an alcoholic.

But his loving mother, Maggie (O'Toole) Rice, carries this book. Courageous and hardworking, she manages to keep her family together as she runs the family farm and raises her kids with an iron fist. She fell in love with Arty Rice knowing he had a problem with "the drink," but she believed she could change him. She never

So, young Thomas was the real man in his house of eight. He said the purpose of the book is to pay tribute to the heroes of his young life. They loved him and deeply impacted who he would become.

"I wanted to celebrate who they are and thank them," Rice said. "The book is a tribute to them."

The memoir has also been 'in incubation for 50 years. It's a story of rural Ireland at a point in time that is hard to imagine today - impoverished, rain-soaked island in the North Atlantic cut off from Europe and the world," he said on his Web site.

He vividly remembers what happened six out of seven

radius of three miles, 'rambled' over to our kitchen and created a community of storytelling, music, dance, flirtation, cardplaying and hilarity that lasted until my mother declared it was time to go home," Rice writes.

The memories may be worthwhile, but Rice truly never wanted to stay in Ireland,

He left Ireland at 16. It was 1959 when he auctioned off the family treasures, including

#### **ABOUT WRITER** THOMAS J. RICE OF **ANDOVER**

Grew up in a remote farming community, Ballinvalley, in County Carlow, Ireland, near the foothills of Mt. Leinster



and about 60 miles south of Dublin. ■ The characters and content of his memoir, Far From the Land: An Irish Memoir, are based on his experiences growing up there in the 1950s.

■ The book focuses on a series of vignettes about the way of life at the time: seasonal farming rituals, like harvesting and threshing; treasured skills, like horse-breaking and dealmaking; mating rituals, like weekend dances and seduction tactics; sports rituals and rivalries, especially Gaelic football; schooling, pub life, emigration and the anguish of uprooting."

■ Was to inherit 38 acres. While he loved the uninterrupted access to a mosaic of green fields, hawthorne hedges, stone fences and meandering streams as far as the eye could see, farming was just not for him.

■ He emigrated, first to Sheffield, England, then to New York City on July 4, 1959. "No one had told us it was Independence Day, so we spent that evening 50 years ago on deck of the majestic Queen Mary, watching the fireworks emblazon the city skyline behind the fabled Statue of Liberty. The yellow cabs on FDR Drive - all on the wrong side of the road – enhanced our sense of awe as we danced the night away, our last before launching our new lives as American

immigrants," he wrote. Source: Thomas J. Rice Web site

nights in the kitchen of his farm animals, and arrived in Sheffield, England, and "Our neighbors, within a then New York City with his mother. His five older sisters vehemently opposed the plan, except for one. In fact, the sisters were so mad that they refused to see their mother and brother at the Christmas before their departure by ferry.

Thomas Rice wanted a better life so he stuck to his departure

Ironically, his surroundings

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# Andover, Wilson and the Great War

#### **Bill Dalton**



President Woodrow Wilson was slow to enter America into the First World War, which started in 1914. His initial reluctance was later superseded by

enthusiasm that no one would

Bill Dalton will appear at the Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., on Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 10 a.m. to present his take on "Writing a newspaper column and can a columnist be an historian?" The event is free and open to the public. The Historical Society will be open on Feb. 16 solely for this Andover Stories program.

FEB. 16 TALK BY COLUMNIST

providing the tipping point that ended the war.

declaration of war in 1917, he Paraphrasing Claude Fuess, struck ruthlessly, both at the later headmaster of Phillips enemy and America's rights, Academy and the author of 30 books, Andover was ahead of America in its desire to fight. Andover wanted war long Several Andover men were in have predicted. Finally, when before America entered it. A combat before our country was. Wilson asked Congress for a Town Meeting article said so. At least three were killed and

America's declaration of war.

the 1914 assassination of the heir to the Austria-Hungary throne and his wife by a Serb, but alliances, treaties and historical ill feelings were the causes. The "Central Powers" were Germany, Austria-Hungary, the Ottoman Empire (Turkey), Bulgaria and some lesser powers. Italy, Japan, Belgium and Russia. The United States, having avoided entangling alliances,

two seriously wounded before remained neutral, although, as time passed, the country favored The catalyst for the war was the Allies because of ancestral ties, German aggression in Belgium, and good propaganda by the Allies.

Much of Andover's population was of English and Scotch ancestry, and many of the Scots had been born in Scotland. (Scotland, of course, was part of Great Britain.) A large Irish-American The "Allies" were Great Britain population in Andover had less (and the British Empire), France, enthusiasm for Great Britain's war because of the troubles

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# Quota pays for Bellesini students' special after-school programs

Quota International of Andover who reside in Lawrence. The small classes, all students pargranted \$4,000 to Bellesini Acad-Academic Bowl and Destination ImagiNation teams for the 2009-

10 school year. Andover, chartered in 1991, is a support, time, and resources to help meet the needs of disadvanhearing impaired children in the Merrimack Valley.

Bellesini Academy, founded in

primary goal of the school is to ticipate in a mandatory afteremy in Lawrence for the pur- prepare students for success at pose of sponsoring Bellesini's private college preparatory high schools with the hope that all will go on to complete a four-year college degree. For four consecu-Quota International of tive years, every graduate of the academy has gone on to attend a non-profit organization whose private high school on scholarfocus is to provide financial ship, including such prestigious schools as Phillips Andover Academy, Groton School, Austaged women and children, and tin Prep, Brooks School, Central to champion the education of Catholic, Pingree School, Noble and Greenough, and St. John's

Bellesini students attend 2002, provides tuition-free prischool nearly twelve hours each Academic Bowl and Destination vate education to 60 low income day. After a full day of rigorous ImagiNation. These activities boys in grades five through eight academic curriculum taught in are opportunities for students to

school program that runs from 3 to 5 p.m. each day, as well as a two-hour supervised homework time in the evenings.

The academy's after-school program is a blend of athletics, recreation, enrichment and clubs that keep students engaged in learning and personal growth while protecting them from dangerous inner city influences during the critical after-school hours, according to a release. Among the various afterschool activities are academic competition teams for the Greater Lawrence

think creatively, work as teams, gain problem solving skills, and become excited about academics in a fun, competitive setting. They offer an important chance for Bellesini students to interact with students from different backgrounds and experiences from outside of the Lawrence community. In addition, they help prepare students for the academic rigor and competition they will encounter at selective preparatory high schools.

The cost for participation in these programs totals approximately \$4,000 for the year, which includes fees, supplies, and transportation. As a tuition-free school, Bellesini relies on the generosity of individual donors,

foundations, and organizations from virtually all of the middle such as the Quota Club.

Fourteen Bellesini students participate in Destination Imagi-Nation, an after-school activity in which students work in teams ticipating schools. Questions to solve challenges and pres- are based on what the students ent their solutions at a regional tournament in March. Teams are tested to think on their feet, work together, and devise original solutions that satisfy the requirements of the Challenges. DI is designed to teach three essential skills: teamwork, creativity and problem-solving.

Bellesini students and more than 300 seventh- and eighth-graders

schools in Lawrence, Andover, North Andover and Methuen. The matches are played from December to April at the parare learning in school, current events, general knowledge, specific knowledge about the participating communities, and other areas selected by the advisors. In addition to the matches, the players will plan a joint service or social activity together, called partner school projects to cre-The Greater Lawrence Aca- ate leadership roles for students demic Bowl is a five-month aca- to build bridges of cooperation demic competition involving 18 and understanding between the

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SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

By Karen Payne-Taylor SENIOR CENTER STAFF

Registration begins Monday, Feb. 15 for aerobic, strengthtraining, tap and yoga sessions. Groups available in wood carving, art instruction, quilting, knitting, crafting and more. All classes may be audited first time, pending available space. Call the Senior Center at 978-623-8321. Or drop by for a tour.

Upcoming events include:

Mixed Art Instructional: Mondays, March 1-29 from 1 to 3 p.m.; five weeks at \$25 per session. Join working group of artists at all levels. Learn from instructor the basics of watercolor, pastels, and acrylic painting. Beginners to intermediates are welcome. Watercolor, acrylic, pastel and oil painting mediums. Try new ideas, make "mistakes," and be excited about learning a new skill, or reaching a new level. Bring your own materials.

is available daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to enjoy games, or just a quiet spot to relax and read.

Being Wheezy", Friday, Feb. 12, 9:30 a.m. Explore ways to better manage your daily pulmonary routine. Christine Dube, respiratory therapist/LPN at Academy Manor. Free forum, pre-registration appreciated. Light refreshments.

Valentine's Brunch: Sunday, Feb. 14. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: advance tick-Day brunch will feature hot affected by weather.

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# Village Garden Club gets to work with two programs

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lage Garden Club of Andover include the following:

Hand care: On Thursday, Feb. 18, at 1 p.m., the Village Garden Club will offer a workshop, "How to Keep Your Green club. Thumbs In the Pink," presented by Norma Weinberg.

aromatic and refreshing "handon" hand care workshop and Cindy Madden and Bea Pfister.

Upcoming events by the Vil- natural skin care remedies. the flowers. Weinberg is a master gardener, writer, vice-chairwoman of the New England Herb Society and a popular speaker and workshop leader, according to the

The meeting will be held at the home of Helen Ann Knep-Members will take part in this per, 45 Clark Road. Garden club hostesses are Joan Wilde, receive instruction for growing Barbara Driscoll will arrange

Focus on lavender: On Thursday, March 18, at 7 p.m., Nancy Engels will present to the Village Garden Club a workshop called "Lavender and Other Essential Oils.'

her travel through Provence, and share the many uses of lavender, including recipes and plenty of samples to taste and smell. Bring along \$4 to make Henderson.

and take a sachet home.

Engels is a floral designer who has been trained in medical aromatherapy in the south of France by Dr. Daniel Penoel, according to the club.

The workshop will be held Engels will show images of at the home of Sue Rollfs, 28 Prospect Road. Hostesses for the event are Micki DeYoreo, Dee Henry and Rita DeLollis. The flower arranger is Cathy

#### **AUTHOR**

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pushed him out of Ireland. He had big dreams and had learned the value of a strong work ethic. He grew up surrounded by people who believed in him and set out to build the life he wanted.

were learned in my childhood pride, too," Rice said, "and we writing teacher at Lawrence and I carry that with me," he

While the family may have been dysfunctional by today's standards, he remembers his childhood as "amazing" because he always felt loved. He learned to have big dreams as

his mother encouraged that. "There was always a sense of

kindness, like a ride on a bike."

Rice would go on to be very successful. He is an Ivy League graduate, was a professor at Georgetown University and worked as a leadership consultant. He now runs a non-profit

foundation in Cambridge. He is married to Anne, a

appreciated the little gestures of High School. They have two children, ages 19 and 22.

> His mother lived at Academy Manor in Andover at the time of

> her death over 10 years ago. Geographically, he is far from his homeland, but the ordinary heroes from his childhood will always be close by.

# **DALTON:** Wilson's propaganda machine

■ Continued from Page 11

between Ireland and England. However, once America entered the war, Irish-Americans were well represented.

When Great Britain declared war in August 1914, six Andover men of British or Scotch heritage joined military units associated with their homeland. Five of them were the Andover casual-

passenger ship Lusitania was Mexican-American War. Shortly sunk by Germans, killing almost after, the Germans nailed their 1,200 people, including many Americans, Wilson's reaction to stricted submarine warfare," the war clamor was, "America was too proud to fight." The words would haunt him, and he was barely re-elected in 1916.

Then the Germans forced Wilson to reconsider. The United States intercepted a German telegram instructing the German ambassador to Mexico to urge a Mexican attack on

own coffin by declaring "unreand sinking four American ships

Enough was enough. Wilson about-faced and pursued the war like a mad dog. Just before America's declaration of war against Germany, Wilson made a prediction to a reporter that said more about Wilson than his subject matter: "Lead this southwest America to regain people [Americans] into war, the lands lost by Mexico in the and they'll forget there was

ever such a thing as tolerance. To fight, you must be brutal and ruthless, and the spirit of ruthless brutality will enter into the very fibre of national life, infecting Congress, the policeman on the beat, the man in the street."

Wilson became his prediction: he asked Congress to declare war on Germany, which it did on April 6, 1917; he created a propaganda machine that was second to none; he stepped on America's most fundamental right, freedom of speech.

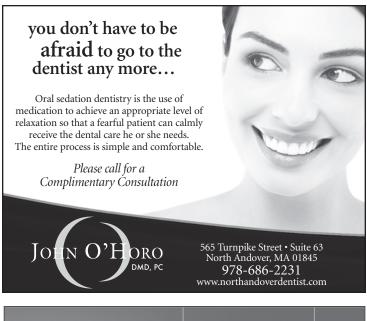
The Espionage Act of 1917 and the Sedition Act of 1918, were pushed by Wilson, and they limited criticism of the war effort. (For example, the Sedition Act of 1918 prohibited Americans from using "disloyal, profane, scurrilous or abusive language" about the American government.) Few dared question the president's actions. Newspapers around the country nary peeped a dissent.

Lincoln, Grant, and Sherman had taught America in the 1860s that to win in war, you must be ruthless. Once the decision to war is made, the objective should be to win quickly, minimizing your own losses. Judging by these metrics, Wilson was a great war president.

Lack of dissent and America's ability to project force surprised the world, especially Germany and the Central Powers. Their already dispirited citizens, having lost much of a generation, called for war's end only 19 months after America declared

On Nov. 11, 1918, the "Great War," the "War To End All Wars," stopped. Andover had enrolled 630 men in service; 14 died, including four from disease. American military deaths were 116,000. The total deaths of all warring nations was 15

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# Business

# New lingerie store for heart of Andover

Andover.

Located in the Simeone Building at the corner of Post Office lines. Avenue and Main Street is UndercoverWear Lingerie Boutique. Main Street's newest tenant opened Jan. 25.

UndercoverWear Home Parties, for EveryBODY." a company was started 34 years

What used to be Alpers Fine according to a press release. The North Andover. Art, is now a lingerie boutique store features a selection of linat 2 Main St. in downtown gerie and lotions from the Under- everyone feels comfortable shop-UndercoverCare and Kahala Spa

The Andover store sticks to the company motto, which is "from the ultra-conservative to the barely nothing and much, his special someone – we want The store is a division of much less – we have something

The store's owner is Cheryl ago by former Lawrence resi- Jamitkowski, daughter-in-law dents Walter and Tiffany James, of the Jameses and a resident of goal of the store's owners is to

"We want to have a store where coverWear fashion line and the ping. Whether you are an older woman looking for a sexy item, a younger woman looking for something comfortable, a bride looking for her special wedding lingerie, or a man shopping for you to feel comfortable coming into our store," she wrote in the press release.

Jamitkowski goes on to say the

bring a fashionable and affordable alternative to the lingerie found in malls and department stores.

UndercoverWear is the most successful home party lingerie company in North America. The company started in a small office and storage room behind what was then a Cumberland Farms store on Chickering Road in North Andover. Over more than three decades it has grown to a \$75 million company with sales agents across the U.S. and



THE TOWNSMAN Thursday, February 11, 2010 13

Indra Salon has moved and opened its new salon at 8 Main St.

# Indra on new stage

Runway part of salon's larger new Main Street location By Bethany Bray change came so easy, because

STAFF WRITER

Six months ago, the staff of Indra Salon stood in the Athlete's Corner shop at 8 Main St., raising glasses in a champagne toast to their future home.

Athlete's Corner closed in September, and by mid-January, Indra had moved in from their 7 Elm St. location. The business grew from 1.700 to 4.300 square feet and has transformed into a 'city spa." Besides the new offerings of

massage therapy, laser skin treatments, pedicures and eyelash extensions, the focal point of the space is a runway and stage, ready for fashion shows and photo shoots. Through the winter, Indra staff

often stayed into the wee hours of the morning to ready the new space, said April Graffeo, who founded and co-owns Indra with Jose Batistine.

"Everyone has a sense of ownership in the space. You can see the pride everyone takes, because they laid a brick in its making," Graffeo said of their 50 employees.

Although the move was not without its frustrations, Graffeo said the best thing was seeing Indra staff come together. On moving day, all 50 employees and spouses pitched in, carrying items down the street and around the corner.

"It was a very, very fun, teambuilding day," she said. "The Graffeo.

of the time we invested in moving in."

Athlete's Corner ownership is still mulling over the idea of moving into Indra's former space at 7 Elm St., said Graffeo.

Indra has been operating out of 8 Main St. for three weeks; a grand opening is in the works for next month, said Graffeo.

Graffeo and Batistine were the first two employees of Indra Salon when it opened in Tewksbury 13 years ago. Six years ago, they moved the business to Andover and they had been thinking about expanding for about two years.

"We had a vision for how it would look, with the runway and stage. We had such a vivid detail, down to the orchids on the wall when you walk in," said Graffeo.

The idea in the new space is for the color to come from people - clothes, hair and makeup coloring - and not from the decor, she said.

With the move, Indra also opened their Pure Talent Academy, a training program for up-and-coming stylists. Graffeo said they've seen longtime customers start to bring their husbands and kids for services by academy stylists.

A hit with the guests has been an Internet bar, aptly named the "Indra-net" bar, where folks can surf the Web while waiting for colors to set or hair to dry, said

# Students shadow 'Great Women to Know'

# Group shows girls range of careers

On Feb. 1, Great Women to Know and the Esperanza Academy School of Hope in Lawrence teamed up for a third annual Shadow Day. The goal for the day is to provide the all-girl middle schools' 80 students an opportunity to learn about a wide range of careers, in part by experiencing jobs first hand. Esperanza Academy is a private, tuitionfree middle school for socio-economically disadvantaged girls in Lawrence.

The morning began with professionals from all around the Merrimack Valley converging on the school to hold sessions for the fifth- through seventhgrade girls. Veterinarian Jessica Clay and Kathy McFadden from Andover Animal Hospital spoke to the girls about what it is like to work with and care for animals. Professor Diane Sullivan from the Massachusetts School of Law in Andover spoke to the girls about how she developed the law school's unique Animal Law program and how being a lawyer allows her to pursue one were filled with representatives from other professions such as respective offices. Andover resident Andrea Carlin speaking about being a banker. a full day of shadowing an time at the Andover law school, cardiac department.



COURTESY PHOTO

Pediatrician Rekha Quazi, an Andover resident, shows her craft to Esperanza Academy students (left to right) Zobeida Duarte and Margaret Sam during Great Women to Know's "Shadow Day" program.

The girls also spoke to realtors, attorney, nurse educator, a touring the building, learning acupuncturists, financial plan- pediatrician, a chiropractor, and ners, architects, neuropsycholo- small business owners. Paula gist, small business owners, and Colby-Clements, a professor public relations director Jane Carpenter from PAN Commuof her passions, finding justice for nications. In the afternoon the took three girls to meet with animals. The morning sessions seventh grade girls "shadowed" these professionals at their

and director of admissions at the Massachusetts School of Law, attorneys and view proceedings at the Lowell Juvenile Court and the Lawrence Probate and Fam-The eighth grade girls had ily Court. The girls also spent

about admissions and recruitment and maneuvering the ins and outs of the law library. Two of the eighth-graders spent the day at Phillips Academy in Andover with Leslie Godo-Solo, an educator and recruiter there. Two more of the girls spent the day at Lahey Clinic with Debbie Lowry, a nurse educator in the

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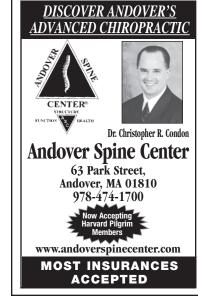
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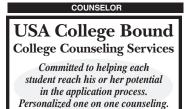
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# Arts & Entertainment

#### **EVENTS** Calendar

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 11

AUTHOR READING, with Anita Silvey, "Everything I Need to Know I Learned from a Children's Book," 7 p.m., free. Anita will have a slide show to accompany her talk, Andover Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St., Andover: 978-475-0143.

MUSIC-FILLED PLAY OPENS, "BLACK PEARL SINGS!," celebrates Black History and Women's History months, through March 7, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, Lowell; www.MerrimackRep. org, 978.654.4MRT.

THEATER, "The Last Five Years" opens, 7:30 p.m., \$10 adults, \$8 students/seniors, Center for the Arts, Endicott College, 376 Hale St., Beverly. Performances also on Feb. 12, 13 at 7:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, FEB. 12

KIDS' NIGHT OUT, for ages 6 to 10, Merrimack Valley YMCA, Haverhill Street, Andover. Swim, play games in the Mat Room, make craft projects, and make new friends. Refreshments will be served, 6:30-9 p.m., \$7 for YMCA Family Members; \$10 for General Members; and \$12 for

THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES, 8 p.m., Firehouse Center for the Arts, Market Square, Newburyport, \$50 (includes private reception to meet the cast) or \$20 (performance only); (978/462-7336), www.firehouse.org.

LIVE CAJUN MUSIC, Tab Benoit, 8 p.m., \$25-30, Tupelo Music Hall, Salisbury

LIVE PIANO MUSIC, with pianist Nancy Helenski, 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

#### SATURDAY, FEB. 13

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS, 10 a.m., to elect delegates for the 2010 MA Democratic Convention. Memorial Hall Library, Andover; Pat Commane, 978-474-6047.

MERRIMACK RIVER EAGLE FESTIVAL, Parker River National Wildlife Refuge and Massachusetts Audubon Joppa Flats Education Center host, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., activities scheduled in and around Newburyport. All activities are

**DANCE PARTY,** with Boubacar Diabate and his band, SambaLolo (meaning Peace Star), the age-old West African tradition of Griot storytelling, Crossroads Coffeehouse of the North Parish UU Church, 3 Great Pond Road, 2nd floor, North Andover, 8 p.m., \$12; www.crossroads-coffeehouse.org with PayPal, tickets can also be purchased in person at Shoppe on the Common in North Andover's Old Center, 978-687-3960.

ALUMNI VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRA-TION, with a special Mass and blessing for families, renewal of vows, and a champagne toast, 5 p.m., Collegiate Church of Christ the Teacher, Merrimack College (315 Turnpike St.), N. Andover; Kathleen St. Hilaire in the Office of Alumni and Constituent Relations, (978) 837-5107 by Feb. 8. NOTE: Not open to the public; alumni only.

ROMANCE CELEBRATION. Whistler House Museum of Art, Lowell, wine and song with Boston cabaret artists Bobbi Carrey and Will McMillan, cocktail reception at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m., \$59 a couple, \$30 for single, includes: one hour of appetizers, white wine, champagne and cheese in the historic house before the show which runs about 90 minutes. Coffee and dessert will be available after the show: 978-452-7641 for reservations.

LIVE MUSIC, with Marky Ramone, the drummer from the Ramones, 8 p.m., Tupelo Music

SLIDESHOW, "The History of Andover," 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 x110.

#### SUNDAY, FEB. 14

WARD WINTER FUN DAY, experience the trails at Ward Reservation, parts of which reside in Andover and North Andover. The Trustees of Reservations and Ward Reservation Property Committee, in partnership with the Andover Trails Committee, Friends of North Andover Trails and Moor & Mountain of Andover, host, noon to 3 p.m., free, parking at the reservation entrance on Prospect Road, east of Route 125, Andover, Cross country skiing, snowshoeing, sledding, refreshments and a warming fire will be available throughout the afternoon. Limited instruction for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing will also be available; 978-682-3580, ext. 1#. cward@ttor.org.

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LIVE MUSIC, a Valentine's Day concert featuring Andover singer-songwriter Camille Breeze, singing love songs written over the last 75 years exploring the themes of love, loss and hope, Memorial Hall Library, Andover; www.mhl. org, 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

ROMANCE CELEBRATION, Whistler House Museum of Art, Lowell, 2 p.m. cocktail reception, show at 3 p.m., see Feb. 13 listing

#### TUESDAY, FEB. 16

NEWSPAPER COLUMN TALK, with local columnist Bill Dalton as he explores the topic of writing a newspaper column and whether a columnist can be a historian, free, 10 a.m., the Andover Historical Society, part of their Andover Stories series, 97 Main St., Andover; (978) 475-2236, www.andoverhistorical.org.

PRIVATEERING & THE REVOLUTION AT SEA, hosted by the Essex Historical Society & Shipbuilding Museum, with Dr. Emily Murphy who talks on the merchants and mariners who risked their lives to take the battle to the British on the high seas during the American Revolution. 7:30 p.m., Waterline Center, 66 Main St., Essex, \$8 members, \$10 non-members; 978-768-7541 to reserve seats. Snow date is Tuesday,

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be prepared under the direction Henry Purcell. of Marie Stultz who has had over 35 years of making classiand Saturday, July 31, at 3 p.m. cal music and opera with young native of Andover and graduate here and abroad, according to a The opera presentation will be singers. She was founder and of Andover High, has performed

The Young Opera Company of an hour-long adaptation by artis- artistic director of the Treble throughout Europe as well as New England and the Preparatic director Marie Stultz of the Chorus of New England for 28 famous Mozart opera, The Magic years. Stultz founded the Young Opera Company of New England new partnership in their estabis both magical and humorous, in 2005. In its short history, it lished summer program of confilled with a large serpent, three has prepared nine major opera tinuing education. The Summer unusual ladies and two birds productions, which include the Czech opera Brundibar by Hans The opera presentation will Krasa and Dido and Aeneas by

Marcus DeLoach will act as stage director. DeLoach, a with opera companies in the US. He is currently working on a doctorate in voice at Rice University. DeLoach was the first winner of the Wigmore Hall singing competition, held in London, England when he was just 19. He has a bachelor and masters degree from The Juilliard School of Music. He is in constant demand for operatic performances both

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For information, contact the director of continuing education and summer session at Sean.Hagon@necmusic.edu or 617-585-1125.

## Snow's here. Might as well enjoy it



Ten-year-old Nate Hopping pulls a sled across the apple orchard at the Ward Reservation in Andover during last year's Winter Fun

# Love winter?

# Annual 'Fun Day' is for you, Feb. 14

By Eric Bryden WHAT'S UP CONTRIBUTOR

Searching for the perfect way to embrace the winter season? Friends of the Ward Reservation offer a solution.

The Annual Winter Fun Day will be held on Sunday, Feb. 14 from noon to 3 p.m. at the Ward Reservation.

The Ward Reservation is the largest natural reservation in Andover, amassing approximately 700 acres of land. On clear days, Boston's skyline is visible from the highest point in Ward Hill, about 420 feet above sea level, also the highest point in Essex County. The Trustees of Reservations, a group

of over 100,000 outdoor lovers striving to protect New England's natural wonders, recently listed Ward Reservation as being of special merit. Out of 102 reservations, only 10 were given this honor, putting the Ward Reservation in select company with places such as Crane Beach in Ipswich and World's End in Hingham.

Owner of Moor and Mountain and Andover resident Al French describes the Ward Reservation as a "jewel of Essex County." With two new boardwalks, one of which was built in fall of 2009, and a new 120-foot bridge that creates a third path to Boston Hill, the trails in Ward Reservation are in top shape, he said. Residents who participate in the Winter Fun Day can take advantage of these improvements, and join in an afternoon of sledding, crosscountry skiing, or snow shoeing.

But, what if there's no snow? Not a problem. Guided tours through the forest will be held if there is inadequate snow cover, according to

French, who has attended the event many times says the event is a favorite for many because of the "variety of activities available and freedom that families [have]." He believes "it is a shame" many Andover and North Andover residents have never visited



Paula Eldridge of Andover warms up by the fire at last year's event.



If there is no snow for the event - and therefore no chance for snowshoes - organizers plan to conduct a regular hike of the area.

Ward Reservation and hopes the annual event will open people's eyes to the beauty of the reserve. He said some people have so enjoyed their first visits to the reservation that they volunteered shortly thereafter to aid in its preservation.

In addition to having fun in the snow, people can check out the site of the former Tucker family farm. This historic site is still marked by the foundation of the original Tucker family house, and what was once the largest barn in Andover, an enormous 150 by 40 feet. Both were destroyed by

Snow-sport equipment can be rented from Moor & Mountain, 3 Railroad St., Andover, during the afternoon of Saturday, Feb. 13 until the store closes at 5 p.m. In addition, Moor and Mountain can provide free trail maps. Those who attend are welcome to bring their own winter gear. The reservation will not provide winter gear.

This annual event is free to all and children are especially welcome. Refreshments and drinks will be provided. Those who wish to attend should meet in the reservation parking lot on Prospect Road in Andover.

# a fire on June 6, 1888, but their past notoriety is apparent by their size. Book launch for Andover author

Andover author Tara Masih's at Emerson College, will celelatest work, "Where the Dog Star Never Glows" is set to be released on Presidents' Day, Feb. 15. The collection of short stories has already made the "new and noteworthy" list of www.new-

pages.com, a literary Web site. Masih, a longtime textbook editor and former English professor

brate the book's release at a Feb. 23 launch party at a Brookline bookstore.

'Where the Dog Star Never Glows" is published by Press 53, an independent publishing comshort stories are set all over the book and host a Q+A.

Masih, a native of Long Island, was editor for the "Rose Metal Press Guide to Flash Fiction," which released last year.

The launch party will be Feb. 23, 6:30 p.m. at Brookline Booksmith, 279 Harvard St., Campany in North Carolina. Masih's bridge. Masih will read from her



Bethany Bray Author Tara Masih

# A cappella to jazz up evening at Rogers Center

Harmonious vocals and soaring jazz sounds will resonate throughout the Merrimack Valley when two a cappella groups visit the Rogers Center on Saturday, Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m, according to a release from the venue.

Boston Jazz Voices will host, and they will be joined by fellow jazz aficionados, Syncopation.

Longtime Rogers Center favorites, Boston Jazz Voices is a mixed a cappella chorus of 18 singers founded in the mid 1980s as the New England Close Harmony Ensemble for the pleasure of singing harmonically complex arrangements made famous by the Singers Unlimited. Boston Jazz Voices has since extended its repertoire to include other published and original arrangements. Most songs are from the American Songbook, with jazz harmonies and swing rhythm.

Syncopation is described as a hot and spunky jazzy vocal group that just won 2008's 24th Annual Boston Harmony Sweepstakes A Cappella Festival.

Tickets are on sale for \$15. For more information call 978-837-5355 or www.merrimack.edu/

### Free concert at Cochran **Chapel**

On Sunday, Feb. 21, at 1 p.m. the Phillips Academy Music Department will present the Academy Concert Bands and ensembles under the direction of Vincent Monaco and Derek Jacoby. The program will include works by Michael Sweeney, Percy Grainger, Aaron Copland and Fučík Laurendeau.

The concert, free of charge and open to the public, and will take place in Cochran Chapel on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover.

For more information, call 978-749-4263 or e-mail music@ andover.edu.

#### Talent show raises money for Rotary causes

The Rotary Club of Andover will host a talent show this spring to raise money for its causes.

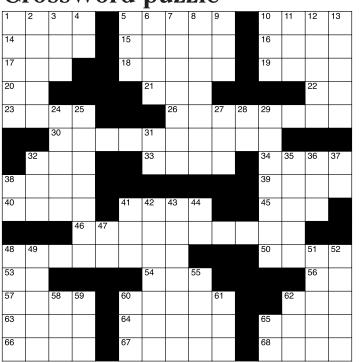
Tryouts are March 20 or 21, the time and location will be announced at a later date, and Sunday, March 28, at 9 a.m., at the Claddagh Restaurant and Pub, 399 Canal St., Lawrence. A donation of \$20 is requested. Entrants must be 16 years or older. Selections for the finals will be made by guest and celebrity judges, according to the group.

Finals will be on Sunday, April 25 at 2 p.m., at the Claddagh Restaurant and Pub, 399 Canal St., Lawrence, with prizes and cash for the winners. Tickets will be available in mid-March. Proceeds benefit the charita-

ble causes of the Rotary Club of Andover, including Stop Teasing Other People, a school anti-bullying program; college scholarships; support of organizations such as Lazarus House and the Merrimack Valley Trauma Intervention Program; and international programs such as Rotary's Polio Eradication project and Rotaplast missions providing reconstructive surgery and treatment for children worldwide.

For more information: www. Rotary Andover.org or e-mail TalentShow@RotaryAndover.org.

### Crossword puzzle



#### **CLUES ACROSS**

1. Dutch cheese

- 5. Deeper than abyssal 10. Carpentry groove
- 14. Early 20th C. art movement
- 15. Ablaze
- 16. Uninteresting 17. Water in the solid state
- 18. Philippine seaport 19. Not crazy
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- 22. Spanish pain
- 23. Adventure story

- 26. Emits light 30. Getting rid of
- 33. The longest division of geological time

32. Type genus of the Muridae

- 34. Canadian flyers
- 38. Record
- 39. Kiln
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- 41. Tragic British actor Edmund 45. \_\_\_aid: owed

- 46. American region
  - 48. Provoking terror
  - 50. 2 items of the same kind 53. Iowa City school
  - 54. \_\_\_ Jima, WW II battlefield 56. Undergraduate degree
  - 57. Young woman (French)
  - 60. Condescend
  - 62. Type of computer 63. Winas
- 64. Japanese immigrant to US 65. Cut into cubes
  - 66. Put in harmony 67. Commercial iron alloy

#### 68. Periods of time **CLUES DOWN**

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- 3. Turns into noun
- 4. One thousandth of an ampere
- 5. Possessed
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- 9. 5th zodiacal sign
- 10. Tooth caregiver
- 11. Macaws
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24. Mathematician Karl F. 1777-

- 25. Escape with
- 27. Blare
- 28. Not out
- 29. Beached 31. Farm state
- 32. 1/1000 of an inch 35. Halloween treats
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- 58. Local area network 59. Old world, new
- underworld 61. A quantity of no importance
- 62. Russian commune 65. Delaware

60. Roman god of the

# EVENTS CALENDAR

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FISH ON!, Northeast Potpourri Fresh & Saltwater Fishing, 7 p.m., with Joe Welch on his favorite places, methods and gear for spring and summer fishing for Merrimack Valley anglers, Memorial Hall Library, Andover; www.

mhl.org. 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32. KARAOKE HOUR, with DJ Joey B, 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225, ext. 110.

MARITIME HISTORY FOR FAMILIES, 10 to 11:30 a.m., offered by Wellspring Cape Ann Families in cooperation with Essex Shipbuilding Museum, 66 Main St., Essex. The first 40 families get a free copy of the local book "Schooner." RSVP is required by Feb. 15, 978-281-7856.

#### **WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17**

HYMN SING. with Linda Kirk. 7 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225 Ext. 110.

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 18

VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB WORKSHOP, "How to Keep Your Green Thumbs In the Pink," presented by Norma Weinberg discussing hand care, 1 p.m., Helen Ann Knepper's home, 45 Clark

Road, Andover **AUTHOR READING,** Kevin O'Hara reads from "A Lucky Irish Lad," 7 p.m., free, the story of his childhood in Massachusetts. He writes of his 978-459-5134. Irish immigrant family's poverty and their sense

Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St.; 978-475-0143.

#### FRIDAY, FEB. 19

MUSICAL STYLING'S OF KEN LEPERE. 2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover: 978-475-4225, ext. 110.

LIVE COUNTRY-ROCK MUSIC, POCO & PURE PRAIRIE LEAGUE, 8 p.m., \$35-40, Tupelo Music

#### SATURDAY, FEB. 20

LIVE A CAPPELLA, with Boston Jazz Voices and Syncopation, 7:30 p.m., Rogers Center, Merrimack College; 978-837-5000.

LIVE SOUTHERN ROCK MUSIC, BO BICE, 8 p.m., \$25-30, Tupelo Music Hall, Salisbury.

LIVE CHAMBER MUSIC, the Phillips Academv Music Department will present the Phillips Academy Chamber Music Society comprised of faculty and students, 6:30 p.m., free and open to ers Tom McKinley and Michael Finegold as well the public, Timken Room at Graves Hall on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover. The program will include movements of chamber music by Schoenfield, Brahms, Schubert, Barber, Schumann, Mozart, Beethoven and Loeillet; (978)749-426, music@andover.edu.

LIVE FOLK MUSIC, with Atwater-Donnelly. opening act, Goli, 8 p.m., \$20, New Moon Coffeehouse, located in the UU Church, 16 Ashland St., Haverhill; www.newmooncoffeehouse.org,

LIVE COMEDY, with Jimmy Tingle, 8 p.m.,

in Newburyport, \$22-25; 978/462-7336, www. includes musical show and operetta ranging for the Essex Chamber Music Players (ECMP) firehouse.org.

#### SUNDAY, FEB. 21

JUDY COLLINS, live at Tupelo Music Hall, Salisbury, 7 p.m., \$35-40.

LIVE PIANO, with pianist Diane Dexter, 3 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225, ext. 110.

LIVE BAND MUSIC, 1 p.m., the Phillips Academy Music Department will present the Academy Concert Bands and ensembles under the direction of Vincent Monaco and Derek Jacoby. The program will include works by Michael Sweeney, Percy Grainger, Aaron Copland and Fu ík Laurendeau, free, Cochran Chapel located on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover; 978-749-4263, music@andover.edu.

LIVE JAZZ, The Essex Jazz Ensemble will perform original jazz compositions by composas standards such as "Only Have Eyes for You," 2:30 p.m. Northern Essex Community College Technology Center on the Haverhill campus, 100 Elliott St., \$10 or/and a donation, children \$5 or/and a donation. The concert is a fundraiser for the Essex Chamber Music Players (ECMP) concert series; www.mvarts.info, ECMP314@ comcast.net, 978-470-1584.

LIVE MUSIC, "A Celebration of American Musical Theatre" concert, 2 p.m., solos, duets and trios performed by Susan Bishov, pianist: Diane Hagelstein, soprano; Lynne Johnson, of unity in the shadow of World War II. Andover Firehouse Center for the Arts, Market Square alto; and Paul Johnson, tenor. Their repertoire

from Gershwin through Simon, Memorial Hall concert series.; www.mvarts.info, ECMP314@ Library, Andover; www.mhl.org, 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

LIVE JAZZ. The Essex Jazz Ensemble will perform original jazz compositions by composers Tom McKinley and Michael Finegold as well as standards such as "Only Have Eyes for You," 2:30 p.m., Northern Essex Community College Technology Center on the Haverhill campus, 100 Elliott St., \$5-10. The concert is a fundraiser

comcast.net, 978-470-1584.

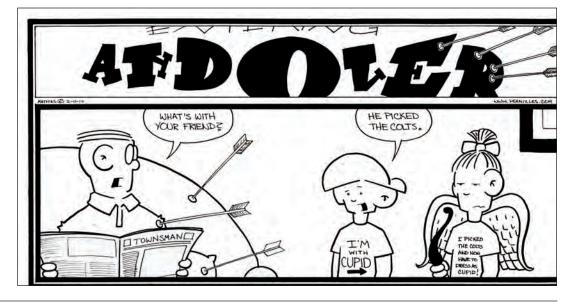
#### MONDAY, FEB. 22

2:30 p.m., Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225, ext. 110.

#### **TUESDAY, FEB. 23**

FISH ON!, Marc Hamel will share his 25 years of tournament and recreational Bass fishing experiences with tips for joining a Bass Club, tournament types and the basics including fish-LIVE MUSIC, with guitarist Brad Ryan, ing from the bank, responsible fishing habits and tactics and gear for all levels of experience. 7 p.m., free, Memorial Hall Library, Andover; www.mhl.org, 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

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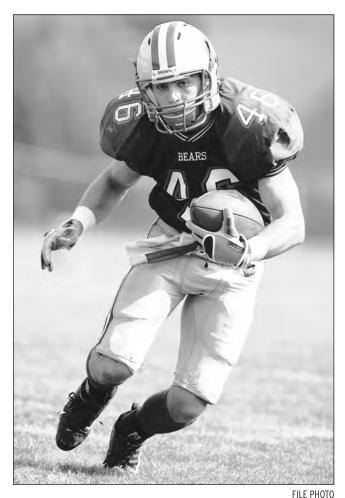


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# Sports

# 'New England's Heisman'

# After record-setting college career, Farnham eyes professional football



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Andover's Buddy Farnham delivered a record-setting career at Brown, now he hopes to earn an opportunity to play professional football.

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congratulations during his recordsetting football career. But few were as memorable as the one he received from his idol, nine-year NFL veteran and fellow Brown legend Sean Morey.

"I got a text message from Morey," said Farnham. "He said, 'Congratulations on the great career, and we'll talk more soon.' He's been a role model for me for vears.

Congratulatory calls from NFL Pro Bowlers don't come every day, but neither do careers like the one Farnham wrapped up this fall at

Now, Farnham is looking to follow in the footsteps of Morey, to overcome the odds and travel the football, and possibly the National Football League.

pursue it," said Farnham recently. coaches are helping me out. They feel strongly that I'll get a chance really ask for."

Former Andover star Buddy Following a stellar career at Brown, Andover's Buddy Farnham now hopes to make a dent in the NFL. In the Super Bowl era Farnham has received plenty of (1967-present), seven Brown alums have made the NFL:

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NAME	POSITION	YEARS	ACCOMPLISHMENTS
Sean Morey	receiver/special teams	1999-present	Pro Bowler (2008), Super Bowl champ (2006)
Zak DeOssie	linebacker/special teams	2007-present	Pro Bowler (2008), Super Bowl champ (2008)
Chas Gessner	receiver	2007	Played in one NFL game. Standout in NFL Europe and Arena League
Steve Jordan	tight end	1982-94	Six-time Pro Bowler (1986-91), 498 career catches, 6,307 yards
Keiron Bigby	receiver	1987	Played in one NFL game, 0 catches
John Woodring	linebacker	1981-85	Played 52 career games, one sack
John Sinnott	offensive tackle	1982	Started nine career games  Stats according to pro-football-reference.com

setting wideout.

"Things have gone so well for "That's the plan and I plan to him," said father Mark Farnham. "He's had a great career, with "I have talked to people and awards and an Ivy League title. He did a very good job.'

Farnham simply rewrote the somewhere, and that's all I can record books during a four-year career at Andover High (2002-05). After the exploits and numbers He set what is believed to be school Farnham has posted throughout records in catches (154), receiving his football career, it seems a risky yards (2,664) and interceptions also a member of the Hall of Fame,

was named an All-Scholastic each of his final two seasons.

He then made the decision to follow the family tradition and play football at Brown. But he had quite a legacy to live up to.

His father was first-team All-Ivy in 1979 and is a member of the Brown athletic Hall of Fame. His uncle Bob Farnham was All-Ivy first-team in 1975 and 1976, and is

road from Brown to professional bet to wager against the record- (20) for his high school career, and and his uncle Paul Farnham was All-Ivy second team in 1982.

> Buddy nearly saw his career derailed as a freshman. After struggling in his first college season (14 catches, 191 yards), it was discovered he needed careerthreatening microfracture knee

But just a year later he caught 78 passes for 885 yards and 10

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▶ **Roundup:** The week in sports

# Girls gymnastics, boys swimming second at MVCs

**GIRLS GYMNASTICS** 

Led by stellar performances by Rachel Mattison and Jenny Coneeny in the all-around. Andover High placed second overall at the Merrimack Valley Conference championship with a 139.45, trailing just Chelmsford (143.7), on Saturday.

"We had a great day," said most.

Returning All-Scholastic Mattison, a junior who missed time this season with a severe concus-

and third in the vault and floor. 141 last Monday. Jenny Coneeny in the 200 IM and 100 butterfly, She tied for first at the meet a added a win in the beam and was season ago. Coneeny wasn't far behind,

placing second in the all-around with a 36.4. She also won the beam and was fourth in the bar. Andover takes second **Steph Marble** added a fourth on the beam and sixth on the bars.

'Jenny didn't even com-Andover assistant coach Tracy pete in the all-around early in Vadala. "Second is an excellent the season," said Vadala. "But finish. Rachel has been tremen- when (returning All-Scholasdous all season, and Jenny has tic) Jenn Quirnbach was injured, stepped up when we needed her Jenny stepped in. She is such style and 500 freestyle, the sophomore."

sion, won the all-around with a bars and all-around, but Andover backstroke.

36.55, placing second in the bars fell just short to Chelmsford 142second in the all-around.

#### **BOYS SWIMMING**

Hunter earns four golds,

It was another huge day for star senior Paul Hunter, who earned four golds as Andover placed second at the Merrimack Valley Conference swim meet on Saturday.

Hunter captured the 50 freea hard worker and is just a 200 freestyle relay and the John Belanger tied for first in the Rachel Mattison won the vault, 100 freestyle and won the 100

Peter Belanger added seconds Relays on Sunday. and he teamed with Hunter, John Belanger and Abe lyengar to win the 200 freestyle relay and Hunter, Belanger and Adam Millerick to take the 400 freestyle relay. **Stan Camin** chipped in with a third in the 100 breaststroke and Dave Hunter took a third in the 200 third respectively in the long

#### **BOYS TRACK**

#### McConnell and company excel at Relays

Christopher McConnell, Mark Vetere, 400 freestyle relay. Teammate Kerrick Stevens and Connor O'Neill teamed to win the 4x200 relay in 1:30.14 to highlight Andover's performance at the McIntyre

The squad of Adam Vetere, Simon

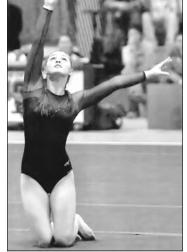
Voorhees, Chris Goodwin and Will **Ossiff** placed second in the 4x800 (8:08.47) while Mark Vetere, O'Neill, Troy Cayon and Stevens took second in the 4x400 (3:24.96) and Mark Vetere (20-10) and Stevens (20-6 1/2) were second and

#### **GIRLS SKIING**

#### Christopher helps keep team unbeaten

**Erin Christopher** flew to a firstplace finish in 22.43 as Andover remained undefeated by downing

Please see ROUNDUP, Page 17 championship over the weekend.



Andover's Rachel Mattison excelled, winning the all-around at the Merrimack Valley Conference



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### 'Freeze' frame: Tournament champs



Pictured is the Andover Hockey PeeWee 4 team after winning the Waterville Valley Deep Freeze 2010 Tournament on Jan. 18, 2010. Team members are, lying down: Kristopher Augustine; front row from left: Liam McDonough, T.J. Garasche, Ethan Brother, Cameron Ritche and Joey Spinale; second row, from left: Michael Biddle, Jack Fraser, Eliot Zaeder, Ben Ogden, John Molloy, Connor Dwyer, Andrew Biddle, Leon Parfenov and Peter Berube; and third row, from left: Coach Bill McDonough, and assistant coaches John Fraser and Chris Berube.

# **FARNHAM:** Former Andover star has eyes on NFL

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touchdowns and was named firstteam All-Ivy for the first of three times, and it was smooth sailing from there.

In his final season at Brown, Farnham led the Ivy League in receiving yards with 1,003 (239 more than No. 2), receptions with 74 (8 more than No. 2), TD catches with 11 (5 more than No. 2) and scoring with 72 points (18 more than No. 2).

It was just the eighth 1,000-plus yards receiving season in Brown

"Last winter and spring (2009) I would leave school and come home to work out every weekend at Athletic Evolution in Woburn," said Farnham. "I also spent five and former NFLer Chas Gessner days a week during the summer

"To reach my goal there are going to be a lot of sacrifices. If one of them had to be giving up the 'college life,' I'm going to do that. I have goals, and that is what's most important to me."

The awards have poured in for Farnham following his outstanding senior season. He was named second-team Associated Press All-American and took home the 71st annual Bulger Lowe Award (known as "New

England's Heisman Trophy") as the offensive MVP in the region. BC linebacker Mike McLaughlin

won defensive honors. He also received the Gold Helmet Award as the outstanding player in New England by the New England Football Writers and was named Ivy League co-

Player of the Year. "I go into every season expecting to do big things," said Farnham, who continued the family tradition of wearing No. 46. "I go into every game looking to make it the best game of my career."

Farnham, who'll turn 23 in May, finished his career with 229 receptions for 2,895 yards, both good for fourth on Brown's alltime list. Morey (Farnham's idol) are each in the Top 2.

"I look back now and I couldn't be more thrilled with my career," said Farnham. "I always pushed myself and I was very lucky."

Now the 6-foot, 200-pounder hopes to defy the odds and follow their path to the pros.

"I have been in contact with agents," he said. "I have talked to some former Brown players that got the chance and have bounced around. I am in training and I plan to give it my best chance."

#### **ROUNDUP**

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Bishop Fenwick 122-13 and Haverhill 124-11 last Tuesday. For the Golden Warriors (9-0), Kerry Christopher was seventh, Kate **Kearns** was 12th and **Sara Heath** was an assist for the winners.

**GIRLS TRACK** 

#### Cronin, Warriors star at Relays

Moira Cronin won the high jump with a 5-7 3/4 to lead Andover at the McIntyre Relays on Sunday. Kayla Baldwin, Vanessa Singleton, **Emily Shields** and **Eve Bishop** teamed to place second in the 4x200 (1:45.54) while the squad of **Sydney** Eberth, Rae Brokenkant, Jessica Salley and Singleton were second in the 4x400 (4:03.77).

#### **GIRLS HOCKEY**

Oteri, Warriors keep rolling Sarah Oteri continued her assault on the record books,

scoring twice in the first period as Andover downed league rival Jess Kearns finished in fourth, Billerica 2-0 on Saturday. Emily Appleton and Nicole Giroux each had

**BOYS SKIING** 

#### **Sherman continues to** dominate

Nick Sherman finished first overall in 23.01 as Andover finished the regular season in style by beating Bishop Fenwick 123-12 and Haverhill 130-5 last Wednesday. Matt Cummings finished fourth, **Kurt Geffken** was eighth and **Matt Binder** was 10th for the winners.

Cummings (23.48) continued to a pair of free throws with 12 sec-

second individually as Andover blasted North Andover 124-11 but fell short to league champ St. John's Prep 72-63 last Monday. Andrew Risman added a seventh, Kurt Geffken was eighth and Tom **Suglia** was 14th for the Warriors.

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

#### Gomez-Martinez sinks 23

**Natalie Gomez-Martinez** rolled to a whopping 23 points as Andover crushed struggling rival Lowell 67-39 on Saturday. **Devon Caveney** and Alicia Scarpa each knocked down a pair of 3-pointers and Alex Alois added eight points and tough defense for the winners.

Nicole Boudreau exploded for 28 points as Andover avenged an early-season loss with a tough 63-59 victory over pesky Notre Dame of Hingham last Wednes-Nick Sherman (23.11) and Matt day. Devon Caveney knocked down dominate, placing first and onds left to clinch the win.

#### Player of the Fortnight

Coach Jim Tildsley of the Andover High girls basketball team nominates Cassandra Drivas as this week's Baystate Financial "Player of the Fortnight" award winner.

"Cassandra certainly deserves this award. She's one of our most improved players, and she gives us great minutes off the bench. She's a high energy kid who is a really great teammate. We're hoping for a great rest of the season from Cassandra," he said. The next "Player of the Fortnight" award will be given next week to a boys team player.

#### **WRESTLING**

#### **Jackson, Andover winners**

**Paul Jackson** won by pin at 189 as Andover topped Cambridge 49-21 last Thursday. Brian Martin (160), Tito Brito (140), Caleb Lynch

(135) and Sean McDonald all added

victories by pin for the winners.

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

#### Warriors drop two Brian Miller scored 11 points, but

Andover lost to Lowell 51-44 on Friday. D.J. Fazio scored a gamehigh 14 points and Joe Bramanti had nine for the Warriors.

Despite 12 points by **D.J. Fazio**, Andover once again fell to archri-

val Central Catholic, 61-47 last Tuesday.

behind all night," said Andover coach Dave Fazio. "Whether it's injuries or mental fatigue, we were running in quick-sand. We're not sharp right now. I have to find a way to reboot this team and reenergize this team."

#### **BOYS GYMNASTICS**

#### Chu, Manning star in loss

Chris Chu placed second and Brian Manning was third in the allaround, as Andover fell to Salem (N.H.) 150.2-136.1 last Tuesday.

#### **BOYS HOCKEY**

#### Kuta clutch for Andover

Joe Kuta's third period goal was enough for Andover in a 1-0 victory over Tewksbury last Wednesday. Matt Swett assisted on the goal, and Kyle Berthiaume "We were just kind of a step was outstanding in net, making 41 saves.

> Despite 40 stellar saves for **Kyle** Berthiaume. Andover fell to powerhouse Malden Catholic 3-0 on Saturday.

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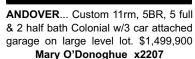
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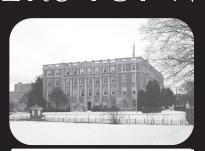
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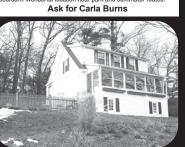
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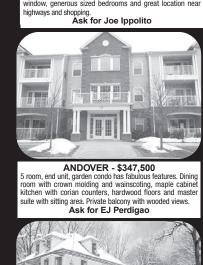
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Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California Street Newton, MA 02458 (617) 558-0500 200903-2058 - BLU

AT - 1/28, 2/4, 2/11/10

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by John H. Blais to Sovereign Bank, dated March 1, 2006 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 10063, Page 273 of which the Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 01:00 PM on February 25, 2010 at 31 Topping Road, Andover, MA, all and singular the premises described in said

The land with the buildings thereon situated in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, consisting of all Lot numbered 68 on plan of lands belonging to Edward Topping and Emilia Topping, known as "Topping Terrace, Andover, Mass., surveyed by Horace Hale Smith, C.E. August 1921, recorded with the North District Essex Registry of Deeds, Book of Plan 10, Plan 479, and an additional parcel of land containing 3350 square feet of land more or less situ ated contiguously to the southerly bounded of the aforesaid Lot Numbered 68. Said lot numbered 68 and the additional parcel containing 3350 square feet of land, more or less, taken together, are bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of the granted premises at a point in the southerly line of Topping Road as shown on said plan, which point is the northwesterly corner of Lot 67 on said plan; thence running westerly along said southerly line of Topping Road, 50 feet to land now or formerly of one Maillet ence turning at right angles and running southerly along land of said Maillet, 147 feet more or less to land formerly of one Nelson and now of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; thence turning and running easterly along said land formerly of Nelson and now of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 50 feet more or less to said Lot 67, 147 feet more or less to the point of beginning. Containing 7350 square feet of land and more or less.

Being the same premises conveyed to the herein named mortgagor by deed recorded herewith.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession. TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check or bank treasurer's check will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication . TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

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

Present Holder of said Mortgage. By Its Attorneys, Orlans Moran PLLC, P.O. Box 962169, Boston, MA 02196, Phone: (617) 502-4100 (484.0736/Blais)(02/04/10, 02/11/10, 02/18/10)(186449)

AT - 2/4, 2/11, 2/18/10

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SALE OF LAND BY THE TOWN OF ANDOVER

The Tax Possession Custodian of the Town of Andover will be conducting acquired by the Town for unpaid real estate taxes on Wednesday, March, 10, 2010, at 12:00 P.M. in the 3rd Floor Conference Room at the Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, MA Additional information and sales transaction documents may be obtained from the Town of Andover's

website at www.andoverma.gov The successful bidders will be required to pay a nonrefundable deposit as provided below in the form of

a bank check or cash on the day of the auction and close on the sale of the properties on or before Friday April 16, 2010. In addition to the purchase price the successful bidders must also pay the pro forma real estate tax for the remainder of FY2010 and all of FY2011 and a deed recording fee of \$125 The successful bidders will also be required to execute a Memorandums of Sale, statements disclosing

whether or not they hold an elected public office or are employees of the Town of Andover, or employees of the Division of Capital Asset Management and affidavits stating they have never been convicted of the crime of arson or the fraudulent filing of a claim for fire insurance or are not delinquent in the payment of real estate taxes to the Town of Andover. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. Additional terms and

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* 20 Iron Gate Drive	105-13	34,848 s.f.	\$1,500				
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PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** Docket No. ES10P0131EA In the Estate of: John R Fox

Late of: Woburn MA 01801 Date of Death: 08/01/2007

To all persons terested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that Karen Fox of Andover, MA be appointed executrix serve Without Surety. IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEAR-ANCE IN SAID COURT Salem ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM)

ON: 03/01/2010 In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upor which the objection is based, within (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner may allow) in accor dance with Probate rule

WITNESS, Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this Court. Date: January

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#### LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, 36 Bartlet Street, the Planning Board will convene a public hearing pursuant to Chapter 40A, Section 5 of the Massachusetts General Laws on the following proposed amendments to the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII:

1. Amend Section 2.2. Overlay Districts of the Zoning Bylaw by adding at the end of Section 2.2, Andover Smart Growth Overlay District
2. Amend Section 8.0 Special District Regulations of the Zoning Bylaw by adding a new section 8.7 Andover Smart Growth Overlay District (ASGOD). The ASGOD consist of approximately 24.33 acres of land in the vicinity North Main,

make the appropriate changes to the zoning maps of Andover, Mass., to depict the Andover Smart Growth Overlay District, containing 24.33 acres of land more or less, as shown on a plan entitled "Figure 6: District Boundary, as prepared by the Cecil Group, dated December 31, 2009".

The full text of the proposed amendments and maps showing the location of land included within the Andover Smart Growth Overlay District may be viewed in the Planning Department during normal business hours Monday through

Paul J. Salafia, Chairman

AT - 2/4, 2/11/10

#### LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Frank E. Carta Jr. and Nicole A. Carta to Bank of America, N.A. dated April 29, 2005 and registered with the Essex County (Northern District) District of the Land Court as Document No.89210 as noted on Certificate of Title No. U35-002, of which mortgage Bank of America, N.A. is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 4:00 p.m. on March 8. 2010, on the mortgaged premises located at 92 Haverhill Street, Unit 1, Andover One Condominium, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT:

Unit No. 1 of the Andover One Condominium created by Master Deed dated March 31, 2005 and filed on April 27, 2005 with the Northern Registry District of Essex County of the Land Court as Document No. 89149, and noted on Certificate of Title C-35.

The Post Office Address is 92-94 Haverhill Street, Unit 1, Andover, MA 01810.

is a copy of a portion of the plans filed with said Master Deed and to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided in M.G.L. 183A, Section 9. It is subject to and with the benefit of the obligations, restrictions, rights and liabilities contained in M.G.L. 183A, and the Master Deed filed herewith

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These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable.

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5.000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication

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By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Frances A. Fantasia to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Mortgageit, Inc., dated December 27, 2006 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 9965, Page 49, of which mortgage OneWest Bank, FSB is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Pub lic Auction at 9:00 AM on February 19, 2010, on the mortgaged premises located at 200H Brookside Drive, Unit 200H of the Brookside at Andover Condominium, ANDOVER, MA 01810, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT: The Unit ("Unit") Known as Unit 200H in Building 200 (the "Building") at the Brookside at Andover Condominium (the "Condominium"), a condominium situated in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts and established pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws. Chapter 183A, by Master Deed dated October 14.2004 and recorded with the Essex North Reg istry of Deeds on October 14,2004 at Book 912 Page 89 (the "Master Deed"), as amended. The Unit is shown on the floor plans (the "Plans") recorded simultaneously with the Master Deed and on tae copy of the portion of the Plans, shown said Unit. attached to the Mortgage and Security Agreement and Financing Statement from Brookside Estates United Partnership to Eastern Bank and Eastern Bank as agent from Cambridge Savings Bank, dated October 14.2004 recorded with said Deeds on October 14, 2004 at Book 9121, Page 147, to which Is affixed the verified statement required by Section 9 of said Chapter 183A. The post office address of the Unit is 200H Brookside Drive, Andover, Massachu-

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 9965, Page 45. These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in

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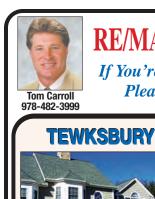
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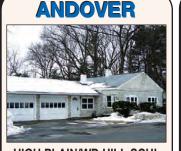
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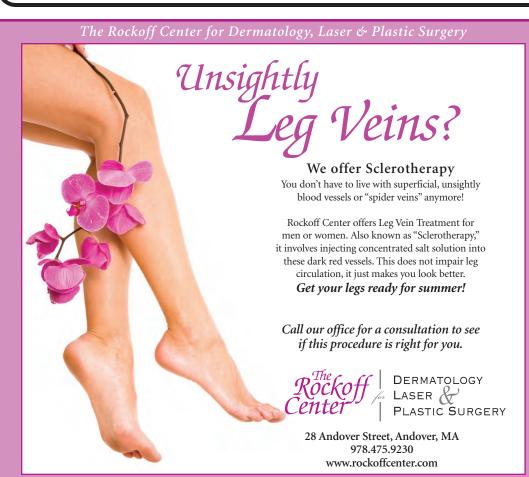
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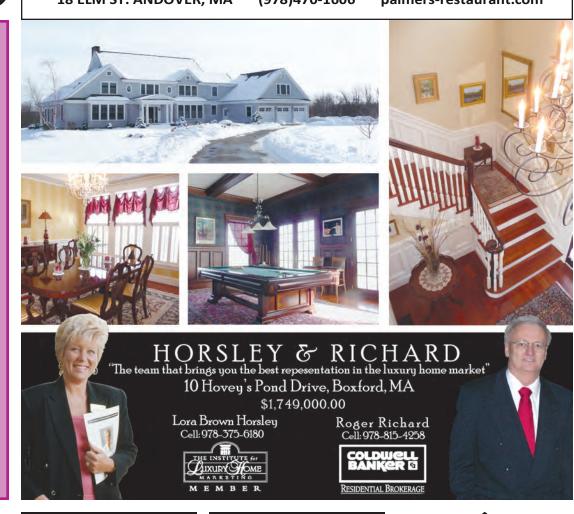


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