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Town boards: Hire tech leader

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Andover will hire a chief information officer this winter, the first step in creating a town-wide information technology department.

Consolidation of the town's four technology departments — library, public safety, schools

ANDOVER'S 4 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENTS

- **Town:** 4.2 full-time equivalent employees, 150 workstations and 125 users
- **Schools:** 10 FTE's, 6,100 students, 1,050 adult users and 2,500 computers
- **Public Safety:** 1.5 FTE's, 130 workstations
- **Memorial Hall Library:** 2 FTE's, 60 users and 90 workstations

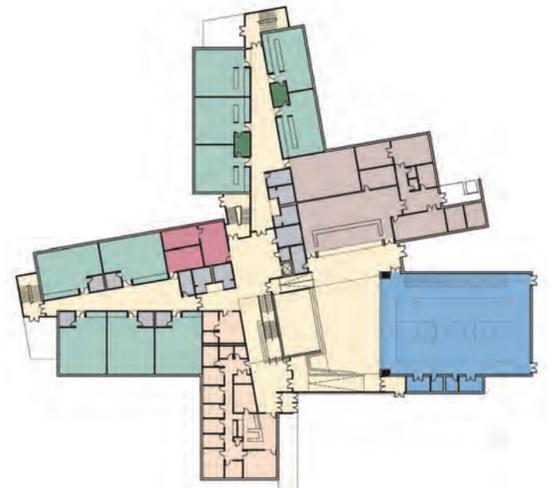
and town — has been discussed for years. This week, selectmen and the School Committee voted

to endorse the hiring of a chief information officer who will oversee the transition and, eventually,

one centralized IT department.

Andover's human resources department and information technology committee will work on creating a job description for the CIO position this month. If the town manager and superintendent approve the job description, it will be posted and a candidate

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This is a rendering by Symmes, Maini and McKee Associates shows the first-floor footprint of the school being built to replace Bancroft Elementary. The gym, cafeteria and kitchen are at the right, and classroom wings jut out to the top and left. Administration offices and the front entrance are at the bottom center of the design. Parts of the school would be two and three stories, with additional classroom wings on the upper floors.

'New Bancroft' school taking shape

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

Through the process of designing a new elementary school for Bancroft Road, the project architect has met with staff, administration and parents from the school they're designing to replace.

Andover's School Building Committee is now considering the fruits of their labors. The committee discussed but did not vote on a floor plan by architect Symmes, Maini and McKee on Wednesday, July 28, and planned to continue discussion at their next meeting on Aug. 11.

Bancroft Elementary School, built in 1969 near Phillips Academy, has structural problems and the town is partnering with the Massachusetts School Building Authority to build its

replacement. If its guidelines are met, the state will reimburse Andover a minimum of 40 percent of building costs.

In the new floor plan, hallways of classrooms jut out in an L shape on three floors, with high-ceilinged music and art rooms on the top floor. Classroom wings are wider at the mouth and gradually taper in along the hallway, like points of a star.

The gym and cafeteria are on the first floor, designed to be used as public meeting space while keeping the upper floors closed and unlit. The cafeteria is designed to hold one-third of the school's population at a time, or roughly 220 students.

The entire building will not be three stories; sections will be two stories and other sections will be single-story.

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'Someone has to take care of it, why not me?'



MARY SCHWALM/staff photos

▲ Ellen Townson of Andover stands at an access point to Dug Pond in Andover. Townson visits the Dug Pond conservation area every day to pick up trash and maintain the town-owned property.

▼ Emily Cardin sits on a rock in Dug Pond as her dog Gracie hunts the waters for fish.

Glenwood Road woman one of many conservation overseers

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

It's small enough you could swim across it, and the tiny patch of sand for water access could hardly be called a beach. But for many residents, Dug Pond in Southern Andover is a special place.



Most notably for Ellen Townson, who volunteers as the property's overseer and visits at least once a day to pick up trash and keep an eye on the town-owned conservation parcel.

Under Townson's care, Dug Pond has become litter-free and more welcoming to families, boaters and fishermen, Conservation Director Bob Douglas said.

Townson is one of a group of dedicated residents who oversee Andover's 1,970 acres of conservation land. Roughly half of Andover's 180 conservation areas have one or more overseers, who are "the eyes and ears" of the conservation commission,

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PLANTS: Non-native invasive species 'poisoning our trees'

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species — there's a whole new set of plants (aquatic and terrestrial) that are migrating north with the effects of climate change," Johnson wrote.

One of the first locations in town to be studied is at the corner of Lupine Road and School Street, across from Andover Small Engine.

"It's only a small plot that has various invasives, not a show-stopper infestation," Johnson wrote.

She's also got her professional eye on a parcel next to the Shaw-sheen River on Stevens Street, "...adjacent to the mill pond that

will be drained when the dam comes down, as that area will be opened up to the migration of the already established invasive plant populations on the river bank. I have counted over six different invasives on that plot alone," she wrote.

Douglas said the Stevens Street study "will be a multi-year effort," and he hopes a local Scout troop would adopt the parcel for the duration of the experiment (estimated to be four years).

"These pests are poisoning our trees," Douglas said. "Gosh, we want to do something about this, now. We don't want to wait on this."

POND: Overseers help keep town treasures welcoming

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said Commissioner Gail Ralston, who acts as overseer coordinator.

"Dug Pond is a really good example of what an overseer can do. The beach area had become overgrown with fast-growing, invasive plants and had become a drinking and partying spot. It had become a little trashy," Douglas said. "Under Ellen's supervision, it has become a family place to enjoy the sun and water. Really it's become a wonderful spot for the community."

Overseers visit their assigned properties regularly, picking up trash and checking for property damage, overgrowth or downed trees that block hiking trails.

"Just being a presence on the property, I think, is the best way to guard against misuse," Ralston said.

Overseers are given a town-issued photo badge to wear while they work, and the entire group gets together for an annual meeting to compare notes. The conservation commission prefers overseers to be adults, said Ralston. Scout, youth and church groups looking to volunteer are often partnered with an overseer for

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

To get more information or to volunteer as a conservation overseer, e-mail conservation@andoverma.gov or call 978-623-8311.

More information on conservation land, including a link to downloadable maps, can be found at andoverma.gov/conservation

projects.

Conservation property in Andover ranges from less than one acre to 70 acres, Ralston said, and the commission is always looking for more overseers.

"We love to involve as many people as possible in keeping our land up and keeping our trails open," Douglas said.

For Townson, becoming an overseer was natural, she says, as she and her husband, Winslow, love the outdoors and often canoe and kayak on Dug Pond. The couple bought their Glenwood Road home, across the street from the pond and conservation area, three years ago.

"It started because we used (the property) a lot, and it was

the responsible thing to do, to pick up trash. I said, 'why not be an overseer?'," said Townson, who has lived her entire life in Andover. "Someone has to take care of it, why not me?"

Within the last three years, Townson and other commission volunteers have cut back overgrowth and put up signage on Glenwood Road where people can park and follow a short trail to the pond. In 2008, Andover teen Barrett Flynn installed several wooden benches along the pond's edge as an Eagle Scout project.

Growing up in Andover, Glenn Wilson frequented an aunt and uncle's house on Dug Pond. Now, as assistant director of Andover Youth Services, he brings groups of teens there to swim and canoe.

"That's where I grew up swimming. I think it's a hidden jewel of Andover, so I want to share it with the (AYS) kids. It's off the beaten path a little bit. It's an old-school swimming hole," Wilson said.

The pond's access point has clear water, a sandy bottom and a nice rock to wade out to and sit on, he said.

Wilson said he saw the property decline in recent years and

then improve under Townson's care.

"Over the years it had become overgrown down to a sliver of beach. In the year since the benches went in, it's become a lot more friendly and good for small groups of AYS kids," Wilson said. "She (Ellen Townson) has done a fantastic job. We certainly appreciate it."

Townson says she makes a point of saying hello and welcome to families, fishermen or boaters she encounters on her daily visits.

"Just seeing someone, and saying hi, being a presence makes a difference ... It's nice to see people come and enjoy it," she said. "If we keep it clean, people won't see trash and they won't leave trash."

Spring-fed Dug Pond is near Fosters Pond in Southern Andover. With no lifeguard, pond-goers are cautioned to swim at their own risk. As with all town property, dogs must be kept on a leash.

One year, Wilson challenged himself to swim across Dug Pond for an entire year. He almost met the challenge, he said, except for January and February, when the pond was frozen over.

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IT: Boards recommend hiring technology department head

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could be hired to start in January 2011. The CIO position will be full-time and report to Town Manager Buzz Stapeczynski.

For the six months of fiscal year 2011, which ends June 30, the CIO's salary will be mined from the existing school and town operating budgets. For fiscal year 2012, the CIO's salary will be incorporated into the town operating budget.

Eventually, consolidation

would create one centralized help desk for service of technology problems and would coordinate departments that currently do not share employees, software and other resources.

"Exciting times are ahead," said School Committee member David Birnbach after the July 26 vote was taken to hire the CIO.

"I'm pretty jazzed," agreed Selectman Chairman Jerry Stabile Jr. "I know what an overhaul of IT will do."

The move comes after consulting firm Blum Shapiro did

an in-depth study of Andover's technology departments and infrastructure this spring, creating a five-year strategic information technology plan.

The plan recommended hiring a CIO as the first step in a long-term process to reorganize, update and streamline Andover's information technology structure.

Blum Shapiro was hired for \$50,000 and used many volunteer hours and input from the information technology committee, comprised of Andover citizens.

School Committee Chairman Dennis Fergie stressed that his committee's vote to hire a CIO does not imply endorsement of any of the specifics of the technology plan. The committee has yet to consider all the details of the more than 100-page report, Fergie said Monday night.

To view the information technology plan, go to andoverma.gov and click on the link in the "what's new" box.

Correction

A July 22 Townsman arts story "From the heart: Teen's novel about girl in WWII a labor of love" incorrectly spelled the name of 14-year-old author Amy Catherine Welch. Welch's novel, "Abigail," can be found at createspace.com/3412993

August health clinics

The Andover Health Department will offer mini clinics on Monday, Aug. 9, from 2 to 3 p.m. at Andover Commons, and on Monday, Aug. 23, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle. Senior-center clinics will be held 2 to 3 p.m. each Wednesday, Aug. 4, 11, 18 and 25. No appointment necessary.



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PAST & PRESENT



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THEN: In 1961 Lincoln Giles purchased the Hulme house at 93 Main St. and the Scott-Stowers house at 89 Main St., which he incorporated into a little mall named Olde Andover Village. The wall was removed during renovation to the parking lot.



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

NOW: At right, a small part of the wall to the Hulme and the Scott-Stowers houses at 89 Main St., which the owner combined into Olde Andover Village, still exists. The wall was taken down during renovation to the parking lot a few years ago.

SCHOOL: Designs provide space

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The floor plan was created to bring in as much natural light as possible, said Annie Gilbert, who sits on both the School and School Building committees.

"We really did not want a box. We wanted to maintain as much openness as we could, which was a core value of the old Bancroft school," said Gilbert before the meeting. "I think they've done a terrific job in the way they've oriented it. Symmes Maini and McKee has been very good about listening to what the teachers have been saying, and trying to incorporate that as best they can. They had great suggestions — they know how it all works on the ground."

With the floor plan, the School Building Committee continues to discuss the new school's footprint on the property, its access roads, and how traffic will flow through the site, said Mark Johnson, SBC chairman.

STAY INFORMED

To follow Bancroft news at apsl.net: click on "district" and then "school building committee." Images of the new school can be found under "presentations."

Symmes Maini and McKee's working model shows the new school placed north of the existing building, closer to Bancroft Road, with a total of 120 parking spaces.

If the MSBA approves design plans this fall, a special December Town Meeting and January ballot vote could be held for resident approval.

In late May, the MSBA approved Andover's plans to build a 98,950 square foot school for 680 students in kindergarten through fifth grades, moving the project into the schematic design phase. The tentative date for the completed schematic design to go before the MSBA for approval on Nov. 17.



This drawing by the architect shows the footprint of the school being built to replace Bancroft Elementary. Playing fields are located to the south of the school and access roads lead in from Bancroft Road (at top) and West Knoll Road (at bottom). Image courtesy of Symmes, Maini and McKee Associates, the project architect.

First deadly case of Equine Encephalitis in state reported

The Department of Public Health has reported that a seven-month old horse from Middleborough has been diagnosed with eastern equine encephalitis. EEE infection was confirmed by the William Hinton State Laboratory Institute today. The young stallion developed symptoms on July 20, deteriorated very rapidly and was

euthanized on July 21.

The last horse confirmed to have EEE was in September 2009 in Essex County. There were no human cases of EEE during 2009 however, there were 13 cases with six deaths from 2004 through 2006. EEE is usually spread to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. EEE is a serious disease in all

ages and can even cause death in some cases.

"We are seeing early indicators that lead us to believe this may be a bad EEE year," said DPH State Epidemiologist Dr. Alfred DeMaria. "Evidence of EEE-infected mosquitoes and a horse with EEE this early in the season is similar to what we saw in 2006, and we had five human

cases that year. We urge people to take this seriously and do what they need to do to protect themselves and their families."

EEE and WNV testing results for 2010, including risk category maps, can be found on the DPH Arbovirus Surveillance Information web page at mass.gov/dph/wnv by clicking on "Arbovirus Daily Update."

Merrimack College library getting greener

The McQuade Library at Merrimack College recently received a \$6,000 federal "How Green is My Library" grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, and the Library Services and Technology Act administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

The grant will promote environmental literacy at Merrimack College through funding "green" materials for the library's collections and funding programs that will engage the campus community in conversations about sustainability.

Specifically, the federal funds are supporting the following:

Adding to McQuade Library's growing collection of environmental books, DVDs, and multimedia kits;

A "Greening Merrimack" Web site to connect the Merrimack College community with information, tools, and resources related to sustainability;

College librarians are collaborating with faculty and students in environmental courses to promote information literacy.

Bridget Rawding, director of McQuade Library at Merrimack College, said "There is enthusiasm, momentum, and support campus-wide to embrace sustainability at Merrimack College. This grant will help McQuade Library be a vital part of the greening of Merrimack."

Under federal legislation, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, through the Library Services and Technology Act of 1996, provides funds to each state using a population based formula.

Shred your documents Saturday

Sean J. Connolly, Senior Financial Advisor and CFP at Ameriprise Financial, will be hosting a free community shredding event on Saturday, July 31 from 9 to 11 a.m. at 451 Andover St., North Andover in the back parking lot, across from Bertucci's Restaurant on Route 114.

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NEWS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JULY 29

Andover Contributory Retirement Board, Town Offices 36 Bartlet St., third-floor conference room, 7:30 a.m.

TUESDAY, AUG. 3

Planning Board, Memorial Hall Library conference room, 7 p.m.

Helping hands sought by hospice program

VNA of Middlesex-East is seeking individuals skilled in massage therapy or Reiki to volunteer for its Hospice program.

Volunteer therapists would spend one to two hours a week with hospice patients who express an interest in using the therapies to promote comfort, manage pain and decrease stress. Services will be provided in patient homes. The agency is seeking those willing to help patients in Methuen, Dracut, Andover, North Andover, Lowell, Billerica, Chelmsford, Reading or

North Reading.

The VNA of Middlesex-East Hospice Program provides care and support to patients and family that respects the need for dignity and comfort during the final stages of life. The work of volunteers is an important part of Hospice and can offer rewarding experiences to those who can give the gift of their time.

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FREE CANOE PROGRAM, 11 a.m., Harold Parker State Forest, meet at Forest Headquarters parking lot, 305 Middleton Road, North Andover, sponsored by the Department of Conservation and Recreation, with park interpreter Bob Anderson. Basics of canoe handling and water safety discussed with a guided paddle around one of Harold Parker's ponds. Canoes provided, bring sunscreen, insect repellent, water, a camera and your own life vest if you have one, otherwise one will be provided. Limited to 16 adults over 18. Preregistration required; 978-475-7972.

ANDOVER FARMERS MARKET, Andover Historical Society lawn, 97 Main St., Andover, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; 978-475-2236, andoverhistorical.org.

YARD SALE, benefits volunteer firemen of Firehouse Arts Center, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., (rain or shine), 16 Laurel Road, Newburyport; 978-462-7336, firehouse.org.

SUNDAY, AUG. 1

GIANT YARD SALE, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Temple Emanuel of the Merrimack Valley, 101 West Forest St., Lowell; temv.org, 978-454-1372.

CLASSIC CAR SHOW, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., The North Shore Concours d'Elegance, on the oceanfront grounds of the Misselwood estate on Endicott College's campus, 376 Hale St., Beverly. The event will feature a display of classic and unique cars, a series of fashion shows, musical entertainment, and a classic car art collection, \$8, children under 12 enter free if accompanied by an adult. All proceeds will benefit scholarship funds at the College; Patrick Cornelissen, 978-232-2451, pcorneli@endicott.edu.

TUESDAY, AUG. 3

MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL, a laughter-filled 90-minute production includes parodies from the classics of the '60s and '70s and '80s, 8 p.m., \$29-50, Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell; 978-454-2299, lowellauditorium.com.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 4

FREE LIVE MUSIC IN THE PARK, Chestnut & Bartlet streets, Peking and the Mystics, (a cappella), 6 p.m., bring picnics, chairs, blanket. For inclement weather or rescheduled performances call 978-623-8279 after 4 p.m.

FREE CLASSICAL MOVIE, "San Francisco," commentary at 6:30 p.m., film at 7 p.m., the Rogers Center at Merrimack College; 978-837-5000.

MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL, see Aug. 3 listing.

SATURDAY, AUG. 7

WIFFLE BALL TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER, beginning at 8 a.m., North Andover Middle School, for all ages and skill levels. Teams are made up of 3-5 players who can choose to play in the amateur (fun) division or the pro division (for those that like competition). Preregistration encouraged through reelinginadream.org. The Timothy P. Roberts "Reeling in a Dream" Foundation benefits Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

ANDOVER FARMERS MARKET, Andover Historical Society lawn, 97 Main St., Andover, 12:30-3:30 p.m.; 978-475-2236, andoverhistorical.org.

LIVE QUINTET MUSIC, Paul Broadnax Quintet, 7 p.m., Maudsley Arts Center, 95 Curzon Mill Road, Newburyport, rain or shine, \$10, \$8 seniors, 12 and under free; maudslaysartscenter.org, (978) 499-0050.

SUNDAY, AUG. 8

LIVE JAZZ MUSIC, Occidental Gypsy Jazz Quartet, 2 p.m., Maudsley Arts Center, 95 Curzon Mill Road, Newburyport, rain or shine, \$10, \$8 seniors, 12 and under free; maudslaysartscenter.org, (978) 499-0050.

TUESDAY, AUG. 10

ART QUILTERS SHOW OPENS, The Brush Gallery & Artists Studios, 256 Market St., Lowell, through Sept. 11.

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A VAN AND ITS DOG



"Mr. Pish" takes the wheel and heads cross-country in a new children's book written by K.S. Brooks, an Andover High School graduate.

AHS grad writes children's book 'Postcards from Mr. Pish'

By SARA BROWN
WHAT'S UP CONTRIBUTOR

Many dream about traveling across the country. Former Andover resident K.S. "Kat" Brooks packed that love for traveling and stowed it in her new children's book, "Postcards from Mr. Pish."

The book follows a Jack Russell terrier, Mr. Pish, as he travels from the Atlantic Coast all the way to the Pacific Ocean. The dog writes about his traveling adventures through postcards with color photos sent to the reader from U.S. states and Canadian provinces. "From historic fishing villages to city lights to the tops of mountains and beyond, Mr. Pish shares his experiences in a fun and full-color way so children can learn about this great land," Brooks' website says.

The idea for the book was sparked during a conversation Brooks had with her best friend from Andover High School. "I was traveling across country and my friend said I should write a book about my feelings for traveling across country," said Brooks. "That felt too serious for me." Brooks decided to make the book more playful and fun. "I felt like a kid going across country, so why not bring that kind of joy to kids?" she said.

Once home from the trek across the country, it took Brooks about a month to write the book. "Children's books just come naturally for me," Brooks said, but she does admit that trying to figure out what to put in the book from her road trip adventure was challenging at first.

"I had to think about what would be most interesting to

kids," she said.

Editing it took a great deal longer, about a year.

"I would send it to people who were experts in the field and ask for their input," Brooks said. One of those people was a teacher from Methuen who uses Brooks' first children's book, "The Mighty Oak and Me," in the classroom.

"I would ask, 'Is this something you would use in your classroom and if not, why?'" Brooks said.

Another person Brooks asked suggestions from was her mother. "I was delightfully surprised at how open and willing Kat was to listen to anything I had to say," Stephanie Brooks said. "She also wanted my perspective as a grandparent - I always read to my kids and grandkids - for instance, asking me if there was perhaps too much information on a page for a child to digest. She wanted to know if the photos were kid-friendly, and if the book was just plain fun enough."

Kat Brooks grew up in Andover and graduated in the same class as actor Michael Chiklis from Andover High School. "I was lucky that I was surrounded by a creative class," she said. "Andover had a really great family atmosphere. It felt like everyone was looking out for me. I probably didn't appreciate it then because I was a teenager, but it was a nice feeling."

"I had teachers that really encouraged my writing," Brooks said. One of those teachers advised Brooks to "write, write, write," and she recently titled her blog that in tribute of that teacher.

"We originally moved to Andover because the schools were the best in the country. West Elementary School did not disappoint us. Kat had a brilliant mind even as a child and she was allowed and encouraged

PostCards from Mr. Pish



A Cross-Country Journal
Story and Photographs by K. S. Brooks

Courtesy photos

Family Fun Day shows beauty of the outdoors

Andover conservationists will present Family Fun Day, a slate of free events on Sunday, Aug. 1, from noon to 4 p.m., at the Ward Reservation of Prospect Road in Andover.

This is the rescheduled edition of the event that was originally scheduled on June 6 to celebrate National Trails Day, which was postponed due to rain. Families can come to the Ward Reservation to enjoy free programs and entertainment throughout the day and discover upcoming programs and volunteer opportunities happening this summer and fall, according to David Bunting, of the Andover Trails Committee.

Parking will be located at the main lot for the Ward Reservation on Prospect Road.

Events include a butterfly presentation at 12:30 p.m. by Howard Hoople, woodcarving by North Andover Wood Carvers, geocaching, a letterboxing presentation featuring the Woodland Wanderers, acoustic music by members of Clay Tiles, a presentation on birds of prey by Jack Holt, Nordic walking with Denise Boucher, sponsored by the Andover Senior Center, and a "History of the Ward Reservation" talk by John Kimball.

A guided edible plants hike at 2 p.m. will be led by Russ Cohen, expert forager and author of "Wild Plants I Have Known ... and Eaten."

Directions to the Ward Reservation are available at the trustees website, www.thetrustees.org.

'Oliver!' on stage at Collins

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
Staff Writer

As the sounds of "Om Pah Pah" filled the hallways outside the band room at Andover High School, two actors in the locally staged "Oliver!" talked more about the show's quality cast and production team than about themselves.

"It's been such a fun experience for me because everyone around me is great," said Max Currie of Andover, who plays Oliver.

It's his debut lead role in The

Summer Theatre Ensemble's production of "Oliver!" a great Broadway musical that has won three Tony awards.

The about-to-be West Middle School sixth-grader turns 12 today (July 29), and said his background has been more music-oriented than acting-oriented. As Oliver, he gets to do both. And he's thrilled.

Meanwhile, the very acting-experienced Nick Kalantzakos, 16, of Andover, said he is excited about playing the role of Pagan

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CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

The sun was shining and a few dozen people gathered in the Park to enjoy the evening and listen to music, unaware that the concert had been canceled by the band because of the possibility of bad weather.

Peking and the Mystics give free outdoor concert Aug. 4

Andover residents will be treated to a free concert by a quintet of voices with "Mystical" quality next Wednesday.

On Wednesday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m., the Park at Bartlet and Chestnut streets will enjoy the sounds of Peking and the Mystics as the Andover concert series continues. This five-man a cappella group performs popular American music from the 1930s to today with its own humorous and upbeat style, according to Mary Donohue, Department of Community Services director.

Peking and the Mystics has a strong Andover connection, as it is comprised of five business professionals including Gene Blake and Tim Vaill of Andover, Dave Pratt of Wellesley, Andrew Cranin of Acton, and Chris Parker of Lynnfield. The members are all graduates of the Tufts University

Beelzebubs, a premier college a cappella group.

Peking and the Mystics has performed on National Public Radio, Channels 4 and 5 television, and in China, Japan, Brazil and Maine, and for numerous private, community and business functions ranging from small parties in the home to weddings and conventions. Its repertoire includes "old oldies" from the Ink Spots, Andrew Sisters and Mills Brothers, and "new oldies," doo wop, Motown and popular songs of today.

"Their choreography, wit and interaction with the audience make for an unforgettable family event," according to Donohue.

If it rains, the concert will be held Thursday, Aug. 5. There are two more concerts left in the series, Four Guys in Tuxes Wednesday, Aug. 11, and 60s Invasion Wednesday, Aug. 25.

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Sports

GUIDING THE BEST

Andover's Hogarty strength coach for Baltimore Orioles

By DAVE DYER
STAFF WRITER

Andover's Joe Hogarty still has a soft spot in his heart for the Boston Red Sox, but not when he arrives at Fenway Park on the final day of August.

As the strength and conditioning coach for the Baltimore Orioles, who open a three-game series in Fenway Park that day, it is the one time the 32-year-old Andover High grad is definitely rooting against the Sox.

"You always have an affinity for the team you grew up rooting for, but that goes out the window when they're playing the Orioles," Hogarty said. "They (the Orioles) are taking care of me and giving me my livelihood."

But make no mistake about it. Hogarty still has an appreciation for the Red Sox organization, partly because it gave him a jump-start to his current position, which is about as high as they come in professional sports training.

It was back in 2002, after having spent a year as an assistant athletic trainer for Salve Regina College, that he decided to apply for an internship with the Sox and, ultimately, Triple-A Pawtucket.

"I always had a strong leaning toward baseball, being an umpire (for two years) and my father being an umpire, so when I heard about the internship, I felt I had to apply," said Hogarty, who graduated from Bridgewater State with a bachelor's degree in athletic training. "That turned out to be a huge break."

"That was my introduction to the game. I thought I knew the game, but it's so much more dynamic at the professional level. I learned a lot from the Red Sox ... I made some contacts, and I really liked it."

Hogarty's contacts helped land him a job the next year with the Orioles. He was assigned to Triple-A Ottawa, spending two years there as an assistant trainer and strength and conditioning coach.

Following a year hiatus working at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado, he returned to the Orioles' triple-A team, which had relocated to Norfolk, Va.

Two years ago, he became the Orioles' coordinator of strength and conditioning for their minor league teams and last year he was promoted to his current position with the parent club.

"I'm definitely fortunate to be where I'm at now," Hogarty said. "I'm at an elite position in the industry and I'm doing something I love to do."

Hogarty oversees the health and strength potential of every player on the team throughout the season, with an emphasis on the pitchers.

"The pitchers are definitely guys you have to keep on track daily," Hogarty said. "You have to work them out individually two out of every five days, usually the day after they pitch and the day when they're scheduled to throw on the side."

"Each starter is different and I have to adapt to them. I need to handle a veteran like Kevin Millwood very different from some of our younger pitchers. And I need to keep a close watch on the relievers, to help them find the balance between working out and staying ready to pitch."

For the position players, Hogarty's duties are more basic.

"It's all about establishing good work habits, a good work ethic, proper nutrition, things like that," Hogarty said. "Each player has a different plan, but there's not too much you can do during the regular season."

"The most important time of the year is December and January. What I do then is most important, when players make the most gains in strength, or weight (gain or loss) or improve their aerobic capacity."

"It's the nuts and bolts of what I do. ... I'll be visiting players, making connections wherever they live, whether it's Arizona, California or the Dominican."



Associated Press photo

Andover's Joe Hogarty works out Baltimore Orioles two-time All-Star Brian Roberts. Hogarty serves as strength and conditioning for the Orioles.

MEET JOE HOGARTY

Position: Baltimore Orioles strength and conditioning coach
Education: Andover High, Bridgewater State

Baseball background: Lifelong Red Sox fan, spent two years as an umpire for Merrimack Valley Umpires Association; father, Steve Hogarty, is a longtime umpire who now resides in Derry, N.H.

Road to majors: Pawtucket (internship for Red Sox) in 2003, Ottawa (Orioles' Triple-A team) 2004-06, Norfolk, Va. (Orioles' Triple-A team) 2007, Orioles minor league strength and conditioning coordinator (2007-09), Orioles strength and conditioning coach 2009-present

On the other hand, the offseason work, while much more cumbersome, is more relaxed. Being involved with a professional team, where winning is what it's all about, can be tough on the nerves — especially with the 24-53 Orioles, who have the worst record in baseball.

"I'm not responsible for wins and losses and you try to separate yourself a little, but we're all in this together," Hogarty said. "If you're not winning, it's bad for everyone."

"Players can lose positions or be demoted and you don't know if the team will make changes all the way around. You might not sleep well at night thinking about it."

"But the players will tell you, and it's true, you have to try to have amnesia and stay committed to the task at hand. The baseball season is like a long marathon ... we've been playing better recently and it's been kind of refreshing."

Marriage now affordable

Toiling in the minor leagues for five years was enjoyable if not profitable for Joe Hogarty.

"It wasn't bad for me and I could survive because I was single, could share an apartment and didn't have a lot of expenses," Hogarty said. "But it'd be real tough if you had a wife and family."

"Getting to the big leagues, you're taken care of a lot better. You probably won't get wealthy, but you can be comfortable."

Thus, Hogarty now feels he can marry his fiancée, Gulie Pirri. A winter wedding is planned.

Despite valiant effort, Andover Legion eliminated

Overachievers throughout the season, Andover Legion wasn't about to surrender until the final out.

"We just kept battling and coming back," said Andover Legion coach Joe Iarrobino. "We came through with a few big hits and had some chances, but we couldn't take advantage at the end."

Post 8 rallied to tie the game and send the go-ahead run to the plate in the ninth. But Andover could not find the final hit and fell to Lowell 8-6 in the third game of the District 8 playoffs last Tuesday at Alumni Field.

Lowell also dealt the first loss of the tourney to Post 8, which was eliminated from the double-elimination playoffs.

"A lot of people counted us out," said Iarrobino, whose team advanced to the tourney for the

19th time in his 22 years. "But our kids came out and played with confidence. They played a great game, and we were in it until the end. I am proud of them."

Lowell jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the third inning. But Andover struck back two innings later when Dan Gusovsky drove home two runs with a double, then scored on a single by Jake Ponti to make it 4-3.

Post 8 tied the game in the sixth when Sean McQuillan singled, and scored on a single by brother Mike McQuillan. Andover then loaded the bases, but John Hennessy's screaming liner was caught by the pitcher and turned into a double play.

"Two inches either way and it's a hit and we have the lead," Iarrobino said. "But baseball is a game of inches, and we proved

that again tonight."

Lowell then scored one in the sixth and three in the seventh to make the score 8-4. Andover answered back with two runs, and a single by Gusovsky and Sean McQuillan reaching on a hit by pitch sent up the go-ahead run. But that is as close as Andover would get.

Christian Lightner, Gusovsky and Sean McQuillan each had two hits for Post 8, and Colin Norris kept them in the game with 5²/₃ innings of strong relief, allowing just two earned runs.

"Colin pitched very well for us," Iarrobino said. "We have a very young team, and a lot of kids coming back. In our starting lineup, the only player we are losing is Gusovsky, who we will miss. But we are very excited."

WWE? For real wrestling try AYS

By PETE ZETLAN
ANDOVER YOUTH SERVICES

Maybe you have heard of the WWE and seen wrestlers on television clotheslining opponents. Sorry to break your hearts, but that is just not real. If you are interested in seeing what it really takes to pin an opponent then the Andover Youth Services have a program to offer.

For two days, Aug. 17 and 18 from 9 a.m. to noon, AYS wrestling coaches will teach youth the basics of wrestling, as well as ways to train through practice, fun games and discipline. What makes this even more exciting is that we are able to provide this clinic for free. Wrestling is quickly becoming popular in both Andover High School and the middle schools, and what better way to try it out

then AYS' free wrestling clinic? If you are interested contact us at 978-623-8241, stop by the AYS house at 37 Pearson St., or e-mail gwilson@andoverma.gov.

Meet the coaches

Alex Najjar capped off his perfect senior season 58-0. He captured titles at the Lowell Holiday, State, All-State, and New England tournaments. He was ranked No. 1 in Massachusetts all year and finished a brilliant career with two Division 1 state titles and was a two-year captain of the Shawsheen Technical wrestling team. Najjar is attending Boston University in the fall on a wrestling scholarship.

Matt Dehney was ranked No. 1 in Massachusetts all year, proving his dominance by winning the Lowell Holiday, State and New England tournaments. He

finished his high school career a two-year captain for the Dracut wrestling team, a two-time state finalist and a two-time New England place winner. He is attending the University at Buffalo in the fall on a wrestling scholarship.

Joe Chartier finished his senior year 30-8, and became Andover High School's first state placer and qualifier for the All-state tournament. He placed third at the Lowell Holiday tournament, second at Sectionals and fourth at the Division 1 State Championship tournament. He was ranked sixth in Massachusetts for most of the year, was a three-year captain and was named to MVC's All Conference Team. He is attending University of Southern Maine in the fall on an academic scholarship where he will continue to wrestle.

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Opinion

Stonewalling on Water Department departure unacceptable

Andover officials obviously believe they are serving themselves and former water treatment plant superintendent John Pollano well by refusing to offer any specifics on the circumstances of his retirement or an active criminal investigation into that department.

But they are not serving those they are sworn to serve — the public. It is local taxpayers who pay the bills not only for public employee salaries, but for their benefits, including pensions and lifetime health care. They deserve to know if their money is being spent wisely and justifiably.

Yet such stonewalling is, unfortunately, typical. Town Manager Reginald “Buzz” Stapczynski announced six weeks ago, on June 23, an investigation by both local police at the Essex County district attorney’s office into alleged employee misconduct at the water treatment plant. The Water Department is one of seven divisions of the Public Works Department. At the time, he said Pollano was “on vacation.”

Several weeks later, on July 13, Stapczynski said Pollano had resigned with the intent to retire from his \$97,694 job on June 30. In other words, he had been retired for two weeks by the time the manager announced it.

But that bit of detail deliberately left out much more important information. While Pollano had announced last November that he intended to retire within the next year, Stapczynski would not say if the investigation had hastened that retirement.

When did the investigation start? When did Pollano resign? Is he a target of the investigation? If so, why has he been allowed to retire? Did Pollano return to work for any of the eight days between June 22 when he was on vacation and June 30 when he retired?

None of those questions have been answered. Other officials, including public works Director Jack Petkus, say they have been instructed not to say anything.

This is not acceptable. It will not compromise the investigation to say when Pollano resigned. If he is a target of the investigation, surely he knows it by now. Saying he is under investigation does not violate the presumption of innocence until proven guilty.

And the refusal to answer legitimate questions will not make this go away. Indeed, in the minds of most residents, if Pollano was not under investigation, officials would have hastened to say so.

Their silence simply breeds rumors that may go far beyond reality. It is past time for it to end.

WEB QUESTION

Should the state can the MCAS?

State leadership has expressed support of “common core” national standards in math and English, a move some say could signal the end of MCAS testing in those subject areas. How do you feel?

- Keep MCAS. It works as-is.
- Scrap MCAS. It’s never worked.
- Common core could work, if done right.
- I’m waiting to hear more details of the common core tests.
- Having nationwide educational standards will never work.
- The concept of standardized testing altogether is flawed.
- It’s too early to have an opinion.
- It doesn’t matter to me.
- None of the above.

To cast your vote, go to andovertownsmen.com. For different or lengthier answers, e-mail Editor Neil Fater at nfater@andovertownsmen.com

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tabit will swiftly address tough issues

Editor, Townsman:

Whatever else you may think of him, you have to hand it to George Steinbrenner for this: by passing on to his field of dreams in 2010, his empire itself passed—intact—to his family, the result of a brief lapse of the estate tax scheduled to be revived in the next few months. But for the rest of us, still enjoying the days of summer, still paying our quarterly assessments, still saving our pennies in the hopes of getting to Fenway again this season, things continue to head wide of the mark. Taxes go up, services decline, and we’re all struggling to make a good life for our own families.

In the upcoming election, we have the opportunity to address some of these day-to-day issues and stake a claim for something better. I support Sal Tabit for state representative of the 17th Essex District because I am confident that he will work tirelessly for our interests. Not only do I know Sal and his delightful family as hardworking contributors to our community (Sal and his wife as professionals in the Merrimack Valley, their girls

on the soccer fields!), my own experience working with Sal on the board of directors of the Andover School of Montessori has given me great insight into his character and his willingness to swiftly address hard questions and come to well-considered, effective, good answers.

Sal’s volunteer work on behalf of ASM (despite the fact that his daughters are happily attending Andover’s public schools) has presented him with numerous opportunities to provide strong leadership. Sal shows up, has an informed opinion on matters discussed, and executes on the ultimate decisions. Most significantly, he honors the commitments he makes. I know that he will do the same for his constituents when he is working for us on Beacon Hill. Sal has indicated that he will work to push back the tax increase, that he will work to repeal the tax on alcohol, and that he will work to prevent cuts of local aid, among other things. I know that he will, indeed, work as hard as anyone can to do those things and I will feel fortunate to have him representing my family.

HEATHER LAUTEN
243 Lowell Street

RACE YA!



Courtesy photo

Jenna Bortolussi, 11, of Andover bobs for apples in competition with her pony, Bearito, during a recent summer program at Windrush Farm. The nonprofit farm, on the North Andover/Boxford line, offers horse riding lessons and programs for people of all ages, as well as equine therapy programs for people with disabilities.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Teachers off the mark on Arizona law

Editor, Townsman:

According to The Eagle-Tribune of July 19, 2010, the handful of voices that comprise the executive board of the Andover teachers union recently proclaimed that Arizona’s attempt to stem the tide of illegal aliens into the state was not approved. In suggesting a boycott on travel to Arizona to its membership, board head Tom Meyers warned that some visiting teachers might face adverse consequences as a result of Arizona’s implementation of its legislative stand. If Meyers is trying to say that he is aware that some of Andover’s teachers have taken jobs in the United States illegally, making travel to Arizona quite risky, the suggestion here is that those teachers be removed from their positions. To my knowledge Andover is not yet a sanctuary city. If some other factors influence Meyers’ vague responses, more specificity would be appreciated.

What was truly astonishing in Meyers’ statements was the implication that he and, if speaking editorially, others on the executive board, would seek to overturn long-standing federal immigration law. The article revealed that the board had engaged in extended discussion and debate of the Arizona law before debunking it. Meyers also said: “I would hate to see this law spread across the whole country.” What apparently was missed by the execs in their detailed examination was the fact that the Arizona law mirrors federal law quite substantially, making it in essence a replication of legislation that already has nationwide reach, if not observance.

So we the people have had something very akin to the Arizona law. And that is the overlooked context.

What we have not had, especially through Clinton, Bush and, most egregiously and politically, Obama is enforcement of the commander-in-chief’s sworn duty to the country. What is now happening is that Arizona is at once reminding and chastising our White House wunderkind and his disciples, while standing up for what most Americans believe: that we have established, legitimate borders, along with legal requirements for those who would immigrate to our land, and a compelling national interest in preserving each.

BARRY MCCLOSKEY
18 Enmore St.

Town yard proposal just too costly for taxpayers

Editor, Townsman:

How could our town leaders seriously consider the exorbitantly expensive proposal for a new town yard? I have some basic observations and unanswered questions.

1. The assessed valuation of the property at 146 Dascomb Road is only \$9,528,800, according to our town’s website, yet it was proposed that we pay \$15.3 million for that property and then millions more to renovate it. What possible justification could there be for paying a premium of \$5 million (i.e., 50 percent) over the assessed valuation?

2. Based on a tax rate of \$21.33 per \$1,000, the yearly tax on that property is \$203,249.30 which the town would lose forever if it were owned by the town instead of a private company. Why would we want to eliminate such tax revenue?

3. While eliminating tax revenue, buying that property would cause the town to incur an additional debt of well over \$1 million each year for the next 20 years. What kind of economic sense does that make?

4. Allegedly the current owner has said that the company would rent back part of the property from the town for \$800,000 a year. How do we guarantee that? What is stopping any company from closing its doors and heading south, with their cool \$5 million windfall? We have seen it before when major businesses were given sweetheart tax breaks by the commonwealth to entice them to stay only to see them flee to better economic climes in other states shortly thereafter. Equally important, why would we want to expand the town’s position as a landlord? It’s not as if the town has been successful in that role.

5. The ground of the current town yard is reportedly contaminated, limiting its potential usefulness for future development. If it were allowed to develop into anything other than a parking lot, it would be competing with the several already vacant storefronts on Main Street.

6. As an alternative, the town still owns plenty of land which could be used for a town yard or for multiple smaller yards. Surely the type of buildings or sheds suitable to replace the current 50-year-old structures need not cost anything near \$20 million.

We should not consider the purchase of any property which carries the double whammy of eliminating significant tax revenues in perpetuity while adding enormous debt to our already formidable budget.

JOSEPH J. GIAIMO
18 Countryside Way

Finegold would boost environment

Editor, Townsman:

I have known Rep. Barry Finegold as a friend and advocate for this community and I have always admired him for his commitment to the environment. As the House chairman of the Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, he has pushed legislation to increase

the use of wind energy in Massachusetts. He has also been a huge supporter of clean tech in the Merrimack Valley.

Finegold also organized Greening Andover, an event that took place last fall that brought together town leadership and managers of energy companies to listen to and help Andover residents, businesses, and the town find new ways to reduce energy consumption and cut costs.

I know, as our next state senator, Finegold will take advantage of the Green Communities Act and the programs available to encourage energy conservation by citizens and businesses. His push to educate the public about these programs, such as Mass Save, is crucial to their success — and to helping citizens and businesses live greener and save money.

Finegold is pushing for Andover, Tewksbury, Dracut and Lawrence to become more energy-efficient, more effective and more sustainable. He is working alongside these communities to find new ways we can make our towns and cities cleaner and safer for the next generation of residents. I am confident he will continue to be a relentless advocate for the environment if elected to the state Senate.

STEPHANIE SIPLEY
Reservation Road

Finegold taking proactive stance on jobs

Editor, Townsman:

As a 30-year resident of Andover and the CEO of Stellaris Corp., a solar photovoltaic module manufacturer in Billerica, I would like to express my appreciation for the sincere effort state Rep. Barry Finegold has made, and continues to make, to encourage high tech, renewable energy companies to stay and to thrive in this part of Massachusetts.

Only Silicon Valley surpasses Massachusetts in solar and other renewable energy enterprises. Massachusetts offers a cornucopia of people wealth, including skilled engineers, scientists and technicians. It has strong academic institutions and industry support resources. All this, combined with the high-quality lifestyle Massachusetts affords, should make the state a prime candidate for high quality, high paying jobs that should increase with the coming exponential growth in the solar and renewable energy industries worldwide.

Recently however, Massachusetts has been losing solar energy jobs rather than gaining them. Schott Solar left Billerica for New Mexico and Evergreen Solar in Devens is moving much of their production to China. While the reasons for the exodus of these companies are diverse and complex, it should

be a wake-up call to the state to ensure that it encourages companies to locate here, grow here and remain here. There is no reason solar companies with the right technology cannot thrive in Massachusetts and compete internationally.

It has been refreshing to see that Finegold has taken a proactive stance on this concerning trend. He has conferred with CEOs in the industry and asked thoughtful and insightful questions to understand the issues we face. He has convened meetings of renewable and energy conservation principals in northeastern Massachusetts to discuss concerns and provide opportunities for networking. And as the chairman of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, he is in a position to address these concerns, and in so doing, encourage the growth of high-quality renewable energy jobs in the commonwealth.

JIM PAULL
Virginia Road
President and CEO, Stellaris Corp.

Silberstein can prioritize, solve problems

Editor, Townsman:

My wife and I first met Debbie Silberstein when our children attended Shawsheen School together, over 20 years ago. As a resident of Andover, I am pleased to write a letter in support of her candidacy for State Senate.

Debbie has spent years involved in many aspects of the community, from the Finance Committee, to the Council of Aging, to the SHED Board. What I find to be most impressive about her is her ability to work through all sides of an issue, to solve problems collaboratively, as evidenced during her tenure on the Finance Committee and School Committee when difficult decisions had to be made as to the allocation of resources. Debbie worked with the other town boards to find a way through the financial challenges, while never losing sight of the needs of the overall community. She is also a small business owner, knowledgeable about issues such as health care and taxation. These issues are not academic exercises for her— they are part of her every day world.

She knows how to prioritize and she knows how to problem solve, two key traits needed on Beacon Hill during these difficult times. She is not a career politician nor does she want to become one. Debbie has the leadership skills, the work ethic and the courage to use new ideas to solve our ongoing problems.

Please join me and my family in voting for Debbie Silberstein for State Senate in the Democratic primary on September 14.

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Call for volunteers: Hands needed to continue growing farmers market

The Andover farmers market, now in its fourth year, has been growing by leaps and bounds, and the Andover Historical Society is looking for volunteers to help keep it strong on the vine. Hundreds of people visit the market each week to buy the fresh produce and enjoy activities. Market manager Debbie DeSmet plans a full program

of activities, crafts, demonstrations, and live music that make the Andover farmers market a place to be for many on Saturday afternoons. The Andover Historical Society, which hosts the market and organizes activities, needs volunteers to help with setup, staffing the society's information booth and reception desk, and cleanup.

The market runs Saturdays, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. through Oct. 9. This is an opportunity for high-school and college students, or for anyone who enjoys the farmers market and working with the public, according to the historical society. To learn more about the volunteer opportunity or to request an application, call Debbie DeSmet at 978-475-2236.

TOWN TALK

Runaway writing at PA

The writer of a recent Rolling Stones piece that resulted in the prompt removal of Gen. Stanley McCrystal was at Phillips Academy last week. Writer Michael Hastings, who wrote "The Runaway General" piece for Rolling Stone, spoke to aspiring journalists taking part in a summer program. Hastings now has a book deal with Little, Brown and Company. He is writing about the war in Afghanistan.

— Judy Wakefield

New I-93 exit discussed Tuesday

Planning boards from Andover, Tewksbury and Wilmington will discuss the first draft of plans for a new interchange coming to Interstate 93 where the three towns meet. The meeting will be at Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square, Aug. 3 at 7 p.m.

Although the project has been

planned and discussed for years, this is the first time the three town's planning boards will meet.

"It's very uncommon for three boards to collaborate like this and work in a regional context," said Paul Materazzo, director of planning and community development, in an e-mail to the Townsman.

— Bethany Bray

Daytrip designations

Two historic Andover locations have made a just-released state list of "1,000 Great Places" to see. Courtesy of state tourism officials, daytrippers are directed to the Andover Historical Society's location on Main Street.

"Fantastic news," Executive Director Elaine Clements said. "I hope it will get people to drive to Andover and see the whole town ... there's so much to see."

But the second location is a must-go for later in the year. It's

the Addison Gallery of Art on the campus of Phillips Academy. Undoubtedly, its free admission to see a world-class collection will attract daytrippers. However, it's currently closed and under construction. It is scheduled to reopen in September.

— Judy Wakefield

Congressional hopeful stops by

Jon Golnik, a Carlisle resident running for the 5th Congressional District, was in Andover on Tuesday, July 27, as part of his "Can you hear us now" campaign tour. Golnik talked with locals at New York Life on New England Business Center Drive and at Dylan's Restaurant on Park Street Tuesday afternoon.

Golnik, a Republican, is running for U.S. Rep. Niki Tsongas' seat. The election will be Tuesday, Nov. 2.

500 mosey over to Dallas Night



Courtesy photo

Andover children Mia Hayes, 7, and her brother Jack, 4, wait for the train ride during Dallas Night at the Andover/North Andover YMCA.

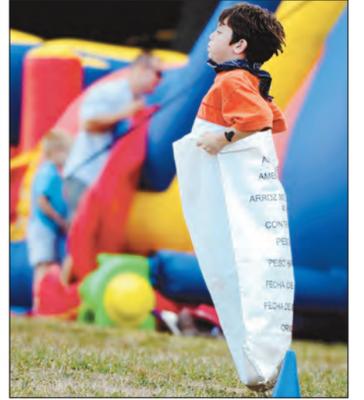
Cowboys and cowgirls saddled up for the Andover/North Andover YMCA's 15th annual Dallas Night family barbecue on Thursday, July 22.

More than 500 cowboys and cowgirls rode in for the family activities, including "the world's largest water balloon toss," pony rides, outdoor water slides, moon bounces, a dunk tank, outdoor games, face painting, and country line dancing, according to the Y. Guests enjoyed a barbecue catered by Boneyard Catering of North Andover and festivities ran from 5 p.m. until dusk, when the last cowboy hit the trail home.

The 15th annual YMCA Dallas Night was last Thursday at the Andover/North Andover YMCA. Claire Perrone, 6, of Andover enjoys her watermelon.



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Zachary Dixey, 7, of Marblehead competes in a sack race. Since his mother works in Andover, Zachary attends the YMCA Summer Vacation Club camp.

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Tips from the Coupon Queen

Jill Cataldo saves hundreds on groceries by making the most of the common coupon. You can, too. Here's how.

Coupon Tips for Shoppers in Small Markets

Last week, we reviewed reasons why shoppers enjoy lower prices and more frequent deals shopping at a supermarket rather than at an "everyday low price" supercenter. But what if your shopping options are limited? What if you don't have a large supermarket nearby and you're limited to a small grocery, a family-owned store or a supercenter?

The best grocery discounts are found at big, regional or national supermarket chains. Think of big supermarkets as "high/low" stores, based on the way they cycle prices. On any given day, about half the items in a big supermarket will be priced higher than a midline level. The other half of the products will be priced lower than that midline.

Coupon shoppers wait for lower prices, then use coupons to reduce prices even more. Many of the best coupon shoppers rely on grocery list "matchup" websites that track sale prices for supermarkets around the country, providing a list of the best buys each week and matching up the coupons needed to purchase sale products. (For a list of popular matchup sites go to the Getting Started section of my website, www.SuperCouponing.com.)

Back in the day, people would simply cut all of the coupons out of the newspaper each week then spend time organizing and sorting hundreds of little, loose pieces of paper. Now, it's easier. With the system I teach, we keep each week's entire coupon insert intact and only cut the coupons we need. Coupon matchup sites refer to coupons by the dates they were distributed in the newspaper and by the names of the insert. So, a reference to "5/2 SS" tells me that the coupon I need is in the May 2 edition of the SmartSource insert. Since I write the date on the front of each coupon insert before I file it, it's easy to locate the insert and clip the coupon.

If your only local shopping option is a small grocery store, you may not be able to use an online matchup list that spells out exactly the best coupons to use. You'll need to match coupons to sales on your own. But that's not as difficult as it sounds and I've got a tool that will help. Grab the sales flyer for your store of choice and sit down at your computer.

Visit SuperCouponing.com and click on the "coupon lookup." This free tool helps shoppers match coupons to sales. Look at your store's flyer and circle the items that interest you. Then, use the online coupon lookup to find coupons for those products. Enter general categories like soup or cereal, or brand names like Progresso or Kellogg. The lookup will tell you the dates and names of the inserts where you will find coupons for the desired products. Note that location info next to each item you circled in the store flyer. When you're done making matchups, refer to the flyer and pull the corresponding coupon inserts from your files. Cut out just the coupons you need today, refile the inserts for future use and head to the store.

If your only shopping option is an everyday low price supercenter, you may not enjoy many deals where you take products home free after using coupons. Prices at everyday low price stores typically do not dip low enough to match the dollar amounts of high-value coupons. But, you can still use the online coupon lookup tool. You'll certainly save much more than you would if you didn't use coupons at all.

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Townspeople

Beauty and the bear

Bill Dalton



In the garden we grow tall dill. We pick the delicate branches for eating, while allowing the top of the plant to grow into

bursts of tiny yellow flowers that resemble small fireworks.

Black swallowtail caterpillars love dill and are all over it. The caterpillars have an iridescent lime-colored body and several bright yellow and black bands. An inch and a half long, they are husky from their voracious eating of our dill, but they are so pretty we allow them all they want. The caterpillars go about their chomping without fear of predators because they taste so bad nothing eats them.

This year my wife, Katharine, suggested we collect some caterpillars and watch them become pupae and then butterflies. We placed dirt in the bottom of an 18-inch-by-12-inch glass terrarium and put lots of dill inside with a few sticks. We selected eight caterpillars, leaving plenty in the garden, placed them in the terrarium, and put a movable screen on top. We brought it all indoors to a bright, cool place, and used a mister to get moisture to the caterpillars.

After a spurt of continued eating, the caterpillars slowed down and then stopped eating, becoming motionless for long periods. One remained vigorous, climbed to the screen, and stuck itself to it with a gluey substance it created. Within hours, it was in a brown chrysalis that seemed too small for it. (A pupa that will become a butterfly is called a "chrysalis." A pupa that will become a moth is a "cocoon," although common usage mixes the words.)

We thought the other caterpillars were dying and watched with guilt, but on the third morning Katharine spotted another chrysalis, looking like a nub of a branch on the side of a stick. It was the exact color of the stick. Then she spotted a green chrysalis on the side of the terrarium, the color of the green background just outside the terrarium. These caterpillars were camouflage experts. We found others looking like branch nubs, but the number found didn't add up to the eight we'd placed. Two managed to hide so well they were undetected.

Five days after we saw the first chrysalis, there was a butterfly. It was a black swallowtail and from wingtip to wingtip was almost the width of my open hand. Its deep black body had dozens of iridescent, small

yellow and blue dots on the wings, more numerous toward the outside edges, and it had two false eyes on the back of its head. The butterfly hung on a stick upside down, pulsing its wings in a slow motion, drying them from the slippery substance that had allowed it to slide out of the chrysalis. It moved in such a manner as to not attract attention from predators, and it looked like a leaf moving in a little breeze.

In an hour its wings were dry enough to fly, so we took the terrarium outside and gently removed the top screen so we wouldn't disturb the full chrysalis still on it. I put my hand inside the terrarium to guide the butterfly out, and it surprised us by grabbing my forefinger. Its touch was light as could be imagined. The beautiful insect was motionless as I lifted my hand out. It paused, then flew like it had flown forever and headed to the evergreen woods near our house. It was a common occurrence usually unobserved, but it stirred both Katharine and me into a long moment of silence. We'd witnessed the birth of beauty.

Of the eight caterpillars, seven flew away to send their descendants to our dill next year. The eighth struggled to leave its pupa but didn't survive.

On the night we cleared out the terrarium, we were visited by an animal on the other end of the spectrum of life. A black bear came to the front porch while we slept and ripped down two hanging bird feeders and in the process broke the iron hangers they were on. The bear tore open the feeders using its teeth and powerful paws and ate the birdseed, which is candy to bears. The destroyed feeders were several yards from the house with teeth marks through them. The only other things the bear left was a paw print on the top of a railing and a bent branch on a giant rhododendron.

Black bears rarely attack humans, although they'll bluff by smacking the ground and pretending to charge. The last human killed by a bear in New Hampshire was in 1784. Smart dogs won't bother bears. Dumb dogs will be swatted aside like flies. Some people who live in our area gave up bird feeders because of the bears. We compromised and bought new bird feeders, which we take down at night.

Living in the country, a little north of Andover, is beautiful and interesting.

Bill Dalton writes a weekly column for the Townsman and can be contacted by e-mail at billdalton@andovertownie.com.



SOARING SOLO



Courtesy photos

Rob Banta, an Andover 16-year-old who dreamed of flying his whole life, takes solo flights in a sailplane.

16-year-old pilot: 'I just sort of like the thrill'

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

It's a bird ... it's a plane ... no, it's teen Rob Banta. And he's in a glider with no engine.

Banta, 16, has been piloting gliders high above the clouds for over a year now and is a member of Greater Boston Soaring Club of Sterling. He's a member of their juniors program for aviation buffs under age 18. Banta said there are about 15 to 20 teens in the program.

Banta soared solo for the first time this June, in an L-23 Super-Blanik sailplane. The Gavin Circle resident will be a junior at Andover High School this September, and has loved flying for most of his life.

His father brought him flying at age

5, and the family says that at soccer games as a young boy he would sometimes be distracted by planes passing overhead.

"Even as a small child (when) his father, Bob, started to take him to fly, he always looked up," Chris Banta, Banta's mother, said of her son.

"I just love the freedom. It's not like a feeling you get in a car or from riding a bike," Rob Banta said. "I guess I just sort of like the thrill of it."

A sailplane is a light glider used especially for soaring. In Banta's case, his sailplane is towed to a grassy runway and rises some 3,000 feet above ground. He's typically flying above the clouds and sailplane pilots get to stay high in the sky for as long as they want, he said. While some sailplanes have motors and

engines, the ones he uses do not. A calm day with some clouds in the sky is all he needs, to enjoy a flight in his enclosed cockpit. A windy day means he can't fly.

"The highest I've been is a mile (5,280 feet)," Banta said. "I wouldn't say I am fearless because I am not fearless. But, I'm pretty comfortable up there."

His fascination with planes is now part of his career plans. He hopes to study mechanical engineering with an aeronautical specialty when he goes to college. He also wants to obtain his private pilot's license in soaring and then move on to power planes. Ultimately, he'd like to pursue a career as an airline pilot.

"There's an aviation totem pole and I want to work my way up," he said.

Free weekly concerts



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Nicole Flanagan, 2, plays with her sister Emily, 5, while snacking on blueberries last Wednesday night. They, and a few dozen other people, had gathered in the Park downtown for the free weekly concert, but the band canceled because of a threat of bad weather.

What our ancestors did for summer fun



Andover Stories

Joan Patrakis
Andover Historical Society

Some of Andover's earlier residents bathed in Haggetts Pond and cruised its waters by steamer. They danced on the banks of the Shawsheen River and picnicked in local shady groves. Adventurers traveled by trolley to popular resort areas or explored local and regional landscapes by "wheel." Movies and sports captured their interest in the 1900s. At now-forgotten Andover places, residents enjoyed summer fun — except on Sunday.

Haggett's Pond (now referred to by the town as Haggetts Pond) was a popular destination for



This Andover Historical Society photo shows a group of 1890s picnigoers at Haggetts Pond.

residents and out-of-towners in the 19th century. Shady Side Grove advertised a saloon, a cook house, and an expanded dance hall in 1870. A bowling alley was added later. The steamer Spitfire, with a capacity of 35 passengers, provided tours around the pond

during the 1880s. Fishing, boating and picnicking were enjoyed and, although bathing was common, it was prohibited when the pond became the town water supply in 1889. Even then, cows and trespassers regularly ignored the law.

Ballardvale's Shawsheen River Grove, near Pole Hill, was a popular attraction in the early 1900s. Two swimming holes, a cook house and a dance pavilion provided daylong enjoyment for visitors. For the convenience of Boston visitors, the Boston and Maine Railroad scheduled a special stop at the Grove and provided service until midnight. An annual festive event in the 1890s was "the colored picnic," featuring the Cakewalk. The winning couple was awarded a 20-pound cake filled with 10 silver pieces.

Indian Ridge Grove offered a historic backdrop, as well as a shady retreat from summer heat. The nation's 100th anniversary was observed at the grove in 1876 with patriotic music, speeches and the reading of the Declaration of Independence. Approximately 2,000 people enjoyed baseball and croquet matches, as well as tub races and a greased pole contest. An abundance of

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

COMPILED BY SUSAN MCKELIGET

100 Years Ago: July 29, 1910

The ground near Mrs. Amos Blanchard's house on Elm street was ploughed up by lightning in the thunder shower of Wednesday night.

Three special cars, conveying the employees of the Lawrence Dye Works, of Lawrence, on their annual outing, passed through the square Saturday morning.

The inventory of the estate of the late Evelyn Batchelder of Andover was filed on Wednesday morning. It amounts to \$4,886.64.

Miss Bessie Goldsmith of Elm street is visiting the home of Mrs. P.B. Whittemore at Alton Bay, N.H.

Miss Lillian Pike and Miss Mildred

Ward are at Hampton beach.

Charles Warden has severed his connection with J.P. Wakefield's market and entered the employ of E.M. Hanley Company of Boston.

75 Years Ago: July 26, 1935

Twenty-five years ago Wednesday morning a rock was brought to Rabbit's pond. That might seem like carrying coals to Newcastle, but this was a very special rock. Today it rests by the side of the pond, with a bronze tablet on it, dedicated to the seminary students who a century and a quarter ago had met there to talk over plans for a missionary project which led to the organization of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Chief of Police George A. Dane is on

his annual two-week vacation, with night sergeant Leonard Saunders acting as chief during his absence. Officer John Deyermund is acting sergeant in charge of the station nights. Chief Dane and Mrs. Dane are at Salisbury Beach.

Fire Chief and Mrs. Charles Emerson are enjoying a motor trip to Virginia and other Southern points. Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Buxton are accompanying them.

A monster whist and beano party, the proceeds of which are to go to a worthy cause, is to be held next Wednesday evening in the former I.O.O.F. hall in the Musgrove building.

The annual baby show, scheduled for last Friday night but postponed because of rain, will be held tonight at

the summer playground. The awards will be made in accordance with the popular applause of the children. There will be five divisions, one for each year up to 4 and one for twins of any age under 4.

50 Years Ago: July 28, 1960

An Andover police cruiser was damaged Tuesday afternoon while in pursuit of a stolen car, the driver of which escaped by running into the woods at Haverhill and High streets. The car was a 1960 Chevrolet Impala, owned by Lydia R. Santigati, 85 Princeton Ave. The vehicle, which had travelled only 2,000 miles, was stolen while parked outside 38 Parker St., Lawrence.

Free parking will be allowed in Andover on Friday and Saturday

during the annual midsummer Value Days sponsored by local merchants. Selectmen Monday evening voted to allow parking at meters without charge during the shopping carnival.

The establishment of a standard for student attire at Andover High School, and the matter of students engaging in too many outside community activities, are subjects now under consideration by the School Committee. A handbook published in 1953 set forth the proper attire for students attending the high school classes and social functions. The principal also expressed his views on students being asked to take part in community drives and other functions which take up a good deal of time which could be put to use for study of school subjects.

JULY FIRST BIRTHDAYS



Jamison Harris Bresnick

Jamison Harris Bresnick celebrated his first birthday on July 2. He is the son of Louis and Marlena Bresnick of Andover. He enjoys playing with his sisters, Jessica and Gabriella. His favorite activities are climbing stairs and dancing to his favorite songs. He brings joy to his family and friends, his family said.

The Townsman typically prints first birthday messages for babies in the last issue of the month they were born. First birthday messages for babies born during August 2009 are due Friday, Aug. 20 for inclusion in the Aug. 27 Townsman.

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

By SENIOR CENTER STAFF

The Andover Senior Center offers a variety of activities. Call 978-623-8321 for information, or drop by for a tour at 30 Whittier St., between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The center is in the bottom floor of the school administration building, behind Town Offices at 36 Bartlet St.

Movie Matinee: During Mondays in August at 1 p.m. enjoy the "Give My Regards to Broadway" music series, a journey back to the age of the silver screen, with movies on the center's large-screen TV. The movies are free of charge. Purchase candy and soda for no more than \$1 each. Here's the lineup:

- Aug. 2: "42nd Street" (1933, starring Busby Berkeley)
- Aug. 9: "Oklahoma!" (1955, starring Shirley Jones)

■ Aug. 16: "The King and I" (1956, starring Yul Brynner and Deborah Kerr)

Fun & Games: Every Tuesday in our Four Seasons Room from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.. Play Wii, ping-pong, Scrabble, checkers, etc. Free.

Grill Nights: Described as "Andover's best kept secret," three nights of outdoor grilling on Aug. 4 and 18, and Sept. 1, running from 5 to 7 p.m. each night. Entrees start at \$4, and the cost includes all the sides. There will be free entertainment from the Gentlemen Songsters on Aug. 4. Reservations are a must.

Lobster Bake: Saturday, July 31, 6 p.m. Cost: \$17 for lobster or \$12 for chicken. Dinner will consist of lobster or chicken, steamers, corn on the cob, watermelon, dessert and beverage. Upbeat

and spirited entertainment with the singing ensemble Women of Note, a wonderful "beauty shop" style a cappella women's group. Advance tickets a must.

Trip: On Aug. 18, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., visit the Arundel Barn Playhouse for "Forbidden Broadway." Trip includes Maine coastal sightseeing, with lunch at the Cape Porpoise Pier Chowder House. Then we'll head to the theater to see a hilarious parody of Broadway's greatest hits. Cost: \$48.

Men's Outdoor Adventures: Aug. 4 at 9:30 a.m., two-hour hike through Harold Parker State Forest led by park interpreter. Comprising 3,000 acres, this park is a treasure in Andover residents' own backyard. Please call to preregister for this free hike.

Brown Bag Lunch: Super Side

Trips in China, Tuesday, Aug. 10 at noon, \$2, includes dessert and beverage. Enjoy a slide show and talk about China off-the-beaten-trail. Entertainment, rituals and ceremony from ancient times to the present will be discussed, presented by Elaine Meisinger, photographer, whose artwork will be in the lobby the month of August. Advance registration required.

Patry Party: Wednesday, Aug. 11 at 2 p.m. Simple summer pleasures - fountain drinks and ice cream available a la carte. In preparation for "The Crystal Ballroom at the Townhouse," there will be free instruction on a variety of dances offered from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. Call for reservations.

Lyme Disease, Are You Protected?: Friday, Aug. 13 at 9:30 a.m. Get tips from our local health

department about identifying and avoiding ticks common to this area for yourself and your pets. Free of charge, preregistration appreciated.

Lobster Roll Luncheon: On Thursday, Aug. 19 at 1 p.m. choose between lobster roll or fried clams with all the sides. Cost is \$8.50, or \$10 with chowder. By advance ticket only.

Cataracts: New research and cures presented by Dr. Kwon, specialist in refractive surgery, on Aug. 20 at 10 a.m.

Big Band Bash: On Aug. 17 at 12:45 p.m. for \$5, there will be a musical tour of the Big Band era by comedian and puppeteer Brenda Webber. Ice cream and games will be afterward at this all-ages show. Please come with the family. Kids menu available for lunch that day only. Advance sign-up a must.

Picnic for friends

Gia Masiyiwa, 2, from Andover, attended the Teddy Bear Picnic at the Professional Center for Child Development on Osgood Street. Gia and her favorite stuffed friend enjoyed a beautiful day.



STORIES: Entertainment in the 1890s

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food and iced lemonade were served.

At the turn of the 20th century, open trolley cars carried residents to Canobie Lake Park and Salisbury Beach, unless the weather decided otherwise. Families and church groups packed picnic baskets and headed off for a day of fun. The Townsman noted it seemed like "one of the principal objects of the occasion was to carry baskets full of food into another state in order to eat it!" Organized outings to the popular resorts generally attracted groups of 200 to 300 despite the fact most of the day was spent traveling to and from the area.

Bicycling was popular by the

1880s, but not with carriage drivers and pedestrians who complained cyclists "hogged" roadways and sidewalks. In 1888 a velocipedes race through downtown streets was held at the Fourth celebration. The Andover Wheelmen, a group organized in 1893, promoted local bicycle trips and "runs" throughout New England. Club runs were not allowed on the Sabbath.

Movies made the Andover scene in 1909 and within months the Wonderland Theatre on Elm Street was expanded to accommodate overflowing crowds.

Crickets, baseball and soccer drew large followings to the Playstead and Shawsheen's Balmoral Park.

In 1919 moviegoers and sports fans began a long battle with traditionalists over the question of Sunday amusements. In early 1920, 22 women's organizations opposed an article allowing Sunday movies. They publicly appealed to their husbands and fathers to defeat it, since "being women we have no vote in the affairs of town meeting." The article was defeated. Women gained the vote later that year.

In 1932, Sunday movies and sports were finally approved by Town Meeting. When the sale of beer passed a year later, the Townsman noted "this old rock-ribbed New England town had finally caught up to the outside world."

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Attorney Marybeth McInnis grew up in North Andover and continues to live in the community with her husband. She is a member of the American Bar Association, the Boston Bar Association's Estate Planning Committee, and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. She is also a Director of the Friends of Merrimack College, Trustee of the James W. O'Brien Foundation, Inc., and is also licensed to practice in New Hampshire as well as Massachusetts.

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Business

Out-of-the-box transportation

Andover native works to bring European-style bikes stateside

BY BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

For Will Kearins, an Andover native living in Copenhagen, the morning commute goes something like this: He pedals as his wife and young son ride in a sturdy cargo bin built into his bicycle frame. Within a few city blocks, he drops Dorthe off at work and Kristian at his nursery school, and he continues on to his workshop, where he works on prototypes and marketing for his line of cargo bikes called Boxcycles.

Kearins, 31, is working to bring the three-wheeled bikes to the U.S., and his first shipment arrived stateside last week.

The American bike market is poised for Boxcycles, Kearins said, which he believes is perfect for shopping and errands or trips to the beach, park or school. His first shipment, delivered to bike retailers in five pilot cities, has sold out and he's collecting orders for a second shipment.

While home to oversee the shipment, Kearins and his family took a Boxcycle to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket to gauge reaction and do some grassroots marketing.

Several other European bike companies are also beginning to market cargo bike models across the pond, he said.

"It was becoming apparent if I wasn't going to do it, someone else was," said Kearins, who was known as Billy growing up in Andover. "Maybe people don't understand (the cargo bike concept) now, but they will."

Cargo bikes suit the green and healthy living trends, Kearins said, and also relate to "a down economy, and getting back to basics."

Boxcycles can be used to substitute or supplement a family's vehicle, he said. They cost \$2,599 but he points out the purchase price will quickly pay for itself in savings on gas, parking, insurance and vehicle maintenance.

In bike-friendly Copenhagen, Kearins and his family do not own a car.

There are an estimated 15,000 cargo bicycles on the road in Copenhagen, he said. Five companies based in the city design and sell them. The post office uses a fleet of cargo bikes to deliver mail and street vendors use them to sell coffee and other wares.

"For me, it's like a pickup truck," he said, because he uses it to carry everything from groceries to workshop supplies.

Danes ride bicycles year-round, Kearins said. The cargo bin on a Boxcycle can hold up to 250 pounds, and has a bench seat with seat belts and a removable weather-proof hood.

When he moved to the Danish capital city



PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photos

Andover native Will Kearins runs a business selling a European-style bicycle that has a front storage compartment. He calls his line of bikes Boxcycles.



Kearins takes his cargo bike out for a ride.

three years ago, its "bike culture" was one of the first things that struck him, he said.

"I sold my car the day before I got on the plane. It killed me to do it," Kearins said, breaking into a smile.

He went from being single and owning two cars in the U.S. to having a family and no car in Copenhagen. Soon after moving, he built a prototype cargo bicycle for his family and started working on a business plan to market the bikes in the U.S.

"The biking scene was world-class. I thought I might as well join the crowd," he said.

He approached Christiania Bikes, a company that began designing cargo bikes in the 1970s for the vehicle-free Christiania section of Copenhagen. Kearins met with a finance officer from the company, explaining months of research and his business plan to bring cargo bikes to the U.S.

Christiania Bikes agreed to let Kearins do his own branding, marketing and promotion to break into the U.S. market. Kearins sells a Christiania bike with a few of his own design elements.

He owns the exclusive rights to sell Christiania bikes in the U.S. and is owner of the Boxcycles company.

He designed a website and word spread quickly, and Kearins began fielding orders

for Boxcycles. For the first order, he worked with a single bike retailer in five bike-friendly cities: San Francisco, Chicago, New York, Portland, Ore., and Minneapolis, Minn.

With a degree in communications from Boston College, he is learning the ropes of business management as he goes. When he first moved to Copenhagen, Kearins took a summer course in entrepreneurship from a local college. He formed his business plan for Boxcycles as a project for the course and presented it to the class.

"It was a humbling experience," Kearins said, as his classmates shot down the idea. How would cargo bikes work in a country with no bike lanes, they asked.

The critique only spurred him to tweak his business plan and do more research.

Kearins says he lives by a quote from Yvon Chouinard, founder of the Patagonia outdoor clothing and gear company: "If everybody thinks you have a good idea, you're too late."

It's been roughly one year since Kearins took his first summer business course and the first shipment of Boxcycles arrived in the U.S. He has been a full-time student through the process, enrolled in a master's level entrepreneurship program at Copenhagen Business School.

"It's all been fast and furious, up and down," Kearins said. "When I have an idea, I go all out."

A 1997 Phillips Academy graduate, Kearins is the son of Pam Sheehy, who still lives in Andover. He has two older sisters, Kasie Sullivan, who lives in Reading, and Mia Fagan, who lives in Taunton. His younger sister, Krit, passed away at age 26 in 2008 after a bicycle accident in Boston.

Will Kearins travels between Copenhagen and the states several times a year for family visits, which he said he hopes will be more frequent as more shipments of Boxcycles cross the ocean.

For more information, visit boxcycles.com.

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

Ardito recognized for achievement

Lawrence J. Ardito, president of Toscano and Ardito PC of North Andover and Portsmouth, N.H., was among those honored by the University of Massachusetts Lowell for success in business, education and community involvement.

Ardito, a 1969 graduate of the university and Andover resident, received the Francis Cabot Lowell Award for Outstanding Achievement in Business. He was one of seven people honored and the only business award recipient at the annual Francis Cabot Lowell Alumni Awards and Honors Fellows Gala at the UMass Lowell Inn and Conference Center.



Lawrence J. Ardito

Burgess joins wealth management office

Catherine D. Burgess, CFP, has successfully completed Morgan Stanley Smith Barney's rigorous investment studies program in New York and has joined the firm's wealth management office in Danvers as a financial adviser, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney announced. Burgess, who is originally from Andover, joins a three-member team that provides a range of wealth management services.

Burgess holds a bachelor's degree from Boston College and a certificate in financial planning from Merrimack College. She is a 1991 graduate of Governor Dummer Academy and lives in Charlestown.

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School supply drive at local bank

Danversbank's annual backpack and school supply drive will benefit three regional organizations this year, each of which offer support services to children in need. This year's beneficiaries are Healing Abuse and Work- ing for Change, Horizons for

Homeless Children and Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless. Danversbank is a wholly owned subsidiary of Danvers Bancorp Inc.

New supplies may be dropped off at all Danversbank locations, including the Andover branch at 18 Central St., through Aug. 20. The organizations are in particular need of backpacks this year, according to the bank. Other school supplies sought include, but are not limited to, the following:

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- Calculators

Wright-Pierce enters circle

Wright-Pierce has been selected for the 2010 Circle of Excellence by PSMJ Resources Inc., "the premier management consulting firm for the A/E/C industries," according to a release.

Wright-Pierce has been recognized as a "top performing" firm by PSMJ for four of the past five years.

The PSMJ Circle of Excellence is determined by weighting each firm's ranking in the overall 2010 PSMJ A/E Financial Performance Benchmark Report with respect to 13 individual benchmarks. These benchmarks are indicative of performance in the various aspects of business operations, including cash flow, overhead control, business development, project performance, staff utilization, and overall profitability.

"The 13 benchmarks that determine the Circle of Excellence were chosen to reflect that the firm is well-managed, has a strong client base, and is led in a responsible and sustainable manner," H.E. Daniels, PSMJ's survey editor, said in a release.

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Education

Andover resident awarded fellowship for doctorate

The Krell Institute has announced Seth Davidovits of Andover has been awarded a Computational Science Graduate Fellowship from the Department of Energy. Davidovits, a 2006 graduate of Andover High School, will pursue a doctoral degree in the field of applied physics at Princeton University beginning in the fall.

The Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellowship is a highly competitive program funded by the Office of Science and Office of Defense Programs. Initiated by the Office of Science and first awarded in 1991, this fellowship has supported more than 250 students at more than 50 universities. Fellowships are granted annually and fund the education of doctoral students whose course of study focuses on

the use of high-performance computers to solve complex problems in science and engineering.

Davidovits joins a group of 21 first-year fellows in 2010, bringing the total number of current DOE CSGF program participants to more than 65 students in 21 states. As part of the program, these individuals are afforded exceptional benefits including a yearly stipend; full payment of

university tuition and required fees during the appointment period; and an annual academic workstation purchase and conference travel allowance. In return, they must complete coursework in a scientific or engineering discipline, computer science, and applied mathematics and are also required to complete a three-month practicum at one of 17 DOE national laboratory sites.

The fellowship and practicum experiences have proven to be an effective workforce recruitment tool for the national labs. Approximately 25 percent of DOE CSGF fellows who complete the program currently work or have worked in a Department of Energy laboratory. Other program participants secure employment with educational institutions and in private industry.



Seth Davidovits

Mom earns scholarship at NECC

ELLEN SMALL DAVIS
NECC PUBLIC RELATIONS WRITER

A few years ago Judy LeClerc decided that after operating a successful day care for nearly two decades, it was time to trade in the diapers for a diploma. Next spring, this 57-year-old Northern Essex Community College student will receive associate degrees in both Business Management and General Studies. With a GPA just shy of 4.0, she was an obvious choice for a Women of NECC scholarship.

The Andover resident was delighted with the \$1,000 scholarship, which, she says, will be applied directly toward paying for two classes and their required books. LeClerc was just one of 200 Northern Essex students to receive a scholarship this year. The college awarded over \$169,000 in scholarships to eligible students.

A native of West Springfield, LeClerc graduated from West Springfield High School in 1970. She attended Western New England College briefly before leaving school to work as a clerk for an insurance company. Eventually, LeClerc married and moved to the West Coast with her husband. Two of her three children were born in California. Ten years later they returned to the East Coast, settling in Andover where they welcomed their third child and she opened her own day care, caring for more than 200 children over the next 19 years.

With her own children in and out of college, LeClerc decided it was time to pursue a new career. She attended an NECC



Courtesy photo

Judy LeClerc, an Andover mother of three who ran a day care in her home for 19 years, returned to college after her kids finished school. She will graduate with an associate degree in May.

Women Returning to School Information Night and happily learned she could transfer 48 credits from her early college days, which she says was an impetus for her to pursue a degree.

"I always preached the value of an education to my children and decided to take my own advice," says the daughter of Polish/Canadian immigrants who had little formal education.

"I wanted to take one or two classes to market myself, but one class turned into two and two turned into more. I discovered classes could be fun," she

said. "I found the teachers inspirational and the students and staff friendly."

The online and hybrid classes she found particularly helpful, she said.

Her immediate plans, upon graduating, are to find an office administration position working directly with the public. An ardent reader and animal lover, she wouldn't mind dovetailing her avocations with a new vocation, but is open to anything.

"One important lesson I learned from being in school," she says, "is it keeps you young."

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

In addition to Judy LeClerc, Andover residents who received NECC scholarships are:

- Jennifer Ferreira, the recipient of the Irene J. & Michael A. Bevilacqua Memorial Scholarship;
- Susan Lafleur, the recipient of the J. Herbert Kimball & John Rogers Memorial Scholarship; and
- Lucy Wahinya, the recipient of Dr. Ibrahim El-Hefni Technical Training Scholarship.

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Rebecca Zinsmeister of Andover was named to the dean's list for the 2010 spring semester at Georgetown University. The dean's list is comprised of students who attained a grade-point average of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.

Brian Bevacqua of Andover graduated from Green Mountain College in Poultney, Vt., this spring with a Bachelor of Science degree in youth development and camp management.

Green Mountain College is a coeducational liberal arts college with an environmental theme.

Daniel Powers of Andover has been named to the dean's list for the 2010 spring semester at Wentworth Institute of Technology.

Wentworth Institute of Technology is an independent, co-educational, nationally ranked institution offering career-focused education through 14

bachelor's degree programs in areas such as architecture, computer science and systems, construction management, design, engineering, engineering technology, environmental science, and management.

Kelsey Thorn, Class of 2012 at Skidmore College, has earned highest honors. She is the daughter of Andrea Thorn of Andover.

Highest honors are awarded for a quality-point ratio of 3.670 or more from a possible 4.0. Honors are awarded for a grade-point ratio of 3.4 to 3.669.

Matthew R. McMahon and Robert J. Tornatore of Andover were named to the spring 2010 dean's list from Bridgewater State College.

The following Andover residents have graduated from Boston College:

■ Meghan Mcdermott graduated with a Bachelor of Science

degree from the university's Wallace E. Carroll School of Management.

■ Christopher Gibson graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Julian Vastl graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Caitlin Doherty graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Noelle Petrillo graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Tiffany Wang graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Richard Sawyer graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the university's Wallace E. Carroll School of Management.

■ Steven Twomey graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree from the

university's Wallace E. Carroll School of Management.

■ Evan Cooke graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Emily Whalen graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Kasey Lafreniere graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's Carolyn A. and Peter S. Lynch School of Education.

■ Abigail Wheelwright graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the university's William F. Connell School of Nursing.

■ Christina Pierra graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

■ Amy Kasparian graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the university's College of Arts and Sciences.

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Peer pressure? Not an excuse

Ken Seifert

Positive and negative peer pressure, they are counteracting forces. As a teenager I knew the differences between the two.

Smoking, drinking, stealing, sexual relations and joining a group that wanted to be different and defiant were a few of the personal and community challenges in our neighborhood.

One evening while I was walking home from the ice cream parlor, a few buddies drove up in a car I had not seen before. Wanna go for a ride? Whose car is it? My older brother said I could use it for the night. Hop in. I knew his older brother didn't have a car and the driver didn't have a license. I jumped in and we went cruising. The driver started to laugh and we were going 50 miles an hour in a 30-mile zone as we crashed the stolen car into a public park chain link fence. We all quickly hopped out and scattered into the darkness. As I ran I thought, "If we get caught, I am going to have to face my Dad." He would want me to be honest. I had learned there was no way you could sweet talk your way past him. I could picture what he would say to me. "Now let me get this straight. You had such weak character you allowed your buddies to do something to you that you knew was wrong. Son, I would say you are a jackass. You deserve what is coming to you." Those words would hurt me more than anything the police would have done to me. I never did find out whose car it was, and it does bother me some to this day.

I came from a very supportive home. You could talk quite freely about sex, politics and religion. You could share problems and get a receptive ear. You would even get help no matter the issue. However, negative peer pressure was a concept not accepted in our home. Whatever happened was your decision. If you were stupid enough to go along for the ride you had to pay the fare. End of story. No debate. No discussion.

Flip Wilson, a talented comedian in the '70s, invented a character called Geraldine. She was very mischievous and would get into all kinds of predicaments, self inflicted, and then say, "The Devil made me do it." Devils were never accepted in our house.

I was certainly no angel in my teenage years. I was aware that some things would lead to a dead-end street. It was rare that I could be talked into doing stupid things. I may have done them, but peer pressure is a phony excuse for doing things that are unacceptable.

Such pressures are greater today when compared with my school years. I maintain my parents' weak character argument is still valid, and will be, far into the future.

As more forces outside the home and school emerge it might be beneficial to look at some positive things that can be done.

The research is clear: Cooperative learning produces greater achievement than traditional methods. Cooperative learning is a very well organized concept that teaches leadership, responsibility, teamwork and achievement of goals. There are a few examples in most school systems. They are the exception and not the rule. Research has also shown that students need very little convincing as long as they are with friends, or students with similar interests in an activity.

Now that we are increasing class sizes beyond reasonable limits, a student working in a productive group is another way of neutralizing such rising numbers. There are many things that can be done, but it does take cooperation if the trend is to be reversed. Positive peer pressure in the home and school will reduce negative peer pressure in the community. Reduction of phony alibis from everyone will also help win the war.

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

Grade 7 and up: \$300 bus fee due by July 30

Andover High and middle school students and their families have through July 30 to register and pay a \$300 fee to ride the bus to school and avoid a \$50 late fee.

Fees will not increase from last year. Individual students pay \$300 if they pay before July 30 and there is a cap of \$600 per family.

New students moving into the district will not be charged a late fee, regardless of when they register to ride the bus. Elementary students are not charged to ride the school bus.

Transportation forms have been mailed home to all bus-

riding students entering seventh through 12th grade. All bus-pass forms are also available at apsl.net (click on "parents" and "transportation" and follow the links on the left-hand side).

Reduced-cost and free bus transportation is available to low-income families who apply. Waiver applications are available at apsl.net.

Transportation Coordinator Mary Lu Walsh said her department hopes to receive all forms and payments by July 30.

Students who are not new to the district and who sign up to ride the bus after July 30 will be charged an additional \$50.

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At Emmanuel College's 88th Commencement exercises in May, nearly 600 bachelor's and master's candidates were awarded degrees including Andover students:

- **Ellen Scott**, who graduated with presidential honors and a degree in nursing
- **Sarajini Masih**, who graduated with a degree in nursing
- **Anastasia Bakas**, who graduated with a degree in management

Middlesex Community College students **Jessica C. Boulanger**, **Michael M. Alouane** and **Andrew D. Anketell** of Andover were inducted into the Alpha Delta Omicron chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor society for two-year colleges.

Students must have earned a cumulative 3.70 or higher grade-point average to be inducted into Phi Theta Kappa. The honor society initiation ceremony took place at MCC's annual Honors Night celebration, held recently on the Bedford campus.

Bentley University has announced the names of Andover residents who were named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement in the spring 2010 semester:

- **Jennifer Berger**, a junior majoring in accountancy
- **Joseph Cartolano** a junior majoring in corporate finance and accounting
- **Michael Primes** a sophomore majoring in corporate finance and accounting
- **Meghan Thomann** a sophomore majoring in finance
- **Caitlin Burke** a freshman majoring in business
- **Cameron Smith** a freshman majoring in business

Catelyn A. Johnson of Andover was named to the dean's list at Kirkwood Community College for the spring 2010 Semester. Students who achieve a 3.3 grade-point average or higher after completing 12 or more credit hours with the college are placed on the dean's list.

Jeffrey Bakkensen of Andover graduated from Georgetown University in May 2010.

Bakkensen earned a bachelor's degree from the Georgetown College of Arts and Sciences. He was one of 1,801 undergraduate students in Georgetown's Class of 2010.

Fairfield University has announced that the following Andover residents have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2010 semester:

- **Kelly George**, a senior majoring in business
 - **Jillian Himmer**, a sophomore nursing major
- Fairfield University, a comprehensive Jesuit university in Fairfield, Conn., challenges its students to lead inspired lives of leadership and service. To be selected for the dean's list, a student must attain a grade-point average of at least 3.5, of a possible 4.0.

Andover students **Emme K. Arnzen**, **Jesse M. Goldman** and **Seth A. Johnson** were named to the dean's list at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, for their outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2009-10 year.

Students whose grade point averages were 3.67 or higher were named to the dean's list.

Three Andover students received degrees from Emory University in Atlanta at its 165th commencement ceremony, according to the school.

■ **Bethany Caruso** received a Master of Public Health from the Rollins School of Public Health of Emory University.

■ **Molly Klarman** received a Master of Public Health from the Rollins School of Public Health of Emory University.

■ **Zheyang Wang** received an Associate of Arts from Oxford College of Emory University.

Zheyang Wang of Andover, son of Kan Wang and Beijuan Zhu, was named to the merit list of Oxford College, the two-year liberal arts division of Emory University located in Oxford, Ga., for the 2010 spring semester.

Students must earn a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher during the previous semester to be named to the merit list.

The following students from Andover have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2010 semester at Assumption College:

- **Kristin M. Walsh**, Class of 2010, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Walsh

■ **Lindsay P. Schoen**, Class of 2010, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin M. Schoen

■ **Colleen E. Ritze**, Class of 2011, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ritzer

Fairfield University, a Jesuit institution in Fairfield, Conn. presented 1,247 diplomas at its 60th Commencement May 23.

The following Andover residents were among the students who received degrees:

■ **Kelly A. George** received a bachelor's degree in accounting.

■ **Heather C. Dodge** received a bachelor's degree in prof studies-organization leadership.

■ **Casey E. Malarney** received a bachelor's degree in psychology.

Fifteen Andover residents have recently been named to the dean's list at Boston University for the 2010 spring semester.

- Students recognized for this honor include: **Ryan M. Furlong**, **Daniel L. Goncalves**, **Arjun Kannan**, **Michael P. Kasparian**, **David M. Keohane**, **Steve Kipuros Jr.**, **Jennifer L. McDonald**, **Casey J. Mitrano**, **Alexa L. Moccia**, **Gaetano P. Morello**, **Jessica L. Morrow**, **Jade A. Mosquera**, **Hannah E. Nichols**, **Emily J. Pallotta**, **John J. Zimmer**.

Boston University awarded academic degrees to the following Andover students:

- **Jessica W. Yu**, Bachelor of Science in communication, cum laude; **Casey J. Mitrano**, Bachelor of Arts in English and political science, cum laude; **Jennifer L. McDonald**, Bachelor of Science in communication; **Emily J. Pallotta**, Bachelor of Science in business administration and management, summa cum laude; **Victoria A. Shamshoyan**, Bachelor of Science in communication, magna cum laude; **Joanna K. Salini**, Bachelor of Arts in international relations; **Afshin Alian**, Bachelor of Science in biology, cum laude; **Elizabeth Zigmont**, Bachelor of Science in early childhood education, summa cum laude; **David J. Hirsch**, Master of Public Health in health policy and management; **Donna S. Shin**, Bachelor of Science in business administration and management; **Jeremy S. Peterman**, Master of Arts in psychology; **John P. Clark**, Master of Business Administration in health sector management; **Ayesha H. Ahmed**, Bachelor of Science in journalism; **Tiana R. McQuade**, Bachelor of Science in hospitality administration, magna cum laude.

The following Andover resident made the dean's list for Franklin and Marshall College's spring 2010 semester:

■ **John Brody**, son of Robert Brody and Susan Brody, is a graduate of Andover High School.

A student earns honors list recognition for achieving a 3.7 or better grade-point average, and dean's list recognition for achieving a 3.25 or better grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

■ **Michael Cerchione** of Andover, son of Michael and Linda Cerchione, was named to the University of Miami dean's list for the 2010 spring semester. He is an undergraduate student majoring in economics.

■ **Derek Cerchione** of Andover, a son of Michael and Linda Cerchione, was named to the dean's list at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y. for the 2010 spring semester. He is an undergraduate student majoring in biology.

University of Massachusetts Lowell has announced Andover students named to the dean's list for the spring 2010 semester. To qualify for the dean's list, students must have completed at least 12 graded credits for the semester, have at least a grade-point average of 3.25 with no grade lower than a C and cannot have any incompletes.

- The students are: **Steven Broutillette**, **Paula A. Bustos**, **James Arthur Callery**, **Mu Chen**, **Dan W. Conrad**, **Joshua Ryan Devine**, **Nicole Janel Gregory**, **Gregory Joseph Finger**, **Sheryl A. Garcia**, **Kane D. Guthrie**, **Yenitza Hernandez**, **Caitlin Murphy Kane**, **Eric Felix Krupnik**, **Ryan Arthur Mackay**, **Devin Morely McArthur**, **Sean Morely McArthur**, **Maeva Aime McGrotty**, **Maria Rose McSheehy**, **Satyam Pinakin Modi**, **Gerald Brian Mohan Jr.**, **Paul L. Nardone**, **Punam Anil Patel**, **Daniel Earle Piercy**, **Erica Marie Potts**, **Alexander Paul Rindone**, **Nicole Danielle Sambursky**, **Samantha M. Samoel**, **Ann Lyn Sullivan**, **Jared Taylor**, **Christopher Reed Tripp**, **Rishi Rao Vangapalli**

The following local residents were named to the University of Massachusetts Boston Dean's list for the spring 2010 semester:

- **Kayla Fosse**, **Molly Gentz**, **Marisol Scirra-Bolanos**, **Mary Pettoruto**, **John Sicilia Jr.**, **Matthew Garrity**, **Theodora Givens**, **Justin Coppola Jr.**, **David York**, **Samantha Amerault**

Local

After 17 years, new plans

Planning Board Chairman Paul Salafia resigns his post

By BETHANY BRAY
STAFF WRITER

In 17 years on the Planning Board, Chairman Paul Salafia has seen Andover grow by leaps and bounds. This month marks the end of his tenure, as he is resigning to focus more on his work.

"Seventeen years ago, the population was probably half of what it is today. We are near build-out. When I first came on the board, we were approving 20-lot subdivisions, two and three a month. Now, we get (applications for) two- and three-lot subdivisions. There's not a lot of good, buildable land in Andover left," Salafia said.

The South Main Street resident produces television commercials for a living, and the work's demanding travel schedule made it hard to juggle the time commitment of long hours as board chairman, he said. Salafia gave Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski a letter of resignation last month, and made his intention public at the July 13 Planning Board meeting.

"After 17 years, it's time to get fresh blood in there," Salafia said. "I don't play golf and I don't collect stamps. That (being on the Planning Board) was my hobby. I really enjoyed doing something that was so different from my profession ... It's been really a wonderful 17 years; I've loved it. I know I'm going to miss it. I will probably get involved with other projects in town some way."

Building projects that come before the Planning Board often have abutters or residents in opposition, and meetings can get tense. Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski praised Salafia for his "great poise" in leading the board.

"His tenure on the Planning Board was one of progress and growth for the town. He was involved with a number of commercial, industrial and residential projects, all of which were highly controversial, and he navigated them as a chairman of great poise and dispatch. He led the Planning Board through some of these tough times, and the decisions,



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Paul Salafia walks through the town yard, which he has supported moving out of the downtown.

although controversial, were always reached in the best interest of the town," Stapczynski said. "His love for Andover is written into the legacy that he leaves for all of us. I hope this won't be the last public

service venture for our good friend Paul Salafia."

During his tenure, Salafia and town planners have put countless hours into plans to move the town yard out of downtown and bring another interchange off Interstate 93 into southern Andover.

"We're all proud of the industrial base Andover has, and how the downtown has improved. I feel we are poised to have a flourishing downtown again," he said. "I drive downtown and I'm very proud I've been part of this the past 17 years."

Salafia's first interaction with the Planning Board came because he owned a significant amount of downtown rental property, and had applied to put on an addition to one of his buildings.

"Downtown parking is always difficult, and before coming before the board, I had pooled a couple of neighbors downtown to share parking. (Then-chairman) Hooks Johnson loved the idea, and asked me to be on the board. The rest is history," Salafia said.

Green trash compactors for downtown



The town made a point of capturing Matthew Rigazio, 7, who was the first to recycle in the Big Belly unit installed in front of Old Town Hall on Main Street July 15. The unit is one of five with a solar-powered trash compactor and attached bottle and can recycling container given to the town by the state Department of Energy Resources under the Green Communities Act.

Andover has doubled the number of solar-powered trash compactors in the downtown, a move that should keep the downtown cleaner and lets workers empty downtown trash receptacles less frequently because the compactors hold considerably more than traditional barrels.

The state Department of Energy Resources, under the Green Communities Act, has awarded the town five FY10 BigBelly Solar Compactors with bottle/can recycling units.

On Thursday, July 15, the Highway Division of the Department of Public Works began installing these new units on Main Street. Previously, the DPW had purchased four of the solar compactor units which are currently located in various downtown locations. Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said Andover had been looking to purchase these units but due to budget constraints the purchase was postponed.

"Andover has been designated as a Green Community and the addition of these five units from the grant is a welcomed surprise and a wonderful addition to our newly renovated downtown," Stapczynski said in a release.

The new units are being installed at the following locations: in front of the Town House at 20 Main St., in the parking lot behind the Town House, in front of CVS, in front of Dunkin' Donuts and in front of Ultimate Perk.

LOCAL SCHOLARS

Headmaster Jay Stroud named Andover student **Danielle McCullough** to the honors list at Tabor Academy for the second semester of the 2009-10 academic year. Honors is earned by compiling an overall average of 85 or above.

McCullough is a member of the Class of 2011 and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McCullough.

Tabor Academy is a four-year, college preparatory, boarding and day school, located on Buzzards Bay in Marion, 50 miles south of Boston. The student body is co-educational with students representing 27 states and 28 foreign countries.

■ **Colin Rivet** of Andover, Class of 2011, has been selected to participate in the National Student Leadership Conference, on Sports and Entertainment Management this summer at Fordham University.

During the conference, Colin will attend specialized workshops and classes designed to develop the skills and traits that define a leader. Leading professionals and professors from top colleges facilitate the programs and engage the students in hands-on activities that provide students with a day-in-the-life understanding of a prospective career. Trips and tours also enhance the students' experience, by tailoring them to their specific conference.

Colin will also have the opportunity to meet with and learn from recognized leaders. Past special guest speakers have included: Secretary of Education Rod Paige; U.S. Surgeon General Richard Carmona; Secretary of Defense Robert Gates; CIA Director Michael Hayden; Secretary of Veterans Affairs James Nicholson; Supreme Court Justices Anthony Kennedy, David Souter and Sandra Day O'Connor; as well as U.S. senators, U.S. representatives, governors, ambassadors, and leaders in the fields of medicine, business, engineering, diplomacy, law, politics, journalism and the arts.

"Students develop a sense of independence and responsibility," said Paul M. Lisnek, NSLC Leadership professor and former Assistant Dean of Loyola University Chicago School of Law. "They leave with a true feeling of accomplishment and confidence in their ability to handle the challenges that lie ahead."

Lawrence Academy of Groton has announced Andover students who were named to the academic honor roll for the winter trimester.

High honors were awarded to seniors **Jessica DeVito**, **Frances Hamilton**, and **Eric McKnight**, junior **Jamie Newsome**, and ninth-grader **Jillian Thero**. Honors were awarded to seniors **Kate Gilmore**, **Caroline Leed**, and **Marco Raffaelli**, juniors **Jennifer Caron**, **Brendan Cronin**, **Samuel Gilboard**, and **Bryce Stocks**, sophomore **Brett McQuaide**, and ninth-graders **Sarah Casey**, **Hannah Cunningham**, **Brian Finn**, **Madeleine Gray**, **Bess Muggia**, **Julia Savely** and **Gregory Stern**.

Andover residents **Christopher Johst** and **Svetlana Kobtseva**, members of the Class of 2010, graduated from Northfield Mount Hermon during the school's 127th commencement exercises on May 23.

Northfield Mount Hermon is a co-educational boarding school for students in grades nine through 12 and a postgraduate year. It engages the intellect, compassion, and talents of its students, empowering them to act with humanity and purpose.

Andover residents **Jaemun Bang** and **Jeffrey Springwater** graduated from Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall School during the school's 182 commencement ceremony June 5. Bang is the ward of Moon Hang Lee and will attend Oxford College of Emory University in Georgia. Springwater is the son of David and Julie Springwater and will attend Clark University in Worcester.

Chapel Hill Chauncy Hall School, located in Waltham, is a college preparatory, day and

boarding school.

Austin Preparatory School celebrated its 45th commencement in June. Austin's two top-ranking students, valedictorian Rebecca Tweedie of North Andover and salutatorian Ronald DiTullio of Wilmington, each addressed their classmates in farewell.

The following Andover residents received diplomas from Austin Preparatory School. Awards and post-graduation plans follow students' names.

- **Brendan Burke**, national honor society, Tufts University
- **William Green**, national honor society, medal for mathematics, Georgia Institute of Technology
- **Anna Sokolova**, Wheaton College

■ **Jennifer Garvin**, grade 12, and **Hanna Whirly**, grade nine, both from Andover, made the honor roll at the Williston Northampton School for the fourth quarter of the 2009-10 academic year.

Students earning honors are required to earn a grade-point average of 87.

■ **Mary French** of Andover, a graduating senior at Pingree School in South Hamilton, received the language department award for excellence in French at an end-of-year ceremony. She graduated with distinction and will attend Wellesley College in the fall.

Austin Preparatory School has announced Andover students who were recently inducted into foreign language honor societies:

- **Maura Green**, National High School Slavic honor society
- **Shannon McCarthy**, National Junior Classical League Latin honor society
- **Michelle Menezes**, National Junior Classical League Latin honor society
- **Emily Weidlein**, sociedadad honoraria hispanica

To qualify for induction, students must maintain high academic standing in their respective language classes, demonstrate a desire to continue studying the language and

participate in service.

WCVB-TV Channel 5 has awarded the 13th annual Kirby Perkins "A+ Scholarships" to eight deserving high school seniors. The scholarship fund was established in memory of NewsCenter 5 Reporter Kirby Perkins, who developed the unique "A+" reports for WCVB-TV's newscast. These segments, which continue as a signature NewsCenter 5 series that is now reported by Channel 5's David Brown, profile high school students who have excelled academically despite adverse circumstances.

This year's honorees, who were awarded a total of \$12,000, included **Justene Salomon** of Andover High School.

The Kirby Perkins A+ Scholarship Fund was established in July 1997 after Perkins passed away due to complications following heart failure.

■ **Amanda Brady** of Andover recently finished her freshman year at New Hampton School, a coed boarding and day school located in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire. Active in the music program as well as the tennis team, Brady made the honor roll in each semester and for the entire academic year.

■ **Courtney M. Naughton**, daughter of Kevin and Laurie Naughton of Andover, and a student at Central Catholic High School in Lawrence, was named the year 2010 recipient of the Saint Michael's Book Award for Academic Achievement with a Social Conscience. The award recognizes students who demonstrate a commitment to leadership in volunteer service and academic achievement.

Award recipients, named at schools throughout the country, are high school juniors who are inductees of the National Honor Society or an equivalent school-sponsored honors organization. They must demonstrate

Obituaries

Jocelyn A. Hale



ANDOVER — Jocelyn A. Hale, of Andover, the beloved wife of the late Philip Hale and daughter of the late Ralph and Pamela Boie, from Lawrence, died of a sudden illness on Wednesday, July 21, 2010.

Jocelyn leaves behind her children: Bruce P. Hale and his girlfriend Tracy Turner, both of Salem, N.H.; daughter, Lynne M. (Hale) and her husband Richard J. Robidoux of Andover; and Scott P. Hale of Andover. Jocelyn also leaves her daughter-in-law; Jamie A. Hale of Andover; grandchildren: Philip J. Hale of Grafton, James D. Hale of Andover, Courtney J. Hale of Charlestown, Kara L. and her husband Pierre Levesque of Sandown, N.H., and Richard S.

Emma B. Homsey, 95



METHUEN — Emma B. (Boshar) Homsey, 95, of Methuen, passed away Monday, July 19, 2010 at the Wingate Nursing Home in Andover. She was born in Lawrence and was the daughter of the late Mansour and Deebe (Hajjar) Boshar. Emma was raised in Lawrence and was a graduate of Lawrence High School. She worked for many years in the Greater Lawrence clothing industry and retired from Polo Clothing. She enjoyed making ceramic figurines, knitting, and crocheting afghans. Being surrounded by family were the happiest times of her life along with sharing her Arabic dishes. Emma was also a parishioner of St. Joseph's Melkite Church and was a member of the Daughters of St. Joseph. Emma was predeceased by her beloved husband, James M.

Homsey and her sister, Edna Alouf. She is survived by her sons, James P. Homsey and his wife Maureen of Windham, N.H., Kenneth M. Homsey and his wife Linda of Winchester and David Homsey of Methuen; her daughter, Jeanne E. Lally of North Andover; her brothers, John Boshar and his wife Genevieve of Andover and Ferris Boshar of Methuen, and her sister, Selma Ayoub of Andover. She is also survived by nine grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. **ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on July 22, 2010 at the Cataudella Funeral Home, Methuen. Her Funeral Mass was held on Friday, July 23, 2010 in St. Joseph's Melkite Church, 241 Hampshire St., Lawrence. Burial followed in the United Lebanese Cemetery, Lawrence. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to St. Joseph's Melkite Church, 241 Hampshire St., Lawrence, MA 01841. For online condolences, please visit our Web site at www.cataudellafh.com.**

Catherine R. Merrill, 96



ANDOVER — Mrs. Catherine R. (Darby) Merrill, a lifelong resident of Andover and beloved wife of the late Frank Merrill, passed away on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, surrounded by her loving family. She was 96 years old. Born in Andover, Catherine was the beloved daughter of the late Thomas and Mary Elizabeth (Harkin) Darby. She was a wonderful homemaker, always caring for her family and others. She was a communicant of St. Augustine Church in Andover and loved to volunteer her time. Catherine will be sorely missed by her two daughters and son-in-law, Kathleen Merrill Reardon of Andover, and Nancy Merrill Smith and her husband,

Louis Smith of Pelham, N.H.; three sons and daughter-in-law, John Merrill of Billerica, Daniel J. and his wife Sharon Merrill of Lawrence, and Robert T. Merrill of Tewksbury; 14 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. **ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., Andover, Monday, July 26, 2010, at 10 a.m. Calling hours were held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main St., Andover, Sunday, July 25, 2010, from 4 to 8 p.m. Burial will be in St. Augustine Cemetery, Andover. Donations in Catherine's memory may be made to VNA Care Network & Hospice, 120 Thomas St., Worcester, MA 01608. For additional information, please visit www.burkemagliozi.com.**

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Life in the Land of the Grieving

Ed Wright

I am writing from the viewpoint of a recent widower after 55 years of a happy marriage. My intention is to help you understand and deal with your grief as best you can. There is no cure for grieving but time and effort can make it easier to cope with. Whereas the first shock of grieving leaves your mind numb and unable to focus on the present as your grief comes in spurts, the challenge of phase two is loneliness – an intense feeling of which you are totally aware. Sometimes you wake in the morning and without any warning loneliness takes over. The lyrics of an old song

capture the reality of loneliness exactly "I'll Never Be the Same- There is Such an Ache in My Heart." Although there is a lot that a smile may hide, I know down deep inside I'll never be the same again. That feeling is described by many as a hole in the heart. People struggling with loneliness are faced with the problem of how to handle a 16-hour day, how to fill their waking hours as they battle with loneliness. Some days you wake in the morning with the frightening thought that you are alone, your partner of many years has gone to God and there you are facing the hours on your own. This article tries to suggest what you might do about this problem, which in all truth, as everyone I interviewed has told me, never totally goes away. But

you can learn to handle it. The truth is, I am a lousy widower. I keep longing to go back to the guy I used to be living with my life-long friend and lover Helen in our home on Mystic Avenue in Melrose, Mass. I am still trying to sell my house, my home is buried with Helen in the Wyoming Cemetery. Also buried there is our life of mutual affection often expressed without words – just by being together most of the time. This part of our married life is impossible to replace as a widower, no matter how many old and new friends you have. The symptoms of a loneliness attack are much the same for everyone. Sometimes without warning you feel terribly sad and you feel that your eyes are about to fill with tears but they don't. They stop just short. Other times tears

flood your eyes but you don't totally break down. Your throat tightens up. Your stomach feels empty and your body slows down. These attacks can come out of nowhere at unexpected times. Loneliness has no set schedule. It can come without warning at times or places where you least expect it. In a place where you always went together, or while you are listening to a song you both loved or "our song" as couples love to call it, or while watching Judge Judy at 4 p.m. in the afternoon which you always did together, or at the Chinese restaurant where you always went to decide a serious family matter like upcoming surgery, plans for your wedding anniversary or the family summer vacation, or Shaw's supermarket where you always went together on Saturday morning.

Loneliness sometimes takes a few days off, but it always returns to work at unexpected times and it is persistent. I encourage all people who are going through the problem of loneliness to make a personal list of what situations cause them trouble and to avoid those places and situations if possible. Everyone's list will be different but all will include times like birthdays and anniversaries or holidays which cannot be avoided. It is helpful, however, to avoid trying to go through the same kind of holiday routine celebrations you enjoyed with the lost family member. I also urge you to avoid spending long times alone. Make a conscious effort to be with other people, friends, family groups of any kind. Exercise daily and pray according to your personal beliefs.

Keeping a journal also helps. I personally constantly play the music of my life on a CD player. Sometimes I jump into my car and play dance music and sentimental ballads which reminds me of the affection shared with Helen as I ride along going to no particular place. Above all, you must accept mentally and emotionally that your life has changed forever. You cannot go back to the person who used to be you, because one half of you has gone to heaven. You are about to undergo an extreme makeover whether you like it or not. You must build a new identity. Truly you can't go home again, but you can be confident that your spouse wants you to have a happy life doing the things you like to do and God will always be with you.

News

■ POLICE LOG

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ARRESTS

Tuesday, July 20 — At 6:40 p.m., Steven J. Black, 25, of 88 Saunders St. Apt. 2, North Andover, was arrested and charged with failure to wear a seat belt, speeding and driving with a suspended license; also on a warrant for driving with a suspended license. Saturday, July 24 — At 12:29 p.m., Erik William Wood, 25, of 18 Appleton St. Apt. 2, Lowell, was arrested and charged with driving without a license, uninspected vehicle and a tinted glass violation; also on a warrant for motor vehicle violations. Sunday, July 25 — At 3:30 p.m., Michael K. Stevens, 34, of 82 Bennington St. third-floor apartment, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked license, subsequent offense. Monday, July 26 — At 6:21 a.m., David S. Laffin, 32, of 107 Lowell Road, Apt. 203, North Reading, was arrested and charged on warrants for negligent operation and failure to pay fines for operating under the influence and speeding. At 6:37 a.m., John Branco, 41,

of 64 School St., Dracut, was arrested and charged with driving without a license; also on a warrant for shoplifting. At 4:12 p.m., Valter Ferreira Marra Jr., 56, of 8 Langmaid Ave., Apt. 3, Somerville, was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license. At 9:01 p.m., a 911 caller reported seeing three males attempting to break into cars on Enmore Street. At 9:18 p.m., Francisco Charlie, 26, of 189 Middlesex St., Lowell, was arrested and charged on warrants for breaking and entering a vehicle, credit card fraud, disorderly conduct, assault and battery and larceny. At 9:30 p.m., Jose J. Pacheco, 25, of 33 Easton St., Apt. 1, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and willful violation of a town bylaw.

INCIDENTS

Tuesday, July 20 — At 2:26 p.m., a restraining order was served on Main Street. At 5:11 p.m., an Oriole Drive resident reported hearing gunshots behind his house. A resident of Cutler Road reported a transformer blew, and a responding officer contacted National Grid. Friday, July 23 — At 5:33 a.m., report of loud chickens and roosters on Candlewood Drive. At 6:24 p.m., residents of Blackhorse Lane and Charles Circle reported hearing a loud noise like gunshots. A responding officer spoke with a Charles Circle resident that had a bucket of pool chlorine explode. Saturday, July 24 — At 7:58 p.m., an ambulance responded for a male resident that had overdosed on sleeping pills and alcohol. Monday, July 26 — At 11:46 a.m., a Campanelli Road employee filed a report of assault by a coworker on July 5. At 11:32 p.m., a caller reported an unsupervised party on Stoneybrook Circle. Three officers responded and issued a court summons.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Wednesday, July 21 — At 9:34 a.m., report of an overnight vehicle break-in, with a laptop and GPS stolen, Fairfax Drive. At 12:36 p.m., a Canterbury Street resident reported her car was gone through overnight. At 5:37 p.m., a Westminster resident reported her purse was stolen from her car, which was parked in her garage last night. Friday, July 23 — At 7:57 a.m. a Virginia Road resident reported an overnight vehicle break-in, with a computer stolen. At 8:28 a.m. another Virginia Road resident reported an overnight vehicle break-in, with a camera and loose change stolen. At 3:36 p.m., a Westminster resident reported a vehicle break-in several days ago. Sunday, July 25 — At 12:03 p.m. report of an overnight vehicle break-in, with loose change stolen, Westwind Road. Monday, July 26 — At 3:30 p.m., report of a vehicle struck a fire hydrant, Salem Street. At 5:46 p.m., report of crash with one person complaining of a back injury, Dascomb Road. At 6:26 p.m., four officers responded to a motorcycle crash, with injury, Bellevue Road.

AUTO ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, July 20 — At 2:59 p.m., a 911 caller reported a two-car crash, Elm Street. An ambulance was called for a head injury and two cars were towed. Thursday, July 22 — At 8:37 a.m., report of a deer struck by a vehicle, Lovejoy Road. At 6:17 p.m., a rear-end crash with one person complaining of back pain, Lowell Street. Friday, July 23 — At 5:39 a.m., an ambulance was sent to a two-car crash, High Plain Road. Sunday, July 25 — At 4:40 a.m., a 911 caller reported a vehicle rollover on River Road near Ravens Bluff, with a person ejected from the vehicle. Four officers and an ambulance responded. The vehicle had hit several trees as well as a mailbox and a guard rail on River Road. The driver was taken to the hospital, his parents notified and the vehicle towed. The tree department was called to take

care of trees blocking the road from the accident. The driver will be summonsed to court for operating to endanger and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

THEFT

Tuesday, July 20 — At 5:10 p.m., report of a bicycle taken from a North Main Street residence sometime last night. At 6:57 p.m., a second report of a bicycle stolen within the last day, Main Street. At 7:31 p.m., report of a cell phone stolen from Yang's Fitness, Dundee Park. Wednesday, July 21 — At 9:01 a.m., a past theft of a package left out for the mailman, Pine Brook Drive. Thursday, July 22 — At 10:41 a.m., report of check fraud, Main Street. At 5:01 p.m., an Elm Street resident reported theft through ebay.com. Friday, July 23 — At 2:43 p.m., report of identity theft, Hay Bale Road. At 5:10 p.m., report of bank fraud, Tobey Lane. Saturday, July 24 — At 11:36 a.m., report of theft of a motorcycle and several gas cans from a shed, Chandler Road. Monday, July 26 — At 10:19 a.m., report of a past theft of a bicycle from a Ridge Street driveway.

BREAKS

Friday, July 23 — At 2:35 a.m., a Longwood Drive resident reported a break-in, calling 911 after an ex-boyfriend broke a bedroom window. Three officers and detectives responded. At 6:28 a.m., a Cloverfield Drive resident reported an overnight break-in, with wallets, purse, money and a computer stolen. Three officers and detectives responded. At 10:15 a.m., a Chandler Road caller reported an overnight break-in. At 4:12 p.m., a Rutgers Road resident reported a break-in attempt sometime over the last few days. Sunday, July 25 — At 10:02 a.m., report of an overnight break-in to a garage, Andover Street.

'Monster' of a time



MARY SCHWALM/Staff photos

Nathan Stieger, 6, left, and Kyran Maher, 6, of Andover swing in the bucket of a construction vehicle parked in Andover during Monster Truck Day, organized by the Department of Community Services.



James Bourgeois, 4, of Andover takes the wheel of a big construction vehicle parked in Andover.



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FOURTEENTH ANNIVERSARY
Sunday, August 1, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.
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LOCAL SCHOLARS

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commitment to service activities in high school or community organizations, taking leadership roles in these activities.

Naughton was presented the book "First They Killed My Father: A Daughter of Cambodia Remembers" by Loung Ung, a 1993 Saint Michael's College graduate who has become a widely acclaimed author.

Students from Massachusetts high school and college technical education programs won the nation's highest awards at the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference. Industry leaders representing over 1,100 businesses, corporations, trade associations and unions recognized the students for their demonstrated excellence in 96 hands-on occupational and leadership contests, such as robotics, criminal justice, aviation maintenance and public speaking. All contests are designed, run and judged by industry using industry standards.

Top students winners received gold, silver and bronze medals. Many also received prizes such as tools of their trade and/or scholarships to further their careers and education.

The following students from Greater Lawrence Tech High School in Andover are winners and Skill Point Certificate recipients:

Team G: Jade Santiago, Alejandra Ortega, Margarita Ponciano

Team B: Scott Sok, Ronnie Garcia, Sheyla Inoa

Team W: Heather Le, Ann Marie Collazo



Brendan Burke



Shannon McCarthy



Michelle Menezes



Anya Sokolova

Austin Preparatory School recently recognized several Andover residents for excellence in academics, athletics and character at their annual awards assembly.

The following Austin Preparatory School students from Andover received awards:

Brendan Burke, senior, All-Around Athlete Award

Shannon McCarthy, junior, Brown University Book Award

Michelle Menezes, junior, Saint Anselm College Book Award

Anya Sokolova, senior, All-Around Athlete Award

Phillips Exeter Academy has announced the names of Andover students that made the honor roll for the spring 2010 semester:

Nathan B. Elkin, honors. He is the son of Ross and Jennifer Elkin.

Samantha L. Pellegrino, high honors. She is the daughter

of Anthony and Stephanie Pellegrino.

Anna S. Barr, high honors. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Barr.

More than 1,900 additional winners of National Merit Scholarships financed by colleges and universities have been announced by National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Officials of each sponsor college selected their winners from among finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program who will attend their institution. College-sponsored awards provide between \$500 and \$2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study at the institution financing the scholarship.

Among the additional winners is Aaron Yang of Andover, whose probable career field is in biology. Yang attended Andover High School and received the National Merit Brandeis University Scholarship.

Lawrence Academy has announced Andover students named to the academic honor roll for the spring trimester.

High honors were awarded to seniors Jessica DeVito, Kate Gilmore, and Frances Hamilton; junior Bryce Stocks; and ninth-graders Bess Muggia, Julia Savely, and Jillian Thero.

Honors were awarded to seniors Caroline Leed, Eric McKnight and Daniel Regner; juniors Brendan Cronin, Hayley Finn, Samuel Gilboard, Jamie Newsome, Alison Pouliot, and Alexandra Savely; sophomore Brett McQuaide; and ninth-graders Hannah Cunningham, Madelaine Gray, and Gregory Stern.



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Gulf harvest changes from shrimp to oil



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The shrimp harvest would have been at its best in May. In parts of the Gulf, it never started because the BP Deepwater Horizon oil rig exploded, spilling oil into the waters.

Many ship captains have turned their shrimp trawlers into oil skimmers to help clean up the oil from the surface of the Gulf.

Harvesting oil is a lot different than harvesting shrimp.

Some of the boats are converted for the new task. That takes about two weeks.

The distinctive wing-like outriggers that hold the shrimp nets are removed. A floating boom and vacuum are added to gather the oil. A huge tank is installed to hold the oil that has been gathered.



The Wild Gulf

Photo courtesy of BP
Shrimping crews are harvesting a different crop this season in the Gulf of Mexico. Above, a boat skims oil off the surface by dragging a boom.

Then, the captain and crewmembers are trained to do their new job.

The spill put many shrimp crews out of work. Now, some of them have jobs on skimmers cleaning up the spill.

BP has hired hundreds of privately-owned boats to help clean up the oil spill.

According to BP, about 600 skimming boats have been assembled and equipped to work the spill. BP would like to increase the skimmer count to over a thousand so they

can get the oil off the water as quick as they can.

BP brought in a supertanker converted to do skimming work. However, Coast Guard officials tested the ship and found it was too clumsy for the job. Smaller skimmers can maneuver better and chase the oil in crowded and open waters.

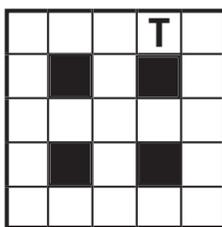
When the oil spewed out of the pipe on the ocean floor, the disaster created a giant domino effect.

The oil spill has devastated a large natural area and created a huge environmental disaster.

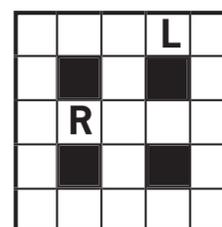
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93 General First Run SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

North Shore Vocational School District. CDL-B with Passenger & School Bus Endorsement \$20.10/hr. Call Transportation Dept. 978-762-0001 x335. EOE

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123MA Garage/Yard Sales MA

ANDOVER, 215 Salem Street, Sat., July 31st, 8-3. Moving Sale! Everything must go! Lots of stuff. (Parkland Road off 125, across from BP gas station)

ANDOVER, 268 Highland Road Saturday, July 31st, 9-noon, multi-family, new and antique toys, luggage, paintings, misc.

ANDOVER: 425 Lowell St., Sat., July 31st, 9 am Estate Sale No Early Birds Everything Must Go! clothes, furniture, books, tools, housewares and much more!

ANDOVER, 8 Chandler Road. Moving Sale. Saturday 7/31, 9 AM to 2 PM.

BEVERLY 29 Livingstone Ave. Sat. July 31, 8 to 2 p.m. Desk, bureaus, tools, TVs, stereo, dishes, silverware, something for everyone.

BRADFORD Yard Sale Antiques, Fri. 7/30, Sat. 7/31, 7-3:00pm. Watch for signs on Salem Street.

Huge Moving Sale DANVERS - 6 Drummond Ct., Sat 7/31, 9-2. Furniture, Toys, Clothing, Housewares, Mattresses, & MUCH MORE.

HAVERHILL 405 River St., Saturday, July 31, 9am-2. Proceeds for the Michael J. Walukovich Scholarship Fund Variety of items. No early birds.

123MA Garage/Yard Sales MA

HAVERHILL JANET Rd Sat. July 31st, 8am-4pm. Charity Yard Sale all proceeds are donated

METHUEN 106 West Street, Sat., July 31 and Sun. Aug. 1st, 9-4. Tons of books, movies, toys, clothes, and more...

METHUEN, 5 Currier Street Moving/Yard Sale, Saturday July 31, 2010, 9am-2pm Furniture, household items, baby furniture, odds and ends. Everything must go!

YARD SALE

NO. ANDOVER, MA, 344 Raleigh Tavern Lane From 9AM to 1PM on Saturday July 31st. Household items, clothing, sports equipment, books, classic vinyl records, VHS/DVD's, toys and games and more!

SALISBURY, 6 MARCH RD. Rings Island, Fri., 7/30, 7:12 & Sat., 7/31, 7-12

This is the One! Cleanout of my N.H. Storage Unit

123NH Garage/Yard Sales NH

DANVILLE, NH 8am - 2pm SAT, 7/31 + SUN, 8/1 65 CALEB DRIVE LOTS of Baby Items, Kids toys, Tools, books, pictures, electronics, glassware + more

KINGSTON, NH 8am - 1pm MOVING SALE Sun, 8/1 at 11 King Pine Way. Everything Must Go! TVs, freezer, 6 month old Jordan's furniture, toys, tools, small office furniture. 603-702-0930

KINGSTON, NH 9am-3pm Moving Sale Friday, 7/30 + Saturday 7/31 2 FAMILIES 8 + 11 ROCKRIMMON RD.

NEWTON N.H. 27 Heath Street, Sat., July 31 & Sunday Aug. 1 7am to 2pm

SALEM Lots of name brand women's clothing with tags still on them, candles & household decor, etc. Sun. 8/1 from 9-3pm. 18 Charles Street.

SANDOWN, NH- Rain or Shine! Sat. 8am-4pm 20 Birch Drive Old glassware, jewelry, small antique tables, nik-naks, collectibles, baseball cards, Legos & lots more

Directions: From 11, take 121A north 1 mile from Hannafords to Lakeview

125 Garden Supplies

GRANITE BLOCKS & CURB, Rirrap, Screened Loom, Processed Gravel & Fill, Miles River Sand & Gravel 978-356-2290

129 Machinery & Tools

BRIDGEPORT MILLING machine, 48" table, 1hp motor w/3 phase converter, Acurite digital readout, poperfeed. Lots extras. Asking \$4,000. Call (978) 352-2810

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First Run LADDER: 32' ALUMINUM EXTENSION LADDER, LIKE NEW, \$100. (978) 372-0303

First Run PROTOTRACK DPM - 3 axis milling machine with power drawbar, 19 toolholders, 2 keyless chucks and 1 shell mill. Asking \$1600.00 call: 603-329-9545

131 Musical Instruments PIANO, Story & Clark upright piano with bench, mahogany wood, one owner. Excellent condition. Asking \$2,100 Call 978-499-2994

STEREO RECEIVER, Onkyo, in very good condition, \$145. DVD PLAYER, Sony, in very good condition, \$45. Call (978) 469-0970.

131 Musical Instruments

WURLITZER ORGAN - 2 keyboards, foot pedal, bench and music. Walnut. In perfect condition. \$300. 978-372-9249

133 Publications

ADS appearing in this classification may involve a purchase of a publication

139 Wanted to Buy

ANTIQUES Furniture, glass, china, silver, jewelry, clocks. William Graham, 420 Water St., Haverhill. 978 374-8031

First Run CASH PAID for collections of DVDs, CDs, especially boxed sets, TV series, special editions, imports etc. Also buying old books, certain other items. Quick, courteous replies. 978-515-7229 Home 508-667-6078 Cell.

HAND TOOLS WANTED Planes-Chisels-Adzes-Callipers Useful tools - All trades. Estate lots. 1-888-405-2007

HIGHEST PRICES PAID Platinum, diamonds, gold, silver, paintings, estates Linda's Jewelers, 781-596-1886 2 Market St., Lynn, MA

143 Wearing Apparel CENTRAL CATHOLIC UNIFORMS - Girls, large/ women's small, over 40 pcs. \$30/wall. (978) 852-5848

RED SOX T-SHIRT Authentic 2007 World Series Collection. Short sleeve, magnum weight, XL. \$50. 978-546-2995

149A Dogs-Cats-Pets AAA DOG & PEOPLE SCHOOL: Dog Psychology & Language Private & Group. Gift Certificates \$35. Quiet Pampered Boarding \$20/day. 603-642-5084

AKC GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPS (3), Beautiful male pups. Champion lines. Poppers/health certified. Ready in August. \$1000. 603-659-1706.

AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIER PUPS ADBA Registered, family dogs to good homes, good lines & temperaments. \$400-\$600. 978-360-2984

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BEAGLE PUPPIES Cute, cuddly & ready to play. Great Family Dogs. Ready 7/24. Male & females. \$350. (603)895-4576 or felch@comcast.net

BERNESE Mountain Dog puppies bred for temperament & health, health guaranteed, 38 years experience. Olympian Berners.603-642-5084

BOXER PUPS - AKC. Male & female. Fawns & brindle. \$800. 603-583-3091.

CHIHUAHUA \$700 Male brown/wheat, Female white. Born 5/16. Shots/health rechecked on premises. AKC registered. 617-791-7489 nruggiero25@comcast.net

CHIHUAHUA female. Asking \$350. Call (603) 337-4456

First Run CHIHUAHUA Long haired, white, 3 months old female, microchipped, all shots, vet checked, \$650. (508) 868-1157

First Run CHIHUAHUA PUPPIES 3 male, 3 black, 1 cream. ready to go, healthy, parents on site, \$800 each. (978) 609-1429

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CORGIS (3/4 corgi) (1/4 Spaniel) MIX PUPPIES. Fun loving wonderful family companions. Ready now. \$300. Call (603) 446-4310

DACHSHUNDS - Two females, 2 months old, up to date with shots, \$675 each. Email for info, and pictures. shikho@live.com

First Run Daschund (mini) mixed w/ chihuahua, 4 girls; 2 boys. All colors. Ready 8/15. Toking deposits \$299. (978) 569-3568.

FEMALE CHINESE CRESTED PUPPY Black and White, Born 4/24/10 Super cute and well behaved. She has her shots, been chipped, has her health certificate and has many champions in her lineage \$1400. (603) 553-8640

FREE CAT - Looking for a loving home for American short hair cat named Molly. No small children or big dogs. Loving lap cat. Indoor cat, declawed. (603) 887-6532

FREE: FRENCH MASTIFF Great Personality, Well Trained, needs excellent home. Call (978) 566-2664

FREE KITTENS, 1 male, 1 female, both 6 weeks old. To good home. (978) 566-2827 or text

GEORGE'S In-House Pet Care Dog walking, cat visits, lived in local. Call George in Methuen 617-803-9594; email george.tournas@verizon.net

GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPS Ready to go 4 female, 1 male various colors \$550. Call Jim 603-860-9424.

GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPS www.vonnyongermanshepherds.com. (978) 609-4459.

First Run GERMAN SHEPHERD, white, 1 year old, AKC, updated shots, great for family pet. For info, (978) 317-1737.

First Run JAPANESE SHIBU Pup, female black & white, ready to go! Mom & dad are our family pets! First shots. \$950. (978) 363-2332

KITTEN - Free rag doll kitten, 7 weeks old, black & white. FREE TO GOOD HOME. Call 603-244-0602.

KITTENS - Very friendly 7 week old double pawed adorable tiny tiger kitten cuties. Potty trained, Please put in order now! plus \$, 7 mo. old. Serious buyers looking for homes only \$100 each or best offer Call (978) 265-5911

LAB BORDER COLLIE mix puppies, ready to go 7/29, \$300. 1st shots & health certificates. Call (603) 483-0130

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Town of Andover Tree Warden NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws (MGL), Chapter 87, Public Shade Tree Law, Section 3 (Cutting of Public Shade Trees; Hearing; Damages), the Town of Andover Tree Warden will hold a Public Hearing regarding an application from National Grid to remove or prune public shade trees on August 12, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at the Andover Town Hall, 36 Bartlett Street, 3rd Floor Selectmen's Conference Room, Andover, MA. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated.

The program included a tree-by-tree hazard assessment of public and private trees, along the main three-phase lines which serve the community. The work is recommended to remove hazard trees and prune for additional clearance in order to reduce tree outage problems affecting large numbers of customers served by these main lines. National Grid's arborists have identified thirty five (35) town trees for removal along town roads, and seven (7) town trees for pruning. Town trees located within the public way that are designated for removal have been posted with a notice of public hearing in the field. Trees designated for pruning have been marked with a small blue ribbon.

The roads with town trees affected by the program are listed below, together with the number of trees proposed for removal or pruning along each road: Dascomb Road - 5 removals, Argilla Rd - 21 removals and 3 trims, Lowell Street - 7 removals and 1 trim, Shawshen Road - 2 removals and 3 trims.

A complete list of town trees designated for removal or pruning including information about the location, size and species of the affected trees and the reason for removal or pruning, is available weekdays from the Town Hall or DPW during normal business hours.

Randy Pickerskill Tree Warden

AT - 7/29, 8/5/10

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MORTGAGEE FS SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Joseph Romano a/k/a Joseph A. Romano and Kerri Romano to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Countrywide Home Loans Inc., dated June 21, 2008 and recorded at Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10254, Page 203 of which mortgage CitiBank, N.A., as Trustee for the holders of Bear Stearns ALTA Trust 2006-5, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-5 is the present holder by assignment Recorded at Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 11817, Page 47, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 3 Lake-side Circle, Andover, MA 01810 will be sold at a Public Auction at 2:00 PM on August 26, 2010, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon located in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, shown as Lot #8 on a subdivision and acceptance plan " Lakeside," owner Ruth T. Stevens; Engineer, Clinton F. Goodwin, dated March, 1957, and registered in the North District of Essex Registry of Deeds as Plan #3476. Said parcel is further bounded and described as follows: Northwesterly in the two courses, one hundred ninety-eight and seven one hundredths feet (198.07) and ninety-nine and fifty-seven one hundredths feet (99.7) by land of Chester Harnden; Southwesterly Two hundred sixty-six and sixty-five one hundredths feet (266.65) by 1 and of Ruth T. Stevens; Easterly in two courses, two hundred fifty-five feet (255) and twenty-three and fifty-six one hundredths feet (23.66) "Lakeside Circle;" Northeasterly in two courses, nineteen and eighty-four one hundredths feet (19.84) and seventy-one and five one hundredths feet (71.05) by Haggetts' Pond Road. Said premises are conveyed subject to and with the benefit of any and all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record, if any, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable.

For mortgagor FS title see deed recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 9634, Page 278.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier FS or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee FS attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 321 Billerica Road, Suite 210, Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. F

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

CitiBank, N.A., as Trustee for the holders of Bear Stearns ALTA Trust 2006-5, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-5 Korde & Associates, P.C. 321 Billerica Road Suite 210 Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100 (978) 256-1500 (CFP 09-055224/Romano)(07-29-10, 08-05-10, 08-12-10)(253199)

AT - 7/29, 8/5, 8/12/10

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Sharmian E. Mohamed to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., dated March 11, 2008 and registered with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry District of the Land Court as Document No.100303 as noted on Certificate of Title No. U02-510, of which mortgage CitiMortgage, Inc. 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 1:00 p.m. on August 23, 2010, on the mortgaged premises located at 12 Longwood Drive, Unit No. 1, Andover Gardens Condominium, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT:

That certain condominium unit situated in Andover in the County of Essex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, known as 12 Longwood Drive, Unit 1, designated as follows:

Unit No. 1 as described in the aforesaid Master Condominium Certificate of Title and in the Master Deed, Document No. 30023 and indicated on Condominium Plan No. 149281-1. Together with an undivided fractional interest in the common areas as set forth in the Master Condominium Certificate and Master Deed as they may be or have been lawfully amended under the provisions of said Chapter 183A.

Subject to and with the benefit of all easements as set forth in said Master Condominium Certificate and Master Deed. The land described in said Master Condominium Certificate is under the operation and provisions of Chapter 185 of the General Laws, and any amendments thereto, and that the interest of said Grantor to said unit is set forth under section 3 of said Chapter 183A, subject, however to any encumbrances mentioned in Section forty-six of said Chapter 185 of the General Laws, and any amendments thereto; which may be subsisting, and subject also to any unregistered variances from the applicable unit plans, and to the existence at any time of the building containing the unit.

For mortgagor(s)'s title see deed registered with Essex County (Northern District) Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 91837, as noted on Certificate of Title No. U02-510.

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, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

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.

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

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. Present holder of said mortgage by its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California Street, Newton, MA 02458 (617) 558-0500 201002-1555 - ORE

AT - 7/29, 8/5, 8/12/10

LEGAL NOTICE

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, 2ND FLOOR, MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2010, at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Michael & Margaret Walsh, 82 Elm St., Andover, MA for a variance from Article \$4.1.2 &/or for a special permit under Article VIII, §3.3.5 to construct a deck that will not meet the minimum yard depth requirements. Premises affected are located at 82 Elm St., Andover, MA in an SRA District as shown on Assessor's Map 21 as Lot 1.

STEPHEN D. ANDERSON CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 7/22, 7/29/10

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STEPHEN D. ANDERSON CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 7/22, 7/29/10

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on August 10, 2010, at 7:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlett Street, on an application submitted by Greenwood-Andover Development LLC, for a nine lot Definitive Subdivision Plan entitled "Weeping Willow Estates" located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Greenwood and Chandler Road on property owned by O. Michael Bellia, M. Frances Bellia and Trustees of 212 Greenwood Road Realty Trust, and being more specifically identified as Assessor's Map 129 and Lot 14B.

The application may be examined in the Planning Division during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD Paul J. Salafia, Chairman AT - 7/22, 7/29/10

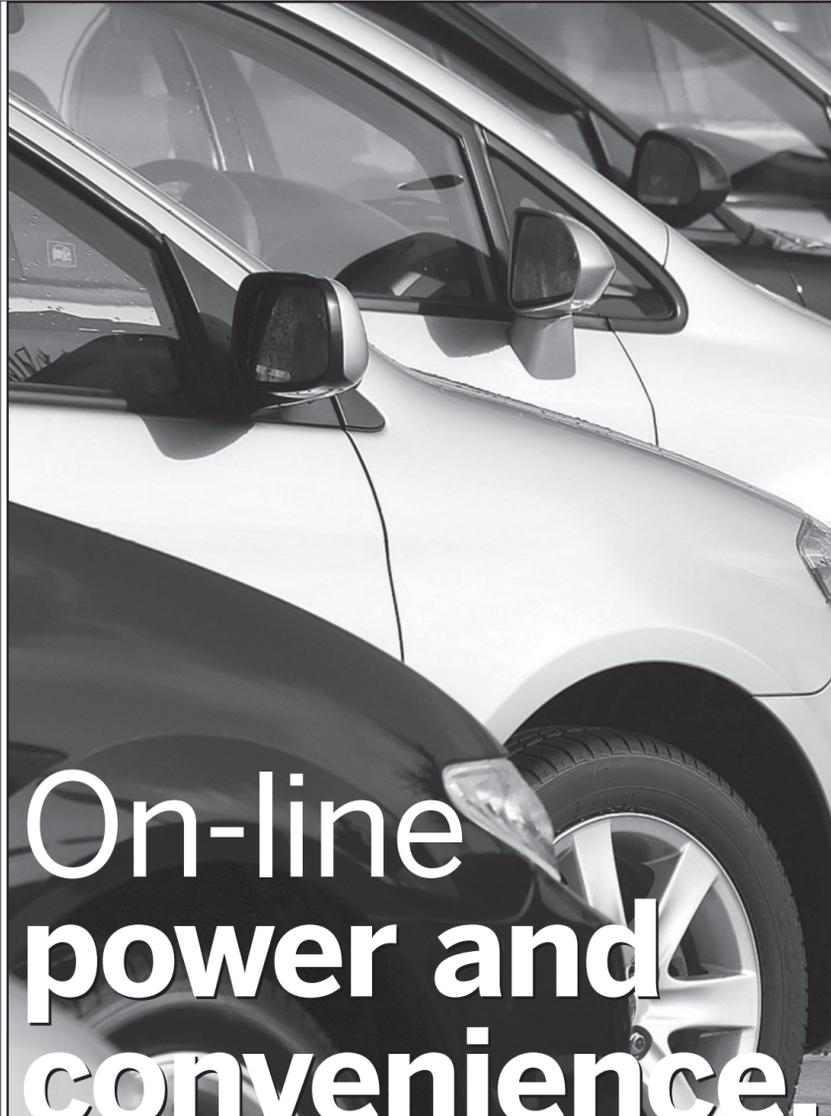
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