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Town Meeting: Voters to decide on business district

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Residents this year will decide whether to create a new business district on River Road that will allow for different types of businesses and homes in that area.

In total, residents will vote on 49 articles at this year's Annual Town Meeting, and among the

three private articles submitted by residents is a bylaw amendment that would create a "River Road Business Overlay District" on River Road, immediately east of the road's Interstate 93 interchange. The article would open up an area of land located around Campanelli Drive, Old River Road and along River Road for "possible service-focused

development," according to an explanation of the amendment. This could open the door to a variety of establishments, including banks, convenience stores, supermarkets, fast food restaurants and a medical center.

"A very common observation in Andover is that the residents and workers in the West Andover area have nowhere to go to

obtain the typical services that homeowners, business people and employees readily enjoy in other parts of Andover," the supporters' explanation says. "The District would allow currently non-existent conveniences and services to be provided to the underserved residents, business community, and commuters by allowing appropriately scaled

and designed retail, mixed use and multi-family development."

This year's Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for April 27-28 at Andover High School's Collins Field House starting at 7 p.m., and on May 2-3 at the school's Collins Center for the Performing Arts at 7 p.m., so long as additional days are necessary.

Some of the other articles that

may draw attention include:

PRIVATE – DOWNTOWN BANNERS:
To allow the hanging of banners in Andover's General Business District from buildings as well as light poles.

PRIVATE – BANNING BOW HUNTING:
To prohibit the discharging of bow or crossbow weapons on town land, with

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SWAPPING TEXTBOOKS FOR TABLETS?



PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photo

Jared Rosen, student liaison to the town's School Committee, is interested in an idea he believes will bring Andover's public school system into the 21st century by replacing yesterday's textbooks with today's tablets.

Discussions starting; pilot could begin next fall

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Imagine a classroom full of students with Apple iPads in their hands. The devices have completely replaced their textbooks, and they are all manipulating — changing — the content of each page to best accommodate their individual learning styles.

Is this the future for Andover students?

Some around town think it may be, and School Committee member David Birnbach hopes to see Andover create a pilot program to test the value of tablet PCs.

While in depth discussions have not yet taken place, Superintendent of Schools Marinel McGrath expressed interest in the idea, saying that it "is a possibility for the future." However, the idea is so new to Andover that School Committee Chairman Dennis Forgue declined comment. He said he was happy to look at the technology as an option, but said the committee does not yet have any data on the effectiveness of tablet PCs versus textbooks.

Birnbach seems convinced that its worth trying a pilot program that, if set up properly, could gather the data needed

to show whether tablet PCs do improve results.

"The aspect of putting a textbook onto a tablet doesn't do a whole lot," Birnbach said, it's how the material can be used.

Birnbach turns on his Apple iPad and loads a digital magazine. Topics line the left-side of the magazine cover, and with a tap of the screen, Birnbach can jump to any of those topics.

He moves to an article on a to-be-released car. Information covers the screen, and pictures demonstrate what the words cannot. He taps an image of the car, and the view of the car starts to rotate, showing it from

all its sides.

Another image takes him inside the vehicle, and swiping his finger along that image changes what he looks at. Pressing a circle on any part of the car prompts a call-out box that explains what that part does.

In short, Birnbach is in full control of what he sees. His understanding of the car is not limited to what is on the page, but instead what he wants to discover.

Now imagine the magazine content instead relating to cell division for a biology class, or a

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Business needs are a focus for new legislative team

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

REP. PAUL ADAMS, 17th
ESSEX DISTRICT

It is only a month into their time in office, but Andover's three home-grown legislators are already off and running with a long list of bills and issues they support.

Last month, Andover Sen. Barry Finegold and Reps. Jim Lyons and Paul Adams, took their oaths. Since then, the three Andover residents been focusing on a number of efforts, including speaking with their constituents, working on legislation, and adjusting to their committee assignments.

Adams anticipates that being named to the House Public Health and Revenue committees will allow him to pursue goals of cutting spending and taxes.

"We can't afford the old ways of doing things anymore," Adams said. "We need an institutional shift coming from Beacon Hill."

Part of that institutional shift Adams said he is creating involves providing regulation impact statements to small businesses to inform them of what

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COURTESY PHOTO

This snow wave sliding off the roof of Sanborn Elementary School is among the odd sights created by the winter of 2011.

Collapse danger fades, but snow troubles continue

Residents asked to keep clearing roofs, fire hydrants

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

week paid off," Mansfield said. "We've even had contractors removing snow from all the municipal buildings."

Concern about potential roof collapses led Andover Fire Chief Mike Mansfield last Friday to issue an emergency advisory for residents and business owners to clear snow off roofs. Fortunately, Andover buildings have so far held up to the enormous snow accumulations dished out by the winter of 2011.

"The alert that went out last

Throughout the Commonwealth, roughly 100 structure collapses have been reported to authorities, Mansfield said. But none of them were in Andover.

Joe Piantedosi, acting director of Plant and Facilities, said

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In Brief

Correction: Selectman candidate on specific interests, goals

Due to a reporter's error, the wrong quotation was attributed to selectman candidate Dan Kowalski in last week's article "Race is on, for selectman, school seat."

The question was: What specific issues interest you? What, specifically, must be accomplished if you are elected?

Dan Kowalski's response: "I am running for selectman because I think that Andover needs 'new blood'; someone with creative ideas and a fresh perspective to deal with the issues facing our community. I feel that we are being too reactive to the current economic climate.



Dan Kowalski

We need more strategic thinking and need to develop a plan with goals that are achievable and affordable.

"When elected, I will focus on strategic objectives

that 1) ensure town government is efficient and cost-effective, 2) create revenue-generating opportunities by leveraging town resources and strengths and 3) ensure existing revenue streams are maximized and managed efficiently."



THEN: In 1970, the building at 90 Main St. was home to Andover School of Business. Owner Charles Liponis put a gigantic IBM mainframe in the window and registration soared. Before that the site was home to Myerscough and Buchan's garage, A&P supermarket, and Brigham's Ice Cream.



NOW: The building at 90 Main St. is now home to Bertucci's restaurant and a couple of other small businesses.

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Camera-ready advertising copy is due by Tuesday at noon.
No cancellations honored after these deadlines.

New breathing apparatus for Andover FD

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Andover is one of eight Massachusetts fire departments to receive federal grant money to improve equipment.

Andover will get \$210,708 in federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)'s Assistance to Firefighters Grants.

Fire Chief Mike Mansfield

said the money will be used to buy 42 air packs for his department. The new Self-Contained Body Airpacks will replace the department's current ones which are 17- to 18-years-old and no longer meet code, Mansfield said.

Andover was second with its grant award. Manchester Fire & Rescue received the most grant money, \$320,530.

A total of \$1,180,878 in federal

funding was allocated to improve operations and safety for first responders.

"State and local budgets are squeezed like never before and that makes every federal dollar even more critical," said Sen. John Kerry in a release. "First responders put their lives on the line every time the alarm bell rings and it's immoral to ask them to do their jobs with anything less than the best

training and safety equipment available."

"Our fire and rescue personnel selflessly serve our communities and it is so important that they have the emergency equipment they need to do their jobs and stay safe. I congratulate the Andover Fire Department for their work in obtaining these funds which will help further these very important goals," said Rep. Niki Tsongas.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Cholesterol screening

The Andover Board of Health is holding a cholesterol screening clinic on Tuesday, Feb. 15 from 9 a.m. until noon. An appointment is necessary. The clinic is for Andover residents only.

The simple finger stick test costs \$5 and does not require fasting. For an appointment call the Health Department at 978-623-8295.

Crafts in Park deadline extended

The entry deadline for your Crafts in the Park application has been extended to Saturday, Feb.

12. Due to the snowy weather, the event's jury has not met yet.

The application for the May 7, 2011 show is available online at craftsinthepark.com.

Dog license renewal

Andover dog licenses for 2011 are now available at the town clerk's office in Town Offices, for the cost of \$14 per license.

The end of February marks the end of the dog license renewal period. Dog licenses renewed after Feb. 28 will include a cumulative administrative fee of \$5 per month.

Residents may renew their dog's registration at the town clerk's office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

They may also register through the mail by sending a check payable to the Town of Andover for \$14 and a current rabies certificate, to the Town Clerk's Office, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, MA 01810.

Residents with questions may call 978-623-8255.

Town Clerk earns designation

Andover Town Clerk Lawrence J. Murphy recently qualified for the Massachusetts Town Clerks' Association's prestigious Certified Massachusetts Municipal Clerk designation and received his commemorative pin and plaque at the MTCA winter

conference in Sturbridge on Feb. 3. About one-third, 112 of the Commonwealth's 301 town clerks, have qualified for this distinction in the 14 years since its inception, with 92 active clerks holding the designation currently.

The CMMC designation is achieved by attending MTCA-sponsored educational courses and passing a 250-question aptitude test measuring the municipal clerk's knowledge of Massachusetts General Laws in categories such as elections and election procedures, vital records, campaign and political finance, town meetings, Chapter 40A planning, Chapter 41 (zoning), ethics and public records.

A newcomer to the Andover Town Clerk position, Murphy was appointed in July 2010. Before coming to Andover, he served as West Newbury Town Counsel for 13 years before assuming the dual position of Town Clerk/Town Counsel for West Newbury in early 2007.

The holder of a J.D. degree from Suffolk Law School, Murphy holds membership in the Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Essex County Bar Associations. Other professional affiliations include the North Shore City and Town Clerks Association and the MTCA.

A Newburyport resident, Murphy has served on that City's Planning Board and the Amesbury Board of Health.

Frontier stories inspire young readers

For 75 years, young people have enjoyed reading about Laura Ingalls Wilder adventures growing up on the frontier.

February is the anniversary of the birth and death of author Laura Ingalls Wilder.

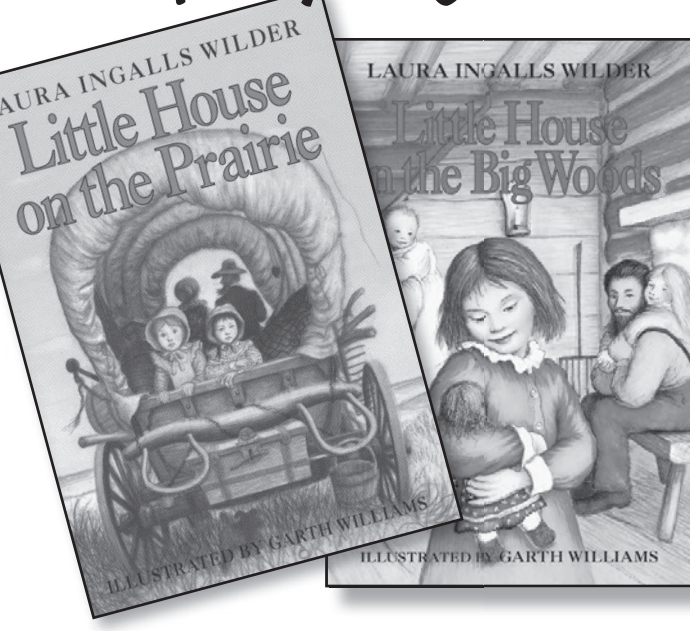
Her pioneer life in the late 1800s inspired her books. She is best known for her "Little House" series of eight historical novels.

Laura Elizabeth Ingalls was born on Feb. 7, 1867, in Wisconsin.

As a child, Laura moved with her parents across much of the heartland of America.

Her first move was to a dug-out house in Minnesota. They also lived in Iowa, Kansas and the Dakota Territory. They finally settled in what would become De Smet, South Dakota.

The second winter there was one of the worst winters on record. Several blizzards from December until May shut down the trains that would have brought food and supplies to the area. Later, those experiences would find their way to the pages of a book. Attending school was hard.



Laura was mainly self-taught.

She received a teaching certificate when she was 15. The next three years she taught at a little school about 12 miles from her home. She boarded with a family who lived near the school.

There, she met Almanzo Manly Wilder. They got married in 1885.

Laura gave up teaching to help on their farm. They had a daughter, Rose, and a baby boy who died shortly after being born.

Life became even harder when her husband fell ill.

Then, their home burned. In 1894, the family moved to Missouri. They named their farm Rocky Ridge.

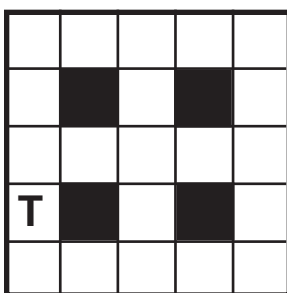
Laura sent her memories to the *De Smet News*. A new author was born.

Wilder finished her first autobiographical book in the late 1920s. It didn't sell, so she changed her writing style. She got help from her daughter, who was an established author and reporter.

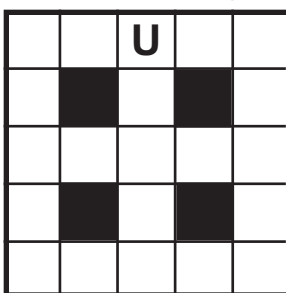
She published the first "Little House" book when she was 65 years old. "Little House in the Big Woods" is a story about her early childhood in Wisconsin. Her next book was "Farmer Boy." Two years later "Little House on the Prairie" was printed. She finished her last book at the age of 76.

Laura died on Feb. 10, 1957. She left us a vivid picture of frontier life during an earlier time in America.

Cross Five Place these six words in the crossword grid



Early, Infer, Offer, Sorry, Write, Woods



Eased, Handy, House, Notes, Untie, Yield



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new regulations mean for them. Adams also aims to create a more predictable business climate with legislation, allowing businesses to become more successful.

At the same time, he said is also putting a large focus on how municipalities handle money.

"We have an over-reliance on property taxes and income taxes," Adams said. "We have to find a way to do more with less."

Part of that involves changing state laws to give towns greater flexibility to choose their employees' health care plans and, on another front, having more unions become involved in solving the budget crisis, he said.

With all of this going on, Adams' campaign financing is also under review from the Office of Campaign and Political Finance, as some members of the state's Democratic Party have called into question the source of \$50,000 to his campaign.

Adams was not willing to talk directly to the review, other than to say that he looks forward to going over its outcome when it is completed, but he said the review hasn't impacted his work on Beacon Hill.

"This is not consuming my time," Adams said. "I am currently 100 percent focused on the business of the people."

REP. JIM LYONS, 18th ESSEX DISTRICT

For Lyons, trips around the many communities he represents has taken up quite a bit of his time, but he said a series of bills he supports have been filed for consideration.

Meanwhile, a court case between him and a family charged with harassment against him moves forward in district court. Lyons declined to comment on the case for this story.

Considering spending reform, Lyons said he has filed three bills looking at insurance reform, pension reform and altering state mandates passed on to local municipalities. In those efforts,

SEN. BARRY FINEGOLD

Committee assignments: Joint Committee on Education, Joint Committee on Election Laws, Joint Committee on Health Care Financing, Joint Committee on Housing, Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development

On first month: "It is a very difficult, challenging year, but I think (state senators) are up for the challenge. It's been great."

Lyons said he aims to raise retirement age to 65, modify how pensions are recalculated to consider an entire career instead of the last three years of work and, to top his pension reform off, knock legislative service off of the list of time eligible for pensions.

"Too often, people would enter government for their own private enrichment instead of public service, and I think we need to change," Lyons said. "It isn't about the people in office. It is about the people we represent."

Lyons also has an eye on how benefits in the state are awarded.

FIRST MONTH UPDATE

REP. PAUL ADAMS

Committee assignments: Joint Committee on Public Health, Joint Committee on Revenue, Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy

On first month: "I think that it was very daunting at first. It hits you hard... Public service is an extremely demanding, but rewarding, profession."

REP. JIM LYONS

Committee assignments: Joint Committee on Community Development and Small Businesses, Joint Committee on Housing, Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight

On first month: "It's been good. It's 30 days, and it has been very interesting, learning about how to get bills filed and what the process is moving forward."

SEN. BARRY FINEGOLD, 2nd ESSEX/MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

For the newly-elected senator, moving from his old representative seat to his current position on the state senate has given him more power.

"You really feel like you can get a lot more done being one in 40," Finegold said.

Part of Finegold's focus right now, he said, is helping businesses.

"I am creating a small business job creation tax credit," Finegold said. "There are a lot of small

businesses around Andover. Something I've heard about a lot is how hard it is to be a small business owner, so I think this will be very helpful for them."

While saying that he is working with legislation that will help small businesses control health-care costs, he said his efforts also work to cover another issue he is tackling in office: helping people get back to work.

Finegold said he is working on financial literacy, an effort to bring fiscal responsibility, or at least the awareness of such responsibility, to school children in Massachusetts.

Finegold added he is following a number of local state-level projects very closely, particularly the project to add an interchange to Interstate 93 at Lowell Junction and an MBTA effort to add a second set of railroad tracks in town.

"The commute into Boston has been brutal," Finegold said. "More and more people would ride into Boston if there were more scheduled trains. And with double tracking, I think we would be able to do that."

ROOFS

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there were no problems with any town-owned buildings, including structurally troubled Bancroft Elementary School, which has been closed one day this year to allow workers to remove snow,

"Bancroft (School) is in excellent shape because we've been removing snow from that every storm, literally," Piantedosi said. "We are getting to do selective removal on the roofs, and the good thing is all the roof drains are working."

"We're in good shape, barring any major storms in the immediate horizon," Piantedosi said. "We were on the ball with this."

Mansfield warns that, because winter is only halfway over, residents who still haven't removed snow from their roofs should make it a priority before the next storm hits.

"With the forecasting of more snow, it is eventually going to compound the problem and increase the potential for roof collapse," Mansfield said.

In addition, snow banks throughout town still continue to hide several fire hydrants, despite the fact that both fire



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo

Three employees of Swampscott-based Flannery's Handymen work to remove snow off of the roof of 28 Chestnut St., home to a number of downtown businesses and, unfortunately, snow drifts up to six feet high, according to one of the employees clearing the snow.

crews and residents have been digging them out.

Mansfield is asking that work to dig out the hydrants continue for as long as it is needed, because firefighters cannot get to every hydrant on their own.

"Some of these hydrants are buried in 12 to 13 feet of snow," Mansfield said. "Some of them can't be located."

Of the estimated 3,600 fire hydrants around town, as many as 40 percent of them are still covered. Every time it snows, of course, all the hydrants get buried again by nature and by plows.

"Some of the hydrants have been cleared out, after one storm, two or three times," Mansfield said.

WARRANT

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exceptions.

OFF-STREET PARKING: To amend zoning bylaws regulating off-street parking requirements for businesses coming into town.

SOLAR FARM FEASIBILITY: To raise and appropriate \$25,000 to conduct a feasibility study regarding solar farms on town land.

OPEN SPACE RESIDENTIAL DESIGN: To amend zoning bylaws by adding a new section regarding open space residential design special permits.

CONSERVATION LAND: To raise and appropriate \$200,000 for the acquisition of a total of 1.38 acres of land on 23 and 25 Willard Circle for conservation purposes.

PEARSON PARKING LOT: To raise and appropriate \$85,000 to design and build a municipal parking lot at 16 and 18 Pearson St.

HIGH PLAIN ROAD DRAINAGE: To raise and appropriate \$75,000 for design and engineering costs regarding drainage improvements on High Plain Road at Fish Brook.

OPEB TRUST FUND: To transfer money from various funds and appropriate those funds to the Other Post Employment Benefit Trust Fund.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION: To amend zoning bylaws regarding dimensional space permits and historic preservation,



so that local officials may approve matters regarding historic preservation restrictions in addition to state officials, as the law currently allows.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES FACILITY: To raise and appropriate \$100,000 to study options for the town's future Municipal Services Facility (which will include the Town Yard).

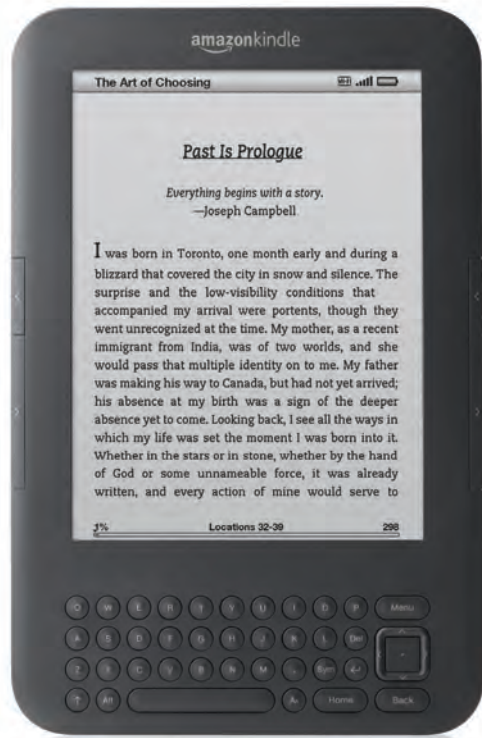
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Hunting program a success, officials say

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Supporters of last year's so-called deer management program have hailed it as a success and are looking forward to running a similar bow-and-arrow hunting program next year pending the outcome of a warrant article at this year's Town Meeting.

In April, residents will vote at 2011's Annual Town Meeting on a private warrant article seeking to ban bow hunting on public land in town, which would effectively defeat any version of the management program in the future.

Conservation Director Bob Douglas and local fireman Bob Douglas, who created the management program, presented before the Board of Selectmen this week on the outcome of the program. Overall, 13 deer were killed, including 11 on conservation land, according to Douglas.

"Has this program been a success? I would have to say yes," Douglas said. "Our goal was to manage the land in order to reduce

the deer population to allow the plants, chutes and trees to grow up and provide diversity in the forests."

In the program, which ran throughout the months of November and December, 24 town residents hunted on town property using tree stands and bow hunting only. The program was started by Dalton to help balance forest ecosystems currently dominated by invasive plant species and reduce incidents of Lyme disease in town, both of which have been linked to deer overpopulation and, in recent years, have been problems in Andover.

Part of the concern for officials going into the program was potential negative interactions between those hunters and non-hunting residents, but no such interactions ever took place, according to Douglas.

"We put a lot of time and energy into making our trail system welcoming to everybody in town," Douglas said. "Maybe it was just when the hunters were out or that they were deep in the woods, but we had just nothing

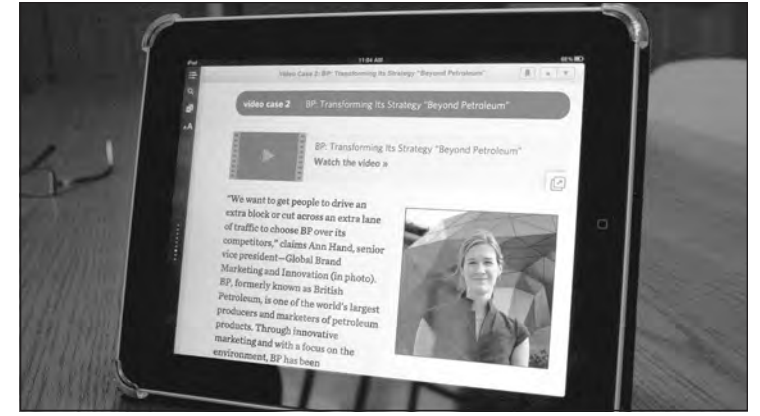
but good feedback for the entire program."

The effects won't be immediately felt by forest eco-systems, as it will take many years of similar management programs before an obvious effect will appear in town forests, according to Dalton.

But one local community can help show an example of what Andover may one day experience if the program is allowed to continue, Dalton said.

"Subdury, Mass. is a wealthy community like Andover with a lot of forests," Dalton said. "They implemented this 10 years ago, and they've been taking about 25 deer a year off their properties, and that's with just archery hunting. They looked over all the different options like we did and they came to the archery conclusion, which is what almost all communities come to. They're now seeing regeneration of their forests. Their forests are becoming healthy."

Supporters of bow hunting are waiting to talk about future versions of the program until after the Town Meeting vote.



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo.

A chapter in a marketing textbook available on "Inklings", an interactive textbook application available for the Apple iPad, ends with a feature reinforcing the chapter's primary focus through a real-world example and interactive video content.

TABLETS

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particular war fought 150 years ago for history. This is where the impact of the tablet PC is, according to Birnbach.

"The tablet can potentially unleash a more flexible and powerful learning environment for each student, tailored to each student," Birnbach said. "The potential of these tablets and their linkage to a multitude of information connected to these topics can be a very powerful tool moving forward."

E-BOOK LEARNING IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The process to using an electronic book instead of a physical one wouldn't be too different to what students do today. On their tablet PC, whether it be an Apple iPad or a similar piece of equipment, students would load the book and, basically, read what appears on the screen.

"It would be akin to having your own computer," Jared Rosen, student liaison to the School Committee and avid supporter of the technology's use in the classroom, said.

But with electronic books, there is often a much greater opportunity to learn, especially for visual learners who have grown up with their hands on technology.

Rosen mentioned a biology textbook a friend of his was issued, and a comparable version he found on his iPad. He believes the cost was about the same.

"The same e-textbook was on the iPad, and in all the diagrams in regards to the cells dividing, you had a flash animation showing how all the parts work. It helps you interact a lot more because of how the media is presented," he said.

For a marketing class, Rosen found an e-textbook that covered topics similar to what he was reading about in his physical textbook. But unlike his issued book, the e-textbook used modern examples to illustrate its points. One example included a video showing the oil company BP going over plans to revisit and change its public image, at the end of a chapter about the importance of a corporate image.

"Your knowledge isn't just one-dimensional," Rosen said. "The interactive multimedia allows you to be a little more interpretive with what you see as the right answer."

Using the technology, teachers wouldn't build their lesson plans around the material available like they do today. Instead, they would build the material around their lesson plans, something that High School math teacher Scott Armstrong said makes the

capabilities at the end of each lesson "outstanding."

"I'm currently using one book that has an e-book option," Armstrong said. "The students have their own textbooks, and we are piloting (an e-textbook program), so they gave us the e-books for free."

Some of the students in his class use their own laptops from home to access material in lieu of a textbook, while others elected to just stick with the book. Overall, having some students using the e-textbook hasn't made any part of his job easier, he said, but it has helped students.

"It's helped with the creative process, because you have so much access through the e-book to other problems with just a click," Armstrong said. "We are speaking to students in a language they are more used to using, the language of technology. ... I feel like that has been helpful."

PREPARING FOR CHANGE

Using tablets instead of textbooks makes use of a new piece of technology. According to Birnbach, a pilot program could be placed on classrooms in any level of education, including elementary schools. Birnbach believes this isn't just the latest fad.

"The number of students who will be having tablets in the future will be immense, which will further encourage the adoption of tablets in the classroom," Birnbach said. "We have to thoughtfully understand the impact of the tablet on the learning experience, but also on the teaching experience."

But other attempts at introducing new technology in the classroom have failed to live up to expectations, or to be accepted by teachers systemwide.

A whole series of things would need to happen before the tablet PC idea could move forward. It would need to be shown as educationally viable, and worth a pilot program. Educators would have to determine how it would be implemented. A method to measure the effectiveness of the pilot would need to be created, and this has not yet been discussed.

Significantly, the cost is unknown.

In addition, the quality of the program will be dependent on the teachers' ability to use the tablets.

"It is a redefining of the teacher role, and in a way it is enhancing the teacher's role and responsibilities in this new, digital-centric education world," Birnbach said. "Because kids are growing up in a natural, digitized world, ... tablets are a second nature for them and, for teachers, it will take time. It can't happen on its own."

Theoretically, moving from physical to digital textbooks adds a dimension to the learning process, one that the student controls with a teacher's guidance.

"It is not the teacher in front of the students," Birnbach said. "It is a combination of the teacher introducing subject content and materials in the class and augmenting that with personal learning experiences."

To do that, the teacher has to be able to master the technology in the same ways that they have with traditional textbooks. It will require new approaches, curriculums and technology plans.

It remains to be seen if such a change will be coming soon - or at all.

"Can we get a pilot or two going in September?" Birnbach asked.

POLICE LOG

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The following items were taken from Andover police logs for Feb. 1 through Feb. 7:

ARRESTS

Saturday, Feb. 5 - At 3:01 a.m., Matthew Carroll, 18, of 87 Ballard Road in Andover, was arrested on Main Street and charged with operating under the influence of liquor, possession of a class D drug with intent to distribute and possession of a class E drug.

At 8:37 p.m., John Lucci IV, 18, of 3 Lantern Road in Andover, was arrested on River Road and charged with being a person under the age of 21 in possession of liquor.

Sunday, Feb. 6 - At 12:42 a.m., Paul Dambra, 18, of 109 Jenkins Road in Andover, was arrested on Bellevue Road and charged with disturbing the peace.

At 2:29 a.m., Laura Harnay, 23, of 35 Henzie St. in Reading, was arrested on Beacon Street and charged with operating under the influence of liquor.

At 3:22 a.m., Adam Martin-Leone, 21, of 216 Kennedy Hill Road in Goffstown, was arrested on Turnpike Street and charged with disorderly conduct.

Monday, Feb. 7 - At 11:31 a.m., Nicholas Delmonico, 19, of 16 Merrimack St. in Methuen, was arrested at his home and charged on a warrant for assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and intimidating a witness.

THEFT

Sunday, Feb. 6 - At 7:02 p.m., a caller on River Road reported that his or her car was broken into and several items were stolen from it within the previous half hour.

CAR CRIME

Thursday, Feb. 3 - At 6:27 p.m., a stolen or lost license plate was reported on North Main Street.

Monday, Feb. 7 - At 5:57 p.m., police received a report of a red pickup truck stolen out of a parking lot on River Road. The vehicle was described as having a plow on the front and decals for a landscaping company on the side of it.

INCIDENTS

Tuesday, Feb. 1 - At 3:09 p.m., police received reports of three kids on the roof of South Elementary School. A responding officer spoke to the youths.

At 4:01 p.m., a DPW employee on North Street called police regarding a resident of the street who was blowing snow into the roadway. As the caller reported, "they told him it was illegal and he just swore at them in return." A responding officer advised the resident to not blow snow into the road.

Wednesday, Feb. 2 - At 9:39 a.m., a car fire was reported in the parking lot of St. Robert's Church on Haggets Pond Road. The Fire Department extinguished the fire.

At 1:14 p.m., a DPW employee on North Street advised police of a resident on the road who, just like the previous afternoon,

was again blowing snow into the roadway. Police responded to the call and discovered that the man was actually helping to widen the road with his snowblower. No problems were reported.

At 2:42 p.m., a town employee assisting in snow-removal operations called police about an Abbot Bridge Road resident who, as a plow is trying to clear the street, "is impeding the plow by standing in front of it."

Thursday, Feb. 3 - At 9:37 a.m., a caller on Bartlet Street called police regarding a traffic backup caused by parents dropping their kids off for school.

At 10:32 a.m., a case of trespassing was reported on Morton Street.

At 11:49 a.m., a town resident reported possible fraud involving a money-order check she received for an item she sold on the Internet that was written out for seven times the value of the item she sold. After being advised the check was part of a scam, she contacted police.

At 1:53 p.m., police stopped a motorist and issued a criminal complaint against the driver for impeding operation, driving with no license in possession and a bylaw violation for possession of a class D drug.

Saturday, Feb. 5 - At 2:22 p.m., a Gleason Street resident contacted police because she was "concerned about squirrels trying to get into her house."

Sunday, Feb. 6 - At 12:29 p.m., a caller on River Road contacted police regarding a construction sign that blew into the road. Police drove to the scene, picked the sign up and put it on the side

of the road.

Monday, Feb. 7 - At 4:42 p.m., an unattended death was reported on Woburn Street.

ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, Feb. 1 - At 11:33 a.m., police received reports of a crash involving an MVRTA bus that was rear-ended on Railroad Street. No injuries were reported.

At 2:57 p.m., police received reports of an accident involving a mini-school bus on Elm Street. No injuries were reported, but the bus was towed from the scene.

Thursday, Feb. 3 - At 3:05 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported on Pine Street.

Monday, Feb. 7 - At 6:05 a.m., police received reports that a waste-removal truck registered in New Hampshire had struck a water main on Central Street. In the response, police also noted the presence of a gas leak, and as a result notified the necessary gas company and Andover's fire department.

At 7:31 a.m., a motor vehicle crash with no injuries was reported on Timothy Drive. One of the two vehicles involved had to be towed from the scene.

At 7:37 a.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported on Cross Street.

At 8:20 a.m., a two-car crash was reported on Lowell Street, and one of the vehicles had to be towed from the scene.

At 1:02 p.m., 3:13 p.m. and 3:19 p.m. respectively, hit-and-run accidents were reported on Colonial Drive, Chestnut Street and Central Street.

New president approved for NECC

At its Feb. 1 meeting, the Massachusetts' Board of Higher Education voted unanimously to approve Dr. Lane Glenn as the new president of Northern Essex Community College, replacing Dr. David Hartleb, who will retire this coming June.

A resident of Amesbury, Glenn currently serves as vice president of academic affairs

at Northern Essex Community College, a position which he has held since 2006. Prior to that, he was dean of academic and student services at Oakland Community College in Michigan. He has also served as director of learning services at Lansing Community College, also in Michigan. Glenn holds a Ph.D. in theater from Michigan State University.

Legislators to discuss state budget effect on people with disabilities

The following Legislators will gather at CLASS, Inc. on Friday, Feb. 11 at 9 a.m. to discuss how the current budget plans will affect individuals with disabilities and their families. The event is sponsored by Senator Barry R. Finegold from Andover. Other representatives attending will be Representative David

M. Torrisi from North Andover, Representative Linda Dean Campbell from Methuen, Representative James J. Lyons, Jr. from Andover, Representative Paul Adams from Andover, Representative Marcos A. Devers from Lawrence, and Minority Leader Bradley H. Jones Jr. from North Reading.

Area residents are invited to attend the meeting at CLASS Inc., at 1 Parker St., Lawrence. For more information call Nancy Kieran, CLASS Inc. at 978-975-8587 Ext. 1227.

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Upcoming HGTV's 'My First Place' features local agent

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

If you click on HGTV (Andover cable channel 32) on Thursday, Feb. 24, at 8 p.m., you just might recognize the real estate agent.

Local agent Krystal Solimine of Andover, was selected by the popular network, which specializes all things home and garden, for an episode of "My First Place."

It's a show about first-time home buyers and the issues they encounter during the process, like financing snafus, termites

found by home inspectors and the angst of being outbid for one's dream home. She said the network was in the midst of targeting the suburban Boston housing market and asked realtors to try out for a spot on the show.

"I sent information in and was really surprised when they called," said Solimine, who has been with RE/MAX Partners on Park Street in Andover for three and a half years. She formerly worked as a realtor in the Lynnfield area.

Producers asked her for a

somewhat lively client to film and she had an ideal first-time home buyer. He's Andrew Hamilton, 24, of Peabody.

"Andrew really hit it off with the camera crew," Solimine said. "He was perfect for this."

The show focuses on the buyer's top three choices for a new home. While Hamilton saw houses in Andover with Solimine, he did not choose any of them. Rather, he decided to stay close to his parents' home in Peabody. Hamilton, who insisted on yard space for gardening, favored

a two-bedroom, one bathroom home that received multiple offers. Solimine suggested tuning into the show for the rest of the story.

"He was really great for this... it's a fun, energetic show and out-of-the-box for them," Solimine said. "That's all I can say about it."

Filming lasted 10 to 15 days and Solimine is not sure what scenes were cut or how often she appears in the episode. She will find out with viewers on Feb. 24. "I learned how much time is

involved in producing a television show. It's crazy! They film over and over and over," she said.

Solimine will be the guest of honor as her husband, Vincent Bono, is hosting a viewing party for some 100 guests at their Surrey Lane home on Feb. 24. The couple has two children, Vincent, 9, and Sophia, 5. Both Bono children attend Sanborn Elementary School.

"I have no idea what the show will be like and to be honest, I am a little nervous," she said. "I guess I'll just hope for the best."



Krystal Solimine of Andover



Cesar Villalobos plays the pan flute with Inca Son during a past performance in Haverhill.

Inca Son delivers a region's musical legacy

On Sunday, Feb. 20, at 3 p.m., residents have a chance to "visit" the Andes Mountains and hear its traditional music through a free concert by Inca Son, winners of the 2008 LA Music Award, 2007 Independent Music Award and the Boston Music Award.

Inca Son will perform lively, uplifting, traditional Andean music in the Cochran Chapel on Chapel Avenue on the Phillips Academy campus in town, according to the school's music department.

Since its beginnings in the streets of Harvard Square, Inca Son has been a band with a mission to preserve and instill appreciation for its cultural legacy through the international language of music and dance. Dressed as either their Inca forebears, with feathers and

gold earrings, or in the resplendent wool ponchos still worn in the Andes Mountains, Inca Son is, in the words of Boston Pops conductor Keith Lockhart, "the indispensable cultural ambassador of this nearly lost South American folk tradition. Their music is of the highest caliber."

The Phillips Academy music department says Inca Son "is one of the few bearers of the Inca musical legacy. With equally vibrant music, characterized by the distinctive sounds of the haunting pan-flutes or the lively charango Andean 10-stringed guitar, Inca Son crosses barriers of language, culture, race, and age."

For further information contact the music department at 978-749-4263 or e-mail to music@andover.edu.

Two Andoverites help stage 'Sweeney Todd'

Sophomores Jillian Thero and Sarah Casey of Andover will appear in the cast of their Groton school's upcoming production of "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street." The two attend Lawrence Academy.

Jillian performed last year in a student-created musical titled Barefoot...and Late for History, and Sarah, who sings with the student a cappella group, makes her theatrical debut. Both students also perform with the school chorus.

In Sweeney Todd, Stephen Sondheim's lyrics and music reveal the tragic tale of a falsely

incarcerated barber who takes a grisly revenge. The play is alternately horrifying and hilarious, grotesque and ridiculous, meaningful and madcap. Performances are Feb. 17, 18, and 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Richardson-Mees Performing Arts Center on the Lawrence Academy campus in Groton, Mass.

The public is welcome and admission is free. The facility is handicap accessible. The Lawrence Academy website atlacademy.edu provides a map of the school campus. Email theater director Joel Sugerman at jsugerman@lacademy.edu with any questions.



Andover's Jillian Thero and Sarah Casey are in Lawrence Academy's Feb. 17-19 production of 'Sweeney Todd.'



Tales and tastings at Village Garden Club

The Village Garden Club of Andover is sponsoring a program, "Chocolate and Vanilla Tales from the Rain Forest" presented by Nancy Engel next Thursday, Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. at the home of Cheryl McKeough.

The club says, "Join Nancy Engel as she takes us on a trip to the rain forest of Costa Rica, where we'll explore the world of organic vanilla beans, cacao for chocolate making, as well as cinnamon. She will expose us to

many interesting facts, recipes, and of course, tastings. Nancy Engel is a trained floral designer who has been featured in the Boston Globe, on PBS, and on Chronicle."

Cyndy Madden and Carol O'Neil. Claire Enos is the flower arranger.

For more information, contact Cheryl McKeough at 978-475-6464, as seating is limited.

Hostesses for the event are

EVENTS CALENDAR

COMPILED BY JUDY WAKEFIELD

THURSDAY, FEB. 10

AUTHOR READING, The Essex Historical Society & Shipbuilding Museum presents James A. Craig who will speak about his most recent book, "Frank Vining Smith: Maritime Painting in the 20th Century," 7:30 p.m., Waterline Center, Essex Shipbuilding Museum, 66 Main St., Essex, \$8-10; essexshipbuildingmuseum.org, or at the door.

HEALTH LECTURE, "Women and Heart Disease," presented by Beverly Hospital at Danvers, 7 p.m., free, Flint Public Library, One South Main St., Middleton. The lecture will review stroke prevention, heart disease prevention and the importance of good nutrition. Open to the general public. Pre-registration is not required.

LIVE THEATER, "Sunfish" opens. Based on a traditional Korean folk-tale, Sunfish combines the energy of Wicked with the magic of The Little Mermaid, Stoneham Theatre, Stoneham; stonehamtheatre.org/sunfish.html, through Feb. 27.

LIVE THEATER, "THE EXCEPTIONALS" opens, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, Lowell, through March 6. Two mothers from very different backgrounds struggle with tough decisions about the futures of their uniquely gifted children. Tickets begin at \$25; MerrimackRep.org, 978.654.4MR.T.

EXHIBITIONS OPEN, Essex Art Center, 60 Island St., Lawrence. "City Life," photographs and photograms by Boston-based David Lier, exploring the connection between humans and the landscape; "After Aftermath," autoradiographs, cyanotypes, rubbings and traditional photography made in Hiroshima by North Carolina-based artist, elin o'Hara slavick,

through March 4.

AUTHOR READING, Liz Michalski will read from "EVENFALL" This is the story of the ghost of a man whose longing for a woman keeps him tied to this earth. This is a debut novel by local author Michalski and has a rural New England setting, 7 p.m., \$3, Andover Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St.; 978-475-0143.

MANNERS, Decorum & Valentines, Girls Afternoon Adventure, 3:30 p.m., \$8 per girl, Andover Historical Society, 93 Main St., Andover.

FRIDAY, FEB. 11

FREE MOVIE NIGHT, "The Road to Carnegie Hall," 7 p.m., a behind the scenes look at an orchestra put together by Google using YouTube videos for auditions. The orchestra is composed of musicians from 30 countries and features world renowned orchestra maestros Micheal Tilton Thomas and Tan Dun, UUCIA, 6 Locke St., Andover.

SATURDAY, FEB. 12

LIVE MUSIC, Valentine's Day concert, 7:30 p.m., New England Classical Singers, First Calvary Baptist Church, 586 Mass. Ave., N. Andover, \$15-20. Tickets available from the Andover Bookstore, at the church, on line and from chorus members.

CHOCOLATE TASTING BENEFIT, and movie, "Chocolat" with Johnny Depp, tasting from 5:30-7p.m., Brush Gallery, Lowell, \$10. Then enjoy the film, 7-9 p.m., at the National Park Visitor Center Theater, 246 Market St., Lowell; Part of the proceeds will fund the Brush Gallery's new Alice Givais Memorial Art Scholarship Program.

A NIGHT OF DANCING, with Los Sugar

Kings, a Boston-based quartet known for their dynamic live performances and rich harmonies. Their music reflects influences of Afro-Cuban Son, Salsa and Rumba-Flamenco. Crossroads Coffeehouse, top floor in the Old Center Hall, directly across the street from the North Parish Church and around the corner from the Top of the Scales restaurant in North Andover, 8 p.m.; 978-687-3960, 978-687-7948 on concert nights after 5:30 p.m.

UNIVERSAL GODDESS WORKSHOP, 2-4 p.m. 6 Locke St., Andover. This Women's Spirituality workshop on the Universal Goddess will talk about Goddess symbols and make Goddess Dolls, \$15 to cover materials; 978-475-4454, dre@uandover.org.

SPIN FOR ANIMALS FUNDRAISER, five gyms participating, including Fitness for You in North Andover and Latitude Sports Club in Methuen, benefits MSPCA at Nevins Farm, 400 Broadway, Methuen; Heather Robertson, (978) 687-7453 press 8, then x6118

SUNDAY, FEB. 13

MOONLIGHT SKI/SNOWSHOE TREK, AVIS Goldsmith Woodlands, Andover, park at the reservation, 491 South Main St., meet at 6 p.m. No pets. Rain cancels; Burt Batcheller, 978-475-3665, burt.batcheller@comcast.net; David Dargie, 978-996-4475, david@dargie.com.

BIRDING ADVENTURE, along the Merrimack River, with Ornithologist Sue McGrath, of Newburyport Birders, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., meet at Park & Ride, Storey Avenue/Rte. 113 (1-95, Exit 57), Newburyport. Space is limited, reservations required. RSVP with \$20 payment by Friday, Jan. 29 to EssexHeritage.org/membership, 978-740-0444, or send checks to Essex Heritage, 221 Essex St., Salem, MA 01970.

NAME THAT TUNE, with Mark Rasmussen,

3:15 p.m., free, Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover; 978-475-4225, ext. 110.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FAIR, high school and middle school students can get a jump on their summer plans, wide range of programs will be represented including academic enrichment, outdoor adventure, international homestay, travel, internships, community service, camps, arts, sports and more. The Cage, Phillips Academy, noon-2 p.m., free admission.

LIVE MUSIC, San Valentino Celebration, love songs from different eras and genres, Italian, American, Spanish, pop and jazz, "Popera" a la Andrea Bocelli, duets and classical arias, by Ferdinando Argenti, vocals/keyboard, Sandi Bedrosian, vocals, 6:30-9 p.m., \$15, The Sahara Club, 34 Bates St., Methuen; (978) 683-9200.

OLD FASHIONED VALENTINE EVENT, 1-2:30 p.m., for all ages. Come to Lawrence Heritage State Park, Lawrence, for this fun, free, event on this tradition and make a Valentine, materials provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult; 617-828-1728.

MONDAY, FEB. 14

SWEETHEARTS TEA, Afternoon Tea & Historical Diary Reading, 2 p.m., \$25, Andover Historical Society, 93 Main St., Andover.

TUESDAY, FEB. 15

FISH ON!, "Getting Serious About Surfcasting on the Water," with fishing magazine editors Kevin Blinkoff and Jimmy Fee who will discuss the gear, tackle and techniques that can help you safely catch more and bigger striped bass without a boat, 7 p.m., free, Memorial Hall Library, Andover; mhl.org.

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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16

FREE HIKE, 10-11:30 a.m., Harold Parker State Forest, meet at the headquarters at 305 Middleton Road, North Andover. This is a moderately paced walk appropriate for all ages. Wear walking footwear; bring water and sunscreen as appropriate; (617) 828-1728, mass.gov/dcr.

MERRIMACK VALLEY TEA PARTY MEETS, 7 p.m., the VFW Hall, 32 Park St., North Andover. Guest Speaker is Tom Weaver who will speak about the period between The Declaration of Independence up to the Annapolis Convention; Mike Mosca, 978-681-1890.

GIRL SCOUTS COOKIE CREATIONS, top chefs - including I Dream of Jeanne Cake's Jeanne Topham and Mad Maggie's Ice Cream's Steve Reppucci, both of Andover - use Girl Scout cookies and whip-up a dessert. The desserts will be judged, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Danversport Yacht Club, 161 Elliot St., Danvers. Tickets are \$30 each or 2/\$50; girlsoutseasternmass.com, events@girlscoutseasternmass.org, 857-453-5336.

HIGH TEA & HISTORY, Main Street Memories, Free Lecture by Jim Batchelder, 2 p.m., Andover Historical Society, 93 Main St., Andover.

THURSDAY, FEB. 17

VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB MEETS, "Chocolate and Vanilla - Tales from the Rain Forest," presented by Nancy Engel who will talk about the

rain forest of Costa Rica, 1 p.m. at the home of Cheryl McKeough, 36 Bartlett St., Andover; Cheryl McKeough, 978-475-6464, seating is limited.

DISABILITY AWARENESS: HELEN KELLER IN ANDOVER, Girls Afternoon Adventure, 3:30 p.m., \$10 per girl, Andover Historical Society, 93 Main St., Andover.

AUTHOR READING, Juliette Fay will read from her new novel DEEP DOWN TRUE. Newly-divorced Dana Stiegelmeier finds

THE MONEY IS TIGHT, the kids are reeling from their father's departure, and her teenage Goth niece has arrived on her doorstep, 7 p.m., \$3, Andover Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St., 978-475-0143.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18

LIVE MUSIC, the Academy Concert Bands and ensembles under the direction of Vincent Monaco and Derek Jacoby, works by Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Bagley and Dvořák, 7:30 p.m., free, Cochran Chapel, Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover; (978)749-4263, music@andover.edu.

SATURDAY, FEB. 19

PERFORMANCE SKILLS WORKSHOP, with Don White, 2-4 p.m., UU Church in Haverhill. Accomplished or novice performers of all types, or anyone who wants to be more confident in front of people, are welcome. \$30; don@donwhite.net, 781-595-5269.

SONGWRITER/HUMORIST LIVE, Don White, New Moon Coffeehouse, UU Church, Haverhill, 8 p.m., \$10-20. Fellow songwriter/humorist Howie Newman opens; newmooncoffeehouse.org.

ESSEX SOCIETY OF GENEALOGISTS MEET, will feature Connie Reik, Research Librarian, Tisch Library, Tufts University, speaking on Researching Your 18th Century Military Ancestors in Federal Government Documents & Publications, social hour at noon, meeting and lecture at 1 p.m., Centre Congregational Church, Summer Street, Lynnfield. Parking behind church; guests welcome; handicapped accessible; http://www.esog.org.

SUNDAY, FEB. 20

WARD WINTER FUN DAY, noon-3 p.m., free, Ward Reservation, Andover. The Trustees of Reservations and Ward Reservation Property Committee, in partnership with the Andover Trails Committee, Friends of North Andover Trails and Moor & Mountain of Andover will host. Short to medium length guided hikes to different destinations on the reservation will leave periodically throughout the afternoon. Cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, sledding, refreshments and a warming fire will be available throughout the afternoon. Limited instruction for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing will also be available; 978-475-3665 for rentals. Parking at the reservation entrance on Prospect Road, east of Route 125, 978-682-3580, arollfs@ttor.org.

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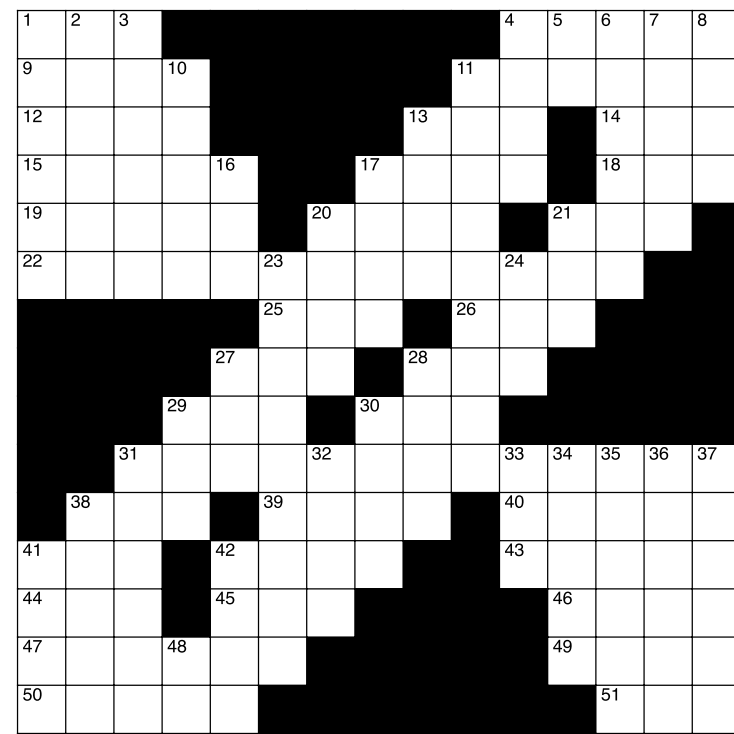
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- No No No
- Data entry strokes
- Worry about
- Fastening cord
- A block of soap
- Beginning of anything
- Tin containers
- Obafemi Awolowo Un. city
- Gain knowledge
- Paddles
- Cologne
- Unsettled until the end
- Wine (French)
- A lyric poem
- European Economic Comm.
- Doctors' group
- Chronicles (abbr.)
- Plural of os
- Make a distinction
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- Female sheep

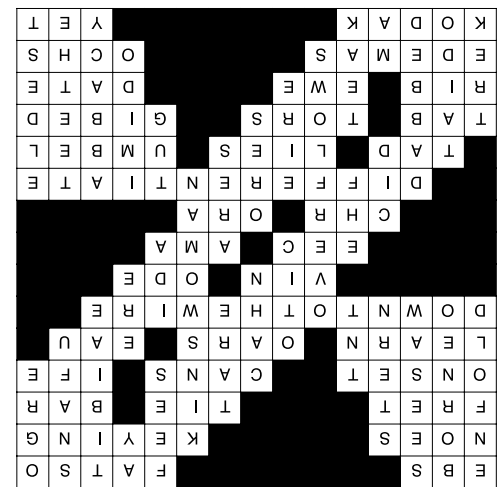
- Specified day of the month
- Excessive bodily fluids
- New York Times publisher 1896-1935
- Early camera
- Thus far

CLUES DOWN

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- An island in the W Pacific
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- Fixed charges
- Successor to Tutankhamun
- Leg bones
- Goof
- Shrek is one
- Violinist Issac
- A female relative
- Counterbalance used get net weight
- Explosive
- Songwriter Sammy
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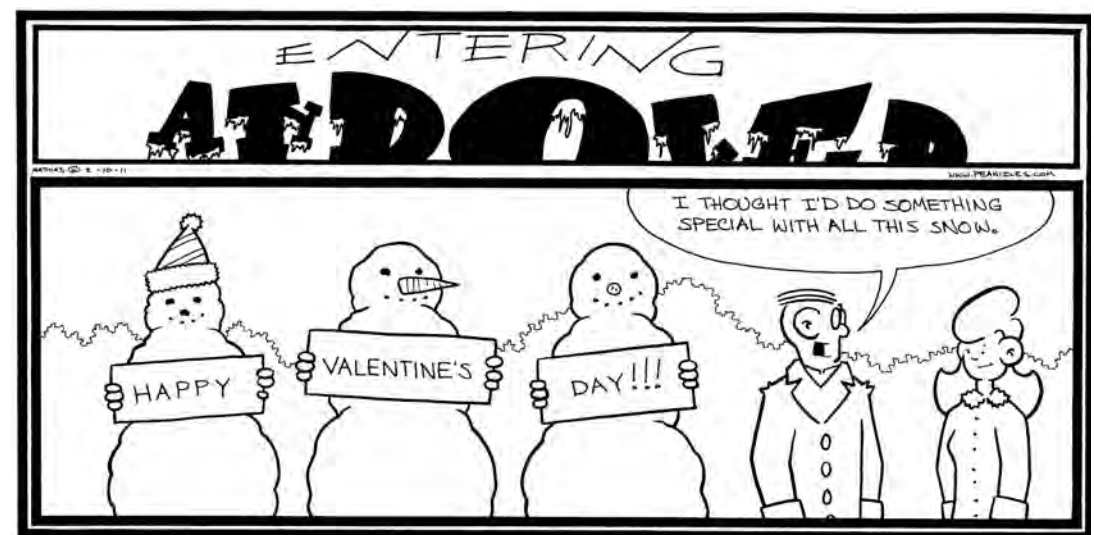
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ENTERING ANDOVER by Don Mathias



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Dear Andover School Committee,

The teachers of Andover are your most essential resource toward delivering a quality education to the children of Andover. When a child loves school, it is because a teacher has connected to that child. Computers can't do it, buildings can't do it, school supplies can't do it—only teachers. The key to maintaining a dedicated and professional teaching staff is to invest in their professional development, provide the means for a quality standard of living, and provide the best learning environment you can. Please demonstrate your commitment to kids, community, and teachers by taking your seat at the negotiating table and finalizing a contract for the current school year and for the years to come. You are the stewards of Andover Public Schools. As such, it is time to invest in this mandated part of the process that is public education. Together, we can deliver the excellent education that Andover kids deserve.

Sincerely,
The members of the Andover Education Association

Opinion

New approaches deserve look, research

It's far too early to know where the discussion will go, but give the Andover school system credit for at least considering a bold new approach such as using tablet computers such as the iPad in place of traditional textbooks.

Of course, the system must do a good deal of research before it makes a move in this direction, as the superintendent and School Committee chairman seem to understand. In short, Andover needs to figure out, where is this headed? The cost of the project, proof of its effectiveness, and other data need to be collected. If a pilot program is created, there will need to be pre-tests and post-tests established and an understanding of what information will be needed to prove whether there is an educational benefit to using tablet PCs over traditional textbooks.

Because this involves technology and the school system, such an idea also requires its own brand of caution. Technology moves quickly. Today's floppy disk, Betamax video machines and HD DVDs can be tomorrow's punchlines and dust collectors, as new technology surpasses it. Systemwide educational changes take a lot of time. While some teachers may jump aboard quickly, other teachers and even students may be resistant or require a good deal of time and training before they can make great use of the new opportunities. So, Andover educational leaders would need to be sure that the technology will stand the test of time and not be so quickly outdated that it becomes inefficient, or of limited use. There would need to be buy-in from the schoolhouses.

A great deal of work will need to be done to show such a change is warranted. Discussions are only beginning. Again, they will need to answer the question, where is Andover headed? But it's at least possible such as change could increase student understanding without increasing the budget. It's encouraging that Andover educational leaders are willing to look into new ways to augment education in the public schools.

Clearing roof? Use caution

Don't let the panic over roof safety propel you to engage in risky behavior or make foolhardy decisions. Most of the buildings in this state that have experienced trouble have been commercial or institutional structures, including several schools, with flat roofs.

Some would rather be safe than sorry, but the fact is that most homeowners' pitched roofs have borne similar loads in the past and are not at risk.

If you are doing snow-removal work yourself, don't work alone. Make sure someone is with you, even if they aren't going to do any work. The safest way to get snow off of a slanted roof is to do it from the ground, using a snow rake. While a ladder will obviously let you reach higher, the steps can be very slippery when coated with snow and ice.

If you have a high roof, you may want to consider hiring a reputable professional to clear the snow and ice for you. And by all means avoid drive-by contractors like the ones who knocked at a 78-year-old Amesbury man's door the other day, went up on the roof, then presented with him a bill for \$4,800. (After police were called, the bill was adjusted down to \$250.)

WEB QUESTION

What do you think of the idea of replacing textbooks with tablet PCs in the Andover schools?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

What do you think of the idea of replacing textbooks with tablet PCs in the Andover schools?

- I'm under 18 years old and I support this idea.
- I'm 19-35 years; I support this idea.
- I'm 36-55 years; I support this idea.
- I'm 56 and older; I support this idea.
- I'm 0-18 years; I oppose this idea.
- I'm 19-35 years; I oppose this idea.
- I'm 36-55 years; I oppose this idea.
- I'm 56 and older; I oppose this idea.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Last week's questions was "On a scale of one to five, where do you rate Andover's snow

removal operations?" With 147 people responding, the answers were:

- 4/5 - Very good, especially when compared to other towns: 49 votes, 33.33 percent
- 3/5 - Solid. We're getting what we pay for: 47 votes, 31.97 percent
- 2/5 - Very poor. The plan needs serious work: 30 votes, 20.41 percent
- 1/5 - Deplorable. Travel is impossible: 10 votes, 6.8 percent
- 5/5 - Marvelous. It doesn't even seem like winter: 4 votes, 2.72 percent
- Other - We spend too much on snow removal: 3 votes, 2.04 percent
- Other - We don't spend enough on snow removal: 2 votes, 1.36 percent
- Other answer...: 2 votes, 1.36 percent.

WINTER INSIDE AND OUT



Large icicles hang over a window decorated with paper snowflakes at the Bancroft School in Andover.

ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Supporting Easter Seals a family tradition

David Hoffman

In these challenging times, it is difficult to decide which charities to support. The need is so great and so many organizations are doing exceptional things.

In the end, I think we all ultimately decide to support causes that are close to our hearts.

Easter Seals works to ensure that children and adults with disabilities have equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play. It is an organization that has touched the hearts of three generations of my family.

My father, S. Joseph Hoffman, served as vice-chairman of the Easter Seals board of directors. A little more than 15 years ago, he passed the torch to me. I now hold that same board position and, like him, am an active Easter Seals volunteer.

My support, in part, stems from the fact that my wife and I have three healthy children. Recently, Caroline, Emma and Johnny also have taken up the cause. Last year when she was 9, Caroline volunteered to raise money for Easter Seals by selling friendship bracelets she had made. In the summer she ran

a lemonade stand and gave the proceeds to Easter Seals.

"It's the circle of life," my father said. I like to add that we help others along the way.

Through the years, we've been moved by the incredible people we've met through Easter Seals and the ability of Easter Seals technology to transform lives.

Let me tell you about a young woman named Adriana Mallozzi.

Adriana was born with cerebral palsy. She is unable to walk and has very limited use of her hands. Now an adult, she has been receiving Easter Seals services since she was a year old.

Several years ago Adriana asked Easter Seals for technology that would make her more independent at home. Easter Seals Specialist Eric Oddleifson provided her with environmental controls that enable her to open doors and better use her computer to control appliances. His efforts were so successful that she asked him to provide technology and training that would help her be more independent at work. Adriana works fulltime as the Day Habilitation Service Manager at the Walnut Street Center in Somerville.

In addition to her

independence at home and at work, Easter Seals nurtured something in Adriana - the belief that there is nothing she can't do.

Wanting to give back, Adriana recently joined the Easter Seals regional board and is volunteering her time to join me in raising money for Easter Seals services. She wants other people with disabilities to receive those same life-changing services. She wants them to feel that there is nothing they can't do.

Today, for people with disabilities, technology is providing opportunities that were unimaginable only a generation ago.

Easter Seals Massachusetts is at the forefront of those changes. Nationwide, it is the acknowledged leader in the use of technology to empower people with disabilities to reach their full potential. Some of that technology solves problems that may seem insignificant to people without disabilities. For Adriana, it gave her the ability, among other things, to turn on the lights in her home and control her computer at work. Think what that would mean if you could not control your arms.

She is one of the people who make me totally committed to

this organization.

The financial efficiency of Easter Seals and the dedication of its talented staff also are important to mention. For the last 25 years, the National Health Council has ranked Easter Seals No. 1 in its commitment to direct services. Out of every dollar that Easter Seals spends, 89 cents goes directly to services for people with disabilities.

Last year, Easter Seals services reached more than 17,000 people with disabilities and their families throughout Massachusetts. Those services were provided in private homes, schools, adult day programs, nursing homes and workplaces.

These services cannot be provided without your help. Please join my family in supporting Easter Seals. The money we raise will help more people like Adriana achieve equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play.

As my father said, it's the circle of life.

For more information or to donate, go to EasterSealsMa.org.

David Hoffman grew up in Andover and is vice chairman of the Easter Seals board. His father, S. Joseph Hoffman, opened Andover Liquors around 1979 and owned it for 25 years.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LETTERS POLICY

The Townsman accepts letters to the editor from the community. Letters should be typed, no longer than 350 words and must include writer's name, address and phone number (numbers will not be published). We reserve the right to edit letters for issues including libel, length, clarity and style. Deadline is Monday at 9 a.m.

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Online 'shadow dwellers' should be held accountable

Editor, Townsman:

L.M. Delucia's recent letter to the Townsman ("Spending limits are needed," Feb. 3) was astonishing and commendable. I was not astonished by this person's questioning of my interest in preserving the integrity of education and teacher contracts in Andover. I did not find the letter commendable for its implication that town employees, who pay state taxes as well as taxes in their own communities, should - without protest - continue to subsidize Andover through punitive collective bargaining agreements.

I found it both astonishing and commendable because L.M. Delucia had the integrity to write a formal letter to the public forum without the protection of anonymity that is afforded to the vitriolic online commentators. My previous letter had pointed out

the ugly online comments that often follow stories regarding the contracts of public employees, but the sentence was edited out without explanation. Why do you wish to shield these anonymous mudslingers from critique? Are the online writers unable

to stand by their angry words? Shouldn't we hold these shadow dwellers accountable? Although I disagree with the words of the Delucia letter, the courage is inspiring.

MATTHEW J. BACH
Malden
Andover High School teacher

March for Life deserves attention

Editor, Townsman:

Due to the absence of local and national coverage of the 38th March for Life, I felt compelled to give a firsthand account.

There were only 400,000 at the March. Why cover it? Do people want pro-life news? A 2009 Gallup Poll revealed that 51 percent of Americans call themselves "pro-life" and 42 percent "pro-choice."

Things were happening at the March from the screening of BloodMoney, a documentary

exposing the abortion industry, to book signings by a former Planned Parenthood Employee of the Year who speaks out on how this abortion giant has hoodwinked the taxpayers into thinking that they help women when in fact they only profit from them. In 2009, they received \$350 million from government grants/contracts.

I met many women carrying signs saying "I regret my abortion." Five thousand of these brave women are a part of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign. They deserve coverage.

The major networks were nowhere to be found during the March. Yet at a 1963 march with 250,000 people, CBS aired it live and millions watched Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I have a dream" speech. With EWTN's live coverage they saw a 40 percent increase in website traffic.

DEBORAH A. PAPALIA
North Andover

THURSDAY FILE

You are what you think. You are what you go for. You are what you do.
- Bob Richards

Courage is the greatest of all the virtues. Because if you haven't courage, you may not have an opportunity to use any of the others.
- Samuel Johnson

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I . . . I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference.
- Robert Frost

I think the days of the gasoline engine are numbered, even if we don't know exactly what that number is.
- Daniel Becker, head of the U.S. Center for Auto Safety

Quality is never an accident; it is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction and skillful execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives.
- William A. Foster

The five pillars of success
■ See really see what's possible
■ Know specifically what you want to achieve
■ Make good decisions

■ Understand the tactics to get things done and to change minds
■ Earn the trust and respect of the people around you
It sure seems like we spend all our time on #4.
Seth Godin

I will fight other people in order to be able to load the dishwasher. I know it is bizarre, but to me it is like an art form.
Vanessa Mae, classical violinist

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Courtesy photo
Andover's Jessica Huang, center, earned a trip to the Super Bowl with her efforts as part of a designated drive campaign.

Andover woman's safe-driving effort lands her trip to Super Bowl

Although the New England Patriots did not compete in this year's Super Bowl, three members of the organization were invited to North Texas as a reward for setting an NFL record. Andover native Jessica Huang, and Kassie Epstein and Kelly Hard were at the Super Bowl as part of TEAM Coalition and the HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers. These three Patriots employees set a single-season NFL record by helping over 19,000 fans pledge to be designated drivers and ensure a safe ride home from the game for friends and family in 2010. The Patriots finished first among NFL teams in number of sign-ups and as a result, Huang headed to Dallas to represent the Patriots and enlist designated drivers at the Super Bowl on Sunday, Feb. 6. Patriots fans who pledge

and demonstrate responsible behavior at any Patriots game throughout the season receive a complimentary soft drink, a commemorative key chain, pro shop discounts and a chance to be selected as the Designated Driver for the Game. At the final regular season home game each year, the Patriots recognize their Designated Driver for the Season. The chosen individual serves an honorary team captain for the game, joins the Patriots' captains at the 50-yard line for the pregame coin toss and receives a commemorative game ball. The next time the Patriots advance to the Super Bowl, their Designated Driver for the Season will accompany them on the trip. The program will continue again next season.



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TOWN TALK

Ballardvale Fire Station moving forward

Members of the Ballardvale Fire Station Building Committee have been making their rounds to announce their recommendation for the future home for a possible new Ballardvale Fire Station. Their choice is the corner of the property of South Elementary School, where a baseball field now sits.

As part of the plan, a replacement playing space would be created behind the school.

The more than 100-year-old Ballardvale Fire Station has been identified as needing replacement for some time, as many typical modern-day fire trucks no longer fit in its bays. This past week, the building committee visited the Board of Selectmen and recommended the South Elementary site because of how close it is to the area the station will service, the site's access to primary roads and its level topography.

— Dustin Luca

Watchdog nods her head to police unions

Resident Mary Carbone takes the podium frequently at Andover-government meetings, more often than not to discuss something in town she opposes. This week, at Monday's Selectmen meeting, the town watchdog commended the town's three police unions for their recent signing of a one-year contract with the town that included no increases in benefits or pay.

— Dustin Luca

Key to victory

Andover food establishments had a strong presence, but Burton's Restaurant of North Andover won last weekend's Sweet Indulgence dessert competition. It was all in good fun as the event was a fundraiser for Congregation Beth Israel in Andover.

"Burton's Key Lime Pie made the top three and was the judges' favorite and walked away with the trophy," said organizer and Andover resident Jon Brody. "It was a great first year event. Exceeded all of our goals. It will be a while before we wrap up the dollars and the expenses on this one." Rebecca Ingalls of Palmers Restaurant & Tavern in Andover entered "Genoise layered with chocolate sambuca mousse and strawberries" even though she said she was considering making snow balls.

— Judy Wakefield

Marshalls' final sale

The Andover Marshalls in Shawheen Plaza will remain open until Sunday, March 13, said Doreen Thompson, vice president of corporate communications. She also said Marshalls will reopen in its new South Lawrence location (Rte. 114 Plaza near the Registry of Motor Vehicles) on Thursday, March 17.

The off-price retailer was in town for 17 years.

— Judy Wakefield

Four & counting

Semester 2 Open House Night at Andover High School is tonight, Thursday, Feb. 10 from 7-9 p.m.

"No... this is not another Snow Alert," Principal (and funny man) Thomas Sharkey said in his telephone and e-mail messages to parents. "I hope that you will be able to come to the high school to meet your child's second semester teachers and to obtain a sense of the courses' learning goals and teacher expectations. In the event of snow, the date will be Tuesday, Feb. 15."

By the way, Andover is now up to four snow days so school will end Tuesday, June 21.

— Judy Wakefield

Wheelie Man enters spring training

Andover resident Garth Lockhart, affectionately known as "Wheelie Man" by many around town for his miles-long bicycle wheelie antics on Route 28 and associated world record attempt last year, was seen this past week one-wheeling it north on Route 28 in the area of Route 133. Clearly, his training for other records continues.

— Dustin Luca

Outstanding Teen Wipff performs

Miss Massachusetts' Outstanding Teen 2011 Kendall Wipff of Andover recently returned from the Miss America Pageant in Las Vegas where she was featured in a production number performed by 46 state Outstanding Teen titleholders with the reigning Miss America's Outstanding Teen, Lacey Russ of Oklahoma, during the pageant's preliminary competition show.

Applications are being accepted from young ladies interested in competing to become Miss Massachusetts' Outstanding Teen 2011 at the pageant to be held on April 10.

Phantom Gourmet comes to town

The Phantom Gourmet is coming to LaRosa's on Barnard Street today, Thursday, Feb. 10. Kim Surrette of LaRosa's said the television crew will be filming from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"They plan to film a segment and interview customers," she wrote in an e-mail to the Townsman.

— Judy Wakefield

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Townspeople

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SENIORS FOR VALENTINE'S

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Love was in the air Friday at Shawsheen School, where some of the town's youngest students made Valentine Day cards for residents of a senior citizen assisted living community in town.

The cards, hand-made by children in kindergarten through second grade, will be delivered to Atria Marland Place residents this week, just in time for Valentine's Day on Monday.

For the children, the activity created a sense of awareness of the community, where the ability to affect someone's life with just a hand-made card becomes something much larger, according to Karen Bailey, a Shawsheen mom and member of the Shawsheen PTO Community Service Committee.

"The perception is that you are never too young or too old to change the world," Bailey said. "It starts with your friends in the classroom and the family at home, and it goes on to the community."

For the residents of Marland Place, a heart-shaped card covered in pink and purple stickers, foam hearts, warm Valentines wishes and the name of a child leaves a strong impression, she said.

"It helps to have someone thinking about them," Bailey said. "(The residents) know there are 250 school kids thinking about them. We hope to brighten their days, really, and help them bring a little joy into the lives of the resident community."

Ann Sico, Engaged Life director at Marland Place, confirmed the effect of the Valentine's Day cards.

"My residents love to have interactions with kids and love to get stuff from the kids," Sico said. "It is beneficial to know that kids in the community remember them and reach out to them. For (our residents) who don't have family in the area, it is something to brighten their day."

Creating the cards seemed to brighten the children's days as well.

"It makes us feel good, and we hope people like it," Jack Walsh, a 7-year-old first-grader, said.

Nick Solt, a 7-year-old second-grader at the school, used a piece of clothing to describe how he felt.



Shawsheen School student Benji Goldman, 6, carefully peels off a sticker for a Valentine's Day card he was making for a resident of Marland Place on Friday afternoon.

"I feel like this!" he triumphantly said as he held out a yellow bracelet decorated with a smiley face.

Many other students listed a series of emotions in describing how making the cards made them feel, including *good, joyful, loving, caring and more.*

"It feels, like, cool," Liam Awiszus, a 7-year-old second-grader, said. "I made Valentine's cards a long time ago, and it feels cool to make them again."

For feedback on this story, or for other story-related inquiries, please email dluca@andovertownsmen.com.



Shawsheen School first-grader Jakey Orlandella, 7, writes on a Valentine's Day card for a resident at Marland Place.

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The EXCEPTIONALS
by Bob Clyman



Shawsheen School first-grader Madison Andrews, 6, glues a red heart to a Valentine's Day card she is making for a resident at Marland Place on Friday afternoon.



Second-graders Nicole LaPierre, 8, left, and Liliana Bishop, 7, right.



Kindergarteners Sammy Daly, 5, left, and Ben Zaeder, 6, work on their Valentine's Day cards for seniors.

For Special Olympian, Pats Hall of Famer 'Kicks' is good

An Andover Special Olympian was among the state athletes who received a chance to test his kicking skills and re-create his favorite Patriots field goal moments in Foxboro, at the Hall at Patriot Place.

Participating in the event at Patriot Place was Kyle White, a standout from the Andover team of Special Olympics Massachusetts.

In addition to the opportunity to try field-goal kicking, White was on hand when CVS Caremark and the New England Patriots Charitable Foundation presented a check for \$25,000 to Special Olympics Massachusetts to celebrate the outcome of their "Kicks for Kids" campaign that ran during the 2010 NFL regular season. The \$25,000 was generated by a donation made for every successful field goal at home games.

Pro Football and Patriots Hall of Famer and Executive Director of Community Affairs for the New England Patriots Andre Tippett was on hand for the check presentation and to spend time with the athletes.



Kyle White, an athlete from the Andover team of Special Olympics Massachusetts, is seen at The Hall at Patriot Place in Foxboro with Pro Football and Patriots Hall of Famer Andre Tippett. White and Tippett, who serves as executive director of community affairs for the New England Patriots, were part of a group celebrating the outcome of the 'Kicks for Kids' campaign that raised \$25,000 for Special Olympics Massachusetts.

'Wolves' worth devouring for Andover historians

Bill Dalton



The main characters are Martha Allen and Thomas Carrier. I wrote a column about these two people a few years ago that has been re-posted in

"The Wolves of Andover," by Kathleen Kent (fiction, Little Brown, 2010), is good reading and the book does a fine job taking the reader back to the middle of the 17th century in this area.

the online edition this week (andovertownsmen.com).

Much had been previously written about Martha Allen, who marries Thomas and becomes Martha Carrier. She was the most famous of the "witches" tried and executed in Salem. However, the book covers a time before then, and almost all the local portion of the story is in Billerica, where Martha and Thomas met. Thomas was one of the most interesting people I've ever written about. He was seven feet four inches tall and lived to be 109 — his family maintains it was 113. He remained in perfect health until the day he died. Andover historian Sarah

Loring Bailey mentioned that he was a man of pleasant temperament. (For the rest of his story, please see the online column.)

His wife's temperament may have caused her death. She was outspoken, remarkably so for a woman of her time, and showed great courage in court, when her life was at risk. She bravely maintained her innocence and refused to confess, even after she and her children were tortured.

For reasons not of historical record, Thomas avoided torture, and, after his wife was executed, he and his children

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

COMPILED BY SUSAN MCKELLIGET

25 Years Ago - Feb. 6, 1986

At their Jan. 27 meeting, Andover selectmen granted WCCM, a Lawrence radio station, a license to store and keep 2,500 gallons of propane gas in above-ground tanks at its Chandler Road transmitter center. This week, a number

of townspeople living in the area have signed a petition requesting that the selectmen reconsider their decision.

Mary Travers and Livingston Taylor, two of folk music's best, put on a fine performance Saturday night at the J. Everett Collins Center for the Performing Arts.

As part of Catholic Schools Week, St.

Augustine's School sponsored a Children's Identification Clinic last Saturday for its students and family members. Dr. Frank Odium of Andover organized the clinic that included a package for each child containing their height, weight, fingerprints and photo.

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WEDDING

Krystie Schackelman and Ernest Dascoli

Krystie Schackelman and Ernest Dascoli were married on Oct. 9, 2010. The couple had a sunset beach wedding on Redondo Beach followed by a reception at the Los Verdes Country Club in Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif.

The bride is the daughter of Gloria Lau and the late Davie Lau of Wisconsin.

The groom is the son of Ernest and Celeste Dascoli of Andover. The couple honeymooned in the Bahamas and reside in Redondo Beach.



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50 Years Ago - Feb. 9, 1961

Town Meeting may be treated to an old-fashioned debate on municipal salaries and wages. Despite Town Manager Thomas E. Duff's assertion to the selectmen Monday night the agreement has been reached with employees on an increase, it has been learned that there is no agreement, and there may be none until Town Meeting acts.

Worried over the possibility that a child may be struck down, the selectmen have urged that Andover build itself a reputation as a "tough town" on speeders.

Tyer Rubber Co., for many

years a locally owned business, will pass from local control, subject to the approval of stockholders. Directors of the company have approved a plan that will have the company a fully owned subsidiary of Converse Rubber Co., of Malden.

The town lost about \$964,500 in assessed real estate values in 1960 via land taking for Route 495. The loss represents about 30 cents on the tax rate.

75 Years Ago - Feb. 7, 1936

A total of well over \$100,000 will be asked in special articles at the Annual Town Meeting in March, it was learned last night. New articles filed this week

included a request for \$400 for a new moth department truck, \$285 for an orchard sprayer, and \$1,100 for a shade tree sprayer.

Dr. J.J. Daly, chairman of the local board of selectmen, has written to the local Congressmen and the two Senators asking that they support any measures which may make it possible for W.P.A. help to be paid weekly.

Serious delay on the junior high project is becoming increasingly imminent because of failure of the P.W.A. to straighten out the furniture bids. It was stated this week that unless this matter is settled soon the auditorium might not be ready for graduation.

100 Years Ago Feb. 10, 1911

Gertrude and Sydney White, children of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert White, have recently been treated for adenoid trouble.

John H. Flint has purchased the Woodbridge and Bursley property on Highland road.

William M. Wood was the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the North Andover Club held last Monday evening.

Remember the auction sale of real estate at the Hemenway house on Abbot street on Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

BOOMERVENTURE

By KAREN PAYNE-TAYLOR
BOOMERVENTURE STAFF

Despite the mountainis of snow, there is a way that hearty Andover baby boomers can get out from under the weight of this winter - by visiting the BoomerVenture Winter Campus, 30 Whittier Court, Andover. Exercise for the body and mind is what's on this year's syllabus.

Registration begins Feb. 14 for all BoomerVenture activities. Call for information on all classes at 978-623-8321 or visit boomerventure.com.

Residents can get out from in front of the fireplace or TV and get a workout without even having to go to the gym. Or they try Boomer Zumba, cardio fitness with a Latin-dance flair, featuring everything from Afro-caribbean and Latin beats to flamenco, rock and hip hop. For something with a more serious crunch, there's Stott Pilates, a dynamic strengthening regimen with dynamic, Yoga-style flow. Keeping pace mentally, BoomerVenture continues the BoomerBridge series with both beginning and intermediate offerings.

Full BoomerVenture Winter Campus Schedule

Energize with Exercise: Mondays, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Feb. 28-May 16, 11-week session; cost is \$60. Aerobic workout without going to the gym. Weight training and

stretching included. No prior exercise experience required.

Boomer Zumba: Thursdays, 3:30 to 4:20 p.m., March 3-May 19, 12-week session; \$65. Cardio fitness with a Latin flair. Dance to Afro-Caribbean music and Latin beats, with flamenco, belly dance, rock and hip hop.

Stott Pilates: Thursdays, 2:30 to 3:15 p.m., March 3-May 19; 12 classes for \$48, introductory price. Pilates strengthens muscles and increases flexibility. Similar to yoga, it improves core strength but differs in that it is a "flow" through a series of movements that are more dynamic. Bring a pilates mat or 2 yoga mats.

There are also two bridge classes, and both run eight weeks: Mondays, Feb. 28; March 7 and 14; April 4, 11 and 25; May 2 and 9, \$130 per series. Taught by Andover resident Terry Kay Bargar, ACBL/ABTA accredited bridge instructor.

Beginning Bridge: 10 a.m. to noon. If you've taken an introductory bridge course then this is the perfect follow-up. Lots of play, review, plus Stayman and Jacoby Transfer bids.

Intermediate Bridge: Make the most of the hand you're dealt, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Play your cards to win more tricks with many strategies in declarer play. Open to intermediate players wanting to improve play of hand technique.

DALTON

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moved to Connecticut, where, in his 70s, he began purchasing land and became a large landowner.

Carrier was a Welshman whose real name may have been Thomas Morgan. He may have swung the axe that removed the head of King Charles 1 during the Cromwell revolution. When the English throne was restored, Thomas Morgan and others implicated in the king's death were hunted and many

of them escaped to the New World. He would have changed his name to avoid detection. The regicides well-organized fight to survive assassins is an interesting part of the book.

Although Ms. Kent, the author, tends to torture metaphors and similes, her writing is otherwise smooth and pleasurable. There is no indication of a follow-up to this book from Ms. Kent, but it would be nice if there were one.

Bill Dalton writes a weekly column and enjoys receiving your e-mails at billdalton@andovertownie.com.

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Obituaries

Patrick F. Burke, Jr., 76



Patrick F. "Pat" Burke, Jr., died Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011 in Lawrence. He was 76. Born in Lawrence, Feb. 20, 1934, the son of Marguerite "Peggy" (Ringland) and the late Patrick Burke, Sr. Burke was captain of his Lawrence High School team. He is a member of the Lawrence High School Hall of Fame.

Burke attended law school at Wayne State University and owned and operated several restaurants in Detroit, Washington, D.C., and Boston. He was the original owner of Clarke's in Boston.

Burke returned to Massachusetts in 2000 and lived in Lawrence, until moving to the Academy Manor in Andover in 2007.

In addition to his mother, Marguerite, Burke is survived by his

son, Michael, of New Hampshire; two daughters, Sabrina Burke-Featherstonehaugh and husband Stephen, of New York, and their children, Emily and Alexandra, Stephanie Burke-May and her spouse, Cindy, of Tennessee; his brother, Michael and wife Martha of Washington, D.C.; his sister, Jane B. Legendre and husband, Vincent, of Osterville; his uncles, Joseph Ringland, of Lawrence and James Callahan, of North Carolina; his nephew, Tripp Legendre and wife, Laura of New Hampshire; a niece, Leigh Keefe and husband, Patrick and their children, Meagan, Brenna, Patrick and Conan of Andover, plus many Burke and Ringland family cousins.

ARRANGEMENTS: There were no calling hours. A funeral Mass was held Saturday in Saint Patricks Church in South Lawrence. To send an online condolence or share a memory, please visit www.pollardfuneralhome.com.

Lillian E. Ciaraldi, 95

Lillian E. (Zinno) Ciaraldi, 95, of Andover, died Friday, Feb. 4, 2011 at the Wingate of Andover.

The widow of the late Samuel A. Ciaraldi and mother of the late Samuel A. Ciaraldi Jr., Lillian is survived by her daughter, Camille Peters of Ciara Music Studio and Music Director at Sacred Hearts Church in Bradford and her husband Eric M. Kluk of Salem, N.H. Also among her survivors are her daughter-in-law, Barbara (Bennett) Ciaraldi; sister, Marjorie Stable of Methuen; as well as her seven grandchildren, 13

great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass was offered on Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. at Sacred Hearts Church in Bradford. Burial followed in Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence. Family and friends called on Tuesday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. at the church, prior to the Mass. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either Sacred Hearts Church, 48 South Chestnut St., Bradford MA 01835; or St. Rita's Sodality c/o Corpus Christi Parish at Holy Rosary Church, 35 Essex St., Lawrence MA 01840.

George F. Colloten, 83



George Francis Colloten, 83, of Groveland, died Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011 at Lahey Clinic Medical Center in Burlington, with his loving

wife, Elsie, by his side.

Born in Haverhill, Aug. 7, 1927, son of the late George A. and Dorothy (Bell) Colloten, he was a graduate of Punchard High School in Andover, Class of 1947.

He was employed as a machine operator at Western Electric Company and AT&T Technologies in North Andover. He retired in 1989 with 34 years of service.

George's hobby was maintaining his 1782 home and gardening. He enjoyed traveling.

He was a 40-year member of Merrimack Lodge, F&AM,

Haverhill Council, and Pentucket Chapter, all of Haverhill; Aleppo Temple Shrine of Wilmington; CWA Local 1365 Retirees Chapter, and New Outlook Pioneers Northeast Chapter 131.

His survivors include his wife of 36 years, Elsie M. (Gurney) Colloten; along with many dear friends.

ARRANGEMENTS: Visiting hours at the Highland Chapel of Paul C. Rogers & Sons Family Funeral Home, 2 Hillside Ave., Amesbury, were Monday, Feb. 7, immediately followed by masonic services conducted by officers and members of Merrimack Lodge and funeral services conducted by Rev. David Thomas. Private interment services were held at Bartlett Cemetery, Amesbury. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Massachusetts Chapter, 311 Arsenal St., Watertown, MA 02472, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Irene J. Gilman, 94



Irene J. (Bernard) Gilman, 94, died peacefully Thursday, Jan. 27, 2011 at the Prescott House Nursing Home in North Andover.

Born on Dec. 11, 1916 in Lawrence, Irene was the daughter of Archie and Amanda (Roy) Bernard. Irene was raised in Methuen but spent most of her life in Andover. Irene was the youngest and last surviving member of seven siblings.

She was a communicant of St. Lucy's Parish in Methuen and an expert seamstress. She also enjoyed baking, canning, and spending time with her family.

The widow of the late Ralph P. Gilman with whom she shared 60 happy years of marriage until his death in 2002, Irene is survived by her three children, Brian R. Gilman and his wife Cheryl of

Methuen, Sharon Collins of Haverhill, Sandra M. (Gilman) Leland and her husband Elbridge of North Andover; daughter-in-law, Carol Landry of Florida, wife of the late Bruce E. Gilman; seven beloved grandchildren, Tracie, Justin, Brandon, Chad, Todd, Elbridge, and Lancing; and 12 great-grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Calling hours were Thursday, Feb. 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence St., Methuen. A Mass of Christian burial was held Friday, Feb. 4 at 11 a.m. at St. Lucy's Church with burial at North Maplewood Cemetery in Plaistow, N.H. As an expression of sympathy, those who wish may make donations in Irene's name to the St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or visit www.stjude.org/donations. To leave an online condolence, story, or message, please visit www.pollardfuneralhome.com.

Margaret A. Sullivan, 78



Margaret A. "Peggy" (Mackey) Sullivan, 78, of Andover and Palm Beach, Fla., formerly of Lowell and Tewksbury, died on Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2011.

Beloved wife of Kevin C. Sullivan for 55 years. Devoted mother of Kevin A. Sullivan of Andover and his significant other Chun Li Wu, Mary C. Gorman and her husband John P. of Andover, John D. Sullivan of Tewksbury and his significant other Elaina Millard, David F. Sullivan and his wife Katherine of Boston and the late Paul H. Sullivan. Loving grandmother of Ryan Sullivan and his wife Felicia, Ashley and Kerri Sullivan, Maggie and Jack Gorman, Hannah and John K. Sullivan. Great-grandmother of Callum Sullivan. Sister of the late Ann Marie Roberts.

Born in Lowell, Peggy was raised by Paul and Loretta Fahey of the Centerville section of Lowell after the death of her mother, Agnes in 1937, when Peggy was 5-years-old. Peggy was a graduate of Keith Hall Girls High School, Lowell.

She was a member of the Guild of Poor Clare, Andover. She volunteered serving meals at Cor Unum Meal Ctr. at St. Patrick's Church, Lawrence. Participant at Our Lady of Hope Novena at the Novitiate, Tewksbury.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral Mass in St. William's Church, Main St. (Route 38), Tewksbury was Monday. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, North Tewksbury. Visiting hours in the Farmer and Dee Funeral Home, 16 Lee St., Tewksbury, were on Sunday. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Peggy's memory to Cor Unum Meal Center, 118 South Broadway, Lawrence, MA 01843, or to Monastery of St. Clare, 445 River Road, Andover, MA 01810-4213, would be appreciated.

Elizabeth Arnold, 85



Elizabeth Arnold, 85, died peacefully at Academy Manor at age 85 on Friday, Feb. 4, 2011.

"Betty," was born in Alton, Ill. in 1925.

She was predeceased by husband Hugh Arnold, who died in 1996. The couple married in 1951 and in 1968 the family settled in Andover, eventually adding a retirement home on the Cape in 1980.

Betty began her career teaching high school English and History. She then taught at Shorter College in Rome, Ga., Fitchburg State College, Merrimack College, and Berkshire Community College. Her final 19 years were spent teaching English at Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill, and she served as

Department Chair.

She leaves daughter, Peggy (Bill) Wedgwood; her sons, Jeff (Rachel) Arnold and Jim (Beth) Arnold; her grandchildren, Molly Wedgwood and Ryan, Patrick, Colleen, Madeleine, Rory and Connor Arnold; her brother, John (Betty) McDaniels. She was preceded in death by a sister, Virginia Wallace.

ARRANGEMENTS: A private Catholic graveside service will be held at the family plot in Ashby, this spring. Betty will be laid to rest next to her husband, Hugh. The gravestone is already engraved: "A man's reach should not exceed his grasp, else what's a heaven for." While grieving, we know that Betty is at peace in heaven and reunited with her husband. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Museum of Newport History, PO Box 1328, Newport, RI 02840. For those who wish to sign their condolences, please go to www.goodwinfh.com.

Wanda B. Faris, 94



Wanda B. (Moses) Faris, 94, of Methuen, formerly of Andover and Seabrook, N.H., passed away Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011 at the Merrimack Valley Hospice

House in Haverhill.

She was born in Lawrence and was the daughter of the late Najib and Katie (Sherfan) Moses. Wanda was raised and educated in Lawrence. She was a graduate of the Oliver Grammar School and Lawrence High School.

Wanda dedicated most of her life to taking care of her loving husband William Faris and her daughter, Miriam "Cookie" Faris who predeceased Wanda in 1985. She enjoyed entertaining at her summer home in Seabrook Beach, N.H. Wanda was an active member of St. Anthony's Sodality and The Daughter's of St. Anthony.

Wanda is survived by her sister-in-law, Souad Moses of Methuen; brother-in-law, Bechir Faris of Methuen; nephew, James Moses and his wife Celia of Methuen; nieces, Therese M. Leone and her husband Joseph of Methuen and Lisa Prezzano and her husband Glenn of Methuen. There are also several grandnieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her beloved brother, Mitchell J. Moses; sisters-in-law Helen Faris, Victoria Kattar and Hedla Faris; brother-in-law, George Faris; and a niece, Frances Cocozza.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on Monday, Feb. 7, 2011, at the Cataudella Funeral Home, Methuen. Funeral services followed visiting hours in St. Anthony's Maronite Church, Lawrence. Burial followed in St. Anthony's Cemetery, Methuen. Memorial donations may be made to St. Anthony's Maronite Church, 145 Amesbury St., Lawrence, MA 01841. For online condolences, visit www.cataudellafh.com.

William P. Scopa, 91

William P. Scopa, 91, of North Andover, died peacefully Saturday morning, Feb. 5, 2011 at the Oxford Nursing Home in Haverhill, surrounded by his loving family. For all who knew "Papa," his greatest pride and joy came from his family.

Born in Boston on Jan. 15, 1920, he was the son of the late Thomas and Margaret Scopa.

William is survived by his loving wife of 69 years, Anna (Caruso) Scopa of North Andover; son, William R. Scopa and wife Christine of Boxford; daughter, Mary Ann Theriault and husband John of North Andover; five grandchildren, Michele Laezza and husband Keith of North Andover, Mark Theriault of

North Andover, Brian Theriault and wife Kimberly of Andover, Christina and William Scopa of Boxford; three great-grandchildren, Nicholas Laezza, Georgia and Jack Theriault; brother, Albert; and sister, Josephine Scopa; along with several generations of nieces and nephews. He was also the brother of the late James Scopa, Thomas Scopa and Sophia Vendola.

ARRANGEMENTS: A private memorial service in his honor will be held at a later date. Contributions may be made in his memory to The EAC Committee c/o Oxford Nursing Home, 689 Main St., Haverhill, MA 01830. To sign the family guestbook, please visit www.confetuneralhomes.com.

Denise F. Villanueva, 53

Denise F. (Ferullo) Villanueva, of Andover died on Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2011, after a nine-month battle against ovarian cancer at the age of 53.

Denise was born on July 31, 1957 in Medford. She graduated from Woburn High School, Class of '75, then received her R.N. degree from Lawrence Memorial Hospital in '78 and her B.S.N. degree from Salem State College.

Over the last 32 years, she worked as a staff nurse at Boston University Hospital, Melrose-Wakefield Hospital, Lahey Clinic and most recently as a nurse case manager at Caritas Holy Family Hospital prior to her illness.

She was the beloved husband of Dr. Andrew Villanueva; loving mother of Kristin Villanueva of Andover and Matthew Villanueva

of New York City; daughter of the late Pasquale and Grace (Vassallo) Ferullo; sister of Sandra Kelly of Westford and her late twin sister Doreen Murray. Denise is also survived by her niece, Caitlin Kelly of Maine; and nephews, Michael Kelly of Maine and Christopher Kelly of Westford.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral was from the Cota Funeral Home, 335 Park St., (corner of Park Street and Route 28), North Reading, at Reading line, on Monday, Feb. 7 at 9 a.m. Funeral Mass in St. Augustine's Church., 43 Essex St., Andover was at 10 a.m. Calling hours at the funeral home were Sunday. Interment will be private. Please omit 'flowers and make donations in Denise's name to the Lazarus House Ministries/ St. Malta's Food Pantry, 410-412 Hampshire St., PO Box 408, Lawrence, MA 01842, www.cotafuneralhomes.com.

RELIGION

St. Augustine Church is offering a five week Scripture Study on Jesus' Passion: The Story of Redemptive Suffering, Thursday evenings beginning March 17. This study explores the Scriptural basis of the movie, The Passion of the Christ, and looks at how this powerful portrayal of the suffering and death of Jesus relates to the Bible and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Portions of the movie will be viewed during each lesson. The cost is \$20 to covers materials. Register by March 4. For more information or to register contact Danette Morris at dmorris@staugustineparish.org, or at 978-475-0050 Ext.33.

countries and features world renowned orchestra maestros Micheal Tilton Thomas and Tan Dun. Free and open to the public.

Universal Goddess workshop, on Saturday, Feb. 12 from 2 to 4 p.m., 6 Locke St., Andover. Women's Spirituality workshop on the Universal Goddess. Organizers say, "We

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Education

Public business of schools

Ken Seifert



Every public company has a history. Every community has public companies. The combined companies such as police, fire, schools, etc. comprise the biggest

public investment the stockholders make. If history has taught us anything it is there are times of prosperity, when everyone is happy. Then there are times when we need to waste not, want not; time to look at the entire community. Sometimes private employees make more than the public employees. Sometimes the reverse is true. It really is a shame both sectors cannot understand there can be a balance and truly think of one another with a little equality. When the good times roll we should all benefit. When the rainy day comes we should all have umbrellas. Put some money in the bank for emergencies. There are three sure things in this world: death, taxes and rainy days. Enough of this wishing it was so. It will never happen.

From 1969 to 1991 I was president of the Andover Public School Company. Upon my arrival the president of the Board of Directors, Dr. Richard Katz, said, "We want you to raise achievement for each child in each school and we don't want you to ask for a lot of money! Andover would never go for that." Virginia Cole added that continuous progress wasn't such a bad idea. Her father was known as the father of community colleges in New York state and she was quite familiar with the ins and outs of education.

In spite of what anybody might say, some superintendents and some members of School Committees consider schools a business, a very important business. It is different from making widgets. Good school companies know how to manufacture meaningful achievement, along with good parents who develop good character within our customers (the students). It is the balance of competence and character, two necessary ingredients in producing exemplary products. Someday, all of our schools will know the business plan and we will become the envy of the world.

What the School Committee was really saying was, we want a growth company that has value. A few years earlier, I was fortunate to be taught by some of the finest minds in the business. They said a good growth company has vital components. A few they mentioned were a strategic plan, research and development, innovation, staff development, quality assessment, data to show results and, above all, teamwork. We had such components. There also are a few basic questions that should always be answered: Where have we been? Where are we today? Where do we want to be tomorrow? Approximately how much do you think it will cost?

I have discovered that if you meet people who know what they are talking about and have done what they advise you to do, you will probably be successful by doing similar things.

I have said publicly, I am the luckiest guy in the world. While president of the school company I worked with a large number of eager staff members with a shared vision. This was: apply the components of a good growth company and keep uppermost in our minds how we need to improve

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CARL RUSSO/Staff photos

Wood Hill Middle School will perform the musical "Singing In The Rain" on Friday, Feb. 11, and Saturday, Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. The lead performers are: front, seventh-grader Shyam Venkatramani; standing from left: eighth-grader Kristina Giacchetto, seventh-grader Dillon Clancy and eighth-grader Jenna Kosinski.

LEAVE SNOW BEHIND FOR SINGIN' IN THE RAIN

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

An iconic 1952 American comedy musical film starring Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds comes to town this weekend.

"Singin' in the Rain" is being performed at Wood Hill Middle School. Gina Murray, the music teacher at Wood Hill, and Katie Bent, a social studies teacher, are co-directing.

Some 115 students are involved with the show in some capacity, Bent said.

"Originally I didn't know much about the show. Of course I had heard the famous songs, but I hadn't seen the show or the movie. Our co-director, Gina Murray, suggested it," Bent wrote in an email to the Townsman. "Once I saw the film we thought it was perfect."

A show with a large cast was a must, and using one with a splash of comedy doesn't hurt. "Many (students) had seen the movie and were excited about it," Bent said.

Bent raved about her eighth-grade directors, producers and choreographers.



One of the lead performers, seventh-grader Dillon Clancy, twirls his umbrella during rehearsal for "Singing in the Rain," which will be staged at Wood Hill Middle School this weekend.

"They really stepped up this year. They choreographed all the numbers, helped costume kids and blocked scenes. These students became strong role models for the rest of the cast," she said.

Even though the cast has not been singing about snowstorms and the resulting missed rehearsals, they are ready for the show.

"We've been joking that we should change the title to 'Singin' in the Snow!'" Bent said.

"I play Kathy Selden opposite Dillon Clancy as Don Lockwood. It's fun doing one of the classics. I get to play a character from another era, and learn about Hollywood in the 1920s!" Jenna Kosinski, student director and actress

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN

When: Friday, Feb. 11, 7 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.

Where: Wood Hill Middle School auditorium, 11 Cross St., near High Plain Road

Cost: \$8 in advance, \$10 door
Who: 80 students in the cast, 35 students involved in tech, stage crew and pit band

Student directors: Jenna Kosinski, Kristina Giacchetto

Student producers: Connor Dwyer, Grace Perigaut

Student choreographers: Taylor Burns, Michelle Gencorelli

wrote in an e-mail.

Meanwhile, Taylor Burns, whose been dancing since she was 4 years old, is thrilled to be the student choreographer.

"Rehearsals can get a little hectic, but the kids I teach are very talented. They amaze me with new ideas, and they adapt easily to changes," she wrote.

Burns also plays leading film columnist Dora Bailey.

"All of us worked so hard, so please come see the show," she added.

ON CAMPUS

Charlie Nickerson of Andover has been named to the dean's list for the first quarter at Rochester Institute of Technology. A first-year student in RIT's E. Philip Saunders College of Business, Nickerson is studying business. He is the son of Charles and Diana Nickerson and is a 2010 graduate of Andover High School.

Rev. Augustine Kelly, O.S.B., dean of the college has announced that the following students from Andover were named to the dean's list for the

first semester at Saint Anselm College, Manchester, N.H.

Amanda Carrington a nursing major and a member of the class of 2011

Katelyn Greeley a nursing major and a member of the class of 2012

Michael Somma a criminal justice major and a member of the class of 2011

To be eligible for this honor, a student must compile a grade-point average of 3.0 or better.

The following student has been named to dean's list at

Western New England College for the fall semester of 2010. Students are named to the dean's list for achieving a semester grade-point average of 3.30 or higher.

Matthew R. Vetere of Andover, a sophomore majoring in mechanical engineering.

Western New England College is a private, independent, coeducational institution founded in 1919. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, the College serves 3,700 students, including 2,500 full-time

undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through the College's Schools of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, and Law.

The following student from Andover was awarded a degree by Springfield College for studies completed in December 2010.

Mark O'Sullivan earned a master of education degree in sport management and recreation.

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Open house tonight for SHED, Kid's Club programs

Shawsheen Extended Day and Kid's Club programs are holding an open house tonight, Thursday, Feb. 10, to introduce interested residents to their summer programs.

The open house is a chance for people to meet the program's teachers at a barbecue tonight, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Kid's Club building, located at 65 Phillips St., Andover. A raffle presents the chance to win a free week of summer programming.

Its summer programs are:
■ Junior Adventures: children 4.9 or entering kindergarten

■ Summer Adventures: children entering grades 1-5

■ Team Adventure: youth entering grades 6-9

Crew program, established in 1997 and returning in 2011 for youth age 13 and older, is an intern program.

"Having listened to thoughts expressed by our families, we know they need their children to have fun and adventure, while also feeling secure about where and how their children spend their day," said a release from SHED and Kid's Club. "Additionally, because of today's economic climate and your comments, we have also taken steps to keep our programs affordable. We have lowered the prices in response to your suggestions and needs."

In partnership with Andover Academic Tutors, students entering kindergarten through eighth grade also will have the opportunity enhance their reading, writing, math and organization skills through late day academic enrichment classes. Classes will run through the summer, and students are welcome to drop in for one class or sign up for a whole summer, according to the program.

More information is available online at shedinc.org or by calling 978-623-8462.

Two schools still to have kindergarten registration

Sanborn and South elementary schools will be registering children ready for kindergarten next week.

Shawsheen School, Bancroft Elementary, High Plain Elementary and West Elementary schools each had their registration evenings earlier this week.

School Committee policy indicates that children entering kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2011. Children entering grade 1 who did not attend kindergarten in Andover last year, should also complete the registration forms. Children entering grade 1 must be 6 on or before Sept. 1, 2011

Kindergarten registration

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achievement for each child and each school. In partnership with parents, develop character.

We measured regularly the status of how we were doing and made modifications. We had many differences of opinion. We were never disrespectful of each other. Dignity is always important to each and every person. Once the crew knew the course, they improved the voyage more than I ever expected. We developed AIRS, the best language arts program in the country – just ask the US Office of Education and the 254 school systems throughout the country that purchased materials from us. Good readers and writers make the best students. IMS (math) and SCIS (science) followed.

A student could go to each elementary school and get the same solid foundation. When they went to the middle and high school they were prepared. We never did conquer the elementary, middle and high school with the kind of quality control that would be the best in the journey of 13 years (K to 12). However we did have a blueprint for all subjects and all grades no matter what school you attended.

Were we perfect? Absolutely not. Was everybody satisfied? There is no such thing. Did every child achieve at his own rate and potential? It would be foolish to say he did. We always had much to learn.

I used to say sending your child to the Andover Schools was the best bargain in Massachusetts. From 1969 to 1991 a group of dedicated people improved our customers (students) from the 63 percentile to the 90 percentile, nationwide, in a period of three to four years. Did you know that during this time the cost for such an achievement was the average cost in the public school education market in Massachusetts? In other words the town received an above average result for an average price. How many other school companies can make that statement with almost two decades of value? The truth is we had a good customer to begin with, we made him better and we did not overcharge.

At this point my mom would probably say, "Kenny, SPS." That would mean Self Praise Stinks. No, Ma, you read me wrong this time! I feel so proud of the people I worked with and the things they did, it is worth repeating. We may not see such a thing again.

I think over the last decade or so we have spent too much on buildings and too little on what makes a good growth company. There isn't enough money to do everything. This is not a criticism, it is an observation. The company is undergoing a strategic plan. I hope it will choose a growth and value enterprise.

If Dr. Katz were around today and I asked him if we deserved a bonus he would probably say, "Dr. Seifert you may have a point, but a true professional does his best no matter how much he is paid. You must always do your best for the student and not hold back, just because you think you are not paid enough! Sometimes you win. Sometimes you lose."

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



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo

Students with a Chinese class at Andover High School stand with three exchange students from Yunnan, a province in southwest China who spent a week in Andover. They stand in front of a display celebrating Chinese New Year, which was last Thursday.

Class for 15.5 hours a day

Andover, Chinese students learn about each other's school days

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

The high school had four additional students this week who traveled quite a distance to attend class.

Four exchange students from Wenshan No. 1 High School, located in China's Yunnan province, visited the school this week as, back home, their schools were closed in celebration of the Chinese New Year. The students participated in lessons, while also opening the eyes of local students to the Chinese educational approach.

"To my class, I think they had open eyes to the culture, the school schedule and how many classes they had to take," Mei Ling, a Chinese-language teacher at Andover High who helped coordinate the exchange students' visit, said.

The high-honor elite of Andover High seem to have nothing on the exchange students who, Monday through Saturday, attend classes from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., leaving Sunday to do all of their homework.

"There is a lot of difference between China and America," Chun Shun, 16 and one of the

exchange students, said. "Education is different. Chinese teachers are strict, but American class is much more free."

Andover High School sophomore Katie Bergmeier-Esterberg, 15, hosted one of the four students at her home and has enjoyed taking the student, 17-year-old Huang Yalei, around the area for shopping and dining.

"This is like having another little sister," Katie, who is herself Chinese, said. "(Yalei) made us dinner one night, and last night she had a hamburger. I think it was very good."

ON CAMPUS

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The following Andover students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2010 semester at the University of Vermont.

Annette Fey a first-year student animal sciences major in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences;

Catherine A. Griset a first-year student environmental studies major in the College of Arts and Sciences;

Lauren D. Vivian a senior communication science major in the College of Arts and Sciences;

Zachary M. Zimmerman a

sophomore environmental studies major in the Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources.

To be named to the dean's

lists, students must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better and rank in the top 20 percent of their class in their respective college or school.

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Timothy J. Arena, Class of 2012
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Victoria S. Briggs, Class of 2011
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The following students at St. John's Prep School were named to the headmaster's list (grades of A- or above in all courses):

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Fortunately, heart disease is a condition women can manage. Begin by finding out your risk factors for developing heart disease and taking steps to prevent or control them. Risk factors are conditions or habits that make a person more likely to develop a disease. Important risk factors for heart disease include:

- High blood pressure
- High cholesterol
- Diabetes
- Smoking
- Being overweight
- Being physically inactive
- Having a family history of early heart disease
- Age (55 or older for women)

Some risk factors, such as family history, cannot be changed. However, you can control others, such as smoking or inactivity.

Start by reducing or eliminating one risk factor at a time. For example, you can become more physically active by taking a brisk walk every day, or reduce your cholesterol by eating more fruits and vegetables. If you smoke, try talking to your doctor about a smoking cessation program.

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Business

Chamber of Commerce trade show

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Homebased Network meeting tonight

Join the Homebased Businesswomen's Network, Inc. tonight, Thursday, Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Village Green Restaurant, Route 1 North, Newbury St., Danvers, for an "idea party" that's sure to spark creative thinking about solving your biggest business challenge. HBN invites members and guests to enjoy this informative evening program with networking opportunities. Guests are always welcome, and the guest fee for non-meal meetings is \$10 at the door (no fee for HBN members. No pre-registration necessary for this meeting.



Love shoes? You're in luck

Retail veterans Amy Finegold and Stephanie Sipleby this March will open SoleAmour, a "shoetique" for women, at 10 Post Office Ave.

"Just steps away from Finegold's dresscode, SoleAmour plans to build on the reputation established by Finegold and grow their business by bringing in an eclectic and exciting mix of shoes and accessories from both recognized and new designers at all price points," according to a release. "Their focus is accessible style, marked by a knowledgeable staff, superior customer service and a carefully edited selection of shoes and accessories for every occasion."

Some of the shoes that will be available at the store when it opens in March can be seen at dresscode in the meantime.



An image of early Main Street businesses.

Main Street: Growth of a town center



Andover Stories

By James Batchelder, Andover Historical Society

Andover's Main Street overhaul focused on traffic calming, pedestrian safety, improved lighting and visibility to create a more aesthetically pleasing downtown business district. But as we patronize our local businesses on Main Street, my guess is most folks have little idea about the history of how our center has grown and developed through the years.

Main Street, or Route 28, did not exist until 1806 when construction began on the Essex Turnpike. The turnpike began south at North Reading and extended across the Merrimack River to the New Hampshire border. Completed about 1809, it connected Andover to Boston, Salem and Concord N.H. via other county turnpikes. Travelers had to pay a toll to use the roads, which became free in December 1835.

The main roadways in town before the turnpike were: Elm Street to the North Parish, Central Street which connected to Abbot and Woburn Streets and was the route to Boston, and School Street up the hill to Salem Street and the road to our county seat.

Many Federal-style homes and

businesses were constructed along the Turnpike beginning in 1810. Andover's first business buildings of note were two brick three-story buildings. The first on Elm Square had three shops at the street level, office rooms on the second floor and a function hall at the top level. In 1826 the Andover National Bank was constructed on the current site of the bank building opposite the Town House. On the square to the east was the Ames Tavern and hotel with a small village green in front where the Musgrove building, built in 1895, sits today. The three small wooden buildings at Nos. 9 to 17 Main St. are all that remain of our early retail blocks. Not until Andover built the Town House in 1858 did the business district begin to extend southward along the turnpike.

The town center also developed on Elm Square and down Essex Street after the railroad was built in 1837. Originally located directly behind the library, the tracks were relocated to the current site in the 1850s to bring service to the new city of Lawrence. After the Civil War, construction began in earnest and our business center emerged. Five separate properties were lifted up off their foundations and stores inserted underneath, providing retail space at street level and apartments above. In 1883 J. W. Barnard built his brick building at the corner of Main and Barnard streets.

Main Street would need another overhaul when the trolley cars were introduced in the late 19th

century. The former turnpike was straight but hardly level as it undulated over small rises in the road. The stone wall opposite the former Post Office building, built in 1931, gives visual clues as to the original level of Main Street. The Historical Society and America House were once nearly level to the street.

In 1906-07 the Arco and Press buildings were built, followed by construction of the Barnard Building in 1910. Myerscough & Buchan's brick garage built in 1912 at 93 Main St. extended business into the former residential neighborhood. During the 1920s the construction boon created the former Andover Savings Bank building (now TD Bank), the K&D Block (CVS), Miller Block (Coomb's Shoes) and the Kaplan Block at the corner of Punchard Avenue. Urban renewal was proposed in 1962. The idea was soundly defeated at Town Meeting but gave the owners and merchants of the buildings incentive to upgrade their shops.

Our downtown center has been revitalized during the last decade and now extends eastward down Park and Barnard streets. Excellent town planning and merchant cooperation has created an attractive center that maintains the classic look of our New England town.

"Andover Stories" is a weekly column about interesting local people and events, told as part of the celebration of the Andover Historical Society's 100 anniversary in 2011.

Salon invi has joined Chestnut Street

Salon invi, which describes itself as an ultra modern salon dedicated solely to hair, announced its grand opening in the heart of downtown Andover, in late 2010.

Salon invi is high tech salon that features custom massage chairs, Apple iPads and 42-inch screen TVs in an intimate atmosphere meant to "create a marriage of style and innovation."

"In today's fast paced world, our clients don't want to miss a beat. When they step in the front door, they want to be pampered and receive world class hair styles and colors while keeping pace with the world the around them. At the salon, clients can read real-time news streams, watch on-demand programming or simply check e-mails, providing a unique and memorable client experience," states salon

proprietor, Christopher Kishfy. "The inspiration behind the salon is to help our clients capture the essence of youth and individuality and translate that into fashion forward styles with the perfect color, design and advice on proper hair care."

Salon invi's 28 Chestnut St. space features Italian inspired furnishings, a full service color bar and a coffee station all in what owners intend to be "a cozy, welcoming atmosphere, a divergence from the traditional salon feel." Salon invi is staffed with five professional stylists with a wide range of industry experience specializing in Goldwell Color, Certified in So Cap Extensions and Brazilian Blowouts. Featured products include: Goldwell, Kevin Murphy, and Moroccan Oil.

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

Lau named TD Bank store manager

TD Bank has named Andover resident Bill Lau store manager of the Chelmsford Hannaford store located at 66-2 Drum Hill Road, Chelmsford. An assistant vice president, he is responsible for new business development, consumer and business lending, and managing personnel and day-to-day operations at the store serving customers throughout the area.

Lau has 14 years of banking experience. Prior to joining TD Bank, he served as a branch manager at Bank of America in Tewksbury.

A resident of Andover, he is a 2003 graduate of Bentley College in Waltham.

New shareholder at Devine Millimet

Raymond I. Bruttomesso, Jr. has been elected a shareholder of the Devine Millimet law firm. He works out of both works out of both its Andover and Manchester, N.H. offices.

"Ray demonstrates the very real dedication our firm espouses to not only his clients but also in service to our country and to his community. He is a real asset to our firm, with tremendous expertise in Intellectual Property law, which we are proud to be able to offer to our clients throughout New

England," said Alex Walker, president of Devine Millimet.

Bruttomesso is a member of the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group. He has counseled corporations, institutions, and individuals and provided legal services on all intellectual property matters. He has drafted nearly 300 patent applications; prepared patentability and freedom to operate opinions; and drafted license agreements. In addition, he has handled trademark and copyright matters and supported litigation on various intellectual property-related matters.

He speaks on intellectual property issues to groups ranging from elementary school students to university classes and professional organizations.

He is an Engineering Duty Officer in the U.S. Navy Reserve and holds the rank of Commander. CDR Bruttomesso was mobilized in 2004 to U.S. Joint Forces Command in support of Operation Noble Eagle.

Bruttomesso received his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School. He also holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering, with honors, from Northeastern University, a bachelor in aerospace engineering, with high honors from the Georgia Institute of Technology and an master's degree in aerospace engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

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Sports



Dominika Silvestri, 9, and her pony Woodland Lullaby, aka Luna, will resume competing this spring.

Girl, 9, and her pony leaping to great heights

Following a season of accolades, Andover resident Dominika Silvestri, 9, a fourth-grader at West Elementary, is looking forward to competing again this spring with her pony Woodland Lullaby, which she affectionately calls "Luna."



Dominika Silvestri

"Luna is the apple of Dominika's eye. They train six days a week. Competition has been a big part of their time together in 2010," according to Dominika's mom, Susan Silvestri. "Dominika and Luna are looking forward to the start of their show season in April when they will be entering the Children's Hunter Division."

Dominika began her career at age 4 1/2 at Windkist Equestrian Centre in North Andover. At age 5, Dominika received her first pony, Bayberry, and was soon dedicating much of her time and love to the sport. By age 7, Dominika was devoted to the Hunter riding discipline and its horse shows, winning ribbons, meeting people, having lots of fun and learning valuable information along the way, says her mother.

At 9, Dominika received her second pony, Woodlands Lullaby, and moved to Bradford Equestrian Center in Bradford to further her skills. Dominika also cross trains with Michael Keough from Castleneck Farm in Essex.

Their 2010 accomplishments in Massachusetts include being named the year-end Short Stirrup Hunter and Equitation Champion for the New England Horsemen's Council, Massachusetts Horseman's Council, North Shore Horseman's Association, and South East Hunter Association, according to her family. Woodlands Lullaby, aka Luna, was also Horse of the Year in 2010 for the New Hampshire Hunter Jumper Association. Dominika was named the year end Short Stirrup and Suitable Hunter Champion and High Point Hunter by that association as well.



Leah Gens skates in the front row, far right.

Middle-schooler skates off to nationals

Leah Gens, a seventh-grader at West Middle School, is heading to US Synchronized Skating Championships.

She skates in the team Mini Mates, juvenile division of Hayden Synchronized Skating Teams, according to her family. Mini Mates placed second at Eastern Sectional Championships on Feb. 4 at Lake Placid, N.Y., and qualified to compete at the nationals, officially known as the US Synchronized Skating Championships in March in Ontario, Calif.

Synchronized skating is considered as the fastest growing part of competitive figure skating with more than 500 teams and more than 5,000 skaters in the US, according to a release. Hayden Synchronized Skating Teams fielded 11 teams this year. All 11 teams will perform their competitive programs at

National Send-off exhibition on Sunday, Feb. 27 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Hayden Ice Rink located at 24 Lincoln St., Lexington. The public is welcome and admission is free.

Another skater from Andover is Claire Feng, a sixth grader at Doherty Middle, who is on the Shooting Star pre-juvenile team that has placed fourth place at the Eastern. There is no pre-juvenile division competition at the Nationals.

All skaters in the teams need to work on their skating skills outside of team practices. Leah and her family acknowledge the help of skating coach Erika Hammar, Phillips Academy Ice Rink and staff, Northeast Ice Skating Club and Valley Forum Skating Rink for making her individual practices possible, and West Middle School and its teachers for their support.

LIGHTING THE LAMP

Matt Swett excelling as a goal scorer, captain

BY DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

Revenge could not have been any sweeter for Andover hockey star Matt Swett.

"That was big for me, I'm not going to lie," he said. "I was very happy to put up a few points against my old team."

For two seasons, Swett tried and failed to make the Austin Prep varsity hockey team.

But, now a standout for Andover High, Swett showed the Cougars what every team in the Merrimack Valley Conference/Dual County League now knows — that he can score at the varsity level by posting a pair of two-goal games against his former school this season.

"He has really come into his own this season," Golden Warriors coach Mario Martiniello said. "He snaps the puck off hard, and when he gets the puck on his stick he knows how to score."

As both a freshman and a sophomore, Swett was cut from the Austin Prep varsity hockey team.

"The put me through the ringer there," Swett said. "But you have to work through that."

Prior to his sophomore season, Swett made a connection with Martiniello during summer hockey. After the frustration of that campaign, Swett felt he needed a change.

"I knew Andover was a good school with great athletics," said Swett. "And Mario was instrumental in my development as a hockey player. With him at Andover, it looked like a good opportunity."

Swett not only made the varsity team, he led Andover in goals (11) and points (18) and was named an MVC/DCL All-Star.

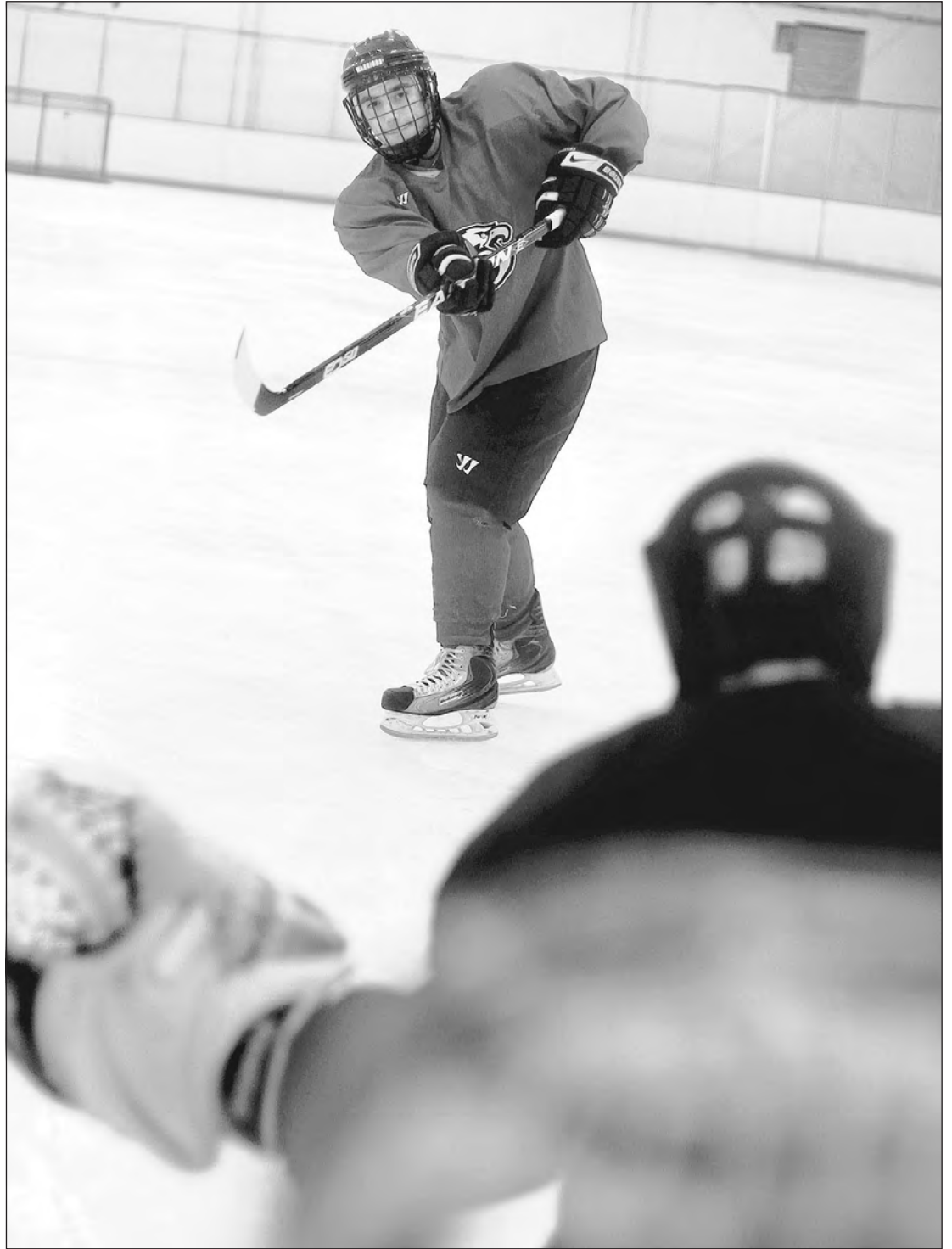
But that season was just the beginning for the marksman, who has emerged as one of the top scorers in the region, starting with his breakout performance against his former mates.

After scoring two goals in the Golden Warriors' first four games of the season, Swett potted a pair of goals in Andover's 4-2 upset win over Austin Prep.

Four games later, he repeated that achievements, scoring twice in the Golden Warriors' 2-2 tie with the Cougars.

"It was a tough few years there," he said. "I dreamed of getting the chance to play varsity hockey. So to do that against Austin Prep was just great."

It has been an outstanding season for Swett. Through Monday, he had scored 14 goals



Matt Swett takes a shot on goal during practice earlier this season. In his second season with the Golden Warriors, Swett has emerged as a top goal scorer and impressed as a captain.

and added eight assists. He has tallied at least one point in every game so far this season, and scored at least one goal in nine contests.

Swett has recorded two goals in four different games, and when Chelmsford held him without a goal on Saturday, he dished out two assists.

"Matt has really taken the reins and become a leader," said Martiniello. "He was challenged, and really proved himself. He can also really shoot the puck, and knows how to put it away."

But Swett may be more proud of his work as one of the team's two captains, along with goalie Kyle Berthiaume. But it was a chance he nearly did not receive.

Despite consideration, Swett was not elected captain following last season, with

Berthiaume the only Warrior selected. Berthiaume, however, approached Martiniello.

"Everyone looked at Matt as a captain because he is such a good leader," said Berthiaume. "I knew I would need help, and he is so passionate about the game. So I talked to Mario and we felt he would be a good fit."

Martiniello then spoke to Swett.

"I asked him, 'What have you done to show you are a captain?'" said the coach. "I talked to him about committing on and off the ice and he ran with it. He put together a study group for the kids and he did a lot to bring the kids together. He got the whole team to go to our JV game recently."

Swett was more than willing to prove he was worthy of the honor.

"I had to get all aspects of my life together," he said. "I told coach I didn't need to be captain to lead the team, but that I wanted it. I think that meant a lot to him. I needed to show academics were a top priority, and bring the team together. It is so special now."

Now, having worked to receive the honor, it is that much more meaningful to Swett.

"It is so special to me because of all I've been through," said Swett. "When it was given to me, it was a great honor. I had to prove myself to earn this honor, and it means so much more to me because of that."

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Baldwin, Andover dominate on the slopes

GIRLS SKIING

Maddie Baldwin took first overall (22.24) and Kerry Christopher (third), Sarah Heath (fifth) and Jess Kearns (sixth) added top-10 finishes as Andover downed Manchester Essex 99-36 and Haverhill 123-12 on Friday. Golden Warriors Jill Ganley was 11th and Rose Ganley finished 15th.

GIRLS TRACK

Bishop, Warriors impress at elite meet

Eve Bishop placed a stellar second in the 300-meter in 38.90 for Andover at the McIntyre Elite Meet on Sunday. The 4x400 relay won with an outstanding 4:02.33 while Moira Cronin added a second in the high jump (5-4), with Jessica Salley taking fourth in the high jump. Emily Belluche was seventh in the 55 hurdles.

Eliza Lewis won the 2-mile and Maggie Mullins continued to roll by taking the mile as Andover blasted Lowell 66-20 last Thursday. Eve Bishop took the 300 and teamed with Sydney Eberth, Chelsea Angelosanto and Alli Puccia to take the 4x400 relay. Emily Belluche won the 50 dash and Meghan McPhee took the 1,000 for the winners.

BOYS HOCKEY

Centrella helps snap skid

Liam Centrella scored a pair of goals, his second multi-goal game of the season, and had



Maggie Mullins competes in the mile at the Boston Indoors Athletics meet on Saturday. She continues to emerge as a top distance runner.

an assist as Andover blasted Chelmsford 6-2 on Saturday. Jim Burns, Scott Campbell and Kyle Wakefield each scored a goal and Ryan Oteri potted his first goal of the season. Matt Swett and David Belluche each had two assists for the winners.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Mattison, Coneeny stand out

Rachel Mattison won the bars and took third in the vault, floor and all-around as Andover placed second at the MVC Division 1 meet on Friday. Jenny Coneeny added a victory in the beam and was sixth in the all-around.

Rachel Mattison and Jenny Coneeny took 1-2 in the bars, beam, floor

exercise and all-around to lead Andover past archrival Central Catholic 138-136 last Monday. The Golden Warriors (7-1) dealt the Raiders (7-2) their second loss of the season.

BOYS SWIMMING

Hunter, Iyengar lead way

Dave Hunter won the 100 backstroke and swam on the 200 medley relay and the 200 freestyle relay that both took second as Andover finished third at the MVC League Meet on Friday. Abe Iyengar and David Iannalfo each swam on the 200 medley relay and were members of the 400 freestyle relay that was third.

Dave Hunter won the 50 freestyle, Abe Iyengar took the 100 freestyle and 100 breaststroke,

John Belanger won the 100 backstroke and they teamed with Vince Camin to take the 200 medley relay and Aaron Wu to win the 200 freestyle relay as Andover rolled past Haverhill 99-84 last Monday. Alex Blake added a victory in diving for the winners.

BOYS TRACK

Andover again led by relays

Andover's 4x200 relay was third (1:32.43) and the 4x400 relay was fifth (3:29.73) at the McIntyre Elite Meet on Sunday.

Pat Farnham won the 300, Simon Voorhees took the mile, Brian Knapp took the 600 and they teamed with Troy Cayon to win the 4x400 relay, but Andover lost to Lowell 44-42 last Thursday.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Bramanti, Luschenat money from deep

Joe Bramanti scored 20 points to lead Andover to a 65-35 drubbing of Lowell on Friday. Craig Luschenat sunk three 3-pointers on his way to 10 points and James Costello added 11 for the winners.

BOYS GYMNASTICS

Rivet: all-around success

Colin Rivet was second in the all-around for Andover, which fell to Lowell 138-128 on Saturday. Brian

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Manning was second in the parallel bars and third in the high bar and rings and Pat McDonough was third in the pommel horse.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Mosquera returns from season-long injury

Goalie Kyla Mosquera returned to the ice for the first time after missing the entire season due to a knee injury, but Andover lost to Billerica 4-0 on Saturday.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Boudreau, Warriors score big

Nicole Boudreau scored a game-high 26 points, including four 3-pointers, as Andover downed

longtime postseason rival Lowell 55-49 on Friday. Natalie Gomez-Martinez added 13 points and Olivia Biles continued to excel for the winners, who remained unbeaten.

Andover stars Natalie Gomez-Martinez and Nicole Boudreau each scored 18 points as the Golden Warriors flew past Notre Dame of Tyngsboro 76-44 last Monday. Ally Fazio and Devon Caveney each chipped in 11 points for the winners.

Despite 24 points by Nicole Boudreau and 16 points for Devon Caveney, Andover fell short of a regular season sweep of Central Catholic, falling to the Raiders 61-57 on Sunday. Natalie Gomez-Martinez added 14 points for the Golden Warriors, who had won the previous two matchups this season.

Board work, hustle earn Alois Fortnight honor

Coach Jim Tildsley of the Andover High School girls varsity basketball team nominates sophomore Jackie Alois as this week's "Player of the Fortnight" award winner.

"Jackie does all the right things for us. She leads us in rebounding, she always hustles hard, and her teammates know how very important her role is on this team. She is very effective against other teams' big girls, despite her size. Other coaches rave to me about how well she does," said Tildsley.

The next "Player of the Fortnight" award will be given next week, to a boys basketball team player.

Four leave mat as league champs

Andover Youth Wrestling crowned four Northeast League champions. Clay Wadman (84 pounds), Tyler Ferris (93 pounds), Jack Kiely (98 pounds) and John Grady (104 pounds) each placed first in their respective weight classes at the Northeast League championship the weekend of Jan. 29.

The Andover team of young wrestlers placed fourth, with 36 points, behind Haverhill (70 points), Danvers (51) and Masco (37), according to co-coach Brian Major.

Brendon Moody (65 pounds) and Nate Dykstra (70 pounds) each placed third after winning their consolation matches. Also wrestling well for Andover were Matt Meagher, Patrick Meagher, Jake Ruthazer, Thomas Moeller,



In the team photo are first row: Nate Dykstra, Jake Ruthazer, Brendon Moody; second row: John Grady, Tyler Ferris, Jack Kiely, Clay Wadman; third row: Coach Ryan Trombi, Coach Brian Major. Joey Spinale and David Yezep, said Major.

Merrimack alumni game is Feb. 12 against UNH

The Merrimack hockey team has announced its annual alumni game will be held on Saturday, February 12 at 2 p.m. at Lawler Arena before the Warriors take

on UNH in a big Hockey East matchup. All alums can check in at the Blue Line Club entrance closest to the Volpe Parking Lot. Any alumni interested in

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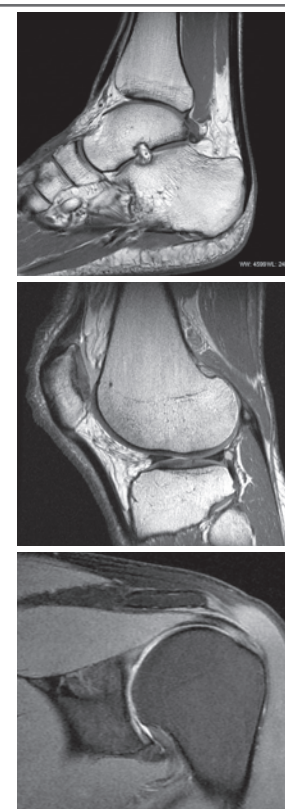
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LOST CAT Male, black and white tuxedo, neutered, about 13 lbs., missing since 1/27. Essex/English Street area-Salem, MA. 978-745-6711

LOST CAT Tuxedo Cat (black and white) on Jackson Street in Methuen, MA. Missing since 10/21/10. If found, please call 978-837-8519.

First Run

LOST - Long haired dark tiger cat, white around face & chest and around entire neck like a collar. Recently seen on Kendall Ln., Gerrish Rd., Forest Rd. in Salisbury, MA. Seen on So. Main St. in Seabrook, NH. Answers to "Grizzabella" or "Grizze" REWARD! Call any time day or night 401-464-1600 or 978-339-7771.

First Run

LOST, Pearl earrings wrapped in white tissue paper, Mon. Jan 31, near Supercuts in Plaistow, Terry (603) 887-8231

TOY Poodle, apricot, 10 yr old male, Demetri, missing 12/9/11 from W. Gloucester. Call the Ave/Essex line, Rt.133. Please contact 978-281-9813

FOUND 1/9/11 at Beverly H.S. 2 medium size puppies. Call animal services to claim. Animal Services 978-605-2361

FOUND BEVERLY 2 cat Gloucester crossing area. All gray female with double paws, intact black & white not fixed. Friends of Beverly Animals 978-927-4157

FOUND: CAT, spayed female, on 1/23/11, Prospect Hill, Lawrence. Call Animal Rescue Merrimack Valley, 978-374-7233 ask for Laurin.

FOUND in Beverly near the waterfront exotic looking light shorthaired light colored male cat. Friends of Beverly Animals 978-927-4157

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department ESSEX Division

Docket No. ES225784

Notice Of Fiduciary's Account

To all persons interested in the estate of Florence G. Herrick late of Andover in the County of Essex,

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the first account(s) of State Street Bank and Trust Company, N.A., the second and third accounts of United States Trust Company, N.A., and the fourth and fifth and final accounts of Bank of America, N.A. (continuation by merger with United States Trust Company) as Trustee (the fiduciary) under the will of said deceased for the benefit of Jane Sloman and others have been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account(s), you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before the seventh day of March, 2011, the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account(s). If you desire to object to any item of said account(s), you must, in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem this twenty-fourth day of January, 2011.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
 Register of Probate AT - 2/10/11

3A Lost & Found

FOUND SET OF KEYS (5) Front end of entrance to Market Basket off Highland Ave. in Salem MA. Call (978) 828-8806

FOUND, set of KEYS with remote control found on Middle St., in Newburyport. (978) 462-2166

11-17 Financial

12 Business Opportunities

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18-24 Instructions

20 Private Tutoring

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26-50 Real Estate For Sale

27MA Commercial Property MA
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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT ESSEX Division

Docket No. ES11P001EA

In the Estate of: Roberta J. Cochran a.k.a. Roberta Jessie Cochran Late of: Andover, MA 01810

Date of Death: 12/24/2010

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that Robert A. Cochran of Thornton, NH be appointed executor/trix, named in the will to serve Without Surety.

If you desire to object to the petition, you must file a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

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 AT - 2/3, 2/10/11

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