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Heads up! Crafts in the Park coming Andover alpaca owners among 115 crafters taking over Park this weekend

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

For the first time, scarves, yarn and necklaces made from the soft, silky fleece of an alpaca will be part of the items at Crafts in the Park this Saturday.

A popular Mother's Day weekend event in Andover for the past 35 years, Crafts in the Park lovers say it offers gifts for Mom and a chance to see the latest in craft trends.

For Tom and Jen Boshar of Big Red Acres Alpacas on Holt Road in Andover, this year is their chance to finally take part in the popular hometown event. Scheduling has been the problem over the years. Finally, this Saturday worked out, and Jen Boshar will be one of 115 crafters.

"It's our first year and we're looking forward to introducing our herd, and what we do," said Tom Boshar.

"It's a luxury yarn as an alpaca fleece is lanolin free," Jen Boshar said.

Wool sweaters or scarves can cause hives and itching. But with an alpaca's fleece, there's no lanolin, which causes the itchy redness for some wool wearers, she said. The Boshars send their batches of alpaca fleece to New Hampshire to be custom spun into yarn.

Since 2006, Big Red Acres Alpacas has been operating on Holt Road. The llama look-a-likes - the two animals are both members of the camelid family - live on a section of the Boshars' three acres. The pasture behind the couple's red and white-trimmed Cape is simply spectacular.

Much less aggressive than llamas, alpacas graze and are inexpensive to maintain. Native to South America, they are bred for their exotic fleece and live about 20 years, according to alpaca owners.

"They are an earth-friendly animal with their padded feet... all they do is eat a little," said Jen Boshar, who grew up with horses



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photos

Four male alpacas eat some snacks at Big Red Acres Alpaca farm in Andover. Jen and Tom Boshar, owners of the alpacas, will have wool items for sale at the Crafts in the Park event this weekend in Andover.

CRAFTS IN THE PARK

WHEN: Saturday, May 7 (rain or shine), 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

WHERE: The Park, Chestnut & Bartlett streets

COST: Free admission
WHAT: 115 selected artisans, food, entertainment; Juried show

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and kept one on her property until she switched to alpacas.

Alpacas eat grain, hay and grass, and drink water. Other

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Jen and Tom Boshar of Big Red Acres Alpaca farm in Andover will have alpaca wool items for sale at Crafts in the Park.

▶ AFTER TOWN MEETING

WHAT WILL COME NEXT? Bow hunting continues, Fosters buy could return

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

DID YOU KNOW? MERCER SAFE

Now that Town Meeting voters have rejected a proposed ban of hunting on town land, a pilot for deer hunting by bow and arrow is expected to continue this year.

Following the withdrawal of efforts to buy land at Fosters Pond and create a River Road business district overlay, both proposals are expected to return to Town Meeting at a later date. And, following a decision to spend another \$35,000 analyzing possible Town Yard sites, officials already have four pieces of land to review.

Those are among the issues that Andover residents will continue to hear about following this year's Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 46: ANTI-HUNTING ARTICLE

Private article brought forward by resident Deborah Day Cummings - failed by majority vote on night two

The second-to-last article on the warrant this year asked to

The budget voted on at Town Meeting did not reflect a staffing reduction of 0.2 in the high school's music program, indicating that music teacher Mark Mercer, who was slated to possibly lose a course at the high school due to the dropping of a separate under-enrolled course taught by another teacher, will be staying at full time status next year, according to Paula Colby-Clements, a member of the School Committee.

Students and parents had embarked on a campaign to keep Mercer involved at the school.

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ban hunting on town land with a few conditions. It was brought forward by opponents of a bow-hunting program allowed during the late fall and early winter of 2010. The Town Meeting effort to ban bow hunting

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Locals remember those lost on Sept. 11 Death of terrorist bin Laden brings emotion for 9/11 families

By DUSTIN LUCA
AND JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITERS

Harry Ong was leaving work Sunday night listening by radio to the New York Mets play the Philadelphia Phillies when he heard the crowd chanting "USA."

"It was about the ninth inning. You didn't know what was happening, but you heard the chants," he said. "I just went and turned up my radio."

The announcer said the video board at the stadium had announced the death of Osama bin Laden - the death of the man responsible for the September 11, 2001 attacks that killed Ong's sister, Betty Ong of Andover.

"I'm sitting in my car, and don't know to think," he said. "I just started to smile. The emotions and pressure just came out."

The announcement that American Navy SEALs had killed bin Laden, leader of the terrorist organization Al Qaeda responsible for the deadliest foreign attack on American soil, affected citizens throughout the nation. But it likely had the most significant impact on people who lost loved ones on September 11.

Four Andoverites perished that day: Chris Morrison, who was in the World Trade Center's North Tower on business; 81-year-old great-grandmother Millie Naiman and flight attendant Betty Ong, who were both on American Airlines Flight 11, the first plane to hit the World Trade Center; and Len Taylor, who was aboard American Airlines Flight 77, the plane flown into the Pentagon.

For people like Maureen Morrison, whose 34-year-old son Christopher died in the attacks,

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Eighteen seeking AHS principal's job

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

A search committee this week is reading the resumes of the 18 people who want to be Andover High School's next principal. One of these 18 is expected to replace interim Principal Thomas Sharkey in July.

"It is about as good as it gets nowadays," said Candace Hall, who has directed the town's

Human Resources Department for 21 years. "If you asked me when I first started, I would think, for a high school principal, we would get 100 resumes. Times have changed over the decades."

Part of the difficulty is that many potential candidates aren't willing to test the job market.

"We are in a climate where people who have jobs that they

enjoy in a community they enjoy won't become unplanted, because it is a risk," Hall said.

A total of 19 candidates originally applied for the position, but one individual withdrew from the search. Among the remaining 18, the best candidates for the position are sitting principals who have experienced a variety of challenges in their past, though assistant principals who

shared similar responsibilities can often be strong candidates as well, according to Hall.

The search is moving forward following last year's resignation of principal Jonathan Harris, who was hired by former Superintendent Claudia Bach and who stayed in town for about 14 months before moving back to Texas. Following

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PAST & PRESENT



Photo courtesy of Andover Historical Society

THEN: At the corner of North Street and River Road in Andover, from 1835-1947 was the North District School. Later it was used by West Andover Community Association.



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

NOW: The building at the corner of North Street and River Road in Andover was demolished in 1984.

NEWS IN BRIEF

AHS bottle, can drive

Andover High School's award-winning Golden Warrior Marching Band will be holding its "Spring Redeemable Bottle and Can Drive" on Saturday, May 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., rain or shine, at West Middle School, 70 Shawshen Road, Andover. All proceeds support the AHS Marching Band. Only redeemable bottles and cans may be accepted.

Volunteer to honor veterans

On Sunday, May 15, Andover veterans, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and interested citizens will meet at 11 a.m. at Spring Grove Cemetery on Abbot Street to replace 3,600 flags on the graves of deceased Andover veterans. The process takes about 90 minutes and affords an opportunity to see parts of Andover's history up close, according to Veterans Services Director Mike Burke. In case of inclement weather the flags will be placed on graves at 11 a.m. on Sunday, May 22.

For more information call the Veterans Office at 978-623-8218.

Finegold, staff to hold office hours May 9

State Sen. Barry Finegold and staff will hold open office hours on Monday, May 9 from 4 to 5 p.m. in the lower level activity room

at the Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St.

Local health-care cost-containment forum

State Sen. Barry Finegold will host a Health Care Cost Containment listening forum on Saturday, May 14 at 10 a.m. at Memorial Hall Library in Andover.

This event will be an open venue to learn about and discuss the challenges concerning the rising cost of health care. All are welcome to attend.

Arthritis Walk May 22

The 2011 North Shore Arthritis Walk will take place on Sunday, May 22, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lynch Park in Beverly.

This special event features a one-and three-mile course followed by a post-walk party. This event for both children and adults includes music, games, "Wally the Green Monster," entertainment, raffles and most importantly, proceeds are directed to the Arthritis Foundation. There are several ways to support the North Shore Arthritis Walk. People can consider starting a team, making a donation, providing a raffle ticket, purchasing a road sign, becoming a sponsor, volunteer the day of the walk, and joining in the fun on May 22. For more information, visit northshorearthritiswalk.org or call 617-219-8234.

Two-time Pulitzer-winning poet to read

Phillips Academy invites the public to a reading by U.S. Poet Laureate W.S. Merwin on Friday, May 6 at 7 p.m. in Kemper Auditorium on Chapel Avenue in Andover. This event is free. Poet, translator, and environmental activist in a career spanning five decades, U.S. Poet Laureate W.S. Merwin comes to Andover as a kind of living legend. One of the most influential poets of his era, he is the author of many books

and the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the National Book Award and the Bollingen Prize as well as the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, which he received in 1970 for *The Carrier of Ladders* and again in 2009 for *The Shadows of Sirius*. A recurring theme in Merwin's poetry is man's separation from nature, which he sees as disastrous both for the human race and for the environment. He lives, writes, and gardens in

Bid on a bike: Police auction May 21

The Andover Police Department will hold its annual bike auction on Saturday, May 21 beginning at 10 a.m.

Andover police have 45 bikes that have been turned in to the department by residents. Bikes that are found in town but go unclaimed for more than a year are sold at auction, with the money going to the town of Andover's general fund, according to Officer Jim Moses.

A variety of bicycles for both kids and adults will be sold at auction.

"There's something down there with training wheels - all the way to a 20-speed mountain bike," said Moses.

While the annual event is known as a bike auction, other items are also up for bid. For instance, this year police have a video camera, metal detector and jewelry.

Watching over the land: Public invited to meeting of conservation overseers

Celebrating 50 years of history, the Andover Conservation Commission will hold its Annual Overseers Meeting Tuesday, May 10, at the Memorial Hall Library. A social and information segment will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the business meeting at 7:15 p.m.

On the agenda, the Commission announces special anniversary speaker Steve Sloan, Regional Director of the Trustees of Reservations. Sloan will speak on "Connecting People to Place and Your Conservation Mission." Founded in 1891, the Trustees is the oldest regional land trust in America, working to protect landscapes and landmarks in Massachusetts. Sloan will share the Trustees' efforts to nurture a more resilient landscape as well as strategies for reaching new audiences.

Current Overseers will be recognized as critical components to the history of the Commission. To support the Commission's land management work, anniversary t-shirts will be available for purchase. Former Commissioners have also been invited. Light refreshments

including anniversary cake will be offered.

Ranging in size from .1 acres to over 70 acres, conservation land is town-owned land that has been placed under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission for the protection of its natural and scenic values. This land provides a variety of benefits to the town, including water resource protection, flood control, areas for passive recreation, scenic landscape protection and protection of wildlife habitats.

To those interested in exploring the possibility of joining the Commission's Overseers group, information on the 2,000 acres of Conservation Land may be reviewed. Applications for overseers will be available as well as the "Conservation Commission Talent Bank Form" explaining additional volunteer opportunities.

For further information, contact the Conservation Commission at the Town Offices, 978-623-8311, or the group's Overseer Coordinator Gail Ralston, 978-409-2385.

Memorial Day Parade

The annual Memorial Day Parade will be on Monday, May 30, at 10 a.m. Any civic, patriotic or fraternal organizations wishing to march should contact the Veterans' Services Office at 978-623-8218. There will be a collation at the Doherty Middle School cafeteria at 11:30 a.m. for all parade participants. As per

custom, no political activity can be accommodated in and during the parade. The route leads from the intersection of Elm and Florence streets to Main Street, to Punchard Avenue, Bartlet Street and ends at the Park. In the event of heavy rain, all observances will be held inside the Memorial Auditorium.

Ruth's House needs men's, children's summer clothing

Ruth's House, a non-profit thrift store located at 111 Lafayette Square, is in need of men's clothing - including pants, shirts and jeans in all sizes - as well as all sizes of children and adult summer clothing.

Also needed are donations of dishes, pots, pans, flatware and curtains.

Volunteers are also needed to donate as little or as much time as possible. All donations are tax deductible and donors

will be issued receipts for their gifts.

Donations may be dropped off during store hours: Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Donations may also be dropped for the food pantry at Sacred Hearts Parish.

For more information, call 978-521-5575 or visit ruthshouse.org.

Breast cancer workshop tonight

The American Cancer Society and Lawrence General Hospital will present "I Can Cope," a series of workshops for people with breast cancer, their families, and friends, on Thursday, May 5 from 4 to 5 p.m. at Lawrence General Hospital, South Pavilion Conference Room, 1 General St., Lawrence.

Patients and their family members, caregivers and friends are invited to attend "I Can Cope" to network with other cancer survivors and

learn how to cope with the cancer experience.

Participants can share their concerns with others having similar experiences and will learn ways to cope with the challenges that arise from a cancer diagnosis.

Workshops are free and open to anyone affected by cancer, but registration is required.

Those interested in attending should register by calling Penny Bardsley at 978-683-4000 ext. 2023.

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PARK: Farm owners selling Alpaca wool

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backyard animals, like horses, may pull up grass roots and destroy backyards with their heaviness and hooves. Not alpacas. The gentle Andover giants are shaved once a year and clearly have a laid-back attitude. Most turn away when someone attempts to pat them, except "Windkist," who likes to kiss Jen.

The Boshars have lived in their 1921-built Cape for 16 years. Both grew up in town and graduated from Andover High School. Tom Boshar's parents live across the street while his sister also lives on Holt Road.

Their alpacas will not be at Crafts in the Park due to town health bylaws, they said.



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Jen and Tom Boshar of Big Red Acres Alpaca farm in Andover will have alpaca wool items for sale at the Crafts in the Park event this weekend in Andover.

ANDOVER ARTISANS

- Christina Lobbell, decorative coasters
- Kelley Morissey, artistically salvaged and refurbished household items
- Erin Ricketts, handbags
- Jennifer Hickman, hand-crafted candles
- Yolanda Mendez, Carla Byrne, Pam Newman, jewelry
- Brenda Leyne, fabric pouches
- Jennifer Boshar, alpaca yarn products

JOB: Eighteen in hunt for AHS post

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the resignation of Harris, Sharkey was appointed as an interim principal following his retirement as headmaster of Lawrence High School.

With the 18 resumes ready to be considered, Hall and Superintendent Marinel McGrath spoke to high school teachers last week about the search protocols and to get a feel for what the teachers, who will ultimately work for the individual to be named as principal, want in the search for their next leader. On Monday May 2, Hall and McGrath met with members of the high school's Parent Advisory Council to cover the same topic via a focus group.

This past Tuesday, the nine-member Search Committee, chaired by Sharkey, held its first meeting and started going through resumes.

Many at Andover High would rather keep Sharkey in his position, but that will tragically not be the case, to the disappointment of several. At last week's high school staff

SELECTING ANDOVER'S NEXT HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

The process to select Andover High's next principal is under way. Thomas Sharkey, acting high school principal, is set to leave his interim post this summer.

The process started last Monday, April 25, and it will continue into the beginning of June, when the final decision is expected to be made. Here are all of the steps the school's search committee must take before reaching the final appointment:

Activity	Date
Meet with high school faculty to discuss search protocols	Monday, April 25
Meet with high school's Parent Advisory Council	Monday, May 2
First Search Committee meeting	Tuesday, May 3
Search Committee resume reading	May 3-6
Second Search Committee meeting	Friday, May 6
Search Committee interviews candidates	May 9-10
Superintendent interviews candidates, selects finalists	May 12-13
Site visits - finalists come to Andover	May 16
Site visits - smaller search committee go to finalists' sites	May 16
Final appointment from McGrath	May 30-June 3

meeting, teachers gave Sharkey a standing ovation prior to Hall and McGrath going over the search process.

"He had a proven leadership," McGrath said. "In that leadership, he was able to connect to many individuals and move the high school forward."

That leadership is part of what they are looking for in

the current search, according to Hall.

"Mr. Sharkey is a master leader," Hall said. "You really have to be focused and have seen (a variety of issues), and coped with what is sometimes a barrage of potential challenges on a daily basis."

A final decision and appointment in the process is expected during the week of May 30.

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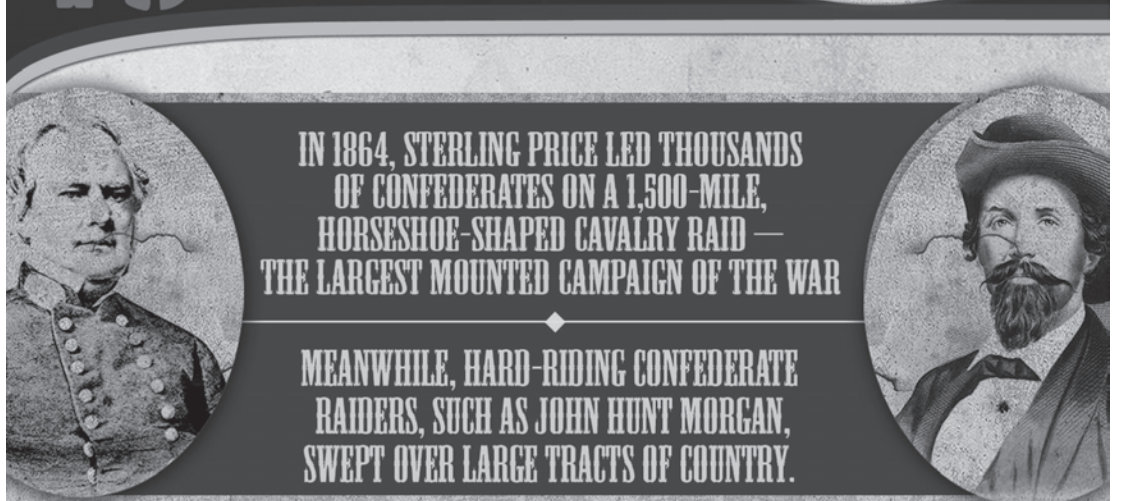
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Confederate Gen. Sterling Price Library of Congress Confederate raider John Hunt Morgan Library of Congress

The Civil War's wrath spared few places in America. The Civil War Sites Advisory Commission counts 10,500 armed conflicts of one size or another between 1861 and 1865, ranging from minor skirmishes to full-blown battles such as Shiloh, Gettysburg and Chickamauga. Action stretched from the ridiculous but deadly St. Alban's Raid in Vermont to Arizona's Battle of Picacho Pass.

Naval battles involving Union and Confederate ships even reached the shores of France.

The war unfolded on nearly 400 "principal battlefields," according to the commission, with the border states of Virginia, Tennessee and Missouri bearing the worst of the fighting. A surprising number of civilians and cities were in the path of colliding armies time and again. Virginia's Spotsylvania County, for example, was the scene of four major battles and a number of smaller ones, resulting in 100,000 casualties, over an 18-month period.

In Virginia, large combat armies twice rolled over Fredericksburg and Bull Run.

Numerous other sites - from Chattanooga, Tenn., to Newtonia, Mo. - saw action multiple times.

There was simply no place one could escape what evolved into total war.

Combat troops even quelled draft riots in New York City. The riots claimed the lives of more than a hundred people in 1863 and resulted in casualties on

the order of some of the smaller battles.

Meanwhile, hard-riding Confederate raiders, such as John Hunt Morgan, swept over large tracts of country. They brought the fight to places such as Corydon, Ind., and Salineville, Ohio.

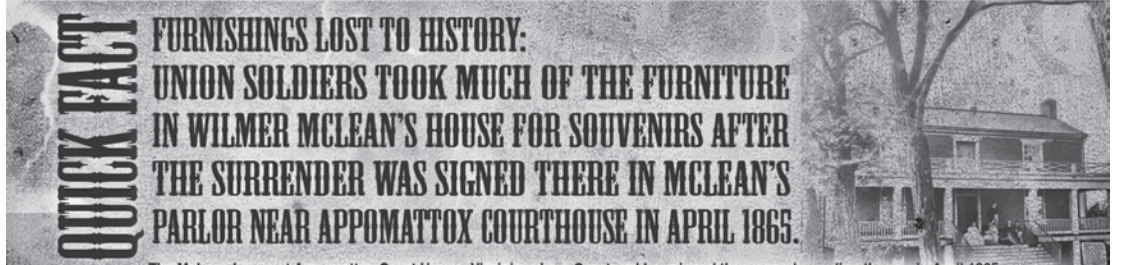
In 1864, Sterling Price led thousands of Confederates on a 1,500-mile, horseshoe-shaped cavalry raid - the largest mounted campaign of the war - that drew blood at countless out-of-the-way places in Missouri and Kansas. Native Americans in the territory now known as Oklahoma were drawn into fights at Cabin Creek and Honey Springs. In fact, Oklahoma has more "principal battlefields" than Pennsylvania, and just as many as Maryland.

Perhaps no home was more star-crossed during the war than that of a Virginia farmer, Wilmer McLean.

McLean's house was in the path of the first battle at Manassas in 1861, according to the National Park Service. Confederate General P.G.T. Beauregard used it as his headquarters.

After a second battle there in summer 1862, McLean chose the following year to move his family as far out of harm's way as he could. He settled in a brick house near Appomattox Courthouse, also in Virginia.

In 1865, Ulysses Grant and Robert E. Lee used Wilmer McLean's front parlor to sign the documents of Lee's formal surrender.



The McLean house at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, where Grant and Lee signed the surrender ending the war in April 1865. Library of Congress

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BUSINESS IN BRIEF

Rocha recognized for top performance

Michaela F. Rocha, a financial representative with Boston Partners Financial Group, a member of John Hancock Financial Network, has qualified for the Achieving Client Excellence Silver Award, one of the highest honors JHFN bestows on its financial representatives.

She will be honored at an invitation-only conference this month.

Along with this national recognition, Rocha was promoted to assistant vice president.

Rocha graduated from St. Anslem College where she studied political science. Her practice is focused on wealth preservation strategies for high network clients.

Skipper joins 451

Andover resident Francis Skipper has joined the 451 Marketing team as a new search engine marketing director. Skipper brings more than nine years of experience in search engine marketing, advertising and sales to his new role and will specialize in developing and managing organic search engine marketing campaigns.

"I am thrilled to announce Francis's addition to the 451 Marketing team," 451 Marketing Partner A.J. Gerritsen said. "Francis's extensive experience and the versatility he brings to the group in his role as search engine marketing director will be a vital part of our agency's growth."

Skipper will be primarily responsible for creating and managing organic search strategies that will achieve highly beneficial placements for both the firm's business-to-business and business-to-consumer clients.

Prior to joining 451 Marketing, Skipper served as a new business development manager at iProspect. He gained expertise in directing digital strategy for Fortune 500 clients including the creation of search engine marketing strategy, online marketing tools, blogs, social networks, brand reputation management,

press release optimization and mobile technologies.

451 Marketing is a Boston-based communications agency.

Boston Partners Financial Group VP of sales

Scott A. Reynolds was promoted to vice president of sales at Boston Partners Financial Group in Andover.

Reynolds, of Medford, graduated from the University of Maine where he studied business administration. He began working for Boston Partners in 2007 as an associate. In 2010, Reynolds was promoted into management as the assistant vice president of sales. He has assisted Boston Partners in recruiting and training its 2010 new associate class.

Byrne joins Chairman's Club

Andover resident Lisa Byrne, owner of Home Instead Senior Care of Central New Hampshire, a provider of in-home, non-medical care for seniors, has recently joined the Chairman's Club of Manchester. This is an exclusive group of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce that draws together presidents, CEOs, proprietors, owners and members of the chamber's board of directors.

"The Chamber of Commerce does such an incredible job connecting business owners with opportunities to network, expand our resources and promote good business," said Byrne in a release.

Byrne is a member of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, the Concord Chamber of Commerce and is co-founder of the Central New Hampshire Breakfast Exchange, currently president-elect. In addition, she is a member of the Statewide Coalition of Caring Committee, active on the New Hampshire Conference on Aging Planning Committee and a sponsor and Marketing Chairperson for the Conference on Aging. She is also a member of the Concord High School Health Science Advisory Board and a member of Women Inspiring Women.



File photo

Merit Tukiainen (second from left), owner of Park Street's Night & Day, has often been in the middle of activities that drew downtown businesses together to create events for downtown shoppers. She will close Night & Day later this month.

Andover to bid goodnight to lingerie shop

Night & Day to close after 8 years on Park Street

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

When the longtime men's store on Main Street, Kaps, closed on March 1, 2009, after 19 years, downtown business owner Merit Tukiainen feared what might become of her lingerie business.

"When Kaps closed, I knew it was a sign that meant men were curbing spending. I knew women would follow," said Tukiainen. And they did.

Night & Day, a specialty store for women's lingerie at 93 Park St., will close Saturday, May 21 after nearly eight years in town.

That's just days before the new bridal building at 1-7 Main

St. – ironically, the old Kaps site – is set to open. The bridal business grand opening is Tuesday, May 24. "I wish them nothing but success," Tukiainen said of the building's tenants.

She said it's the "economic reality of my business," and that's why she is closing.

"Andover is a great place to shop...Downtown is inviting, nicely-kept and we've got a great location near highways," Tukiainen said. "But I made a business decision to close...I did everything to reduce costs but the decision was made."

So, the upscale lingerie shop that opened in November 2003 is no more. Her Newburyport

lingerie shop closed during January 2009, just shy of two years after opening. That store also had declining sales and dwindling customers.


These days, the shaky economy means shoppers are more bargain-focused and looking for great sales. Tukiainen said attentive, personal service matters less in business these days. She believes the new shopping attitude "doesn't sustain" businesses like Night & Day, where personal attention to customers reigned like Miss America.

Tukiainen, a longtime Andover Business Center Association activist, said she will continue to work with the downtown


Andover business group. ABCA meets regularly and its focus is attracting more shoppers downtown. Tukiainen helped launch ABCA's first downtown street party, Andover Day, and has watched it blossom into an event that attracts thousands.

She'll miss her customers the most, but is getting a kick of their devotion to having a piece of Night & Day. She has sold all the fixtures in her Victorian-themed shop. The new bridal building's biggest tenant, Cristina's, will have some of her shelves, she said.

"Now they are spread out in different houses (and businesses) around Andover," she laughed. "It makes me feel good."



14 FIGHTING SHOELESS



"IF YOU HAD BEEN AROUND JUST AFTER THE ROUT AT NASHVILLE, YOU WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THERE WERE TEN THOUSAND ELEPHANTS LOOSE IN THE COUNTRY."

... HALF-STARVED AND HALF-FROZEN MEN WRAPPED THEIR FEET IN OLD SACKS AND ANY SORT OF RAGS THEY COULD GET UNTIL THE TRACKS THEY MADE WERE GREAT ROUND HOLES IN THE SNOW, LIKE THE TRACKS OF ELEPHANTS."

Northern victory could be summarized in a word – shoes. Union soldiers had them. Confederates often did not.

The disparity in footwear revealed a deeper truth: The North had material strength the South lacked.

One of the war's most significant battles, fought at Gettysburg in the summer of 1863, "began as a clash over shoes," writes historian Geoffrey Ward.

"There was rumored to be a large supply of shoes stored somewhere in the little crossroads town of Gettysburg, and at dawn on July 1 an infantry officer ... led his men there to commandeer them."

At Nashville, Tenn., where armies clashed a year later, one-third of the Southern soldiers were believed to have fought without shoes, writes Ross Massey, historian for the Battle of Nashville Preservation Society. Massey compares that to the quarter of George Washington's soldiers who lacked shoes at Valley Forge.

An old Confederate soldier, years after the war, recalled the aftermath of that Tennessee battle for The Atlanta Constitution: "If you had been around just after the rout at Nashville, you would have thought there were ten thousand elephants loose in the country. ... half-starved and half-frozen men wrapped their feet in old sacks and any sort of rags they could get until the tracks they made were great round holes in the snow, like the tracks of elephants."

A Virginia colonel reported 175 of his men were shoeless at Antietam, according to the book, "The Antietam Campaign."

A soldier writing to a Southern newspaper concluded that only "willful negligence" explained why one third of the Army was shoeless.

He signed his letter, "Barefoot."

Shoes were something of an obsession across the South, for civilians and soldiers. It wasn't just the shoes, of course. The North had every material advantage.

The North had more than four times as many men of military age, and 10 times the manufacturing strength, writes historian Paul Johnson, summarizing the disparities between North and South in "A History of the American People."

The North had 25 times the merchant ship tonnage, produced 32 times as many firearms and had 2.4 times the railroad mileage.

Historian James McPherson quotes a Southern newspaper in his book, "Battle Cry of Freedom," describing the Confederacy's plight:

"Our slaves are clothed with Northern manufactured goods, work with Northern hoes, ploughs and other implements. ... The slaveholder rides in a Northern saddle ... and on Northern-made paper, with a Northern pen, with Northern ink, he resolves and re-resolves in regard to his rights."

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Education

Students called to take risks in Sandbox

The Merrimack Valley Sandbox Initiative is looking to both inspire entrepreneurs and motivate college students to roll up their sleeves, take risks and embark into new and refreshing adventures.

On Thursday, May 5, from 5 to 8 p.m., the Merrimack Valley Sandbox Initiative's first pilot program, "Campus Catalyst," will celebrate and commemorate more than 100 student participants from partnered institutions – the University of Massachusetts Lowell, Merrimack College, Middlesex Community College and Northern Essex Community College.

Students will have the chance to showcase self-led initiatives focused on addressing social challenges and sparking new economic development in the Merrimack Valley.

Among the projects will be initiatives aimed at empowering individuals as well as the community, ranging from social or environmental changes to innovative technologies.

The keynote speaker for the event will be Steve Vinter, engineering director of Google Boston.

This event will also feature remarks from Andover resident Gururaj "Desh" Deshpande, founder of the Deshpande Foundation, and Christopher Hopey, president of Merrimack College.

The program will be held at Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover.

To register, visit eventbrite.com/event/981590965.

For more information, contact Janin Duran or Nate Cooper at 978-934-6619 or Janin@merrimackvalleysandbox.org or Nate@deshpandefoundation.org.

ON CAMPUS

Emily Hook of Andover, a freshman communication and rhetorical studies major at Syracuse University's College of Visual and Performing Arts, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2010 semester. To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

Chartered in 1870 as a private, coeducational institution of higher education, Syracuse University has more than 19,000 full- and part-time students from all 50 states and 90 countries.

Kelly Pierce Rousmaniere, a freshman majoring in mechanical engineering at the University of Rochester, has been named to the dean's list for academic achievement for the fall 2010 semester.

Rousmaniere, a resident of Andover, is the daughter of Art and Jennefer Rousmaniere and a graduate of Andover High School.

Julie Ilana Frish, a freshman majoring in engineering science at the University of Rochester, has been named to the dean's list for academic achievement for the fall 2010 semester.

Frish, a resident of Andover,

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Get moving



The West Middle Green Team, American Heart Association and the Physical Education Department kicked off the spring season by getting students active and thinking about heart health. All the students at the West Middle School did two laps around the school Friday morning and were given an envelope provided by the American Heart Association. The event also was the final celebration of weeklong "Go Green" efforts at the schools. For more on the "Go Green" efforts at West Middle, see next week's Kids special section.



Doherty Middle School physical education classes collected \$1,076 during the third annual American Heart Association Hoops for Heart Fund raiser held recently.

Doherty Middle students hit the hardwood for Heart Association

Doherty Middle School students collected \$1,076 during the third annual American Heart Association Hoops for Heart Fund.

Sixth grade students collecting funds were Arthur Lauretano, Angela Hertz, Jessica Barry, Kathleen Buck, Katie O'Reilly, Charlotte Reeves, Phebe Orzisky, Allison Hureau, Sophia Boyd, Jacob Pepper, Amanda Brosnan, Corey Kozlovski and Matt Dennett.

Seventh-graders raising money were Jared Doak, Molly Rocca, Nicco Ciccica and Jonathan Monderer.

Eighth-graders who raised

money were Charlotte Hannum, Hannah Ricketts, Brad Lynn, Amanda Hornick and Sasha Schwartz.

The top 10 fund raisers overall were Hannum, Doak, Lauretano, Hertz, Ricketts, Barry, Rocca, Ciccica, Lynn and Buck. Physical education teachers Katie Rurak and Phil Capodilupo said they thank all 600 students who participated in the Hoops-4-Heart foul-shooting and three point shot contests. Each student who solicited funds for the American Heart Association was surprised with a color group picture and a mini-gift package from their physical education teachers.

Desire to display excellence is difference-maker

From Ghana Devin Geary

Growing up, Africa was never a place I knew much about. I had learned about slavery, and I knew the languages and cultures were very different, but beyond this limited knowledge, I was admittedly pretty clueless. It wasn't until high school that I began to develop a clearer picture, and more specifically, it wasn't until my junior year that I started to understand the complexity and scope of politics and leadership.

At first, I felt ignorant for not knowing more beforehand, and then I was simply shocked by what I had discovered.

Now, having spent a considerable amount of time here, in what is often regarded as the safest region of the continent, I have watched political instability unfold in all directions.

I remember reading about the outbreak in Cote D'Ivoire, on Ghana's western border, back in November, as I sent my already nervous mother an article about the unrest. Since my arrival, the consequences of Laurent Gbagbo's refusal to surrender his presidency to the democratically-elected Alasane Ouattara escalated, culminating with Gbagbo's arrest April 11.

In the first few days after I stepped off the plane, the events in Egypt erupted, followed quickly by similar unrest in Libya and Tunisia. More recently, and closer to home,



Devin Geary of Andover is spending a semester in Ghana. Above she is shown, at left, at the University of Ghana. At right, she is shown with some Ghandan children.

I have watched Burkina Faso, Ghana's neighbor directly north, and Nigeria, a few countries east, fall into disorder. Though trade and commerce have been affected by these uprisings, Ghana remains largely unchanged.

In 1957, Ghana was the first

African state to attain independence and has since been heralded as a champion of development and comparative stability. In my short time here, I have observed a pride in this reputation. Traveling in the Western Region, about 20 miles from Cote D'Ivoire, I was out on

a fishing boat with some local fishermen. When I asked about Cote D'Ivoire, they told me—or rather my French-speaking friend translated for me—that we couldn't go any further west because of the unrest. Even though we were definitely far from the center of the violence

itself, the locals were conscious of the possibility of danger, because they have grown accustomed to such situations. Similarly, because of military revolting in Burkina Faso, my program advised us to avoid heading north in our upcoming travels.

Yet Ghana continues on, happy as always. This past weekend, at an Easter festival, the nation was at its liveliest. A bit reminiscent of our own Fourth of July, everyone was in high spirits and excitement, to the point that several strangers offered us their homes because the hotels were all booked. There was no sign of insecurity or fear; everyone was simply celebrating.

I cannot quite place the difference, though undoubtedly it has to do with history and leadership, but Ghana has proven itself powerfully independent and stable where neighboring countries have fallen short. There is a definite pride in this status, and perhaps pride itself is the motivating force, but it's one more commonality I have found with life in the United States: a palpable desire to display excellence. As neighbors suffer from corruption and discontent, Ghana remains at the forefront of West African stability, the people proving their reputation as the friendliest in the world each and every day.

Devin Geary is an Andover High graduate and Bucknell University student spending a semester abroad in Ghana.

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ON CAMPUS

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is the daughter of Mickey and Susan Frish, and a graduate of Andover High School.

The University of Rochester, founded in 1850, is a private research university located in Rochester, N.Y. (pop. 212,000) on the south shore of Lake Ontario.

Two trial advocacy teams from the Massachusetts School of Law competed recently in the finals of the Thurgood Marshall Trial Advocacy Competition in Houston. The two teams advanced to the finals as a result of their third- and fourth-place finishes in the Northeast Regional version of the competition, held recently in Connecticut. This marks the fourth time in five years that MSL's teams have either won the Northeast Region of this competition or placed high enough in the regional round to qualify for the national finals. Only teams from Harvard University finished higher in the Northeast Region, which is comprised of the 33 law schools in New York, New England, and northern New Jersey.

The third-place team includes MSL students James Ezeigwe, Candace Robinson, Morjieta Derisier, and Jamaal Johnson. The fourth-place team is comprised of Nick Carbone, James Hester, Katisha Cunningham, and Kellie Tiller. The MSL teams will be competing against the other 15 winning teams from NBLSA's five remaining regions. The Thurgood Marshall Trial Advocacy Competition is the largest student run Trial Advocacy Competition in the United

States and is one of the most respected competitions open to all law students in the United States, according to the school.

"We're extremely proud of our trial teams and the fact that they will be competing in the finals of this prestigious competition yet again," said MSL Associate Dean Michael Coyne. "Their performance lends further credence to the quality of the education at our school, as well as the unique practice based model on which it's based."

"Our Trial Advocacy Program has proven that our students can compete with the very best law students in the country and achieve great success," he added. "We look with great pride at our BLSA teams as they again seek the National Championship in Trial Advocacy in Houston, as well as our American Association for Justice team as they look to repeat as New England Champions in Boston this month."

Trinity College announces that **Todd C. Beati** has been named to the executive board of Trinity's National Alumni Association. Beati graduated from Trinity in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in biology. He has been actively involved with the college by serving as class president, class agent, and member of the Football Career Services Program. Beati is a financial advisor at Merrill Lynch in Boston. He resides in Andover with his wife and two children.

Matthew Dowgiallo, son of Eileen Henry or Andover has been named to the 2010 fall dean's list

at Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y. Matthew, a member of the class of 2013, graduated from St John's Prep in Danvers. He is majoring in chemistry and natural systems science.

Le Moyne College, located in Syracuse, N.Y., is a private four-year Jesuit college enrolling approximately 2,300 full-time students in a program of liberal arts, sciences, and pre-professional studies. Le Moyne also offers graduate programs in business administration, education, nursing, and physician assistant studies.

Matt is working hard having been appointed a resident's assistant for his dorm. He has also established the first ultimate frisbee team at LeMoyne known as the "Green Goblins."

Daniel Scherwitzky, Andover High School Class of 2010, has been named to the fall semester dean's list for the School of Arts and Sciences at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J. To qualify for the dean's list, students must take 12 or more credit hours with letter grades and earn a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or better. Daniel is the son of Jennifer Ferguson and Steven Scherwitzky of Andover.

Wilson Belbin, son of Bruce and Maureen Belbin of Andover, received academic honors at Westfield State University by making the university's dean's list for the fall 2010.

A freshman at Westfield State University, Belbin is majoring in communications.

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Mothers are super heroes

Mother's Day is set aside to honor mothers or those who are like our mothers.

The Kid thinks mothers are super heroes. Ok, maybe they can't leap a building in a single bound. But they can change stuff in a bowl into a huge mound of hot chocolate chip cookies! That is just one of their super powers.

Other super powers include:

- Driving a load of children to school or an event, arriving on time and in one piece. Ok, perhaps she had to say, "You don't want me to pull this car over, do you?" when things get a little loud.
- Knowing how to solve impossible homework problems.
- Cooking a meal and feeding all the extra kids you bring home without telling her ahead of time.
- Knowing what to do when you don't feel good and don't know why.
- Having those hidden eyes in the back of her head that always see just what you're doing without looking.
- Making boo boos feel better with just a single kiss.

The "Mother of Our Country" was also a super hero.

Martha Dandridge was born on June 2, 1731 in Chestnut Grove Plantation, New Kent County, Virginia.

Martha had an informal education. Today, we would say she was home schooled. She was trained in music, sewing and household management. Later she learned plantation management, crop sales, homeopathic medicine, animal husbandry, singing and dancing.



Martha Washington
Currier & Ives/Library of Congress

When she was 19 years old, she married Daniel Custis. They had four children, but two died when they were very young. Her husband died when Martha was 26 years old, leaving her to raise their two children.

Martha had become a wealthy woman, with plantations and a large tobacco crop exportation business to manage.

Two years later, she married Colonel George Washington, commander of the First Virginia Regiment in the French and Indian War. They lived at his Mount Vernon estate. When they combined their two estates, they had a vast farming enterprise.

George Washington was appointed the general of the Continental Army during the American Revolution.

He was later unanimously named as our first President. He was known as the "Father of Our Country."

Martha joined him in the first capital city of New York a month later. She was honored as "Lady Washington." Not only Americans, but also Europeans thought Martha was an American hero.

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Unscramble this list of possible gifts for a mother

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TOWN TALK

Retirement, for \$200!

Andover's version of Jeopardy host Alex Trebek - Jim McConaughy of Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative - has given his final answer: he's retiring.

The retirement comes after 25 years of crafting game-show-style questions for young students competing in GLEC's Academic Bowl. Middle schools in 15 different districts, including Andover, team up and compete each year in the bowl. Students press a buzzer when they know an answer. Through the years, hundreds of kids and teachers in Andover have been bowled over by McConaughy's fun take on academics.

McConaughy also founded literary magazines for GLEC, such as Apple Sauce. His farewell bash was last Wednesday at Jackson's in Methuen.

— Judy Wakefield

Here come the brides

The month of May not only means a new supermarket in town. The brides are coming, too.

The new bridal building at 1-7 Main St. will open on Tuesday, May 24. So says Steve Kalman of Cristina's. His store, now at 10 Main St., will move there and

occupy about 75 percent of the space on three floors. Bridal gowns, bridesmaid dresses and all things related will be crossing Main Street throughout the day on Monday, May 23 as Kalman readies for the building's grand-opening.

Stop & Shop opens the following weekend.

— Judy Wakefield

Andover teen plays Boo Radley

Conrad Krendel-Clark of Andover High School will help Boston Children's Theatre kick off its 60th anniversary season by playing the role of Boo Radley in its production of To Kill A Mockingbird.



Mockingbird's Conrad Krendel-Clark

This classic story will be performed at The Wimberly Theatre, Pavillion at the Boston Center for the Arts, 539 Tremont St., Boston, on Saturday, May 7 at 7:30 p.m. with a post-show Talk Back session with Mary Badham; Sunday, May 8 at 2 p.m. and Saturday, May 14 at 2

and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased by visiting the BCT website or by calling 617-424-6634, Ext. 222.

Conrad, 17, is in his third show with the group.

Fairytale finalist

Richard and Paula Pagonis, of Andover, were one of 10 runners up in E.B. Horn Jewelers' "Search for Boston's Royal Fairytale." Their entry was selected out of 160 submitted to be included in the top 11. The winning couple, Domenic Lafauci and Michelle Racette of Fitchburg, was awarded a \$10,000 replica of the royal ring, a 4.62 carat genuine blue sapphire encircled by 14 diamonds with an 18k white gold band, and deemed "Boston's Royal Fairytale."

Richard met Paula at the Ritz Ball Room while stationed in Manchester, England, on March 8, 1952. By January 1953, the couple was married. Richard and Paula are now in their 58th year of marriage, and plan to celebrate in May with a trip to Europe—Manchester being the first stop.

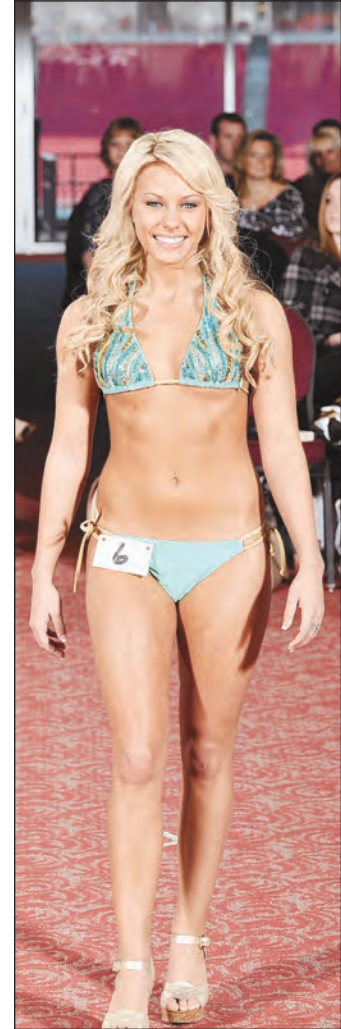
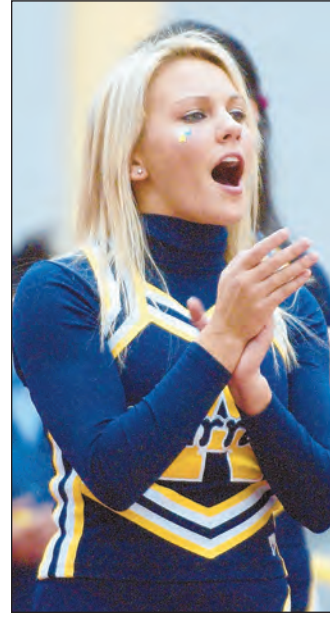
"We were overwhelmed by the response we received," said Michael Finn, owner of E.B. Horn Jewelers. "Over the past month we've read through 160 entries, and in our minds they are some of Boston's greatest love stories."

The 11 finalists were announced on April 26 and invited to attend E.B. Horn's royal celebration on the eve of the Royal Wedding, where they met with a panel of judges who helped select a winner.

AGC: Decorating the downtown

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FILE PHOTO

Andover's Ashley Baldwin has been selected to be a member of the New England Patriots cheerleading squad. The former Andover High cheerleader is shown, above left, during the 2005-06 school year when she was an Andover High School senior basketball cheerleading co-captain. At right is a picture from the recent competition, supplied by the Patriots organization.

COURTESY OF THE NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS/Keith Nordstrom

Andover to decorate Andover's business district with hanging flower baskets this summer. The club is donating four baskets to hang on the double-sided light posts in front of Old Town Hall (aka Town House) on Main Street. To extend the festive floral display, the club has ordered an additional 14 baskets to hang around Elm Square. It is seeking donations of \$75 per basket. Donors names—or the names of people they choose to honor or memorialize with the basket—will be posted downtown.

The plants are being grown, and the containers planted, by Liz Krieg, owner of Rising Sun Greenhouses and Landscape Company in Bethel, Vt., who spoke on container gardening at the Andover Garden Club's January meeting. For more information, visit fabulousplants.com/index.html.

Basket sponsorships will be available for purchase until the day of the Andover Garden Club's annual plant sale, June 4; the baskets will be hung by the town in early June. The contact

person is Andover Garden Club's horticulture chair, Judy Wright. People interested in donating a basket should contact Wright at wrightspaces@comcast.net or 978-337-7942.

Priceless prom giveaway set for May 14

Andover juniors and seniors who need help paying for a prom gown have a final chance to choose a gown for the prom through the Priceless Prom Gown Giveaway. Many new, but most gently used dresses are available, and dohes and accessories may be too, according to organizers.

How it works:

- Volunteer personal assistants are on hand to help find and choose a gown.

- There is a suggested donation request of \$10.

- People may have to wait their turn.

The last give-away date is Saturday, May 14, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Stone Mill, 15 Union St., Lawrence (behind Everett Mill), Marston Street exit off 495, between Canal and General streets.

To read more about the group visit pricelesspromgownprogram.com or call Carol 978-521-2664, or Carla at Bella Beads 978-474-4424.

ClownTown to offer second night of rides

The weekend of ClownTown is approaching, and this time the Andona Society is extending the ride hours to Saturday night as well as the traditional Friday night. In the past, ClownTown would end Saturday afternoon. Typically, more teenagers would attend on Friday night, and more families with younger children would attend on Saturday.

ClownTown will be held May 20 and 21. This is Andona's 55th year of the carnival.

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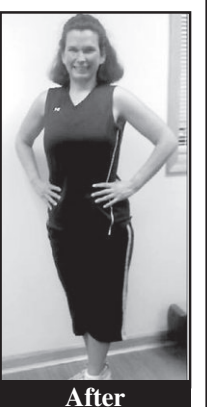
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■ POLICE LOG

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The following items were taken from Andover police logs for Tuesday, April 26 through Monday, May 2:

ARRESTS

Tuesday, April 26 — At 12:53 p.m., Jennifer Curley, 32, of 10 Indian Summer Lane, Methuen, was arrested on Main Street and charged with operating a motor vehicle with license revoked.

Wednesday, April 27 — At 4:03 p.m., Lisa Lawrie, 45, of 63 Kingston St., Lawrence, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with operating a motor vehicle with license revoked for an OUI conviction and operating a motor vehicle with license revoked.

Thursday, April 28 — At 10:41 p.m., Julie Mangin, 20, of 405 Bedford St., Concord, was arrested on Foxhill Road and charged with trespassing.

Friday, April 29 — At 12:32 p.m., Evelyn Rosario, 38, of 290 W. Sixth St., Lowell, was arrested on River Road and charged on a warrant for larceny by check for over \$250.

Saturday, April 30 — At 1:02 a.m., Mark Moran Jr., 22, of 14 Great Woods Terrace, East

Lynn, was arrested on Foxhill Road and charged with malicious destruction of property under \$250 and disorderly conduct.

Sunday, May 1 — At 12:18 a.m., Jerry Nelson, 20, of 27 North Glenway Ave., Randolph, was arrested on Foxhill Road and charged with resisting arrest and disorderly conduct.

At 3:53 p.m., a 16-year-old boy from Andover was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a household member.

Monday, May 2 — At 6:47 p.m., William Sarsfield, 60, of 75 1/2 School St. in Andover, was arrested at his home and charged with operating under the influence of liquor.

AUTO CRIME

Tuesday, April 26 — At 5:53 p.m., a theft from a motor vehicle was reported on Jenkins Road.

Wednesday, April 27 — At 9:05 a.m., police received a report of a theft from a motor vehicle on Wild Rose Drive.

At 9:13 p.m., a theft from a motor vehicle was reported on South Main Street.

Saturday, April 30 — At 2:31 a.m., a caller on High Street reported a theft from his motor vehicle that had occurred

at some point in the prior evening.

Monday, May 2 — At 4:22 p.m., a theft from a motor vehicle was reported on Avon Street.

THEFT

Thursday, April 28 — At 4:04 p.m., a theft from a residence was reported on Locke Street. A Playstation 3 video gaming console was reported stolen in the incident.

INCIDENTS

Tuesday, April 26 — At 9:47 a.m., an instance of illegal dumping was reported on Noll Drive.

At 5:39 p.m., a caller on Woburn Street reported that a large snapping turtle was in the road and a hazard to traffic.

At 8:45 p.m., police received reports of a landscaping company using loud equipment on Chestnut Street. A responding officer reported that the individual doing landscaping work will stop using his leaf blower.

Wednesday, April 27 — At 7:12 a.m., police received a call on Lowell Street regarding a fire hydrant that had been struck overnight. The Water Department was notified, and police collected a number of vehicle parts that were had been behind,

one of which included a vehicle identification number. The VIN led police to a registered vehicle in town, and police filed a citation against the owner of the vehicle for leaving the scene of property damage.

Friday, April 29 — At 9:37 a.m., a Bellevue Road resident reported that somebody shot at her car with a BB gun overnight. A responding officer determined that it was an attempted break on the car, and that nothing was taken.

At 10:19 a.m., a case of illegal dumping was reported on Brown Street.

At 9:58 p.m., police responded to a building alarm call at a store in Shawsheen Plaza. The call originated from the garage area of the business. A manager at the business contacted police to inform them that she has been "having trouble with a squirrel and she believes that is what caused the alarm to come in." The building was secure when police arrived. Close to seven hours later, at 4:25 a.m. on Saturday, another alarm call

originating from a garage was made from a location on North Main Street. The caller said the alarm was "probably accidental due to squirrels." On Sunday, at 1:54 a.m., another alarm generated from a garage on North Main Street. A manager at the business put the alarm at the garage into "test mode." Later that evening, at 8 p.m., police were called out to a store in Shawsheen Plaza which, again, had an alarm call sounding from the garage. The same store manager from the incident earlier in the day called to tell police she "is putting that zone on test until she can get an exterminator in the morning."

Saturday, April 30 — At 5:04 p.m., a case of illegal dumping was reported on North Main Street.

Monday, May 2 — At 9:34 a.m., a Maple Ave resident reported a case of littering.

At 11:26 a.m., a Jefferson Lane resident contacted police regarding a squirrel in a room within her house. Police gave her advice on how to remove the

squirrel from her home.

At 2:17 p.m., police received reports of a stolen boat on Andover Street. The report of the theft was later cancelled when the boat was found on the property it was left on.

ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, April 26 — At 1:07 p.m., an officer reported being involved in a car-versus-bicycle accident, with him on the bicycle. A minor injury was reported shortly thereafter.

Thursday, April 28 — At 10:55 a.m., police received a report of a vehicle crashed into a telephone pole. The vehicle was towed from the scene, and no injuries were reported.

Friday, April 29 — At 8:01 a.m., a report of a multiple-car crash on Route 125 was made. Three cars involved were all towed from the scene, but no injuries were reported.

Monday, May 2 — At 9:35 p.m., police received a report of a car into a tree on Wildwood Road. The vehicle was towed, and no injuries were reported.

■ NEWS IN BRIEF

VNA Hospice holds bereavement support groups

VNA Hospice Care is a nonprofit organization serving patients with life-limiting illnesses and their families. It offers adult bereavement programs that are free of charge and open to the community. Support groups provide a place to express feelings, share experiences, learn about grief, and move along in one's grieving process. The following groups are being offered for the winter and spring:

- Loss of a Spouse or Partner, at the Arlington Council on Aging
 - On-Going Open Bereavement Support Group in Woburn,
 - Loss of Loved One. Two groups at Fourth Presbyterian Church, South Boston and at Woburn Council on Aging.
 - Complicated grief for individuals coping with a loved one's death with whom they had a complicated or strained relationship, at Woburn office.
- For the complete Bereavement program list, visit the groups website at hospicecarema.org. Call the bereavement coordinator for registration or additional information

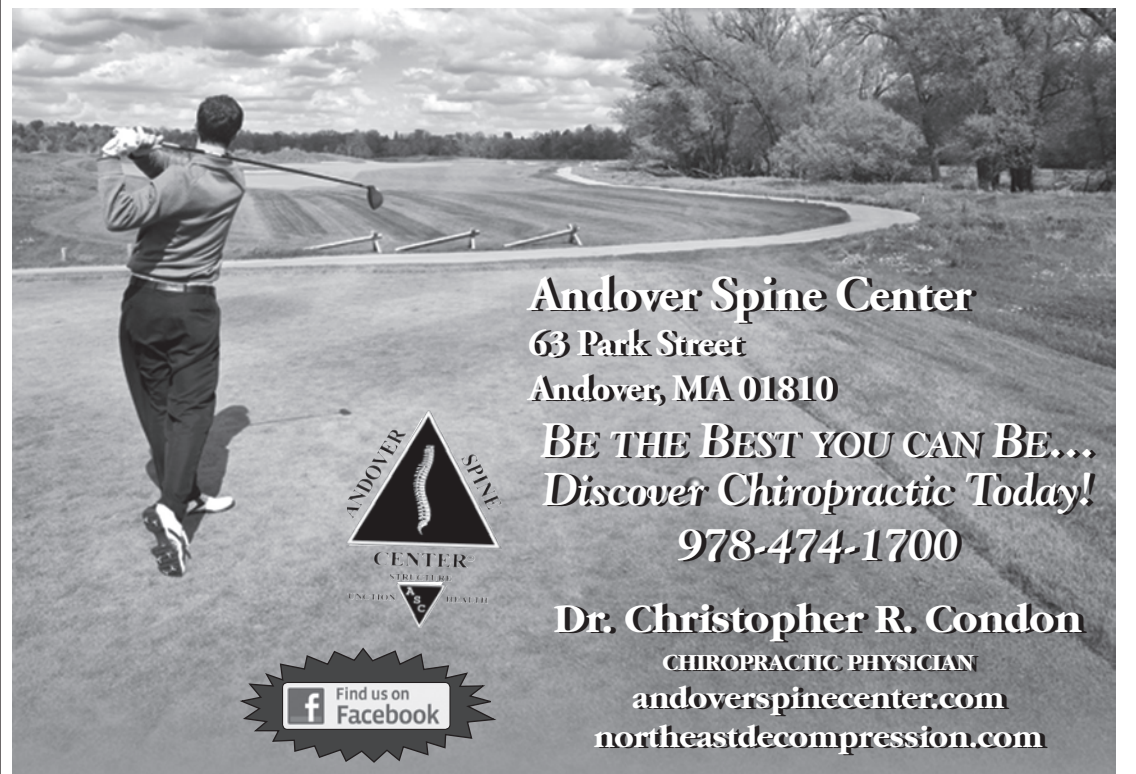
at 781-569-2888.

Chronic disease support workshop

"My Life, My Health," a six-week workshop designed to help manage chronic disease with a support group, will be held Tuesdays, May 10 through June 21, from 3:30 to 6 p.m. in the Kurth Auditorium at Lawrence General Hospital, 1 General St., Lawrence.

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Opinion

Justice not swift, but sure

The death of al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden in a daring raid by U.S. Navy SEALs is welcome news. Bin Laden's death brings long-awaited justice for the families of the nearly 3,000 people who were killed in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. This justice was not swift but it was sure. It should send a message to other terrorists that an attack against the United States will never be forgotten.

Certainly, the attack will not be forgotten in Andover, where four of our own perished in the Sept. 11 attacks: Chris Morrison in the North tower, 81-year-old great-grandmother Millie Naiman and flight attendant Betty Ong aboard Flight 11, and Len Taylor, who was aboard American Airlines Flight 77, the plane flown into the Pentagon.

Sunday's news also brought back memories of the Andover High graduate who was serving as a secret service agent, tending to those fleeing the towers, while others jumped to their deaths. Of the Andover owner of a trucking company who went to New York to help and saw toys in the rubble he helped remove from the site. Of Andover residents in New York or Washington watched iconic American buildings burn. We're sure for each of them, as for all of us, the news of bin Laden's death reminded them of both the horror of Sept. 11, and the national unity that followed.

While the death of an evil man and terrorist leader is welcome, we should have no false hope that Osama bin Laden's death marks the end of the war on terrorism, or the end of the terrorist organization bin Laden created. There may well be more attacks. But those who perpetrate them have proof that our country will pursue those who kill innocent Americans to the ends of the earth. The killing of Osama bin Laden raises some questions concerning the next steps in the war on terrorism. Now that bin Laden has been found and killed, what should be our role in Afghanistan? Should we remain in force in that country or should we reduce our commitment to an advisory role?

One important question that requires more immediate assessment is, just what kind of ally do we have in Pakistan?

It was long suspected that Osama bin Laden had escaped from U.S. forces in Afghanistan by crossing into Pakistan, a Muslim country that is supposedly our ally in the war on terrorism. It was assumed that bin Laden was living a nomadic life, moving from cave to cave in the mountainous wild country along the Pakistan-Afghanistan border. That turns out not to have been the case. Osama bin Laden had been living in a million-dollar, walled compound in a city just 30 miles north of Pakistan's capital. Bin Laden's unnoticed presence in the comfortable, suburban community, home to many retired members of the Pakistani armed forces and the country's military academy, raises questions about just how hard Pakistan was working to bring the world's most wanted terrorist to justice.

In time, these questions must be answered. For now, here in Andover—home to four of the many who died Sept. 11—it is enough to know that justice finally has been served.

WEB QUESTION

What are your feelings on bin Laden's death?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

What are your feelings on the death of Osama bin Laden?

- Jubilation.
- Happy. We finally got the man behind the 9/11 attacks.
- Glad an evil man is dead, but realize work remains.
- His death represents an end of an era, and now we must end our involvement in the region.
- I welcomed the news of his death, but I believe some were too celebratory.
- I am indifferent about Osama bin Laden's death. It has not impacted me.
- Worried about retaliation. We should not have killed Osama in Laden in this manner.
- I am not sure how I feel about his death.
- Other (supply your own answer).

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Last week's questions was "On a scale of one to five, how well is Andover taking care of its roads?" With 60 people responding, the answers were:

- 3: Road conditions are average. They could be better, but they're satisfactory: 20 votes, 33.33 percent
- 1: Conditions are deplorable and unsafe. Not enough is being done: 14 votes, 23.33 percent
- 4: Road conditions are good, though some work is needed in areas: nine votes, 15 percent
- 5: Road conditions are as good as they can be. The town is doing everything it can: nine votes, 15 percent
- 2: There is significant room for improvement, but it's being worked on: six votes, 10 percent
- I am not sure: two votes, 3.33 percent

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE COMMEMORATION



JAN LEE SEEGER/Staff photo

Community members gathered at Wood Hill Middle School Sunday for the 96th annual Armenian Genocide Commemoration that included a memorial service and a performance by the Yeraz Dance Ensemble (above).

Parent coaching center needed to put US children back on top

Ken Seifert



I remember in the 1950s we began to talk about the possibility whether we would see Jan. 1, 2000 or not. It would be the dawn of a new century. How many people were going to be lucky enough to experience the special day? Not only did we see it, it flew by so fast it is now 2011. Unfortunately some of my dear friends never saw it happen.

In the blinking of an eye it will be the year 2030. Our grandchildren will take our place as adults. I have some serious concerns for what we are doing and not doing. Some of our actions will cause them more challenges than they can handle. Is it fair to give them such problems they did not cause? Will they consider us a great generation like our parents before us?

Here is my take on the future. There are tough times ahead, and our children and their children will need to be stronger than we are, both in character and ability. Remember the old history books when we read about Sitting Bull, Red Jacket, Tecumseh, Chief Seattle, Geronimo, Cochise and Chief Crazy Horse? They all had one common message: We are few and they are many. We know what

happened in that chapter of our history: land grabbing, making and breaking every treaty and forcing the Indian to accept the white man's ways. They pleaded with us to leave them their dignity and culture. They even would allow us to live on their land in harmony. We did not listen. Can you imagine the future their children had to face?

Times have changed; but have they really? Anyone who studies what is happening in Asia, South America and Africa must realize a similar dilemma; we are few and they are many. For every American there will be 5,000 that will be just as competent as your child no matter what field they choose. In our country today, half the doctors, engineers and technology experts were born in foreign countries. What will the percentage be in 2030? How many seats in our graduate schools are occupied by foreigners while equally qualified American students take second choice jobs for the rest of their lives? It is foolish to be angry. It is time to wake up and ask why this is so. I don't fault those who come to this country and succeed. Everyone wants a meaningful life. It is the system that is broken and the system needs fixing.

We spend so much time playing politics in Washington, threatening to collapse our democracy and shutting down our government. The media spends hours and days following a very shrewd snake oil

salesman questioning a document as to where the president was born. We are also very stupid to pay attention to someone who appears to be a village idiot but is not! We continue daily to give away our intellectual capital. I would argue we are running out of intellectual capital for the rest of the world to steal. We must devise ways for us to be capable of being the superstars in the new world ball game.

If you doubt the above point of view please read "Three Billion Capitalists: The great shift of wealth and power to the east" by Clyde Prestowitz. You might not be able to sleep.

I have a suggestion. It will take some time but I think it is worth it. There is still time to stem the tide.

Tough times require strong children who will become strong adults. The best place to start is to provide better schooling and better parenting. Both are essential and yet we have never established a true partnership between these primary institutions. There are some but too few examples to make a dent. We are all aware of the saying, no one has taught us how to be parents. That certainly is not true. Good parents have been doing it for centuries. However, the world has become more complex and some of the skills necessary for survival are much different.

As a parent, how do I coach my child through childhood and

school to prepare them for the big game as adults? It requires a good coach. Not every parent or grandparent is willing to give the time and energy to give it a try. My old friend Larry Larsen makes a beautiful case called the Power of Parenting that is most convincing.

Do you know there are now over one and a half million children who are schooled at home? There are advantages and disadvantages to such an approach. There should be opportunities in every community for those who want to be a good coach. I have an approach to coaching that I would like to share with those interested. It would take an hour at a public meeting. I would present an overview and then share reactions: Is it worthwhile? Do others have new and different ideas? Can't we at least get something going in Andover and go from there?

I can see it now, a coaching playbook for parents and children. A portfolio for parents on coaching. A parent coaching center in one or two schools is also a start. The basic intent is to provide competence and character for my child. Even if only five people show up it is a beginning. I think it has possibilities. Time and place to be decided. Meeting before the end of this school year.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Town leaders call on Finegold to make state pay more SPED costs

Editor, Townsman:
Sen. Barry Finegold:
We are writing to request your support of the House Ways and Means Budget for FY-2012. Not only does the House Budget propose funding Unrestricted General Government Aid, Chapter 70, PILOT and Regional School Transportation at the level recommended by the Governor in House 1, there is a much-needed increase in the Special Education Circuit Breaker account.

For the FY-2012 School Department Budget, the Andover Board of Selectmen, School Committee and Finance Committee have agreed to use a budget number for the Circuit Breaker which includes a \$941,322 increase from the 40 percent FY-2011

reimbursement rate to a 67.67 percent reimbursement rate for FY-2012. The House Budget document states, "this increase (in the Circuit Breaker) will provide roughly a 70 percent net claims reimbursement rate, up from 40 percent in Fiscal Year 2011."

At our meeting with you on Tuesday, April 5, you made reference to the Senate Budget and said, "it wouldn't be worse than the House Budget or could be better." With that in mind, we urge your support to fund the SPED Circuit Breaker account at the 70-percent reimbursement rate. This funding level is still 5 percent below the Legislative goal of 75 percent.

We would be pleased to meet with you again to illustrate the need we have to receive a Circuit Breaker reimbursement of at least 67.67 percent. The total anticipated funding is essential to meet the needs of our SPED students.

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Teachers union rightly pushing its agenda

Editor, Townsman:
It is indeed outrageous that the teachers' union, as one party to a contentious negotiation, seeks to put its views before the public via a couple of half-page newspaper ads and a speaking invitation to Ralph Nader. This sort of thuggish

political intimidation shouldn't be tolerated. Only Fox News, Rush Limbaugh, most of the Republican Party, and other lonely patriots such as the Waltons of Wal-Mart and the Koch brothers (six of the world's top 30 richest billionaires on Forbes' list), balance unions' relentless zeal and enormous financial resources in pushing their members' agenda.


I'm grateful that politicians are demanding that unions and their members be denied fundamental rights to contract negotiation and collective bargaining. If prior contracts overly favor one of the two sides, the obvious remedy isn't more competence and courage from the other side, but a denial of long-established rights to the previously successful side. Anybody appalled by excessive government power would agree.

What shocking excess will the union resort to next? Merciful heavens. I'm sure that, as always, the vast majority of Andover voters and taxpayers will attend Town Meeting to make their voices heard.

(Full disclosure: my daughter, now majoring in linguistic anthropology, had many excellent teachers in Andover High School, including Fred Hopkins, who, in response to planned decreases in staffing, benefits and funding, and increased class sizes, had the nerve to suggest that he and his colleagues were being asked to do more for less. Another brazen attempt to suppress debate by stating facts. Shocking.)

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15 'RISK OF ACTION'


Robert E. Lee was worried. He won the greatest victory of his military career – the greatest victory the South would know during the Civil War – at Chancellorsville in May 1862. Still, shadows hung over the Confederacy. “Our loss was severe,” historian Stephen Sears reports Lee as saying after that battle, “and again we had gained not an inch of ground and the enemy could not be pursued.”

Lee’s stunning victories with the Army of Northern Virginia in the East through 1862 – in driving the Union Army from Richmond – had been matched by Union success in prying open the Mississippi River from both ends in the West. Union armies won crucial victories in Perryville, Ky., and at Stones River, Tenn., in fall and winter 1862 – despite the beating their counterparts were taking at Fredericksburg.

Ulysses Grant and his army had crossed the Mississippi by early 1863, despite a series of setbacks at Chickasaw Bluffs and elsewhere.

Grant moved to strike Vicksburg, one of the last great Southern citadels holding out along the river, linking two halves of the Confederacy together. The South had other problems, too. Lee’s victories had been costly. The 13,000 troops he lost at Chancellorsville amounted to 22 percent of his army, according to historian James McPherson, not the least of whom was Stonewall Jackson. The Union, although it suffered greater losses at 17,000 men, lost only 15 percent of its force.

James Longstreet, the Southern general Lee affectionately called his “old warhorse,” said: “Even victories such as these were consuming us, and would eventually destroy us,” Sears writes in “Gettysburg.”




Soldiers cheered Lee after his victory in Chancellorsville. Library of Congress

“THERE IS ALWAYS HAZARD IN MILITARY MOVEMENTS, BUT WE MUST DECIDE BETWEEN THE POSITIVE LOSS OF INACTIVITY AND THE RISK OF ACTION.”

— ROBERT E. LEE

But Robert E. Lee was formulating a plan. Invade the North again, just as he had done the previous fall, Lee proposed to Confederate President Jefferson Davis. Maybe an aggressive campaign could relieve the pressure building in the West. If not, writes Sears, Lee could at least take the edge off of the Union’s impending victory. Moving north also would give Lee an opportunity to forage for food for his starving soldiers, who had been living off sassafras and wild onions, according to McPherson. Maybe this time there would be no lost order to play into the Union commander’s hands, as had happened at Antietam in the fall of 1862. “There is always hazard in military movements,” Sears quotes Lee as saying. “But we must decide between the positive loss of inactivity and the risk of action.”

Lee planned to risk the action.



The battle of Stones River near Murfreesboro, Tenn., where the Union army won an important victory in its western campaign. Library of Congress

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Photo by Frank J. Leone Jr.
At left, Karen Payne-Taylor, program coordinator, welcomes volunteers David and Patricia Bales, all from Andover, at the Andover Senior Center Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, Friday, at the Town House, 20 Main St.

Salute to volunteers honors more than 100

More than 100 seniors from the Andover Senior Center volunteer program were honored at an annual volunteer reception on Friday, April 29, at the Town House on Main Street, also known as Old Town Hall. “With over 300 active volunteers and well over 25,000 hours donated so far this year, Andover owes much to these volunteers. Whether they work at our schools, library, town offices or senior center, the time and talent they give is invaluable,” said Karen Payne-Taylor, senior center employee.

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Thomas Davis, 11, holds his hat over his heart while the national anthem is being played during the Andover Little League Opening Day festivities.

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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100 Years Ago May 5, 1911

Louis A. Dane, received a severe injury to one of his eyes while automobiling last Sunday afternoon. While passing beneath a tree, one of the branches pierced his eye, causing him severe pain.

Alterations and repairs are being made on the house on Morton street owned by Mrs. Christiana Odlin. The interior of the house is being changed so that it will consist of three flats.

A chimney fire broke out Tuesday night at the home of Abraham Marland on Chestnut street. The flames were extinguished by the occupants of the house, as soon as they were discovered, however, and it was unnecessary to summon help.

Dr. H.F. Holt, the local dentist, is to move into his new quarters in Carter's Block as soon as the repairs now going on there are completed. The new office will extend over Gleason's Coal office, and will be well lighted, owing to the installing of two large windows in place of the four small ones formerly there.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville K. Cutler of West Andover are rejoicing over the birth of a son on Thursday.

children of Aberfoyle and Mrs. A.B. Sutherland are enjoying a vacation at Atlantic city.

Mrs. Douglas Donald is visiting in Atlantic city.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Barry and family of 13 Arundel street are moving to Arlington today.

50 Years Ago May 4 1961

A vast effort to check speeding, and any other traffic violations, will be mounted by the police department. The use of a time clock, additional motorized patrols, and an unmarked cruiser cruising throughout the town are part of the effort.

The most controversial liquor licensing problem to face the Board of Selectmen since adoption of the town manager charter comes to a head in the next two weeks. With the legal advertisement in the Townsman this week of 20 applications for one all-alcoholic package store license, the long-discussed issue actually becomes a reality.

The selectmen have granted an inn holders license to sell all alcohol beverages, to the Rolling Green motel on Lowell street at Interstate 93.

Andover High's Edward Skinner took one of 15 first places in the state science fair, in competition with 400 local and regional winners. His project was "Refraction of Shock Waves."

75 Years Ago May 1, 1936

Gov. Alfred M. Landon of Kansas will be Andover's choice for president in November, if the pre-primitives held Tuesday are any indication. He polled 443 of the Republican 972 votes. Herbert Hoover placed second with 30, Vandenberg 15, Borah 12, Knox 8, Fuller 3, Coughlin 2. Only 86 Democrats went to the polls with Roosevelt receiving 32, Coughlin 4, Smith 2, Townsend 1.

The members of Free Church are asked to remember that they are cordially invited to attend the 90th anniversary celebration of the church to be held next Thursday evening.

Mrs. William Kurth and

25 Years Ago May 1, 1986

Phillips Academy officials announced today that school trustees have given them the green light to investigate the possibility of leasing the school's Abbot Academy campus for development as an executive conference center.

Advertisement: Arlington Trust Company - Home Improvement Loans - 10% annual percentage rate for a term not exceeding 48 months.

Andover resident Andrew A. Caffrey, Chief Justice of the U.S. District Court of Massachusetts, will be honored by Boston College Law School at its 29th annual Law Day celebration on May 3.

IN THE MILITARY

Nominees for U.S. Service Academies

Congresswoman Niki Tsongas held a reception recently to honor the 23 young men and women from the Fifth Congressional District who have been selected as nominees for appointment to the U.S. Military, Naval, Air Force, and Merchant Marine Academies. Five of these nominees are from Andover.

Each student was nominated following an evaluation of their academic records, extracurricular activities, and in-person interviews with Congresswoman Tsongas' independent Academies Nomination Committee.

"Each year I have the privilege of nominating a select group of young men and women from the Fifth Congressional District to our nation's service academies," said Tsongas. "These nominees have demonstrated academic excellence in their high school classrooms, considerable achievement in athletic and extracurricular activities, and a strong desire to serve their communities and country."

The Andover residents and their service academy are:

- Abhiram Iyengar, United States Air Force Academy
- Ioannis Wallingford, United States Air Force Academy
- Joseph Sievers, United States Military Academy
- Panayiotis Kostakis, US Merchant Marine Academy
- Mark Vetere, United States Naval Academy

Long completes basic training

Air Force Airman 1st Class Martin R. Long graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Long earned distinction as an honors graduate.

He is the son of James and Mary Long of Burton Farm Drive, Andover.

The airman received a bachelor's degree in 2008 from James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.



Sports anchor and reporter for WBZ-TV Dan Roche, who was the master of ceremonies, reminds the Little League players about the most important part of being on a team - postgame ice cream - during the Andover Little League Opening Day festivities.



Six-year-old members of the Tigers wave to the crowd as they march down Main Street.



From left, Nora Huntley, Meghan Burke and Sara Brown, all 18 and of Andover, sing God Bless America.



Charlie Ziegenbein, center, 12, high-fives the Andover High School baseball team players during Little League Opening Day festivities.

Urban renewal cut down like a dead, old tree

Bill Dalton



Part III on the urban renewal effort in Andover.

On Jan. 3, 1963, the Andover Townsman picked urban renewal as the top story of 1962.

However, throughout 1962, the urban renewal committee's plan stumbled along, occasionally buoyed by Townsman editorials.

In August 1962, the selectmen, Planning Board, and housing authority agreed that the location of the new town hall be on the Barnard property, which today is the historic, nationally registered Punchard House. However, the urban renewal plan had placed the town hall at the site of the Musgrove Building, so Ernest Hall, chairman of the urban renewal committee, said the change in the town hall location would have to go back to Washington for approval. This continued a pattern of fits and starts that had gone on since the plan's beginning. To make

matters worse for Mr. Hall, the Planning Board and selectmen agreed that their position on the location of the town hall was not an indication of their acceptance of the committee's urban renewal plan. The plan was suffering a death by a thousand cuts.

A late-blooming Andover Co-Op urban renewal plan was summarily rejected by the Andover Townsman and apparently ignored by everyone else. Although the Co-Op had put much work into their plan, little was said about it after its

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JAN LEE SEEGER/Staff photo

Service award

Bob French is applauded as he stands to accept the Virginia Cole Community Service Award at Andover High School Thursday. The Church Basketball League was renamed the Bob French League to honor his years of service to children.

WEDDINGS



Matthew Schrader and Naomi Quesnel

Matthew Schrader and Naomi Quesnel were married Feb. 12, 2011, at Sacred Church of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Northampton, Mass. The Rev. John Connors performed the ceremony. The reception followed at The Log Cabin in

Holyoke. The groom is the son of Paul and Carol Schrader of Andover. The bride is the daughter of George and Nancy Quesnel of Chicopee. The newlyweds reside in Groton.



Sarah Wallace and Jesse Cooper

Sarah Bradford Wallace, daughter of Norman and Janet Wallace of Haverhill, brother of the bride; Brett Abel of Bedford, Ted Crowley of Brighton, Joe Crowley of Westwood and Greg Klym of Burlington, Ontario stood as groomsmen. Owen Miner, the bride's godchild and son of David and Beth Miner, served as ring bearer.

Richard Griesel of Sudbury officiated at the ceremony, which was held at the Barn at Gibett Hill in Groton. Guests were welcomed by piper Adam Holdaway of Chelmsford, who also provided the music for the marriage ceremony.

The bride, in an ivory, floor-length gown, carrying a bouquet of deep red roses and holly was escorted by her father. Maid of honor was Sarah's sister, Erin, of South Boston. Bridesmaids were Beth Miner of Merrimack, Demetra Gildea of Andover and Colette Koster, sister of the groom of Keller, Texas. Flower girl was Tatum Koster, the groom's niece and daughter of Kurt and Colette Koster.

Best man was Seth Cooper of Lowell, Jesse's brother. Scott Wallace of Haverhill, brother of the bride; Brett Abel of Bedford, Ted Crowley of Brighton, Joe Crowley of Westwood and Greg Klym of Burlington, Ontario stood as groomsmen. Owen Miner, the bride's godchild and son of David and Beth Miner, served as ring bearer.

Sarah, a 1993 graduate of Andover High School, is a 1997 graduate of College of the Holy Cross, Worcester and received her master's degree from Lesley University in 2001. She is a teacher in the Andover school system.

Jesse, a 1989 graduate of Lawrence Academy, Groton, and a 1993 University of New Hampshire graduate is employed by LogMein, Woburn.

After a vacation to Riviera Maya, Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper returned to their home in Haverhill.

DALTON

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introduction, and it died like a small bird.

The Special Town Meeting date was set for Nov. 19, 1962, but a week after the date was set, the Planning Board said it was in a "quandary" over the urban renewal plan. A pedantic editorial in the Townsman said that some basic facts, which had been often repeated, were still misunderstood by the Planning Board, Finance Committee and selectmen. Those facts included that eminent domain could be used to acquire the downtown properties. Did the editor believe what he was writing: that town officials didn't understand eminent domain powers and urban renewal?

In October, the Planning Board sliced another wound in the urban renewal plan when it said a rehabilitation program was preferable to urban renewal's wholesale destruction of downtown. An editorial said delaying the Town Meeting might be a good idea. Then Finance Committee Chairman Phillip Marsden dragged a gullotine into the arena and told the selectmen "with finality" that the Finance Committee would not approve action on urban renewal at any special meeting. Since the Finance Committee had veto rights over any special meeting appropriation, the urban renewal vote was moved to the Annual Town Meeting in March 1963. Mr. Marsden, a solid, dignified man, had watched the comings and goings of the urban renewal plan in silence, waiting with the other members of the Finance Committee to state their position at the appropriate time.

The Nov. 21, 1962, issue of the Andover Townsman showed a picture of the proposed town hall. By today's standards it was plug-ugly and was the same 1960s style that all the urban renewal buildings would follow if the plan was adopted.

On Jan. 24, the paper gushed a headline, "Agree On Cost, Income, Building Need." The story said an "overwhelming"

number of town officials agreed on the need for a new municipal building; agreed there would be increased tax income from urban renewal; and agreed on the proposed numbers. It said selectmen favored the plan 3 to 2. Finance Committee Chairman Phillip Marsden was a fly in the ointment. He refused to take a position and said, "When the time comes, we'll make known our position." The Townsman snapped at the unflappable Marsden in an editorial titled, "When Silence Isn't Golden."

On Feb. 14, the Board of Trade voted 18 to 17 against urban renewal. The Feb. 21, 1963, Townsman said that Town Manager Duff was in favor of the plan, as was the League of Women Voters.

Then Mr. Marsden cut in again and announced that the Finance Committee was opposed to the urban renewal plan, and the selectmen reversed their vote and opposed the plan as well. On Election Day, just prior to Town Meeting, the selectman's seat being vacated by Russell Doyle was won by Paul Cronin, who was opposed to urban renewal. His opponents, Ken Thompson and Wayne Long, took neutral positions.

Although it had pushed hard for urban renewal's adoption, the Townsman didn't take an editorial position.

By secret ballot at Annual Town Meeting, the vote against urban renewal was 903 to 254. When all was said and done, urban renewal, the biggest Andover news story of the 20th Century, was cut down like a dead, old tree.

The following week, C. Lincoln Giles announced he'd acquired six options on properties downtown. Not long after, Phid Dantos and John Davidson created Danton Realty Trust. Giles and Danton Realty Trust would soon make major changes to the downtown.

Bill Dalton writes a weekly column for the Andover Townsman. His email address is bill-dalton@andovertownie.com.

The two previous columns on urban renewal are available online at andovertownsm.com.

BOOMERVENTURE

BoomerVenture, the Andover-based program open to Merrimack Valley boomers, is back with new activities sprouting up this spring. Registration starts May 16. The BoomerVenture Campus is at 30 Whittier Court, the first floor of the Andover School Administration Building. For more information, call 978-623-8321.

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By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

The popular and highly regarded Merrimack Junior Theatre may have produced its final show earlier this year, but proud alumni of the group are now old enough to direct their own shows. The torch is being passed, so to speak.

MJT alum Adam Sapienza was actively involved with the regional theater group for kids based in

MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSICAL

WHAT: 13: The Musical
WHEN: Friday and Saturday, May 6 and 7, 7 p.m.
WHERE: West Middle School
Cost: \$8
WHO: Andover West Middle School Drama Club; directed by Adam Sapienza, Musical Director Mark Mercer, Choreography by Amy Wilkins Blanchette

Andover. Now a teacher in the EXCEL

program for special needs students at West Middle School, he's also the school's drama director.

This weekend, the school's drama group presents "13: The Musical."

He said it was a "privilege" to be part of MJT and wears the affiliation like a badge of honor.

"I owe a lot to MJT and Josie (Walker). Yes, I'm carrying the torch and it's because you learn so much

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Enjoying a glass of wine, from left, artist Linda Metzger and Nancy Grice both of Andover, chat with Kerry Sweeney of North Andover in front of Grice's encaustic way paintings, at last year's Hair of the Dog Art Show and Benefit for MSPCA and Nevins Farm.

'Hair of Dog' helps pigs, spiders, too

May 6 wine, beer and art event benefits animal shelter

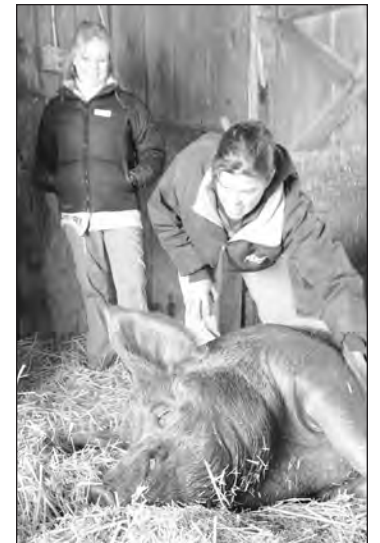
Just as there's much more to wine than merlot and chardonnay, there's much more to an animal shelter these days than stray cats and dogs. Even a large and hairy arachnid is being housed with all the other abandoned pets and farm animals at the MSPCA's Nevins Farm in Methuen.

Because they all need care, seven years ago Andover business owners Sheri and Michael Helman cofounded what has become a popular wine-and-beer-tasting and art show that benefits the facility. Known as "Hair of the Dog," it is scheduled this year for Friday, May 6, from 6 to 9 p.m., hosted by the Essex Art Center and Chester's on Island Street in Lawrence.

As always, all tasting beverages will be donated and the Helmans, who own Shawsheen Village Liquors on Poor Street, off Shawsheen Square, will be responsible for the event. In all, there will be over 50 wines from four continents, and crafts beers from small breweries throughout the country.

There will also be appetizers, donated, prepared, and served by Whole Foods Market of Andover. While everyone sips and munches, White Street Band, a Chicago style blues band with a rock and roll edge, will provide live music.

A wide range of artists will have works on view and for sale. They include jewelry makers, potters, painters, sculptors, and fabric artists. In keeping with the



Support from the Hair of the Dog art show and wine- and beer-tasting event helps Nevins Farm and ANSPCA Animal Care Supervisor Pam Nixon take care of all sorts of animals.

animal theme, some are bringing animal-themed art. Prices range from \$1 to more than \$300.

This year the raffle's grand prize is a custom portrait of the winner's pet by artist Karla Cook of Andover, along with a case of wine with labels depicting that portrait.

One hundred percent of ticket and raffles sales go directly to the MSPCA at Nevins Farm. Some tasters might want a full glass of wine and beer; they're available for sale and 100 percent

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THE FOREST IN YOUR BACKYARD

Gone fishin'... and other opportunities at Harold Parker State Forest

Park rangers and other state workers will offer programs today and throughout the weekend at Harold Parker State Forest in Andover and North Andover.

People of all ages can discover what lives in New England ponds through a program called "Let's Explore the Pond" today, Thursday, May 5 from 10 to 11 a.m. The program is appropriate for children and families, according to officials.

"Hikin' Kids" also will be offered today, Thursday, May 5, from 3 to 4 p.m. It includes a basic introduction to the forest and a short hike to acclimate children to the outdoors.

Other events are:

■ "Soapstone Quarry Ramble" on Friday, May 6 from 10 a.m. to noon. A walk back in time as you tour the site of the old Jenkins blue soapstone quarry, the Skug river mill site and a glacial erratic.

■ "Bike Hike" on Friday, May 6 from 3 to 5 p.m. This is a casual paced bike ride through forest trails. Great for families and also those new to trail riding. Helmets are required.

■ "Gone Fishin'" on Saturday, May 7 from 10 a.m. to noon. Great family fun for everyone interested in learning the basics of pond fishing in New England. All fishing tackle and bait is provided.

■ "Healthy Heart Walk" on Saturday, May 7 from 2 to 3 p.m. A hike to health that will start at the Nature Center in the campground and proceed to the stone dust trail at Berry Pond. Easy walk, approximately 1.5 miles in length.

All programs are free and open to the public. Insect repellent, water and sunscreen, and comfortable shoes are recommended.

Harold Parker State Forest Department of Conservation and Recreation is located at 1951 Turnpike Road, North Andover. For more information, call 617-828-1728 or visit mass.gov/dcr/events.htm.

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAY 5

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE, annual interfaith service on the National Day of Prayer, noon, hosted by the Selimiye Mosque, 105 Oakland Ave., Methuen. Representatives from Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and Muslim faith communities participate. A light lunch will follow the service, free and open to the public; Communities Together, 978-686-4012.

AHS ART STUDENT EXHIBIT, six AHS students featured in The Collaborative Arts Exhibit, sponsored by Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative, Lawrence Heritage State Park building, through May 14. Works by Rachel Aldrich, Melanie Long, Melanie Nesteruk, Zoe Payne-Taylor, Brian Salvesen and John Lincoln-Vogel; James Batchelder, Art Department Faculty Head, JBatchelder@aps1.net, 978-623-8653.

BOOK SALE OPENS, Flint Memorial Library in the library Activity Room, 147 Park St. North Reading: 978-664-4942.

LIVE THEATER, Stoneham Theatre presents "42nd Street," through May 29, \$44-\$48; stonehamtheatre.org.

MARIPOSA'S LEAD DESIGNER, Michael Udpick, signs

Mariposa sand-cast aluminum pieces, 5 to 8 p.m., Rose & Dove, 579 Chickering Road, North Andover; 978-689-4141, roseanddove.com.

EXPLORE THE POND, 10 to 11 a.m., discover what lives in New England ponds, appropriate for children and families, Harold Parker State Forest; 617-828-1728, mass.gov/dcr/events.htm.

HIKIN' KIDS, 3 to 4 p.m., Harold Parker State Forest, basic introduction to the forest and a short hike to acclimate children to the outdoors; 617-828-1728, mass.gov/dcr/events.htm.

AUTHOR TALK, William Lychack will be reading from his new collection of short stories, Architect of Flowers. He was Writer-in-Residence at Phillips Academy and also author of The Wasp Eater, 7 p.m., \$3, Andover Bookstore, 89 Rear Main St.; 978-475-0143.

FRIDAY, MAY 6

SOAPSTONE QUARRY RAMBLE, 10 a.m.-noon, a walk back in time as you tour the site of the old Jenkins blue soapstone quarry, The Skug river mill site and a glacial erratic; 617-828-1728, mass.gov/dcr/events.htm.

BIKE HIKE, 3 to 5 p.m., casual paced bike ride through

Harold Parker State Forest trails. Great for families and those new to trail riding. Helmets are required; 617-828-1728, mass.gov/dcr/events.htm.

RHAPSODY EVENT, Family Services hosts, with Honorary Chair Tiffany Ortiz, wife of Red Sox Designated Hitter David Ortiz, and Emcee Randy Price of WCVB TV, 6:30 p.m., Andover Country Club, also held to celebrate the work of Kay Berthold Frishman of Andover, Family Service's Executive Director, on the occasion of her retirement; 978-327-6600.

LIVE THEATER, "13: The Musical," Andover West Middle School Drama Club, 7 p.m., \$8, Andover West Middle School. Also showing on May 7 at 8 p.m.

READING WITH U.S. POET LAUREATE, W.S. Merwin, 7 p.m., free, Kemper Auditorium on Chapel Avenue, Phillips Academy, Merwin is a poet, translator, and environmental activist in a career spanning five decades and is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the National Book Award, the Bollingen Prize and the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, in 1970 and 2009.

EXHIBIT OPENS, "For the Birds," through June 18, Brush Gallery & Artists Studios, 256 Market St., Lowell; 978-459-7819, thebrush.org.

WINE-AND-BEER-TASTING, benefit for MSPCA's Nevins

Farm in Methuen. "Hair of the Dog" happens 6-9 p.m., hosted by the Essex Art Center and Chester's on Island Street in Lawrence.

STUDENT-DIRECTED ONE-ACT PLAYS, presented by Northern Essex Community College students, 7:30 p.m., \$8-10, Top Notch Theater on the third floor of the Spurk Building, Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill. Also happening on May 7.

SATURDAY, MAY 7

CRAFTS IN THE PARK, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., The Park, Chestnut & Bartlett streets, Andover. Geraniums from Dragoonian Farms also on sale.

GONE FISHIN', 10 a.m.-noon, Harold Parker State Forest, family fun for everyone interested in learning the basics of pond fishing in New England. All fishing tackle and bait is provided; 617-828-1728, mass.gov/dcr/events.htm.

HEALTHY HEART WALK, 2-3 p.m. Hike starts at the Harold Parker State Forest Nature Center in the campground and proceeds to the stone dust trail at Berry Pond. Easy walk, approximately 1.5 miles; 617-828-1728, mass.gov/dcr/events.htm.

SUNDAY, MAY 8

3-MILE RUN/WALK AGAINST BREAST CANCER, Bradley Palmer State Park, Asbury Road, Topsfield, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., walk is 9:15-10:15 a.m. Entry Donation is \$20, T-shirt to 1st 150 applicants, proceeds support educational programming and materials for patients of the Breast Health Center, Beverly Hospital at Danvers; mothersdayrunwalk@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

FREE HIKE, 10 to 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.

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DOING IT ALL CAPTAINS STAND OUT FOR IMPROVING ANDOVER SOFTBALL

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

ANDOVER — When Taylor Farris, the team's normal starting shortstop, was called on to start on the mound earlier this season and delivered a complete-game shutout — along with three RBIs — many were impressed.

But her teammates were far from surprised.

"When Taylor walks onto the field she just brings a presence," said teammate Meaghan Molloy. "She's a pitcher, a shortstop, and outfielder. She can do everything on the field. Whatever the team needs, she will do it."

In any role asked of them, Farris and co-captains Molloy and Jen Powers have been key contributors for the much-improved Andover softball team (4-6) this season.

"We are very blessed," said coach Steve Tisbert. "Taylor can do anything, Jen is our No. 1 pitcher and Meaghan is an extremely hard-working player who is so well respected."

The utility player

Whether she's in the field, at the plate or on the mound, Farris thrives on the one-on-one battles of softball.

"I love to control the game," she the junior. "I look at it as each play, you against the batter or pitcher. You have to."

Farris has impressed at the plate this season. Through Monday, she was hitting .300 exactly, tied for the team-high with nine RBIs and second on the team with nine runs. Against North Andover she was 2 for 2 with a run and three RBIs.

"I love hitting," she said. "I have batted leadoff, third, fifth depending on who's pitching. It is different because sometimes I am trying to set the table, and other times I am driving batters in."

She has also become known for her stellar defense at shortstop and performance on the mound, as a relief pitcher and sometimes starter, having pitched shutouts against North Andover and Notre Dame.

"Taylor does it all," said



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Taylor Farris is congratulated after scoring a run against North Andover. Farris has impressed as a hitter, shortstop and pitcher for the Golden Warriors so far this season.

Tisbert. "She is a very good pitcher, a shortstop and an outstanding outfielder. I wouldn't hesitate to put her anywhere on the field. She's a talented player."

The pitcher

Jen Powers doesn't have delusions about her arm. So she uses her mind to find the advantage.

"I throw junk," she said with a laugh. "I understand that I am not the hardest throwing pitcher. So I focus on changing speed. I throw a lot of change-ups, and try to take advantage of a hitter's weak spots instead of trying to throw it by them."

After starting as an outfielder last season, Powers won the starting pitcher job during her junior year and has continued to grow in that role this season.

"Jen can throw the toughest changeups," said Molloy. "It leaves batters off balance. It's just great."

Powers was at her best this season when she limited Haverhill to just three hits in a 5-1 win, and scattered eight hits

in an 8-3 win over Lawrence on Friday.

And for the control pitcher, who will attend Syracuse in the fall, there is nothing better than making a batter look silly.

"I love when I can throw a soft changeup, it just floats in there and they swing and miss," she said. "I look at where a batter is standing, try to find the little things. I love to pitch."

The leader

While counting the votes for captain late last season, Tisbert was thrilled to see one name continue to appear — Meaghan Molloy.

"I was happy to see her name pop up on the voting ballot," he said. "Then it kept coming up over and over again, and that really showed how special a person she is."

Molloy was voted a captain, which was extra special since she played on the JV team as a junior.

"I didn't expect it at all," she said. "I had no clue. I hadn't done anything special (on the field). After the voting everyone

was coming to me saying, 'I voted for you.' I was honored because it told me I was a hard worker, because there's no other reason."

On the field, Molloy sees time as an outfielder and pinch runner. But her greatest contributions are as a leader.

"I like being a teacher," she said. "I understand the skills, I'm just not the best at them. So I enjoy coaching. I will definitely coach in the future."

Molloy will attend UMass Amherst in the fall, and she dreams of becoming a doctor, which she began to consider while taking Advanced Placement chemistry.

"Meaghan is the one that keeps everyone motivated to play," said Powers. "If someone is having an off day she'll comfort them. She is like the team mom. She may not be the star, but she works harder than anyone and is always involved."

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ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Jen Powers fires a pitch earlier this season. Not known as a hard thrower, Powers has become a master of changing speeds and keeping hitters off balance.



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo.

Meaghan Molloy shows her trademark hustle earlier this season. Molloy's leadership earned her election as captain after playing junior varsity ball as a junior.

Roundup: Girls take second at Division 1 relays

GIRLS TRACK

Jess Salley and Moria Cronin teamed with Chloe Pearson to win the high jump relay with a 14-10 to help Andover place second as a team at the Division 1 relays on Sunday. Cronin then teamed with Eve Bishop, Sydney Eberth and Chelsea Angelosanto to take second in the 4x200 and Bishop, Eberth and Alex Puccia for second in the 4x400 for the Warriors.

Emily Belluche won the triple jump (35-2 1/2) and 100 hurdles (15.5) as Andover topped Haverhill 97-34 last Wednesday. Terra Organisciak took the 100 (12.7), Chelsea Angelosanto won the 200 (26.0) and Sydney Gillis won the

pole vault (7-6) for the winners.

BOYS TRACK

4x200 takes first

Pat Farnham, Troy Cayon, Brian Knapp and Adam Carrington combined to win the 4x200 in 1:30.67 at the Division 1 state relays on Sunday. Knapp, Farnham and Cayon teamed with Simon Voorhees to take second in the sprint medley for the Warriors.

Pat Farnham won the 200 in a blazing 21.8, took the 400 in 49.5 and added a victory in the long jump (21-7) as Andover bested Haverhill 87-44 last Wednesday. Brian Knapp won the pole vault (12-6), Will Maye won the high jump (5-6) and Ryan Cooney took the

2-mile (10:33.5) for the winners.

BASEBALL

Warriors rally back for win

Bennett Deady singled to tie the game and Sean McQuillan drove home Andrew Risman for the walkoff winning run as Andover downed Salem (N.H.) 7-6 last Monday.

"That's a huge win for us, especially coming against a good, 5-1 baseball team like that," said Warrior Alex Driscoll, who doubled and tripled in the victory. "Everyone rallied together when we needed it. Big hits at big times, and that's a good thing to see."

The Golden Warriors, facing Boston College-bound Nick Poore, tallied 13 hits. Mike McQuillan and Sean McQuillan each tallied two

hits and Cam Farnham had two hits and two RBIs for the winners.

Sean McQuillan's three-run home run highlighted Andover's six-run sixth inning, leading Andover to a 9-3 win over Dracut on Friday. Mike McQuillan was 3 for 4 with three RBIs and Andrew Deloury had two hits and two RBIs for the winners.

Andover's Alex Driscoll was 2 for 3 and drove in two runs, but the Golden Warriors lost to Lowell 15-2 on Monday. Cam Farnham had a hit and scored a run.

Alex Driscoll scored a pair of runs, but Andover lost to Methuen 9-3 last Wednesday. Sean McQuillan and

Mike McQuillan each drove in a run for the Golden Warriors.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Will Gold-en in win

Will Gold scored 17 service points and had 15 assists as Andover beat Billerica 25-20, 25-21, 27-25 on Friday. Cannon Sullivan added 10 kills and seven blocks for the winners.

Eduardo Machado recorded 17 service points, eight aces and three digs as Andover crushed Winchester 25-12, 25-19, 25-5 last Tuesday. Will Gold chipped in with 13 assists and Joe Kuykendall added nine kills for the winners.

Despite 24 kills and 20 digs for Joe Kuykendall, Andover lost to Methuen 25-19, 26-24, 20-25, 25-16 on Monday. Will Gold added 29 assists and Colin Rivet had 17 service points for the Golden Warriors.

Andover fell to Haverhill 25-20, 25-17, 25-13 last Monday.

BOYS LACROSSE

Mclver paces Warriors

Matt Mclver scored five goals and Nick Price added a hat trick as Andover rolled past Haverhill 9-2 last Tuesday. Connor Gaffney added a goal and an assist and Crosby

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Nicholson made five saves for the winners.

Despite three goals for Nick Price, Andover lost to Billerica 16-8 on Friday. Alex King added two goals and Matt McIver had a goal and three assists for the Golden Warriors.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Caro, Torres roll over rivals

Jen Caro and Jaclyn Torres each scored three goals as Andover rolled over archrival Central Catholic 13-1 on Monday.

"We don't have anyone near the top of the (area) scoring leaders," Andover coach John McVeigh said. "And I think that's a point of pride on this team. We share the ball. Our girls our taking a lot of pride in knowing that on any given day somebody will pick us up."

Jill Beucler made five saves and Katherine Geffken added a stop for the winners. Ally Fazio and Meagan Keefe each added two goals.

Andover saw 12 different players score at least one goal as the Golden Warriors defeated Billerica 13-3 on Friday. Freshman Charlotte Lenes scored two goals and classmate Jenny Hill starred on defense for the winners.

Behind a hat trick each for Ally Fazio and Meaghan Morris, Andover cruised to a 17-7 win over Triton last Wednesday. Back from injury, Jaclyn Torres had a pair of goals and Sara Miller, Kate Farnham and Weezie Gross each scored twice for the winners.

Meagan Keefe and Bridget Morris each scored three goals as Andover blasted Haverhill 15-5 last Tuesday. Weezie Gross added a pair of

goals and Elise Krekorian had a goal and three assists for the winners.

SOFTBALL

Farris dazzles Notre Dame

Taylor Farris threw a nifty one-hitter, striking out nine and walking just one as Andover defeated Notre Dame 5-0 last Wednesday. Shannon Tully was 2 for 2 with an RBI and Farris scored twice for the winners

Freshman Nicole Ericson was 3 for 4 with a run and an RBI for Andover, which downed Lawrence 8-3 on Friday. Jordan Day was 3 for 3 with two runs and an RBI and Shannon Murphy had two hits and scored twice for the winners.

Shannon Tully was 2 for 3 with a pair of RBIs, but Andover lost to Chelmsford 12-6 on Monday. Meaghan Leary scored twice and Taylor Farris had a pair of RBIs for the Warriors.

Meaghan Leary was 4 for 4 with four RBIs, but Andover fell to Amesbury 10-5 last Tuesday. Molly Awiszus added three hits and two runs and Jordan Day scored twice for the Golden Warriors.

BOYS TENNIS

Doubles rally for win

Evan Birenbaum and Arun Padykula teamed to take No. 1 doubles 6-2, 6-1 to pace Andover in a 4-1 win over Central Catholic on Monday. Justin Edelman and Varun Penamatsa took No. 2 doubles for the winners.

Austin Bendetson took a 6-4, 7-6 victory at top singles to pace Andover in a 5-0 win over Boston Latin on Friday. Christian Waters (6-3, 6-0) and Andre Samardzic (7-5, 6-1) chipped in with singles victories for the winners.

Christian Waters took a 6-0, 6-0 win at No. 1 singles and Sameer Sangal swept a victory at No. 3 singles as Andover beat Lawrence 5-0 last Tuesday. Richard Leung added a win at No. 2 singles for the winners.

GIRLS TENNIS

Holzman paces winners

Rachel Holzman rallied back to win No. 3 singles 3-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-1 as Andover topped Manchester 3-2 on Friday. Reid Campbell and Kelsey Chapman won No. 1 doubles and Melanie Zakin and Jenny Levenson took No. 2 doubles for the winners.

Sarah Arvidson took a 6-1, 6-1 win at No. 1 singles to lead Andover to a 5-0 win over Billerica last Wednesday. Melanie Zakin and Rachel Holzman took a 6-0, 6-0 win at No. 2 doubles and Rachel Ochs swept a win at No. 2 singles.

Boys Track and Field

MSTCA Division 1 Relays

Andover placers: 4x200: 3. (Pat Farnham, Troy Cayon, Brian Knapp, Adam Carrington) 1:30.67; 1600 Sprint Medley: 2. (Simon Voorhees, Knapp, Cayon, Farnham) 3:34.80; 4x110 Shuttle Hurdle: 5. Andover (Frank Vrosti, Pat Morrow, Will Heikenen, Jeff Seigel) 1:09.40; Pole Vault: 3. (Knapp, Taylor Richardson, Carrington) 30-0 1/4

Girls Track and Field

MSTCA Division 1 Relays

Andover placers: 4x100: 3. (Terra Organisciak, Chelsea Angelosanto, Moira Cronin, Rachel Annino) 51.13; 4x200: 2. (Eve Bishop, Angelosanto, Sydney Eberth, Cronin) 1:45.56; 4x400: 2. (Bishop, Cronin, Eberth, Alex Puccia) 3:59.94; 1600 Sprint Medley: 4. (Maggie Mullins, Natalie Wagner, Sarah Van Antwerp, Rachel Annino) 4:27.43; Distance Medley: 5. (Meghan McPhee, Mullins, Emily Van Antwerp, Gabby Gallant) 13:18.05; 4x100 shuttle hurdle: 4. (Courtney Comeau, Jodrane Smith, Emily Belluche, Jess Salley) 1:09.70; High Jump: 1. (Chloe Pearson, Salley, Cronin) 14-10; Pole Vault: 3. (Sydney Gillis, Bishop, Lauren Wronski) 24-0 1/2; Triple Jump: 4. (Belluche, Katherine Hout, Alex Camillo) 94-9; Shot Put: 3. (Kyla Mosquera, Sabrina Fullam, Ryan McCray) 91-11 1/2; Discus: 6. (Kelsey Stevens, Dianne Allians, Rachel Aldridge) 236-01

Johnson helps Tide rule the water

Jenn Johnson, Andover High School class of '09, enjoyed success on the water for the University of Alabama this season.

Johnson made a comeback from wrist surgery in January to earn her seat on Alabama's first varsity boat. The Alabama women's collegiate varsity 8+ team won the Sea World Cal Cup in the women's open collegiate division at the 38th annual San Diego Crew Classic, one of the premier spring regattas in the country. The first varsity boat was also named "boat of the week" by Conference USA. com.

Johnson attends the Honors College at Alabama's Tuscaloosa campus, she is on the staff of the school magazine called "Mosaic" and she is a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and the National Society of Collegiate Scholars.

She was a four-sport athlete at Andover High, competing in soccer, track, lacrosse and rowing. At 5'6" Johnson is one of the smallest varsity rowers in Division 1 women's rowing, excelling at a sport where the average Division 1 athlete is a good 4 to 6 inches taller and 30 to 40 pounds bigger than her, according to a release.



SPORTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Merrimack expands Volpe Center

Merrimack College has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Middlesex Islanders LLC and New England Junior Huskies Hockey Club to explore the expansion of the Volpe Athletic Center to include new facilities in the areas of health sciences and athletics.

The first phase of the project involves the creation of a 10,000 square foot health science and sports medicine facility and 5000 square foot new varsity weight room. The project will include enhanced sports medicine labs and a new training room that will expand clinical educational experiences for undergraduate athletic training and health sciences students. In addition, the facility will offer access to premiere care, rehabilitation and health services to Merrimack's 350 student athletes.

The second phase of the project would result in an additional full-sized ice hockey rink, a mini-rink for shooting practice, an off-ice shooting area, new locker rooms and

new team rooms. It may also include space for a pro shop, expanded concessions and additional conference and meeting rooms.

Andover Tennis Club accepting members

The Andover Tennis Club offers outdoor recreational tennis at Phillips Academy to its members during the summer months.

There are no courts fees during the summer. During the winter season, the club plays indoors at the Willows Racquet Club.

The Andover Tennis Club is a nonprofit club for men, women and youth, and features singles, doubles and mixed-doubles play at all levels. The club is now accepting new family (\$75 per year) and individual (\$50 per year) memberships through the end of May.

Those interested in more information may access the website atandovertennis.org. Membership dues and information should be mailed to the Andover Tennis Club, PO Box 404, Andover, 01810.

Dennehy named College Hockey News Co-Coach of the Year

Merrimack head coach Mark Dennehy was named College Hockey News' Co-Coach of the Year along with Western Michigan's Jeff Blashill.

Dennehy led the Warriors to their best Division I season in school history, posting a school-record 25 wins, while advancing to the Hockey East Championship for the first time in program history.

Merrimack also advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since joining Hockey East.

Dennehy, who was named the All-New England Coach of the Year, led the Warriors to season-series victories over seven

Hockey East teams, behind a 13-2-1 home record.

Get ready for Krit Classic III

Sunday, June 5, the third annual Krit Classic Road Race will be held in Andover.

This 5K road race/walk will raise money for the Krit (Kristin) Kearins Memorial Scholarship Fund. Kristin died September 2008 after a tragic bicycle accident in Boston. Krit had a heart of gold and an enthusiasm for life that was infectious. She touched an amazing number of lives in her 26 short years as a loving daughter, sister, friend and dedicated Nursing Assistant at Children's Hospital in Boston.

To keep her spirit alive, family and friends have created

the Krit Classic Road Race and established The Krit Kearins Memorial Scholarship, which will be awarded each year to a student athlete at Andover High School who exhibits superior sportsmanship and team spirit. Krit was a top diver and gymnast during her four years at Andover High School.

Register for Bay State Summer Games

Registration for the 2011 Bay State Summer Games, an annual Olympic-style amateur sports festival featuring 26 sports for athletes of all ages and ability levels, is now open.

The Games is scheduled for July 5 through 24, with regional qualifiers and tryouts throughout

the commonwealth in June.

Competitions are offered in archery, badminton, baseball, basketball, baton twirling, diving, fencing, field hockey, ice hockey, judo, juniors basketball, lacrosse, pistol shooting, rifle shooting, soccer, softball, swimming, synchronized swimming, table tennis, track and field, trap shooting, volleyball, weightlifting, wrestling, 6vs6 field hockey and 7vs7 soccer. Masters divisions are available in several sports including track and field and swimming.

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