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## No more chocolate milk?



Andover High School students going through the cafeteria line just before the holiday break. Lunch options will be changing soon thanks to some new state and federal rules.

### New rules changing school lunches, could ban certain drinks

By DUSTIN LUCA  
STAFF WRITER

Pizza parties and cafeteria bake sales are on their way out. Even chocolate milk at lunch may soon be a distant memory.

The way food is served in public schools, including what can and can't be offered, and how much it will cost has been changing in recent years as the town prepares for new legislation being debated by the federal and state government, according to Gail Koutroubas, Andover schools' food service director.

Certain foods likely to be prohibited under new regulations have already been absent in Andover's school system for some time. Meanwhile, some as-yet-unenforced changes — like a ban on milk with more than 22 grams of sugar per 8-ounce serving, thus nixing

*“There is going to be change. We can either manage the change, or let the change manage us.”*

Gail Koutroubas, Andover schools' food service director, on legislation that will change what food can be sold in schools.

most chocolate milk options — are being piloted in select schools to gauge how the expected changes will be handled. Without chocolate milk as an option, Shawsheen and Bancroft Elementary school students are drinking less milk, said Koutroubas.

“There is going to be change,” said Koutroubas. “We can either manage the change, or let the change manage us. We need to manage the change.”

#### TWO SETS OF RULES FOR ONE LUNCH

The federal government is expected to reveal a new set of food regulations on Jan. 11 that will affect what types of meals Andover and other communities can be reimbursed for, according to Koutroubas.

While she isn't sure of the exact specifications under the new policy, Koutroubas said the bulk of the federal changes will be found in the make up of “combination meals” — a complete meal with a main item like pizza or chicken, with a serving of fruit, a beverage and more. Some of the regulations, such as what school levels can have à la carte offerings, are already being practiced in Andover.

“We're already following federal regulations. It's not going to have that much of an impact in Andover,” said Koutroubas.

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## Updates on town's top 2011 stories

### Neighbors, town meet to find Bancroft compromise

By DUSTIN LUCA  
STAFF WRITER

For many, 2011 was an up-and-down year.

A \$44 million school received town approval, then came to a grinding halt with a future that is still uncertain.

Andover's boys of summer — the Andover National All-Stars — became state Little League champions and the second-best team in all of New England, as they joined several Andover High sports teams that earned state titles (see Sports, page 15).

The town was rocked by record snowfalls in January

and February, and almost all of Andover was left in the dark after an unusual October snowstorm hit just before Halloween

The year began without a supermarket in Shawsheen Plaza — as Stop & Shop worked to open a renovated space where Market Basket had long stood. Large retailers Marshalls and Tuesday Morning also moved out of the plaza in 2011, although the end of the year brought news of new restaurants coming to the area.

The year ended on an

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## Landlord: Plaza progress includes new sub shop

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

The new year will bring more food options to Shawsheen Plaza.

The latest news: a sub shop is moving in, according to the landlord. Stop & Shop holds the master lease to the plaza and just announced that Firehouse Subs will replace RadioShack. The announcement comes on the heels of news that Raagini's, an Indian restaurant chain, is opening a restaurant at the former, vacant CardSmart retail space (Townsman, Dec. 22).

“Both of those are (opening) sometime next year,”

Suzi Robinson, of Public & Community Relations for Stop & Shop New England Division, said in an email to the Townsman.

Changes to Shawsheen Plaza has been one of the top ongoing stories of the year. Stop & Shop opened this year after extensive renovations to its space, replacing the Market Basket supermarket that had been in the plaza for over 40 years. Outdoor improvements at Shawsheen Plaza this year have included, new landscaping and parking lot paving and restriping.

RadioShack manager Bill

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## Virtual selectmen? Remote attendance eyed

By DUSTIN LUCA  
STAFF WRITER

Board of Selectmen's meetings may soon have another name — conference calls.

Under new open-meeting law provisions established by the state attorney general's office last month, members of

town boards are now allowed to attend their meetings remotely, according to Town Clerk Larry Murphy.

The provisions allow absent members “to participate by video or audio link,” so long as the meeting has a quorum — a minimum number of members present at the meeting's location — and a person who can be designated

to serve as chairman of the meeting, according to Murphy. For a five-member committee such as the selectmen, three members would need to be physically present.

Members not attending the meeting must also have a reason for not

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### TOWN TALK

#### Police mum on double-homicide investigation

Investigators have no new information to report publicly about a double murder that took place on Orchard Crossing two weeks ago.

“The investigation is continuing,” said police Chief Brian Pattullo, who said

Andover police have received and looked into tips received via their hotline (978-470-3864). The house and the dog of murdered grandparents John “Jack” and Geraldine “Jeri” Magee have been turned over to one of their adult children. Essex County District Attorney Spokesman Steve O'Connell also said there was nothing new he could report regarding the investigation.

#### High School principal search under way

People interested in becoming the next Andover High School principal will need to apply for the position by next Tuesday.

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FIREHOUSE COMING: A man enters the RadioShack store next to Papa Gino's. A new sub shop will be going into this end of the plaza, according to a spokeswoman for the landlord.

DUSTIN LUCA/Staff photo

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# LUNCHES: Schools have already made many of changes under new rules

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But some proposed state regulations on individual servings are expected to bring “the biggest impact on us,” she said. Such regulations say:

- Flavored milk will no longer be able to have more than 22 grams of sugar in an eight-ounce serving;

- Individual servings of juice must be in a four-ounce serving size only, and milk must be eight ounces per serving or less;

- Each à la carte item for sale must be 200 calories or less per serving;

- Caffeine can only occur naturally and can't be added to a product;

- No artificial sweeteners are allowed; and

- For fat and sugar, all items must have 35 percent of their calories or less from each category. One-ounce servings of nuts, seeds and reduced-fat cheese, and any size serving of fruit are exempt from this policy.

From half an hour before school to half an hour after school, anything going against that competing list can not be given to or shared

with students. So under the new rules, traditions like students bringing in cupcakes to share with their classmates or a contest rewarding a class with a pizza party will not be allowed if the food doesn't follow the guidelines.

“We don't want to reward children with food,” said Koutroubas. “That's always what the bottom line is.”

Some of the rules can be bent. As an example, Koutroubas reached into a cabinet behind her desk and removed an 8-ounce can of V8 Fusion, a popular vegetable juice product. The cans, which are sold at the high school, can be counted as one serving of fruit, and under the new regulations they will still be a viable substitute for a fruit or vegetable.

“If I want to use this as a fruit, I can do that. But I can't sell it to you [individually],” said Koutroubas. “What the state is saying is what we can control. We're saying it needs to be healthy, and it has to have X, Y and Z.”

The new regulations are going to require a bit of adaptation, something that School Committee Chairwoman Annie Gilbert said is “going



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

New state and federal rules will alter school lunch options in 2012 and beyond.

to be difficult.”

“They're going to be significant changes,” said Gilbert. “It will involve a lot of communication with families so they will understand why they're being implemented.”

There will still be no regulations or controls for students bringing their own lunch. So don't worry, mom and dad. If your children bring into school with them a 20-ounce bottle of Pepsi — which has 69 grams of sugar,

250 calories and 63 milligrams of caffeine — they can still drink it.

## HOW IT AFFECTS SCHOOLS

Football fans will still be able to put down as much pepperoni and sausage pizza as they deem necessary, because games take place more than half an hour after school ends for the day.

But functions that take

place in or around school time — fundraisers, parent-teacher association events during school, etc. — will need to change the kind of food they serve. Given that many groups get their cash from things like bake sales, the new regulations pose a threat to how student or school groups operate, something Koutroubas made clear in a Townsman story before the start of the 2010-11 school year.

To help groups with that

future problem, her department offers to assist fundraisers so they can stay within the new rules, according to Koutroubas.

“We understand that this is going to be a hardship for them, so we're reaching out to them and saying, ‘Hey, come to us and we'll help you,’” said Koutroubas.

As an example, the high school's UNICEF Club — a local branch of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund — will place special items on the school's lunch menus from Jan. 16 to 20, according to Koutroubas. The items are reimbursable like everything else on the menu, they fit the competitive food regulations, and 25 cents from every sale will go to the club.

Gilbert supports the idea of increased collaboration, she said.

“For everybody, it's going to involve some close partnerships between parent groups, club groups and food services,” said Gilbert. “Partnerships are always a good thing. We can't do it alone anymore. We'll need those kinds of partnerships to meet challenges like these.”

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## REMOTE: Participation by electronic links allowed

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attending in person, as allowed by the law. According to the state's website, five events allow members to participate remotely: personal illness, personal disability, emergency, military service or geographic distance.

So long as that member has a reason to be away and sufficient access to the meeting so that all members of the board or committee can “be clearly audible to one another,” full participation — including voting — is allowed.

Paul Salafia, recently-elected selectmen and long-time member of the Planning Board, supports the new provisions.

“It's a wonderful way for a board member to be able to use technology to stay in touch or to participate at meetings,” said Salafia. “I travel with some regularity, and in today's world I would have to put my Selectmen meeting schedule down in my calendar and try to earn a living around it. This way I might be able to sit in a hotel room somewhere and sit on Skype or FaceTime, and still make a living.”

There are other cases, however, where he believes remote participation could be a problem. Take closed-door executive session meetings as an example. In this case, possibly sensitive

communications could be broadcast over the Internet, from one device to another.

“I would probably not support an executive session being done that way, simply because of the sensitivity of some of the information,” said Salafia.

A single authorizing vote from the Board of Selectmen will allow all Andover oards and committees to use remote participation, with the exception of the town's retirement board.

Its members must vote to allow remote participation for that board, according to Murphy.

Selectmen were given an opportunity to authorize the

town's boards to use remote participation on Monday, but a concern over what boards would bear the cost of equipment or services caused selectmen to move the discussion to a future meeting.

“If you have to approve the amount of any cost, it would seem to suggest that any board or committee would have to come before you in advance to get permission and to spend the money, basically,” said Murphy. “That seems, to me, kind of an unworkable solution.”

The decision is pending clarification of the state's provisions from the attorney general's office.

## TOWN TALK: Deadline nears for principal resumes

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A search earlier this calendar year was deemed to have turned up no viable candidates to replace Tom Sharkey, Andover High School's interim principal, but another search has been progressing, according to a holiday letter to parents from School Superintendent Marinell McGrath.

“The position has been advertised since Nov. 19 and we are actively recruiting candidates,” said McGrath. “Applications are due Jan. 3, 2012.”

A team has been selected to conduct initial candidate interviews, and reduce a pool of applicants to a few candidates. That team includes Sharkey as chairman; teachers Debra Casey, Greg Water and John Jannetti; three parents; Social Studies Program Advisor Rebecca Ledig and Assistant Superintendent Nancy Duclos.

“Two high school students will join the team once the

confidential paper screening is completed and candidates are identified,” said McGrath. That screening process will begin on Jan. 3. Interviews are expected to begin on Jan. 10 and finalists could be announced during the week of Jan. 16.

A new principal for the school, the first permanent high school principal since the sudden resignation of Jonathan Harris in the summer of 2010, could come before February vacation.

- Dustin Luca

Jan. 23.

The class will be offered on the Haverhill campus, 100 Elliott St., on Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:45 a.m. to noon. This is a three-credit course open to the public.

The course examines the legal, political, and financial environments in which recent presidential elections have occurred, strategy and tactics, and the implications of elections for governance.

### Party for a special woman

Ralph Galen, the former minister of the Unitarian Universalist congregation on Locke Street in Andover said a community party is planned to celebrate the 80th birthday of High Street resident Anne Wilson.

“Our wonderful friend, mother, aunt, sister, cousin, neighbor, social activist, spiritual comforter, political guru, environmentalist, animal lover, story teller, etc. — fill in the blanks — is becoming 80 on Dec.

30,” he wrote. “Just in case you don't know Anne, come anyway because Jan. 1 is the traditional date for the *birthday party for the world* and that means everyone and you'll make at least one new friend.” He said the community is celebrating with her at 4 p.m. at 62 High St.

### Garden Club meeting to feature 'tablescapes'

The Andover Garden Club's says its “very own designing divas,” Joyce Bakshi, Ann Bride, Ann Lange and Nancy Norbedo will create “tablescapes” displays meant to inspire attendees at an event Tuesday, Jan. 3, at 10 a.m. at South Church, 41 Central St. There is no charge for members, and the cost, including refreshments, is \$5 for guests. For more information contact Betty Chapman at 978-470-2627 or bettychapman@verizon.net.

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# In Brief

## PAST & PRESENT



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**NOW:** Bertucci's Pizza along with several smaller shops now call 90 Main St. home.

## Town census in mail

The Annual Town Census will be mailed to residents at the end of December 2011.

People who will be leaving town for an extended period of time and at risk for not receiving the census during the December 2011/January 2012 time frame should contact the town clerk's office at 978-623-8255 so that they will not be dropped from the voter or census rolls.

All registered voters must return the census each year

to remain on the voter rolls per state law. Non-registered voters are also required to return the annual census. This information is commonly used to verify a person's residency for public school admittance, military benefits and in-state tuition reductions.

The town census provides vital information that supports services in your community according to Kathy McKenna, Assistant Town Clerk.

## Information available on Merrimack River bridge

An application has been received by the Commander First Guard District from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) for a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Bridge Permit for approval to replace John Greenleaf Whittier (I-95) Bridge across Merrimack River, 5.86 miles above the mouth of the waterway. The new bridge will provide vertical clearances of 61 and 48 feet, respectively through the main and auxiliary channels and corresponding horizontal clearances of 381.5 and 243.5 feet measured normal to the axis of the channel.

Public Notice 1-109 dated December 14, 2011 has been published on the USCG Navigation website atnavcen.uscg.gov/index.php under the Current Operational/Safety Information section. Interested parties may also access the Public Notice on the USCG: First District-Bridge Branch website at: www.uscg.mil/d1/prevention/bridges.asp.

The public notice may be obtained by calling the First Coast Guard District Bridge

Branch at 212-668-7165, by writing to Commander, First Coast Guard District, Battery Park Building, On South Street, New York, NY 10004-1466, or by facsimile request at 212-668-7067.

Interested parties are requested to express their views, in writing, on the proposed bridge project including its possible impacts to the environment and navigation. Comments will be received for the record at the address given to Public Notice 1-109 through Jan. 16, 2012.

## Andover storyteller at MHL Jan. 10

Andover speaker and storyteller Lani Peterson will be at Memorial Hall Library on Tuesday, Jan. 10 for what Quota International of Andover describes as a fun, entertaining evening.

"Lani Peterson, psychologist, and professional storyteller, uses the powerful medium of storytelling as a healing art and leadership tool for personal growth, connection and change," according to a release from

Quota International of Andover. "Learn how she has connected with everyday people and how you can too. Whether leading with traditional tales or her rich treasury of personal stories, Lani takes her audiences on journeys of self-exploration that encourages personal reflection, integrity and the inspiration to fulfill one's potential."

Peterson serves on the executive committee of the

Healing Story Alliance and is a member of the National Speakers Association. Her CD, "Stories from Within," won a 2004 honor from Storytelling World Magazine for her original story "Broken Glass."

She lives in Andover with her husband and four children.

Quota is a non-profit [501C (3)] organization whose focus is to provide financial support, time and

resources to help meet the needs of disadvantaged women and children and hearing impaired children in the Merrimack Valley. Quota achieves its mission entirely through the volunteer power of members. It meets the second Tuesday of each month. For more information on the Jan. 10 presentation or on the club's activities, contact Jackie Williamson at 978-251-8922.

## Adventurers to tell their tales at library

If you are experiencing the winter doldrums, Memorial Hall Library says its New Year, New Adventure series is certain to get your energy flowing again.

"The difficulties a person has to overcome in an extreme environment are not all that different from the personal challenges of everyday life," according to a release from Emily Classon and Stephanie St. Laurence,

community services librarians. "Visit Memorial Hall Library this January to learn how two adventurers tackled great feats as well as their own struggles."

During "Climbing Mount Everest and Our Everyday Mountains" on Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 6:30 p.m., professional mountain guide Craig John will recount his inspiring story, while sharing the lore of the regions he has

climbed.

During "Hiking the Appalachian Trail" on Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m. - Adventurer Roger Tetreault "will share his experiences of hardship, beauty, and the remarkable people he met on his inspiring, life-changing five-month journey up the Appalachian Trail. This presentation is a must for those who plan to make the

trek this March as well as those who dream of going the distance in the future," according to the library. The New Year, New Adventure series is sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library and is collaboration with the Tewksbury Public Library. Visittekwburypl.org for a description of the events being held at the Tewksbury Public Library in January.

## Raytheon recognized for achievement by EPA

One of Andover's biggest taxpayers and businesses was recognized as one of three WasteWise partners in New England for outstanding achievement by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Nationally, there were 29 winners, with awards in categories including business,

government and educational sectors.

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Raytheon Company of

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## Nomination papers for candidates now available

Nomination papers for the Andover March 27, 2012 annual town election are available at the Andover town clerk's office.

The Ballot for the 2012 Annual Town Election will include the following:

- Moderator, a one-year position;
- Selectman, two seats for three years each;
- School Committee, two for three years;

Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School Committee, one for three years;

Trustees of the Punchard Free School, two for three years;

Trustees of the Punchard Free School, two for two years; and

Trustees of the Punchard Free School, one for one year.

The 2012 Annual Town

Election marks a change in the way the Punchard Free School Trustees are elected. Beginning in 2012 five trustees will be elected for staggered three-year terms.

The last day and hour to submit nomination papers to the Andover Board of Registrars of Voters is 5 p.m. on Feb. 7, 2012. The town clerk's office will remain open until 5 that day to accept nomination papers.

If you have any questions, please contact Town Clerk Larry Murphy at 978-623-8259.

## Running for office? Attend Jan. 18 meeting

The Town Clerks of Andover and North Andover in conjunction with the Andover/North Andover League of Women Voters will be holding the annual "Running for Office" Seminar in January. This year the event will be hosted by North Andover on Jan. 18, 2012 at 7 p.m. at the North Andover Town Offices,

second floor, selectmen's meeting room.

The panelists include from Andover, Town Clerk Larry Murphy and Selectman Paul Salafia, and from North Andover, Town Clerk Joyce Bradshaw and School Committee member Brian Gross as well as Jason Tait, director of communication and public education from

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# Obituaries

## John J. Daly, 63

John J. Daly, formerly of Andover and North Chelmsford, died in Harwich on Dec. 17, 2011. He was the son of the late Martin W. and Dorothy V. (Cederberg) Daly. He was 63-years-old.



Mr. Daly was born in Lawrence on June 23, 1948. He was a graduate of Andover High School and received a B.A. from the University of Maine and M.A. from Tufts University. Mr. Daly retired from the Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School as a guidance counselor.

He was a mentor to a generation of Vo-Tech students and in retirement remained involved in their post-graduate careers and welfare. An avid

sports fan, he also had a keen interest in American history. He is survived by a brother, Martin W. Daly, of Wappingers Falls, N.Y.; a sister, Dorothy, and her husband Walter Marshall of Reading; his niece, Victoria Marshall of Reading; and nephew, Gregory Marshall of North Reading.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** A funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex Street, Andover, on Friday, December 30, 2011, at 10 a.m. Calling hours will be held at the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, on Thursday, December 29, 2011, from 5 to 8 p.m. Burial will be at Ridgewood Cemetery in North Andover. For additional information, please visit [www.burkemagliozi.com](http://www.burkemagliozi.com).

## Peter MacDonald

Peter MacDonald died December 23, 2011 at Anna Jacques Hospital in Newburyport.



Peter was loved by many and will be missed by many. Peter was co-owner of The Ad King, Inc. in North Andover and was a longtime member of Free Christian Church in Andover. He loved to enjoy the summer weekends with his wife Lisa at their lake house in Hebron, NH on Newfound Lake.

Peter was also a known for his singing vocals, singing in weddings, funerals, and the church praise band and choir.

Peter is survived by his wife, Lisa, of 25 years; three sons, Ben 24, Alex 22, and Joshua 21.

He is also survived by his brother, Geoffrey and sister-in-law Rosemary, and his father David MacDonald Jr.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Calling hours will be Tuesday, December 27, 2011 from 4 to 8 at the Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence Street, Andover, MA, and a service will be Wednesday, December 28, 2011 at 11 AM at Free Christian Church, Andover, MA. Interment will follow in the Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover. Instead of flowers, the family would like any donations to be made to Commonwealth Hematology-Oncology or Free Christian Church. For funeral home directions or to sign the family guest book, please visit [www.contefuneralhomes.com](http://www.contefuneralhomes.com).

## Dorothy L. Fischer, 95

Dorothy L. Fischer, 95, died on Wednesday Dec. 21, 2011 at Mary Immaculate Nursing Home, Lawrence.



Dorothy was born in Methuen and lived in Andover many years. She loved sewing, knitting and crocheting and enjoyed her vacations at the family camp in Kingston, N.H.

The widow of Andrew A. Fischer, her family members include her sons, David W. and his wife, Mavis Fischer of Methuen and Andrew A. and

his wife, Jean Fischer of Salem, NH and her daughter, Dorothy L. Gaudet of Londonderry, N.H. She also leaves her sister, Elizabeth Puchtler of Methuen, many grandchildren and great grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Dorothy was predeceased by her son, Paul Fischer.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** There are no calling hours. Services will be private and burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery, Methuen. Arrangements are by The Charles F. Dewhurst Funeral Home, 80 Broadway, Methuen.

## John Goodwin Hopkins

John Goodwin Hopkins of North Andover, passed away on Dec. 18, 2011, after a long battle with heart disease and Parkinson's disease.

Loving husband of Ann Hopkins, who passed away in 1987. Devoted father of Thomas and Cynthia; father-in-law of Emily Barton Hopkins and Jeff Sugg; grandfather of Tobias. John also leaves behind his three sisters, three brothers-in-law, eleven nieces and nephews, many dear friends, and countless grateful former students. Middlesex School 150; Harvard College, AB, 154; University of Virginia, MBA, 160; Harvard Graduate School of Education, EdM, 164.

His was a life of service to country and community: as a pilot in the U.S. Navy, and as teacher, coach, and counselor at the Peddie School, Adirondack Camp, Cushing Academy, and the Pike School. Pike's John Hopkins Award is named after him. In retirement, John also served as a volunteer.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** The family will inter his ashes near his beloved family farm in Lyndeborough, New Hampshire, in a private ceremony in the spring. Donations in John's memory may be made to Andy's Summer Playhouse, P.O. Box 601, Wilton, NH, 03086. To sign the family guest book, please visit [www.contefuneralhomes.com](http://www.contefuneralhomes.com)

## Elizabeth R. Converse, 94

Miss Elizabeth R. Converse, 94, of Andover, died Saturday morning, Dec. 17, 2011 at Mary Immaculate Nursing Center in Lawrence.



She was the daughter of the late Frederick A. and Anna L. Converse. She was a graduate of Lowell High School with the class of 1936. She retired from Lowell General Hospital in 1972 after 42 years with the hospital. She was a communicant of St. Augustine Church of Andover.

Elizabeth was formerly of Lowell and N. Chelmsford. She was a professional singer who loved music. She

is survived by a good friend and caretaker, Brother John DelCasale, OSA of Andover, MA. She was the niece of Lawrence.

the late William and Ella V. Holland of N. Chelmsford. She was the granddaughter of the late William T. and Elizabeth A. Holland  
**ARRANGEMENTS:** Her wake will be at St. Augustine Church Thursday, 9 to 10 a.m. followed by a funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick Cemetery, Lowell. Memorials may be made in her name to St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., Andover, MA 01810. Arrangements by Dolan funeral Home, 978-251-4041. Guest-book at [www.dolanfuneralhome.com](http://www.dolanfuneralhome.com).

## Mary Lou Wedge, 77

Mary Lou (Grammont) Wedge, 77, of Andover and formerly of Haverhill, died suddenly on Thursday, Dec. 22, 2011 at her home from natural causes.



She was the daughter of the late George and Dorothy (Colby) Grammont. Mrs. Wedge was last employed as a baker at Dunkin Donuts in North Andover, and had previously worked as a supervisor in the home goods department of the former Parke-Snow Store in Haverhill.

A resident of Andover for the past several years, Mrs. Wedge was a member of Saint Augustine Parish and the former Saint Joseph Parish of Haverhill. An avid reader, who also appreci-

ated all types of music, she was very devoted to her grandsons and also was fond of her pet cat "Brandy." She is survived by

her daughter and son-in-law, Deborah and Michael Charewicz, of Andover, a son Mark Wedge of Bethany, OK, grandsons, Jason Charewicz and Brett Charewicz of Andover, step-grandchildren, Sam Watkins, Bailey Watkins, James Watkins, and Ben Watkins, and several nieces and nephews.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Her Funeral Mass was Tuesday in All Saints Church, 120 Bellevue Ave., Haverhill, with burial in Walnut cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Saint Agnes Parish, 22 Boston St., Middleton, MA, 01949.

## Antoinette Popadak, 86

Antoinette (Fusco) Popadak, of Andover, beloved wife of the late Edward F. Popadak, died at the Lawrence General Hospital on Wednesday, December 21, 2011. She was 86-years-old.

Born in Brookline on August 21, 1925, she was the beloved daughter of the late Angelo and Mary Fusco. Mrs. Popadak worked as a die cutter for G.S.F. in Ballardvale for many years and later worked as a Certified Nurse's Aid. She was a member of St. Augustine Church in Andover and sang with the Sunrise Singers of Andover.

She will be sorely missed by her three loving daughters; Kathleen and her husband Henry Mills of Methuen, Christine Popadak Locke and her companion Lawrence Bruce of Epping, New Hampshire and Barbara and her husband Russell LaBarre of

Andover, cherished grandchildren; Melina and her husband James Ward, Stacy and her husband Daniel Vail and Toni LaBarre and her significant other Stephen Piercy, dear great-grandchildren; Michael Ward, Damien LaBarre and Josephine Vail and several nieces and nephews. Antoinette was also the loving grandmother of the late Stephen Mills.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Her funeral service was celebrated at Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover, last Friday. Calling hours were held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, Thursday, Dec. 22. Burial was in St. Augustine Cemetery in Andover. Donations in Antoinette's memory may be made to the American Lung Association, 462 Boston Street, Suite 7, Topsfield, MA 01983.

## Alice Thorn, 96

Alice (Rogers) Thorn, age 96, of West Newbury, died Tuesday morning, December 20, 2011, at her home in West Newbury, with her loving family by her side.

Born in Haverhill, December 15, 1915, she was the daughter of the late Ollis C. and Jennie E. (Jeffery) Rogers and was a graduate of Haverhill High School, Class of 1933. Alice was a receptionist for an accounting firm in Boston and later worked as a receptionist for a real estate office in Andover.

After having lived in the Andover, North Andover area for many years, Alice and her husband, the late John H. Thorn, who died February 21, 2007, retired to West Newbury, to be with their son and his family.

Both Alice and John were

avid gardeners and they took much pride in maintaining beautiful flower gardens for the enjoyment of all to see. She leaves behind her son, Jeffery Thorn and wife Marilena of West Newbury, and her two grandchildren, who were very special to her, Scott and Leana, along with several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brother, Clifton J. Rogers.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Funeral services and interment will be private for the family and there will be no visiting hours. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the Perkins School for the Blind, 175 North Beacon Street, Watertown, MA 02472. Arrangements are by Elliott, Woodworth & Rogers Family Funeral Home, 35 Green Street, Newburyport.

## Michael A. Cavanaugh, 66

LAWRENCE — Michael A. Cavanaugh, 66, died December 18, 2011 at Lawrence General Hospital.



Son of the late Timothy A. and Sadie (Saulewicz) Cavanaugh, he was raised in Methuen and attended local schools. He was a 1963 graduate of Tenney Memorial High School.

Mr. Cavanaugh worked in maintenance at St. Francis Seminary in Andover before retiring in 2007 and previously was employed at General Iron and Aspen Tree Removal Service. He was a member of Holy Rosary Church and the Concordia Club in Lawrence.

Survivors include his wife Helen (Rogon) Cavanaugh, two daughters and son-in-

law Tammy K. and Darren Nelson of Fremont, NH and Jennifer M. Cavanaugh of Lawrence, one brother Tim-

othy Cavanaugh of Lawrence, two sisters Rita Guillette and Eileen Breen both of Methuen; three grandchildren Marissa Cavanaugh, Chloe Nelson and Cody Nelson. He was pre-

deceased by one sister Alice Hendricks and two brothers James Cavanaugh and William Cavanaugh.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Private family funeral services were held at Berube-Comeau Funeral Home, 47 Broadway, Haverhill, MA with burial in St. Patrick Cemetery. Donations may be made in Mr. Cavanaugh's name to The American Heart Association, 20 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701.

## Emily R. Ponti, 101

Emily R. (Catalano) Ponti, 101, passed away Monday, December 26, 2011 at the Berkeley Nursing Center in Lawrence. She was born January 22, 1910 and was just three weeks away from turning 102-years-old.



Mrs. Ponti was born in Lawrence and was the daughter of the late Sebastian and Agatha (Siatta) Catalano. Raised and educated in Lawrence, she attended Holy Rosary Grammar School and St. Mary's High School. She worked for over 30 years as a seamstress at the Everett Mills and retired in 1975.

Mrs. Ponti was also a homemaker who loved spending time with her family and friends. She was a parishioner

of Corpus Christi Parish at Holy Rosary Church in Lawrence and was a former member of St. Rita's Sodality. She

also enjoyed volunteering for many years at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

Mrs. Ponti was the wife of the late Thomas A. Ponti who passed away in 1962. She is survived by her son, Joseph T. Ponti and his wife Louise of Andover; grandchildren, Thomas Ponti and his partner Steve Barbour of Boston, Joseph Ponti, Jr. of Andover, Mary Ann Ponti of Boston and Amy Ponti and her partner Tracy Burke of Cape Elizabeth, Maine, and one great-grandchild, Kaitlyn Marie Ponti. There are also several nieces and nephews.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours on Friday, Dec. 30, 2011 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen. Funeral Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated following visiting hours at 11 a.m. in Corpus Christi Parish at Holy Rosary Church, 35 Essex St., Lawrence. Burial will be in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Lawrence. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her memory to Corpus Christi Parish at Holy Rosary Church, 35 Essex St., Lawrence, MA 01810, or a charity of one's choice. For directions and online condolences, please visit [www.cataudella.com](http://www.cataudella.com).

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## Emily C. Cook, 89

Mrs. Emily Catherine (Brodline) Cook, a longtime resident of Andover and beloved wife of the late William P. Cook, who was a WWII Naval Aviator in the Pacific Theater, died at Sutton Hill Nursing Center in North Andover on Saturday evening, Dec. 17, 2011, surrounded by her loving family. She was 89.



agency in Andover and worked for Raytheon as a travel consultant. She was also a real estate broker.

Throughout her life Emily volunteered for many causes, including the American Diabetes Association, Bread and Roses in Lawrence and the Andover Thrift store.

**ARRANGEMENTS: Her Funeral Mass was in St. Augustine Church, Andover. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover. Donations may be made to the Joslin Diabetes Center, One Joslin Place, Boston, MA 02215 or to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701 or to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284. For additional information, please visit www.burkemaglozzi.com.**

Born in Lynn, on Feb. 4, 1922, Emily was the beloved daughter of the late Nellie J. (Foley) and John Brodline and step-daughter of the late James Kehoe. She was a graduate of Lynn English High School and Burdett College. Emily was a secretary at the First Service Command Headquarters in Brookline, a travel agent at Travel Anywhere travel

## ■ POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY DUSTIN LUCA

The following items were taken from Andover police logs for Tuesday, Dec. 20 through Monday, Dec. 26:

### ARRESTS

Tuesday, Dec. 20 — At 12:58 p.m., a 14-year-old boy from Andover was arrested on Poor Street and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon and malicious destruction of property under \$250.

Thursday, Dec. 22 — At 3:31 p.m., Harvey Pomerleau, 55, of 133 Millville St., Salem, N.H., was arrested on North Main Street and charged on two warrants for multiple charges, including operating under the influence of liquor, second offense, leaving the scene of property damage, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, a passing violation, operating a motor vehicle with a license suspended for operating under the influence, operating under the influence of liquor, third offense, and speeding. Pomerleau was arrested after turning himself into police at the station.

At 3:55 p.m., Michael Kenney, 28, of 5 Harwich St., North Andover, was arrested on Main Street and charged with operating a motor vehicle with license suspended, subsequent offense.

At 9:40 p.m., Kenneth Hoff, 53, of 100 Washington Park Drive, Andover, was arrested at his home and charged with assault and battery on a household member.

Monday, Dec. 26 — At 8:58 p.m., Justin Pelletier, 20, of 34 Linwood Ave., North Reading, was arrested on Pomeroy Road and charged with trespassing.

At 11:44 p.m., Gerald Cartagena, 19, of 73 Tenney St., Methuen, was arrested on North Main Street and charged on two warrants for two counts of operating a motor vehicle with a

### Resident interrupts possible pre-Christmas thief

A Lowell Street resident with an attentive ear prevented a possible theft from his home after he chased off a would-be thief three days before Christmas.

Police received a call on Thursday, Dec. 22 at 1:48 p.m. from the resident after he said he "heard a loud bang," said Police Lt. John Pathiakis. After searching for the source of the noise, the homeowner found a man wearing a hooded sweatshirt who had his back turned to him and seemingly wasn't aware he was around.

The homeowner chased him outside, where a van with a second individual was waiting. The two people fled in the van, and police put a be-on-the-lookout warning to other towns for the van.

The van was never found and no suspects have been identified, but nothing was missing from inside the home, according to Pathiakis.

"It sounds like he just got into the house," said Pathiakis. "This would have been a theft. It would have been a house break if the victim wasn't home."

suspended license and individual counts of a state highway signal or sign violation, operating a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, driving an uninsured motor vehicle and a miscellaneous motor vehicle equipment violation.

### CAR THEFTS

Tuesday, Dec. 20 — At 12:01 p.m., a theft of a motor vehicle was reported on Bullfinch Drive. It was believed to have taken place sometime overnight, and the vehicle was found to have been recovered in Lawrence at 8:30 that morning.

Wednesday, Dec. 21 — At 2:58 a.m., a stolen motor vehicle was recovered on Bullfinch Drive.

Friday, Dec. 23 — At 10:05 p.m., a caller on North Main Street reported that his vehicle had been stolen. The vehicle was found elsewhere on North Main Street, and its alarm was going off.

### THEFTS

Tuesday, Dec. 20 — At 8:38 p.m., a woman on River Road reported that while she had been in a restaurant, her car had been broken into. A computer, pocketbook and Christmas gifts were taken.

Wednesday, Dec. 21 — At 8:18 a.m., a caller on Partridge Hill Road reported a theft of her purse from her

motor vehicle.

At 12:21 p.m., a case of fraud by bad check was reported on Joseph Street.

At 6:54 p.m., a theft of a package left on the porch of a Somerset Drive residence was reported to police.

Friday, Dec. 23 — At 1:47 p.m., a theft of a cell phone was reported at Dundee Park.

Monday, Dec. 26 — At 10:33 a.m., a theft of a GPS device from a motor vehicle was reported on Pheasant Run.

At 8:26 p.m., a theft of two electronic devices was reported at a retailer on Main Street.

### INCIDENTS

Tuesday, Dec. 20 — At 8:57 a.m., a Random Lane resident called police regarding a suspicious phone call she received from someone claiming to be her grandson, saying "he was in jail and needed money to get out." The caller was able to determine that it wasn't her grandson, and police were able to determine that the call was a wrong number.

At 11:20 a.m., police were called to a Great Heron Place home after receiving a call from an alarm company reporting a garage door alarm and "multiple glass break alarm activations" that had been set off accidentally by a nanny.

Wednesday, Dec. 21 — At 5:15 p.m., a caller on Pearson Street contacted police after she "took a left trying to get into Dundee Park but ended up on the railroad tracks instead. She recalled to say that a person pushed her off the tracks and she is at her destination in Dundee Park."

Thursday, Dec. 22 — At 9:21 a.m., a death was reported on North Main Street. Volunteers from the Trauma Intervention Program were called to the scene.

At 11:11 a.m., police were needed to assist with a disabled vehicle on River Road after "the rear wheel fell off" the vehicle.

At 7:12 p.m., police were called to Elm Street on reports of stuck railroad gates. The gates were triggered by a nearby stalled train engine triggering the gates, and police were needed to direct traffic while another train engine arrived from Lawrence.

Friday, Dec. 23 — At 8:42 a.m., a case of identity fraud was reported on Bellevue Road.

At 9:36 p.m., a caller on Bateson Drive called police about a vehicle in front of her home. Police investigating the call found around 15 unoccupied cars on the road believed to be involved in a nearby holiday gathering.

## Thomas W. Neff, Jr., 59

Thomas William Neff, Jr., age 59, of West Newbury, died unexpectedly on Dec. 21 at the Anna Jaques Hospital in Newburyport.



Born in Lynn, January 18, 1952, he was the son of the late Thomas W. and Barbara (Stickney) Neff. Sergeant Neff was an active member of the Massachusetts State Police with a career spanning over 34 years.

He was assigned to the Digital Evidence and Multimedia Section of the Bureau of Forensics in Maynard.

In addition, he taught online classes in computer forensics for the National University in California. He was the editor/assistant editor of the Trooper Newspaper and had been secretary as well as treasurer of the Massachusetts State Police Association.

His survivors include his

beloved wife, Virginia R. (Cardarelli) Neff of West Newbury; his children, Thomas W. Neff, III and wife Emily of

Andover and Katharine Radolinski and husband, Steven of Albuquerque, NM; a grandson, Dylan Thomas; two brothers, David Neff of Lynn and Kenneth Neff of Bow, NH; two sisters, Linda DiRienzo of Standish, ME

and Tracey Morris of Litchfield, NH along with several nieces, nephews and many dear friends.

**ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral was at the Hampton Falls First Baptist Church, 3 Lincoln Avenue, Hampton Falls, N.H. followed by interment in Bridge St. Cemetery in West Newbury. Donations in his memory may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Massachusetts/Rhode Island Chapter, 220 North Main Street, Suite 104, Natick, MA 01760.**

## Anton's Cleaners running Coats for Kids program

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# UPDATES: Bancroft school, youth center passage among top 2011 news

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upsetting note with breaking news first of hazing allegations involving members of the high school boys' basketball program, and then a double-murder on Orchard Crossing weeks prior to Christmas. Separate investigations into both incidents are ongoing and will reach into 2012.

What follows are updates on a handful of the top Andover stories of 2011.

## BANCROFT PASSES, THEN STOPS - FOR UP TO TWO YEARS

The year kicked off with a Jan. 25 ballot decision where 62 percent of voters supported building a \$44 million new Bancroft Elementary School.

For months after, the School Building Committee moved through the motions of starting construction, which first requires the extension of West Knoll Road to provide a secondary access to the school property during construction. But by the end of August, some neighbors filed appeals against a town Conservation Commission decision needed to allow the project to go forward, and a lawsuit hit the Superior Court, effectively stopping the project. The basis for each was that conditions surrounding stormwater drainage weren't properly calculated and that accurate calculations allegedly show flooding would damage nearby properties.

The state's Department of Environmental Protection supported the project, saying the town Conservation Commission was correct in its decision. Days later, that decision was appealed by neighbors as well.

**WHAT COMES NEXT:** A hearing with the DEP is scheduled for March. Meanwhile, town officials are meeting with the abutters who have challenged the project, and their attorneys, to see if an agreement to allow the project to go forward can be reached.

"We'll listen to their

concerns," said Annie Gilbert, School Committee chairwoman.

Meanwhile, a decision from the state's Superior Court challenging the town's use of its own bylaws is expected any day, said Gilbert on Tuesday.

At best, "we'd reach an agreement shortly that would allow us to move forward (with the project) as soon as the construction schedule allows," said Gilbert. In the worst case scenario, the two biggest issues facing the town would be increased costs for the project and satisfying structural concerns at the existing school, which the town has said is structurally deficient.

With the full run of appeals possible, it could be another two years before the project starts construction, according to Gilbert.

## WILD WEATHER WREAKS HAVOC

An average snowfall was expected this past winter, but by the middle of February, the town had already used its full snow removal budget and snowfall totals were well beyond the annual average for the area.

Andover avoided the full effects of Hurricane Irene, which was a tropical storm by the time it arrived in Andover at the end of August, but a weather event in October hit the town unlike any other this decade.

Just in time for Halloween, an unexpected snowstorm ravaged the area and left over 90 percent of the town without power, many for days on end.

"I saw neighborhoods that looked like war zones," said Fire Chief Mike Mansfield days after the storm. "Downtown streets like Chestnut and Summer were hit hard and had a lot of debris."

With no power, residents filled church buildings to shower and eat and Memorial Hall Library to warm up and charge electronic devices like laptops and cell phones.

The cause for much of the widespread outage was the



Members of the Andover Youth Council celebrate after Andover residents voted to pass the building of the Andover Youth Center. From left are Marisa Dellatto, Ashlee Ward and Samantha Marton.

disruption of a main feeder line on Dascomb Road. The line fed into other parts of the grid to provide power to most of Andover, as well as other surrounding communities. Once that damage was repaired, most of the town was back online. But it was days, even a week, for some before the lights came back on.

**WHAT COMES NEXT:** A review of the reliability of the nation's electric grid standards has been called for by U.S. Senators Scott Brown and John Kerry, both from Massachusetts. In a letter to the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee earlier this month, the senators — joined by two other New England-based senators — highlighted the fact that power outages not only pose a threat to public safety, but also to local businesses and economies.

That review is more than welcome, according to Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, who previously praised National Grid for its work in town.

"For storm preparedness, I have no problem supporting legislation looking at their preparedness issues," said Stapczynski. "When it

comes to some of the storms, if there are areas of improvements and a study can be done to point it out, I think that's fine."

## NEW YOUTH CENTER? TOWN SAYS YES

After 16 years of attempts to build a new home for itself, Andover Youth Services was given \$2 million by residents earlier this month to help build a new Cormier Youth Center behind Doherty Middle School.

The new home will replace AYS' current, temporary home, located on Pearson Street.

For years, the Andover Youth Foundation pledged to raise all money necessary to build a youth center on its own, and by this year it had raised \$1.8 million. But at the end of June, the foundation had announced it needed town support — \$2 million in tax dollars — to build the building. Subsequent meetings revealed that a \$1.5 million donation from local developer Yvon Cormier could be lost if the project didn't get town support by the end of the year. The town set Dec. 5 as the date for residents to decide whether they would give Andover Youth Foundation \$2 million to make the project a reality.

An unexpectedly large number of voters, over 1,800, attended the Special Town Meeting, most of them to support the project, which passed with a 78 percent majority.

**WHAT COMES NEXT:** After the vote, the \$1.8 million already in the bank is safe, according to Foundation Chairwoman Diane Costagliola. With that and the added \$2 million contribution from the town, \$820,000 is needed to get the project going, which the foundation will begin to raise Jan. 1.

"We're 80 percent there," said Costagliola. "We've given everybody time to regroup, but we certainly feel based on the momentum we have in the community, an event like the telethon is something people will look forward to, with the added energy to help us reach the final point in terms of raising the money for the building."

The foundation expects to fundraise throughout 2012

and put the first shovels into the ground by late spring, 2013. Costagliola said she hopes that the doors to the center will be open sometime in 2014.

## HAZING ALLEGATIONS RATTLE HIGH SCHOOL

By mid-November, allegations surfaced detailing a sex game played by athletes in Andover High School's basketball program, prompting an investigation within the school district, the Easton Police Department and the Bristol County District Attorney's office.

The game, in which the loser had to eat a cookie covered in a bodily fluid, was allegedly played by nine members of the basketball teams. The allegations said that two players on the team were coaxed into playing the game.

The Eagle-Tribune reported that suspensions and expulsions came out following the conclusion of the school district's investigation, something that the district itself couldn't confirm due to privacy laws. Appeals have been presented against the reported disciplinary action, and School Committee Chairwoman Annie Gilbert said the hearing process is ongoing.

**WHAT COMES NEXT:** "The next step is to focus on the healing process for the school community," said Gilbert. "We've focused on the school community in general, healing and moving forward so that we have a more caring school environment for everybody."

As part of that healing process, the district has invited Maria Trozzi, a nationally-recognized speaker, to talk to parents. The presentation, titled "Helping Our Children Develop Resilience as They Face a Complicated World," will be held at the Doherty Middle School auditorium on Monday, Jan. 9 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

In a letter to the community released just before Christmas, McGrath wrote that in addition to the presentation, "we are working on a plan to provide awareness and training for all members of the Andover athletic and extracurricular communities."

"We will also continue our conversations in our schools about best practices for

creating a culture of caring in our school community; student to student, adult to student, and adult to adult," said McGrath.

## BUDGET WOES AND NO TEACHER CONTRACT

The budget process for fiscal year 2011-2012 started with a \$5.3 million deficit, most of which was owned by the town's school department.

Yet it was a specific budget reduction of \$12,000, affecting music teacher Mark Mercer, that may have received the most attention.

Mercer's reduction was sparked by the elimination of a high school course taught by another teacher. Due to contract seniority, the teacher who taught the eliminated course was able to take one of Mercer's classes at the high school. Members of the town's show and concert choirs then frequently attended School Committee meetings, asking the committee to not take the course from Mercer, by keeping a 0.2 full-time-equivalent staff position. By Annual Town Meeting at the end of April, that \$12,000 reduction was absorbed elsewhere, which kept Mercer at full-time status.

Other School Committee meetings were crowded for another reason — the ongoing contract negotiation between the School Committee and the Andover teachers union, which has been working under an expired contract since Aug. 31, 2010.

**WHAT COMES NEXT:** As the new year begins, an already tumultuous budget season is just beginning to unfold. According to Gilbert, the next steps aren't going to be easy. "It's going to be a huge challenge," said the School Committee chairwoman. "We're losing nearly \$800,000 worth of federal stimulus money on the school budget side. As usual, we're starting out with a deficit."

Some of the deficit will come from "compliance regulations that aren't funded but we must comply with," said Gilbert. "The leadership team is working on everything right now."

Andover's teachers will launch a contract work action known as work-to-rule beginning Jan. 3, the same day that the schools open from holiday vacation. Under work-to-rule, any activities that don't earn teachers a monetary stipend and that are not covered by a teacher's contract will likely stop taking place.

"At this point, that's where we're at," said Kerry Costello, union president. "There's been no other mediation sessions scheduled at this juncture."

The two sides met with a state mediator last Thursday, Dec. 22, but were unable to come to a contract agreement before the session ended. Both sides couldn't say where they are now.

"At one point, I thought we were a lot closer than we appear to be now," said Costello.

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# PLAZA: Owner says sub shop coming

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## OPENINGS AND CLOSINGS IN ANDOVER

### What Came In

Allstar Entertainment & Uplighting, Main Street  
Andolini's, Essex Street  
Black Diamond Networks, Main Street  
Bobbles and Lace, Main Street  
Eccentric Movement, Eccentric Movement, Post Office Avenue  
LeBlanc's Fine Wine & Spirits, Main Street  
Orange Leaf, Park Street  
Russo Tux & Limousine, Main Street  
Stop & Shop, North Main Street  
Subway, Elm Street

### What Is Coming Soon

Century Bank, Elm Street  
Firehouse Subs, North Main Street  
Salvatore's, Park Street

### What Went Out

Glory, Essex Street  
Marshalls, Main Street  
Night and Day, Park Street  
Rugged Bear, Park Street  
Sotherland & Co., Main Street  
Tuesday Morning, North Main Street  
Yama Japanese Restaurant, Park Street

### What Is Leaving

Danvers Savings Bank, Central Street  
J.L. Coombs, Main Street  
Moor & Mountain, Dundee Park  
Stride Rite, Main Street

Sortin said he has not been notified that his Andover store is closing. A message was left at RadioShack's corporate office in Texas asking about the Andover closing but it was not returned before Townsman presstime on Tuesday night.

Meanwhile, six other businesses at the plaza have renewed leases and will remain, according to Robinson. Those businesses are Papa Gino's, Frames Unlimited, Elements, DCU Federal Credit Union, Thai Sweet Basil and Lee Nails.

"We're making progress on the plaza," she said.

"The remaining spots (former Tuesday Morning and K2 Indian Bazaar) are still to be confirmed, but we have active prospects. The former Marshalls site is also still TBD [to be determined] but we're actively working with the town to determine options," Robinson wrote. "The plaza should offer a solid variety of services and shopping options for Andover

area residents," James Ivey of Firehouse Subs based in Jacksonville, Fla., said the company's list of new expansions in the Boston area has not been released yet.

"Firehouse Subs will open 85 restaurants throughout Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine,"

Ivey wrote in an email. "We will be introducing the Boston region's first location (in Danvers) in March 2012."

Firehouse Subs, popular in Pennsylvania and Maryland, was founded by firemen and it boasts that it has a unique steaming method for preparing its subs.

# Opinion

## Positive thoughts at the new year

The headlines out of Andover haven't been pretty lately: A double murder without any quick arrests. Hazing allegations involving Andover youth. A teachers union contract dispute starting to boil over into day-to-day interactions with students. A \$44 million school whose price is bound to go up because lawsuits are preventing the work from beginning while costs are low.

We can't blame Andover residents for wanting to say "good riddance" to 2011. No doubt, we'll have lots to criticize in this space in 2012, too. But with the holiday season continuing and New Year's Eve on the way — admittedly an arbitrary milestone and flimsy excuse for a party — perhaps this week we can at least offer a few positive reasons for residents to look forward to 2012.

Despite the closing of several businesses... the Addison Gallery of American Art is open again and should stay that way for the entire year for the first time in three years. We've said many times in this space that the free, world-class museum is a treasure that all Andoverites should visit. With the Andover schools preparing to reinvent their fine arts education, we must insist that the system take advantage of the new education center there. The Addison will allow public school teachers and students to see first hand famous artwork of their choosing, and even create the curriculum.

Despite the expected tax hikes expected to occur even with all the town user fees and service cuts... recent refinancing of debt by the town will save taxpayers more than \$1.4 million over 10 years, helping them to get a bit more bang for all those bucks.

Despite the terrible hazing allegations... Andover High athletic teams continue to provide positive opportunity for many students, and the athletic product itself has rarely been stronger. The emphasis on high school sports should be on providing some fun and positive life lessons about teamwork and follow-through, not on pushing kids to focus on one sport at younger and younger ages in hopes of creating youth superstars worthy of scholarships. Overall, we think coaches like the dynastic Andover High swim team's Marilyn Fitzgerald can provide a positive influence, and that successful teams help build community spirit in the schools and the town at large. Of course the impressive work of groups such as Andover High's show choirs and bands make it clear that there are many extra curricular activities besides sports that are providing outlets for kids, and allowing them to shine.

Despite an ongoing investigation into alleged illegal activities by two water treatment plant workers... Andover's Memorial Hall Library workers, who proved themselves willing to go above the call of duty during the October snowstorm that knocked out power, continue to be on the cutting edge in their business. Now, they are offering a free app for people's smart phones that will let residents access a variety of library services.

Despite the closing of several businesses... new restaurants are coming to town next year, with the reported arrival of two in Shawsheen Plaza alone, and Salvatore's saying it plans to open a restaurant on Park Street. These will be added to the growing network of restaurants in the downtown. By Dec. 31 2012, we hope happy residents will raise be able to raise a New Year's toast at many more flourishing Andover locations.

## WEB QUESTION

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

What was the biggest Andover story of 2011?

- \$44 million Bancroft school passes debt exclusion vote
- AHS choirs go to bat for Mercer, teacher affected by reduction
- Ex-town employee indicted in Water Treatment Plant investigation
- Teachers union contract talks
- Andover Nationals move through Little League playoffs
- Appeals halt new Bancroft school construction
- Rare October snowstorm puts Andover in the dark
- Hazing investigation of basketball players ongoing
- Town says yes to supporting Cormier Youth Center
- Police seek tips, track leads in double-slaying
- Other.

### LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Last week's question was "Should information relating to investigations be more publicly available or

kept private to protect the investigation's integrity and privacy of those involved?" With 95 people responding, the answers were:

- It is private, as it should be — Information should not be made public so that due process and investigative work are equally protected: 29 votes, 30.53 percent
- Somewhat more public — There has been almost no specific information, which leads to more rumors and speculation: 27 votes, 28.42 percent
- The public cannot set this kind of policy. Investigators or government leaders must make the call: 19 votes, 20 percent
- Much more public — residents need to be sure that they are safe or that they have the right information: 13 votes, 13.68 percent
- More private — I think too much has been shared by officials: four votes, 4.21 percent
- Other (supply your own answer): two votes, 2.11 percent
- I don't know, or I don't have an opinion: one vote, 1.05 percent

## More specific destination as we embark on educational journey

### Ken Seifert



As far back as I can remember I have always been interested in the ways and the wisdom of the American

Indian.

I enjoyed reading the article (Dec. 15, 2011) about Andover circa 1644 by Tom Adams. From my readings, I thought he accurately described the events of those days and the struggle between the "encroachers" and the true owners of the land now called Andover. He sums it all quite nicely in the final paragraph: *The arrival of settlers in 1644 began the gestation of the Andover we know today. For its original*

*natives, 1644 signaled the beginning of their slow and steady demise.*

It reminded me of an old Indian saying: You can never step into the same river twice.

As an ardent river and stream fisherman I know this is true. I can stand in one spot fish for an hour, go back to my car, return to the same spot and the river has changed. Many times in the evening, I have fished a stretch of the Connecticut River north of Pittsburg, N.H. Upon my return to the same area, as the sun is rising the next day, I would discover a whole new world. In many ways things may look the same, but they have changed.

Andover can be considered an ever-changing river.

Adams reminds us that the land in 1644 was not the same land as it is in 2011. He also infers neither are its people. The town and people

during the Civil War were not the same as when we sent Andover citizens to battle in the Spanish American, First World, Second World, Korean, Vietnam, Iraq and other wars to follow.

More recently, Andover is a different town than it was two months ago. Two murders, abnormal behavior from a bunch of boys and a couple of basketball games certainly have changed things. Nothing is ever the same, including the people.

The education of its children has always been a significant part of Andover's movement in time. For over 40 years I have been witness to the ever-changing flow of what schools provided and what they did not. From 1969 to 1991, I was the captain of the riverboat, and then I went ashore. From 1991 to 2011 I have watched how the river changed. They were two

different eras. They emphasized different things. Today there is a new crew. There are different passengers. The riverboat is steaming in uncharted waters. The times they are a changin'!

Where have we been and where are we going? In my opinion, the boat needs a more specific and comprehensive destination. We need to get more passengers on board.

May 2012 be the best year Andover will experience since John Smith sat with Passaconaway, the Indian chief of the Pennacook tribe those many years ago (1614) on the shores of the Merrimack River. May the admiral in the sky provide a safe leg on the long voyage. Happy New Year.

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

## 100 years of theater in Andover



### Andover Stories

Pam Smith,  
Andover Historical Society

While there have been countless church groups, schools and women's guilds sponsoring dramatic readings, concerts, lectures, films, singing and even whistling prior to the early 1900s, there has also been a long procession of established community theater companies. With presentations held at the The November Club, Balmoral Hall (above the Balmoral Spa), the Town Hall, church venues and school auditoriums, Andover has represented the theatrical arts for over 100 years.

Foremost, the theatrical community has participated in the town's milestone celebrations. In 1896 (the town's 250th anniversary) a "historic tableau" was presented with costumed actors who neither spoke nor moved. In 1946, the 300th anniversary, an "historical pageant" was held. For the 350th anniversary, Andover Community Theatre presented "Our Town."

The Andover Dramatic Club was active by 1911. To see the shows you had to become a member and pay



A shot of Andover actors Frederick E. Moore, Arthur Bassett, Mrs. F.E. Moore, Nelda Bedell and J. Everett Collins, for whom the Collins Center for the Performing Arts is named.

a \$2 fee. In October of that year, the Andover Dramatic Club decided to adopt the title of The Barnstormers for its official name. The Andover Townsman stated "its purpose is amusement and we feel that all residents of Andover should be a part of the organization." The casting policy of The Barnstormers was "to ask its active members to play alternately important parts and very smallest roles, in that way giving each one opportunity to express the best that is in him, in giving the managers the chance to learn in what line each member is most successful, so that in time they could appropriately cast every play."

The Barnstormers became so popular they eventually extended their performances and allowed tickets to be sold to the general public. In 1914 and 1915 they held benefits for the Belgian Relief Fund.

During World War I they scaled back their performances because a number of their key members had joined the armed forces. They continued to perform until 1926. On the announcement of their decision to disband, the Townsman published their entire 15-year performance history.

Over the next years it was mainly up to Punchard High School, Phillips Academy and Abbot Academy to provide the town with dramatic entertainment.

In the 1930s several smaller performance groups presented plays in various Andover venues. A new theater group called The Adventurers, A Community Theatre was formed in April 1936. A Townsman article described this group as "a new organization comprising the best of Andover's veteran thespians."

Andover Community Theater (ACT) was established in 1972. Their first show was the 1940 comedy, George Washington Slept Here, commemorating the alleged event of George Washington staying overnight in Andover. ACT would eventually work with the Department of Community Services which facilitated working within the school buildings. ACT also

competed in the annual New England Theater Conference (NETC) and Eastern Massachusetts Association of Community Theater (EMACT) competitions. Andover almost always returned with a slew of nominations and awards. ACT disbanded in 2000.

Merrimack Junior Theater was established in 1987 performing two musicals a year, one for the younger children and one for the older children. This past spring, MJT announced they would be performing their last show, closing with a performance of the musical "Annie."

A new company, A Community Theater of Andover (ACT Andover), was established in 2008. It performs two main stage shows and two musical reviews each year. Their mission is "to entertain, educate and enrich the community through the dramatic arts." Andover can also choose between school, church and even neighborhood groups to round out their theater experience.

Apparently for the citizens of Andover, the show must (always) go on!

*Andover Stories* is a weekly column told to celebrate the Andover Historical Society's 100 anniversary in 2011.

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## Two signs would lead in the right direction

### Bill Dalton



I'd bet that most people in Andover have never heard of Punchard or the Playstead. Of course, you, my loyal readers, certainly are knowledgeable about both; however, on the chance that you're reading my column

for the first time, allow me to describe both.

Punchard was the name of Andover's high school for 100 years, and the class of 1957 was the last to graduate from Punchard. The town's municipal offices now occupy Punchard and its formerly attached junior high school. Robert Stefani, a Townie who went to Punchard, points out that there should be a sign or plaque in the municipal building that says it was once Punchard High School, and, further, all the trophies won by the school, and there were many, many such trophies, be put on permanent display in the building. As one who believes a mistake was made when the name Punchard was dropped for no good reason, especially since Benjamin Punchard paid for the town's first high school and its replacement when the original burned down, and whose trust funded a large part of the expenses for the high school well into

the 20th century, I agree with Robert, and it seems the least we can do to honor Mr. Punchard and all those students of Punchard who loved the place. The Punchard Trust still provides funds that benefit Andover High School.

The Playstead is the area to the east and southeast of those buildings. It was there that Punchard and, for several years after, Andover High School had its football field, including bleachers, its baseball field, also including bleachers, and its track and field positions. A Little League field was squeezed into the area on the northwest corner of the Playstead in 1950 or so. The small soccer field that now exists south of the municipal office building and Doherty School was not part of the original Playstead but was, rather, the location of Stowe School and part of "central playground."

The area that I have described as the Playstead is still officially named that, although only Townies call it that anymore. It was officially designated as the "Playstead" in 1910, although I never saw a sign there, and it has never been officially changed, nor should it be.

Recently, I spoke with Selectman Ted Teichert, who feels that this historical place should have a sign continuing its name and honoring all the athletes who played there. Nothing could make me agree more. There were many great Punchard athletes and coaches who inhabited those playing fields. Ted Boudreau was one and he was both an

athlete and coach. There is a plaque honoring his memory near the old baseball field. I have written columns about "Mr. B," as he was known to his students and mentioned him in many more. He was a baseball catcher who arguably was the best ever to play on that field. He was picked as a New England All-Star in the 1940s and went on to play minor-league ball. In the 1950s he returned as a teacher and baseball coach and was beloved as a teacher and respected as a coach. If I were to place the adverb "highly" before the words "beloved" and "respected" in the prior sentence, most people who had him as a teacher or coach would agree.

When the plaque honoring Mr. Boudreau was placed, it was next to ancient, colorful bleachers and not far from the home team bench where he coached for many years. The baseball field was so beautiful that it was often referred to as the second best field in New England — Fenway Park being the first. The bleachers are gone, the field is no longer a great one, and his plaque is now somewhat obscure. If, as should be done, a sign designating the area called the Playstead is created, it seems fitting that Ted Boudreau's name be mentioned on it.

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**■ BEST OF COP LOG 2011**

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Every week, the Andover Townsman publishes arrests, thefts, house breaks and a variety of incidents available to the public in the police logs maintained at the Andover Public Safety Center. Many people tell us here that one of their favorite parts of the paper is the unusual incidents they find in under "incidents." Here are some of those unusual items from 2011.

**NEW YEAR? I DON'T THINK SO:** On Jan. 1, at 12:16 a.m., a Hampton Lane resident called police regarding fireworks that had been going off since just prior to the end of the new year. Police looked for the celebratory individual, but they were unable to find the person.

**NOT IN MY BACK YARD:** On Jan 8, at 11:01 p.m., a River Road resident called police regarding two animals, believed to be either coyotes or wolves, that were eating a third, unidentified animal in her back yard.

**NOT IN MY STREET, EITHER:** On Feb. 2, at 2:42 p.m., a town employee assisting in snow-removal operations called police about an Abbot Bridge Drive resident who, as a plow was trying to clear the street, "is impeding the plow by standing in front of it."

**I LOOOOOVE THAT GAME:** On Feb. 15, at 3:55 p.m., police were informed of a house alarm on a garage door that was sounding on Somerset Drive. Police responding to the call were told by the owner it was accidental and

"caused by their son who was excited about going to a tennis lesson."

**YOU CALL THESE PANCAKES?:** On Feb. 20, at 6:41 a.m., a resident on Bullfinch Drive called regarding a domestic argument that was developing across the hall in another apartment. The caller did not think any physical harm was being done at that time, and a responding officer confirmed this. The "argument" was "a breakfast party" — "and people were laughing."

**MISTAKEN IDENTITY:** On March 6, at 10:20 a.m., police received a 911 call regarding a black and white dog that may have been hit by a car around Blood and Argilla roads. Two officers responded to the call and didn't find a dog. Instead, they identified a deceased skunk and picked it up off the road.

**CALLING THAT THE TANGO IS A CRIME:** On March 12, at 11:06 p.m., police received a noise complaint from an employee at the CVS on Main Street, in which there was "a dance party taking place in the back lot." A responding officer reported, as phrased in the police log, "the employees dancing."

**THE OLD 'DEAD GOAT' EXCUSE:** On March 20, at 6:05 p.m., a High Plain Road resident called police regarding a call she received warning her that her children were home alone and a coyote jumped the fence on her property and killed one of her goats. The resident reported she wouldn't be home for half an hour and requested an officer. A responding

officer determined it was an unfounded call, as someone contacted the woman about the goat death trying to get her home for a surprise party held in her honor.

**ONE SQUIRREL, FOUR ALARM CALLS:** On April 29, 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."

**HIS SERVICE STINKS:** On May 24, at 1:22 p.m., police responded to a bylaw violation involving "The Poop Guy" flyers that were taped to "telephone poles all over

Main St."

**ROMANTICS:** On May 26, at 6:37 p.m., police received a report from a caller on Reservation Road regarding two kids "having sex in the cemetery" by the entrance on Route 133. Police were unable to find the reported offenders.

**LIFE AND LIMB:** On July 15, at 12:11 p.m., police were called by a tree-cutting company to help keep the peace after the company accidentally cut down the wrong tree and, as a result, a resident was preventing them from cutting down the proper tree.

**MY NEIGHBORS ARE ALL JEDI:** On Aug. 7 at 5:49 a.m., police were contacted by an individual on Brookside Drive who reported that "the people downstairs from her ... are sending electricity thru her bed." The caller declined to have an ambulance sent to her home when one was offered.

**ALL GHOSTS MUST WASH HANDS:** Later that day, at 10:03 p.m., a caller at a business on North Main Street contacted police to report that while closing the business for the evening, the individual "heard the dryer go off in the bathroom," and the caller was "afraid someone may be hiding in the bathroom." After an investigation involving three police officers, including one sergeant, police reported "that it's just a ghost" and that the situation was clear.

**DRUNK? NAH, JUST NOT COORDINATED:** On Sept. 9 at 10:09 p.m., police were called out to Park Street on reports of "a group of people falling

all over the place," who the caller believed "may be intoxicated." An officer on the scene reported that the falling people were four "people skateboarding," and that they had left prior to police response.

**FOOD PHOBIA:** On Sept. 23 at 5:16 p.m., police were called out to Douglass Lane on reports of a black sports car speeding down the street. Reportedly, "the driver then pulled into their driveway where her young daughter and friend were playing with a puppy in the front yard." After a few moments, the driver stepped out of the vehicle and "before he said anything the two girls started yelling and ran into the house." Police believed the driver "could have been delivering food."

**COMMON MISTAKE:** On Sept. 26 at 7:52 p.m., police were called out to North Main Street for a report of a 13-year-old who "accidentally brushed her teeth with cortizone instead of toothpaste." The child's mother was conferenced in with poison control, which advised the mother "there are no effects or side effects and that this is very common."

**CHECK THE FRONT STEP:** On Sept. 27 at 7:02 p.m., a Haggets Pond Road resident called police with a report of suspicious activity. The caller reported that somebody rang her doorbell, and when she asked what they wanted, nobody answered. "She has a security camera, and she was unable to see anyone in the area," according to police reports. An officer checking the area reported that a FedEx package had recently been dropped off at the home.

**HE LET SLEEPING DOGS LIE:** ON Friday, Sept. 30 At 10:43 a.m., a caller on Main Street called from his car, parked in a parking space along Main Street, to report that

"his yellow lab was taken from his car" while it was parked. An officer scene reported that the "dog was in the back of the car lying down."

**GOLF CLAPS ONLY, PLEASE:** Sunday, Oct. 2, at 2:26 p.m., a caller on Elm Street reported "15 females standing in the middle of Rock Ridge Road who are yelling and screaming." As an officer was being dispatched on the call, another officer who was working detail reported "the road is closed off with cones and the girls are part of 4,000 other people cheering the participants of a Walk-a-Thon, including a band."

**TO-MAY-TO, TO-MAH-TO:** On Tuesday, Oct. 11 - At 8:50 p.m., a resident called about threats on an answering machine, believed to be the words "go die" as communicated over the police scanner at the time. It was determined that the person had said "goodbye."

**CAN'T PUT A GOOD BOOK DOWN:** Also on Tuesday, Oct. 11 -At 10:37 p.m., police were contacted regarding a trespasser at Memorial Hall Library who had to be escorted out after he was "found hiding inside the library."

**THE APARTMENT TENANT FROM HECK:** On Dec. 2 at 9:17 p.m., a landlord reporting an issue with a tenant said the tenant in question "has turned on all the water in the house and flooded out the unit." The tenant also "threw a bucket of water" at an individual on the property.

**NO FAN OF PEPPERONI:** On Dec. 3 at 2:02 a.m., police were called to a pizza restaurant on Park Street, where "an intoxicated male is arguing with them in the store." After police arrived, it was discovered the "gentleman was upset he had pepperoni on his pizza instead of chicken."

# Super Couponing Tips



**Super-Couponing Tips**  
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**Newspapers: The More, the Merrier for Avid Couponers**

**Question:**  
"I'm really starting to get into couponing and enjoying it! But I can't help but feel I would do better if I had more of the same coupons. One of my friends is a big couponer and picks up an extra newspaper or two if the coupons are really good. What are your thoughts on this? How many newspapers do you get each week just for the coupons?"

**Answer:**  
One of the most common question I hear from new couponers is "How do you get so many coupons?" The answer is simple, really. I get multiple copies of the same newspaper every week. And yet, some new coupon shoppers seem reluctant to do this. An argument I often hear is, "I don't want to pay for another newspaper." I would counter that by saying that every newspaper you buy has the potential to eventually unlock hundreds of dollars worth of savings.

Here's an example. On an average week, the total value of coupon inserts may range from \$100 to \$300 or more. Imagine that inserts for the current week contain \$200 worth of coupons and that the newspaper costs \$2.49. If I use two \$1 coupons and a 50-cent coupon from that newspaper, I break even. Any other coupons I use beyond that deliver me a profit.

For the same inserts, let's imagine that I had \$1 coupons for salad dressing, boxed pasta, bar soap and toothpaste. At some point, all of these products will go on sale for a dollar, and I will get all four free when I use the coupons from that newspaper.

Now, if I happened to purchase another newspaper the same week, I'd take home two of each item. Eight free is better than four free! And if I purchased three newspapers - well, you get the idea.

This is how couponers stock up on products, too. More copies of the newspaper equal more free and bargain-priced items in the weeks to come. Some couponers go to the extreme and buy thirty or more newspapers every week. When those coupons line up to a good sale at the store, they take home thirty identical items with the coupons from those newspapers.

So how many newspapers do I personally get? When I first became a coupon enthusiast, I quickly realized that getting two newspapers was better than one for several reasons. The first is exactly what's outlined above: You take home double the products when you use those coupons because you have twice as many. Another advantage is this: Any time a Buy One, Get One Free sale comes around, it's nice to have a coupon to use on each item in the sale. This does depend on your store's policy, but some stores allow shoppers to use a coupon on each item in a BOGO sale. So, if a multi-pack of yogurt is on sale for \$2, Buy One Get One Free, and I have two \$1 coupons, I can use one on each item, taking two dollars off and making both products free. When my newspaper offered a multiple-subscription special specifically aimed at couponers, I took advantage of it. I receive four copies for the same price I had paid for two. With the popularity of newspaper coupons on the rise, you may wish to see if your local paper offers a similar promotion.

For me, four is a great number of identical newspapers to receive. There are five people in our family, and purchasing four of every item during a sale ensures that I always have a healthy stockpile of our most-used staples on hand. And, if you've ever read the fine print on a manufacturer coupon, you may have noticed that some of them state "Limit 4 Like Coupons Per Transaction." Getting four sets of coupon inserts allows me to buy up to that limit in the same trip.

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Jill Cataldo, a coupon workshop instructor, writer and mother of three, never passes up a good deal. Learn more about couponing at her website, [www.jillcataldo.com](http://www.jillcataldo.com). Email your own couponing victories and questions to [jill@ctwfeatures.com](mailto:jill@ctwfeatures.com).

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Floyd Greenwood, a member of the Andover Conservation Committee, and his three sons took part in the ceremonial "ringing of the bells" to reawaken the sun.

## Welcoming winter at solstice event

More than 20 people gathered in Serio's Grove on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, ringing bells, clapping, and cheering to wake up the sun as part of a celebration of the winter solstice.

The revelers were dry under the pavilion and tarp, and a yule fire started by Bob Decelle provided light and heat.

There was a short program on the astronomy of solstices and equinoxes, featuring a low-tech demonstration with a mounted globe model of the earth and a flashlight.

"The light rain created an air of mystery. Visibility was low and a misty veil of fog hung on the nearby Shawshen River. The sounds of passing trains on invisible tracks added to the eerie effect," according to Jack Brady. "The merrymakers cheered the arrival of Burt Batcheller, who paddled a kayak upstream through the fog to join the festivities."

With the Banner of the Holly King in the background, Bob Rauseo, president of the Shawshen River Watershed Association, used a globe and light to simulate the sun's light. He was able to show how different parts of the world receive varying amounts of daylight as the world turns on its axis. Later, Sharon and Larry



Bob Rauseo, president of the Shawshen River Watershed Association, uses a globe and flashlight to simulate the sun's light on the earth during an explanation of the winter solstice.

Lapham took down the Holly King banner and hoisted the Oak King banner. "We discussed some of the history and mythology of the solstice, including stone circles in Old England and New England, measuring shadows in ancient China, the use of holly in ancient Rome, the Wren Boys of Ireland, and the Lords of Misrule," said Brady in an email. "Hot chocolate and homemade treats completed the event."

SRWA events are free and open to the public.

# PICTURES OF THE YEAR

Each photo assignment brings its own challenges and opportunities. Here, staff photographers present their favorite Andover photos for 2011 and explain how they were able to capture those images.

To view audio slide shows of our photographers' favorite photos from 2011, go to eagletribune.com/photosideshow.

## JAN SEEGER

Jan grew up in New Jersey and studied at Berklee College of Music, in Boston, where she graduated with a Masters of Fine Arts in Composition. Coming to photography as a second art, she apprenticed for a Boston fashion photographer and studied at the Art Institute in Boston, and the Maine Photography Workshops, with Polly Brown and Mary Ellen Mark. After having photographed in California, with a studio in downtown Los Angeles, Jan returned to the East Coast a few years ago and now lives on a small farm in Southern New Hampshire. In addition to photographing for The Eagle-Tribune, her studio work is currently being shown at The Contemporary Museum of Art in Caracas, Venezuela.



Ivan Pernikiev, 4, finds a quiet spot inside the shovel of a front-loader, as vehicles from the Andover public works, fire and police departments are available for viewing and visiting outside of Memorial Hall Library during a special event

**PHOTOGRAPHER'S TAKE:** Who could imagine that a "Touch-A-Truck" event would spark the imagination of children like it does, but pairing up small people, with big, big, machines can sometimes yield the most interesting juxtapositions. I had been photographing children behind gigantic steering wheels, little toddlers trying to navigate mountainous steel steps, and youngsters swimming around in oversized hats, but when I turned to see Ivan Pernikiev curled up inside the shovel of a front loader, I knew I had spotted a moment that was really his own. While I snapped this quickly, photographing it within a much larger scene, I knew at the time I wanted to abstract the image during the editing process, and reduce it to the simplest field/event scene in which the shovel itself would be the entire field and the only information of "place," for the viewer. As the child himself is entirely engulfed within the space, hopefully the intentional tight framing helps to convey the feeling of momentary isolation I believe he might have achieved.

Lauren Maher, left, and Jennie Padovan, both 3, visit with seniors as mothers and children from the Mother Connection are decked out in their finest Easter attire for a parade at Atria Marland Place on Stevens Street.

**PHOTOGRAPHER'S TAKE:** Some of the most interesting photographs are from moments not only unplanned, but from events that might seem familiar rather than spectacular, as was the case when I spent an afternoon at Atria Marland Place. It was Easter time and seniors had gathered in a common area for a visit with young mothers and their children. Predictably, there was much ah-ing and ooh-ing from the elders as the youngsters paraded by, and I have several photos of the reactions and smiles from many of the seniors. What I also found fascinating however, was the reaction of a few of the youngsters, and by trying to shoot at their eye level I was afforded somewhat more of an insight of the new scene they were experiencing as well.



## CARL RUSSO

Award winning photographer, Carl Russo has been with the Eagle-Tribune Publishing Company for 28 years. He started his career with the company's weekly paper, The Andover Townsman. After working there for three years, Carl was hired at the Eagle-Tribune and has been there for 25 years. He enjoys photographing a variety of subject matter but especially likes to shoot sports and breaking news.



The last free outdoor concert of the summer featured Four Guys in Tuxes. The group, which included Tom Walkey on sax, Jack Martin on Trumpet, Guy Goodwin on drums and Barry DeRossi on keyboard with lead singer Judy DeRossi, played a variety of music to which people enjoyed listening and dancing. Bob Cratty and Betty Murray of Andover have been dancing together for 15 years.

**PHOTOGRAPHER'S TAKE:** Are we having fun yet? I think this swinging couple would answer "yes," but they were too busy dancing to talk. It didn't take long for me to see them enjoying themselves when I arrived to photograph the last free outdoor concert in the Park, sponsored by the Department of Community Services. The concerts in the Park are held once a week during the summer. They are well attended by people of all ages, especially families who enjoy picnics during the concert. I thought the photo simply told the story about people having a good time. If you start dancing in your bare feet on a brick



Girlfriends splash around in Poms Pond as they participate in the summer solstice paddle to celebrate the longest day of the year.

**PHOTOGRAPHER'S TAKE:** I was assigned to cover this fun, family event on Poms Pond to welcome the first and longest day of summer. Dozens of families were enjoying themselves in the evening with canoeing on the pond, toasting marshmallows and appreciating a relaxing moment with a beautiful view of the scenic pond. As the sun started to set, I noticed some kids were splashing and kicking their feet in the water. Fortunately they ignored me as I started to take pictures of them watching the sunset. The sun was going down fast and I was losing the light. I was holding the camera steady because I needed to use a slow shutter speed to make my exposure. This technique actually helped with the mood of the scene. The blurry movement of the kids during the long exposure and the calm, still water and sky created a surreal image for me.

### PHOTOGRAPHER'S TAKE:

Oddly enough, this photo was for a story about the annual Crafts in the Park event in Andover. Big Red Acres Alpaca Farm was going to sell items at the event that were made with the wool from their alpacas. I spent about an hour taking photos of these guys and giggling at their haircuts. Their skinny necks and hilarious facial expressions were enough to make a great photo. Once the owners, Jen and Tom Bosher, brought food out for the alpacas, the animals instantly became funnier. All of them stuck their faces in the food bowl, coming up for air one at a time. And that moment is what made this photo a unique way to preview the craft event in the Townsman.



Four male alpacas eats some snacks at Big Red Acres Alpaca farm on Holt Road.



Skyeler Organisciak, of Andover, reacts as red clown noses pop out of her hand during a magic show at the children's garden at West Parish Garden Cemetery off Reservation Road. She was expecting to open her hand and have just one.

**PHOTOGRAPHER'S TAKE:** I just love the moment of genuine surprise in Skyeler's face as she opens her hands expecting just the one red nose that was placed in her hand by a magician. As the seven red noses pop every which way, her expression suggests she now believes in magic.



Cristina's owner Steve Kalman and employee Lea Espinola wheel dresses from their old store to their new location across Route 28 in downtown Andover on May 24.

### PHOTOGRAPHER'S TAKE:

It's not everyday that a business moves directly across the street, and it's even more unusual when its wares are best moved by the owner. Such was the case here when Steve and Lea wheeled bridesmaid dresses across a busy Main Street in downtown Andover. It was an amusing moment for me, but serious business for them.

## MARY SCHWALM

Mary grew up in Arizona, but since has traded in her sandals for four-season footwear that can stand up to New England's varying weather.

A graduate of Colby College, she worked for the Associated Press as a sports photo editor in New York and a freelance photographer in Massachusetts before settling in North Andover and joining the staff of The Eagle-Tribune Publishing Co.



## ANGIE BEAULIEU



Angie has been a photographer with The Eagle-Tribune since 2003. She is happy her career allows her experiences she may never have encountered in another profession.

Angie is a graduate of the New England School of Photography, where her work focused mainly on photographing documentary stories. She lives in Beverly with her boyfriend in a house filled with bicycles and animals.

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ENGAGEMENTS



**Kate Cooper and Ryan Sawyer**

Donald and Donna Cooper of Andover are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kate Elizabeth, to Ryan Kenneth Sawyer, son of Kenneth and Elizabeth Sawyer of Tampa, Fla.

Kate, a 2003 graduate of Phillips Academy in Andover, received her bachelor's degree in communications from Boston College. She is an account manager at Grand Circle Corp. in Boston.

Ryan, a 2000 graduate of Jesuit High School in Tampa, Fla., received his BFA in illustration from Ringling School of Art and Design. He is a graphic designer for a marketing agency and a freelance illustrator.

The couple is planning an October 2012 ceremony at Cochran Chapel, followed by a celebration at the Lanam Club in Andover.



**Lisa D'Ambrosio and Matthew Orr**

Denise and Giovanni D'Ambrosio are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Christina, to Matthew James Orr, son of Laurie and Dennis Orr formerly of Wilton, Conn.

Lisa is a 2005 graduate of Andover High School and graduated from Stonehill College in 2009. She received her Masters in Education from Simmons College in 2011 and is currently a fourth grade teacher at Odyssey Community School in Manchester, Conn.

Matthew is a 2004 graduate of Wilton High School and graduated in 2008 from Stonehill College with a degree in criminology. He is currently a police officer in Montville, Conn.



**Kristen Leonard and Ryan Ruddy**

Thomas and Mary Leonard of Andover are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Leigh Leonard, to Ryan O'Keefe Ruddy, son of William and Karen Ruddy of Summerville, S.C.

Kristen is a 2002 graduate of Andover High School. In 2006 Kristen received her bachelor's degree in psychology, graduating magna cum laude from the University of Vermont. She previously worked at the Magic Hat Brewing Company heading events and public relations for its marketing department. She is currently the

community relations manager for Hunger Mountain Food Co-op in Montpelier, Vt. Ryan is a 1999 graduate of Manasquan High School in Manasquan, N.J. and earned his bachelor's degree in sociology, graduating in 2003 from the University of Vermont. He presently holds the position of consignment guru at the Outdoor Gear Exchange in downtown Burlington, Vt. Ryan once caught a 40-inch trout.

The couple are planning a late summer wedding in 2012 and honeymooning in Africa.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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**100 Years Ago: Dec. 29, 1911**

In keeping with the unusual mildness of the weather on Christmas day were the three dandelion blossoms sent to the Townsman office on Tuesday. They were found near William M. Wood's estate in Frye Village. George R. Caldwell of Washington avenue also found one in his yard.

Two men, John Abbott and Geo. Suplin, were arrested last Sunday on a charge of drunkenness, were each fined five dollars in police court this week.

Mrs. John Derrah of Summer street has accepted a position as

teacher in the Bradlee school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Hilla Hedberg.

**75 Years Ago: Dec. 25, 1936**

Miss Virginia Batcheller and Robert L. Bisset, both juniors at the high school, won the two Goldsmith prize speaking awards of five dollars each at the forty-second annual contest held Friday night in the new auditorium.

George Ev Mayall, cowboy and rope-spinner of unusual ability, will appear in a program at the town hall Tuesday evening at eight under the auspices of the Andover District committee of the Boy Scouts. Tickets at ten cents each may be secured from Scouts

or Scout officials.

Social Security work at the local post office is progressing rapidly, and registration numbers have been issued to a large number of employees. The staff handling the work here includes: Honora Cronin, Florence McCarthy, Margaret O'Brien, Katherine McDonald, Joseph Hickey and Paul Dyer.

**50 Years Ago: Dec. 28, 1961**

Winter is taking its toll, in machines, men and money, this week, even as the forecasters talk about another sizeable storm headed this way.

Twenty-six patrons of local merchants were notified Saturday that they have won a savings bond — a

Christmas shopping bonus. Gordon Colquhoun took time off from his duties at the Andover News to impersonate Santa-Claus, going from store to store to draw the names of the lucky winners.

Fire Chief Henry L. Hilton has appealed to all residents for help in clearing snow away from fire hydrants.

Dr. Daniel Frishman of Castle Heights road has been appointed to the Board of Library Trustees.

**25 Years Ago: Dec. 24, 1986**

The Board of Selectmen voted to re-establish truck access to all town roads except for Clark Road. The vote, which negated previous "no truck" rulings on such residential

thruways as Lovejoy and Greenwood roads, was prompted by petitions from two separate groups of Andover residents who had felt aggrieved by the prohibitions.

Selectman Donn B. Byrne, 49, Lovejoy Road, died Monday night at Lawrence General Hospital. He had been admitted for emergency surgery for a burst blood vessel in his abdomen Monday afternoon. Byrne had served on the Finance Committee prior to his election to the Board of Selectmen five years ago, and continued to attend the Finance Committee meetings regularly.

Bill Dalton's column is on the Opinion page, page 7, this week

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Supernatural love story is author's third book

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
STAFF WRITER



Val Cagnina

She teaches four exercise classes at Andover Senior Center, plus exercise classes at senior centers in Tewksbury and Methuen. She owns a dance studio in Merrimac, teaches exercise classes at Fit For Women in Andover and Bedford and is a personal trainer with many local clients.

But staying in shape is only a part of Valerie Cagnina's

life. Cagnina, of Andover, writes to relax – and she has now published her third book.

"It's all on the creative side of the brain," she said of her busy life. "I like to be creative...I get an idea and I just go with it."

Her exercises are never

repetitive and neither are her dance routines. She said she's always looking to keep things fresh and different and participants engaged. She has the same approach to writing.

Her book, "The Broken Promise," (\$9.95, self-published) is described as a suspenseful love story appropriate for readers of all ages.

"It deals with love, hope and the idea that guardian angels watch over us," she said.

Amanda Sheldon is the main character. When a tragic accident takes her mother's life, she gets depressed – until a guardian angel named Jacob enters her life. Can he save her by becoming human – even though that means a dark angel would also become human? Will Jacob do so, or are the risks too dangerous?

Inspired by the book, "Lovely Bones," and the "Twilight" series, Cagnina said the supernatural genre

has always appealed to her. In fact, she read those books on her honeymoon.

She also likes romance novels, so the otherworldly love story of Amanda and Jacob perfectly fits all of her criteria.

Two years in the making, the book was an idea that Cagnina simply could not shake.

"People say, 'just let it go,' but I can't," she said. "I get an idea and I just want to go with it."

This Andover writer is a self-described shy author who rarely tells anyone that she writes books. A Wilmington native, she has lived in Andover for six years with her husband, Kevin Wexler, owner of Advanced Back Care, a chiropractic center in Wilmington.

She's already started writing a sequel that catches up with Amanda and Jacob 15 years later – another idea that she simply couldn't shake.

## Fast on his feet



BRIANNA HEALY/Staff Photo

Fifth-grader Aidan Fague of Andover, center, weaves in between his classmates during St. Augustine Elementary School's field trip to the Volpe Center at Merrimack College just before the school's winter vacation.

## Senior center geared up for new year

Upcoming events and programs available at the Andover Senior Center, 30 Whittier Court, are listed below. Preregistration is required for all programs.

The center's hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the events are all open to the entire community, pending space. For more information, visit [andoverseniorcenter.org](http://andoverseniorcenter.org) or call 978-623-8321.

■ **New Year's Celebration** on Friday, Dec. 30 at 1:30 p.m. Event features food, fun and entertainment with Russ McQueen, musician and comedian extraordinaire. Cost is \$5. Advance tickets only.

■ **Line dancing** on Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. through Feb. 14. Instructor is Valerie Cagnina. First class audit free

■ **Trip: Amazing Journeys** at the Boston Museum of Science IMAX on Tuesday, Jan. 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$49 and includes transportation, lunch and admission.

■ **"The Fix-It Shop"** on Jan. 9 and 23 from 1 to 3 p.m. Cost is \$4 plus parts for seniors (ID required), \$10 plus parts for non-seniors/non-residents.

■ **"Great Art"** on Tuesdays, Jan. 10 to Feb. 14 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Discover

the secrets and symbolism of painting and sculpture. Western art from the 13th century to today. Facilitated by Casey Coburn, art lover and writer. Cost is \$15. No class Jan. 24.

■ **"Mindful Meditation"** on Tuesdays, Jan. 10 to Feb. 14 from 7:30 to 8 a.m. The practice of meditation soothes and refreshes mind, body, and spirit. Facilitated by Joanne Dahlgren, meditation practitioner. Cost is \$12.

■ **"First Stop on the Presidential Campaign Trail: New Hampshire"** on Wednesday, Jan. 11 at 9:30 a.m. Presidential primaries from 1952 to 2012. Instructor is Richard Padova, PhD., instructor of history at NECC. Free.

■ **"Spanish Conversational"** on Wednesdays, Jan. 18 to Feb. 15 from 10 to 11 a.m. Learn Spanish or improve the Spanish you already know in a fun, relaxed conversational group with native speaker Alba Bonilla. Cost is \$20.

■ **"Inspired Retirement: So You've Retired, Now What!?"** on Wednesday, Jan. 25 and Feb. 8 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Join a group of retirees (or soon to be) and share stories from individuals who have greatly enriched their lives. Cost is \$4.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

**SATURDAY, DEC. 31** org. 978-654-4MRT.

**LIVE MUSIC**, Stoneham Theatre presents New Year's Eve with The Platters and special guest Ron Gartner, 7 to 10 p.m., \$50-75 per show, with bubbly and party favors provided. Stoneham Theatre, 395 Main St., Stoneham; 781-279-2200 (Tues.-Sat., 1 to 6 p.m.), [stonehamtheatre.org](http://stonehamtheatre.org).

**TUESDAY, JAN. 3**

**AUDITIONS**, for ACT Jr.'s South Pacific, (students in grades 6-12), 5 to 7 p.m. You must be registered to audition for this production. All students who register will be cast in the show. Cost is \$300 per participant; director Charles Gracy, [charlesgracy@actandover.com](mailto:charlesgracy@actandover.com).

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 4**

**LIFE TALK**, "Climbing Mount Everest and Our Everyday Mountains," 6:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, free. Professional mountain guide Craig John will recount his inspiring story of courage and determination, while sharing the lore of the regions he has climbed; [mhl.org](http://mhl.org).

**THURSDAY, JAN. 5**

**LIVE THEATER**, "The Voice of the Turtle" opens, a romantic comedy about single life and sexual yearning in wartime Manhattan, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, Lowell, through Jan. 29; [MerrimackRep.org](http://MerrimackRep.org).

**FRIDAY, JAN. 6**

**EXHIBIT OPENS**, "50 Under 50," through Jan. 29. The Loading Dock Gallery at Western Avenue Studios, 122 Western Ave., Lowell. It's an exhibit of works priced under \$50 by the cooperative gallery's 50 members. Artists reception, 6 to 9 p.m.

**SUNDAY, JAN. 8**

**PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**, Family Cooperative Preschool, 565 Osgood St., on Edgewood Farm in North Andover, 1 to 2 p.m. Meet the director and teachers, tour school house; (978) 682-4012, [familycoop.org](http://familycoop.org).

**MONDAY, JAN. 9**

**AUDITIONS**, The Treble Chorus of New England, at the West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Andover. Contact Anna S. Choi at [tcnanager@treblechorusne.org](mailto:tcnanager@treblechorusne.org) or 978.794.4600 to schedule an audition time; [treblechorusne.org](http://treblechorusne.org) under the "audition" link. TCNE is made up of three

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## New nature photography club forming at wildlife refuge

A new nature and wildlife photography club is being formed at Parker River National Wildlife Refuge, 6 Plum Island Turnpike, Newburyport.

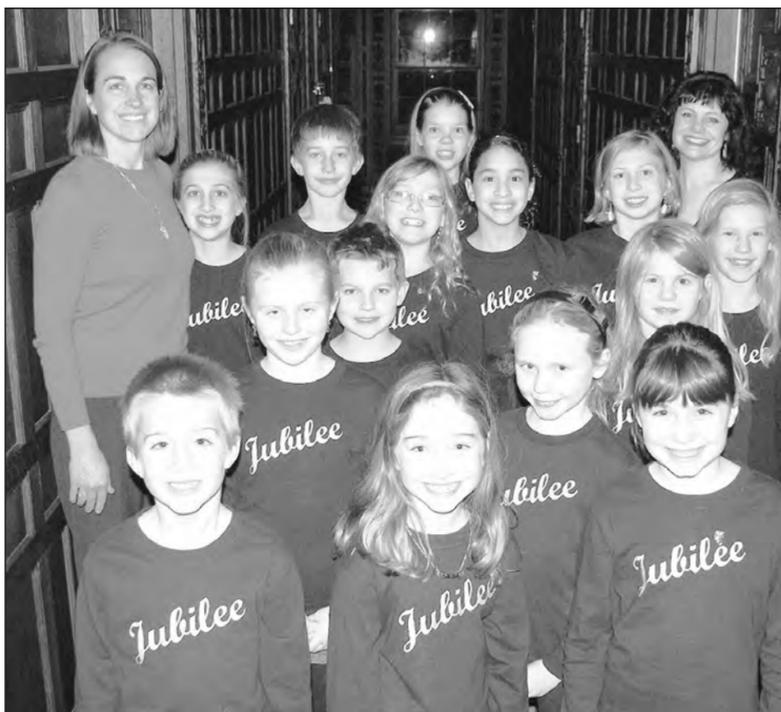
The inaugural meeting will take place on Saturday, Jan. 14 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the refuge visitor center.

The new club is intended for anyone – from beginners to professionals – who have an interest in nature and photography. It will meet once each month, primarily on Saturday afternoons.

Club activities are likely to include those common to most photography groups, including slide shows of members' work, intra-club mentoring and training, photo safaris, on-line photo sharing, and involvement in the refuge's photography-related programming and outreach work.

The agenda for the January meeting will include a presentation about the refuge's photo camp, a slide show featuring images of refuge wildlife and their habitats, a "show and share" slide show featuring members' images, and a discussion of future club adventures.

For more information, call the wildlife refuge at 978-465-5753.



Front row, from left: Zack Nepomnayshy, Zoe Saum, Vanessa Pierni; second row: Molly Bacskai, Thomas Davis, Lauren Bessette, Molly Sifling; third row: Zoe Nepomnayshy, Aleah Davidsen, Lilly DeLemos, Taylor Bata, Tula Sifling; fourth row: Ame Matuza, Michael Insero, Ayla Ohlenbusch and Sarah Teres.

## Youth theater group Jubilee spreads joy of season

Groups around Andover enjoyed a Jubilee this holiday season.

Jubilee, the Andover Department of Community Services youth theater-arts group, formally known as Confetti Kids, performed for several organizations recently including Atria Marland Place, West Elementary School and the Lanam Club. The group is accompanied by Ame Matuza

and directed by Sarah Teres. The children are between the ages of 8 and 12. During the holiday season, they performed a number of skits and musical numbers from the lessons they had during the DCS fall session.

The new session of Jubilee will begin on Feb. 2, and registration is open at the DCS website: [andoverma.gov/dcs](http://andoverma.gov/dcs).

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# Andover native's jazz quartet offering free show

An alto saxophonist and composer will return to town Jan. 20 and offer a free performance with his quartet.

Pete Robbins, a town resident from age 1 to 18 - brings his jazz quartet to Phillips Academy on Jan. 20 to celebrate the release of his sixth CD "Transatlantic Quartet - Live in Basel," (which will not be officially released until Valentine's Day.) For the Phillips Academy show, he'll be performing with Carlos Homs on piano, Aryeh Kobrinsky

## ROBBINS RETURNS

**When:** Friday, Jan. 20 at 7 p.m.  
**Where:** Timken Room, Graves Hall, Phillips Academy, School and Main streets  
**Cost:** Free admission  
**Information:** 978-749-4000 or andover.edu

on bass and Tyshawn Sorey on drums.

Robbins attended West Elementary School, West Middle

School, and Phillips Academy before going to Tufts University and the New England Conservatory in Boston, from 1997-2002. He now lives in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Robbins's music, featuring "highly developed harmony, complex meters, and searing improv" according to Time Out New York, has earned him multiple grants from Chamber Music America, and performance opportunities at clubs and festivals throughout the US and Europe.

Robbins has been featured in such outlets as Downbeat, The New York Times, JazzTimes and NPR. He has performed at festivals and clubs in the United States, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Belgium, Luxembourg, Spain, Switzerland and the Czech Republic. He will return to the recording studio on Feb. 13 to record a new album with pianist Vijay Iyer, bassist Eivind Opsvik, and drummer Tyshawn Sorey, according to a release.

# Crafty? You can apply for 2012 event in the Park

Applications are now being accepted for next year's Crafts in the Park, which will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine.

Entries are due by Jan. 30. The show is a fundraiser. Proceeds from the booth fees are used for providing scholarships to local high school students participating in international exchange programs and support for families hosting students from abroad.

Crafts people will each be given 11 by 11-foot spaces (121 square feet) with a height limit of 7 feet due to some tree branches.

Amateur and professional crafts people are invited to display and sell their original craftwork.

Photos or a website address to images of one's work and display are necessary for jurying purposes.

Send the booth fee of \$85, completed application form, and a No. 10 self-addressed stamped envelope to: Andover



Don DeLollis of Andover takes a close look at the jewelry of Thomas Kuhner at the 2011 Crafts in the Park event held in downtown Andover.

Crafts in The Park, P.O. Box 685, Andover, MA 01810

The applications must be received by Jan. 30, 2012 to be included in the first jury process. Notification of participation will be mailed in February 2012. Checks will

be returned if you are not chosen for inclusion in the show.

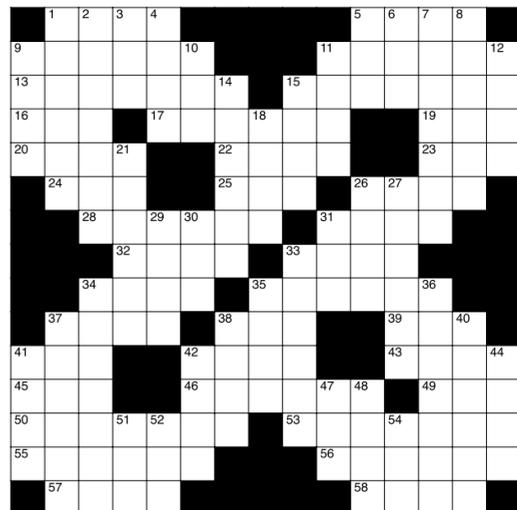
If you would like your photos to be returned, include a return envelope with adequate postage.

No sales commissions are

charged in addition to your booth fee. Food vendors require additional permits from the town of Andover.

For more information, email jury@craftsinthepark.com or visit craftsinthepark.com or call 978-475-6829.

# Crossword puzzle



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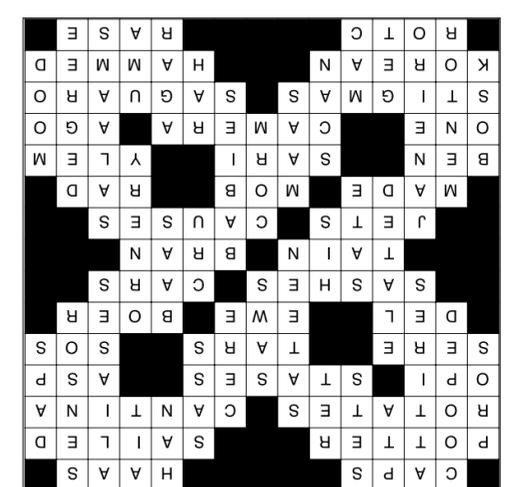
- Head coverings
- Most eaten avocado
- Harry: the boy who lived
- Traveled on water
- Revolves
- Spanish saloon
- Popular nail lacquer
- Conditions of balance
- Pharaohs' cobra
- Being dried & withered
- Seamen
- Distress signal
- 1st state (abbr.)
- Female sheep
- Dutch colonist
- Dress belts
- Autos
- Paper-thin tin plate
- Husk of wheat
- Airplanes
- Campaigns
- Manufactured
- An association of criminals
- Radioactivity unit
- Big London clock

## CLUES DOWN

- Enclosed
- Dresses up
- School organization
- Units of tennis play
- Principle Chinese ethnic group
- Little island (British)
- AKA's
- Detector
- Paid athletes
- A way to soak
- Impudence
- Dips lightly
- Satiny cotton fabric
- Fleshy covering on

- a birds' beak
- Wood cutting tools
- Full of high-spirited delight
- Bleats
- Cantankerous
- Satiated
- Not hers
- Superior grade wine
- Young children
- Rio de
- Crocus bulb
- Eastern greetings
- Teacher & guide
- Dutch name for Meuse
- Temperature measure
- Small wooded area
- Gloucester
- A prevailing attitude
- Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
- Used as a gelling agent in foods
- Obtain
- A waterproof raincoat
- Actress Thurman

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# EVENTS CALENDAR

## FRIDAY, JAN. 13

**MLK REMEMBERED**, Temple Emanu-El and Calvary Baptist Church of Haverhill will celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and legacy in an interfaith service, 7:30 p.m. The evening is being called a Musical Celebration of Freedom, Faith and Inspiration.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 14

**AUTHOR VISIT**, Dr. Scott Hahn will be at St. Augustine Parish in Andover, giving three talks, \$15, doors open at 9 a.m., talks begin at 10 a.m., end at 2:30 p.m. Registration required; 975-475-8993.

**EXHIBIT OPENS**, Shapeshifting: Transformations in Native American Art, through April 29, the Peabody Essex Museum (PEM). Nearly 80 works from

public and private collections worldwide.

## MONDAY, JAN. 16

**FREE INTRO. TO TAI CHI**, and Qigong Workshop, 8 p.m., Yang's Fitness Center, Andover; Reserve your free spot by calling 978.475.2020, YangsFitnessCenter.com.

**AUDITIONS**, The Treble Chorus of New England, at the West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Andover. Contact Anna S. Choi at tcnemanager@treblechorusne.org or 978.794.4600 to schedule an audition time; treblechorusne.org under the "audition" link. TCNE is made up of three choirs; Training, age 7-9, Concert, age 9-13 and Schola, age 13-18.

## TUESDAY, JAN. 17

**DOWNSIZE YOUR STUFF**, with Dave Downs, 7 p.m., Flint Memorial Library, 147

Park St., North Reading. He will give advice and offer helpful hints about clutter control, free and open to the public; Registration is requested, 978-664-4942.

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18

**ADVENTURE TALK**, "Hiking the Appalachian Trail," 6:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library. Adventurer Roger Tetreault will share his experiences of hardship, beauty and the remarkable people he met on his inspiring, life-changing five-month journey up the Appalachian Trail; mhl.org.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 21

**AHS ALUMNI HOCKEY GAMES**, 5:10 & 6:20 p.m., \$60 per skater, Breakaway Ice Center, Tewksbury; ahshattrickclub@yahoo.com if you would like to skate.

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choirs; Training, age 7-9, Concert, age 9-13 and Schola, age 13-18.

**CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH GROUP MEETS**, on Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon, Memorial Hall Library, for students who have studied formal English and would like to practice their speaking and listening skills. Contact Carolyn Fantini at 978-475-4602 to register.

## THURSDAY, JAN. 12

**LIVE THEATER COMEDY**, The Edwards Twins (2 Brothers impersonating 100 stars including Neil Diamond, Billy Joel, Ray Charles and Cher, through Jan. 22, \$32-\$35, with a \$4 discount for seniors and subscribers, Stoneham Theatre, 395 Main St., Stoneham; 781-279-2200 (hours Tues.-Sat., 1-6 p.m.), stonehamtheatre.org.

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# Education

## AHS students named to National Honor Society

Andover High School has announced the names of the students recently inducted into the National Honor Society.

Juniors and seniors who have a GPA of 3.75, weighted, or 4.25, unweighted, complete 50 hours of community service, provide character references, demonstrate leadership potential, and participate in a variety of school and community activities are considered for membership.

"We are very proud of our students," Brian Shea, AHS English teacher and NHS adviser, said in a release. "I am always so inspired and impressed by their talents and accomplishments. Not only is NHS made up

of a variety of students who excel in academics, athletics and the arts, it is a community of generous, caring and respectful kids."

The ceremony took place at the Collins Center with a reception for students, family and faculty members afterwards. Current members of NHS provided musical entertainment during the ceremony. The NHS Executive Board, made up of current seniors, chose APS faculty member and football coach E.J. Perry as the guest speaker. More than 40 faculty members attended "to be recognized by the inductees for their ongoing contributions to students' academic, social and civic growth," according to Shea.

### ANDOVER HIGH'S NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES FOR 2011-12

#### CLASS OF 2012

Sarah Arvidson  
John Belanger  
Marian Crockett  
Joanna Kenneally  
Ashley Li  
Emmy Mai  
Emma O'Leary  
Mariela Siegel

Sarita Ballakur  
Ariana Bishop  
Frank Borseti  
Jessica Bortolussi  
Lauren Buhner  
Jacob Burte  
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Kamran Gossieaux  
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Evan Huang  
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Alexa Korsberg  
Ashlee Korsberg  
Taehyun Lee  
Sloan Lynch

Tara MacKenzie  
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Kylan Moynihan  
Jacob Muhlfelder  
Lauren Murtagh  
Devika Ranjan  
Terese Rajasekera  
Marina Renton  
Samantha Rooks

Helen Root  
Samantha Sheppard  
Kristina Terzakis  
Jaclyn Torres  
Elizabeth Wait  
Rosanna Wang  
Lauren Wanzek  
Jillian Wilson  
Brian Wivell  
William Wolfendale  
Jonathan Yeh  
Casey Zhang

#### CLASS OF 2013

Vishal Ahuja  
Jaclyn Alois



COURTESY PHOTO

West Middle School students helped create special gifts for orphans living at St. Anne's home. From left are Andover students Brenna Keefe, Athena Kantas, Isabelle Russo, Grace Dever, Veronica Alois, Olivia Mosher, Nicole Saras, Ceara Manship, Liz Metemaekers, Jillian Hughes and Coral Berman.

## Treasures created for orphans

West Middle School students made 35 "treasure boxes" for St. Anne's Home in Methuen for the holidays.

This is the fourth year the school has supplied these gift boxes to the orphans that reside at the home. This year it was an eighth grade project organized

by teachers Erin Manship and Sandra Lheron. During enrichment classes, students volunteered to wrap and decorate the boxes. Each box is stuffed with age-appropriate donated toys and then decorated so the child can use the box again for a keepsake, according to a release.

### LOCAL SCHOLARS

#### Senior receives Highest Scholarship Bowl award

Bianca Capone of Andover, a senior at Pingree School in South Hamilton, was awarded a Highest Scholarship Bowl on Sept. 26 for earning an average of 95 or above for the entire 2010-2011 academic year.

#### Tilton School honor roll

Kevin McCartney was named to the Tilton School honor roll for the first quarter. To be on the honor roll, students must earn all academic achievement grades of B, with at least one A, and no Habits of Mind

grades below a C.

#### Inducted into national honor society

The following students were inducted into the Brother Benjamin Chapter of the National Honor Society: Devin Burke, Matthew Hyszcak, Alexander Cain, Michael Cirbee, Jonathan Costello, W. Carter Durland, Phillip Igoe, John McKeon and Eric O'Connor.

The National Honor Society recognizes high school students for scholarship, leadership, character, and service to school and community.

To qualify, students must demonstrate academic

achievement, leadership, character and a commitment to community service.

Specifically, students must earn a minimum 3.5 cumulative grade point average, contribute at least 30 hours of community service in the prior year, and demonstrate leadership and involvement in the life of the school.

#### High honors at Middlesex School

Max Novick, Class of 2014, was awarded the distinction of high honors at Middlesex School. He is the son of David and Susie Novick of Andover.

Students must achieve a scholastic average of 90 percent or above to receive this

distinction.

#### Callahan earns high honors

Jackson Callahan, son of Gerry and Tracy Callahan of Andover, achieved high honors for Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall's fall trimester. Qualifications for high honors are that a student achieve a GPA of 3.6 or above and have no grades lower than a C-in any class.

Jackson is a freshman at CH-CH, which is located in Waltham, Mass.. It is a college preparatory, day and boarding school, that says it "embraces differences in learning styles and culture in a richly diverse and supportive community."

### ON CAMPUS

#### Honor society inductions for Himmer

Jillian L. Himmer, a 2008 graduate of Central Catholic High School and a Haggetts Pond Road resident, has been inducted into two honor society's as she participates in her senior year as a nursing major at Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn.

She has been inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society of Nursing at a ceremony held at Fairfield University.

Himmer also was inducted into Alpha Sigma Nu, the Honor Society of Jesuit Institutions of Higher Education, at another ceremony held at Fairfield University.

#### Wilmarth family excels at universities

Victoria Wilmarth, Robertson Scholar from Duke University, has been spending the semester with the Duke in the Andes program studying public policy, global health and Latin American studies in Quito, Ecuador. As part of the Robertson Program she was at the University of North Carolina for the spring semester 2011. In addition, Victoria spent time in Costa Rica before working at Manguzi Hospital in South Africa for the summer.

Lauren Wilmarth received the sophomore Honors Certificate from the University of Connecticut. Although she entered in the class of 2013, Lauren now has senior standing and is applying to veterinary school. In addition, Lauren plays Division I tennis for the Huskies and is a Scholar-Athlete and a member of the Big East All-Academic Team.

#### LAWRENCE ACADEMY HONOR ROLL

The following Andover students were named to the Lawrence Academy academic honor roll for the 2011 fall trimester: Lawrence Academy is a private high school located in Groton.

High Honors: Inez Bouzon, junior; Brian Finn, junior;

a scholarship recipient in the Honors Program as well as being a member of the crew team.

#### NECC dean's list

The following students from Andover were named to the Northern Essex Community College dean's list for the summer 2011 term, according to a release from the school: Ryan Brousseau, Alison Burns, Andrew Christopher, Terry Dowell, Crystal Grenier, Zachary Jachimowicz, Daniel Mullen, Thomas Pedulla, Richard Pesaturo, Oliver Scarborough and Christine Tower.

To be named to the dean's list, students must attain a grade point average of 3.3 or higher within the term, carry six or more credits within the term, and be matriculated in a degree program.

#### Scholarship winners say thanks to donors

Two Andover residents were among scholarship recipients at the University of Massachusetts Lowell who recently participated in a gala event held as part of the university's Celebration of Philanthropy.

The first-ever Legacy of Giving luncheon at the UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center brought together the generous donors who have established scholarship funds at the university and the students who receive help through those funds. Senior Cathy Fabre and sophomore Reed Spool are among more than 441 students this year being assisted by one of the more than 220 endowed scholarships at the university. Students at UMass Lowell were awarded nearly \$825,000 through endowed scholarships during the 2010-2011 last year.

Madelaine Gray, junior; and Madeleine Thero, freshman.

Honors: Laura Adie, sophomore; Sarah Casey, junior; Hannah Cunningham, junior; Gabriella DiVincenzo, freshman; Devon Heavey, sophomore; Gregory Stern, junior; and Jillian Thero, junior.

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# Business

## NECC fashion fundraiser



The Women of Northern Essex Community College recently held a fashion show at the Lanam Club in Andover featuring the fashions of Cristina's and Dino International Furs, both of Andover. More than \$4,800 was raised to benefit the Women of NECC. From left are Jean Poth, vice president of Institutional Advancement at Northern Essex Community College, Jill McCann of Andover, Carole O'Connor of Andover, Betty Jaffe of Andover and Gerri Murphy of North Andover, attended the Women of NECC holiday party. The event's more than 100 attendees donated toys that were distributed to the nearly 50 children ages 4 to 6 who are served by NECC's Lawrence campus childcare center. There was also a live auction.

Courtesy photo

### BUSINESS BRIEFS

#### Iyer VP of products for Aylus Networks

Prakash Iyer was named vice president of products at Aylus Networks, a provider of infrastructure software for enabling video communication services over mobile and between network-based and OTT video calling services.

Iyer brings to Aylus Networks almost 20 years of experience in mobile, digital media, Internet and telecom technologies, as well as the management of local and remote engineering teams.

Prior to joining Aylus Networks, Iyer founded and served as CTO of envIO networks inc., a social marketing platform for mobile content. Before founding envIO networks, he led the engineering effort for Push-to-Talk over Cellular at Winphoria, which was acquired by Motorola.

Prior to Winphoria, Iyer served as a department head of the technical staff at Lucent Technologies' Bell Labs and led the development of the world's first voice soft-switch.

Iyer has co-authored eight issued patents, and has a number of pending patent applications in the telecom infrastructure and

applications space, according to a release. He earned his master of science in computer and information sciences at the University of Delaware, and his bachelor of technology in computer science and engineering at the Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai, India.

#### Milestone LEED certification for Wright-Pierce

Wright-Pierce, a New England provider of water, wastewater and civil engineering services with offices in Andover, says it has set a new standard for sustainable, energy-efficient municipal infrastructure design in the newly constructed water treatment facility for the City of Rochester, N.H.

The Coheco Well facility is the first water-treatment facility in New England to be LEED certified.

Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification is a standard set by the United States Green Building Council to reward environmentally conscious building design.

There are currently more than 40,000 LEED certified projects in the country, with

very few municipal facilities qualifying for the designation, according to the company.

Criteria for LEED certification includes lower operating costs and increased asset value, reduced waste sent to landfills, site sustainability, energy and water conservation, use of recycled and local materials, air quality, and innovation in design.

#### January Enterprise Center workshops

■ "How To Build Buzz For Your Business": Tuesday, Jan. 10 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Learn how to get your company noticed by taking advantage of new media as well as old, knowing what's news (and what's not), how to pitch, whom to pitch, and when to pitch your story for the best chance of success.

Learn ways to work with different media so you become a trusted and reliable source in your industry.

Speaker is David Thomson, president, Thomson Communications.

■ "Entrepreneurship: Ready, Start, Launch" Thursday, Jan. 12 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Assess your entrepreneurship potential

while learning the marketing, financial and operations issues involved in starting a business. Speaker is Ellen Kaplan, founder and president, Possibilities@Work.

■ "Cheaper, Better Faster—Big Results On A Small Budget" on Tuesday, Jan. 24 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Learn how to develop and implement a sound marketing strategy and tactics to understanding the advantages, disadvantages and principal techniques of different marketing media, from testing and improving your results to solving marketing issues creatively. Speaker is Don Kaplan, president, Kaplan Marketing.

■ "The Business Of Local Food" on Thursday, Jan. 26 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Families, restaurants, stores and businesses are increasingly buying their food locally. This is particularly true on the North Shore. Come listen to a discussion on why this is happening, whether it's a short-term trend or is here to stay.

Speakers are Antonio Betencourt, chef, 62 on Wharf; Peter Mikedis, CEO/founder, Sidekim Foods; and Andrew Rogers, farm manager, Green Meadows Farm.

## Andover company's social-media pitch wins MarCom award

Effective Student Marketing of Andover won a 2011 gold MarCom award for a social media campaign they created for National College.

"This international award recognizes outstanding creative achievement by marketing and communication professionals," according to a release. The MarCom Awards organization reports that more than 6,000 entries were received from the United States, Canada, and other countries.

The campaign that Effective Student Marketing created for National College revolved around an essay contest open to National College students and graduates. Effective Student Marketing promoted the contest through social media sites like Facebook and Twitter, as well as emails and a specific contest landing page where

entries could be submitted. The contest generated over 100 entries from students and graduates.

The essays explained why the participants had chosen National College and what goals they had for themselves after pursuing their educations.

The contest wrapped up with several winners – one from each of the campus regions as well as a People's Choice winner. The People's Choice winner was chosen through a voting system that Effective Student Marketing created.

Founded in 2004, Effective Student Marketing, located in Dundee Park, describes itself as "a strategic marketing organization that helps schools reach their admissions and retention goals by building lifelong relationships with prospects, students and graduates."

All workshops are free and cosponsored by MA Small Business Development Center. For more information or to register, visitEnterpriseCtr.org.

#### Sullivan attends Top Producer series

Barbara Sullivan of RE/MAX Partners in Andover attended the Top Producer series at the Boston Harbour Hotel.

Among Sullivan's achievements are "a constant presence in the RE/MAX Top 25 in New England, a consistent Leading Broker in the



Barbara Sullivan

Andover's and most important, very satisfied buyers and sellers," according to a release. With over 20 years of real estate expertise, Sullivan has extensive experience in corporate relocation, luxury homes, new construction, land acquisition and antique homes. Nicknamed "The House Whisperer" by her clients, according to a

release, Sullivan actively supports Breast Cancer Awareness, The Children's Miracle Network and Build & Bike America, in memory of Chris Webber of Andover.

She and her husband, Joe, reside in Andover and raised their children Dana and Matthew there.

They attended local schools and now serve our country in Washington D.C. - Matt as a Navy lieutenant and Dana in government affairs.

#### Accountant named to best advisers list

Robert C. Bartley, a certified public accountant and certified financial planner with offices in Andover and Bedford, N.H., was named to Medical Economics 2011 Best Financial Advisers for Doctors list.

Bartley is president of Bartley Financial Advisors. He is a member of the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors, the country's leading association of Fee-Only Financial Advisors; the Financial Planning Association, and the American Institute of CPAs.

# Sports

### SPORTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

#### AHS grad Thomann leading Bentley team

Andover High School graduate Meghan Thomann was leading her college team with 10 three-pointers as of the end of November. She is a senior guard at Bentley.

Off to a 67-0 start with an average winning margin of more than 25 points, the Bentley University women's basketball team had moved to No. 1 in the USA Today/ESPN/ Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II coaches' poll. It's the first time in the program's distinguished history that the Falcons have topped the rankings.

Thomann has moved into ninth on Bentley's all-time three-pointer list with 146.

#### Gagnon field hockey All-Star

Westfield State University's Nicole Gagnon of Andover was selected to play in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association 2011 Senior All-Star Game.

"This is a great honor for Nicole," said Westfield State head coach Heather Cabral. "She has been an outstanding player for us the past four years and I am confident she will hold her own against the best seniors in the country. We are excited the game in close by this year so a lot of her families and friends will have an opportunity to see her play."

Gagnon was a three-time all-conference selection in the 12-team Little East Conference, a first-team pick in 2009 and a second-team honoree in 2011 and 2009. Specializing in

penalty strokes, the stalwart defender finished her collegiate career with 10 goals, according to the school.

#### Cairns on NESCAC all-academic team

Leah Cairns of Andover, a member of the field hockey team at Hamilton College, was named to the New England Small College Athletic Conference 2011 fall all-academic team.

Each honoree is a varsity letter winner with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.35.

The student-athlete must have reached sophomore academic standing at his or her institution to be considered for honors. Transfer students must have completed one year of study at the institution.

Cairns is a graduate of Andover High School.

#### Umpires announce January class dates

The Merrimack Valley Umpires Association has announced the umpire training clinic for men, women, and teenagers (over 16) will begin on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012 and continue on consecutive Thursdays for the following six weeks. The clinics will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill campus, Room C-119, the Spurk Building.

The cost for the six-week program is \$125, and covers the cost of study materials and exam fee. At the conclusion of the class, the Massachusetts Baseball Umpires Exam will be administered.

Candidates who pass the exam and complete the required mechanics clinics will be certified as MVUA umpires.

The MVUA has been training quality umpires for over 50 years and MVUA umpires "are highly regarded and sought by all levels of baseball in Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire, and can be found doing high school, AAU, Babe Ruth and Little League games throughout the region," according to a release from the group.

The MVUA supports candidates of all genders, ethnic groups and ages (men and women over age 16) to become umpires.

Anyone interested is asked to contact second Vice President Rande Chabot at rande6280@myfairport.net or 603-437-8847, or Rules Interpreter Ron Annand at 978-

681-8927 or go to [tomvua.org](http://tomvua.org) for further information and to ensure that the group has the correct amount of class books available.

#### AHS Alumni Hockey game

The annual Andover High School Alumni Hockey Game will be held Saturday, Jan. 21 before the 7 p.m. varsity game against Central Catholic at the Breakaway Ice Center in Tewksbury.

There are two games planned if the turnout permits: 5:10 p.m. and 6:20 p.m. are the ice times.

A minimum donation of \$60 for the event is required. All proceeds go directly to the AHS Boys Hockey Program.

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# Sports

## YEAR OF THE CHAMPION, DAY AT THE STATEHOUSE

The Andover High School state champion girls varsity field hockey team was honored at the Statehouse on Wednesday, Dec. 21. Each player received a special certificate signed by Andover state Sen. Barry Finegold and the state senate. They had lunch with State Treasurer Steve Grossman and had a tour of the Statehouse. Pictured are, in back row, from left Assistant Coach Dan Casper, Meagan Keefe, Kayla Saras, Melissa Newton, Louisa Gross, Morgan Manning, Katherine Geffken, Briana Smith, Assistant Coach William Beauchesne; middle row: Coach Maureen Noone, Nicole Schena, Julia Leblanc, Andrea Pennock, Jaclyn Torres, Bridget Morris, Estelle Black, Emily Gibson; and front row - State Treasurer Steve Grossman, Sheila Salois, Christine Aumais, Abby Taylor, Shannon Tulley, Kate Farnham (captain), Taylor Farris (captain), Anne Farnham (captain), Charlotte Ozirsky and Sen. Barry Finegold.



The Andover High girls field hockey, basketball and swimming teams each repeated as state champions this fall. The school's boys ski team was also named a state champion in 2011.

### ONE MORE TIME



Andover High swimmers celebrate winning the Girls Division 1 fall state swim and diving championships last month at MIT in Cambridge. TIM JEAN/file photo

### APRES SKI, APRES CHAMPIONSHIP



Following their victory in the state's Alpine championships in March, the Andover High boy's ski team, joined by friends and family, celebrate at Casa Blanca's on Main Street in Andover. DUSTIN LUCA/file Photo



Andover girls basketball players storm the court after winning the MIAA Division 4 Final over New Bedford at the TD Garden, Boston, in March. The girls went on to win a second straight state championship. TIM JEAN/file photo

### MARCH MADNESS

### Celebrate African heritage

The United States Postal Service's fourth holiday stamp honors Kwanzaa with a forever stamp. The colorful stamp was designed by artist Daniel Minter, who also created the Kwanzaa stamp in 2004.

Kwanzaa begins on Dec. 26 and goes through Jan. 1.

This non-religious holiday draws on African traditions and takes its name from the phrase for "first fruits" in Swahili.

The holiday is a celebration of seven principles: unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith, based on values prevalent in African culture.

Mr. Minter is an accomplished artist working in a variety of media. His paintings and sculptures have been exhibited both nationally and internationally. His work is collected by the Microsoft Corporation and others.

Minter has illustrated seven children's books that have won many awards, including the Oppenheimer Toy Portfolio for "Seven Spools of Thread: A Kwanzaa Story."

He is also an art teacher. He has lived in Brazil, New York, Chicago and Seattle. Minter currently lives in Portland, Maine with his wife, Marcia and son, Azari Ayindé.



The stamp he created for 2011 features a family unit celebrating the holiday in their home. They are lighting the first candle to begin their celebration of Kwanzaa. The candles in the center of the stamp feature the bold colors of the Kwanzaa flag, green for growth, red for blood, and black for the African people. A candle is lit each night of the seven day holiday.

The Kwanzaa stamp is a forever stamp. It will be good to mail a letter even if postage rates change.

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Premises affected are located at 30 Juliette St., Andover, MA in an SRA District as shown on Assessor's Map 51 at Lot 99.

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