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Angela McNeeley, 6, has had hip dysplasia since she was born, though it wasn't detected by doctors until just over a year ago. After spending months in a body cast and wheelchair following her first surgery, Angela now dances after school. Pictured here, she performs an Irish step dance at the O'Shea-Chaplin Academy of Irish Dance.

From body cast to dance floor

Dancer, 6, overcoming surgery for overlooked hip dysplasia

By Dustin Luca STAFF WRITER

To anyone in the audience, 6-yearold Angela McNeeley is just another girl who loves to dance. Kicking her right leg around her body to the tune of Irish step music, her ponytail bounces side to side as a smile stretches ear to ear.

Nobody would know that, six months ago, she was in a body cast, almost completely immobile for months. With her after-school dancing put on hiatus by a late diagnosis of a condition called hip dysplasia, she would ultimately face learning to walk all over again as she moved from the cast to a wheelchair to a

It was fun, she says.

"I remember the first time I walked," said Angela, smiling. "I beanbag."

Birth defect unrecognized

Hip dysplasia is a congenital birth defect, in which the hip doesn't form for hip dysplasia by pulling their the way it should in newborn babies. legs back towards their body. If



Angela McNeeley, 6 and pictured here with her parents, Vivian and Michael, now dances again as part of her therapy.

is shaped to fit into the socket.

Doctors check newborn babies ian McNeeley.

took two steps, and I fell on my The hip socket becomes malformed, the legs pop out and become distaking a shape not suited for hold-located, that's usually the red ing onto the head the femur, which flag that gets a doctor's attention, according to Angela's mother, Viv-

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Contract mediation up in smoke

State negotiator to craft sample new teachers deal

By Dustin Luca STAFF WRITER

voice silenced. Page 5.

■ Union VP says teachers

Mediation has failed to help the teachers union and possible court action. School Committee settle a new contract, so a state- — teachers, students, parapproved negotiator will ents, the community now review the two sides' need for this disruption to positions and make recom- be over," said Annie Gilbert, mendations for a new teach- School Committee chairers contract.

tor, the two sides will then road, and I'm hopeful that bargain over the suggested we can do that.' contract.

ment taking place before the report is finished to

"For everybody involved woman. "Both sides are act-The process is called fact ing in good faith to resolve finding. Once the report the issues that remain, is issued by the negotia-rather than go down the full

Kerry Costello, Andover Nobody is sure what will Education Association happen next, but there are president, said it has been many possibilities, rang- 37 years — going back ing from a contract settle- to contract talks in 1975

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Adams' Marlborough support has Dems calling for state investigation

By Dustin Luca STAFF WRITER

campaign.

\$30,000 in contributions from Adams' parents and

brother, Ammon Adams, over the span of two years. The organization, based The Massachusetts Demo-solely out of Marlborough, cratic Party is calling for a then used \$27,806.31 on five state investigation into a specific dates from Sept. 14, campaign finance technique 2010 to Oct. 22, 2010 to mail family of Andover state Rep. rials supporting Adams' bid Paul Adams to support his for Beacon Hill, which he ended up winning with 54 Campaign finance records percent of the vote. Other

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Curl up by the fire — at Memorial Hall Library MHL undergoing extensive upgrade, all with state cash so far

By Dustin Luca STAFF WRITER

Memorial Hall Library is undergoing an extensive cos- -1,300 to 1,500 people coming metic upgrade, and so far it in a day to the library — we hasn't cost Andover taxpayers had to renovate the building," a dime.

entrance for which faces Elm the building." Square — has been completely expected as the library does its first renovation work in nearly

a quarter of a century, according to library Director Beth Mazin.

"After 25 years of heavy use said Mazin. "We need it at this The building's first floor—the point. We're moving through

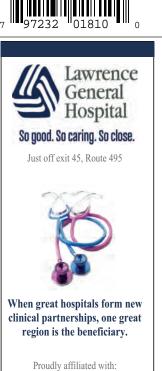
Recent work to renovate the redesigned with a gas fireplace, first floor area of the library a new way to display books, started around three years ago and more. Further changes are as the library started to move

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it believes was used by the anonymous campaign mateshow the Marlborough money was spent on a get-Republican City Com- up-the-vote effort involving mittee (MRCC) received volunteers to bring the total See **RECORDS**, Page 5

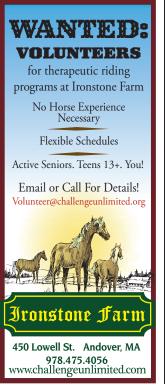
> Beth Mazin, director of Memorial Hall Library, stands in a newly renovated firstfloor area of the library. Work has included repainting walls, adding shelving, reorganizing, adding a gas fireplace and providing a better view of neighboring Essex Street and Elm Square, visible in the windows behind Mazin. To her right, a new section awaits library patrons who put materials on hold from their computer or smart phone.



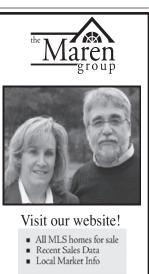




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LWV addresses 'Political Advertising and the Voter'

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QUOTE, UNQUOTE ...



The Marlborough Republican City Committee has "found a way that they think exploits loopholes and campaign finance laws to hide how money gets into an election. That's something that violates state ethics laws and should be seriously looked

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- Kevin Franck, communications director for the state's Democratic party, who wants the state to investigate. The family of Andover state Rep. Paul Adams donated \$30,000 over two years to the committee, which then spent a similar amount on inkind work supporting Paul Adams' campaign. Story, page 1.

We've been able, finally, to document what we're seeing, the trash and animals getting there. That's allowed us to take the next step of action.

- Andover Health Director Thomas Carbone, on the town issuing cleanup orders for an Osgood Street property with trash bags piled several fee high in the yard. Story, page 5.



Past & Present



THEN: This Andover Townsman file photo shows the former Andover Lanes building on Park Street being taken down on October 21, 1997.



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

NOW: The parking lot at 34 Park St. was long home to a bowling alley building, the shell of which sat vacant for a few years before it was razed.

Town manager's budget up 2.3 percent

The town has multiple for years to come." opportunities created by health insurance reform budget reflects a 2.3-percent Buzz Stapczynski.

The budget foreshadows million.

on next year's budget, which ment. "How we build on or a net increase of nearly 61 McGrath. the town manager has given strategically take advantage staff. This includes roughly the theme "Building on of these opportunities will 20 positions previously paid tions are expected to be Opportunities." shape the future of Andover through grants that will needed to cover obligashape the future of Andover through grants that will needed to cover obliga-

Overall, the \$147.2 million year. from \$63.3 million to \$65.4

fiscal future is structured," from the School Department time is "very preliminary." Stapczynski wrote in a letter presented in Stapczynski's

to McGrath. "It's clearly a snapshot

Town boards are working at the beginning of the docu-recommended budget reflect of where we are," said

Several other new posino longer be available next tions from the town's Excel program that covers 18- to What the final staff totals 22-year-old students who and plan design, information increase over last year's. supported in the schools' are currently taught out-oftechnology, regional efforts, Stapcyznski's budget calls budget will be is not yet district in North Andover. retirements and more, for a 3.3 percent increase known. Superintendent It is expected that costs for according to Town Manager for the schools portion, Marinel McGrath said her the program will be shared budget will be presented at between the two communithe beginning of March. Any- ties, requiring the town to "the entire way the town's Preliminary numbers thing available before that take on more staff, according

- Dustin Luca

■ NEWS IN BRIEF

Nearly 30 percent of the last week of December Post Offices. census forms remain

The annual town census for on the census. 2012 was mailed to residents

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2011. The town clerk's office If you have any questions with disabilities who are not

If you have not already returned your census, the Andover Democrats to elect delegates to to do so.

residents is important for the Democrats in Andover will **Forum tonight on** ment and related benefits, tion for U.S. Senate. according to Kathy McKenna, assistant town clerk.

census will affect your active Springfield. voting status.

or change your party on the Andover. Delegates will be census. Voter registration divided equally between men forms are available at the and women, and all ballots Town Offices, Memorial Hall will be written and secret. Library and the Andover

reports a 71 percent return call the Town Clerk's Office elected as delegates or alterat 978-623-8255.

An accurate count of all state convention

example, the current popu-rial Hall Library on Saturday, lation count is the basis for Feb. 25 at 10 a.m. sharp to allocation of state and fed- elect 17 delegates and three

The convention will be held Failure to return the town the Mass Mutual Center in tinue hearing public input

The caucus is open to all

nates may apply to be "addon" delegates. For more information, contact Patricia Commane at 978

youth, minorities, and people

town for several reasons-for be holding a caucus at Memo-proposed Ballardvale Fire Station

The School Committee and eral funds. Compliance with alternates to the 2012 Massa- selectmen will host a joint this state requirements also chusetts Democratic Conven- forum on the proposed Balprovides proof of residence tion, where Democrats from lardvale Fire Station tonight, to protect voting rights, vet- across Massachusetts will Thursday, Feb. 16 from 7 to eran's bonuses, housing for select candidates to compete 9 p.m. in the World War I the elderly, school enroll- for the Democratic nomina- Memorial Auditorium at Doherty Middle School.

At this time, the two on Saturday, June 2, 2012 at boards would like to conon this project.

Members of the Ballard-You cannot register or vote registered democrats in vale Fire Station Building Committee will also be present to answer questions.

The meeting will be recorded and televised at a later date. In the spirit of inclusion,

Please note that no food or drinks are permitted in the auditorium.

Health clinics

The Andover health department will offer a mini clinic on Monday, Feb. 27 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle.

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DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo At Memorial Hall Library, newly installed shelving units display new books. Guests get a total view of the third floor from front to back, which wasn't possible before renovations started in June. A new outdoor seating area and work on the library's ground, bottom and upper floors are planned.

LIBRARY: State paying for revovations to date

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ing to Mazin.

"There was a lot of prep. for fire-side reading. work until we were ready to room," she said.

installed throughout a large up." chunk of the library. On the to book storage.

been added to use the newly- a librarian.

move stuff out of the main pleasant place for people," lation, according to Mazin. said Mazin. "Already, we're New carpet has been seeing our statistics going not been secured yet, and place to sit."

check it out themselves, all children's area and the upper the structure.

fireplace has been installed as much as \$75,000, but they Mazin. were all paid through State "We've created a really Aid to Public Libraries legis- out all over the building,"

Money for future work has out, and they need to have a future work may be paid A new self-pickup area through Capital Improvement and renovation work at the first floor, the walls have been has also been created. Now, Plan requests in Andover's library started in 1987 and repainted, and new shelfing with the installation of self- annual budget. That would lasted for two years. During has been introduced that not check counters and the use take Annual Town Meeting that time, the back portion only takes up less space, but of the library's website, resi-votes, and the plan involves of the library — which now also provides more room for dents can have books put on improvements to other areas houses the library's referbooks by adding more shelves hold from their homes, pick of the building, including the ence and children's sections and a double-sided approach them up themselves, and lower level located above the — was built onto the rest of

More seating areas have without needing the help of Memorial Hall area. The back entrance to the library collections to better fit the created free space. By the The recent cosmetic would be renovated with new needs of its patrons, accord- front checkout counter, a gas changes to the library cost seating areas, according to

"We have people coming said Mazin. "They're coming

The last major construction

DANCER: 6-year-old returns to lessons after surgery for hip dysplasia

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"It's more common in first-born females that are breech," said Vivian McNeeley. "She was none of those."

Doctors never saw that Angela's left leg was actually not connected to her hip. In time it had grown up beyond her hip, resulting in that leg actually appearing an inch shorter than her other.

Angela hobbled when she walked, and skipped when she ran, but doctors told the McNeeleys nothing was wrong, said her mom.

"They looked her over and said, 'She's fine. Some kids

But then, at the 2010 Hor- the recovery was so long." out that Angela was limping. Angela's femur and doing she started taking her first The friend asked what was extensive work in the hip steps. wrong.

McNeeley. "I made a joke, but and pins, and then rebuilt the drink, and I, by accident, for-everybody else," said O'Shea. it stuck with me that some- hip socket using the removed got to use my walker. I took "I don't correct as much as I one else noticed."

During a yearly physical when Angela turned five, for months after that, comthe family had a series of pletely holding her entire Angela's first two steps, and X-rays done to make sure left leg in place and most of in September 2011, a year and a poster child for any runs this year's Boston she was OK. That's when the her right leg. Her legs were after her surgery, she started family learned her hips were pulled apart at about a 90 dancing again. malformed, that one leg was degree angle. To brighten longer than the other, and the situation, the family put O'Shea: Angela gives that both needed immediate attention

Surgery, recovery derails dancing

By that time, Angela had been dancing at the O'Shea-Chaplin Academy of Irish Dance for a few months.

"She seemed to be happy with the children, got up and tried everything I asked her to," said Rita O'Shea, the owner. "Her mother did tell me at a later date that she was planning on having a major surgery. I thought it was going to be a big thing, but I didn't realize how big it was, because I didn't know

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have a funny walk," said Viv- After spending months in a body cast and wheelchair following ian. "When she ran, her runher first surgery for hip dysplasia, Angela McNeeley, 6, now ning was different. She would dances after school. Pictured here, she takes a break between skip, but we all just got used dances at the O'Shea-Chaplin Academy of Irish Dance.

area. Doctors cleaned out section of bone.

Angela was in a body cast beanbag.' stickers, sparkles and color- '150 percent' ful designs all over the cast.

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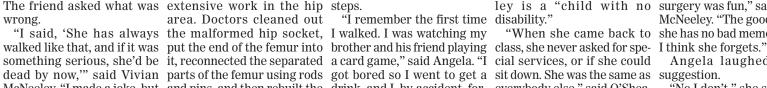
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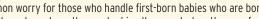
ribles Parade downtown, a The surgery involved cut- apy, she worked her way up strong in her approach for friend of the family pointed ting out a whole section of to a walker, at which point such a tiny little girl."

two steps, and I fell on my

"I've had both of my hips Angela was wheelchair- replaced at different times bound, as she was no longer and I know that the surgery strong enough to walk. Over is difficult, but the recovery



The family celebrated



Tamara Feliciano, a pediatric hospitalist at the Lawrence General Hospital's new Pediatric Center, said hip dysplasia is a common worry for those who handle first-born babies who are born breach.

PEDIATRICIAN: EARLY DETECTION IS KEY

"Even if they aren't breach, we have them get a hip ultrasound when they are four weeks of age," said Feliciano. "We're supposed to do [this] when the baby is born, when they go home and every time they come in."

"The problem is if you don't catch it in time and as [hip cartilage] becomes bone, you can't fix it on its own, You need surgery," said Feliciano. "This is why, every time you go to a checkup during the whole of infancy, it needs to be checked for."

In Angela McNeeley's case, she was not a first-born or a breech baby. Vivian McNeeley said doctors performing Angela's checkups weren't checking until it was too late.

"I just wish I had known," said Vivian McNeeley. When hip dysplasia is detected in babies, body braces and therapy can be used, she said. Had the problem been caught much earlier, "I don't know what the treatment may have been."

Angela has surgery scheduled for later this year to do much of the same work on her right leg as what was done on her left, though the work won't be as extensive and severe. This time, no body cast will be necessary, doctors have told the family.

"After this summer, the hope is that this is it." said Vivian, "I don't know what her future holds, and the doctors won't tell you because they don't want to get it wrong. We've heard all sorts of stuff - more surgeries, hip replacement in her twenties. I don't know. We don't know.'

is much more difficult," said O'Shea. "Yet, she doesn't again, Angela says she has time, through physical therpout about that. She's quite enjoyed the entire process.

"When she came back to would, because she's giving 150 percent of herself physically and mentally."

"She's a marvelous child, Vivian McNeeley as she family who will have to face Marathon to benefit the Chilthis surgery for such a little dren's Hospital Boston, visit kid," said O'Shea.

After months on her feet

"She told [Children's Hospital Boston] it was fun. She To O'Shea, Angela McNee- said the cast was fun, the ley is a "child with no surgery was fun," said Vivian McNeeley. "The good thing is she has no bad memories, but

Angela laughed at the

"No I don't," she said.

For more information on Angela's fight against hip dysplasia, and to sponsor vivian runs boston.com.

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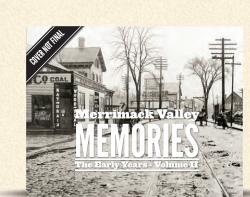
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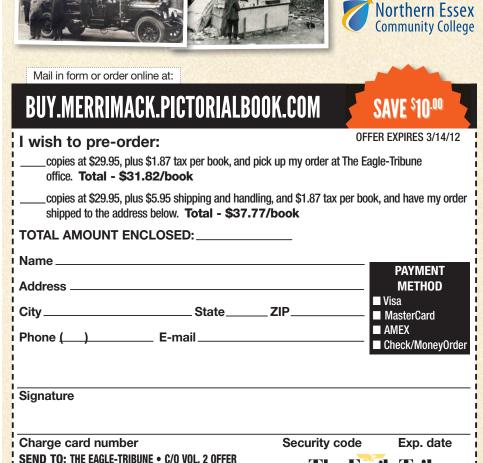
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Obituaries

Iora Jane Alexander, 80

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Tuesday, February 7, 2012. for 20 years. She was born April 23, 1931,

the daughter of the late Sophia and Orlo Milton Crannell, formerly of Malden.

She was a 1949 graduate of Malden High. She earned a bachelor's degree from Boston University and a Masters of

Rhode Island College. She at large. earned a certificate in School when she retired.

Active in community affairs, Newburyport. While teach- they do for children.

SALISBURY, MA — Iora ing, she served as a member of Jane Alexander, 80, of Salis- the board of directors for the bury, MA, passed away on Andover Federal Credit Union

She was a travel enthusiast

and felt that her life was enriched by friendships around the world. Ms. Alexander greatly valued the many opportunities she had to learn about various cultures and appreciated the beauty and

Education and Guidance from accomplishments of the world

She is survived by her sons, Administration from Boston Steven and his wife Mary Beth College. Ms. Alexander spent of Abington, David and his three decades of her life work- wife Pamela of Naples, FL, Wiling in education. She taught liam of Methuen and his forsixth grade in Newton, MA, at mer wife Theresa of Andover, the beginning of her career daughter, Lisa of Salisbury from 1954 – 1957. She resumed and grandchildren, Charles her career in education in and his wife Carolynn, Kather-1968, as a teacher, guidance ine, John, Audra, Jaclyn, Kimcounselor and administrator berly and Brian and 2 greatfor the Andover School System grandsons. Ms Alexander was after raising her four children. predeceased by her sister, Bar-She was principal of the Ban- bara Newcomb Hunter (1994) croft School from 1984 - 1991, and her former husband, Douglas H. Alexander (2002).

ARRANGEMENTS: A Memorial Ms. Alexander served on the Service was held at West Parish Conservation Commission, the Church, Andover. Burial will be Salisbury Community Devel- private at West Parish Garden opment Planning Committee Cemetery. Memorial contributions and the Zoning Development may be made in memory of lora's Committee. She also worked sister to the Hospice of North as a volunteer for 11 years at Shore, 10 Elm St., Danvers, MA the Society for the Develop- 01923 or to the Cystic Fibrosis ment of the Arts, the Custom Foundation, 6931 Arlington Road, House Maritime Museum and 2nd floor, Bethesda, Maryland the Anna Jaques Hospital in 20814, for all the wonderful work

Marjorie A. (Zahka) Howard, Age 69

November 10, 1942 — February 11, 2012

ANDOVER — Mrs. Marjorie A. (Zahka) Howard, a longtime resident of Andover and beloved wife of the late Stanlev W. Howard, died at Ashland Farm in North Andover on Saturday morning, February 11, 2012. She was 69 years

Born in Boston, Massachusetts, on November 10, 1942, she was the beloved daughter of the late Arthur and Virginia (Delaware) Zahka. Mrs. Howard was an office manager for the Indian Ridge Country Club in Andover for many years. She was also a communicant of St. Augustine Church in Andover.

friends were most welcome to com.



Marjorie A. Howard

She will be very sorely attend. Calling hours were missed by her loving daugh- held in the Burke-Magliozzi ters; Jennifer Ferreira and Re- Funeral Home, 390 North Main becca and her husband Kevin Street, Andover, Monday, Feb-Murphy, all of Andover, five ruary 13, 2012, from 6 to 8 PM. grandchildren; Christopher, Burial was in Mt. Auburn Cem-Matthew and Eric Ferreira etery in Cambridge. Donations and Mikayla and Liam Mur- in Marjorie's memory may be phy. She was also the devoted made to the Virginia Delaware Fund, C/O MGH Institute of Her funeral mass was cele- Health Professionals, Charlesbrated in St. Augustine town Navy Yard, 36 1st Ave-Church, 43 Essex Stret, An- nue, Boston, MA 02129. For dover, Tuesday, February 14, additional information, please 2012, at 10 AM. Relatives and visit, www.burkemagliozzi.

Josephine E. Poulo, 99

sephine Poulo, 99, a local resi- president of the board. She dent of the Andovers for the was an avid reader. She retired past 12 years, passed away to Florida with her husband in peacefully on Feb. 11, 2012 (the 1970.

73rd anniversary of her wedding) at Prescott House in North Andover.

Born on Sept. 7, 1912 in Brooklyn, NY, she was the only child of the late Alfred and Rebecca Cohen. Louis, her husband of 58

years and also from NY, died Vaughn, and great-grandin 1997. She lived in New York daughter Ruby of Wilmington while working in a medical of- MA. fice and then for the East Islip school district for many years, quest, arrangements will be priwhere she also served on the vate.

NORTH ANDOVER — Jo- Board of Education and also as

She is survived by her son Louis and his wife Beth of Andover MA. son Richard. grandchildren Rebecca of Andover MA, David and wife Loren of Wilmington, MA, Kelly of Littleton

CO, Ryan, and

ARRANGEMENTS: Per her re-

MEDIATION: Contract now headed to fact finding

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contract.

that you never get to the end that as soon as possible." of it" without reaching resolution first, said Costello. "By continue with this?'

fact finding for a teachers remaining," Gilbert said at a live with." School Committee meeting "The hope to fact finding is last week. "We hope to do announced that negotia-

Costello agrees.

information and data has still open to the parties, that the contract talks have ingunder their last contract been examined, everybody why everything is going on, dragged out this far. says we may get some of so perhaps the parties will what we want, you may get see the light," said Costello. ing that we as a community time fact finding was used in some of what you want, but "Every time a process ratch- are turning this over to the contract talks between the how long are we going to ets up, that puts a different state bureau of whatever to AEA and School Committee, "There's nothing that positions and where they can then mediate over what months ahead of when that could prevent the two think they want to get, ver- they decide," said McCall. contract would have expired,

- since she has experienced ever the issues are that are tion that both parties can papers, about teachers los-

Moments after Gilbert It's very discouraging. finding, West Elementary McCall, "and it's very, very "It could go on for months, School teacher Frank McCall frustrating." the time that everybody's which is why everything is expressed disappointment

perspective on each party's go to fact finding, so that we a settlement was reached sides from coming together sus where they may in fact "I go out to the picket line according to Costello.

anyway to resolve what- need to get to — a resolu- every morning. I read the ing their way, being vilified.

"I don't know how we tions are moving to fact got to this point," said

Teachers have been worksince Aug. 31, 2010, when "To me, this is embarrass- it expired. In 1975, the last

Committee, teacher spar on access

TRANSCRIPT FROM MEETING

By Dustin Luca STAFF WRITER

Association's website has a the speakers' table, minutes after two other teachers spoke. VP Jenpost saying Annie Gilbert, School Committee chairwoman, can be seen "refusing to allow the public to more [than] that. You had three speakers. speak."

Gilbert allowed three AEA members to talk at a recent meeting, but not a fourth.

In the video, of a Feb. 9 School Committee meeting, Gilbert announces that contract talks in mediation have moved on to fact finding. Three AEA members are given the floor to speak, and then AEA Vice President Jen Meagher tries to talk, and is told she can't. Half an hour later, Meagher tries again, and she is told again by Gilbert that she cannot. She continues to talk, and

in response the School Committee recesses. As they leave the room, Meagher continues to stand at a microphone. "Wow," said Meagher.

"That's how determined you are to shut down a teacher's voice?"

Gilbert says what transpired at the meeting was an execution of the state's Open members have typically spo-Meeting Law. The law states, ken during this time. "No person shall address meeting of a public body."

uled time typically identified was followed almost to the not let Meagher speak. as "Citizen Input." AEA second.

The Andover Education Around 40 minutes into the meeting, AEA President Kerry Costello leaves

Meagher comes to the table. AEA VP JEN MEAGHER: One more. SC CHAIRPERSON ANNIE GILBERT: I've said 15 minutes. It's been

MEAGHER: This is a public meeting. This is citizen input. **GILBERT:** It's a meeting held in public. That doesn't mean we go on and on and on.

MEAGHER: I'm not going to on and on. I have some brief comments that I would like to make.

GILBERT: I'm sorry. We're moving on. I promised students who came here tonight that they could make their presentation.

MEAGHER: I'll comment after the student presentation. Thanks.

GILBERT: You'll comment when I... (stops talking) Half an hour later, a presentation ends. Meagher approaches the speaking table again.

MEAGHER: Could I say a couple of things? I can't believe you're shutting down somebody from speaking.

GILBERT: You know what? There were people who raised their hand. I gave them five minutes each.

MEAGHER: So you're saying that people are not allowed to have a thought or an idea?

GILBERT: You know what? We're going to recess if you can't let us just go on with the business of the School Committee.

MEAGHER: I have like... two minutes. GILBERT: Then we're going to recess.

The School Committee starts to walk out of the room. Meagher continues to stand at the table.

MEAGHER: Wow. That's how determined you are to shut down a teacher voice? OK.

the audience at that time, did agenda items. The School Committee not, according to Gilbert. The

Kerry Costello, president

allows residents and teach- teachers were then given a of the AEA, said she underers to speak during a sched-total of 15 minutes, which stands Gilbert's decision to on this story, please email

"They have a right to set com.

an agenda, they have a right to set the time, and that's the decision of the body, said Costello. "You provide a time [to let the public speak]. Some boards don't even do

Meagher said she was surprised by it, and although she knows there is no legal requirement to allow the public to speak at the meeting, believes it should be allowed regardless.

"It's kind of anti-democratic and anti-open dialogue, which surprises me," said Meagher. "As a member of the leadership team on the AEA, I think you can't deny that when I speak, I am representing more than just my own voice. That doesn't mean that everything I say is what every teacher in Andover believes. I know that's not true. We're a pretty diverse group of people. But many members chose to appoint me their public voice, or one of their public voices.'

Meagher said she planned on addressing an earlier comment by Gilbert. "Her statement that the negotiations were now out of the School Committee's hands, At that point, "we were that they really couldn't conin other agenda items, and trol the process at this point, On this particular evening, [Meagher] stood there and I felt was misleading," said a meeting of a public body prior to Citizen Input, Gil- repeatedly asked to speak," Meagher. "The School Comwithout permission of the bert asked how many mem-said Gilbert. "I felt, rather mittee has a lot of control chair, and all persons shall, bers of the AEA planned to than get into a disruptive in this process and they can at the request of the chair, speak. Three members of exchange, it was better to initiate a face-to-face discusbe silent. No person shall the audience raised their recess the meeting than to sion with the teachers at any disrupt the proceedings of a hand. Meagher, who was in resume with the planned moment, and they haven't. So we're left waiting a lot.'

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Society's portraits are images for the ages



Andover Stories

Ellen Marcus. Andover Historical Society

People who have visited the Andover Historical Society's meeting room during the past 40 years, have likely seen the impressive portraits of some of the early contributors to Andover's growth. Although most of the portraits came into the collection at various times, not until the mid 1970s, when Mrs. Geneva Killoran persuaded the society's Board of Directors to embark on a restoration program, did the portrait collection

became a cohesive exhibit. One of the first portraits to be restored was that of Timothy Flagg. The formal portrait is dated circa 1820, it is unsigned, and depicts a man in his early thirties. Flagg served as a captain in the Andover Militia and along with his partner, Mr. Gould, ran a well-established printing business in Andover. The portrait

had been donated in the 1930s by Flagg's direct descendant. At the same time, the

Historical Society chose to restore three portraits of the Battles family: Winslow, his wife Charlotte Wardwell, and their son Otis. The portraits were donated in the 1950s by Otis Battles' grandson. The paintings are dated circa 1840 and the artist is unknown. The Battles family owned property on Lowell Street in 1839 and the Battles family held ownership of the property for over 100 years.

Another restored portrait originally was titled "Portrait of an Unknown Gentleman." Although the portrait was signed "W. H. Brigham, 1858," the society was unsure as to the identity of the imposing sitter. After a newsletter inquiry as to the gentleman's name, the subject was identified as Nathan Frye. Further research uncovered the fact that the portrait had been donated to the society in the 1940s by the estate of Mrs. P.H. Frye and that Mr. Frye was an original subscriber in 1835 to the Protestant Episcopal Society of Andover. As restoration

and research continued, it became evident that the Society had a portrait collection which not only put faces to some of Andover's early influential citizens, but also represented both the itinerant and the professional portraiture of the

In the 1960s the Society acquired portraits of Hobart Clark and Moses Foster. The Clark portrait is dated circa 1845 and signed by William Willard. Moses Foster's portrait is dated circa 1835 and signed by A. J. Bascom of Lowell. In 1980 Mrs. Marland C. Hobbs donated a portrait of Abraham Marland, a prominent figure in Andover's early economy and in the establishment of the Episcopal Church. Hobbs' husband was Marland's great grandson.

Having collected, researched, and restored several portraits of early 19th century Andoverites, the Society turned its attention to finding a portrait of Amos Blanchard, influential in church and banking circles and the man who built its home on Main Street in 1819. In 1986, the Deacon Amos Blanchard (1773-1847) portrait was

finally located. In a press release, dated 1987 and titled "Andover Bank Gives Andover Historical Society Grant to Purchase Portrait of Amos Blanchard," the bank states; "The portrait of Amos Blanchard is a particularly important addition to first half of the 19th century. the Historical Society's collection (not only) because he built the house where they are located, (but also because) Blanchard, his life and family, serve as the focal point of the society's presentation of Andover history during the early 19th century." With an additional private donation, the Society was able to frame and repair the portrait.

Although not always on view at the Historical Society, the portrait collection remains one of its most prized holdings, a tribute to those early entrepreneurs, and a tribute to Mrs. Geneva Killoran and all those Society members, donors, and volunteers instrumental in its preservation.

"Andover Stories" is a weekly column about interesting local people and events, started to celebrate the Andover Historical Society's 100 anniversary in 2011.

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Town seeks cleanup at Osgood blight property

By Dustin Luca STAFF WRITER

The town's health department is taking action against a blight property on Osgood Street, where hundreds of trash bags are piled several feet high.

On Friday, town Health Director Tom Carbone issued cleanup orders that give the owner of 116 Osgood St., Susan Odle, up to seven days from receipt of the orders to clean up the property.

Townsman two weeks us to take the next step of mailings was done "so if ago, Feb. 2. Carbone said action." the town couldn't take any health issue.

That is no longer the case, according to Carbone.



Stacks of trash bags sit on Susan Odle's property, the contents of which originated from her condemned condominium on Michael Way.

"We've been able, finally, to document what we're by both certified mail seeing, the trash and ani- and regular mail to three The home was pictured mals getting there," said addresses registered to on the front page of the Carbone. "That's allowed Odle. The doubling of the

action on the property at with the orders within mail, they still get it via that time, because it didn't seven days "could result the regular mail," said seem the property was a in court action" from the Carbone. town, said Carbone, who declined to specify what had not received a response that could mean.

The orders were sent somebody chooses not Odle failing to comply to sign for the certified

> As of Monday, the town or any returned mail.

■ POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY DUSTIN LUCA dluca@andovertownsman.com

The following arrests were taken from Andover police logs for Tuesday, Feb. 7 through Monday, Feb. 13:

ARRESTS

Tuesday, Feb. 7 — At 8:51 p.m., Jaclyn Gottlieb, 34, of offense. 25801 Shawnee St., Sorrento, Fla. was arrested on River Road and charged on a warrant for offering sexual con- arrested on North Main Street duct for a fee.

a.m., Chrissy Camara, 24, of license. 687 Lakeview Ave., Lowell, with a suspended license.

tide, 25, of 51 Osgood St., and operating under the influstarted driving northbound Methuen, was arrested in the ence of liquor. area of Routes 495 and 28 and vehicle violation, possess of \$250.

Saturday, Feb. 11 — At 1:02 crime. p.m., Nikole Bistany, 37, of 3 Woodland St., Lawrence, was INCIDENT and charged with operating a a.m., police pursued a gray Thursday, Feb. 9 — At 6:34 motor vehicle with a revoked

was arrested on River Road Nikole Fagan, 28, of 50 Cam-down Andover Street. While and charged with speeding bridge Road, Woburn, was in pursuit, an officer giving and operating a motor vehicle arrested on Main Street and chase saw the vehicle rack charged with a marked lanes up multiple red light viola-At 11:26 a.m., Fedlaire Aris- violation, a red light violation tions. Eventually, the vehicle

At 10:27 p.m., Robert Con- over 100 miles per hour in charged with a stop sign viola- nearney, 18, of 17 Abbott light traffic. Police then tion, operating a motor vehicle Bridge Road, Andover, was terminated the pursuit and with a revoked license, provid- arrested on North Main Street notified Lawrence and State ing a false name and address to and charged with malicious Police, and put a be-on-thepolice associated with a motor destruction of property over lookout call to all stations in

a class B drug with intent to Monday, Feb. 13 — At 11:31 distribute, and having a con-p.m., Savier Carrasquillo, 28, trolled substance in, on or of 6 Merrill St., Methuen, was near a school or playground. arrested on Memorial Circle At 1:19 p.m., Jose Colon, 38, and charged with assault and of 40 Kenneth St., Lawrence, battery on a household memwas arrested on River Road ber, assault with a dangerous and charged with operating weapon, destruction of propa motor vehicle with a sus- erty over \$250, larceny over pended license, subsequent \$250, intimidating a witness and threatening to commit a

Sunday, Feb. 12 — At 8:22 Mercedes C 300 believed to have been traveling at speeds Sunday, Feb. 12 — At 2 a.m., of roughly 75 miles per hour on Route 495 at speeds of the northwest region.

RECORDS: Democrats calling for investigation on campaign funding

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to around \$30,000, according to Paul Ferro, MRCC chairman.

phone calls.

Marlborough-based group has "found a way that they Initial reports did not think exploits loopholes and list donations, source campaign finance laws to hide how money gets into an laws and should be seriously looked at."

Massachusetts Democratic reports show. Party Chairman John Walsh says the Marlborough reports outlining his cam- Tait said he couldn't com-Republican City Committee paign's expenditures, receipts ment specifically on the situhas helped campaign opera- and in-kind donations did not ation surrounding Adams' tions for six Republican state identify how money from the in-kind donations and his representatives, including city committee was used to family's contributions to the Adams and fellow Andover benefit his campaign. Rep. Jim Lyons.

and going to continue.

local Republican committees \$2,823 in post card mailings are supposed to do, which is on Oct. 15, 2010. The report only donate up to \$1,000 per help elect Republicans," said was amended on April 18, Ferro. "It's absurd to say we 2011 to add three sets of incan't help anyone outside kind donations of "mailings" of our city. I've campaigned from BFS Daniels, a print across the state for a variety communications company. of candidates."

Democrats have called for cates" as explained on the an investigation into Adams' report's cover sheet. This

finance law, individuals can made by the city committee. Previously, the same family again, correcting the three

members each gave Adams in-kind donations listed as year to a candidate, Tait said. very happy that my commit-voters," said Franck. Paul Adams did not return Adams, his parents and the cover letter says. brother agreed to pay fines

election. That's something week of 2011, Adams' mother, of both donations as the Mar that violates state ethics father and brother each lborough GOP committee. donated \$5,000 per year to the Marlborough Republi- 'Loophole' is legal, In his letter to the OCPF, can City Committee, finance officials say

Adams' original finance

Ferro said everything the tially filed on Oct. 25, 2010 no more than \$5,000 a year to MRCC is doing is both legal reflected only an in-kind a party committee, no camdonation from the Repub-paign finance laws are being "We're doing exactly what lican State Committee for broken. The reason for the amend-This is the second time, ment was to "Delete duplicame around half a year after Under state campaign the donations were initially

donate up to \$500 per year Four months later, on Aug. to a candidate's campaign. 8, the report was amended

A year-end report initially explained. Kevin Franck, communica- totaling \$4,000, and \$45,000 filed on Jan. 20, 2011 didn't

OCPF spokesman Jason MRCC. However, he said that A pre-election report inia as long as individuals donate

A party committee can



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himself \$13,000 in gifts, coming from BFS Daniels to However, party committees tee has been successful to paign and Political Finance lborough REPCC." The rea- they want in the form of in- state.' review determined Adams son for the amendment was kind donations — including

"I wish that we had 500

spending on Adams by MRCC which an Office of Cam-reflect their source as "Mar- are free to donate as much as elect Republicans across the that its documents demon-

later loaned to his campaign. to "Correct inkind designee," printed materials, DVD mail-party said the failure to iden-money in support of local ings and website hosting, he tify the source of the in-kind Marlborough candidates in donations is an issue.

"What it looks like [MRCC] tions director for the state's in loans Adams made to his report any in-kind donations. active local Republican com- and [another Republican Republican town committee Democratic party, says the campaign will not be repaid. It was amended on April 19, mittees who are each rais- PAC] were doing was mov- that is engaged in this kind of 2011 to reflect two in-kind ing five to ten K on their ing money through a local multi-step campaign finance donations from BFS Daniels. own, supporting their local political committee, and then scheme," said Franck. "We're The report was amended state Rep. candidate on their all over the state in ways spelooking through OCPF filings again on Aug. 8, 2011 to own, but frankly that's not cifically designed to hide the as we speak.'

In 2010 and in the first properly identify the source the case," said Ferro. "I'm source of that money from

Walsh wrote to the OCPF strate the Marlborough city The state's Democratic committee "spent very little recent years.'

"We have not found another



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Opinion

Time to hear from Adams

For democracy to work, elected and appointed officials need to interact with the public, and with the press that remains a main pipeline for providing public access. Firstterm state Rep. Paul Adams, who plans to run for state senate, is ignoring calls from the local press. Last week, Adams did not return a call from the Townsman seeking answers to the rather softball question of why he wants to run for state senate. This week, he did not return calls about the state Democratic Party again calling for an investigation into his 2010 campaign. The silence is unfair to supporters and detractors alike - and does no good for Adams either.

We assume Adams chose to lay low both weeks because he knew detractors were again focusing on how his 2010 campaign was financed.

By now, those who follow local politics know the story. Between February and August 2010, Paul Adams' parents Steven and Lynette Adams, and his brother, Ammon Adams, gave him \$39,000 — the bulk of the money coming just before Adams launched his campaign in March 2010. While Adams says the money was intended to support him personally, the state Office of Campaign and Political Finance concluded that at least some of that money constituted illegal campaign donations in excess of the \$500 per person annual limit. Adams, his parents and his brother agreed to pay a total of \$4,000 in fines to settle the charges but Adams admitted no wrongdoing.

Now, a new campaign finance reports show that Adams' parents and brother continued to funnel money to support his campaign after it was launched. In September 2010, his parents and brother each gave the annual maximum of \$5,000 to the Marlborough Republican City Committee. Just after the calendar turned to 2011, Adams' parents and brother gave another \$5,000 each to the Marlborough Republican Committee for a total of \$30,000.

In the two months prior to the November 2010 election, the Marlborough committee produced and mailed six campaign brochures for Adams costing a total of \$27,807, records show. The committee also gave the Adams campaign \$1,000 and spent \$2,000 for people to carry campaign signs and canvass neighborhoods in the 17th Essex District. So \$30,000 from Adams' family went into the Marlborough committee, and \$30,000 came out of the Marlborough committee to support Adams' campaign.

None of this is illegal. But Adams did wait to report the contributions from the Marlborough committee until well after the election, and only after two revisions to his reports. Why did this happen? It's a legitimate question worth an answer.

Some of Adams' defenders claim the Democrats engage in the same kind of shenanigans. But that's a poor defense. What's the point of electing Republicans to break the Democrats' stranglehold on Beacon Hill if they behave the same? When he ran for state representative, Adams promised voters, "I will always be honest and faithful." A decidedly oneparty state, Massachusetts would benefit from some faithful and talented opposition, including Republicans. Any state could use honest politicians.

A leader will stand before those with questions and offer his views. Adams leaves only questions before his constituents, instead of letting them hear his thoughts.

Adams plans to run for state senate. In the primary he may face current Andover selectman Alex Vispoli. Whoever wins that primary will face Democrat Barry Finegold and his hefty campaign war chest in the general election.

In declining to answer questions, including questions he finds uncomfortable, Adams is doing his constituents and himself no favors.

WEB QUESTION

let all interested residents and is at work. Is Andover doing employees speak at meetings?

- Amendment right to speak answers were: in public.
- must hear.
- Yes, for another reason.
- some reasonable limits.
- speak if they want to would votes, 6.52 percent. slow down town business.
- ognize speakers to protect votes, 4.35 percent. the meeting's integrity.
- reason.
- I don't know, or I have no opinion.
- answer).

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

"The Andover Village At shouldn't change from how Home (TAVAH) is closing, but they are right now.'

Should Andover committees an elderly housing task force enough for its seniors?" With ■ Yes. People have a First 46 people responding, the

- Not enough senior ■ Yes. They may have citizens need more support ideas that the governing body in Andover: 32 votes, 69.57 percent.
- Yes, and limit the time I don't know, or I have for each person tantially if no opinion: six votes, 13.04 percent.
 - Too much Andover ■ No, there need to be needs to spend fewer resources on the elderly and ■ No. Letting everyone focus on other areas: three
- Just enough there's ■ No. Board or committee room for improvement, but chairs have the power to rec- what we have works: two
 - Too much Andover ■ No, but for another needs to spend less in general: two votes, 4.35 percent.
- Other (supply your own answer. One response: ■ Other (supply your own "Andover depends on tax revenue but won't build a senior center"): 1 vote, 2.17 percent.
- No one selected "More Last week's questions was than enough - things

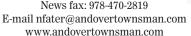
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SO MUCH FOR WINTER



Anisha Rao sheds her jacket as she leaps up to grab a branch during "Winter Fun Day" at the Ward Reservation.

Teacher: Differences between Andover High block and others

Editor, Townsman:

looked at the related fac- seling for all four years.

critical differences in how ment with six teachers. teachers per week, and in Staff is divided into depart- as instructional time. student enrollment figures, ments: Science/Technology, school building operates.

The student population and Art/Music/Drama. data is taken from the state 11. Here is a brief summary ments including Science/ of my findings:

structures and the number of and Technology Education. courses the school can offer.

1,801 students. Staff is divided Andover High School. into department including Science, World Languages, instructional periods. Fine Arts, Performing Arts, and Business.

In response to the article Enrollment is 1,580. The administration do not count. to say that teachers teach 'Committee says AHS sched-school is divided into four Instructional periods at three courses each semester

ules of the high schools as Students generally take their dent's transcript as courses. Two versions of a 4x4 block identified by the School core freshman and sopho-Committee as comparable more classes within their Data appears to indicate Standard Bell Schedule to the 4 x 4 block schedule learning community and stay that time other than direct includes four blocks, ranging at Andover High School. I within it for guidance coun-instruction of students is from 83 to 86 minutes. One

as it has an impact on staff- Drama, English, Business,

enrollment is approximately a student enrollment as

Another difference is prob-

to share the results of my learning community has specific outlined curriculum course varies. research on the four sched- between 400 to 450 students. and are listed on each stu-

regarding class sizes and aca- were 866 students, less than these extended homerooms marking term. demic loads, in the amount half the number of students and "Team Times" (Andover

Mathematics, Social Stud- ably the most significant: instruction with our current ference of 30 minutes. ies, English Language Arts, specific details concerning block schedule. It is true that teachers teach three courses Andover: Instructional peri- per semester, but according Physical Education, Health, ods equals academic courses. to the Cohasset Student class meetings run by the courses varies from one class size, appears online.

quarter, to one semester, to three quarters, to full year." Cambridge, Rindge & Latin: guidance department or the Therefore, it is misleading ule at issue" I would like learning ommunities. Each Andover High School have a because the length of each

Groton-Dunstable Regional: Cambridge Rindge & Latin: schedule are offered. The considered to be part of a difference from the Andover tors that have an impact on Cohasset Middle/High School: teacher's contractual work- schedule is a 10-minute student achievement within Enrollment is 372 students. day. For example, students break in Groton-Dunstable each school. Currently at Staff is divided into depart- attend "Community Meet- after first block. The second Andover High teachers by ments including English, ing" which is a homeroom version at Groton-Dunstable contract are required to Mathematics, Science/Tech- period that occurs daily as includes a 30-minute adviteach five courses per year. nology, Social Studies, For- well as an X-Block which also sory period between first I reviewed master sched- eign Language, Fine Arts, occurs on a regular basis. and second block, with each ules, student handbooks, Instructional Technology, Because Cambridge Rindge block about 77 minutes. The teacher contracts regarding Health/Physical Education, & Latin is subdivided into teacher contract is silent length of workday, number of Special Education annd approximately 400-student whether this advisory time is workdays, number of preps, Guidance. However, there houses, the "Community counted as part of the teachplanning time, administra- is a considerably smaller Meeting" period resembles er's instructional periods. tive/professional duties, number of teachers in each what Andover middle school Thirdly, some courses last academic caseload limits and department, the largest "Team Time." Considering for one semester or just one class size policies. There are being the English depart- the contract says "Student marking term. At Andover instructional time shall be High, the vast majority of instructional periods are defined, in policy guidelines School: During 2010-11, there day," it would appear that ter and no course runs for a

Holliston High School: A rotat of planning time allotted for attending Andover High. class labels) are considered ing 4 x 4 schedule is offered. Each block is approximately Cohasset Middle/High School: 77 minutes. At the end of all of which make direct com- English, Mathematics, Social A straight 4x4 block sched- second block all students parisons meaningless with- Studies, Physical/Behavioral ule is NOT in place, as the stay in the classroom for a out the details of how each Health, Foreign Language, School Committee indi- "directed study." On Fridays, Guidance, Special Education, cated. Cohasset Middle/High the ninth and tenth grade School offers a rotating 5 classes alternate between a Holliston High School: There block schedule, with 85 min-directed study and an advi-Department of Education were 863 students enrolled. ute classes, with one of these sory block. Supervision of website for school year 2010- Staff is divided by depart- classes dropped daily. A stu- the directed study counts dent who attends Cohasset as neither an instructional Technology, Mathematics, Middle/High School would period nor as a duty. How-The first difference, stu- Social Studies, Foreign Lan- receive 85 minutes of biology ever, it does affect the numdent enrollment, is critical guage, Wellness, Art/Music/ four times a week, totaling ber of minutes of instruction 340 minutes of instruction. students receive. At AHS, a ing ratios, organizational Special Education, Guidance A student at Andover High sophomore who is scheduled School, would receive 83 for an English course second In summary, none of these minutes of biology five block receives 415 minutes Andover High: Currently, high schools have as large times a week, totaling 415 of direct instruction. At minutes. At Andover High Holliston High School, that School, a student receives 75 student receives only 385 more minutes per week of minutes of instruction, a dif-

RENEE DRUEKE **AHS Special Education teacher**

Andover The writer's entire sub-Special Education, Guidance Study halls, homerooms and Handbook "the length of mission, which also looks at

Union VP: I was not allowed to speak

Editor, Townsman:

sentative of the teachers, this tions to enter mediation. action indicates real hostility hear dissent.

mittee's refusal to negotiate. to bargain in good faith. The solution is simple: begin

the Townsman:

■ When the AEA

2009, the School Committee outside of collective bargain- members Dennis Forgue and refused, waiting nine months ing. The AEA filed an Unfair Paula Colby-Clements, that it before they would schedule Labor Practice charge. the first meeting.

Last week I attended the the process, the committee forward in a decision for the schools' long term health School Committee meeting refused to continue negotia- AEA. Taxpayers stand to and success. and Chairwoman Annie Giltions and in December 2010 lose hundreds of thousands bert refused to allow me to unilaterally appealed to the of dollars. speak. As an elected repre-state Board of Labor Rela-

■ In January, 2011 Den- proposals have changed questions, made appeals and for the democratic voice of nis Forgue declared pub- little. The continued goal of presented evidence of meanteachers and demonstrates licly that negotiations had reducing costs through a sig- ingful learning experiences. the committee's refusal to reached "impasse," a blatant nificant reduction of faculty Doherty Middle School stumisstatement that has been totally disregards the AEA's dents demonstrated that I had hoped to clarify and repeated many times in the explanations of the educa- they are learning stewardcorrect a statement by Gil- press despite correction by tional damage — long term ship—an understanding that bert who claimed the nego- legal counsel. Impasse has and short — that will come. we have an obligation to protiation process is out of the not been declared in Mas-School Committee's hands as sachusetts since the 1980s, to move from its most dam- we use today for the sake of it enters a stage called "fact To reach impasse is a cata- aging proposals. Instead of a those who will follow us. As finding." Fact finding is not strophic failure of the spirit real back and forth dialogue stewards of Andover Public a mandatory process being of negotiation. The deliberimposed by the state. It is a ate push toward impasse on both sides, the refusal to tee must protect this essenresponse to the School Com- indicates a further refusal

- real negotiation in earnest. to negotiate over the AEA's is hurting everyone. Here are some missing cost-saving proposals: to facts from the negotiation move into the GIC health of the School Committee's less supervision, and fewer timeline recently printed in insurance program and early intransigence, and it is a choices. How can this be retirement incentives.
- requested to begin contract tee unilaterally imposed a convince the committee, negotiation in September change in health insurance especially bargaining team

■ A mere five months into decided to move the ULP will do serious harm to the

which leads to compromise Schools, the School Commitacknowledge any validity to tial community investment. the teacher perspective indi-■ The committee refused cates a fixation on cost that less of everything par-

unified but heavy-hearted progress? ■ The School Commit- attempt by the AEA to

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is time to listen, our concerns ■ The Labor Board are real, and their proposals

Thankfully, Gilbert didn't silence all valid contribu-After a year and a half of tions during citizen input; meetings, the committee's teachers and students asked The committee has refused tect and improve upon what

Fewer teachers will mean ents and kids value in that Work to rule is the result building—less mentorship,

> JENNIFER MEAGHER Amesbury AHS English Department,



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Your Dental HEALTH

by Nicholas T. Papapetros, DMD, FAGD

SERVICE WITH A SMILE

regular office visits, most patients aspects of dental care. can avoid many common dental problems. Daily brushing and flossing, and the application of sealants, can help youngsters avoid tooth decay. Adults can avert their most common problem, gum disease, with regular professional care. In cases where tooth loss, oreakage, or misalignment does occur, your dentist is expert in a variety of advanced restoration and replacement techniques. In tooth whitening, veneers, and bonding, that effectively remedy chipped, discolored, and gapped

By maintaining good oral-health smiles. In the weeks and months ractices at home and scheduling ahead, this column will address al

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TOWN TALK

Son of a senator

and Barry Finegold became the proud parents of their third child, Maxwell Meyer 28 want to lead Finegold.

Maxwell, who joins two sisters, weighed in at 8 pounds, 12 ounces.

I'm so happy now."

of dresscode, a downtown tors. It's expected that the clothing store.

is expected to deliver their week of March. new baby on Feb. 28, just a

day shy of the leap day that Last Wednesday, Amy arrives every four years.

— Dustin Luca

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Andover High

Twenty-eight people have expressed interest in "I had two great chil- being principal at Andover dren," said Barry Finegold, High School, Superinten-Andover's state senator and dent Marinel McGrath said. a 1989 Andover High gradu- The applications are being ate. "Now I have three, and reviewed by a team of teachers, parents, community Amy Finegold is owner members and administranames of finalists from the Still waiting on his search could be available in third child is Bob Doug- about a week. McGrath said las, Andover's Conserva- she expects an appointment tion director, whose wife to be made by the third

— Dustin Luca



Max Murray and his grandmother Sharon Caico were among the Shawsheen School community who created valentines for people living at Wingate at Andover, a nursing home.

Creating together

Students at Shawsheen event was sponsored at Wingate at Andover last committee. Friday, Feb. 10. Students Shawsheen School is a to join in their creativity.

School made Valentine's through the School PTO's Day cards for the residents community services

invited their grandparents magnet or choice school for children in preschool The valentine-making through grade 2.

Interesting view on long-running town vard task force

offered a simile to describe at mhl.org/eventcalendar. his board's role in Andover.

resenting the Town Yard Library. Task Force, which has been

insurance company that 623-8401 Ext. 39. Programs long term.

— Dustin Luca

Like musicals? Take a 'Trip'

Two Andover students, junior Jillian Thero and fresh- at AHS will host the Massaman Gabriella DiVincenzo, chusetts State First Techniare among the Lawrence cal Challenge Tournament Academy actors rehears- on March 10. Opening cering for The Trip, an original emonies are at 10 a.m., with music theater performance closing ceremonies around 5 at the Groton school.

ate both the script and the state. music, the cast explores the question, "Who are our tournament in any athletic ancestors, and how did their endeavor – but on the STEM journeys and choices deter- side," said ARC team advimine who we are today?" sor and math teacher Minda Performances are Feb. 16, Reidy. 17 and 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the school's Richardson-Mees fied for the state battle royale Performing Arts Center in by outperforming others at Groton

A new beginning

People may "feel the force" at Memorial Hall Library as it enters hyperdrive for its Town Yard Task Force Star Wars Symposium to be Chairman Rick Feldman held on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 2 spoke to selectmen and p.m. People ages 6 and older Finance Committee mem- are invited to come dressed bers about plans to build a as a favorite character for the new Town Yard on Campan- costume contest, learn about the history of Star Wars, join For those watching at in a trivia contest and more. home, who weren't familiar Families are welcome, and with the task force, Feldman people are asked to register

The event is sponsored by "I am Rick Feldman, rep-the Friends of Memorial Hall

For more information on around for a lot of years," the Star Wars Symposium said Feldman. "We're like an and other Children's Room programs, visit mhl.org/ An annuity is a contract kids/programs.htm, or call between a person and an The Children's Room at 978generally pays out over a are held at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St.

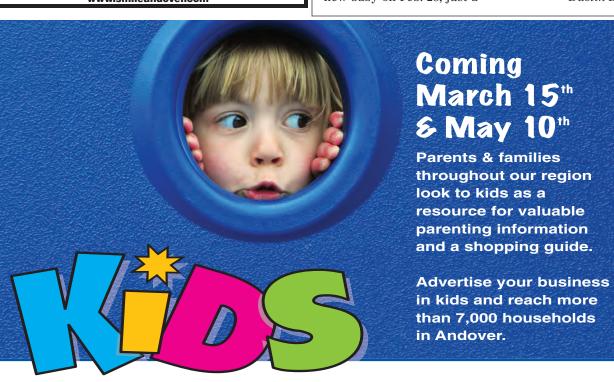
Robot battle

Andover High School will be the site of a battle of the robots on March 10.

The Andover Robotics Club p.m.. There will be 24 teams Working together to cre- competing from across the

"This is similar to a state

The Andover team qualithe North Andover Regional FTC qualifying tournament.



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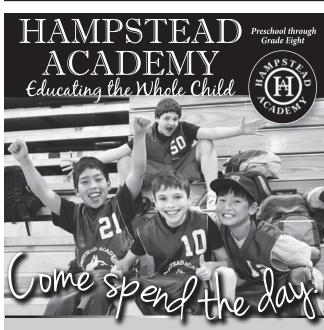


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Townspeople



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A member of the Trustees of the Reservation leads a hike during Winter Fun Day at the Ward Reservation off Prospect Road. Had there been snow, skiing, snowshoeing and sledding would have been offered.



Six-year-old Clark Warrener enjoys a cup of hot chocolate topped with marshmallows at the Winter Fun Day on Sunday.

FUN, YES. WINTER? NOT SO MUCH



Mia Jensen, 6, shares a bench with her dad Henrik as she enjoys a hotdog before talking a hike at the Ward Reservation during Sunday's annual event.

The ice man has gone

Bill Dalton



When I was young, house trusted the source. there was an icebox in my grandmother's kitchen. It wasn't a nice, expensive-

looking, brass handled, mahogany-colored, wooden icebox as big as a refrigerator that you might see in an antique store; no, it was a short, squatty, practicallooking, waist-high thing that looked more like a large safe than a piece of furniture.

It sat in the kitchen corner opposite the pantry, the same place I imagined it had sat for many years, and a grown person had to bend down to open the door, and he better get what he needed fast and close the door, especially in extravagant for them, and the hot months, so that the ice wouldn't melt before the next delivery. There was no freezer in the kitchen icebox, of course, because ice just kept things like milk and leftovers cold and didn't freeze anything.

The ice man came every few days, carrying a block of ice hanging from ice tongs in his hand, and he put the block in the icebox's ice compartment, which took up a quarter of the icebox's space. When the ice melted, it dripped into a and turn it in so it could pan that had to be emptied before it overflowed. Expen- troops needed. We kids sive iceboxes had spigots to release the water, and, if

you trusted the ice source, the melt might be used for cold drinking water, but no one in my grandmother's

The iceman's delivery was predictable, because he had to get into the house to complete the delivery, although in those days, there was usually someone at home in every house. Yet, the iceman, if need be, was more casual with my grandmother's delivery, because my Uncle Bill, whom the iceman knew, lived in the house along with my grandmother and Aunt Francis, and Uncle Bill had a pair of ice tongs in the cellar in case he had to carry ice left on the

porch. One summer's heat wave, they bought an extra block of ice and had their only fan, a large thing that looked like a World War I airplane engine, blowing over the ice to cool the living room. This was although both my aunt and uncle worked, extravagance was frowned on in those days because they'd recently lived through the Great Depression, which lasted from 1929 to World War II, and then the war caused much scarcity because of the needs of our fighting men and women. Citizens had a small supply of stamps and coupons to buy important things like gas and sugar, and were asked to collect scrap metal be made into whatever our

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Andover doctor reflects on Vietnam trip, surgeries

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

Back from a Vietnamese hospital where he performed five to six surgeries a day, this Andover urologist finds himself reminding patients not to take health insurance for granted.

Dr. Liam Hurley treated villagers with cancer, kidney stones and other urological conditions in Hue, Vietnam. He took part in a seven-day mission trip last October with the non-profit group, IVUmed. The organization makes quality urological care and has helped thousands.

to early 60s. With many of urology resident. that country's people living



Liam Hurley of Andover with his colleagues in Vietnam after a available to people worldwide day of caring for patients in Hue, Vietnam's Urology Hospital's operating room. From left, Hao Nguyen, MD, Vietnam; Hao The average life expec- Nguyen, MD, a USA urology resident; Steven Previte, MD, tancy in Vietnam is late 50s Northeast Urology; Hurley; and Kelly Swords, MD, a USA

to Hue (pronounced weigh) doctors for decades. When hope for a cure. for health care are pretty they finally seek treatment, "I don't know how they much non-existent. As a their disease can be so far got there (to the hospital),

in countryside villages, trips result, many people don't see advanced that there is little learned a trick or two about

but they did. We had many patients," said Hurley, of Holy Family Hospital and Northeast Urologic Surgery, PC, which has offices in North Andover, Haverhill, Salem, N.H. and Derry, N.H. "It was a reminder not to take health insurance for granted. For many of these patients, there were problems that should have been diagnosed earlier."

It was Hurley's first mission trip and he teamed with colleague Dr. Steven Previte of Reading and two urology

Patients were prepped for surgeries by Vietnamese medical staff, who Hurley said

were very knowledgable. "They were very good at diagnosing and making decisions," Hurley said. "I even

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

COMPILED BY Susan McKelliget

100 Years Ago Feb. 16, 1912

sustained severe injuries. and Irene Odlin. He was removed to his home

comfortably. Miss Dorothy Cole least. Frozen and bursting

entertained a party of her water pipes have been fre-street returned to his duties appropriated to the day added have been reported. James Anderson of High to the occasion. The guests street, who is employed in were as follows: Agnes Grant, the Lawrence Dye Works, Evelyn and Ada Brewster, fell from his staging in the May Bartlett, Winnifred LeBmill on Thursday morning outillier, Ruth Allen, Muriel ing of the machinery, and Mary Peirce, Dorothy Newton

plumbers' point of view at Real Estate Agency.

friends at a valentine dinner quent happenings during at Andover Press on Wednesat her home on Locke street these cold days, and in one or day after a week's illness. on Saturday evening. Valen- two cases, slight fires resulttine favors and decorations ing from thawing out pipes, recovering from an attack of

75 Years Ago Feb. 12, 1937

The Andover Savings Bank and was caught in the shaft- Johnson, Gwendolyn Brooks, has sold the Dutch Colonial Lewis of Carisbrooke street house at 291 North Main have left for a short vacation street to Percy Earnshaw of in Florida. Their small son The past week has been Lawrence. The sale was made is rapidly recovering from at once and is now resting a satisfactory one from the through the Fred E. Cheever severe burns on the hands.

George Collins of Avon

Miss Elizabeth Carney is

the grippe.

Henry Burbine was appointed a public weigher at the meeting of the selectmen Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth H.

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DALTON: When dependent on ice man, speed was a factor

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didn't have toys until well after the war, but we made fake guns out of sticks, and there were always marbles, although some were very old. We never missed what we never had.

My grandmother's icebox was the last one I remember seeing in use. She liked it and said she didn't have to worry when electricity was lost, as in the Great Hurricane of '38. Years earlier, around 1910 to 1920, she had owned the Metropolitan, a bakery on Main Street, that sold ice cream and ice cream cakes as part of its inventory, so she trusted ice and iceboxes to be dependable, no matter the weather and no matter whether the electricity was on or off.

Ice is resilient if treated well, and iceboxes were insulated and the small blocks of ice, depending on the outside temperature, were good for days, as long

as you didn't open the door too much or too long. I'm amused by kids today who stand in front of an open refrigerator with no idea of what they want. I think they're bored and grazing for some food to relieve their boredom.

My kids had a friend who spent half his day looking for something to eat in our refrigerator, often in a bent-over position seeking some hidden treasure in its depths. Even though I was glad he felt enough at home in our house to do that, I mentioned one day that seeing him bent over our refrigerator was such a common sight that I was beginning to think his butt was part of our refrigerator door. I'm happy to say it didn't deter his future refrigerator use.

Bill Dalton writes a weekly column for the Andover Townsman. His email address in billdalton@andovertownie.com.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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final tally to announce.

which Town Manager being met.

at the present dump site.

50 Years Ago 25 Years Ago Feb. 15, 1962

Feb. 19, 1987

The Finance Committee, Kenneth Seifert, superusing its sharp blue pencil intendent of schools, Tuesthoroughly, has lopped some day evening presented the \$72,000 from departmental School Committee with budgets. Chairman Walter an operating budget of C Wilson Jr., told the select- \$18,516.720 for the 1986-1988 men Tuesday night that a school year. Explaining that few items are still under we haven't made any tradeconsideration, and had no offs yet, Seifert said there is \$87,970 in the budget that is A report on the \$8,000 trac- not yet committed to meettor purchased last spring for ing the costs of current prouse at the dump will be pre- grams, but there are more sented to the selectmen next than \$570,725 worth of addi-Monday night. The tractor tional programs, salaries, has been laid up for repairs, and expenses that are not

Thomas E. Duff estimated in The arguments spanned the area of \$600, during the three separate public hearselectmen's meeting Feb. 5. ings, but the message behind A full-dress meeting of the them-delivered to the Planfuture of the town dump will ning Board Tuesday night be held at 7:30 next Monday by approximately 25 resinight. Featured will be the dents—was both consistent selectmen, the Finance Com- and clear: limit the living mittee, and the special Study density in Andover by curb-Committee that recommends ing multi-unit development a sanitary land fill operation at every possible level.

■ BIRTHS

FINEGOLD - Born at Law- GENDRON - Born at Lawrence rence General Hospital on General Hospital, a daughter, Feb. 8, 2012, a son, Maxwell Jocelyn Tobey, to Matthew Meyer, to Barry and Amy Gendron and Amanda Piercy (Gottesman) Finegold of of Andover. Grandparents Andover. Grandparents are are Stephen and Jean Piercy Michael and Sondra Finegold of Andover, and Richard of Andover, and Mark and Gendron and Patricia Tufano Janet Gottesman of Newton. of North Andover. Jocelyn is Maxwell is welcomed home welcomed home by her sibby his big sisters, Ava and lings, Alexis Piercy, Kaila Gendron, Michael Gendron, and Sean Gendron.

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ENGAGEMENT



Deanna Vasilakis and Michael Pescatore

George and Anna Vasilakis Schools as an associate direcof Andover are pleased to tor of recruitment. announce the engagement Andover.

elor's degree in journalism Gamble. from the University of Masfrom Pace University. She 2012 wedding is planned. is employed by Uncommon

Michael is also a graduof their daughter, Deanna ate of Andover High School, Cynthia Vasilakis, to Michael class of 2003. He received his Brian Pescatore, son of John bachelor's degree in engiand Elaine Pescatore, also of neering from the University of Massachusetts Amherst Deanna is a graduate of and his MBA from Bentley Andover High School, class University. He is a purchasof 2003. She earned a bach- ing manager for Procter &

The couple was engaged sachusetts Amherst and a while on vacation in San master's degree in teaching Francisco, and a September

■ BOOMERVENTURE

KAREN PAYNE-TAYLOR ACTING PROGRAM COORDINATOR

spring.

"We've designed afternoon Senior Center Director. dance, rock and hip hop. "There is often room for the

Boomer Venture programs mind, body and spirit. start the end of February and Registration is the through professional organizer. 17. Courses include:

Mondays, Feb. 27 to May floor.

14, 3:30 p.m.; 11 classes for \$60. Great aerobic workout without going to the gym by instructor Denise Boucher. BoomerVenture is plan- Weight training and stretchning its programs for ing included. No prior exercise experience required.

BOOMER ZUMBA: Thursprograms with teachers and days, March 1 to May 17, self-employed workers in 3:30 p.m.; 12 classes for \$65. mind. It is great that local Cardio fitness with a Latin baby boomers with a little flair by instructor Katie flexibility in their schedules Pina, Andover High Hisare taking advantage of these tory teacher. Dance to Afrolate afternoon courses," said Caribbean music and Latin Kathy Urquhart, Andover beats, with flamenco, belly

MINDFUL MEDITATION: Tuescommunity in many of our days, Feb. 28 to May 15, other day-time classes and 7:30 to 8 a.m.; 11 classes for \$22, facilitated by Joanne Residents can look at the Dahlgren and Ralph Galen, website www.andoversenior- meditation practitioners. center.org or call program The practice of meditation is organizers at 978-623-8321. meant to sooth and refresh

NEW AGE ORGANIZING: Today, there is still time to audit a Thursday, Feb. 16, 2 p.m.; \$16. class the week of Feb. 13 to Fung Shui, "Green Organizsee if these courses might be ing" and "Internal Organizjust what you are looking for. ing" taught by Susan Walko,

All events located at 30 ENERGIZE WITH EXERCISE: Whittier Court, ground

■ TOWNSPEOPLE

Terry named board member at Harvard Club of Andover

the newest board director Submarine. elected to the Harvard Club of Andover.

raising for scholarships for Association. local Harvard students.

was the owner of Spe- Jacqueline Lender, Harvard cialized Machine Inc., a Class of 2016.

manufacturing company specializing in naval communication antennas for Lockheed Martin and military prototypes including work Michael Terry was named on Predator and Trident

A 2011 recipient of Distinguished Service Award He joins the Board reflect- from Phillips Academy for ing the voice of the parent of work on fundraising, Terry a current Harvard student was past co-President of and will be engaged in fund- Phillips Academy Parents'

He and his wife, Sandra, Professionally, Terry are the proud parents of

DOCTOR: On return, praises Vietnam's medical staff

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kidney-stone removal."

Hurley and his team worked at Vietnam's largest the physicians treat patients again. He said the people of with him by email." urology hospital. The 300- - the low quality equipment Hue are very proud and don't If he does return to Hue, bed facility serves adults and and poor working environ- often ask for help - he will he'd especially like to check children from throughout the ment – make it immensely Hue region. The hospital's challenging to provide timely medical team was on hand treatment," he said. "What trip, a resident was clearly he said he's not sure what

ley is used to. But, the Viet- very complex procedures." namese staff is doing the Hurley, an Andover right to be invited in to help. Nora, 5.

best they can with what they resident since 1993, continues This was a pivotal moment. have, he said.

to email Vietnamese staffers Now, months after returning, "The conditions in which and said he would like to visit we continue to communicate always remember that.

for the surgeries. we were able to do using minMedical equipment there is imally invasive procedures invited us to help," Hurley about another trip too soon.

much older than what Hurizing is remarkable as these were said. "There's this threshold Their children are Connor, where you earn trust and the 11, Declan, 9, Maeve, 7 and

in with that resident. But "Towards the end of the with four children at home.

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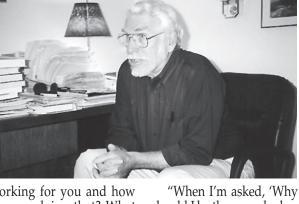
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working for you and how are you doing that? What follows? What is the consequence (everything has a consequence nothing's for nothing)? And what does work and how do you do that? My job is to get you to think about yourself in ways you haven't thought before. Increased self awareness helps people make changes in problem-solving strategies," he has said.

should I be the one who has to change?' I respond, 'For your sake - so that you have choices and feel more in charge of yourself, less dependent, and with less a sense of powerlessness."

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Arts & Entertainment

Pike carrying award-winning documentary 'Bag It'

join a free showing of an environmentonight, Thursday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. tal documentary exploring the single the environment.

the award-winning documentary Bag It extends past landfills to oceans, rivers to the formation of a floating island

Residents have a chance tonight to at the Sunset Rock Road private school and ultimately human health.

Bag It follows "everyman" Jeb 500 plastic bags each year, and uses said. "The film explores these issues use of plastic bags and the effect on Berrier as he tries to make sense of each bag for about 12 minutes each, and identifies how our daily reliance people's dependence on plastic bags. according to a release from the Pike on plastic threatens not only water-The Sustainability Committee at Although his quest starts out small, Sustainability Committee. Pike School is hosting a screening of Berrier soon learns the problem

"This single-use mentality has led health, too.

of plastic debris in the Pacific Ocean The average American uses about more than twice the size of Texas," it ways and marine life, but human

This event is open to the public.

IN THE BAG

Date: Thursday, Feb 16 **Time:** 7 p.m. Location: Dahod Center, Pike School, 32 Sunset Rock Road Cost: Free Admission

First-hand 'Flight' to be aired by author

Reading from 'Flight of Gemma Hardy' at Andover Bookstore

at 7 p.m.

Jane Eyre.

The Andover Bookstore Margot Livesey grew up in growing stronger and more on Fortune Street.

Margot Livesey will read certain of her path. Now an from The Flight of Gemma independent young woman Hardy at the Andover Book- with dreams of the future, store next Tuesday, Feb. 21 she accepts a position as an t 7 p.m. au pair on the remote and The Flight of Gemma beautiful Orkney Islands. Hardy is set in Scotland But Gemma's biggest trial is in the early 1960s, and is about to begin... a journey of described as both an hom-passion and betrayal, secrets age to and a modern varia- and lies, redemption and distion on the enduring classic covery, that will lead her to a life she's never dreamed of.

offers this description: Fate a boys' private school in the has not been kind to Gemma Scottish Highlands where Hardy. Orphaned by the age her father taught, and her of 10, neglected by a bitter mother, Eva, was the school and cruel aunt, sent to a nurse. After earning a bachboarding school where she elor's degree in English and is both servant and student, philosophy at the University young Gemma seems des- of York in England, she spent tined for a life of hardship most of her twenties working and loneliness. Yet her bright in shops and restaurants and spirit burns strong. Fiercely learning to write. Her most intelligent, singularly deter- recent novels include Eva mined, Gemma overcomes Moves the Furniture, Banisheach challenge and setback, ing Verona and The House



From left are Andover High School senior Rebecca Long, junior Clara Kim and freshman Nicholas Renton, who were picked to perform in the 2012 Massachusetts All-State Music Festival.

Taboo-beating drumming, academy groups this weekend

The Cochran Chapel at with children to support - the Phillips Academy will be alive women artists participate in with music this weekend, and the development of a lucra-Andover residents can enjoy tive art-form, one that has

■ On Friday, Feb. 17 at 7:30 economic independence. p.m. the Nimbaya Drumming

The Academy Con-Ensemble will perform. Nim- cert Bands and ensembles baya is described as a daring under the direction of Derek response to taboos stretching Jacobyn will perform this back thousands of years.

played the djembe in West by Vincent Persichetti, Roger Africa, the instrument being Cichy, John Philip Sousa, historically reserved for male Rimsky-Korsakov, Frank players. In 1998, while man- Ticheli and Johnnie Vinson. aging the world-renowned Both events are free and ensemble "Les Percussions open to the public and will de Guinée," Mamoudou take place in the Cochran Conde realized the world was Chapel on the Phillips Acadripe for change and decided emy campus, on Chapel Aveto create an all-women per- nue, off Main Street. cussion and dance ensemble, according to a release from by the Phillips Academy the school.

conditions - jobless and often 4260.

the performances for free. facilitated a change in their

Sunday, Feb. 19 at 3 p.m. The Never before had women program will include works

The concerts are presented Music Department. For more Chosen from among those information, email music@ living in the most difficult andover.edu or call 978-749-

Andover trio make All-State Music Festival

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

If Andover High School's were also selected. vocal program needed a cheerleader, Nicholas Renton Nicholas, who sings in the reached for comment before excited," he said. would sing the program's school's chorus. "It's the first deadline. praises in tune and on pitch, time for me, so I'm excited, no doubt about it.

This tenor has been Music Festival. Nicholas, 14 val last year. and an AHS freshman, is one star squad. Senior Rebecca in the state," said Rebecca, know what would happen," experience."

Long, a violist in the school who has been in the AHS he said. orchestra, and flutist junior orchestra for four years. Clara Kim, a fluetist who

but a little nervous."

"It's just a great experience of three Andover High music to be surrounded by the most myself, 'Well, I worked hard the Boston Symphony students selected to the all- dedicated student musicians and at least I'm here.' I didn't Orchestra. "It's just a great

plays for the school band, sen to audition for All-State that he made it.

It's the second time for wonder - he was handed one March 3 at 6 p.m. at Symselected for the prestigious Rebecca, who was selected classical piece to sing. Then, phony Hall in Boston. Massachusetts All State for the All-State Music Festi- he was handed a sheet of

notes to sing.

Each of the three were cho-cer told him the good news by Andover music teach- "I was so excited. I had

"I am so honored," said ers. Clara Kim could not be to see the letter. I was so

Now, it's practice time as The audition was quite the All-State Music Festival intense for Nicholas. No is happening on Saturday,

"Pretty cool," is how Rebecca described appear-"I just remember that I told ing on the stage used by

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THURSDAY, FEB. 16

read from "Bean by Bean," Andover Bookstore, 7 lightplayhouse.org, 978-380-8509. p.m., with samplings of Crescent's delicious recipes; 978-475-0143.

SINATRA REMEMBERED, singer Rich Dimare, "A Night of Sinatra," 7 to 10 p.m., Seaglass Restaurant, Salisbury Beach, there is no admission fee as Shore artist Dianne Panarelli Miller, 2 p.m., at the the Abbot Academy. Learn about the incredible the restaurant offers a relaxing accompaniment East Mill Art Space, 21 High St. North Andover, story of Helen Keller during this multisensory for diners enjoying meals in the restaurant and (Davis and Furber Complex), \$5 donation, hosted program and experience the world with your fin-singers" from the big band era, Doris Day, Rosebar; 978-462-5800, SeaglassOceanside.com.

FRIDAY, FEB. 17

U.S. ATTORNEY CARMEN ORTIZ, the first Hispanic and the first woman to represent Massachusetts as US Attorney visits, 2 p.m., free, she will share her story as part of the Northern Essex Community College White Fund Lecture Series.

LIVE DRUMMING MUSIC, The Nimbaya Drumming Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., the Cochran Chapel, the Ingalls family, have a 'historic' treat, learn to to sew a cross stitch sampler like young girls did play games in the mat room, swim and have fun. Phillips Academy, free and open to the public; dance and make a pierced 'tin' lantern, \$10 per in the past, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., \$10 per child, or The next Parents' Night Out will be held on March 978-749-4260, music@andover.edu.

SATURDAY, FEB. 18

LIVE FOLK MUSIC, Juno award winner (Can-store, 7 p.m.; 978-475-0143. ada's Grammy) James Keelaghan, New Moon

graduate Lindsay Straw opens the concert.

Playhouse, 2 p.m., \$15 (\$13 for seniors), Trinity Maine, Memorial Hall Limrary; mhl.org. AUTHOR READING, Crescent Dragonwagon will Episcopal Church, 26 White St., Haverhill; spot-

SUNDAY, FEB. 19

by Andover Artists Guild; Nella, 978-975-0015, gertips. Experiment with the five senses, 9:30 to mary Clooney and Peggy Lee, The Rogers Center andoversartistsguild.org.

LIVE THEATER, "Drop Dead!," Spotlight Playhouse, 2 p.m., see Feb. 18 listing.

TUESDAY, FEB. 21

LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE IN for \$24; reservations required, 978-475-2236.

AUTHOR READING, Margot Livesey will read from "The Flight of Gemma Hardy," Andover Book-

FISH ON!, "Tuna!," 7 p.m., with Capts. Nat

Coffeehouse, Unitarian Universalist Church, 16 Moody and Derek Spingler of First Light Anglers Ashland St, Haverhill, 8 p.m., \$10 to \$20, Berklee in Rowley, on techniques on how to catch school sized and giant bluefin tuna in the water around LIVE THEATER, "Drop Dead!," Spotlight Cape Ann including Mass. Bay and the Gulf of

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22

A WALK IN HELEN KELLER'S SHOES, in May of 1891, Helen Keller visited Andover and

OIL PAINTING DEMONSTRATION, by South spoke publicly for the first time while visiting a.m.; 978-475-0143. vacation events for \$24; reservations required, advance, \$30, door, \$35; 978-837-5000. 978-475-2236.

THURSDAY, FEB. 23

ANDOVER?, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., girls will explore Andover samplers made by girls as young as 7 12) to the YMCA while you enjoy dinner out. We what it might have been like to travel West with and textile treasures from our collection. Learn will serve them a snack, make a craft project, child, or sign up for three school vacation events sign up for three school vacation events for \$24; 10, 24, April 14, 28. Cost per child is \$10 for YMCA reservations required, 978-475-2236.

FRIDAY, FEB. 24

FREE INTRO TO YOGA, UnionStudio Yoga, 305 North Main St. (rt. 28/Tactician Building), Andover, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., teaches principles of correct alignment, guidelines for breathing and basic poses for strength, flexibility and balance; unionstudioyoga.com, Connie 978 376-1100.

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR READING, David Elliott will read from "In the Sea," Andover Bookstore, 10

LEGENDARY LADIES OF SONG, this concert will pay tribute to three of the most famous "girl 11:30 a.m., \$10 per child, or sign up for three school for the Arts at Merrimack College, North Andover,

SATURDAY, FEB. 25

PARENTS NIGHT OUT, 5 to 8 p.m., YMCA, 65 SCHOOL GIRL SAMPLER, explore traditional Haverhill St., Andover. Bring children (ages 4 to members; \$20 for the community. Please pre-register at the Welcome Center. The Andover/North

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UMass students, professor have exhibts in city

Two art exhibits are on display at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, and one is "BIG."

UMass Lowell students are showcasing their work in the 22nd annual juried exhibit, "The BIG Student Show," now through Feb. 24 in the Dugan Gallery, UML South, 883 Broadway St., Lowell. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Friday and Saturday by appointment.

UMass Lowell professor Michael Jones and his wife, Christine, also have mounted an exhibit, "Sustenance," that combines his oil paintings with her verse.

This exhibit, also on display through Feb. 24 but at the Whistler House Museum of Art, explores their love of Walden Pond's natural landscape and other Merrimack Valley landmarks. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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joins a quintet of swinging She has also appeared at 5355.

back in time to enjoy the tribute to three of the most part of the city's annual cabamusic of some famous female famous "girl singers" from ret convention, according to vocalists of the 20th century. the big band era who went on a Rogers Center release.

of Song," the music of Doris Festival in County Galway, at the door will cost \$35. Day, Peggy Lee and Rose-Ireland and in Budapest, Hun-Formore informamary Clooney, on Friday, gary as well as in Amster- tion or reservations, visit Singer Sue Matthews Buenos Aires, Argentina. call the box office at 978-837-

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Sue Matthews

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Artisans are seeking "local sans is a group comprised of organizes a two-day annual cash awards. Members also artists and fine craftspeople, approximately two dozen show in Chelmsford during hold presentations to educate "who are devoted to their art local artists and craftspeople the third week of October. It the public about the arts. and who, as members, will be who meet monthly, in Dunsta- supports local high school For more information, visit committed to their organiza- ble, to discuss topical issues students pursuing an arts merrimackvalleyartisans. and common concerns in education at the college level org.

EVENTS CALENDAR

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LIVE MUSIC, Aoife Clancy & Robbie O'Connell, The IVY CHORD Coffee House, Unitarian Universalist Church of Reading, 239 Woburn St., Reading, doors open at 7:15 p.m., \$17 seniors, students, \$20 general admission, open seatbefore the concert, concert start at 8 p.m.: ivvchord@ uureading.org, 781-944-0494.

Month Celebration, First Church Congregational Church, Boxford, 7 p.m., with Confirmation Gospel Singers, free FirstChurchBoxford.org.

PROM EXPO, Lowell Memorial Auditorium, noon to 6 are \$15, \$10 for seniors, children and students free;

Andover YMCA is located at 165 Haverhill St., Andover; p.m., 50 East Merrimack St., Lowell, 978-454-2299, low-frsuu.org. 978-465-0602 ext. 401. ellauditorium.com.

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MONDAY, FEB. 27

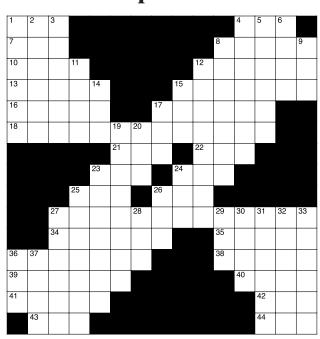
FREE MOVIE FOR ADULTS, "The Tempest," 7 p.m., STAR WARS SYMPOSIUM, 2 p.m., Memorial Hall Memorial Hall Library. Attend the movie, and enter to

TUESDAY, FEB. 28

FISH ON!, Local Trout Fishing-Still Waters and LIVE MUSIC, Duo Andacht will perform works by Streams, 7 p.m. Capt. Al Montello speaks on the benefits but contributions to First Church's food pantry in the Ludwig van Beethoven, Sergei Prokofieff, Max Bruch of fly fishing at local trout fisheries and shares the best form of canned foods will be welcomed at the door; and Manuel de Falla, 4 p.m., Unitarian Church, 26 approach for fishing trout waters under any conditions;

Crossword puzzle

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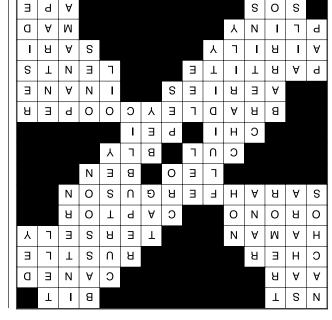
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- 4. A small amount
- 7. Comedian Jack P
- 8. Beat with a rod
- 10. Bono's ex wife 12. Steal cattle
- 13. Tribe in Myanmar
- 15. In a crisp way
- 16. 04473 ME 17. One that takes a captive
- 18. The Dutchess of York 21. Zodiacal lion
- 22. Actor Affleck
- 23. de sac 24. Pioneer journalist Nellie
- 25. 22nd Greek letter 26. I.M. , architect
- 27. "Hangover" star 34. Lofty bird habitats
- 35. Devoid of intelligence 36. Divided into parts
- 38. Seasons of 40 weekdays 39. Breezily
- 40. Indian dress
- _ the elder 42. Furious
- 43. Distress signal
- 44. Nonhuman primate

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Tortillas, cheese & salsa
- 2. A vast desert in N Africa 3. Earth quiver
- 4. Double-reed instrument
- 5. Doctor in training
- 6. Make known
- 8. Female bow
- 9. "Partridge" star Susan 11. Leopard frog genus
- 12. Representative government 14. Japanese classical theater
- 15. Price label
- 17. ___-Magnon: 1st humans
- 19. Property of flowing easily
- 20. Snake-like fish 23. With great caution
- 24. Ottoman Empire governor
- 25. Changelings 26. Foot (Latin)
- 27. Quarter of a Spanish-speaking country
- 28. Side sheltered from the wind
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Some people are afflicted with an unusual illness. They are stricken with a virus that hits them

on Mondays, Fridays and the day before and after a long vacation. They are incapable of coming to work. Yet upon their return to work, they have experienced a miraculous recovery.

It takes more than a supervisor to remedy such a malady on the job. From time to time, the Andover Public Schools are vulnerable to such a man-made physical ailment. Here is how the formal and informal organization addressed the problem, about 25 years raised its ugly head. No ago.

Throughout my tenure as superintendent, the Andover Education Association leadership and I met monthly to discuss: curriculum, innovations, staff development and problems of mutual concern. Either side could present items for the printed agenda. Minutes were posted in the teachers' rooms and principals' offices.

One day I had been reviewing the Monday/Friday problem and decided to raise the issue with the union. When I presented the phantom illness, it was a discourse on the educational and financial impact it had on our schools. They listened patiently and when my "sermon" was over they responded.

They were just as concerned as I was. Such a practice made everybody look bad. Joe Murphy, district representative for the Mass. Teachers Association and a regular attendee of our meetings, smiled and said to me, "Instead of preaching to the choir about such an epidemic, give us the names and the appropriate data." I asked for a minute or two and compiled my list. There

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National Finals for the third

were no more than a dozen names on the completed list. (Before checking I thought there would be at least 30; administrators have a tendency to exaggerate numbers.) President Tom Myers said to give the association a chance to provide professional counseling to those in need of collegial support and guidance. All of this was done in strict confidence.

A few months later I reviewed the progress of the secret virus. I discovered we had almost eradicated the disease. For those two who continued abusing the policy. I advised the association I was going to request, from each, a doctor's report on the medical reason for such absences. The leadership felt that was reasonable and offered no resistance. The group effort worked. It would be some time before the age old organizational disease matter where one goes in this world, they'll find some members of the rich or poor, educated or uneducated, young or old and male or female have this motivation problem: I don't want to go to work before and after a vacation!

There was not one grievance filed against me on this issue. The confidence of the association leadership was kept. The School Committee and Finance Committee were pleased we saved a few dollars. The disease was put into remission. Admittedly the strategy was a bit unusual. Sometimes, helping one another on mutual concerns requires unorthodox approaches. Today, I suppose we both could be sued for harassment in the workplace.

The more significant point to this true story is that when one sits down and communicates openly and honestly regarding topics of mutual interest and responsibility, and in a climate of trust and respect, it is amazing what can be accomplished as a team.

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

year in a row and has sent

seven teams to the National

Finals in the last five years.

Tiller, Anthony McDuffie, Patrick

Associate Dean Michael

Greene, and Essex County

Jessica DeVito a second year

She is the daughter of

She majors in French and

Holy Cross honors

The Massachusetts School Brown, Katisha Brown, Darryl Caf-

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Northeast Region of the Cox, Pearl Louis, Christopher

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schools in New England, MSL's Trial Advocacy team.

University Law School to student at the College of

capture the championship Holy Cross, has been named

while another MSL team was to the dean's list for the first beating Syracuse University semester of the 2011-12 aca-

to the National Finals in Anthony and Annette

the country. As a result, is a part of the Pre-Health

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demic year.

The Northeast region is Assistant District Attorney comprised of the 33 law Kimberly Gillespie coach

National Black Law Students DeCarlo and Emanuel Andrade.

Team members are Kellie



Wood Hill Middle School seventh-grader Sam Bird tends to lettuce in the school's greenhouse.

Cutting edge science team at Wood Hill

Middle-schoolers growing plants using aquaponics

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

They are a green team of seven. No, they are not Celtics basketball fans or a recycling group.

They are a team of seventhgrade scientists at Wood Hill Middle School on the cutting

edge of food science. Green Team members Timmy Kalantzakos, Morgan Marini, Rohan Sinha, Devin Dean, Robbie Lemons, Jill Webber and Sam Bird have been diligently monitoring the growth of plants using aquaponics for several months. Scientists - and many other people – using this method can grow crops and fish together in a re-circulating water system.

"Aquaponics is the growth of plants without any soil. Instead, you grow the plants in water with the help of fertilizer and/or fish waste," said Sam in an email. "The world is gaining many more people and scientists are looking for a way to feed the extra population. Aquaponics is one of the top solutions to this problem."

The school's parent advisory council launched the students' research by contributing \$5,000.

Sam said in an email that the PAC grant money allowed his team's aquaponics project to get started last year when the team built a greenhouse and purchased some PVC pipes. A heating system followed. Today there are basil and lettuce plants growing on greenhouse.

dents in Charles "Chip" at a slant to the second and growing world may be able to which is also at a slant. feed its people.

learned so much," Gregory and the cycle starts again," said.

Sam explained the key to growing basil and lettuce lon tubs where we are floathappens as a result of a spe- ing either basil or lettuce and ria build up can be converted monitor PH, chlorine, ammocial system.

where the water is pumped will put organic fertilizer to as a natural fertilizer for the the system works," he said.



Green Team members are Rohan Sinha, Morgan Marini, Sam Bird, Devin Dean, Timmy Kalantzakos and Robbie Lemons.



Styrofoam in the successful Jill Webber poses in front of the growing plants.

This green team, all stu- up to the first pipe which goes increase growth," he said.

'The kids have done a then goes out an opening nutrients. great job with this and have (and goes) back into the tank said Sam.

"We then have four 14 gal-"It starts with a fish tank water is still and in them we grow. This fish waste works basis using test kits to ensure

This team has learned that Gregory's science class, is so on," he said. "The fourth excreting fish can provide learning first hand how our (pipe) reaches the grow bed nutrient-rich water for the and water to grow plants plants. The fish feces con-"The water in the grow bed tain an ammonia with those

"That's why people clean fish tanks, to stop a toxic have an abundance of water buildup that will kill the fish," Sam said.



Wood Hill Middle students are learning how to use fish waste without soil.

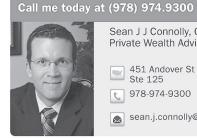
plants, Sam said.

"In the tubs, the plants and nutrients because they are floating in water filled That ammonia and bacte- with organic fertilizer. We plants on Styrofoam. The to nitrites that help plants nia and nitrates on a regular



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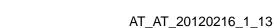
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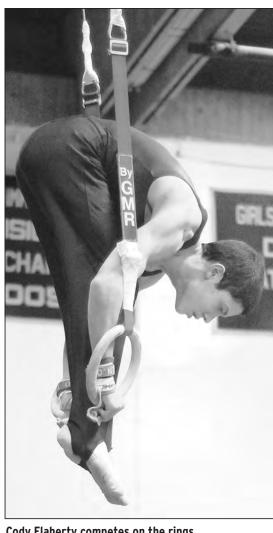
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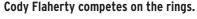




Sports

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Senior captain Abhishek Sinha competes on the rings as Coach Steve Sirois stands by to assist.

AHS ring leaders

Boys gymnasts pick up sport, each other

By Judy Wakefield STAFF WRITER

They never had previous experience with a pommel horse or high bar. Asked to do chin-ups in front of classmates in the Andover High School cafeteria, most were thinking "like that will ever happen!" And for many current members of the AHS boys gymnastics team playing basketball, baseball, football or hockey, was out of the question.

"Those kids play those sports for years before they get to high school. And we didn't," said co-captain Aghishah Sinha, 17, and an AHS senior. "No way could we do those sports."s

Yet, these guys wanted to get in shape, be on a team and do something during the winter high school sports season.

Now they have. And what started as a sort of "Bad News Bears" gymnastics has blossomed into the "Good News Gymnasts."

This weekend, the team will compete in the top state gymnastic competition, tors, clapping loudly for boys on other at Braintree High School.

AHS gymnast superstar Brian Manscores. He has put his team on the Sinha said. gymnastics map this season.

But, as any good coach will say, Andover's superstar gymnast is a becoming a team. story about one of the golden rules of team sports: never quit and supteammates met with the Townsman Jonah Adler, 18. "I had no skills, no could. to talk about competing on the squad. experience. They are thrilled with Manning's sucgymnastics in college. But, fellow team glad I joined," Adler said. members will never be that good and that's fine with them.

the pummel horse until blisters bleed less of scores. through the tape on their hands.

practices for at least two hours. When 18, and an AHS senior. squeezed out because other sports, practice in hallways.

sometimes but that's OK. We move as out. a team," Sinha said.

Practice location may turn temporary I checked out the AHS club," Flaherty



CARL RUSSO/Staff photos

team with no experience and no skills, Andover High School cheers for their team at a meet against Lowell and Methuen.

but this team's spirit is permanent.

Why, they even support competi- a great bunch of guys.'

school gymnast teams. 'Why not? A good performance ning is expected to get his usual high is just that, no matter who you are,"

weekend's state tournament, they there's no "I" in team. Behind reflected on getting together and but way better than I ever thought."

"I was sitting with some friends at school when I was asked to join the shy. When a friend recommended he port each other. Seven of Manning's gymnastics team," recalled senior join the team, he didn't know how he

"They told me not to worry about cess, as he aspires to compete in Div. 1 that, they would teach me. Now, I'm so competitor, who has seen his body

His six teammates nodded in agreement. These super polite guys hang 15. They still practice on the bars, on out, text each other a lot, eat together the rings, on the floor mats and on often and cheer for each other, regard-

Every day after school, this team (the team) out, they didn't ask any-other.' lugs equipment into the gym and thing else of me," said Cody Flaherty,

like basketball, need their space, they local private club, but by the time he McDonough, 17, and an AHS senior. arrived in Andover after his family "We've got to move out of the gym had moved, he said he felt a bit burned relief in Japan," he said, as students

"I wasn't sure if I wanted a team, but event held in the AHS cafeteria.

said. "I felt freedom with them...it was

Josh Martin, 16 and an AHS junior. was looking for a winter sports team to join. He's a competitive BMX rider, so staying in shape was his motivation.

"I was looking for something to do, As these gymnasts gear up for this to keep me in shape," Martin said. "I'm so glad now. It's been a challenge Wearing his designer black glasses, junior Isaac Diaz, 17, seems quiet and

> "I never did any of this," he said. Now, he's a floor and pummel horse become stronger than ever.

> So has sophomore Brian McDonough,

"I have learned new moves on the pummel horse and just gotten so much stronger," said the sophomore. "And, "These guys asked me to check it we all get so much support from each

As for those chin-up numbers, they are now "classified" informa-Flaherty was a gymnast star at a tion, according to co-captain Pat

> We raised over \$1,000 for tsunami pledged money per chin-up at the

Mullins sets record, Warrior take MVC crown

GIRLS TRACK

outstanding 10:51.04 at the in every event and the all-Merrimack Valley Confer- around (44.7) ence indoor meet on Friday, leading Andover to victory with 89 points, well ahead of rival Central Catholic (74).

lins committed to run track at Boston College.

her and the season she's met (90-45) last Monday. Jess for her."

the meet record, which place. Another Golden War-Mullins set one year ago rior, Sara Faigel, was 10th.

Also starring for the Golden Warriors was Courtney Comeau, the daughter of **Dunn threes help team** Peter Comeau, who won the top red-hot Lowell 55 hurdles in 8.94. "I couldn't be a prouder

faster."

Andover were Terra Organis- Central Catholic. ciak in the dash (7.47), Hannah Chapman in the long jump rebounds and Connor Mer-(16-1) and the 4x200 relay of inder added 12 boards for the Organisciak, Micaela Soucey, Golden Warriors, while fresh-Sydney Gillis and Alex Puccia. man Merinder also chipped The 4x400 relay chipped in in with seven blocks. with a second.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Livingston wins allaround, Warriors second

Jessie Livingston won the all- eight assist. around with a career-best 36.825 at the MVC Division ond as a team.

come a long way since last the winners. year. She is winning like we all knew she was capable of. "But she is never satisfied.

She won, but was upset she **Suglia leads way** messed up a little on bars. She is so passionate."

highlighted by seconds in the last Tuesday. Next in for the vault, bars and beam. Fresh- Golden Warrors was Adam Risman teammate Courtney Carver man (eighth), followed by Jake was second in the all-around Tarricone (15th). with a 36.05.

"We were very happy for Courtney," said Vadala. "She is doing a great job."

BOYS GYMNASTICS

Flaherty stars at **Coaches Invitational**

Andover senior Cody Flathe all-around at the Massa- (2:35.57). chusetts Coaches Invitational on Monday. Junior star Brian Manning continued to star, winning the vault (9.2) and Andover blanked rings (8.0).

Brian Manning stayed in dominant form, sweeping firsts in every event, leading Andover to 164.4 points and victories Warriors fall over Lowell (116.3) and Salem (115.5) last Tuesday.

Manning won the vault

(9.3), parallel bars (8.2), high bar (8.3), pommel horse (7.4). All-Scholastic Maggie Mul- floor (9.2), rings (8.8) and lins broke the school record all-around (51.3). Teammate in the 2-mile, running an Cody Flaherty added second

GIRLS SKIING

Finish dominant This just days after Mul- regular season perfect

Andover continued to dom-'(Mullin's) time was awe- inate the field, taking four some," Andover coach **Peter** of the top five places on the Comeau said. "I'm happy for way to rolling over Masconohaving right now because **Kearns** led the way in second. last year was a tough year while Julia Ganley was third, Kerry Christopher fourth and That time also shattered Nicole Ericson finished in fifth

BOYS BASKETBALL

Chris Dunn hit four 3-pointers father and a coach," said on the way to a game-high Comeau. "She bettered her 20 points as Andover beat time. She's getting faster and Lowell 48-38 last Tuesday, just four days after the Red Also scoring victories for Raiders shocked top-ranked

James Costello grabbed 14

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Boudreau does it all

Nicole Boudreau scored 32 points and grabbed 12 rebounds and eight steals as A season after a fractured Andover rolled over Notre back threatened to end her Dame 75-38 on Saturday. Ally gymnastics career, Andover's Fazio added 12 points and

Ally Fazio hit four 3's for 16 1 meet on Saturday. The points and Nicole Boudreau Golden Warriors placed sec- sunk six 3-pointers on her way to 30 points as Andover "Everyone was so excited downed Lowell 80-64 last for Jessie," said Warriors Wednesday. Angelice Gonzalez coach Kristen Vadala. "She has chipped in with 12 points for

BOYS SKIING

Tom Suglia took fourth

overall (21.68) as Andover Livingston's night was blasted Austin Prep 131.5-3.5

BOYS TRACK

Relay takes first

The 4x800 relay of Patrick O'Sullivan, Will Klein, Mike Maldari and Ryan Cooney won in 8:07.73 as the Golden Warriors placed seventh at the MVC Meet on Friday with 31 points. Cam Farnham added herty scored a stellar 43.8 to a third in the dash (6.69) and take a team-best second in Cooney was third in the 1,000

BOYS HOCKEY

Andover fell to Austin Prep

4-0 on Saturday.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Andover lost to Acton-Boxboro 7-0 on Saturday.

■ SPORTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Two Stonehill student-athletes make conference honor roll

Two Andover High graduates were among the 228 Stonehill student-athletes named to the Northeast-10 Conference Fall 2011 Commissioner's Honor Roll, according to the school.

The Andover students are football player and senior JonLars Carlson, and volleyball player and sophomore Kirsten Arvidson.

This honor roll recognizes student-athletes who earned a grade point average of 3.00 or better during the

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Jess Kearns flies down the slopes for the Andover High ski team this season. Kearns delivered a career year, finishing the regular season ranked No. 1 in the league.

Star on the slopes

Kearns leads ski team to perfect record

By David Willis STAFF WRITER

From the moment Jess Kearns dons her helmet and steps onto the slopes, every distraction goes away.

"You can't overthink things," said Kearns. "When Kearns. "I love skiing up it gets into you head, you think too much and you don't do well. You can't worry about the competitors this season.' or the danger of skiing. Just do what comes naturally."

That mind set has certainly worked for the Andover High senior this

With a tremendous final race, Kearns finished as the No. 1 skier in the North Shore League for the entire regular season, leading Andover to a perfect 10-0 record and the league's regular season title.

"Jess has worked so hard and has raced so well this season," said Golden Warriors coach Tom Busta. "She has always been a fantastic skier, but this year she has been more aggressive and is skiing so well.

Kearns was on the slopes.

She started skiing when she was 2-years-old, and by 7-years-old she was racing, helped by her father Tim who grew up skiing in New

"Over the years I have skied a lot in Vermont," said there. I didn't as a junior, and I missed it a lot. I feel like it's making a difference

For her first two years with Andover, Kearns skied alongside her older sister Katelyn, a Golden Warrior captain in 2010 who now attends UMass.

"We're really close so it was so great to go to practice with her every day," said Jess. "I am a little more competitive than her, but I always looked up to her."

Kearns impressed as a sophomore, taking fifth at the Interscholastic meet, and last season finished third at Interscholastics.

"She was always a talented athlete and skier," said Busta. "We thought she would be in the Top 5 in the league this season, but to As soon as she could walk, win the league has exceeded my expectations. We are so

thrilled for her."

It didn't take long for Kearns to set the tone for the season, as she raced to victory in the season's first meet, the second first-place finish of her career. She then earned four secondplace finishes and one third, setting up a showdown on the final race of the season.

"I knew it would be either me, (teammate) Kerry (Christopher) or Megan Jones (of Manchester Essex)," she said. "I knew I needed a great finish to win the league."

The co-captain delivered just that, taking second overall to place first in the league (166 points), just edging close friend Christopher (155 points), who ended up second in the standings.

"This was especially great because I am a senior and this is my last year," she said. "It's very special. And me and Kerry have a friendly rivalry. We are good friends and help each other

With the regular season over, Kearns now has her eyes set on the postseason, with the possibility

of matching the boys' 2011 state title.

"We really feel like we have a good chance this year," she said. "We have six girls that can really ski and could place at states. If we could do that, it would be awesome. I can't even describe how happy I would

Kearns has yet to make a decision on next year, but has been accepted to colleges such as UNH, Ithica and St. Michael's. She will continue to ski, and is deciding if she wants to compete.

But, despite her accomplishments, it isn't her skiing talent that is first in Busta's mind when he thinks of Kearns.

"She has the best sense of humor," said the coach. "She does a mean English accent. She seems so quiet, but she has a great dry sense of humor, and she will help anyone that needs it.'

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■ SPORTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

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fall semester. Bentley Uni- for the Warriors. versity ranked first among all NE-10 schools with 320 student-athletes earning a YMCA early spring 3.00 GPA or higher while Stonehill finished second and Saint Michael's ranked underway third (210).

Spring rowing registration

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Junior transfer Sam Kiesel

of Andover is expected to see some action in the cage

program registration

Registration for the Merrimack Valley YMCA's early spring program has beguny. Member registration also is underway.

Early Spring session classes, including those at continuing registration for the Andover/North Andover the upcoming spring sea- Y on Haverhill Street, run son for its youth and adult from Feb. 27 through April programs. No experience is 28. The Y's current pronecessary, and introductory gram guide includes adult sessions are available for and child swim lessons, those interested in trying adult wellness and fitness classes, senior strength For more information and classes, multi-sport trainregistration details, visit ing classes, parent/child essexrowing.org or call 978- classes, youth karate, child and adult yoga, gymnastics, dance, adult tap, art classes, and more.

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Business



A Shawsheen Plaza spokeswoman now says RadioShack will remain in the North Main Street strip mall, having signed a new lease.

RadioShack is staying

Shawsheen Plaza landlord wrote last week. now says longtime tenant

& Community Relations at recently signed a lease.

have that space confirmed were not returned. and we were exploring vari-Shack is very recent."

house Subs was replacing Lee Nails.

RadioShack will remain in Jacksonville, Fla. A cell taurant chain, is opening the plaza, two months after phone call and emails to a restaurant at the former reporting that a sub shop spokesman James Ivey CardSmart retail space would move into its space. were not returned before (Townsman, Dec. 22).

Stop & Shop New England file plans with the town's the plaza. Carbone said Division, wrote in an email health department. Health it's too soon to name the last week that RadioShack Director Tom Carbone said restaurant, but a Chinese/ is staying put. RadioShack he has not seen any filings Japanese fusion restaurant from Firehouse Subs.

ment she made last Decem- store directed calls to ber, Robinson wrote, "At RadioShack's corporate "We'd love to have lots of that specific time we did not office in Texas. Those calls choices there."

ous options and marketing six other businesses at the Park Street, where Rugged it to potential prospects. plaza have renewed leases Bear used to be, are moving The renewal with Radio and will remain, Robinson ahead, with Carbone saying has reported. Those busi- he expects the restaurant Stop & Shop holds the nesses are Papa Gino's, will open this year. master lease to the plaza Frames Unlimited, Eleand last December Robin- ments, DCU Federal Credit make some changes on his son announced that Fire- Union, Thai Sweet Basil and kitchen renovations," Car-

There are still multiple along."

vacancies at the plaza. The "I have no other updates former Marshall's, Tuesand no information on day Morning and K2 Indian A spokesman for the Firehouse Subs," Robinson Bazaar sites have been vacant for months.

Firehouse Subs is based Raagini's, an Indian res-

It sounds like more food New restaurants must options may be coming to is seriously considering the RadioShack's Andover former Marshall's site.

"We're hopeful," he said.

Elsewhere, the plans for In addition to RadioShack, a Salvatore's restaurant on

"He's been asked to bone said. "Sal's is moving

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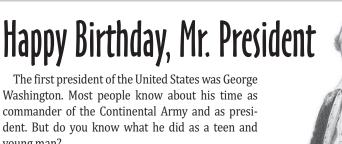
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Two years later he married Mary. George was the oldest of their six children. They lived on Pope's Creek in Westmoreland County, Virginia.

George's dad built mills, acquired land and grew tobacco. The family was prosperous. The family moved up the Potomac River to Little Hunting Creek Plantation. The plantation's name was later changed

Another move took the family to Ferry Farm on the Rappahannock River near Fredericksburg, Virginia. This is where George spent most of his childhood. George was homeschooled. He also studied with a local church sexton and later a schoolmaster.

His father died when George was 11 years old. He went to live with his half-brother, Lawrence.

He learned from the plantation foreman and other friends. By the time he was in his teens he knew how to grow tobacco, raise livestock and survey the land.

When he was 16, George traveled with a surveying party to plot the land in Virginia's western territory. The next year he was appointed as surveyor of Culpeper County and served for two years.

When George was 20 years old his brother Lawrence died of tuberculosis. George took charge of Mount Vernon and the Washington lands. He bought more land, increasing the plantation to about 8,000

After a brief time in the military George returned to Mount Vernon, a place he loved. He married Martha Dandridge Custis, a widow. She owned a considerable fortune and several thousand acres.

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OOR, TOWN OFFICES, 36 BART

LET ST., ANDOVER, MA on THURS

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on the petition of Linda Lecomte

for a special permit under Article

Article VIII. §4.1.2 to construct ad

ditions/alterations that will not meet

the minimum front yard depth re-

STEPHEN D. ANDERSON,

CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS

3 Fairfax Dr., Andover, MA in an SRB

District as shown on Assessor's Map

AT - 2/16, 2/23/12

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Premises affected are located at 139 River Rd., Andover, MA in an ID District as shown on Assessor's Map

STEPHEN D. ANDERSON, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS - 2/16, 2/23/12

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Elm Street Automotive of 9 Lupine Road, Andover, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chap-February 17, 2012 by private sale to satisfy their garage keeper's lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

1. 1996 Nissan Altima VIN#

KMHDN46DX6U286912 3. 2001 Nissan Sentra VIN#

3N1CB51D11L421707 Vehicles are being stored at Elm Street Automotive and may be

Ron Abraham, Owner Elm Street Automotive AT – 2/2, 2/9, 2/16/12

NOTICE OF HEARING A public hearing will be held at CONFERENCE ROOM A, 3RD LET ST. ANDOVER, MA on THURS ances from Article VIII, §3.1.3.A.4.b &.or §7.6.3 &/or §7.6.2.1 and/or

STEPHEN D. ANDERSON, BOARD OF APPEALS AT — 2/16, 2/23/12

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

FLOOR, TOWN OFFICES, 36 BART-LET ST., ANDOVER, MA on THURS-DAY, MARCH 1, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Salvatore N. Lupoli, 354 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA for a special permit under Article VIII, §3.1.3, §3.1.3.C.9 or §3.1.3.C.15 to construct a 2-story medical office building and for variances from Article VIII, §4.1.2 (minimum yard depth requirements), \\$5.1.5.2.b (off-street parking requirements), and §5.3.4

(landscape buffer).

Premises affected are located at 321, 323 & 325 Lowell St., Andover, MA in an LS District as shown on Assessor's Map 151 as Lots 19, 20 & 21.

STEPHEN D. ANDERSON CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 2/16, 2/23/12

TOWN OF ANDOVER

Notice is hereby given that on uesday, February 28, 2012, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Of-fice Building, 36 Bartlet Street, the Planning Board will convene public hearings pursuant to Chapter 40A, Section 5 of the Massachusetts Gen eral Laws on the following proposed amendments to the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII:

Accessory Uses) by adding the fol-lowing language to the end of the

down Restaurants. A sit-down restaurant may offer take-out service provided that such service shall e available only during the hours when sit-down service is also avail

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FLOOR, TOWN OFFICES, 36 BART-DAY, MARCH 1, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Basavarajappa Basappa & Janhavi B. Renuka, 64 Lucerne Dr., Andover, MA for varifor a special permit under Article VIII, §3.1.3.A.4.a to convert a family dwelling unit granted in Decision No. 3920 into a rental unit.

Premises affected are located at 64 Lucerne Dr., Andover, MA in an SRB District as shown on Assessor's Map 21 as Lot 174.

A public hearing will be at CONFERENCE ROOM A,

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1. Amend Section 3.2.1. (Specific

5. Take-out Service in Sit-

2. Amend Section 8.2 Flood Hazard Overlay District by deleting the entire Section 8.2 in its entirety and eplace it with a new Section 8.2

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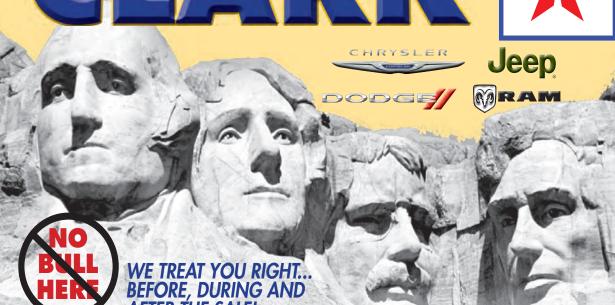
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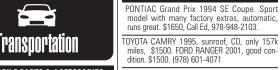
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