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Eying a three-peat: AHS girls win state semifinal



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Nicole Boudreau high-fives a teammate after the Golden Warriors won the MIAA State Semifinal game against Braintree, 54-39, at the TD Garden. After trailing at the end of the first, second and third quarters, the team and Boudreau dominated the fourth, punching their ticket to the state title game Saturday at the DCU Center in Worcester. Story in Sports, page 15.

Teachers, School Committee agree on two contracts Work-to-rule suspended townwide this past Monday

By DUSTIN LUCA STAFF WRITER

Two tentative contract agreements have been forged between the Andover teachers union and the School Committee, and the teachers' Work to Rule action has ended, following a grueling 13-hour mediation session last week.

six teachers and six school administrators. Talks could fall back into fact finding if members of the committee don't agree on a single format, according to officials.

It is unknown whether there is any cost of living adjustment, or other boosts in compensation in the agreement. This year's school budget does allow for an increase in pay and assumes a high school schedule change, School Committee member Dennis Forgue said at a recent meeting.

The contract isn't guaranteed yet, however. The fate of the contracts with the Andover Education Association hinge on the findings of a High School Scheduling Committee made up of

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SURGERY BY ROBOT



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo

Stéfanie Seixas-Mikelus, a urologic oncologist at Andover Urology and a surgeon at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen and Parkland Medical Center in Derry, N.H., stands with the da Vinci robotic surgical system. Seixas-Mikelus is one of just six women in her specialty nationwide who uses robotics to perform surgeries.

Local urologist among specially trained few in her field

By DUSTIN LUCA STAFF WRITER

A surgical robot works to remove a cancerous prostate from a patient in a nearby hospital. The robot moves through the body quickly and effortlessly, cauterizing tissue and moving organs aside like an assembly-line robot executing pre-programmed maneuvers.

Working nearby, not even needing to scrub in, is Andover resident and doctor Stéfanie Seixas-Mikelus. She peers at a three-dimensional video feed from inside the person's body as her arms and legs control a camera and light, three separate surgical instruments... and the life of her patient. Not even 24 hours later, that patient will walk out of the hospital with a prescription for pain medication that he might not

even need to fill. This is the future of surgery, and Seixas-Mikelus is one of six fellowship-trained, female urologic oncologists doing it in the United States.

"We deal with stones. We deal with urinary tract infection. We deal with the whole gamut of infections," said Seixas-Mikelus. "It's hard to appreciate without seeing

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Is solar farms idea a Town Meeting powerhouse?

By DUSTIN LUCA STAFF WRITER

Two articles on the Town Meeting warrant this year seek to create as much as 11 acres of solar farm facilities on two properties, which Andover's planning director says could create a net gain for the town of at least \$300,000 a year.

panels. The Lovejoy Road site is located behind Sanborn Elementary School, while the Tewksbury Street parcel was acquired by Andover as part of the Reichhold property for possible recreational use, according to Paul Materazzo, Andover planning director.

The warrant articles ask for a change of use of land at 100 Lovejoy Road and 126 Tewksbury St. to let the town lease the properties to private companies interested in installing arrays of solar photovoltaic

If authorized by Annual Town Meeting this spring, the land could be leased to private solar facility developers who would either pay the town to use the land, offer the town a discount on electricity

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Medical offices facility proposed across from IRS

By DUSTIN LUCA STAFF WRITER

The owner of Salvatore's Restaurant has plans to build a medical care facility on Route 133, across from the IRS building in Andover.

with around 18 employees, according to Jacki Byerly, town planner.

Sal Lupoli, chief executive officer of Lupoli Companies, has applied for a permit to build a two-story, 30,000 square-foot facility with a basement at 421-425 Lowell St. It would become a Pentucket Medical Center office

The project will be presented to the Planning Board for the first time on Tuesday, March 20, said Byerly. As of deadline Tuesday, a time and location for the meeting had not been established.

The building, if approved, will be built just outside of the Windsor Green apartment community and abut

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In Brief

Race, dinner to build free home for veteran

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Registration is now open for a road race and dinner benefiting Homes For Our Troops, a national organization that builds custom-tailored homes for disabled war veterans.

1,000 people, with US Sen. Scott Brown giving a brief talk to the crowd before running the race with them. Race organizers are hoping to draw 2,000 runners for a five-kilometer (3.1-mile) run/walk that starts outside the Andover Townsmen, at the corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets, according to race co-organizer Bill Pennington.

The race will begin on Sunday, April 1 at 9 a.m. The night before the race, up to 200 people will gather at the Longmeadow Golf Club in Lowell for a Run For The Troops dinner. The Saturday, March 31 event will include a dinner buffet, open bar, live entertainment, guest speakers and auction items.

The events support building a home for Marine Sgt. Josh Bushard, a Granby, Mass. resident who was paralyzed after a vehicle he was traveling in was hit by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan in 2009. The money will help Homes For Our Troops build a home specially designed and adapted for Bushard's disability.

"They build houses that are specially adapted to help them live a more meaningful, productive life," said Pennington. "Doorways that are wider, bathrooms for your wheelchair where you can wheel in and wheel out, ramps."

Last year, the same events aimed to build a home for Army Sgt. Joe Smith, who was injured in Afghanistan in 2004. The race alone raised \$27,000 for Smith, who moved into his home in October. Tickets for the dinner event are \$25. Race registrations are \$20 if completed by March 24, or \$25 if completed after March 24. For more information and to register, visit RunForTheTroops5k.com.

LWV's annual Andover budget forum March 21

The League of Women Voters of Andover/North Andover will host Andover's annual budget forum on Wednesday, March 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. To help voters make informed decisions at the annual Town Meeting beginning on April 30, the League is sponsoring a forum for review and public discussion of the town's budget with leaders of town government. Town officials participating in the forum will include members of the Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen, and School Committee, as well as Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski and Superintendent Dr. Marinel McGrath.

Each year, the League offers this opportunity for residents of Andover to interact directly with town leaders in order to learn more about the budget, ask questions, and voice concerns in advance of Town Meeting. The forum will be televised live and taped for rebroadcast on the local cable channel. To make presenters aware of their concerns, residents may email their questions in advance or email additional questions during the forum to league@lww-andovers.org. Written questions may also be presented at the event.

PAST & PRESENT



Photo Courtesy of Andover Historical Society

THEN: A view of Essex Street below the railroad tracks. One of the Smith and Dove buildings is visible on the left.



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

NOW: The house that once sat on Essex Street below the railroad tracks is gone, though one of the Smith and Dove buildings, left, now Dundee Park, is still there, as is the driveway that lead to the barn. The fire hydrant and smoke stack in the background were used to find the same location today.

Bancroft hearing scheduled

The School Building Committee will hold a community forum to talk about the status and plans for building a new Bancroft Elementary School next Tuesday, March 20.

"Now that we're moving forward with construction plans and are getting close to having a schedule in place, this will be a great opportunity for anyone in the community who is interested in the current status of the project to receive the latest information and to ask any questions," said Tom Deso, School Building Committee chairman. The forum will be held at Bancroft Elementary School, 15 Bancroft Road, in the school's cafeteria starting at 7 p.m.

— Dustin Luca

AVIS Trustee meeting tonight, open to public

The Trustees of the Andover Village Improvement Society invite residents to the organization's annual meeting tonight, Thursday, March 15. There will be refreshments at 7:30 p.m., and a business meeting at 8 p.m. The agenda includes election of new trustees, reports on new land holdings, and the Treasurer's Report for 2011. The meeting will be in Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St. The meeting is free and open to the public.

PHA warehouse open Saturday

Project Home Again, affiliated with Andover's Temple Emanuel, provides people in need with donated household goods, furniture and appliances, free of charge. "The need is greater than ever before and we need your assistance to keep our warehouse well stocked so we can help as many families as possible," according to a release. In addition to its normal weekday hours, the PHA warehouse will be open this Saturday, March 17 from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. to accept donations. The warehouse is at 439 South Union St. in Lawrence. Call 978-270-9878 upon arriving at the warehouse, and volunteers will unload your car. For more, check the website, phama.org or call 978-470-1356.

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CONTRACTS: No details released on agreements

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The two sides will not release details about the agreement until March 26, three days after High School Scheduling Committee presents its findings.

"They have a deadline of March 23. It's a consensus decision," said AEA President Kerry Costello, adding that the committee's administrators have one vote, and the teachers have one other. "If there is no consensus and... the parties fail to reach agreement, we will be in fact finding."

In fact finding, the state appoints a negotiator to recommend a new contract that the two sides can further debate.

Talks go overnight for new deal

Last Thursday, March 8, four of the five School Committee members were joined by several school administrators as all 13 members of the AEA bargaining team met nearby. For most of the talks, the two sides were separate, speaking only through a fact finder who was mediating the negotiations.

"There was a strong desire on everybody's part to resolve everything else other than the actual choice of high school schedule," said Annie Gilbert, School Committee chairwoman.

The meeting started at 5:30 p.m. It continued until 6:30 a.m. the following day, Friday, according to Gilbert.

"I don't know that any of us had pulled an all-nighter since our college days," said Gilbert. "We all learned that we're not as young as we used to be."

Costello said she has endured a number of all-

nights with bargaining before. There was a sense the AEA was a bit more prepared for a marathon meeting, with teachers bringing food to last the session while, late Thursday, school administrators ordered take-out.

Shortly after an agreement was signed, Gilbert and Costello co-wrote an email to the school community announcing the tentative agreement.

Details not yet revealed, as schedule still to be decided

Two contracts were agreed to: a contract that retroactively covers Sept. 1, 2010 — the first day teachers went without a new contract — to Aug. 31, 2011, and a second contract covering Sept. 1, 2011 to Aug. 31, 2014.

Two agreements were necessary because state law prohibits contract agreements that exceed three years, according to Gilbert.

Working conditions for high school teachers are not yet outlined in the contract, pending the result of the scheduling committee, according to Costello. From this point forward, that is the only part of the contract that could change.

"Depending on a schedule, that determines how many minutes you teach, or how many classes, your planning time, your duty time," said Costello.

Assuming the scheduling committee agrees on a schedule format, the contract will be ratified by the teachers union on April 2, said Costello.

Andover teachers have been working under the rules of their expired contract for 81 weeks.

Work-to-rule ends townwide
Sitting in her car Tuesday

as Andover High dismissed its students, parent Leslie Tiller said Work-to-Rule has been tough on her entire household, which includes an Andover High student and an Andover teacher.

"It was a challenge for my son, who needs after-school assistance," said Tiller. "It was a challenge for my husband, who had restrictions on what he was able to do. And as a parent, having both sides was a challenge."

Since Work to Rule started Jan. 3, discussions all over Andover have centered on how Work to Rule was affecting students when extra help, college recommendations and more were in short supply. Though he is happy that teachers have a fresh contract in the works, 15-year-old Sagar Kaul, a sophomore at the high school, said Work-to-Rule was harmful to students.

"That hurt a lot, especially for some people who were trying to get out of school and into private school," said Sagar. "Students suffered. Teachers should have come up with something else."

Over the last several months, many residents were frustrated with the School Committee, while others took their anger out on Andover's teachers. Either way, few were happy about the work action.

"All of us, from my son to my husband to myself, are all happy [it's over]," said Tiller.

Franck Salameh, whose

daughter attends Andover High School, is also pleased with the recent outcome, though he remains frustrated that Work-to-Rule was used by teachers in the first place.

"They made a spectacle of teachers, and a spectacle of the school system, and a spectacle of the profession," said Salameh. "I'm upset about this whole thing, [but] I'm glad that they found a solution."

High school junior Grant Hespeler, 17, is also pleased that Work-to-Rule has ended, and that the contract dispute is nearly over.

"That is awesome, what else can I say?" said Hespeler. "Teachers will be happy, which will translate to students being happy. Everybody wins."

In the end, it has been "a long, arduous journey" to the new contract, according to Costello. She said work will continue, to bring the two sides closer together, so next time, in 2014, contract talks don't continue for this long again.

"We certainly haven't crossed the entire chasm of all things that go into such a long negotiation process," said Costello. "Even if the contract's ratified, in my mind, that's a beginning. We still have work to do."

For feedback or inquiries about this story, please email dluca@andovertownsmen.com.



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff photo

The Route 133 entrance to the site where developer Sal Lupoli is proposing to build a two-story, 30,000-square-foot facility for Pentucket Medical Center offices.

OFFICES: Developer has plan for site near I-93

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the ramp for Interstate 93 northbound, according to plans on file at the town's Planning Department. Its primary means of access to Lowell Street will be through a driveway to Windsor Green opposite the driveway to the Internal Revenue Service building on Lowell Street, also known as Route 133.

Pentucket Medical Center has facilities in Georgetown, Haverhill, Newburyport, North Andover and on the Riverwalk in Lawrence, according to the company's

website. Lupoli also has plans to build a Salvatore's Restaurant in downtown Andover, on Park Street.

It was also revealed Tuesday that Lupoli's company has agreed to buy shares of the Hampton Beach Casino, in Hampton, N.H. John P. Grandmaison, whose family owns half of the casino, reported that his family is selling the shares to Lupoli for an undisclosed price, the Associated Press reported.

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Obituaries

Teriz "Terry" Hagopian, 92

ANDOVER, MA — Teriz ("Terry") Malootian Hagopian, 92, died peacefully on March 10, 2012 in her home. Her husband was the late Peter B. Hagopian, MD., former Superintendent of Danvers State Hospital. Born in Lawrence and raised in Methuen, she was the daughter of the late Gabriel Malootian and Zabel (Moomjian) Malootian. She attended Methuen public schools and graduated from Boston University. She also studied dance with Hanya Holm, Martha Graham in New York City, and Jan Veen in Boston.



and wrote whimsical verses about and for the enjoyment of her friends. She is survived by her children, Calder, a physician in Alameda, CA., Debby Ury and her husband Frederic Ury, Esq. of Westport, CT., Justin St. James, Esq. of Andover; grandchildren, Jennifer Gornbein and her husband Jeff Gornbein of Manhattan Beach, CA., Robert Ury of Norwalk, CT., and her sister Ida (Malootian) Boodakian and her husband, Michael Boodakian of Winchester, MA.

A "born teacher", Terry taught at Middlebury College, Wheaton College, her alma mater Boston University, and McLean Hospital in Belmont before marrying Dr. Hagopian. She was also a member of the Danvers Historical Society, Andover Historical Society, Women's Guild of the former Holy Cross Armenian Apostolic Church in Lawrence, and Essex South Medical Auxiliary of the American Medical Association, serving on its board. She gave annually to many charities; particularly those supporting children, the homeless, and medical research. Following her husband's death, she became an avid tennis player in her 60's, and in later years, bridge player (both contract and duplicate), was adept at water color painting,

ARRANGEMENTS: Calling hours were held at the Dewhirst Andover Funeral Home, 33 Pearson Street, Andover, on Wednesday, March 14. A funeral service will be at the Free Christian Church, 31 Elm Street, Andover on Thursday, March 15, starting at 10:00 am., with burial at the Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover afterward. In lieu of flowers, donations in Terry Hagopian's name may be made to: The Armenian Children's Milk Fund, c/o Armenian Missionary Association of America, Inc., 31 West Century Road, Paramus, N.J. 07652, www.amaa.org/milklfund.htm, or, Armenian Tree Project, USA, 65 Main Street, Watertown, MA. 02472, www.armeniatree.org. To make an online condolence, please visit www.dewhirstfuneral.com.

Mary M. (Moyer) Duncan, 85

August 21, 1926 — March 05, 2012

ANDOVER — Mrs. Mary M. (Moyer) Duncan, a longtime resident of Andover and beloved wife of the late Sid Duncan and Howard Denmark, died at the Sutton Hill Nursing Center in North Andover on Monday, March 5, 2012. She was 85 years old. Born in Biloxi, Mississippi, on August 21, 1926, Mary was the beloved daughter of the late Evan Moyer. She was a volunteer for the Foster Grand Parent Program in Andover

for many years. She had also worked as a bookkeeper. She was the loving mother of Evan and his wife Cheryl Denmark of Andover and cherished grandmother of Deanna and Ethan Denmark. Funeral services will be privately held. Donations in Mary's memory may be made to Nevins Farm, 400 Broadway, Methuen, Massachusetts 01844. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemaglizzi.com.

Elizabeth (Gigis) Mathews, 78 Years

July 24, 1933 — March 09, 2012

NORTH ANDOVER — Mrs. Elizabeth (Gigis) Mathews, a resident of North Andover, formerly of Andover and beloved wife of the late Robert L. Mathews, died at the Lawrence General Hospital on March 9, 2012. She was 78 years old.



Mrs. Elizabeth (Gigis) Mathews

Born in Lawrence on July 24, 1933, she was the beloved daughter of the late Paul and Sophie Gigis. Mrs. Mathews was a medical secretary for many years and had also been employed by the Central Elementary School in Andover as a secretary. In her spare time Elizabeth enjoyed going to yards sales with her husband, Robert and also enjoyed spending time at Old Orchard Beach in Maine. Before retiring she spent many mornings "holding court" before work at the Lantern Brunch in Andover. She had a special love for animals, especially her cat Tricky and her adored late cat Misty. Forever the perfect hostess, Elizabeth was very fond of having cookouts and gatherings with friends and her late husband, always serving way too much food at these and family gatherings where her neices picked up the habit and continue it to this day.

Mathews of Connecticut and many nieces and nephews. She was also the devoted sister of the late Robert Gigis and Helen Spyridakis and sister-in-law of the late Jack Spyridakis.

She will be very sorely missed by her loving son; Christopher Mathews of Haverhill, sisters-in-law; Linda DeStefano of Auburn, Maine and Stella Gigis of Amesbury, brother-in-law; Richard

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral mass will be celebrated in Sts. Constantine & Helen Church, 71 Chandler Road, Andover, Monday, March 12, 2012, at 11 AM. Relatives and friends are most welcome to attend. Calling hours will be held in the Burke-Maglioizzi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, Sunday, March 11, 2012, from 4 to 8 PM. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover. Donations in Elizabeth's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA 02472. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemaglizzi.com.

Robert E. Sherman, 89

March 13, 1922 — February 26, 2012

ANDOVER — Robert E. Sherman of Brookside Village in Peabody, a longtime resident of Andover, died peacefully on Sunday, February 26, 2012.



He was born in Menominee, Michigan on March 13, 1922 the son of Samuel Merritt Sherman and the former Inez Mortensen. A graduate of Michigan Technological University, he served with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers in Los Alamos, New Mexico. Bob spent his whole career as an electrical engineer at Bell Laboratories in NY, NJ and North Andover. Mr. Sherman was an active member of Christ Church in Andover as well as The Andover Thrift Shop and Habitat for Humanity. He enjoyed summers at the family home on Lake Winnepesaukee.

He was predeceased by his wife of 58 years, Ethel M. Sherman.

He is survived by his children Scott. M. Sherman and

his wife Phyllis Schmiedeberg of Rye, NY, Lois R. Mann of Natick and Jean M. Sabean and her husband William Sabean of Danvers; his grandchildren Heather Shanahan and her husband Joe Shanahan of Natick, Heidi Chandler and her husband David Chandler of Sterling, Alison Sabean, Amy Sabean and Matthew Sherman. Also his great-grandchildren Jackson Chandler, Kaitlyn Shanahan, Nathan Chandler and Abigail Shanahan.

ARRANGEMENTS: In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Habitat for Humanity - Northshore, 215 Maple Street, Lynn, MA 01904. A memorial service will be held at 1pm on Sunday, March 18 at Christ Church, 25 Central Street in Andover. Arrangements are under the care of the Conte Funeral Home of Andover.



Mr. William "Bill" R. Valentine, 82 Years

August 14, 1929 — March 8, 2012

ANDOVER — Mr. William "Bill" Ried Valentine, a lifelong resident of Andover and beloved husband of the late Iris (Caldwell) died at the Holy Family Hospital in Methuen on Thursday afternoon, March 8, 2012. He was 82 years old.

Born in Andover, Massachusetts, on August 14, 1929, he was the beloved son of the late Charles L. and Dorothy (Sullivan) Valentine. William was a graduate of Punchard High School and received his bachelor degree from North Eastern. Bill was a Korean War Navy veteran. He worked as an Electronic Engineer for Sylvania in Needham GTE in Woburn, for many years. In his spare time, Mr. Valentine enjoyed watching sports, especially the Red Sox. He loved fishing in his younger years and enjoyed going to Foxwoods and Las Vegas. He also enjoyed traveling, especially to California and Wisconsin. Mr. Valentine also liked to eat at the Hilltop. Above all, Bill was a devoted

husband, father and grandfather. He will be missed by his loving children; Patricia A. and her husband Jim L. Landry of Andover, William R. Valentine, Jr., of Haverhill and Scott H. Valentine and his companion Doris Spinalone, both of Andover, sister; Kay Touser of Salem, Wisconsin, grandchildren; Jim, Brian, Valerie, Jennifer, Kimberly and William, III, great-grandchildren; Shawn, Rachel, Madison, Taylor, Jake, Connor and Evan and many nieces and nephews. He was also the brother of the late Dot Desjardens, Ed Valentine and Charles Valentine.

ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral service will be celebrated in the Burke-Maglioizzi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 10 AM. Calling hours will be held on Monday, March 12, 2012, from 4 to 8 PM. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover. Donation's in William's memory may be made to the Hospice of your choice. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemaglizzi.com.



▶ SELECTMEN RACE

Candidates outline town spending

The five candidates for two seats on the Board of Selectmen were asked the following questions this week by the Townsman.

Questions for the candidates

The five candidates for two seats on the Board of Selectmen were asked the following questions this week by the Townsman.

QUESTION 1, PART 1
The property tax paid by Andover residents is (please select one)
 Too high.
 Insufficient for services desired/needed.
 About right.

QUESTION 1, PART 2: You have 100 words to further explain your answer and/or discuss residents' taxes. (No more than 100 words. Longer answers will be edited down.)

QUESTION 2, PART 1
Please name one area where you believe Andover spends too much, and one area where it does not provide enough by completing the following sentences:
 Andover spends too much on... (no more than 10 words)
 Does not provide enough for... (no more than 10 words)

QUESTION 2, PART 2: You have 100 words to further explain your answer, and/or explain how Andover could better use taxpayer money.

NOTE: Dan Kowalski, Brian Major's answers, page 17

Paul L.D. Russell Jr.
 Address: 2 Pine Cone Lane
 Age: 57
 Job status/occupation: Chairman and owner of a private investigation firm and "currently with BU medical public safety department"; retired as Drug Enforcement Administration agent
 Nuclear family: Wife Patrice Palmer-Russell and twin children Pauline A. and Paul L.D. III, both 19.

ANSWERS

The property tax paid by Andover residents is: about right

Explanation: The property tax rate in Andover appears to be in line with similar communities. A large percentage of tax dollars in Andover (75-80 percent) are expended on personnel. Equity should be paramount when it comes to the payroll of the town's employees. A balance should be adjusted between the number of employees and the expenditures of funds for services. Tax dollars has to support the purchase of equipment, goods/services, and the maintenance of facilities. It is important these funds be distributed thoughtfully and measurably while prioritizing projects. These goals should be accomplished on time, within budget and maintaining high quality services.

Andover spends too much on: upper level managers salaries/administrative costs.

Andover does not provide enough for: school supplies/equipment and youth/elder services.

Explanation: Both private and public sectors are reviewing avenues in costs saving methods. Liberal pay packages that were common during the past decades are not appropriate. Upper managers in Andover are in the upper bracket of the

pay scale. Administrative cost should also be reviewed, merging units that perform the same tasks, coordinating elections dates, and outsourcing.

Increase funding for IT services/laboratory equipment, including a laptop program for High School students. A youth/elder community service base program should be expanded. Andover should begin a partnership with the private sector on the development of an over 55 affordable home community.

Ann Cobleigh
 Address: 21 Magnolia Ave.
 Age: 51
 Job status/occupation: Realtor, Keller Williams Realty
 Nuclear family: Husband Steve, daughter Olivia

ANSWERS

The property tax paid by Andover residents is: too high

Explanation: Fortunately, Andover's residents have enjoyed a good level of benefits partly due to having a commercial tax base that helps offset the tax burden from residents. However, in the final analysis, I find the property taxes are high.

When compared with similar towns in northeastern Mass., Andover is at the high end for both residential and commercial. Under the guidance of the Finance Committee and town manager, Town Meeting has recently faced the reality of addressing and approving several large and important initiatives. It is critical we ensure new initiatives yield the efficiencies, improve services, and reduce costs as anticipated.

Andover spends too much on: in terms of acquisition of goods, commodities and utilities.

Andover does not provide enough for: for school bus fees, after school activity and sports participation fees.

Explanation: As selectwoman I want to see us generate further efficiencies and redirect those funds. I would ensure we are maximizing the town's use of the state bid list and that the town manager takes full advantage of opportunities to regionalize purchasing, acquisition efforts, and services in conjunction with surrounding communities where common needs may be mutually beneficial. I would examine where we could take advantage of the lower cost of natural gas or alternatives and take a serious look at what we are spending on utilities such as electricity, phone, and paper reduction and formulate ideas to reduce those costs.

Larry Bruce
 Address: 254 Chandler Road
 Age: 53
 Job status/occupation: Engineer
 Nuclear family: Wife Pamela and daughter Ally Bruce



Larry Bruce

ANSWERS
The property tax paid by Andover residents is: too high
Explanation: And in addition there are higher fines, fees, and new costs to the residents. Revenue is not our problem, irresponsible spending is. A close look at our budget will reveal that we collect far too much more money than is needed to provide the betterments and level of services received.

Andover spends too much on: library salaries

Andover does not provide enough for: school music and sports

Explanation: From the purchasing of Macks instead of International trucks at the highway department, polar bear sculptures, excessive staffing at our public library and town hall, our leadership has failed the residents. We waste millions of dollars each and every year. Our phone bills are excessive, we don't charge water use against schools and other town departments - there is no incentive for conservation.

We have money for after-school sports, music, and other programs - don't let them tell you otherwise. Look at the enormous revenue we collect each year. I'd like to help make Andover better, I need your vote.

Dan Kowalski
 Address: 24 Enfield Drive
 Age: 44 today, March 8
 Job: Full-time: IBM, Controls and Compliance analyst; Part-time: Dunstable Police Department, reserve police officer/EMT-B
 Nuclear family: Wife Kristin and children Emily and Grace, attending South Elementary School

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SOLAR: Projects could bring town new revenues

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generated at the facilities, or both. A study completed for the town using \$25,000 appropriated at 2011 Town Meeting determined that Andover could gain \$300,000 annually from the two sites, according to Materazzo.

"It's a unique and creative way of bringing revenue sources into the community without compromising or increasing budgetary services elsewhere," said Materazzo. "This year, at Town Meeting, what we're only asking for is for authorization to enter into a lease for these two sites. It doesn't commit us to actually pulling the trigger, to do anything. It just gives us the authority to do that."

Expert: some problems, but still worth it

However, some criticize the idea of supporting solar farms in New England, questioning whether there is enough year-round sunlight, whether snow and ice will effect the projects and calling for strong contracts to ensure that the town is not left on the hook for fixing, removing or cleaning up the panels if they are damaged or abandoned.

While there are drawbacks to using solar farms during the winter, there's actually another side to the coin: solar panels can actually work better in cold weather, according to Jack Adams, director of sustainable energy at Merrimack College.

"Any electronics just don't work as well when it's really hot. The fact that we don't get as much sun here [during the winter] is offset by the fact

INDIVIDUAL SITE DETAILS

100 LOVEJOY ROAD: Due to wetlands, this property has 7.2 acres of usable land across three areas. The property is bordered by Interstate 93, the IRS facility on Lowell Street, Sanborn Elementary School and Hansom Road.

A study by Tighe & Bond, commissioned by the town, determined the property would generate around \$250,000 in revenue for the town every year through leasing, buying back energy credits or both.

Developers have expressed interest in developing the land, said Materazzo. Its proximity to Sanborn Elementary School could result in a connection between the development and education, he said.

"All of these solar providers are interested in working with the schools, so there's an educational component that's tied into the site," said Materazzo.

126 TEWKSBURY ST.: This property contains a 3.8-acre bordering Tewksbury Street, Pine Cone Lane, I-93 and other portions of the Reichold property. This includes 77 Lowell Junction Road, the subject of another 2012 warrant article asking for \$800,000 for land acquisition. But Materazzo doesn't see a conflict.

"It hasn't been brought up to me or the group looking to acquire this land," said Materazzo. "If their grander plan is to tie this parcel into this development, they still could do that even if we receive Town Meeting approval. We just don't put that land out for solicitation."

The land at 126 Tewksbury St., like other land in the area, was purchased at a previous Town Meeting, said Materazzo.

"At that time, it was talked about recreation fields being built at this location," said Materazzo. "For budgetary reasons, it is not in the short- or the long-term plans. In the interim, the town owns this land that we're not really utilizing for the maximum potential for the community."

Tighe & Bond's study determined that the property would generate around \$60,000 in annual revenue for the town.

that the electricity runs more effectively," said Adams. "It's a little more efficient."

Still, the prime season for solar energy gathering is the summer months, even if the panels are less efficient.

With snowfall and the sun being lower on the horizon over the winter, "you get most of your production in the six warmest months," said Adams. "Those months of January and February, while you do get production, it's just not as important."

This should not discourage the town from allowing solar farms, according to Adams.

"It's crucially important

that we have more green energy in the mix because of the climate issues and the economy issues," said Adams. "It's a very positive thing for the town to be doing."

If the solar array's developer were to leave without removing the equipment, a bond agreement between the town and developer would cover the cost of removing the panels, according to Materazzo.

Residents weigh in

Some residents living in the Sanborn Elementary School area attended a presentation Monday to speak against the article.

"They're going to have to get rid of all of the trees, all of the vegetation, make a clear path to get the advantage of the sun in the east and the west," said Hansom Road resident Ralph Jannini. "This solar stuff is a lot of baloney. It's just a lot of money for production."

"This is a microcosm of what we can do in Andover with buildable land and unbuildable land," said Lovejoy Road resident Scott Johnson. "It's incumbent upon all of us to explore all those opportunities, but to just say that we should put in solar panels because it's a great educational experience... Let's put in a retail mall. Let's put in atomic energy smoke stacks. Let's put in anything."

Dee Delorenzo, a Hansom Road resident and town employee, identified the many functions trees serve along the side of Interstate 93.

"They provide a filter of dust, of noise. There's that little animal world out there," said Delorenzo. "I would be really heartbroken and disappointed in the town if they put solar fields back there."

But there is a significant ecological factor to using the space for solar power, Girish Rao, a member of the Green Advisory Board, has said. An acre of solar panels will offset around 852,129 pounds of carbon annually, based on the amount of carbon a coal or natural gas plant would generate to create a similar number of kilowatt hours, he said. An acre of trees offsets only about 1,055 pounds of carbon every year.

Private property also considered for solar farm

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Another property along Interstate 93 has been targeted for development by Maine-based Talmage Solar Engineering. Identified as SunGen Andover, the company aims to create acres of solar farm space at 1350 South St., near the Tewksbury border.

The permits necessary to build the project have been approved, according to officials, and an appeal against the project initiated by a Tewksbury-based electrical workers union was recently settled and dropped, according to Kale Inoue, chief financial officer for Talmage.

"We're waiting on the final estimate for substation upgrades from National Grid," said Inoue. "That's imminent, should be within the next week or so."

The project seeks to build around 12,000 solar panels on 18 acres of land. Construction is expected to begin around the beginning of summer, and the farm will be at full capacity this fall, said Inoue.

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Kale Inoue, chief financial officer for Maine-based Talmage Solar Engineering

With three potential solar farms all forming along I-93 -- Town Meeting will decide if current town land should be leased for other solar panel farms -- Materazzo said there is a potential for the section of I-93 to be coined "the solar highway."

"Is there a branding on that? What type of tourism could you generate from just people coming to check it out?" said Materazzo.

"If [the town's projects] go through, we'll be one of the first communities to implement renewable energy on a large scale," said Girish Rao, Andover Green Advisory Board

Addressing child and teen anxiety

Parent to Parent presents Aureen Pinto Wagner, Ph.D., tonight, Thursday, March 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Wood Hill Middle School on the topic, "Normal vs. Problem Anxiety: Helping Children and Teenagers Cope."

AHS girls ski team second in the state



Courtesy photo

Pictured are, from left, front row: Sara Faigle, Jess Kearns, Julia Ganley; back row: Katie Lee, Nicole Ericson and Kerry Christopher. The AHS boys and girls ski team had seven racers qualify to race at the MIAA State Ski Racing Championships at Wachusett Mountain. Junior Kerry Christopher placed 10th in the slalom and sophomore Julia Ganley placed seventh in the giant slalom.

The Andover High girls ski team placed second in the state, missing first by only two points, at the MIAA State Ski Racing Championships at Wachusett Mountain.

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Business

Color, perm ... and that dress in a size 12

Coco Collection moves in with Indra Salon

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

It's happening in L.A. and Manhattan and is now available on Main Street in Andover.

What's happening is that two somewhat related businesses merge, set up in one location and tighten their respective financial belts. A new brand is born – and, hopefully, customers appreciate the mix. The general concept is not new

– Raspberries was in the back of the Andover Spa for years, for instance – but it's one many different types of businesses are willing to try as the country crawls out of the recession.

In Andover, Coco Collection, formerly of Olde Andover Village on Main Street, has moved to another section of Main Street. The clothing store is now inside Indra Salon.

"It's a blowout trend, popular in L.A. and New York. You go to a spa, get your hair washed and blow dried with high tech products that will last for a couple of days. Then you feel good and shop at the same place," said April Graffeo of Indra.

On a recent trip to New York, her friend got a manicure while Graffeo shopped for clothes in the same retail space.

"I remember thinking how this would work in Andover," she said.

So, nine styling chairs were removed. Women's clothes from Coco Collection are now displayed in the Main Street windows.

"We are setting a trend, this creative effort. We are reacting to the economy and I think other businesses should try it," Graffeo said.

Graffeo said she has used Coco Collections for style events for years.

For Nancy Dube, owner of Coco Collections, the merge



ANGIE BEAULIEU/ Staff photo

Coco Collections now shares a space with Indra Salon in downtown Andover. From left, April Graffeo, co-owner of Indra, Nancy Dube, owner of Coco Collections, and Jose Batistine.

renovation was simply too much to bear for Dube. The new owners of Olde Andover Village continue to renovate the retail shopping plaza.

"I already lived through one renovation," Dube said referring to the approximately \$3 million Main Street makeover of the last decade. "I didn't want to do it again."

With her lease about to expire, the seven-year tenant decided to move out.

"It's a natural fit," she said of her new location. "Women can get a haircut and shop... it's a one-stop destination."

The new business mantra at this Main Street shop is "united in style," Dube said.

"There's just great synergy here," she said.

came at a good time. Running her business during a second

Boutique blowout was booming



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff photo

Business was brisk this past weekend at the Boutique Blowout event, including at a popup store joint venture between Chic Consignment Closet, Izzy's Emporium, Lyn Evans Potpourri Designs and Wellesley-based Kenzie Kids Kgirl. The popup store was hosted in the old home of Sotherland & Co., which Chic Consignment Closet will move into in April.

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

Bag for a CURE March 22

Shift Your Style and Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel will put on Bag A Bag for CURE, benefiting CURE: Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy.

Bag A Bag for CURE will take place on March 22, 2012 from 7-10 pm at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, where Shift Your Style and Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel will join forces to spearhead the search for a cure for epilepsy. Guests are invited, but not required, to donate a handbag or bid on a designer handbag. Style expert Aricia Symes-Elmer, and make-up specialist Jennifer DelMonaco will show people how to shop their closet to use pieces they own in all new ways and freshen up your look for spring. A release bill it as, "Find out what to keep, what to let go, and what to add to your closet and makeup kit. Transition your look from day to night, casual to business, and season to season to make the most of your own items. Then learn how to pick the perfect handbag while you peruse our handbag auction.

Starting now, you can go to time-toshiftyourstyle.com to get a sneak peek of what will be available at Bag A Bag for CURE.

For more information about CURE, epilepsy, research news, grants, and special events please visit CUREepilepsy.org/.

Elder law attorney Bisbee releases new book

Andover resident and elder law attorney Karol Bisbee, joined by 10 other leading elder law attorneys from across the nation, co-authored "Protect Your Family! Don't Write a Blank Check to the Nursing Home."

This collaborative writing, broken down in layman's terms, offers readers the essential tools and knowledge for effective long-term care planning.

Bisbee authored a chapter on Caregivers exploring the stages of caregiving, the struggles and joys the Caregiver experiences in this role and how it all fits into long term care planning.

Bisbee is an elder law and estate planning attorney. Her practice encompasses all areas of elder and disability law, estate planning documents, Medicaid planning, assistance with obtaining public benefits, guardianships, nursing home and assisted living placement, contract review and resident rights.

She is a board member of the leading organization of elder law attorneys, the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (MassNAELA).

She is also a board member of the Massachusetts Guardianship Association.

Cherry trees bloom in Washington, D.C.

The cherry trees in Washington D.C. will soon be in full bloom. They were not native to the area. They were a gift from Japan.

How did the trees come to America?

In 1885, Eliza Ruhamah Scidmore returned from a trip to Japan. She started a 24-year campaign to bring cherry trees from Japan to the D.C. area.

She asked the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds to plant cherry trees along the reclaimed Potomac waterfront. She asked every new superintendent when he took office, but no one took action.

Scidmore wasn't the only one who liked cherry trees. Plant explorer Dr. David Fairchild, who was an official with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, also liked the trees.

Fairchild imported 75 flowering cherry trees and 25 single-flowered weeping types from the Yokohama Nursery Company in Japan in 1906. He planted the trees on his own property in Chevy Chase, Maryland, to test the trees for hardiness. The test was very successful.

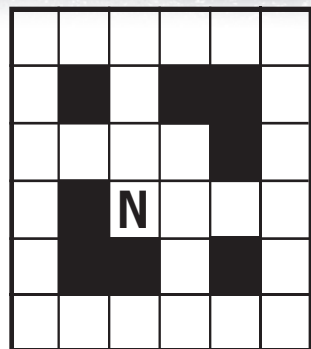
Fairchild talked about planting Japanese flowering cherry trees along avenues in the Washington area. Some of his friends joined him in his quest. In 1907, 300 Oriental cherry trees were ordered by the Chevy Chase Land Company. The trees were planted in the Chevy Chase area.

The next year Fairchild gave cherry saplings to children from each District of Columbia school. They planted the trees in their schoolyard to celebrate Arbor Day. During the celebration Fairchild talked about his idea to transform the land around the Tidal Basin into a "Field of Cherries."

Scidmore was at the celebration. In 1909, she started raising funds to buy cherry trees for the city of Washington D.C.

She sent a letter about her plan to the first lady, Helen Herron Taft. Mrs. Taft had lived in Japan and had seen flowering cherry trees. Two days later Mrs. Taft wrote back. She liked the idea but thought the trees should be planted along the avenues.

Next week, the Kid will explain what happened next. You will find out why this month is the 100th Anniversary of the cherry trees in Washington D.C.



Crossword

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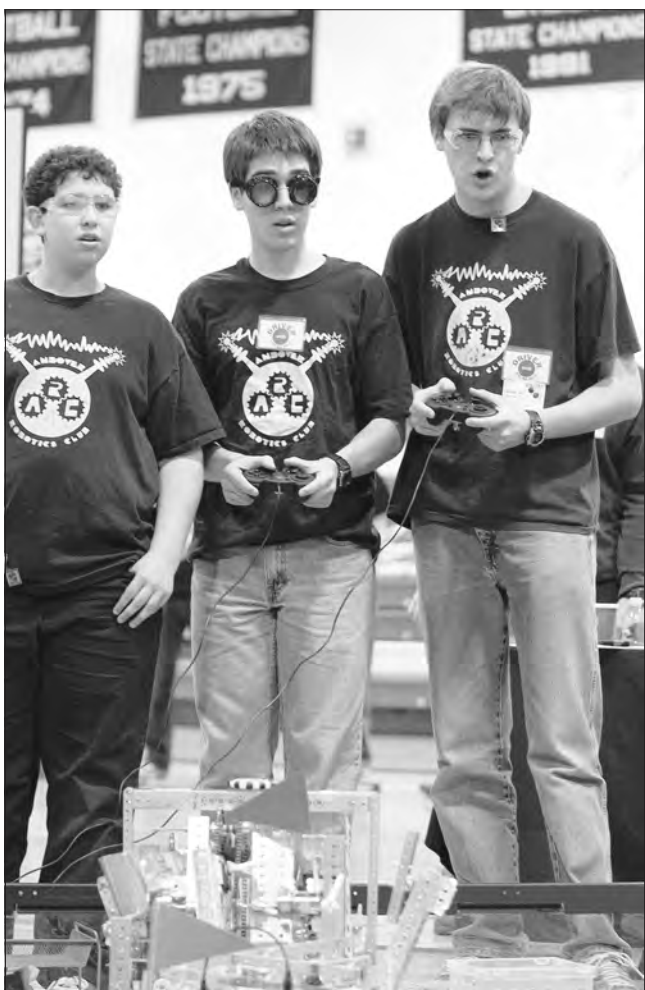


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Education



Freshman Andrew Riemer works on the Andover Robotics Club's robot in the pit area. The challenge was for wach team to design a robot that can fit into an 18x18-inch cube, but the robot can expand past those parameters after the match begins.



AHS club hosts robots war

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Andover High students hosted two dozen teams from around the state at Andover High School this past weekend, for the First Tech Challenge's state robotics tournament.

Andover Robotics Club, which hosted the event in the high school's Dunn Gymnasium and cafeteria, took 16th place in the competition out of 24 participants. Given how much responsibility the club carried in running the event, that's not bad at all, according to Chris Primes, the club's technology officer.

"It required a lot of energy, and we had to put in a lot of effort," said Primes. "It's amazing how many people were there and how many things you don't think about that are needed when putting something together this big."

◀ Andover Robotics Club member Derek Witt, left, and Julian Amirault work on fixing the scissor lift of their robot in the pit area during the First Tech Challenge Massachusetts State Tournament held at Andover High School on Saturday.

BRIANNA HEALY/Staff Photos
Members of the Andover Robotics Club from left, Andrew Riemer, Evan Doyle and Derek Witt, work as a team to control their robot during the qualifying rounds of the First Tech Challenge Massachusetts State Tournament held at Andover High School on Saturday.

Shared vision talk could launch innovation

Ken Seifert



When one thinks about a shared vision, it is not some high and lofty concept. It means that two or more people see and understand the same thing, think it is good idea and pursue it. Nothing is more powerful, more motivating and more satisfying than to be a part of something outside of you that makes a positive difference. You never know what others are thinking unless you share what you see, think and feel, and determine whether others feel the same music or not.

In the early '70s Andover educators were encouraged by the School Committee and a portion of the citizens in town to suggest innovations that would achieve continuous progress.

Three major initiatives were shared with the administrators and faculty.

A K-to-12 curriculums in each area that listed the knowledge, skills and understandings for each subject. In other words, the road map for each subject and each grade. It was recognized there would be children above and below the curriculum, but stated what the standards were. The next two were a flexible Language Arts and Math program for elementary school children.

We established research groups for each of the initiatives. The most educationally sound and backed by sound research were selected to be developed system-wide. Staff development and in-service

training were directly related to the results of such activities. The staff received professional development credits and received salary increments for such training. It was like a University of Andover education. If you accrued 30 credits you received a pay increase. Basket weaving and Mickey Mouse courses were not accepted.

The enthusiasm was infectious. I would estimate that 80 percent of the staff bought into the program and supported the initiatives. In five years our achievement improved from the 65th percentile to the 95th in each school and subject. The investment and return for the dollar was impressive. The home grown AIRS language arts program was recognized as the most outstanding in the country -- with not one penny spent on consultants. As a superintendent I had more proposals for K-to-12 innovations and strategies than you could imagine.

It serves no purpose to ask what happened to such energy and those innovations. Every community must renew itself or perish. These are different times. It is a different Andover!

One should never have just one vision from one person. The shared vision is the most lasting and productive. This was proven in the '70s.

I remember just recently the School Committee asked for ideas and said it wanted to become an innovative school system. There was a public meeting on ideas for the new Bancroft School. I shared the following as possibilities: a multiple intelligences school, a demonstration school, a basic school of competence and character, a research-and-development

school, a new teacher developmental school, a school of technology, a charter school within the regular school system, an elementary school academy, a school for writers, a school for artists, a school with a parent coaching center and a school for cooperative learning.

We could have a community conversation with a vision each month. It would be very specific on how such a vision would work. Other people who had visions could appear on the agenda. No one has a monopoly on good ideas and visions. After the vision discussion is finished we could mutually agree on a strategic plan for the future on the best of the best. The entire town would have options and a hope for the future. It would be the best shared vision a town ever had!

It doesn't have to be just in a new building, we can start in every school that has an interest. There is still time for Andover to reinvent itself. There is still time to discuss visions for tomorrow. There is still time for shared visions. There is still time to open a new Bancroft School that is more than an energy-efficient building.

Andover can be the finest community in the country. All we need to do is share a vision or two and dream a little. I would like to have our visions of 2012 put in a folder. The folder could be placed in the Andover Historical Society and opened in 2025 (thirteen years later, based on K-12). We would be able to see what we did in 2012, our dreams for the future and compare it with what actually happened!

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



Courtesy photos
Readers of all 25 books are, from left, back row: fourth-grader Maddy Silveira and fifth graders Owen Glover, Sam Boshar, Sam Holland and John Comosa; front row: fifth-graders Elissa Rizzo and Caroline Hall, fourth-grader Amrit Sinha, and fifth-grader Ben Eckman.

For the love of reading Students celebrate books, pick favorites

Bancroft Elementary most voracious readers are among those children around the state voting for their favorite recent book to win the Massachusetts Children's Book Award.

After finding that many children lose interest in books after reaching the intermediate grades, Dr. Helen Constant founded the Massachusetts Children's Book Award program in 1975. Today, fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders are given a "master list" of 25 book titles selected from the nominations of teachers, librarians and publishers. After reading five of the books, students may vote for their favorite. The author of the winning book receives a plaque to commemorate the award, which is sponsored by Salem State University.

Students who read all 25 books receive a gift certificate for the school book fair.

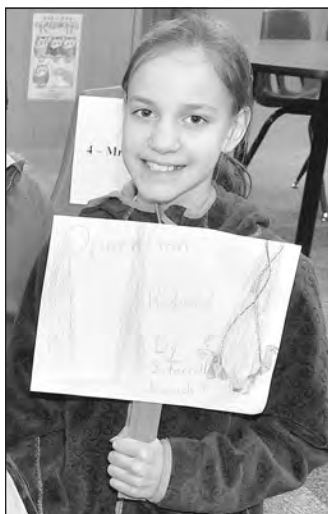
Bancroft fourth- and fifth-graders who read at least five of the books were invited to a special breakfast at the school last Friday, March 9. They created posters ahead of time for their



Bancroft Elementary fifth-graders Mihir Gupta, Jenna Shorey, Katherine Payne and John Comosa vote for their favorite book.

favorite book. Some Bancroft students gave a talk about their favorite book, and paraded around the school with posters they made celebrating their choice. Then, the students voted for their favorite. At Bancroft, the favorite book was Operation Redwood by S. Terrell French.

► Neena Goldthwaite, a fourth grade student, holds her poster about the winning book, Operation Redwood by S. Terrell French.



Your Dental HEALTH

by Nicholas T. Papapetros, DMD, FAGD

LINGERING OVER THE LATTE?

Oddly enough, adults may share a tooth-decay problem that is normally associated with infants. The common denominator is the behavior of bathing the teeth for long periods in sugary liquids. In the case of babies, "bottle mouth" is the decay that occurs as a result of bathing their teeth in bottle-fed sugary liquids (fruit juices, milk, and formula) as they sleep or latch on to their bottles. In the cases of adults, "latte decay" occurs as a result of nursing either lattes or cups of coffee mixed with milk and/or sugar throughout the day. In either case, the constant exposure to sugar provides food for the bacteria (Streptococcus mutans) responsible for metabolizing carbohydrates and sugar into enamel-eating acid.

To prevent tooth decay, see your dentist at least twice each year for a cleaning and oral exam. At home, you should brush your teeth with a soft tooth brush after each meal and floss daily. Call **DENTISTRY BY DESIGN** at 978-475-5333 to schedule an appointment or visit our practice at 19 Barnard St. We provide state of the art, lifetime dental excellence.

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SURGERY: Local urologist expert in use of million-dollar robotic system

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with a surgical method that decreases blood loss and provides a much closer view of a the internal area, many things that would be lost can now be saved.

“With the robots, you actually see them. You’re able to spare them in a much more accurate fashion,” said Seixas-Mikelus. “Seeing the nerves responsible for erections is critical.”

There are other reasons to undergo robotic surgery. The robot compensates for tremors in the surgeon’s hands, and the operations are more precise and therefore less damaging to the body, so hospital stays are much shorter. Additionally, some patients report feeling so little pain afterwards that a bottle of Tylenol is all



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo
Dr. Stéfanie Seixas-Mikelus in her office at Andover Urology on Haverhill Street.

“These days, people do better with robotic surgery by far,” said Seixas-Mikelus. Take, for example, the nerves that wrap around a prostate and provide for male potency. When the nerves are damaged or destroyed, the patient cannot achieve an erection. But

it can take to eliminate what amounts to just internal aches, said Seixas-Mikelus. The surgery is much more expensive, Seixas-Mikelus said, but the shorter hospital stay makes up for that cost — meaning insurance companies and co-pays can go either way and pay close to the same amount. Many doctors are trained with shorter, less intensive programs about surgeries with robots, but Seixas-

Mikelus believes in the importance of the longer fellowship training.

The robot “can be a very dangerous instrument if the surgery is not performed in the hands of someone specifically trained in robotic surgery, and fellowship-trained,” said Seixas-Mikelus.

“The newer generations out of training will be exposed to both. You have to have that fellowship time to get on the robot, to learn it

and to do it well.”

While the surgeon has to develop the motor skills necessary to guide the robot — kind of like driving a car, according to Seixas-Mikelus — robot-assisted procedures can also be dangerous for those assisting the surgeon, she suggested.

“You have to be careful to dodge the [robot’s] arms,” she said, laughing.

Stephen Zappola, a urologist at Andover Urology and table-side assistant to Seixas-Mikelus during her robotic surgeries, said he can relate.

“The assistant always has to be aware of the location of these arms,” said Zappola, chuckling. “If you’re not watching, back off.”

The popularity of robotic surgery is slowly expanding into other areas over time, according to Zappola. Today, it is also used in kidney and bladder surgery, heart surgery, hysterectomies and much more.

“Everybody wants their hands on it,” said Zappola. “It’s revolutionary.”

The only question that remains is if the health-care industry will favor robotic surgery more in the future. Currently, the da Vinci surgical system can cost \$1.2 million or more depending on the model. Seixas-Mikelus uses the system at Burlington’s Lahey Clinic and the Parkland Medical Center in Derry. She is also a surgeon at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen, but they don’t have a robot, she said.

Is it worth moving to a robotics-dominated surgical field? There will always be a need for open, human hands-only surgery, Seixas-Mikelus said, but there’s no reason not to do more.

“Having seen and trained in both, I think this is the way medicine is turning, and I think you have to offer your patient the best technology available,” said Seixas-Mikelus. “It is the question of the day.”

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Townspeople

TOWN TALK

Local musician's band in Berklee Battle final

An Andover High junior is seeing his band's going according to plan.

Danny McCarthy's band Escape Plan performed Saturday, March 3, in the Berklee College Battle of the High School Bands Semi-Finals held at the Middle East in Cambridge.

Twenty-one bands were chosen from hundreds of applicants to perform in the semi-finals, and five of these were selected to compete in the finals competition to be held on Saturday, March 24. Escape Plan is one of the finalists. The members of the band are McCarthy, Will Frost of Stoneham and Domenic Tringali of Malden.

In this competition, bands perform all original material.

Feed yourself, help kids, for \$25

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Lawrence will host its 14th annual Fabulous Feast next Wednesday, March 21, from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Wyndham Andover Hotel, 123 Old River Road.

For \$25, residents can sample food from a variety of restaurants, and here from NBC's "The Biggest Loser" contestant Elizabeth Ruiz and Eagle-Tribune executive sports editor Bill Burt.

So far, there are 18 food establishments planning to attend. More than 120 silent and live auction items will be available.

Tickets can be purchased online at lawrencekiwanisclub.com, or at Shawsheen Village Liquors, 4 Poor St. (978-475-3636).

The event raises money for Kiwanis children's charities in the Merrimack Valley.

Foodies should know

Speaking of good food, the 2012 Boston Restaurant Week is approaching.

The event, actually two weeks in March every year, will reach Andover this year as Brasserie 28 in Elm Square is participating.

"We are the first restaurant to join in the Merrimack Valley," owner Matt Morello said in an email. "It's organized by the Boston Visitors and Tourist Center and they are really excited to have a restaurant in Andover. We hope by the next restaurant week (in August) more restaurants will join the event."

Participating restaurants and menus are on bostonusa.com and bostonchefs.com.

- Judy Wakefield

Evening to help elders



FRANK J. LEONE JR./Staff photos

From left, Andovers residents Nancy Gump, Benoit Thibault, Mary Howle, and Therese Leone (far right) talk with celebrity chef Colleen Marnell-Suhanosky of Boston, at the Carnevale di Venezia, Celebrity Chef Fundraiser for Elder Services of Merrimack Valley.



Enjoying the evening, from left, Martha Cashins, committee member, with Patricia Marvin and Margaret Shaheen, all of Andover at the Carnevale di Venezia, Celebrity Chef Fundraiser.

Celebrity dinner feeds elder fund

An Andover event billed as a celebrity chef dinner served up an estimated \$17,000 for elder care.

Andover residents were well represented among the 87 people who attended the sold-out "Night at the Carnevale di Venezia," on Thursday, March 8, at the Lanam Club on North Main Street. The dinner featured chef Colleen Marnell-Suhanosky, who worked at Biba in Boston and Grammercy Tavern in New York City before opening her own restaurant, Sfoglia, on Nantucket.

Money raised at the event helps build an emergency safety net for local elders, said Pati Fernandez, Elder Services community

outreach and media manager.

"We use this money for emergency funding for elders in the Merrimack Valley," said Fernandez. "Let's say we have an elder in the community who is on a limited income and has a broken water heater. We would see if there are resources out there and, if not, either co-pay or grant a scholarship of up to \$500."

The Elder Care Fund is for any individual 60 and older, who lives in the Merrimack Valley and who needs emergency help or help with items of basic necessity.

"It's for anything from prescriptions to eyeglasses to water heaters," said Fernandez.

Andover resident Nancy Gump, a member of Elder Services board of directors, reported that everything from the setting to the three-course dinner helped set a wonderful mood. Given the success of this year's "Carvavale," Elder Services expects to host another celebrity chef fundraiser next year at the Lanam Club, said Fernandez.

"The table décor, the incredible food, the talented magician, the selection of silent auction items, and the use of the masks — it was all a memorable experience," said Gump.

- Neil Fater

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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100 Years Ago - March 15 1912

The indications are that there will be a large number of Andover people going abroad this year for many reservations have already been made by Barnett Rogers, the local steamship agent. Those contemplating such a trip should book early as a heavy summer travel is expected.

Miss Irene Wood, daughter of William M. Wood, was quite seriously injured while coasting last week at Sugar Hill, N.H., where she has been stopping for a time.

People living in the vicinity of Dr. H.F. Holt's residence, have been interested during the past months in the pheasants which can frequently be seen near the house. The birds are very beautiful and appear to be quite at home there.

75 Years Ago - March 12, 1937

Tuesday morning the selectmen swung into action on the various Town Meeting votes. A call for bids on the new ambulance has already been issued, and today's Townsman contains a call for bids on the Richardson school roof. Queries have been sent out to various fire engine firms.

The School Committee, meeting for its annual organization session on Tuesday evening, adjourned immediately out of respect for the late Mrs. Ralph N.C. Barnes, six years member of the committee.

Close to 900 Andover voters, most of whom were intent on keeping the tax rate at \$30 or lower, attended the first Town Meeting held in the new Memorial Auditorium on Monday evening, and as a result of conservative voting left the meeting three hours and thirty seven minutes later with the promise of a tax rate no higher than last year's.

50 Years Ago - March 15, 1962

The Andover Consumer's Co-Operative may be the developer of the commercial areas within the proposed Urban Renewal district.

St Augustine's School will present its annual St. Patrick program Saturday and Sunday, at 2:30 p.m. in the Memorial Auditorium at the Junior High School.

A \$26 tax rate seems well assured, following Town Meeting action last Saturday.

Saturday morning will decide the political fortunes of Vincent P. Davey and Mrs. Reta Buchan.

25 Years Ago - March 19, 1987

Genetics Institute Inc., a Cambridge-based biotechnology company, has purchased the former Fisher Scientific Co. property on Burt Road in the Lowell Junction industrial property for \$15.3 million.

She (Old Town Hall) is an old friend who has served well for more years than any of the current admirers have lived; now, in the years of her decline, she's asking for their help. This April, by its vote on Town Meeting warrant article 17, the town of Andover will decide the future of the time-worn building that was its first civic center.

Despite improvements made at the intersection of Haverhill and High streets late last week and recent publicity regarding the dangerous intersection many drivers continue to speed down Haverhill street and refuse to stop at the appointed lines on High Street, according to some local officials.

Better than Fenway?

Bill Dalton



"This is the perfect view for me; oceans and mountains are nice, but this is better," said I to my wife where we stood atop the Green Monster

at "JetBlue Park at Fenway South." We were looking down to the lush green field where players were warming up in the outfield while the infield was being watered down. Filling with expectation, crowding to capacity, the fans enjoyed a swirling breeze from right field making the sunny, 80 degree day perfect - a typical late winter's day in Fort Myers, Fla.

Most people call the brand new facility "JetBlue Park," and it's an easy drive down

I-75 as long as you don't get delayed by one of the accident scenes so common to that road, which seem to take forever to clear up. We'd driven to Florida in our RV and were staying with friends, retired Andover Fire Chief Harold Hayes and his wife Sharon, who live less than an hour from the Park. The exit off I-75 is five minutes from the Park, and Southwest Florida International Airport is so close you can see planes, many of them JetBlue's, taking off every few minutes.

The playing field has the exact dimensions of Fenway Park, although the foul ground looks smaller. The Pesky Pole South is in place as is a restored old Fenway scoreboard. Uniquely, the scores are manually changed by a young man who comes out of a door in the Green Monster onto the field to make the score adjustments, much to the amusement

of new fans. A giant electronic screen in center field gives out all the other information.

The Green Monster South has seating halfway up the wall, behind a tight screen that permits the ball to stay in play when the screen is hit. The seating cuts the Monster in half but it looks good anyway. I was a few feet away from the screen when it was hit by a liner and the return bounce to the field wasn't the same as a ball hitting the wall, confusing the Orioles left-fielder, but every field has its quirks; it's part of the game.

The Park seats 10,823, almost exactly a third of the seating of Fenway Park before it was tastefully expanded, and an effort has been made to make JetBlue Park look like today's Fenway. The seating sections are smaller and the upper decks aren't there, but the architect added an interesting

and dominant feature: an undulated roof that he said represented the swaying of cypress trees. I don't know about any swaying cypress trees, but I'd describe the roof as a series of giant wings threatening to fly off with the Park, and I didn't like it at first, but it grew on me for it does have graceful lines. It adds a connection between the baseball field and flying that is appropriate since the place is named for an airline company. I like that imagery and think the architect did a fine job, even if he didn't know why.

Behind where we stood on the Monster were six practice fields, three of the fields in use by players, minor leaguers and coaches mostly, some of whom we'll watch during spring training and in the years ahead.

Three days earlier we'd watched the first game of the Red Sox Spring Training

Season, when they played Northeastern. By luck, our seats were right next to the Pesky Pole South, and I could touch it. Fans have already begun writing on it, as they have done to the real Pesky Pole, an urge I don't understand, and there was one tasteless obscenity prominently placed on it pole by some clown with no respect for the game. And while I'm being a touch grumpy, I'll mention that, unlike Fenway Park, security at JetBlue Park was lazy. There were drunks near us, unattractive young dingbats, being loudly obscene (no doubt, their toughest games having been played on computers). They were making people around them uncomfortable with foul language and insults to the college players. Although they were reported to security, security did nothing. At the real Fenway, the issue would have

been quickly resolved, but the security at JetBlue Park, poof-like, vanished.

It's too early to say how good the Sox will be - there are too many injuries for one thing - but Bobby Valentine is the manager they needed.

It is not too early to make a judgment on JetBlue Park at Fenway South. It is spectacular, and I haven't even mentioned the fine statue of Ted Williams. The tickets for spring training games are \$5 to \$45; parking is under 10 bucks; the concession prices are outrageous. But all-in-all, it's my new favorite place in baseball, with the original Fenway a bit behind it.

For more on the Red Sox from Bill Dalton, see a longer version of this column at andovertownsmen.com. Dalton writes a weekly column for the Andover Townsman. His email address is billdalton@andovertownie.com.

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More letters on the selectmen candidates

Believe in incumbent Brian Major

Editor, Townsman:

Our rallying cry for the youth center was BELIEVE. We again have a reason to believe. We are writing today on behalf of Brian Major for Selectmen.

This past year we worked side by side with Major to bring forth a plan for a youth center in Andover. During this time we have been impressed with his diligence, honesty, enthusiasm and ease with his constituents. He was the supreme communicator as we reached out to people and in this process, as well as with his other work for the town, he insisted on transparency.

Major endorsed our commitment to form a collaborative relationship with the town leadership during our mission just as he has done on other things including the town budget, big projects such as the Town Yard, and the consolidation efforts between the town and school technology departments. Major worked tirelessly to keep the lines of communication open from all angles and he has a knack for being reasonable and calm in tough situations. His commitment and loyalty to this town and its citizens is outstanding and his single focus is to make Andover the best it can be for all residents.

Andover needs a selectman who can handle the tough talks, tough decisions and tough scenarios. We need someone with the experience and skill to continue moving Andover forward. We need someone who does not run from the hard choices and who is accessible to the people. We believe this person is Brian Major. Please join us as we enthusiastically support him on Tuesday, March 27.

DIANE COSTAGLIOLA
Belknap Drive
ANDREA ZAIMES
William Street

Candidate Cobleigh is informed, active

Editor, Townsman:

I was delighted to learn of the candidacy of my friend Ann Cobleigh for selectmen. I cannot think of a

more honest, committed, sincere person to represent the town's best interests. Cobleigh has closely followed town happenings for many years. She makes it a priority to be well-informed, concerned and active. As a realtor, she has a solid grasp of property issues and how the town should be moving forward in the future.

However, I believe the best reason for voting for Cobleigh is her ability to relate to people and to really listen to their concerns. A phone call to her will never go unanswered. She has integrity, diligence and incredible patience. I can't resist mentioning that she is also an accomplished musician!

Cobleigh's vision for Andover is what everyone wants for his or her town: a place where people will want to live, raise their children, and carve out a space for their grandchildren in peace, harmony and prosperity. Please help her to achieve it.

JUNE BOWSER-BARRETT
Lowell

Dan Kowalski's 'blend of experience' impresses

Editor, Townsman:

When I find someone with Dan Kowalski's blend of experience who is willing to serve in local public office, I take notice. I have been impressed with his community involvement, which includes active support of the schools through leadership in his PTO, encouragement of local youth sports as a soccer coach, and hands-on impact on local public safety as a reserve police officer.

Kowalski's 20 years of professional experience with a global high technology firm, with particular expertise in business process and financial controls, will help him make an important contribution to Andover's Board of Selectmen. Bottom line: local involvement with education, public safety and youth athletics, plus business experience and a passion to serve. That's the kind of individual we need to step up for public service during these challenging times.

Please join me in voting for Dan Kowalski for Andover

selectmen in the upcoming March local election.

GARY M. COON
24 Summer St.

Ann Cobleigh has experience, insight

Editor, Townsman:

Ann Cobleigh will bring an important new voice to Andover's Board of Selectmen.

Her professional experience in the fields of education, computer hardware, software start-ups, medical IT, and most recently real estate, give her a unique window into the opportunities for economic development in downtown Andover and the proposed Interstate 93 interchange area. She supports excellence in Andover's schools, and has a daughter and niece in the public school system. With an elderly parent living in town, Cobleigh feels the same need many of us do for a better mix of housing options. Her service as an appointed member of the Andover Affordable Housing Committee reflects her commitment to this issue.

I have seen Cobleigh's leadership style in action, and know her to be thoughtful, insightful and calm. Her energy and enthusiasm inspires those around her. She will listen to all viewpoints and consider issues carefully before recommending action. Her top three priorities are fiscal responsibility, seeking efficiencies through IT and open communication with residents.

AMY JANOVSKY
6 Snowberry Road

Experienced Major works collaboratively

Editor, Townsman:

Brian Major is a dedicated leader who works diligently to make Andover a great place to live and work. He is an experienced selectman who understands our town government.

He continues to use his project management skills and collaborative style to question old ways of working and create positive change. Please join us in voting for him on March 27.

JOHN AND PEG CAMPBELL
13 Geneva Road

Candidate Kowalski: Make town better, keep it affordable

Editor, Townsman:

I have said before that I am running for selectmen because want to make Andover even better than it already is. That may sound trite, but I mean it. I also want to ensure that Andover remains affordable for our diverse economic resident base, while maintaining the values and priorities of our town.

I wish I could say that I was a lifelong resident; but I cannot. I can say that Andover is my home and Andover is where I have "planted roots." Since moving into town five years ago, I have been involved in a range of activities. My past and present activities include: School Council, South School PTO VP and co-president, Andover Soccer Association coach, Andover Youth Foundation Board Member, and most recently a member of the Finance Committee (appointed 2011). I am seen around town in many different settings: asking questions at a meeting, chaperoning a school field trip, and even modeling for the Andona Fashion Show.

People have asked me, can you dedicate the time required to do the job if you are elected? My answer is "Yes." It is my intent to focus my priorities in the following order: 1) family 2) my full-time job (as it supports my family) and 3) the town of Andover. I recognize being a selectman is very demanding and requires significant time and effort. I know I cannot "do it all." Sometimes #1 and #2 may be impacted a bit, but I know and I will make up for it.

We need a selectman who has diverse interests and proven community involvement. That is me. My top three priorities are education, public safety and infrastructure. We need to ensure that we adequately fund the priorities of the community in a fiscally responsible manner within what we all know are challenging

economic times. We need to maintain the services that our residents expect to have in Andover. Part of the solution is to focus on efficiencies, using a continuous improvement model and expanding our commercial base. I sincerely ask for your support and your vote on Tuesday, March 27.

DAN KOWALSKI
24 Enfield Drive

Cobleigh can evaluate costs

Editor, Townsman:

We support the candidacy of Ann Cobleigh for the Board of Selectmen.

Cobleigh has the skills and experience to provide thoughtful consideration and evaluation of the financial implications of project and planning issues. She is committed to maintaining Andover's reputation and to the wise use of existing resources. She will also assure that short and long-range decisions demonstrate fiscal responsibility and promote healthy economic development.

Cobleigh and her family have lived in Andover for 15 years. With a multi-generational household, she has a personal interest and involvement in both the schools and senior services.

Cobleigh has many personal and professional strengths that she would bring to this position. She is organized and a problem-solver who accepts challenges with enthusiasm and is motivated to seek resolutions. She is not beholden to any special interests, and would bring an independent and fresh point of view to the board.

In her business career, as well as in many volunteer positions, Cobleigh has demonstrated unquestioned integrity and responsibility. She is experienced and comfortable with a team approach, listens well and is an effective communicator and negotiator.

Cobleigh has the knowledge, commitment, time and energy to be an outstanding contributor to the Board of Selectmen and the town. We urge Andover voters to give her one of their two votes.

NANCY AND DON MULVEY
104 High Plain Road

Supported by cross section of residents

Editor, Townsman:

I want to encourage voters to cast a vote for my neighbor, Ann Cobleigh, for selectmen on March 27. Cobleigh is being supported by a wide cross section of people in Andover. She is a person without an ax to grind and her only interest is in keeping Andover a great place to live, work and do business.

She will bring a number of strengths to the position. A town such as Andover requires a good many citizens to help our town government and Cobleigh will help foster an environment that encourages participation, something she has shown in her position with the League of Women Voters. This same attitude will be important in all town activities.

She will bring past experience in project management to help plan a better process for long-term decisions, something the town has wrestled with for some time, and has resulted in flawed results around the Town Yard and the Ballardvale fire station replacements, despite good efforts on the part of the committee members. She will work to solve problems using technology and other solutions rather than just spending more money.

Cobleigh is familiar with the needs of the families through her civic involvement (schools, Girl Scouts, CHAPA) and work in real estate, where she understands why people want to come to Andover and what it will take to continue that attraction.

Unique among the candidates, Cobleigh has embraced the idea that downtown Andover is an asset to the town in a number of intangible ways and it needs to have focused support from the selectmen.

JAMISON TOMASEK
31 Magnolia Ave.

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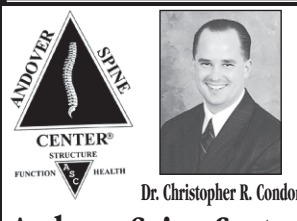
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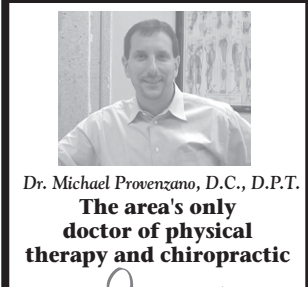
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Opinion

Kids are alright

There's a tendency with each generation to worry that "the kids" following it are not up to the task. Despite our sometimes curmudgeonly ways, longtime readers may know that once or year or so, we like to point out that such beliefs about today's youth are, to use a curmudgeonly word, poppycock.

Yes, some Andover kids commit crimes and make horrible mistakes sometimes. But there's no better time than this week to note the good the majority of our kids are involved with, as a 16-page "Kids" section highlights the accomplishments of Andover youth of all grade levels. As the section shows, they do us proud, whether its through music, acting, academics, sports or in their roles as Scouts, filling us with hope for the future. Several members of the high school environmental club submitted letters making arguments for a greener school and community.

Inside the main sections of the paper, there's much to be proud of, too. Andover High students are joining youth from around the state to build robots, while the girls basketball team is showing it is the best the school has ever seen. Andover youth, keep it up. You'll be running things before any of us know it.

Dare we say it? Feels like spring

A burst of color in the garden, the sound of the returning cardinals' song, and the feel of a breeze that blows warm instead of cold, are all signs of spring. But nothing jolts the system like the return to Daylight Saving Time which happened this past weekend.

We all turned our clocks an hour ahead, and lost an hour of sleep. But, on the plus side -- and it's a big plus as far as most are concerned -- the sun now does not set until close to 7 p.m. That extra hour of daylight is welcomed by many, as it provides extra time outdoors whether for baseball practice or lawn cleanup.

If you think it's a bit early to be moving the clocks ahead, it may be because the current second-Sunday-in-March transition to DST dates back only to 2007 when Congress decided make the change two weeks earlier in the year as a means of conserving energy. (The theory being that more people are active -- and thus need light -- during the latter part of the day than in the early-morning hours.)

During a normal winter this might be a bit early to start thinking of those outdoor activities. Not this year, thank goodness.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you support leasing town-owned land to companies for solar farm construction?

■ Yes. I support both the 126 Tewksbury St. and 100 Lovejoy Road articles.

■ I only support using 100 Lovejoy Road, one of two Town Meeting articles.

■ I only support using 126 Tewksbury St., one of two articles.

■ No. I don't support using either piece of town land for this.

■ Let someone try it on private land first.

■ I don't know, or I have no opinion.

■ Other (supply your own answer).

were:

■ Yes. My license plate shouldn't be run just because I'm driving down the road: 29 votes, 34.12 percent.

■ No. If people have issues when police run their license plate, they shouldn't be driving: 17 votes, 20 percent.

■ No. The system will get uninsured cars and cars driving illegally off the road: 10 votes, 11.76 percent.

■ Yes. I worry the system will be abused to monitor when and where people drive: nine votes, 10.59 percent.

■ No. Your license plate is in plain view. There's nothing preventing police from running it now: nine votes, 10.59 percent.

■ Yes, but for other reasons: seven votes, 8.24 percent.

■ Yes. If I unknowingly drive with a registration expired by a few days, it will be a problem: three votes, 3.53 percent.

■ No, for other reasons: one vote, 1.18 percent.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Last week's questions was "The Police Department is requesting \$18,000 to buy an automatic license plate reading system. Does this worry you?" With 85 people responding, the answers

Seussical musical brought long-lasting smile

Editor, Townsman:

Hats off (a lot of them - maybe 500?) to the South Cooperative Theater at South Elementary School for the magical Seussical Jr. show that I attended on Friday night. I wouldn't have known about it if a nice neighbor hadn't written me a note in which she mentioned several neighborhood children would be taking part in it.

All I could say when it was over was *wow!* What a lot of work on the part of the moms and dads who made the costumes and the sets, and the teachers and principal who encouraged the children all along the way.

I had a smile on my face from beginning to end and I couldn't help feeling that everyone should see just such a performance every once in awhile in order to realize all is not doom and gloom in the world in which we live.

Thank you, South School, for the most enjoyable evening I have had in a very long time.

ELAINE J. SCHOFIELD
43 Center St.

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MEETING THE TECH CHALLENGE



BRIANNA HEALY/Staff Photo

The Pathfinders of Palmer, Mass., left, demonstrate their robot in the pit area during the First Tech Challenge Massachusetts

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

On cameras, be careful what liberties you relinquish

Editor, Townsman:

While it is true that automatic license plate readers could be of some benefit to the community at large as the police chief stated in your article ("Driver beware," March 8), is it not a case of the "police" or "government" checking on "us" about the possibility of our breaking the law without probable cause?

This is one of our fundamental rights!

A fear for safety often intrudes upon our liberties.

Right now that information "could be 'in memory' for about a week," but doesn't that only make it possible for someone to later argue "what difference does it make that we save that info for a week, a month, a year or years?" Then how could the information be used?

So tread carefully here -- once you relinquish a liberty it is gone forever.

STEVE LEET
Crescent Drive

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Police camera unlikely to bring town revenue

Editor, Townsman:

The Townsman published an article on how the police have asked for \$18,000 for a camera that can run license plates automatically including parked cars on each side of the street as the patrol car goes by ("Drivers beware: Police camera would run license plates automatically," March 8, page 4). When did Andover become infested

with lawbreakers?

I doubt this will bring revenue to the town. I am fairly certain that the cost exceeds \$18,000 since the costs of training, maintenance contracts etc. are not mentioned. Meanwhile every minute of our teachers' time is being scrutinized for savings while the high school is bursting at the seams.

BOB O'LEARY
7 Stevens Circle

Do not let Latin disappear from Andover schools

Editor, Townsman:

Last week Dr. Lavinia Chase eloquently wrote on the importance of Latin for today's student. Both in Andover and throughout our nation, a paradoxical 21st-century skill is understanding the past, understanding how we as Americans link to this past, and understanding how our culture has grown gorgeous because of this past. Latin is a key to this skill.

I am saddened to see that the town of Andover has eliminated Latin in the middle schools after next year. I ask my high school

sophomores and my A.P. English kids early in the year who is studying Latin. They become pillars as we examine words, read closely, analyze nuance; they, quite simply, seem to understand language at a deeper level than most. And they also do better on their MCAS tests.

I love French -- I had nine years of it; I once spoke Danish, too. But it is my years of high school Latin that, often to my amazement, continue to inform my own writing and reading.

On top of all this, the intellectual discipline of studying Latin, the beautiful, almost mathematical precision of its syntax and literature, is a completely modern skill. Be you a research chemist, a master electrician, a computer programmer, a sous chef, or a skilled CPA, your work embodies the same hard, focused, disciplined skills instilled by the study of Latin. Trust me; I know. It's a fine -- and I use that last word in its original Latin meaning -- craft. Do not let it pass away from Andover's schools or Andover's young people.

DR. EDWARD C. YASUNA
40 Chestnut St. #3

TOWN ELECTION 2012

Major's tireless efforts 'unmatched'

Editor, Townsman:

I, like so many of us in Andover, have come to know Brian Major for all his good work as a selectman. Equally impressive to me are his volunteerism and commitment to our young people. From coaching youth wrestling to youth theater projects to Scouting, Major makes the time to volunteer in leadership roles in activities that shape our kids' lives.

For the past three years, I have worked closely with Major in his role as Cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 76. His leadership offers the perfect balance of education and fun. One can see how he values the civic responsibility lessons that our boys can gain from Scouting, but also that he clearly understands how to teach those lessons in an accessible way. He believes if they are enjoying experiencing new things, they won't realize they are learning and growing. Major enthusiastically models this approach for the boys and their families.

I thought it was important to share this not only since many people may not see this other side of Major, but also because I believe it positively impacts his effectiveness as a selectman. By enhancing our kids' participation in community activities and instilling a sense of civic awareness in our young people, he is creating a sense of community and pride in Andover's youngest citizens and their families. Many people in Andover give their time to our kids. It's what makes Andover such a wonderful place. However, Brian Major's tireless efforts and broad commitment are truly unmatched and worthy of special note. It's one of the many reasons why I support his candidacy.

CHRISTINE MERGENDAHL
1 Nutmeg Lane

Ann Cobleigh is involved, brings new ideas

Editor, Townsman:

It's time to bring a new voice to the Board of Selectmen. She is a candidate who will bring new ideas and a fresh perspective along with strong commitments to family, community and career. Ann Cobleigh has demonstrated her involvement within our community through the League of Women Voters, Andover Affordable Housing Committee, the Citizens' Housing and Planning Association and more. As a trained moderator, she has learned the important lessons of listening, asking the right questions, and making informed and knowledgeable decisions.

Cobleigh will build a positive and constructive relationship with the citizens of Andover and provide a fresh viewpoint. She believes that good financial management will enable our community to maintain the services we believe are important and control needed tax revenues. She is here for the long haul, with children in our public schools and an extended family under her roof.

I urge you to vote for Ann Cobleigh on Tuesday, March 27 at Andover High School.

JOHN F. ZIPETO
14 Canterbury St.

Dan Kowalski is the leader Andover needs

Editor, Townsman:

I am very pleased to see Dan Kowalski stepping up to run for selectmen. I am supporting him in this race because I know he will serve our town well, with dignity, hard work, and dedication to make Andover a better place for all of its citizens.

I first got to know Kowalski through the years from his attendance, questions, and then excellent suggestions for improving the way business is done at School Committee meetings.

He has a young family and a wonderful wife, Kristin, who grew up in Andover. In demonstrating his commitment to the town he accepted an appointment to the Finance Committee and learned firsthand one of the most important skills for a selectmen -- balancing the budget and budget policy.

Andover is well positioned for a bright future -- and Dan Kowalski is just the leader we want and need at this time. Please join me in voting for him on March 27.

DEBBIE SILBERSTEIN
28 Burton Farm

Vote for candidate who speaks with voters

Editor, Townsman:

Ann Cobleigh, Paul Russell, Dan Kowalski and Brian Major, all candidates for the important position of town selectman, took their time to show up at the library Saturday afternoon to take part in the League of Women Voters' forum. I thank them for sharing their views on the future of Andover. All seem to be outstanding, qualified, caring people who would serve our town well. But where

was Larry Bruce?

According to the League officers, he "declined to attend" and gave no reason. If he is not willing to meet with citizens before an election, how will he treat the voters if he were elected? Please vote for a candidate who takes the time to speak with the voters about their thoughts and vision for the town.

JANE GIFUN
9 Castle Heights Road

Candidate Bruce: Leaders need to know right from wrong

Editor, Townsman:

Right and wrong. It's the most basic product of decision-making and perhaps the most important. It's why I'm running for selectmen.

Was it right or wrong for the selectmen to demand the Andover Police Department remove resident Mary Carbone from a public meeting without first providing a written notice of intent and copy of the law that allowed the action? Was it right or wrong to ignore my warnings that salt was leaching from the Mass. Highway uncovered salt pile resulting in the contamination of our water supply? Was it right or wrong for Andover to bus students with town transportation to campaign against me last year? Is it right or wrong to promote the selling of our land under our Town Yard for the benefit of others?

Andover has a problem with right and wrong. Forget about long and convoluted political essays -- we're missing the most basic principal, what's right and what's wrong.

I am running for selectmen for the third time. It's not a position I particularly desire -- I do not enjoy long and tedious meetings -- yet I continue to run for office. Why? Because it's the right thing to do. Our present town leadership has consistently failed the residents, and the problem is deeper than the obvious lack of good ideas and high goals. It's their inability to discern the difference between right and wrong.

I respectfully ask for your vote on Tuesday, March 27.

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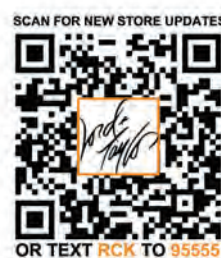
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Arts & Entertainment

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

JOB SEARCH HABITS DISCUSSION, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Memorial Hall Library, Andover; mhl.org.

PIANO MAN LIVE, Phil Porter (the "Piano Man"), 2 p.m., David Hartleb Technology Center, Northern Essex Community College, 100 Elliott St., Haverhill, \$2, hosted by Life Learners program; necco.org.

CHILDREN ANXIETY TALK, with expert Dr. Aureen Pinto Wagner, a clinical child psychologist, anxiety expert, 7 p.m., Wood Hill Middle School auditorium. Funded by the Essential School Health Services nursing grant with assistance from Parent to Parent and SEPAC.

AVIS MEETING, The Trustees of the Andover Village Improvement Society host, refreshments at 7:30 p.m., business meeting follows, includes election of new Trustees, reports on new land holdings, Memorial Hall Library, open to the public.

LIVE CHRISTIAN POP, featuring Atlanta-based Casting Crowns, Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 7 p.m., \$28.50, \$51.50 and \$77, from the Lowell Memorial Auditorium box office, 50 East Merrimack St., Lowell; 978-454-2299, lowellauditorium.com.

LIVE THEATER, "Mrs. Whitney" opens, a comedy about heartbreak, through April 15, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, Lowell; MerrimackRep.org, 978-654-4MRT.

LIVE THEATER, Colonial Chorus Players presents "Urinetown, The Musical," 8 p.m., \$20 for adults, \$17 for students and seniors, the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, North Andover; colonialchorus.com, 781-944-9780. Also on March 16, 17, at 8 p.m., and March 18 at 2 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

ST. PATRICK'S TRIBUTE RADIO SHOW, hosted by Andover's Thomas Garvey and Bruce Arnold, 1110-AM, WCCM, 1 to 5 p.m.

FREE CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE LUNCHEON, noon, Atria Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., Andover. Space is limited so please RSVP to 978-475-4225.

IRISH EXHIBIT OPENING, "Stone, Sea & Star, Under a Celtic Sky," Lorica Artworks, 96 Main St., Andover, 6 to 8 p.m.

MUSICAL, "Footloose" West Middle School, Shawsheen Road, 7 p.m., Tickets at the door for \$10.

AUCTION, benefits Stoneham Theatre, with radio host Hank Morse, Auctioneer, beginning at 6 p.m., at the Hilton Boston/Woburn, 2 Forbes Road, Woburn, \$75 per person; Kelly Gaudet, 781-587-7901, kelly@stonehamtheatre.org.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE SUPPER, 5 to 6:30 p.m., West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road (Corner of Route 133 and Reservation Road), Andover, Adults, \$10; Children, \$5; 978-475-3528.

LIVE MUSIC, Amy Black Band, country, a touch of soul, a pinch of blues, a dash of folk, 8 p.m., The New Moon Coffeehouse, Universalist Unitarian Church, 16 Ashland St. (Routes 110 and 125), Haverhill, \$20, \$10 18 and under; 978-459-5134.

LIVE THEATRE, "Footloose" by West Middle School, 7 p.m., see March 16 listing.

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

HUMAN ANATOMY OIL PAINTING DEMONSTRATION, by Cape Ann artist Paul Ciaramitaro, hosted by The Andovers Artists Guild, 2 p.m., the East Mill Art Space, 21 High St., North Andover, (Davis and Furber Complex). Guests welcome for a \$5 donation, free to Guild members; Nella, 978-975-0015, andoversartistsguild.org

LIVE SYMPHONY MUSIC, the Reading Orchestra, 3:30 p.m., Reading Memorial High School's Performing Arts Center. Andover resident Vincent Monaco is a member and also a member of the Music Faculty at Phillips Academy, \$15 adults, \$10 students, seniors, children under 12 free; 978-664-5614, readingsymphonyorchestra.org.

MUSICAL, "Footloose" by West Middle School, 2 p.m., see March 16 listing.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20

IRISH POET, prize-winning Irish poet Kieran Furey will speak at Genealogy Month series, 7 p.m. Furey draws on his own family history and the tragic stories around the Strokestown estate to explore the conflicts, outcomes, generational changes and memory of the 1840s famine. Furey is author of The History House and Tales from Roscommon; Memorial Hall Library; mhl.org.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

HIGH TEA & HISTORY, 2 to 3 p.m., with Andover Police Department Speaker Alison Milne, on the lengthy and illustrious history of Andover's police force. A collaboration with the Senior Center, High Tea will be held at the Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlett St., Rear.

AUTHOR READING, Howard Frank Mosher (The Great Northern Express: A Writer's Journey) 7 p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22

AUTHOR READING, Audrey Schulman (Three Weeks in December), 7 p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.

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Andover native Don Mathias recently took his childhood dream of drawing comics to the next level with the publishing of the first book in a comic series he created more than 10 years ago. Here, Mathias - a previous comic artist for the Andover Townsman - shows off two covers for the first edition of his book.

'Peanizles' draws a varied audience

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Here's a math problem: If you have 18 candy bars and you eat four on Monday, three on Tuesday and five on Wednesday, what do you have on Thursday?

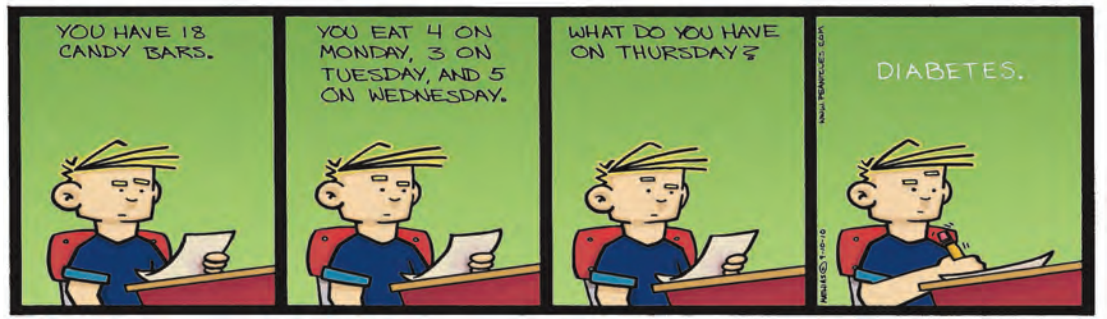
"Diabetes," answers Succotash, one of many comic youth characters created for the strip Peanizles by Andover native Don Mathias.

The comic industry is changing, and artists around the world are trying to adapt to the rising presence of Internet audiences. After creating Peanizles for Skope magazine in 2001 and publishing the comic regularly to the Internet, Mathias has brought his characters and series to a new format for him — the comic book. Mathias' first books cost \$5 each.

"The established way of going is that you try to get syndicated, which was hard," said Mathias, who also penned "Entering Andover" in the Andover Townsman for 13 years, until April 2011. "The cartoonists who are established are still trying to figure out how to do things."

Peanizles follows a band of school-aged friends who face challenges that people face in the real world, according to Mathias. Topics tackled by the cartoon have varied over the years, including lemonade stands bought out by "Stahbucks," and reduced allowances because of economic conditions facing "the 99 percent" highlighted in recent Occupy protests throughout America.

Soon, a character in the comic will make a bid for class president.



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A Peanizles comic by Don Mathias, featuring the character Succotash. This comic appears in Mathias first book.



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This comic features the characters Grace and Chuck B.

Those events will coincide with the US presidential election later this year, according to Mathias.

"Each character is just parts of everybody," said Mathias, a 1989 Andover High graduate. "That's the beauty of comics — you can take something that everybody's relating to, and put it into [a storyline]."

Peanizles often honors other comics and artists. The final page of the Peanizles' first book features characters from Peanuts, Beetle Bailey, Bloom County and more.

"It's fun to socially interact with other characters, as long as you are tasteful about it," said Mathias. "You have to really be faithful to [the comic's] original stuff, and you can poke fun at it. It's interesting how many people out there do parodies."

With an "almost daily comic strip" on the web, one book now in print and two more expected later this year, Peanizles is also seen in classrooms as an instructional aids. It is used in language-learning textbooks in countries like China.

"It gives [students] a better idea of what the English language is and how it works, and how people interact," said Mathias. "It's a great educational tool, and it is entertaining too. It makes it more fun for them to work and get educated."

People can buy the book online at peanizles.storenvy.com, or at area comic book shops.

To read Peanizles or for more on the comic, visitpeanizles.com. For more on Mathias, visit punk-rockcartoonist.com.



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF: South Church Artistic Director Linda Zimmerman poses with actors, front row, from left: Morgan Shaw, Kassie Brink, Zimmerman, Deborah White, Tamar Katz and Dan Jacavanco; back row, from left: Olivia Harvey, Gates Bryan, Brenda Bryan, Franny Eisenman, Joshua Stone and Ted Harris.

Sun rose, sun set on 25 years of South Church shows

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

As the saying goes, turning 50 is nifty.

When Linda Zimmerman of Andover turned 50 in 1994, she requested a nifty gift from friends. She wanted a specific musical at her church — and, she got it.

Godspell was her gift, and she directed that show. It was staged in the South Church sanctuary and featured church members of all ages, from 6 to over 60.

"You turn 50 and every-one wants to know if you

are having a party or doing something," Zimmerman said. "I wanted our musical...and it was great."

In all, South Church has done 25 years of musicals. It's been 18 years since Gossell, and the ensuing years have been filled with enjoyable little stories. Artistic director Zimmerman, who also runs the local Neighbors in Need food pantries, has watched families grow up, like the Harris family of Summer Street.

Dad Ted Harris played Jesus in the 1994 show and, now, is the Rabbi in Fiddler on the Roof, the South Church show

this year. Zimmerman said the family-church connection matters

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Road trip after radiation leads to rollicking adventure

Howard Frank Mosher will read from "The Great Northern Express: A Writer's Journey Home" at the Andover Bookstore on Wednesday, March 21, at 7 p.m.

Staff members call the book a favorite. This event is free and open to the public.

A bookstore release describes the book in this way:

From bestselling, nationally-celebrated author Howard Frank Mosher, a wildly funny and deeply personal account of his three-month, 20,000-mile sojourn to discover what he loved enough to live for.

Several months before Mosher turned 65, he learned that he had prostate cancer. Following 46 intensive radiation treatments, he set out alone in

his 20-year-old Chevy Celebrity on a monumental road trip and book tour across 21st century America. From a chance meeting with an angry moose in northern New England to late-night walks on the wildest sides of America's largest cities, The Great Northern Express chronicles Mosher's escapades with an astonishing array of erudite bibliophiles, homeless hitchhikers, country crooners and strippers, and aspiring writers of all circumstances.

Full of high and low comedy and rollicking adventures, this is part travel memoir, part autobiography, and pure, anarchic fun. From coast to coast and border to border, this unforgettable adventure of a top-notch

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Northern Essex Community College's Life Long Learning Program will present Phil Porter the "Piano Man," on Thursday, March 15 at 2 p.m. in the David Hartleb Technology Center, Haverhill Campus, 100 Elliott St. Admission is \$2. Porter sings and plays music from the '20s to today. He has performed at Carnegie Hall, Radio City Music Hall and The Hollywood Bowl, and

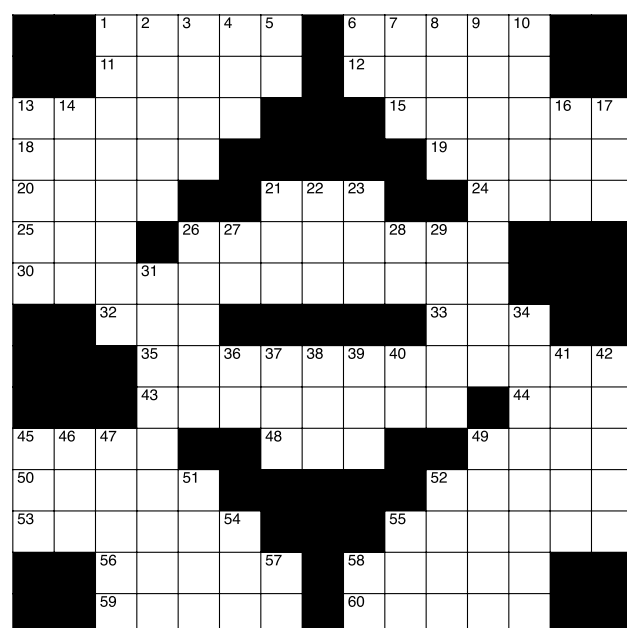
on Johnny Carson's "Tonight Show."
"People often enjoy reminiscing and hearing the great songs from the older movies," Porter said. He gives his audience tribute songs and also does sing-a-longs, trivia questions and sometimes prizes.
A Boston-born keyboardist, Porter started playing at age 7. In the early '60s he toured throughout the U.S.

and Canada with trumpeter Howard McGhee. During this time he recorded two albums for United Artist. In the '70s he recorded an album with jazz-rock band Chase that cracked Billboard's top 10 nationally.
For more information contact Charlene Boucher, Life Long Learning coordinator, at 978-556-3825, or cboucher@necc.mass.edu.

Folk music March 22

Geoff Kaufman, who has spent the past three decades performing songs "of the Earth and the Spirit" around the country, will deliver a folk music concert on Saturday, March 24, 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St. in Andover. Admission is \$15 at the door.
For more information visit uandover.org.

Crossword puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

- Duck cartoon character
- Town in Guinea
- Upright posture
- Rest on your knees
- Move upward
- Disposed to take risks
- Makes a sweater
- Grooved surface of a tire
- Identical in kind
- Radiotelegraphic signal
- "Picnic" author William
- Bashkir Republic capital
- Male highlanders
- Doing several things at once
- Title of respect
- Old world, new
- "Sophie's Choice" actress
- Encloses completely
- Decaliter
- Makes angry
- Commercial free network
- Latvian capital
- Tycho, Danish astronomer

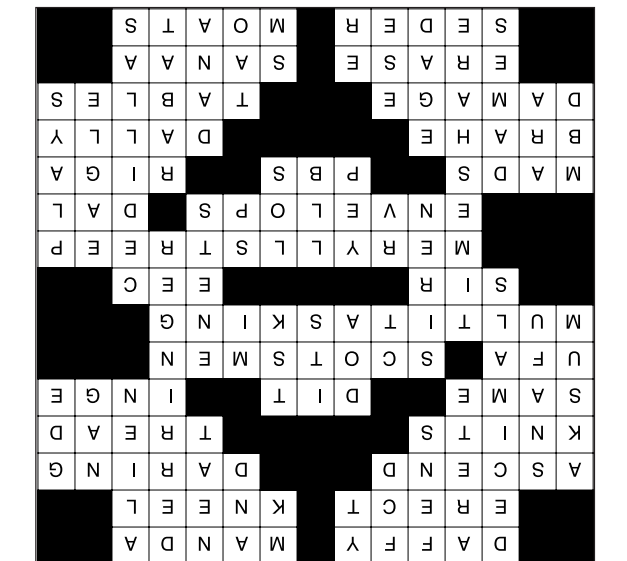
CLUES DOWN

- Proper fractions
- Ridgeline
- Marshland area of E. England
- Flood Control District
- Canadian province (abbr.)
- Project Runway designer judge's initials
- Along with
- Orderly and clean
- A short-barreled pocket pistol
- Extraterrestrial being
- Ancient capital of Ethiopia
- Goof
- Annoy constantly
- Haitian monetary unit (abbr.)

CLUES ACROSS

- Leave slowly and hesitantly
- Harm to property
- Dining, pool and coffee
- Remove all traces of
- Yemen capital
- Passover feast and ceremony
- Trenches
- Arrived extinct
- Belonging to a thing
- Tounge click
- Fireman's signal
- Connecticut
- 3rd tone of the scale
- Language spoken in Russia
- Split occupancy
- Diacritics for s's
- Mobile camper
- Affirmative (slang)
- Bachelor of Laws
- ___ Angeles
- State police
- U.S. gold coin worth 10 dollars
- Bets on
- Million barrels per day (abbr.)
- Macaws
- Julie Andrews and Judi Dench
- Capital of Morocco
- Oh, God!
- ___ Carvey, comedian
- Point midway between E and SE
- Principle of Chinese philosophy
- Trauma center
- Atomic #62

Solution



Ronnie Ventura from Andover plays a police officer in Urinetown. Courtesy photo

Andoverite plays Reading Symphony Orchestra spring concert

The Reading Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Roland Vazquez, will present its spring 2012 concert on Sunday, March 18 at 3:30 p.m. at the Reading Memorial High School's Performing Arts Center.

The orchestra will perform the Gounod Petite Symphonie for Winds, the Arutunian Trumpet Concerto and the Dvorak Symphony #7 in D-minor.
Andover resident Vincent Monaco, trumpet soloist, is a member of the music faculty at Phillips Academy, where he has taught full-time for twenty seven years. In 2001, he was the recipient of a Teacher Recognition Award from the Presidential Scholars Program.
As a trumpet player, he has

had the pleasure of studying with Walter Chesnut, Carmine Caruso, Roger Voisin, Gerard Schwartz and Charly Schleuter.

He has performed over the years with the Handel & Haydn Society, Arcadia Players, Orchestra at Emmanuel Church, Cantata Singers Orchestra, Boston College, Academy of Ancient Music, Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Chorus Pro Musica, L'Orchestra Symphonica di Firenze (Florence, Italy), New York Historical Society, Smoke and Mirrors Showband and Junko Simon's Green Umbrella Series.

Tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 students and seniors, free for children under the age of 12 and are available at the door or by calling 978-664-5614.

FIDDLER:

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most to her and the annual church musical is a favorite time of year because families work hard for theatrical success. She points to the Harris family of six as a good example of a family pulling together and having fun to make the show possible.
"All four Harris kids have had a major lead in the past five productions," Zimmerman said.

Ben was born shortly after the Godspell production in 1994, and is now playing a lead in Fiddler, Perchik.
"Ted's youngest, daughter, Emma, has been on stage with us since she was 4, played the lead in Seussical in 2009, and is now dancing in Fiddler," Zimmerman said. "Ted's two older sons (Andrew and Chris) had significant roles before heading off to college."

This year, Zimmerman expanded that church connection. She reached out to Jewish friends and asked if they wanted to be involved with

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

South Church production
Friday, March 16, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 17, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 18, 2 p.m.
South Church, 41 Central St.
Tickets: \$10 advance, \$12 door (family max of \$40 in advance, \$48 door)
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Fiddler. Havurat Shalom in Andover, Temple Emanu-El in Haverhill and Temple Shir Tikvah in Winchester are taking part.

Temple members are joining these longtime South Church performers:

- Deborah White, musical director
- Donna Schroeder, pianist for 25 years of shows
- Steve Longo, bass player in the orchestra
- Matthew Longo, on stage in 1994's Godspell, now drummer in the orchestra
- Amy Wilkins Blanchette, played Sonia in 1994, now choreographer
- Ron Dan, played Judas in 1994, now on clarinet in the orchestra

Unconventional musical flows to Rogers Center

Urinetown, The Musical pokes fun at capitalism, socialism, bureaucracy, corporate mismanagement, and petty small town politics. Its a comic tale of greed, corruption, love and revolution in a time when water is worth its weight in gold.

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the people, a hero decides he's had enough, and plans a revolution to lead them all to freedom. This unconventional plotline is meant to shatter audience expectations of the typical musical theater experience.

The show will be performed on March 15, 16 and 17 at 8 p.m. and March 18 at 2 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, North Andover. For more information call 781-944-9780 or go to colonialchorus.com and click on box office. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$17 for students and seniors.

MOSHER: Award winner

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American writer demonstrates that, sometimes, in order to know who we truly are, we must turn the wheel towards home.

Howard Frank Mosher is the author of 10 novels and a travel memoir. Born in the Catskill Mountains in 1942, Mosher has lived in Vermont's fabled Northeast Kingdom since 1964. He has won many awards for his fiction, including Guggenheim

and National Endowment for the Arts fellowships, the American Academy of Arts and Letters Literature Award, the American Civil Liberties Award for Excellence in the Arts, the Vermont Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts, the New England Book Award and, most recently, the 2011 New England Independent Booksellers Association's President's Award for Lifetime Achievement in the Arts.

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Sports

One win away - again

Golden Warriors shine at Boston Garden, move on to state final Saturday

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

BOSTON — As the final seconds ticked off the clock, Andover star Nicole Boudreau had just one thought in her mind.

“All I could say at the end was, ‘I can’t wait to rush that floor!’” said Boudreau. “Especially after a hard fought win, there is nothing better than rushing this floor with all of my teammates.”

For the third straight season, the Andover girls basketball team made the parquet floor at the TD Garden their home, earning a third consecutive trip to the Division 1 state title game with a 54-39 victory over Braintree at the home of the Boston Celtics.

It may have been a Boston Garden three-peat, but a moment as special as that never grows old.

“It is so different and so special every time,” said forward Jackie Alois. “I still don’t feel like it’s real. We’re going back.”

The Golden Warriors will play for their third straight Division 1 crown — and fourth in program history — on Saturday at the DCU Center in Worcester against the winner of Wednesday’s matchup between Central Mass. champ Wachusett and West champ Holyoke.

“Words can’t describe how we feel right now,” said Devon Caveney. “I’m still in shock. This never gets old.”

It wasn’t easy for Andover on Tuesday. Braintree led by two at halftime, 25-23, and 34-33 after three quarters.

“It’s never going to be easy in the EMass. Finals,” said Boudreau. “There’s a

reason Braintree made it this far. But we looked at each other, and our motto was, ‘We don’t want this to be our last game.’”

The Golden Warriors ensured their season would last four more days, outscoring the Wamps 21-5 in the fourth quarter.

“We kept saying, ‘Keep your head up,’” said co-captain Ally Fazio. “Once we got into the fourth it was all heart. We all wanted to have that last practice and that last game. We wanted it.”

The fourth was led by Boudreau, who scored nine of her game-high 22 points, and Devon Caveney who scored six of her 13 points.

And when it came down to clinching the game with free throws, the Golden Warriors were again golden with Caveney going 4 for 4 and Boudreau adding three more to ice the victory.

“Devon hit some huge shots for us like always,” said Fazio, who added eight points of her own. “And we can always rely on Nicole.”

Gritty Jackie Alois continued her outstanding tournament. She gathered in a game-high 10 rebounds and grabbed a game-best five steals.

That all while Alois, at just 5-foot-4 was being asked to defend 6-foot-1 Molly Reagan and 6-foot Bridget Herlihy.

Was she afraid? Not Jackie Alois.

“I take that as a personal challenge,” said Alois.

“Once you take on the mindset that they’re taller than you, then they are taller than you. When coach (Jim Tildsley) told me I was going to cover the bigger girls, I was all for it. I can



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photos

Andover High team members celebrate their win against Braintree on the parquet at TD Garden in Boston last night.

play as tall as anyone.”

While all of her teammates raved about the diminutive forward’s performance, no one was more thrilled than her sister Rebecca.

“She’s amazing,” said sister Rebecca, who hit two key layups in the fourth. “She’s 5-4 and covering 6-footers. She gets so many rebounds and is so tough on defense.”

Added Fazio, “You look at Jackie and she is covering 6-footers. They are so much taller than her, but she is so tough and so physical. I can’t say enough about the play of Jackie and Rebecca.”

Following the victory, the See **HOOPS**, Page 16



Devon Caveney heads for the basket during last night’s MIAA State Tournament semifinal game against Braintree. The Warriors are looking to three-peat as state champions Saturday.

Texas-bound state champions



The Andover girls U14 hockey team won the Massachusetts U14 Girls Tier II State Championship this past weekend in Marlboro, and will represent Massachusetts as the top seed at the USA Hockey National Championship in Dallas, Texas at the end of the month. This is the first state championship in the program’s history. A send-off event is being planned. Pictured are: Katy Flagg, Michelle Durling, Jillian Hughes, Cally Chase, Caroline Curtin, Veronica Alois, Meghan Gemmell, Sarah Wright, Haley Driscoll, Bella Piscatelli, Caroline Ingram, Emma Plourde, Meggan Rodriguez, Caroline Hughes.



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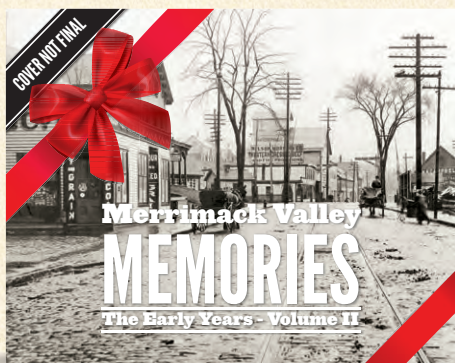
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Jackie Alois moves to the basket in Tuesday night's state tournament semifinal game against Braintree. Check the Townsman website for information about tickets to the final.

HOOPS: Title game set for Saturday

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Golden Warriors poured onto the court and dove onto the Boston Celtics' logo at center court, each planting a kiss on the parquet floor, following in the tradition of the previous two seasons.

"It never gets old," said Fazio. "It could never get old. I could do it every day and it would still be special. And it was great. I know (Saturday) will be my last basketball game, so I love every second."

RELIEVE THE ACTION

For video highlights and interviews from Andover's win over Braintree, visit andovertownsmam.com/sports or rallynorth.net.

Now, the Golden Warriors stand one victory away from their season-long goal of a state title three-peat, which has only been done once in the 36-year history of the Massachusetts Division 1 tourney (Haverhill). "I don't want this season

to end," said Rebecca Alois. "It's going to be bitter-sweet that it's over, but we can't wait for the game."

Andover 54, Braintree 39

Division 1 Eastern Mass Final
Andover (54): Ally Fazio 3-0-8, Devon Caveney 3-6-13, Rebecca Alois 3-0-6, Nicole Boudreau 6-7-22, Jackie Alois 1-1-3, Angelice Gonzalez 0-0-0, Danielle Boudreau 0-1-1, Jaymi Cohen 0-1-1, Olivia Biles 0-0-0, Abby Katz 0-0-0, Jessica Witten 0-0-0. Totals 16-16-54
Braintree (39): Paige Marshall 3-1-7, Ashley Russell 0-0-0, Bridget Herlihy 3-0-7, Rachel Norton 3-0-7, Molly Reagan 5-0-10, Alyssa Klitzbecher 0-0-0, Jenni Guen 1-0-2, Jennifer Whyte 0-0-0, Annie Kate Joyce 2-0-4, Kelsey Dillon 0-0-0, Taylor Russell 1-0-2. Totals 18-1-39
3-pointers: A — Boudreau 3, Fazio 2, Caveney; Herlihy, Norton
Andover (26-0): 7 16 10 21—54
Braintree (22-3): 13 12 9 5—39

THE ROAD TO TD GARDEN

A game-by-game look at Andover's season:

Date	Score	Leading scorer	Note
Dec. 14	Andover 81, Chelmsford 57	Nicole Boudreau 30	Ally Fazio 14 points
Dec. 16	Andover 83, Methuen 35	N. Boudreau 28	Danielle Boudreau 8 points
Dec. 21	Andover 66, Archbishop William 52	N. Boudreau 28	Jackie Alois 11 points
Dec. 22	Andover 54, Lawrence 28	Rebecca Alois 9	Jessica Witten 8 points
Dec. 27	Andover 53, North Andover 38	N. Boudreau 23	Angelice Gonzalez 9 points
Dec. 29	Andover 57, Central Catholic 33	N. Boudreau 19	Christmas Tourney title game
Jan. 3	Andover 47, Tewksbury 40	Gonzalez 10	R. Alois 8 points
Jan. 5	Andover 53, Central Catholic 42	N. Boudreau 23	Caveney 10 points
Jan. 11	Andover 59, Notre Dame 38	N. Boudreau 19	Olivia Biles 14 points in return
Jan. 13	Andover 61, Lowell 36	Ally Fazio 15	J. Alois 12 points
Jan. 17	Andover 82, Dracut 47	N. Boudreau 30	Biles 9 points
Jan. 24	Andover 69, Lawrence 25	N. Boudreau 15	Danielle Boudreau 7 points
Jan. 26	Andover 53, Billerica 52	N. Boudreau 23	J. Alois 12 rebounds
Jan. 29	Andover 66, North Andover 39	N. Boudreau 22	Caveney 17 points
Jan. 30	Andover 66, LaSalle 57	N. Boudreau 20	Gonzalez 16 points
Feb. 2	Andover 72, Methuen 35	Biles 16	Caveney 16 points
Feb. 8	Andover 80, Lowell 64	N. Boudreau 30	Fazio four 3-pointers
Feb. 11	Andover 75, Notre Dame 38	N. Boudreau 30	Fazio 12 points
Feb. 14	Andover 64, Billerica 42	N. Boudreau 31	Caveney 12 points
Feb. 17	Andover 73, Central Catholic 47	N. Boudreau 32	Fazio 22 points
Feb. 19	Andover 76, Westford Academy 67	N. Boudreau 39	Caveney 14 points
Feb. 21	Andover 63, Acton-Boxboro 50	N. Boudreau 21	Caveney 18 points
*March 2	Andover 52, Acton-Boxboro 35	N. Boudreau 20	J. Alois 11 points
*March 6	Andover 56, Central Catholic 36	N. Boudreau 17	Caveney key nine straight points
*March 10	Andover 61, Masconomet 53	N. Boudreau 29	Caveney 12 points

*— Division 1 North tourney

Victory over Masconomet earned girls Garden berth

LOWELL — Andover girls basketball earned its third straight trip to the TD Garden, home of the Boston Celtics, with a 61-53 win over Cape Ann foe Masconomet on Saturday in the Division 1 North final at the Tsongas Center.

Just two days after being named Gatorade Player of the Year for the second straight season, Nicole Boudreau was again outstanding. She scored 29 points,

including three 3-pointers in the first quarter and all 12 of Andover's points in the second. She also added nine rebounds and nine steals.

"Hopefully two left," said Boudreau. "I've started looking back a little bit, but I'm trying not to."

Devon Caveney continued to shine with 12 points and Ally Fazio chipped in with 10 points, including a trio of 3-pointers.

In the fourth, the Chiefs closed to within 10 with 53 seconds to play, but were unable to get any closer than six on three free throws by Danielle Davis with 4.6 seconds remaining.

"We knew that was going to happen going into the game," said Fazio. "They're a great team. We've watched them twice now, and we kind of expected they'd make a run."

16 PLAYERS, ONE GOAL

Here is the Andover basketball roster, and a comment from coach Jim Tildsley on each player:

Name	Year	Position	Height	Comment
Nicole Boudreau	Sr.	guard	5-9	"What can I say? Winning Gatorade Player of the Year two years in a row is the ultimate honor."
Ally Fazio	Sr.	guard	5-3	"A two-year captain and a great leader. She is so focused every day and is just all about winning."
Danielle Boudreau	Sr.	guard	5-7	"She has been an unbelievable supporter of her sister and the team, and is a really good shooter"
Jaymi Cohen	Sr.	guard	5-5	"A very good basketball player that understands her role. What she does with the young kids is great."
Abbie Watts	Sr.	center	5-9	"Our seventh player who goes in and does her job whenever called upon. She has given us key minutes."
Devon Caveney	Jr.	guard	5-8	"A great shooter, and no one works harder. She will be a great leader for us next year."
Jackie Alois	Jr.	forward	5-5	"The best 5-foot-5 power forward I've ever had. She does all the little things and will score even more next season."
Olivia Biles	Jr.	guard	5-5	"She is probably the second best shooter on our team. She missed a year from injury, but has done a nice job."
Angelice Gonzalez	Jr.	guard	5-5	"She has come a long way. She has really learned the game and gotten better and better."
Abby Katz	Jr.	forward	5-7	"She was hurt for two years, and has worked really hard. We are looking for good things from her next year."
Emma Bentley	Jr.	center	5-11	"I can't believe how much she has improved. She never played basketball until two years ago."
Rebecca Alois	Soph.	forward	5-7	"She is just like her sister, a good and hard-work athlete. I knew she'd be our fifth starter."
Jessica Witten	Soph.	forward	5-7	"She has the potential to be a player. She is athletic, but needs to refine her tools."
Rachael Cormier	Frosh.	guard	5-4	"She has played mostly JV, but practices with us. he has fit in very well with the kids and has skill."
Talia Dellatto	Frosh.	forward	5-7	"The most polite girl I have ever had. A great kid. She is athletic and wants to be better."
Jordan Day	Jr.	manager		"I have never had anyone like her. She runs our clock and does anything needed. She has never missed a practice."

Medal winners



Courtesy photo

ANA Synchro synchronized swim team members pictured with their coaches after capturing 25 medals at the New England Synchronized Swimming Association Championship meet. Back row, left, is head coach and team director Svetlana Malinovskaya, at right is coach Stephanie Garcia Restrepo, and seated at lower right is coach Sarah Printy.

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KOWALSKI ANSWERS

The property tax paid by Andover residents is: about right
Explanation: Andover's single family tax bill is on par with other top-rated communities. In this economy, this rate has a high impact for many families. We live in a town where people expect top quality services, and for the most part, the town delivers. Taxpayer dollars must be used efficiently to maximize the return on our investment in our schools, public safety and infrastructure.

Significant steps are underway to minimize waste with the IT consolidation and townwide accounting system. We must continue this trend, including initiatives such as the proposed "digital classroom," to identify opportunities for more efficient, cost-effective solutions.

Andover spends too much on studies for projects that aren't feasible in the foreseeable future. Andover does not provide enough for: building internal process improvements to maximize resource utilization.

Explanation: Comprehensive capital planning, balancing "needs" versus "wants," must consider current and future debt to minimize taxpayer impact. All town projects require a level of due diligence, however studies and planning should be closely tied to a fiscally responsible strategic plan to ensure the results are pertinent to the project.

Fostering a self-reflecting "continuous improvement" environment will challenge department's productivity and achieve operational savings. The IT consolidation effort alone has identified \$1M-\$1.5 million in potential savings over the next five years. This money could be used to hire additional teachers, police/fire and other critical town employees, or maintain/improve the town's infrastructure.

Brian P. Major

Address: 11 Odyssey Way
Age: 46
Job status/occupation: Senior project manager for Philips Healthcare
Nuclear family: Wife Margaret and children Rachel (14), Danielle (11), Brendan (9) and Nicole (9)



ANSWERS

The property tax paid by Andover residents is: about right
Explanation: Maintaining Andover's affordability for all citizens is extremely important. My goal is to find the right balance between providing service excellence to our citizens and ensuring that property tax rates enable residents to afford to live in their homes. This balance requires the prioritization of services and the determination of where costs can be eliminated or minimized through service elimination, consolidation or outsourcing.

Additionally, I have supported the expansion of the senior tax voucher program that enables seniors to volunteer their talents to support town government and earn a discount of up to \$600 off their annual property taxes. Andover spends too much on: Out of district special education tuitions and transportation

Andover does not provide enough for: OPEB (Other Postemployment Benefits) liabilities - especially retiree health insurance costs
Explanation: The Andover Schools have successfully expanded in-district special education programming. This investment is having a positive impact on our student's growth and well-being and is significantly lowering out-of-district tuition and transportation costs. I support additional expansion of in-district SPED programming.

Recently, Massachusetts communities learned of their OPEB liabilities which are retirement costs in addition to pension expenses. Andover has an OPEB liability of \$210M which we must legally fund. Over the previous two years, Andover has allocated \$600K into our OPEB reserve. We need to create a definitive plan that will enable full coverage of this liability.

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Legals

TOWN OF ANDOVER BOARD OF SELECTMEN STREET LAYOUT MEETING
 Notice is hereby given that pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 82, Section 22, a public hearing will be convened on **Monday, March 26, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, to consider laying out the following street for consideration at the 2012 Annual Town Meeting: Monette Circle.
 Brian P. Major, Chairman
 Andover Board of Selectmen
 AT - 3/15/12

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
 MUPC SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE
 Docket No. ES12P0444EA

Estate of: Muriel P. Sullivan
Date of Death: January 12, 2012
 To all persons who may have an interest in the above-captioned estate, the Division of Medical Assistance and, if interested, to the Office of the Attorney General and the United States Department of Veteran's Affairs;
 Notice is being sent to you as you may have a legal interest in this case, in order to inform you of your rights.
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 AT - 3/15/12

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Legals

TOWN OF ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, at 7:30 p.m., in the Second Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlett Street, on an application submitted by CA Investment Trust, for a Modification of Special Permit for New Multi-Family Dwelling Construction Attached Cluster. The proposal would modify the approval to allow for the construction of one (1) additional residential unit with associated site work. The project is located at 55 Canterbury Street and Ivana Drive, and more specifically identified as Lot 20 on Assessors Map 86. The application and associated documents may be examined in the Planning Department during normal business hours, Monday through Friday.
 The Andover Planning Board
 Joan Duff, Chair
 AT - 03/08, 03/15/12

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
 Essex Probate and Family Court
 36 Federal Street
 Salem, MA 01970
 (978) 744-1020

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL
 Docket No. ES12P0444EA
In the Estate of: Muriel P Sullivan
Date of: Andover, MA 01810
Date of Death: 01/12/2012
 to all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that

Brian J Sullivan of New London, NH be appointed executor/trix, named in the will to serve Without Surety

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WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this Court.
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 AT - 3/15/12

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