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Police: Inspector arrived at fire scene 'intoxicated'

Gilmore retired three months after incident

BY DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Three months before she retired, former Building Inspector Kaija Gilmore was taken into protective custody

for arriving at a fire scene drunk, according to police reports.

On the night of Feb. 1, Andover police and fire crews were handling a fire at 193 Salem St. As the work to

knock down the blaze ended, a vehicle arrived on the scene. A police officer watched as the car drove over road flares. "[The driver] rolled her window down and stated, 'building inspector,'" according to

the officer. She then drove on and struck a sidewalk curb with her car's right-side tires before coming to a stop.

Out of the vehicle walked Kaija Gilmore, Andover's longtime building inspector, to inspect the fire damage, according to an officer's report. Around three hours later,

Gilmore was blowing into a portable Breathalyzer while in protective custody at the Andover Public Safety Center. She failed the test, registering a 0.132 blood alcohol content level, according to Andover Police Lt. James Hashem. That reading is well above the .08 BAC considered to be the

legal limit.

Gilmore told police Lt. Lee Britton that she "made an error in judgment," and that she "had wine with dinner," a report filed by Britton says. "Based on my observations it is my opinion that she was

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New Andover High School Principal Christopher Lord picks up trash under the bleachers of Lovely Field at the school during a clean-up of the grounds before the school year begins.

Principal and cheerleader

New AHS principal Christopher Lord getting A for school spirit

JUDY WAKEFIELD
Staff Writer

When Andover High School opens this year's football season on Saturday, Sept. 8, with a home game against North Andover,

Lovely Field will be just that lovely. Thanks to the new AHS principal, who is clearly a school-spirited cheerleader, the field was cleaned up with a team of volunteers and workers from the town's parks department. Lovely Field and

its surrounding bleachers were cleaned Friday morning, Aug. 24.

New Principal Christopher Lord said about 25 students, parents and teachers took part in the cleanup

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Unusual primary faces voters

New precincts, Thursday election

BY DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

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The state primary is next Thursday, followed by a general election in November, and town officials are concerned some residents will not know on which U.S. Congressional and state legislative races they're voting.

Around half of the town will vote this fall for seats and candidates they have never voted for before, according to Town Clerk Larry Murphy. "They'll be voting for perhaps unfamiliar names, or names they don't normally see on the ballot," said Murphy. "We want to get the word out so people understand who they're voting for in November."

The state primary Sept. 6 provides something of a dry run for both voters and election officials.

It also provides some important contested races.

The contested race drawing the most attention in the primary is the race for state senate on the Republican ballot. Republicans and unenrolled voters will be able to choose a Republican ballot and chose between Paul Adams or Alex Vispoli. The winner will face incumbent state Sen. Barry Finegold in the November general election.

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▶ Mother Connection

New president appreciates 31 years worth of advice

JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Your baby likes to throw his bottle across the kitchen. Or, maybe your toddler likes to put her dinner in her hair.

It's worrisome for new moms when that adorable child seems to turn into a smiling psychotic and just won't behave.

That's where The Mother Connection can step in and help, just like a dependable roll of paper towels. "Been there, done that" should be the group's mantra as baby issues of all sorts are discussed by members. By connecting new moms in Andover and beyond with other newbies and those who have been through some of

the stages, women realize they are not alone coping with new baby behavior, which can be a huge relief.

The Mother Connection turns 31 next year and continues to be a valuable membership for new moms in town, according to the president. It has its own storefront, of sorts, in the rear of Olde Andover Village on Main Street.

"For \$35 a year, we offer access to programs, like an online forum and a newsletter, that can help with a baby who throws his bottle," said Christina Berthelsen of Methuen. "We give support to moms and that's what moms need."

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Fire hangs up Internet, phones, cable

Blaze under Lawrence bridge knocks out Verizon connections

JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Techno-chaos is not a flavor on the menu at Subway in Andover. It's what happened at Subway on Monday, Aug. 27 as it and scores of other Andover businesses were affected by Verizon's numerous outages.

Thousands of Verizon residential and business customers throughout Merrimack Valley, including Andover,

lost telephone, cable, television and Internet service as a result of a fire under the Central Bridge in Lawrence that happened very early Monday morning. Homeless camp out under the bridge, and a mattress caught on fire and burned Verizon cables there, according to Lawrence police.

"We had no phone on Monday and you couldn't swipe a debit card or a charge card," said Subway owner

Peter Giordano. "It looked like business was going to be off, but our customers got the word out and people had cash, so it worked out."

Subway in Andover had their Verizon connections back by 9 p.m. on Monday, but some residents and businesses had to wait longer.

People looking to check out books through Memorial Hall Library's consortium connection with other public libraries were affected well into

Tuesday afternoon.

"That's a Verizon phone so we couldn't use it," said MHL Director Beth Mazin. "Those patrons usually call from their homes to check out or reserve a book."

Andover's public school phones were disabled throughout Monday and into Tuesday, too, during the week before school begins. Callers would hear

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Freshman Yazhini Ramesh, 13, picks up trash from under the bleachers at Lovely Field at Andover High School.

SPIRIT: Principal jumps in on cleanup

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and he was pleased with the summertime turnout.

Lord is taking over a school where school spirit has not exactly been obvious. Lord is the third principal in less than four years. A bitter teachers union contract negotiation contributed to a less than ideal mood at the school during the past two years.

"I feel it," Lord said of the somewhat down mood surrounding AHS. "But, that's what I'm here for. I like getting to know a community and that's what I've

been doing this summer.

"We had students, their parents and some teachers turn out at Lovely Field and that's great," Lord said.

Lord said Randy Pickersgill, superintendent of the town's parks and grounds department, asked Lord to get involved with the cleanup so Lord sent out an email.

"We need your help to really transform our school before the students return. ...Bring your gloves, grass trimmers, garbage bags and sunscreen. Extra barrels will be made available and we can fill the town dumpster

in the parking lot located at Red Spring Road," Lord wrote. "Let's keep the building and grounds clean and looking nice all year long!"

Lord said he plans to keep asking for such support -and being a cheerleader for his school.

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Cristina Berthelsen is the new president of The Mother Connection. She is with her husband Phil, daughter Rachel, 2, and daughter Abidal McMahon, 10, at the group's location in the back of Olde Andover Village on Main Street.

PRESIDENT: Berthelsen takes over at The Mother Connection

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The Mother Connection also has changed with the times offering a variety of services largely unnecessary 30 years ago — including free legal advice.

Like many new parents, Berthelsen and her husband, Phil, decided that she would leave her middle school math teaching job in Billerica to care for their new baby. That was two years ago. With no family nearby, Berthelsen remembers feeling somewhat isolated when daughter Rachel was born. She turned to The Mother Connection. "Playgroups, new mom coffees...I really made some good friends. It was just what I needed," said Berthelsen, 33, and now pregnant with her third child. "It's just a great group to be part of."

has about 600 members. Most members are from Andover and North Andover but moms throughout Merrimack Valley and southern New Hampshire belong. After years of temporary locations, the group found its permanent location in Andover three years ago. There's a playroom, a boardroom and lots of storage space.

"It's been great to have a real home," Berthelsen said. She said the group "has evolved with moms" over the years as most don't stay home after maternity leaves. They return to work. As a result, more programs are offered at night and on weekends. "It's all about moms supporting moms. And it works," Berthelsen said of The Mother Connection's success.

Berthelsen said the group

Town health clinics

The Andover health department will offer mini clinics on Monday, Sept. 10 from 2 to 3 p.m. at Andover Commons and Monday, Sept. 24 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye

Circle. It will offer senior center clinics on Wednesdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 2 to 3 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

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INSPECTOR: Retires months after incident

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intoxicated," Britton wrote.

Three months later, she retired. The town advertised her position a few weeks after that but has not yet hired a permanent replacement. Chris Clemente currently serves as building inspector in an acting capacity.

Gilmore declined to comment on the incident and directed any questions to her attorney, who was not available for comment.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski declined to comment on personnel matters when asked to discuss the nature of Gilmore's retirement. Fire Chief Mike Mansfield declined to comment to Gilmore's incident specifically, saying he's unable to comment on personnel issues, "especially when it's not one of my employees." Previously, Mansfield had said he knew of no incidents involving Gilmore at the scene of a fire.

Mansfield said building inspectors regularly report to a variety of scenes to survey damage to a building and determine if it's structurally deficient.

"They give us their best opinion based upon their specialized training and education," said Mansfield.

When Gilmore arrived at the Feb. 1 fire, it was to inspect the building. A report filed by Sgt. Charles Heseltine says that while standing with firefighters after her arrival at the scene, "Gilmore was swaying from side to side."

"I could detect a smell of liquor coming from her. I then asked Gilmore to step away from the men and speak with me," Heseltine wrote. "We walked about fifteen feet away. I then asked her if she had been drinking any alcohol this evening."

Gilmore told Heseltine she had wine with dinner, and he told her she was in no condition to be at the scene of a fire, according to official reports.

"I then escorted her back to my cruiser and informed her that she was not going to be able to drive her motor vehicle," Heseltine wrote. "I informed Gilmore that she was going to be placed in protective custody due to her intoxication."

At the station, Gilmore was given a portable Breathalyzer test — PBT for short — to determine if she was drunk. The test is not an actual breath-testing machine, Hashem said. "A field sobriety test is how it's used here in Massachusetts," said Hashem.

Gilmore, 75, hasn't been charged with any criminal charges since the incident, Hashem said. And though she arrived to the scene under the influence, Heseltine didn't see her drive her car and therefore wasn't able to determine that she drove to the scene drunk, Hashem said.

"She was not operating a vehicle at the time she was taken into custody. When she was taken into custody, she was at the

scene, standing there," said Hashem. "With everything going on, they felt it was safer removing her from the scene right away, which they did by placing her into protective custody."

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Panos Papageorgiou is a cardiologist at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Through an affiliation between the two hospitals, he also treats patients with arrhythmias and cardiomyopathies at the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at Lawrence General. A 20-year Andover resident, Dr. Papageorgiou has taken family members to Lawrence General for years. "I've always trusted Lawrence General to take care of my family," he says. "Now that I'm doing cases here, I find it even more satisfying to be providing that care to other families."

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GOP state senate candidates tackle questions

YES/NO/UNDECIDED QUESTIONS

	ADAMS	VISPOLI
Do you support term limits for state rep. and state senate?	NO	YES
Do you support an expanded bottle bill to include items such as juice bottles?	NO	NO
Should state residents have to show ID to vote?	YES	YES
Do you support legalizing medical marijuana (Question 3 on November ballot)?	NO	NO
Do you support an increased gas tax to improve public transportation/roads?	NO	NO

ALEX J. VISPOLI

Address: 7 Alison Way, Andover
Age: 55
Marital status/nuclear family: Married to: Ann (Maguire) Vispoli



Daughter: Colleen Vispoli Callahan
Son: Alexander Vispoli
Daughter: Christine Vispoli
Son: Kevin Vispoli

Current elected office: Andover Board of Selectman, Vice Chairman; Elected April 2004; Re-elected April 2007 and April 2010

Current job: VP Sales, ICT, Malden, MA

Community involvement (such as volunteer work or club affiliation):

- Service Club of Andover, member; Knights of Columbus, member, Council 1078, Andover
- Saint Augustine Parish, Hospitality Ministry
- Boy Scouts, volunteer Troop 76 and Troop 73
- Andover youth sports, coached boys and girls soccer, girls softball

1. You may use a total of 125 words to further explain one or more of your answers to the Yes/No questions.

BOTTLE BILL: No. Increased consumer education directly impacts increased recycling. We have seen a significant increase in recycling in Andover with an active recycling committee, and resident education. This type of communication approach can be replicated on a statewide basis and the results be measured.
VOTER ID: We're required to show IDs to

register children's activities, travel, and buy alcohol and certain over the counter medications.

GAS TAX: I do not support raising the gas tax.

2. "Transparency in government" has become a catch phrase. What have you done and what do you plan to do to allow the public better access to its government's decisions and actions? [Up to 100 words]

One reason I ran for selectman was to increase communications and increase citizen input. I introduced the midyear review to provide an update on projects and major initiatives. This will be the ninth-year of the review.

I'm the only candidate with a plan creating more transparency within campaigns and the only candidate supporting the Keyes Restore Integrity to the State House initiative. It's time to end legislative exemption from the Open Meeting Law, the Open Records Law, and the Fair Procurement Act. I believe that bills should be in print for 24 hours before a vote.

3. What is the most important issue you expect the senate to face during the next two years, and what will you do about it? [Up to 100 words]

The economy is the biggest issue facing Massachusetts. We need to put people back to work and once again create economic security for families. I am the only candidate in the Republican Party who has private sector business experience. My goal is to use my business background to help revive the economy and create more jobs.

I have already developed a plan to assist the small business community.

They create the majority of new jobs in this state.

PAUL ADAMS

Address: 58 High St., Andover
Age: 31
Marital status/nuclear family: Engaged to Patricia Ponce



Current elected office: State Representative, 17th Essex District (portions of Andover, Lawrence, Tewksbury)

Current job: Your full-time State Representative, and Public Policy Advisor

Community involvement (such as volunteer work or club affiliation):

- NRA
- Boy Scouts
- LDS Church
- AVIS

1. You may use a total of 125 words to further explain one or more of your answers to the Yes/No questions.

TERM LIMITS: No. The cause of getting conservative values back into government might take time, and I'm committed to making this happen.

VOTER ID: Yes. As state rep., I've voted three times in favor of a voter ID law.

BOTTLE BILL: This would destroy hundreds of jobs in the Merrimack Valley, similar to the recent 25-percent sales tax increase.

GAS TAX: No. I've successfully prioritized transportation network upgrades in the Merrimack Valley, and would continue to do so while fighting the

supermajority's habit of saddling us with higher taxes.

2. "Transparency in government" has become a catch phrase. What have you done and what do you plan to do to allow the public better access to its government's decisions and actions? [Up to 100 words]

I would continue supporting reform of our Public Records and Open Meeting Laws, which still have needless barriers to access for the public. The people are also concerned about where their tax dollars are going. I've been outspoken in favor of reforms to the current EBT/welfare system, and fought outrageous spending and giveaways to special interest groups, with the goal of cutting spending and redirecting precious resources toward other priorities.

3. What is the most important issue you expect the senate to face during the next two years, and what will you do about it? [Up to 100 words]

We must remove the obstacles facing businesses trying to grow and add jobs. Struggling business owners tell me overwhelmingly that high taxes and oppressive regulations compromise their ability to grow here. My Merrimack Valley-specific economic plan focuses on reining in obscene state spending, rolling back anti-growth tax rates and regulations, and restoring local aid, which keeps pressure off property taxes. I was endorsed by New Jobs for Massachusetts as the "jobs candidate" and by Citizens for Limited Taxation as a "champion" for taxpayers.

VERIZON: Shop: 'You couldn't swipe a debit, charge card'

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the phones ring and ring, but some school workers said they heard nothing.

The police department received many calls from residents wondering when their Verizon Internet, cable and phone connections would be restored.

"We told them that power was coming back as Verizon was getting power restored slowly," said Lt. Jim Hashem. "This was something they (Verizon) had no control over."

It was unclear how many Andover Verizon customers were affected. The town was

among thousands throughout the Merrimack Valley and Eastern Massachusetts affected.

Allison Cole, Verizon president of operations in New England, said Tuesday, Aug. 28, that crews worked around the clock under the bridge, after a homeless man set fire to a mattress just after midnight Monday. The mattress in turn ignited the cable that carries one of the company's primary communications conduits for the region, she said.

Some Verizon customers in Andover, Lawrence, Littleton, Methuen, North-Andover, North Reading and Tewksbury lost some Verizon



AMY SWEENEY/Staff photo

Verizon technicians move trucks under the Lawrence Central Bridge to work on the wires that were burned from a Monday mattress fire causing outages all over the region.

service a result of the fire, she said. Also, voice and data

services for some business and government customers may be affected. Customers in other communities may be impacted as well.

"We have already restored critical network operational and surveillance circuits, high-capacity fiber backbone

circuits, and worked with state and local officials to ensure that all 911 services are fully

operational in the area," Cole said on Tuesday. But some people said their service had still not returned to normal on Tuesday.

While the outage seemed to be focused on the Merrimack Valley, many other communities were affected. Forty-one communities suffered some outages, while 20 experienced problems with their 911 systems.

Ed Starr, business manager for International Brotherhood of Electrical 2321, said crews worked around the clock to get service returned. He said there are thousands of pieces of fiber running through the bridge and each of those fibers have to be identified to each individual customer.

The color codes for each fiber were burnt off in the fire making the work even more difficult.

"You are left there with basically pieces of spaghetti (that need to be identified and reattached)," Starr said.

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Secretary visit

Secretary of the Commonwealth William F. Galvin visited the Andover Town Offices yesterday afternoon to promote public awareness of the Sept. 6 state primary election. The primary is unusual this year in that it is on the Thursday after Labor Day. From left to right, Selectmen Chairman Paul Salafia, Maureen Sundberg, vice president of the Andover/North Andover League of Women Voters, Ann Cobleigh, president of the Andover/North Andover League of Women Voters, Secretary Galvin and Andover Town Clerk Larry Murphy.



Rattlesnake Hill Road in southwestern Andover is one of a number of town roads that are completely within one precinct but divided by their congressional district, which officials worry may leave some residents unsure who they're voting for this fall.

DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Graphic

ELECTION: Precincts for some have changed

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election. (For more, see page 4.)

Precincts reshuffled

The primary is the first time voters will see the significant changes to the town's voting districts that took effect earlier this year as a result of once-every-decade redistricting. The redistricting affected Andover more than many other communities. Two U.S. Congressional sub-precincts had to be created, complicating the election process for election officials just weeks after Andover's precinct lines shifted.

Meanwhile, Andover's two state representative seats effectively swapped the number of Andover residents they serve.

Prior to the change Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9 were in the 17th Essex District (represented by Paul Adams) while Precincts 1, 7 and 8 were in the 18th Essex District (represented by Jim Lyons).

"The 17th and 18th Essex Districts were dramatically changed under the new redistricting plan," according to Murphy.

Precincts 2, 3 and 4 are now in the new 17th Essex District (which Andover independent hopes to earn in November) while Precincts 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9 are now in the new, larger 18th Essex District, which will see Barbara L'Italien try to reclaim a seat from Lyons in November.

Andover now votes two for Congress

The most drastic change to face the town this coming election cycle is that of its representation in U.S. Congress. Before the changes took effect, the entire town was represented by U.S. Congresswoman Niki Tsongas, who presided over the state's fifth Congressional district.

Now, the town is divided, with most of it falling into a newly-created third congressional district, represented by Tsongas, and the south-eastern corner of town falling within the sixth congressional district, represented by Congressman

John Tierney.

The line drawn had an additional side-effect that has created headaches for the town: as a result of the redistricting, precincts seven and nine have been broken into two parts, meaning Andover people who live across the street from one another may now be in different U.S. Congressional districts.

"In terms of confusion at the polling place, the greatest impact is at precinct seven, because we have to run two check-in tables at that precinct," said Murphy.

Around 500 voters now fall into a newly created subprecinct 7A, which includes precinct 7 homes around and to the east of Foster's Pond. In the case of the ninth precinct, 13 voters fall into subprecinct 9A.

The change could have been avoided, Murphy said. Just before the district lines were redrawn, the town changed its own voting precincts. A "population deviation" of 5 percent was used, which means that each precinct can be up to 5 percent larger or smaller than the average precinct size.

When the state then looked at its congressional voting districts, it decided to use zero population deviation, meaning every district comes within exactly one registered voter of each other throughout the entire state, according to Murphy.

Going with a zero population deviation created subprecincts in eight towns. The towns of Palmer, Bellingham, Winchington, Cambridge and Sudbury each have one subprecinct, while the towns of Fall River, Reinham and Andover each have two, Murphy said.

Finegold served as one of seven state senators on a special joint committee reviewing all of the state-level plans.

"It's an open and transparent process," said Finegold. "The numbers dictate the district. The process has been praised by many."

While recognizing that there will be some confusion come voting day, Finegold said "there has been change in the past. I'm confident,

between the [Mass.] secretary of state and town clerk, that they will let people know where to vote and how things will go."

State Rep. shift forces move for politician

Meanwhile, the redrawing of lines for the state's representative seats also caused problems in Andover. Initially, the redistricting process pitted Republican Reps. Paul Adams and Jim Lyons against each other after Adams' residence became part of Lyons' district, which grew by three Andover precincts.

The move also catered to the creation of a "majority minority" district, with Andover's precincts in the district — precincts 2, 3 and 4 — making up a third of a district with its largest constituency residing in Lawrence.

Adams moved into an apartment in the newly-drawn 17th Essex district, but the process was frustrating, he said.

"I couldn't run against Jim

Lyons," said Adams. "Jim was a dear friend, and I think we need many more Republicans in office."

"What I settled on was running for [state] senate," Adams said.

Again, in the state primary on Sept. 6, Adams will face fellow Republican Alex Vispoli, a current selectman who is running for the same seat and, in recent weeks, has ramped up campaigning against Adams. The Republican who wins next Thursday's primary will oppose Finegold in November's general election.

Voters: learn where you're voting

Residents who plan to vote Sept. 6 are encouraged to contact the town clerk's office to learn where they will vote, and what races they will vote for, in advance of next week's primary or November's general election. The election is held on the first day of school, and a new traffic flow has been created for Andover High School, the main polling station.

OBITUARIES

More obituaries, page 8

Mrs. Jo Ann Isberg Eckels, 72

September 7, 1939 — August 17, 2012

ANDOVER, MA — Mrs. Jo Ann Isberg Eckels, a longtime resident of Andover died in a car accident with her beloved husband, the late James M. Eckels, on Friday, August 17, 2012. She was 72 years old. Born in Duluth, Minnesota, on September 7, 1939, she was the daughter of the late Joel and Helen Meyers Isberg.

Jo Ann had worked for the past 25 years at the General Lawrence Family Health Center, initially as the Director of Family Support Services responsible for the Maternal Child program and most recently as a coordinator for the prenatal program as a nurse educator. Jo Ann received a




BS in Nursing from the University of Wisconsin, School of Nursing in 1961, a Master of Science for Maternal and Child Health from Boston University School of Nursing in 1965 and a Master of Science in Hygiene from Harvard University School of Public Health in 1971. She was most recently a graduate of the Frontier School of Nursing and was a Certified Nurse-Midwife. Jo Ann was an RN and worked for many years as a staff nurse in pediatrics and maternity and as a visiting nurse in general and maternal-child health. Jo Ann was also a nursing educator and worked as an Assistant Professor at Boston University, Boston College School of Nursing, Harvard Medical School, and Northern Essex Community College and continued to work as an educator both personally and professionally over the course of her career. Jo Ann worked as a staff midwife at Hearts and Hands Midwifery Services for ambulatory well-woman care. Jo Ann received an Outstanding Nurse Award, Merrimack Valley AHEC Nursing Task Force in 1992 and a Partners in Excellence Award, Partners Health Care in December 2001.

Jo Ann was a member of the American College of Nurse-Midwives, Massachusetts Public Health Association, Midwives Alliance of North America, National Association of Childbearing Centers, and Sigma Theta Tau, a professional nursing honorary, Boston University Chapter.

Jo Ann was a professional dedicated to the health of women and families with a special commitment to underserved communities. She was known for her quick smile, sense of humor and for kindness and patience in even the most demanding situations. She loved her morning coffee on the shady back deck of her home watching the birds at the bird feeder and listening to music. Her latest achievement was as beloved grandmother to her granddaughters, Helen and Maeve.


Jo Ann will be truly missed by her loving children; Marcella R. Eckels and her husband John P. O Connell of Brooklyn, New York, John C. Eckels of Burlington, Vermont and James J. Eckels of Los Angeles, California, twin granddaughters; Helen and Maeve O Connell, both of Brooklyn, New York and cousins; Wm. Peter McCulloch and Fred See, both of Duluth, Minnesota and Henry See of North Carolina.

ARRANGEMENTS: The funeral service for James and Jo Ann will be celebrated in the West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Andover, on Saturday, August 25th at 10:00 a.m. Relatives and friends are most welcome to attend. Calling hours will be held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, on Friday, August 24th from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover. Donations in James and Jo Ann's memory may be made to the National Audubon Society or the Lazarus House Ministries, Inc. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemagliozi.com.



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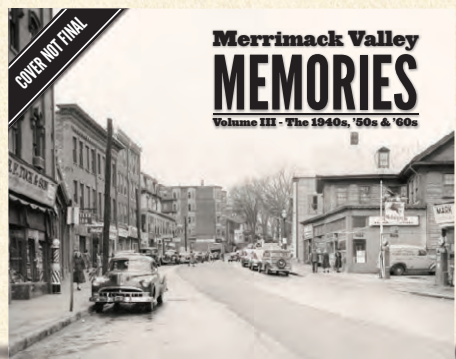
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Friday night, Chicago cover band Introduction Saturday night, and Italian singing sensation Franco Corso Sunday night.

Both a religious festival and a celebration of Italian culture, the Feast draws more than 100,000 people from across New England and takes place on Common and Union streets in Lawrence, starting at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 31 and runs through Sunday, Sept. 2 at 10 p.m. There is free admission and parking.

For more information and a full schedule of events go to threesaintsinc.org.

Joint replacement lecture at Flint Public Library

Orthopedic surgeon Steven C. Hollis, M.D., will lecture on joint replacement on Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. at the Flint Public Library, 1 South Main St., Middleton.

Physical therapist Beth Ann Hayes, from the Center for Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine at Beverly Hospital, will discuss the importance of physical therapy following joint replacement.

Hollis' clinical interest include hip and knee replacement. He is board certified in orthopedic surgery and maintains his office at Coastal Orthopedic Associates, Inc., located at The Medical Building, 77 Herrick St., Beverly, with offices at Beverly Hospital

at Danvers and Addison Gilbert Hospital in Gloucester.

Hayes is a graduate from Northeastern University in 1993 with a bachelors of science degree in physical therapy. She has worked in both private practice and hospital based outpatient clinics focusing on treating orthopedic and sport medicine populations. She has a special interest in orthotic management of lower extremity dysfunction.

The free lecture will be held in the Beverly Hospital Room located inside the main entrance of the Flint Public Library.

Pre-registration is requested by calling the Health Connection at 888-253-0800.

Obituaries

Frederick J. Cebula, 98

January 25, 1914 — August 27, 2012



NEWBURYPORT, FORMERLY OF ANDOVER — Mr. Frederick J. Cebula, of Newburyport, formerly of Andover and beloved husband of the late Gladys T. (Small) Cebula, died at the Merrimack Valley Hospice House in Haverhill on Monday morning, August 27, 2012. He was 98 years old.

Born in Lawrence, Massachusetts, on January 25, 1914, Fred was the beloved son of the late Joseph and Catherine (Mahos) Cebula.

Fred was a proud WWII veteran serving in the US Army.

He will be missed by his loving children; Frederick L. and his wife Mary Cebula of Derry, NH, Michael J. Cebula of Newburyport, Kevin J. Cebula of Kennebunk, ME, Kathryn J. and her husband Neal D. Sanders of Newburyport and Gary S. and his wife Susan Cebula of Lawrence; ten grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral services will be private. Donations in Fred's memory may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice House, 360 North Ave., Haverhill, MA 01830

Rev. Dr. James Milliron Eckels, 82

February 27, 1930 — August 17, 2012



ANDOVER, MA — Rev. Dr. James Milliron Eckels, a longtime resident of Andover, died in a car accident with his beloved wife, the late Jo Ann Isberg Eckels, on Friday, August 17, 2012. He was 82 years old.

Dr. Eckels was an ordained, USA, United Presbyterian and United Church of Christ Minister and a licensed Psychologist, MA, who specialized in analytic psychology.

Born in Trafford, Pennsylvania on February 27, 1930, he was the son of the late Charles Bennett Eckels and Flora Milliron Eckels. Dr. Eckels was a WWII and Korean War veteran who joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1946 and resigned in 1951 as a Sergeant with an honorable discharge.

He attended Duke University on the G.I. Bill and graduated in 1955 with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Religion. He went on to graduate from Union Theological Seminary in 1959 with a Master of Divinity in Theology, Union Theological Seminary Presbyterian School of Christian Education in 1960 with a Master of Arts in Education: Greek New Testament, Northeastern University in 1966 with a Master of Education in Psychology, and Andover Newton Theological School in 1968 with a Master of Sacred Theology and in 1972 with a Doctor of Ministry in Psychology and Clinical Studies.

In 1959, Dr. Eckels was ordained at the Crisp Memorial Presbyterian Church in Baltimore, MD and served as its Pastor from 1958 to 1959. From 1959 to 1963 he was Pastor at Bolivar and Bethel Presbyterian Church in Redstone, PA and went on to work as Chaplain Intern at the Boston University School of Theology and Andover Newton Department of Psychology from 1963 to 1966. From 1966 to 1969 he was the Assistant Minister at Old South Congregational Church in Boston, MA, and from 1969 to 1977 he was Chaplain at Danvers State Hospital in Danvers, MA.

In 1973, Dr. Eckels received a Diplomate from the American Association of Pastoral Counselors and in 1977 moved his family to Zürich Switzerland to study at the Carl Jung Institute. He returned to Andover in 1979 and set up his counseling practice in an office on Elm



Square downtown. Later, he moved his office to 95 Ballardvale Road where he worked for the rest of his life.

Dr. Eckels was a Registered Psychologist with the Board of Registration of Psychologists until the day he died.

Dr. Eckels dedicated his life to helping others, but he was "Jim" to his wife, "Dad" to his children, and "Grandpa" to his grandchildren. He loved cigars, the Patriots, the Celtics, and even the Red Sox. And although he had many relationships over the years, it was his wife and his children that mattered most, for to him, they were his greatest achievement.

Dr. Eckels will be truly missed by his loving children; Marcella R. Eckels and her husband John P. O'Connell of Brooklyn, New York, John C. Eckels of Burlington, Vermont and James J. Eckels of Los Angeles, California, twin granddaughters; Helen and Maeva O'Connell, both of Brooklyn, New York and sister; Marion Arosell of Pennsylvania. Dr. Eckels was also the brother of the late Charles and George Eckels.

ARRANGEMENTS: The funeral service for James and Jo Ann will be celebrated in the West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Andover, on Saturday, August 25th at 10:00 a.m. Relatives and friends are most welcome to attend. Calling hours will be held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, on Friday, August 24th from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover. Donations in James and Jo Ann's memory may be made to the National Audubon Society or the Lazarus House Ministries, Inc. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemagliozi.com.

Senior lunch at Merrimack Valley Hospital

A senior lunch will be held on Sept. 18 at 1 p.m. in Merrimack Valley Hospital's Lincoln Ave., Haverhill. The first floor auditorium, 140 guest speaker is Susan Poludniak, RD, LDN, healthy aging program manager at Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley.

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The ball sits in a metal housing. This is the metal tip of the pen that you see.

The ink is held in a reservoir. The reservoir connects to the housing through a narrow tube. The tube must be open to the air or have a hole in it. Otherwise a vacuum would form as the ink is used. If that happened, the ink would not flow.

Once the ink is in the pen, the ball is inserted into the housing. The edges are bent to hold the ball in place.

Ridges in the metal housing allow the ball to rotate and spread the ink around the ball. The ball transfers the ink to the paper. Sometimes the ball is textured. The textured ball holds more ink and grips the paper better.

A fine point ballpoint pen will write a line two miles long. A medium tip pen will write a line a mile and a half long.

Now that's a lot of homework!

Scrambled Authors

Unscramble these names of best-selling fiction authors

RJR KIENLOT

RAMK AWTIN

KJ WINLORG

LR NITES

LESRAH KICDNES



Newspaper in Education activity

Have you heard the phrase "the power of the pen"? Look through your newspaper for a story that might demonstrate that phrase.

JRRT Tolken, Mark Twain, JK Rowling, RL Stine, Charles Dickens

New number for RMV Customer Service

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation announced a new telephone number for Registry of Motor Vehicles business and - transactions, 857-DOT-8000/857-368-8000.

Over the next year, customers will become familiar with the 857-DOT area code and exchange as MassDOT offices across the Commonwealth - transition to the new number.

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Opinion

Plan ahead for Thursday's election

Voters, plan ahead for next Thursday's state primary. The powers that be have set up an unenviable situation.

Among the issues for voters to be aware next Thursday, Sept. 6:

The primary will be held on a Thursday, which is quite unusual.

Due to redistricting, during this year's primary and November general election, many Andover residents will have a new precinct number, or even new U.S. Congressional District, and/or be voting for people they have not seen on their ballots before. People in the new precincts 2,3,4,5,6,9 and a sub-precinct known as 9A will vote at the Andover High field house on the far left side of the Shawsheen Road school. Precincts 1, 7 and 8, and a sub-precinct known as 7A will vote at the Andover Senior Center on Whittier Court, behind Town Offices.

There is a new traffic pattern for people to use to arrive at Andover High School, where the majority of Andover residents vote.

Thursday is also the first day of school, so there will be many parents dropping off children as well as teachers who will be adjusting to the new traffic patterns during the early morning and afternoon. The new traffic pattern also affect teachers and parents traveling to West Middle School, which shares the Shawsheen Road campus.

We don't want to discourage anyone from voting, of course. But we do want to make people aware of the unusual situation because we suspect it will take attention to detail by election officials and by voters, too, to help the day run smoothly.

Disconnect with customers

For a company that specializes in communications, Verizon hasn't done a very good job of getting timely and accurate information out to thousands of its customers who lost their telephone, Internet and video service.

The extent of Verizon's disconnect with its customers was nearly as severe as the outage in its services, which was apparently caused by a fire in a homeless person's mattress under Lawrence's Central Bridge. The fire destroyed fiber-optic lines crossing the Merrimack River.

The fire early Monday morning disrupted phone and Internet service for customers in Andover and beyond. On Monday and Tuesday, Verizon was unable to state how many customers have been affected. The company initially said service would begin to be restored early Monday afternoon.

As of early Tuesday evening much of the Merrimack Valley was still without full service, including the offices of the Townsman in the heart of downtown Andover.

Verizon's inconsistent messages on the extent of the outage and the time needed to repair it are insulting to the company's customers. This is far more serious than a disruption of entertainment services. Public safety depends on working telephone service. Businesses rely on phone and Internet service for their livelihood.

As with the disruption of electricity during storms, people understand when given an honest assessment of the extent of damage and the time required to repair it. Like National Grid during last year's storms, Verizon would have been better off being direct about the extent of the problem, bringing in the proper amount of people to diagnose and handle the problem, and letting people know what the company would do to fix it.

WEB QUESTION

This week's web question is:
Are you satisfied with Verizon's response to their service outage caused by a fire?

- Yes.
- No.
- I was not affected.
- Other.

Last week's web question was:
Andover's fighting a man they say built a retaining wall in the town water supply. Should Andover control what residents on the pond do with their private land?

The most popular answer, selected by 43.9 percent of respondents was "Yes, because Andover residents drink that water, so it needs

to be protected. (36 votes)
Other people answered:
■ Yes, because a property owner should know what limitations are on the property. -23.17 percent
■ Yes, but for another reason. 2.44 percent (2 votes)
■ No, because they're paying taxes on the property and should be able to protect it. 18.29 percent (15 votes)
■ No, because the Water Treatment Plant has its own retaining wall. There is no issue with a stone wall. 9.76 percent (8 votes)
■ Don't know, or no opinion. 2.44 percent (2 votes)

AWAY WE GO



JAN SEEGER/Staff photo

Riding in an open air convertible, Tucker, a 10-year-old Westie, is Lisa Nardoule's co-pilot Sunday as she heads to Andover center to get a frozen yogurt. "He enjoys his outings," says Nardoule, who says she takes him everywhere in the car, from 5-minute rides to 5-hour rides.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LETTERS POLICY

The Townsman accepts letters to the editor from the community. Letters should be typed, no longer than 350 words and must include writer's name, address and phone number (numbers will not be published). We reserve the right to edit letters for length, clarity and style. Deadline is Monday at 9 a.m. for the next edition.
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Banner struggle shows it's 1968 in America

Editor, Townsman:

In the 7th Century BC, it took 14 years to connect the Great Wall of China. In the 1960s, it took America 11 years from the first Apollo mission to the one that landed on the moon. In more recent times, it took the town of Andover seven years to erect - not a great wall or rocket to the moon - but a mere banner over Main Street.

If anyone wonders why nothing can get done in America today, why the great social and political policy challenges of our day elude solution year after year, the Andover town banner saga provides the answer.

We live today in an era where one must "visit each committee that you can name... (research) every banner across the country and probably drafted... the most well-researched and well-studied banner bylaw in the history of mankind" (Townsman, August 23). We have become a society where the power to stop something has become more important than the will to get something done.

Perhaps more worrisome is that so many people today aspire to get elected to such committees rather than to lift up a banner, a building, or a business. When committees control who can paint in certain colors or remove blueberry bushes from their backyard, it speaks of a society intent on standing still, rather than growing. When every project is subjected to years of litigation, study, review and produces reams of regulation, we are no longer shocked by falling prosperity, crumbling school achievement or national pride. We simply shrug our shoulders and wonder how we became a country of American's, rather than Americans.

Thomas Friedman's recent book *That Used to Be Us* tells the story of a China that can build a multi-million square foot convention center in less time that it takes the Washington transportation authority to fix a 24-step subway escalator. This weekend, with the passing of Neil Armstrong, we are reminded that America no longer has the ability to put men into space: We've returned to 1968, the year before man could land on the moon.

When a town like Andover finds itself celebrating that we've finally passed a regulation permitting the raising of a banner over our town center, the only question remaining is whether we'll have a full-fledge fireworks celebration when the town finally chooses a sacred space to relocate its beloved Town Yard.

MATTHEW J. FERRARA
School Street

Andover water supply faces danger, but not from my wall

Editor, Townsman:

True and imminent risks exist to the Andover water supply that should be the town's urgent concern rather than trifling with pond residents protecting their properties against erosion.

There are numerous incidents of gasoline tanker leaks, one of which occurred on Interstate 93 in 1992 that leaked 10,000 gallons of gasoline into the Ipswich River, threatening Wilmington and surrounding town's water supplies for a lengthy time during the cleanup process. If such an accident occurred on I-93 adjacent to Andover's water supply, it would close down the water supply for an extended period of time, perhaps years. Just last year a car spun out of control on I-93 and went into a marsh that connects to Andover's water supply. Millions of cars and countless fuel tankers drive on I-93 annually, past the town water supply, and I am aware of no effective measures to deal with an Ipswich River-type disaster adjacent to Haggetts Pond. Yet there is a preoccupation with a taxpaying resident doing a small fraction of what the town has done itself. This would appear to be a clear cut double standard.

My 27-year-old wall was well under water in the spring with ice flows eroding the shore, so five years ago it was extended to just above the high water mark. On the unprotected side of the wall there is extreme erosion with the soil undermined up to 48 inches, leaving a thin crust of undermined roots over a miniature cavern that the pond continually washes into and erodes. A large tree was lost in this area. The protected side has little erosion and no lost trees.

My late father would have said the proof is in the pudding. Without the wall, the entire front of the property would most likely have suffered the same fate as the adjacent unprotected side, with sediment washing into Haggetts Pond. The wall is all about conservation of

the soil and trees along the shore shared with the town. I would like to invite the town and conservation officials to look at the eroded side and compare it to the protected side for themselves. This is an open invitation, and they have my contact information.

For all these decades, the wall has been hidden in plain view, but the extreme low water this year made it appear larger and more evident. A few weeks ago we did repair some ice damage on one corner, 4 inches deep, 21 inches long and mostly 4 inches wide except for one L shaped end that was 6 inches wide. This whitish repaired area is seen in sharp contrast to the old wall which looks aged and has a high water mark within about 4 inches of its top edge. It's hard to believe that such a minute repair would warrant such an outcry. We did also scrub the goose excrement off of the wall; maybe this effort was confused by some as construction? As Shakespeare would say, "much to do about nothing!"

I am being made a scapegoat because the town didn't notice the wall for 27 years? On site are some granite capstones that are intended to finish off the wall aesthetically so as to match the granite in the town's sloped wall, the largest one on the pond. The idea is to create an esthetic harmony with the McQuade Water Treatment Plant's sloped wall that is made of granite blocks.

Seven out of 10 properties on the pond have walls or some other erosion protection, including the most extensive, the town of Andover. Those that don't have protection frequently lose trees such as the big one that fell a few weeks ago on the unprotected shore line of 6 Evergreen Lane. This fallen tree will probably block the access of fisherman and rowers for many years. Those of us with walls, including the town, clean up fallen trees and other debris.

I look forward to working with the town and conservation to clear up the paperwork on my wall and also maybe to contribute some ideas on dealing with the true and very serious risks to the town water supply.

In a future letter I can deal with some ideas. I invite town officials to inspect the extreme erosion on the unprotected side of my wall and compare it to the protected side of my property.

WILL HORSLEY, MD
14 Evergreen Lane

Vispoli's experience lets him understand business needs

Editor, Townsman:

I am pleased that Alex Vispoli is running to be our next state senator. I am thankful for all the

help and support he provided in getting our business, DiSH, up and running in Andover. Despite challenging economic times, DiSH has grown into a solid business that has strong community roots.

Alex Vispoli really understands what small businesses need because of his 25-year private sector and his selectman experience and knowledge.

Vispoli continuously works to help Andover be more business-friendly and has introduced and launched Andover's Economic Development Council. We acknowledge his work and support Vispoli's run for state senate.

LEA SAVELY
Devonshire Place
Co-Owner, DiSH

Candidate's character is important

Editor, Townsman:

I am sorry, Michael Kemper, that you did not read my letter to the editor carefully before mounting your defense ("Letter had misrepresentations," Letters, Aug. 23). Here is my answer to you.

Elizabeth Warren claimed native American status on the basis of family myth. She then continued to claim it when confronted. Mere mortals like you and I would have gone to jail had we done the same thing and been caught at it. You cited an op-ed piece on the incident and its ramifications. I cited the facts. You can find the facts as well, if you wish.

Push pooling is not considered legitimate. Examine the Wiki article on it, and you will find two very important statements, that it "attempts to influence or alter the view of respondents under the guise of conducting a poll." and "This tactic is commonly considered to undermine the democratic process." You have that? Powerful words "guise" and "undermine." It is such a nefarious tactic that The American Association of Political Consultants has condemned it. Read the Wiki article. It may alter your opinion that it is not dishonest.

I haven't compared anyone to Stalin. Stalinesque is an adjective, and it has entered the vernacular with a different meaning. Google "Orwellian and Stalinesque Cognitive Theory" if you want to understand how it applies to my prior comments.

I will restate my opinion in a shorter form. Character in a politician is important. Lying, deception, misrepresentation are not good indicators of quality character. Do you think otherwise? If we don't ask for truth from our representatives, we get what we deserve.

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Mum's the word



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Lysanne LaPierre of Andover selects two pots of autumn flowers from Whole Foods Sunday. "All of my summer flowers have died," she says adding, "It's time to get some for fall."

TOWN TALK

Andover water produces school of All-Americans

Andover High School Swim Coach Marilyn Fitzgerald has been notified by the National Interscholastic Swim & Dive Coaches Association that Emma Cammann, Maggie D'Innocenzo, Alexa Korsberg, Ashlee Korsberg and Rachel Moore have earned Swimming All-American honors for their work during the 2011-2012 swim season and State Champion Deborah Daly earned Diving All-American status.

All but Rachel Moore will be returning to the Blue and Gold to defend the team's state title. The Lady Warriors have won the state crown 12 of the last 13 years. Moore will be competing at Division I University of Virginia.

Neighbors is a wonderful way to meet new people, get involved in the community, create special memories and build lasting friendships."

The club has organized two upcoming events that will be open to the public:

Moms and Tots with Music Together will be held Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 9:30 a.m. at the North Andover Town Common; and

Family Dance Party with DJ Dee Kimball will be offered Sunday, Sept. 30 from 2 to 4 p.m., also at the North Andover Town Common.

For more information visit the club's web page newcomersandneighbors.org or email it at www.info@newcomersandneighbors.org.

Senior center showcasing its programs

If you are an empty nester or older resident, the senior center believes it might have a program for you. And it's using a cable TV program to get the message across.

"Have the children left home? Do you feel some of your links to the community have changed or even lost?"

Do you, an adult member of the Andover community, wonder what a senior center might have for you?" writes resident Champa Bilwakesh. "If you have not visited the center lately, you will be surprised. September is the Senior Center month and the celebrations are on with an open house to showcase their new programs that are shaped to meet your needs at every level."

Director Kathy Urquhart and Karen Payne Taylor are featured in the September "There's Something about Andover" cable TV show talking about participation and volunteerism at the Andover Senior Center as a way to connect with the community.

"There's Something about Andover" can be seen Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9 a.m. on Channel 8 (Verizon Channel 47). Produced by the Andover Chroniclers, volunteer seniors from the Andover Senior Center, it is one of Andover Community Access & Media's longest running shows.

Your ticket to candy heaven

ACT Andover is putting on Willy Wonka Oct. 26 through 28 and are mimicking the Golden Ticket contest made famous by the popular play and movie Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

ACT members are selling Wonka bars at events around town. They have already had two Golden Ticket winners and there are three more tickets to be found, according to Kim Sousa.

Winners receive two tickets each to a performance of Willy Wonka at the Rogers Center on the Merrimack College campus.

The bars will be sold in Andover at the performance of Sandbag at Indian Ridge Country Club on Friday, Sept. 14; and Saturday, Sept. 15 at Andover Days.

Ready to meet new people?

New to the area or looking to meet new people? There's a club in town just for you that has planned two events for September.

The Newcomers and Neighbors Club of the Andovers is a non-profit organization that provides social events and activities for residents of Andover and North Andover. The club describes itself by saying "Joining Newcomers and

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It's back-to-school time again. Each year around this time I like to share some of my favorite tips for saving on school supplies. This year, the average person with children in grades K-12 will spend more than \$688 per child on back-to-school supplies, up more than 10 percent from last year, according to the National Retail Federation. That's a big number! The good news is that by shopping smarter and employing some of the strategies I'll share with you today, you can cut that dollar amount to a much more manageable figure.

First, spread your shopping out in order to take advantage of the best sales. Every year, the office supply and big-box stores in our area thoughtfully supply copies of the school supply lists right in the aisles near the school supply displays. Their hope? That you'll pick up a list and buy everything on it, in one trip, in that store. From a budget standpoint, though, this is the worst thing you can do. Here's why.

Each August, we see "crazy deals" on many school supplies - penny rulers, 10-cent spiral notebooks, 25-cent crayons and more. These sales are designed to get you in the door - and they should, they're great buys! But don't make the mistake of being lured in by the loss leaders, then buying the rest of your child's list items at non-sale prices. Skim the sales and buy only the best-priced items.

If you have a store in your area that price-matches, save time, energy and gas by rounding up the best offers in each stores' ads, then taking them to one store to pick up the bargains.

While we all love a great deal, quality counts, too. I try to balance the quality of the item I'm buying with the price. Every year we see bargain backpacks in the \$5 range, but how long will a \$5 backpack last? One year, I was tempted by the \$5 backpack and I bought one for my daughter. It fell apart less than three months later. For items such as backpacks, messenger bags and lunch bags, where strength and durability count, it is usually worth paying a little more for a better-quality product.

Nearly every child out there, from kindergarten through high school, wants new clothes for back-to-school. And there's nothing wrong with that ... except that after Labor Day clothing prices take a dip. Summer-end clearance sales follow, with many large department stores offering coupons to stretch your savings. So, does it make sense to buy an entirely new wardrobe when good clothes sales are right around the corner? I don't think so.

A better strategy is to shop with your child and pick out a few new items for the first week of school. Then, plan to hit the stores again during the next few weeks to take advantage of lower clothing prices. I like to combine this plan with another back-to-school ritual that my children have become accustomed to: "Dump the Drawers!" Before we go clothes shopping, I have them go through their closets and drawers to clear out any clothes that they've outgrown and to see what still fits and what they can wear for the school year ahead. Many times, my kids will find shirts or pants that they'd forgotten about, or were buried in the back of a closet. Once you take note of your child's clothing inventory, you're better equipped to know exactly what they'll need - and what they won't.

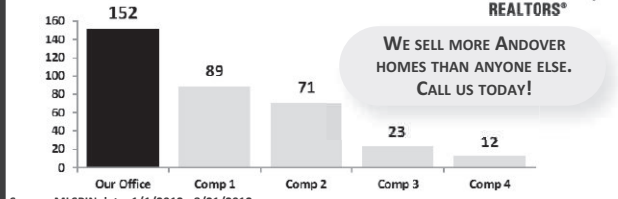
One last thought on back-to-school: This is also a great time of year for small businesses to stock up on office supplies! Many of the great, loss-leader sales involve products that small businesses can use: printer paper, glue sticks, binders and tab dividers, sheet protectors and more. Stock up when prices are low, and you won't pay more for them when the prices go up after back-to-school season ends.

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Arts & Entertainment

No Bones about It: Kids enjoy dinosaur project



Kids unpack the boxes for a dinosaur excavation project as part of a science program at Recreation Park on Monday and Tuesday.

MARY SCHWALM/Staff photos



C.J. Burke, 12, mimics a Tyrannosaurus Rex during a special science program held at Recreation Park.



A Tyrannosaurus Rex – or at least a version of its skeleton – looks over kids as they learn about minerals during a program at Recreation Park.



Alex Ewald, 6, and Sidney Olsen, 6, work on a plaster dinosaur-bone excavation project.



Jacqui DeBonis, 7, concentrates as she digs for dinosaur bones in plaster as part of a program at Recreation Park in Andover.

Library to fete Bradstreet, founding mother, poet

Enactment to mark 400th anniversary of poet's birth

Memorial Hall Library will celebrate next month the 400th anniversary of the birth of poet Anne Bradstreet, an early settler and founder of the town of Andover.

On Sunday, Sept. 23 at 2 p.m., Andover's Susan Lenoe will enact Anne Bradstreet's tumultuous life, one in which she raised eight children, wrote hundreds of pages of poetry, and supported her husband, Simon Bradstreet, in his public life as secretary and deputy governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

In 1630, 18-year-old Anne Bradstreet sailed with her husband and other Puritans, including John Winthrop, to the wild shores and forests of New England. In 1646, after living in several areas in the Massachusetts colony, including Cambridge and Ipswich, the Bradstreets made the Andover area their home

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SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS AT MHL

The following events are sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library. For more information, visit mhl.org, or call 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32. Programs are held at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover.

■ **Journey to Historic Armenia:** On Thursday, Sept. 20 at 6:30 p.m., Edward and Mary Ann Kazanjian will present in pictures, video and music their 2,000-mile return journey to Historic Armenian lands in modern-day Turkey. Sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library and the Knights of Vartan.

■ **Friends of Memorial Hall Library Fall Book Sale:** The book sale will be Sept. 28-30 with a Preview Night, Sept. 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. that has a \$20 admission per person (free for Friends members). The regular sale hours are Friday, Sept. 28 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday, Sept. 30 from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

■ **Writers' Group Forming:** On Thursday, Sept. 13 at 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library will begin a monthly writers' group for writers of adult fiction, nonfiction and memoirs. This group will provide constructive advice and feedback on each other's works in progress. Join the library for its introductory meeting to discuss plans for this new group. The discussion will include meeting format, critique process, guidelines and facilitation. The group will meet on the second Thursday of each month.

■ **Conversational English Group:** The fall session begins on Sept. 24, from 10 a.m. to noon. The group welcomes new members and offers weekly sessions for students who have studied formal English and would like to practice their speaking and listening skills. To register this week, contact Emily Classon at 978-623-8401, Ext. 49. To register in September, contact Carolyn Fantini at 978-475-4602.

■ **MHL's Movie Night:** On Sept. 24 at 6:30 p.m., attend the movie, and enter to win the DVD.

Trails & Sails offers 200 free, local events

The Essex National Heritage Commission presents its premier partnership event, "Trails & Sails: Two Weekends of Walks and Water," Sept. 21 through 23 and Sept. 28 through 30.

Essex Heritage has partnered with non-profit and for-profit recreational organizations across Essex County "to offer opportunities to experience inspiration at over 200 free, fun and family-friendly events at over 120 sites," according to a release. "Within Western Essex County alone, there are over 40 opportunities for residents and visitors to explore its history, culture and the natural environment through leisurely strolls, hikes, paddles, boat rides and other activities."

Activities in Western Essex County focus on the towns of Andover, North Andover, Haverhill, Groveland, Methuen and Lawrence and are designed to give visitors a taste of the region's unique history, breathtaking landscapes and hidden gems.

All events are free, however, some may require advance registration.

For more information and a list of events, times and dates, visit trailsandsails.org or call 978-740-0444.

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, AUG. 30

LIVE MUSIC & PICNIC, with Orville Giddings Band-Boogie Blues, Castle Hill, 290 Argilla Road, Ipswich, 7 to 9 p.m. The Castle Hill gates will open at 5 p.m. for picnicking. Attendees are encouraged to arrive early. Space is limited and the gates will close once capacity is reached. Admission is at the gate only - \$30/car or \$20/car for members of The Trustees of Reservations. There is a 6 person per car maximum; each additional passenger will be charged \$5. Motorcycles are \$10 and walk-ins \$5; thetrustees.org, 978-356-4351.

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Soccer Preview

Slow and steady the key for scoring machine Johnson

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

At some point, as the chaos of the game flew around him in front of the net, it hit Drew Johnson.

What's the rush? "I realized that you have a lot more time than you think you do," he said, "Everything is going so fast, everyone is rushing. But I told myself, 'You have time to think,' I told myself to slow down."

From that point on, Johnson has grown into one of the most feared goal-scorers in the state.

Coming off a season in which he netted a whopping 13 goals, good for the team-high, the senior leads the Andover High boys soccer team, which is set to begin play at Methuen next Thursday.

"He has just been excellent," said Golden Warriors coach Jim Saalfrank. "You always expect good things, but he really exceeded expectations with what he did last year, and we are expecting more of that this season."

Johnson first broke onto the varsity team as a sophomore, but did not score a single goal in limited playing time, tallying just one assist in a tourney victory over East Boston.

So not even Johnson was expecting the numbers he delivered in his junior season.

"I didn't expect last season to go the way it did at all," he season with a laugh. "I had scored some goals for my club team, but it was pretty cool to put up those numbers for the high school team. I started to realize I wasn't too bad at scoring goals."

Johnson broke out in a big way in Andover's fourth game, scoring a hat trick — his first three career varsity goals. But that was just the start. He added another three-goal game seven days later in a 3-2 win over Billerica and three games after that notched a whopping four goals in a victory over Lawrence.

"He can score from



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover's Drew Johnson gives it his all to chase down a ball last season. The senior had a breakout season last year, scoring 13 goals.

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2011 record: 6-8-5, didn't make state tourney

Returning starters: Jacob Burte, Sr., defense; Frank Borseti, Sr., defense; An Huynh, Sr., midfield; Drew Johnson, Sr., midfield; A.J. Vernaglia, Sr., midfield/defense; Eric Wybenga, Sr., midfield/defender; Demetri Kostakis, Soph., midfielder

Returning lettermen: Jeremy Day, Sr., defense; Sam Vecchi, Sr., forward; Declan Collins, Jr., forward/midfield; Connor Merinder, Soph., keeper

Promising newcomers: Mike Maldari, Sr., midfield/forward; Sean Carroll, Jr., defense; Matt Kelly, Jr., defense; Sam Kelly, Jr., forward; Justin Sonberg, Jr., midfield; Kyle Surehan, Jr., goalie; Ryan Trismen, Jr., defense; Alex Gray, Soph., midfield; Victor Guery, Soph., midfield/forward; Ray Forster, Soph., midfield/forward; Sebastien Silveira, Soph., forward; Amit Deliwala, Soph., midfield

Candidates: 82

Captains: TBA

Returning goal leaders: Drew Johnson 13, An Huynh 3

Head coach: Jim Saalfrank (4th year, 23-24-10)

Assistants: Mike Votto, JV; Elie Fauma, freshmen

anywhere," said Saalfrank. "His ball skills and vision of the field are phenomenal."

For Johnson, so much of the key is to not become overwhelmed in the spot.

"I remind myself to take my time," he said. "Everyone thinks they have to rush, but if you slow down you can see it better. I had a few hat tricks, but that four-goal game was crazy."

"Now I have even higher goals for this season. I want to put up better numbers than a year ago."

Johnson also has his sights on college soccer. He has spoken to Division 2 and Division 3 coaches, but is still hoping to earn the opportunity to play Division 1.

"That has always been my goal," he said. "I have talked

to coaches from UMass Amherst and Quinnipiac and may look into some schools from California, where my dad is from. But I am trying not to think too much about it. I try to relax and not think about who is in the stands watching."

Johnson would also like to deliver one more memorable tournament run before his time with the Golden Warriors is through.

"That would be awesome," he said. "For a lot of us, this is our last high school season and some of us aren't playing college. So it would be nice to make a big run. We have a nice mix of veterans and young players. Once we make the tourney, who knows what could happen."

Gagnon utilizes mental edge

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

Once a 4-foot-11 freshman starting for the varsity soccer team, Andover's Michelle Gagnon had to dig down for a way to face off against the bigger, stronger defenders.

So, in her mind, she no longer accepted that she was the small one on the field.

"I had to learn to play big," she said. "So I started to imagine that I was bigger so I could play against a lot of tough players. It was a mental game, that I told myself I was bigger."

Now a senior, and a "taller" 5-foot-4, Gagnon has grown into a force on defense for the Golden Warrior girls soccer team, which is set to begin play next Thursday by hosting Methuen.

"I am excited and the rest of the team is too," said Gagnon. "We have a very good and confident team, and we learned a lot from last year's success."

Coming off an MVC All-Star season a year ago, Gagnon certainly has the confidence of her coach.

"Michelle has grown so much for us as a player and in height," Andover coach Megan Matson said with a laugh. "She has great speed, she knows how to control the ball and even joins the attack. She does a great job for us."

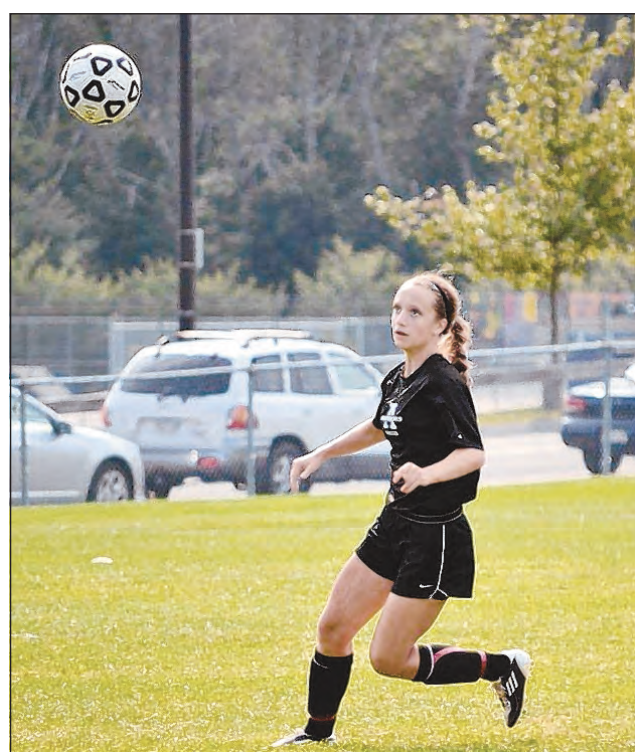
Now fearless on the pitch, Gagnon built her confidence during tough times as a freshman, taking on players as much as a foot taller than her.

"It was tough," she said. "I had to adjust to the style of play in high school and I had to learn to improve my strength. I also had a build my confidence so I could play my game."

"I am a very competitive person. So I had to learn to be more aggressive as a player, which was important to improve because I play defense."

Settling in on defense after some time in the midfield, Gagnon found success and the confidence quickly followed.

"Once I found my position I started to feel much



Michelle Gagnon, here making a play on the ball, is a force on defense for the Andover girls soccer team despite standing just 5-foot-4.

more comfortable," she said. "And I mainly had to learn to be aggressive. To not be afraid of the ball or going against a player that is really good. Forget about size and be confident."

As she improved, the results became clear to her coach and the rest of the team.

"To see how much she has changed since her freshman year is amazing," said Matson. "She was good, but her play has improved and her confidence has really grown. She is a very intense and emotional player."

During her junior season, Gagnon took on a leadership role as the role as the team's full-time sweeper.

"The sweeper's role is to protect," she said. "To keep the team together and communicate because I see more of the field from the back. But it is also to give the team confidence and do little things."

That added responsibility, along with experience by the time she reached her junior year, also allowed Gagnon to go from quiet underclassman to vocal leader.

"I really decided to speak up last season when I became the sweeper," she said. "That's both in instructing the team and getting them excited in

general. I was quiet when I was younger, but last year I wanted to take some leadership."

Now a senior tri-captain, along with Devon Caveney and Virginia Duffy, Gagnon is even adding some offense to her game.

"I am coming up with the ball more now and finding a way to get involved," she said. "I played some forward during the spring, so I am more comfortable. I scored one goal when I was a sophomore, but that was on a penalty kick. It would definitely be exciting to score a goal in action."

With her senior season still to play, Gagnon has already locked up her future plans, to play college soccer at the University of Philadelphia alongside friend and former Andover teammate Michaela Van Antwerp.

"I learned about the school from Michaela and talked to the coaches," she said. "They saw me play, then I went for a clinic at the school and just fell in love."

But she still has one major goal to accomplish as a Golden Warrior.

"Our main goal is success in the state tournament," she said. "We don't want to look ahead, but we feel like we have a good team."

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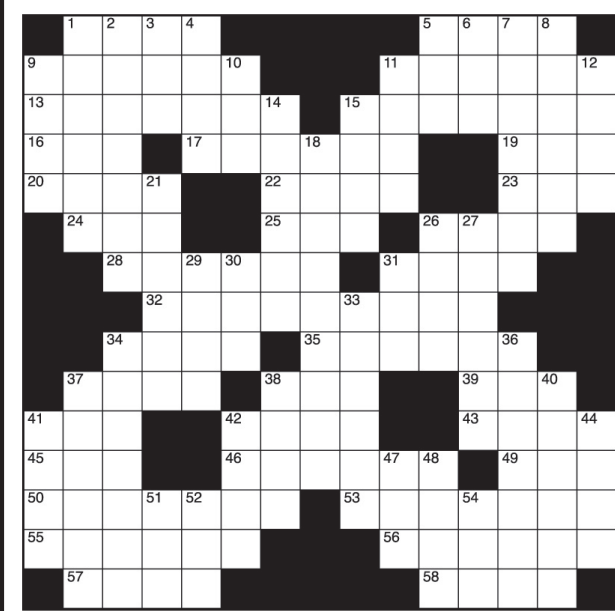
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Townspeople



Andover residents Rick and Terry Kay Bargar are both life masters at bridge.

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Anything but a bridge too far

For new 'masters' Rick and Terry Kay Bargar, bridge is a way of life

JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

A deck of cards (jokers out), a square table and four players. When they have that, the Bargaras are good to go, ready to play bridge. This Andover couple remembers when their two daughters first moved out of the house to live on their own. Like most couples their age they looked at each other thinking, "Now what?" That was about 10 years ago.

Playing bridge was their answer. Rick and Terry Kay Bargar, longtime residents of west Andover, have now both achieved the "Life Master" ranking in competitive bridge.

Bridge is all about earning points and the Bargaras — entered the Sturbridge Regional last June, just shy of the points they needed for master status. They placed fifth, giving Terry Bargar enough points to reach her goal, she said. Two days later, they won their "Bracketed Compact Knockout" event and Rick Bargar reached Life Master,

too, Terry said. The overseeing bridge board — American Contract Bridge League — awards master points for winning games at the club level, and events at sectional, regional and national tournaments.

"It's a lifestyle for us," said Terry Bargar. "We wanted something to do together when our kids left the house. And we're having a great time with this. We socialize, travel and just really enjoy each other."

Her husband, an orthopedic surgeon, laughs that he started playing bridge "in utero" as his mother and grandmother were bridge players.

"We've traveled to tournaments in 17 states, Aruba and other places to play bridge. It's a lifestyle for us," Rick Bargar said. "In October, we are going to Alabama and Mississippi (to play in tournaments)." There are 14 million bridge players in the U.S., and 140,000 who compete at the highest level, Terry Bargar said.

"Fewer than half of those (140,000 bridge players) achieve

this milestone," she said. Becoming a Life Master in bridge is similar to getting a black belt in karate. There are higher levels of black belt and higher levels of bridge.

"We have seven more levels beyond Life Master in the bridge world. -But this first step is the most exciting," said Terry Bargar, who teaches bridge at the Bridge Spot in Woburn and the Andover Senior Center.

Terry Bargar added that this couple, married 27 years in November, also enjoy other hobbies like golf and cooking. For several years, Terry Bargar was a food columnist for the Townsman. At this zucchini season time of year, she recently stocked her daughter's refrigerator in New Orleans with zucchini from the family garden. Zucchini recipes that appeared in the Townsman were also delivered.

"It's just amazing that in 2002 we were -wondering what to do. And, here we are...enjoying each other and just having so much fun," she said.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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100 Years Ago Aug. 30, 1912

The interior of J.H. Playdon's store is being repainted and re-modeled.

This is the season when the beautiful Shawsheen is at its best, as it winds its way through the oaks and pines, their branches, draped with trailing vines, interlacing across the river, which is acknowledged the most picturesque in this part of New England. A handsome fleet of safe canoes at the Andover Canoe Club at the foot of Central Street may be engaged in advance by calling 195-3.

Fred H. Smith has a supply of crushed stone on hand of all sizes and of the best quality, and he is prepared to accept of all kinds of grading contracts.

Miss Jean Dundas, who recently went to make her home in Providence, has returned to Andover and accepted a position in the Andover Steam Laundry.

75 Years Ago Aug. 27, 1937

The Textile Workers' Organizing committee, an affiliate of the C.I.O., yesterday informed the Townsman that while there are no immediate plans for the taking of a vote at the Shawsheen Mills or the M.T. Stevens Mills here in Andover, as soon as a majority is secured, a vote probably would be taken.

The Board of Public Works evidently plans to ask the Town Meeting next March for money to reconstruct Elm Street from the square to Washington Avenue, where the concrete now begins.

Charles R. Bennett, son-in-law of Mrs. E. Dudley Freeman of the Caronell Apartments, was this week named to the Emergency Committee which will have charge of the evacuation of the Americans and other internationals from war-stricken Shanghai. Mrs. Freeman early in the week received an air-mail assurance through the National City Bank of New York saying that Mr. and Mrs. Bennett were perfectly safe.

50 Years Ago Aug. 30, 1962

Public and parochial schools will open next Thursday, with a combined

enrollment of at least 4,421. Superintendent of Schools Edward I. Erickson anticipates a record enrollment of 3,899—but wouldn't be surprised if the opening day figures are somewhat higher than the estimate. At St. Augustine's, the registration this week stood at 522.

Garbage collection will start here Sept. 10, on a twice-weekly schedule. Town Manager Thomas E. Duff announced the starting date after conferring with Albert Florante of Methuen who will pick up the town's garbage.

A small committee of Punchard High alumni have issued an appeal for copies of year books, for the years 1911 to 1941, in connection with their planned memorial tribute to Eugene V. "Pop" Lovely.

In a major step toward expansion of its Rubber Roll Covering division, Tyer Rubber Corp., a subsidiary of Converse Rubber Co., is adding a new building comprising 3,000 sq. ft. adjacent to its present plant and is converting to manufacturing additional existing space. This is the second expansion of this division in less than 10 years.

25 Years Ago Aug. 27, 1987

Director of Public Health Everett Penney Tuesday night told the Andover Zoning Board of Appeals that he believes the site of the proposed "Ballard View Condominiums" affordable housing development may be contaminated with hazardous waste.

Three Andover residents are among nine Phillips Academy students who will leave the United States Aug. 30, along with two teachers, to trade places with students and teachers from a Soviet high school in Siberia. In return, the academy will welcome 10 Soviet students to campus on Sept. 13.

The Henry Sanborn Elementary School is celebrating its silver anniversary this year and Principal Eileen Woods wants to buy the school a new \$20,000 playground to mark the occasion. The Sanborn 25th anniversary committee, in conjunction with the school's playground committee, are planning a series of fund-raising events and activities to commemorate the opening of Sanborn Elementary, which took place in September 1962.

Hidden Road is easy to find and there was no massacre on Blood Road

Bill Dalton



"Carmel Road used to run through to High Street by way of a steep hairpin-turned roadway, which, especially for stick shifts cars, was the most interesting short piece of roadway in Andover; but, alas, the road gods took it away," I wrote a few weeks ago. Jennifer Caffrey responded, "It was also most interesting to those of us who would push off on our bikes at the start of the hill, barrel at full speed down Carmel and across High at the bottom, and take a sharp right onto Burnham. Then we'd continue down that

hill on the way to our Shawsheen homes, all thanks to gravity and an apparent belief in our immortality. Honestly, I don't know how any of us survived our childhoods back then — there were certainly no bike helmets and there must have been much less traffic." (Incidentally, Burnham Road was named for a superintendent of the Alms-house circa 1885, according to Goldsmith.)

Carol Towle, whose father owned Caruso's Shoe repair on Barnard Street, wrote, "I grew up on Carmel Road and played in Carmel woods. My bike rides included all of Johnson Acres as well as "uptown." Carmel hill was a favorite sledding area in the wintertime. We would place a lookout at the bottom of the hill to OK the sliding process and make sure no

cars were coming."

A reader asked me about where the name "Hidden Road" comes from. As with other road names that can have another meaning, such as Blood Road and Flint Circle, the names usually do not come from the fact that Hidden Road couldn't be found, or Blood Road was the sight of a massacre, or Flint Circle was a great source of rocks you could spark fires from. Like many roads, such as Blood and Flint, were named after people who once lived in the area, often owning much of the land around what is now the road. However, that is not quite the reason for Hidden Road's name.

Hidden Road was named not for someone who owned much of the land around the road, although his mother's family, the Chandlers, once

did. David Hidden, who was born in 1832, was a well known local builder who lived in a house that was built before he was born at what was 17 Hidden Road, according to Bessie Goldsmith's 1964 booklet, "The Townswoman's Andover." Hidden Road runs south southwest off Main Street and then rejoins Main Street further south. The portion of the road to Porter Road was originally part of a street called South Street, and, according to Miss Goldsmith, it is a very old road.

This gets a little tricky to me because, according to Goldsmith, South Street continued down what is now called Porter Road while she does not explain what that part of Hidden Road that continues south back to Main Street was named before it was named

"Hidden." There were two houses on that lower piece of today's Hidden Road according to an 1830 map that doesn't name the road. According to Goldsmith, Hidden and Porter roads were both called South Street as late as 1863. It's clear to me that there is a lot of educated guessing that goes into discovering old road names, unless a mapmaker provided some clarity by fixing a road's name in ink.

Porter Road received its name change in memory of Ebenezer Porter (1772-1834), who was elected chairman of Sacred Rhetoric at Andover Theological Seminary and then was the seminary's temporary president at the time of his death. As mentioned in my column two weeks ago, the Seminary played a role in

many Andover names. (To find more information about the Seminary go to AndoverTownsmen.com, and use the search function on the upper right side.)

Sunset Rock Road is named for a 250 foot high, mile long landmark called Sunset Rock. For more information on this geologic feature that can be seen by the public, -see the Andover Village Improvement Society's (AVIS) website. When I was about 10 and riding my bike around town just meandering and looking around. I came across Sunset Rock and didn't know what it was except it was so impressive that I remember it to this day.

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Helping the garden grow



From left, Andover High seniors Meghan Johnson and Bianca DeBelen weed a section of the sustainable garden at Andover High.

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Matt Boulanger, left, and Leah Holt, who both will be juniors at Andover High, paint a mural on the garden shed in the courtyard at the high school.



Andover High senior Rosanna Wang weeds the organic vegetable garden in the courtyard of Andover High School's sustainable garden project.

AHS Bus 26

6:50 a.m.: Bailey Road & Montclair Avenue
6:50 a.m.: Bailey Road & Wellington Circle
6:51 a.m.: Pleasant Street & Bailey Road
6:52 a.m.: Pleasant Street & Old School House Road
6:52 a.m.: Pleasant Street & Ashford Lane
6:53 a.m.: Pleasant Street & Sevilla Road
6:53 a.m.: Pleasant Street & Boutwell Road
6:55 a.m.: High Plain Road & Knollerest Drive
6:55 a.m.: High Plain Road & Penni Lane
6:55 a.m.: High Plain Road & Golden Oaks Lane
6:56 a.m.: High Plain Road & Deerfield Way
6:59 a.m.: Haggetts Pond Road & Gavin Circle
6:59 a.m.: Haggetts Pond Road & Hitchcock Farm Road
7:01 a.m.: Bailey Road & Hay Bale Road
7:02 a.m.: 161 Haggetts Pond Road
7:02 a.m.: Haggetts Pond Road & Holmes Road
7:03 a.m.: 142 Haggetts Pond Road
7:04 a.m.: 103 Haggetts Pond Road
7:05 a.m.: Haggetts Pond Road & Woodhill Road(Pm)
7:05 a.m.: 63 Haggetts Pond Road
7:15 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS Bus 3

7 a.m.: Webster Street & Off Webster
7:03 a.m.: River Road & Bulfinch Drive
7:04 a.m.: 44 River Road
7:05 a.m.: 148 North Street
7:05 a.m.: North Street & Brookside Drive
7:06 a.m.: North Street & Somerset Drive
7:07 a.m.: North Street & Joseph Street
7:07 a.m.: 33 North Street
7:07 a.m.: North Street & Matthew Street
7:15 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS Bus 33B

7:10 a.m.: Summer Street & Howell Drive
7:10 a.m.: Summer Street & Pine Street
7:10 a.m.: Pine Street & Lucerne Drive
7:11 a.m.: Pine Street & Elm Street
7:11 a.m.: Elm Street & Brookfield Road
7:12 a.m.: Elm Street & Elysian Drive
7:12 a.m.: Elm Street & Burton Farm Drive
7:18 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 1

6:50 a.m.: 269, 271, 281, 305 South Main Street
6:51 a.m.: 365 South Main Street
6:51 a.m.: South Main Street & Belknap Drive
6:52 a.m.: 403 South Main Street

6:52 a.m.: 413 South Main Street
6:54 a.m.: 55 Rattlesnake Hill Road
6:54 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Hawk Ridge
6:55 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Roulston Circle
6:55 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Pine Tree Lane
6:58 a.m.: 434, 439, 448, 459 South Main St.
6:59 a.m.: 507 South Main St.
7 a.m.: South Main Street & Colonial Drive
7:01 a.m.: Colonial Drive & Patriot Drive
7:01 a.m.: 112 Colonial Drive
7:05 a.m.: Linda Road & Nancy Circle
7:06 a.m.: Linda Road & Rocky Hill Road
7:06 a.m.: 12 Rocky Hill Road
7:06 a.m.: 422 South Main St.
7:07 a.m.: 388 South Main St.
7:07 a.m.: South Main Street & Suncrest Road
7:09 a.m.: Orchard Street & Skopelos Circle
7:14 a.m.: 50 Bartlet St.
7:21 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 19

6:50 a.m.: 180 Abbot Street
6:51 a.m.: Woburn Street & Bayberry Lane
6:52 a.m.: Woburn Street & Cullen Circle
6:53 a.m.: Woburn Street & Charlotte Drive
6:53 a.m.: Woburn Street & Island Way
6:54 a.m.: Enfield Drive & Millstone Circle
6:55 a.m.: 112 Woburn Street
6:55 a.m.: Woburn Street & Powers Road
6:56 a.m.: Woburn Street & Pathenon Circle
6:56 a.m.: Woburn Street & Doric Way
6:56 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Woburn Street
6:59 a.m.: Fosters Pond Road & Willard Circle
7:03 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Fosters Pond Road
7:03 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Carter Lane
7:04 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Pine Tree Lane
7:13 a.m.: 50 Bartlet Street
7:20 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 20

6:55 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Boston Road
6:55 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Boston Road
6:55 a.m.: Boston Road & Cottage Road
6:55 a.m.: Boston Road & Old County Road
6:56 a.m.: Morningside Drive & Donna Road
6:57 a.m.: Morningside Drive & Clover Circle
6:58 a.m.: 44 Old County Road

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6:58 a.m.: 8 County Road
7 a.m.: 9 Gould Road
7:01 a.m.: Gould Road & Phoenix Place
7:02 a.m.: 91 Gould Road
7:02 a.m.: Gould Road & Forest Drive
7:04 a.m.: Farrwood Drive & Mohawk Road
7:05 a.m.: Mohawk Road & Eagle Way
7:07 a.m.: Farrwood Drive & Penobscot Way
7:07 a.m.: Arrowood Lane & Farrwood Drive
7:18 a.m.: 50 Bartlet St.
7:25 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 27

6:45 a.m.: Holt Road & Vine Street
6:45 a.m.: Holt Road & Blueberry Hill Road
6:47 a.m.: Stinson Road & Coderre Way
6:48 a.m.: 22, 9 Stinson Road
6:49 a.m.: Holt Road & Bancroft Road
6:52 a.m.: Highland Road & Woodland Road
6:53 a.m.: 165, 177 Highland Road
6:54 a.m.: Highland Road & Heather Drive
6:54 a.m.: 189 Highland Road
6:54 a.m.: Highland Road & Marie Drive
6:54 a.m.: Highland Road & Chestnut Street
6:55 a.m.: Highland Road & Summer Street
6:59 a.m.: 50 Bartlet St.
7:05 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 29

6:40 a.m.: Prospect Road & Stone Post Road
6:40 a.m.: 36 Prospect Road
6:40 a.m.: Prospect Road & Buchan Road
6:42 a.m.: 178, 215 Salem St.
6:42 a.m.: Salem Street & Vine Street
6:43 a.m.: Salem Street & Coventry Lane
6:43 a.m.: Salem Street & Wildwood Road
6:43 a.m.: Salem Street & Seten Circle
6:43 a.m.: 298 Salem Street
6:44 a.m.: Salem Street & Wethersfield Drive
6:45 a.m.: Salem Street & Wagon Wheel Road
6:50 a.m.: 127 Salem Street
6:50 a.m.: Salem Street & Prospect Road
6:51 a.m.: Salem Street & Woodland Road
6:56 a.m.: 50 Bartlet Street
7:02 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 3

6:50 a.m.: 19 Sunset Rock Road
6:51 a.m.: 120 Hidden Road
6:52 a.m.: South Main Street & Orchard Crossing
6:53 a.m.: 14 Ballardvale Road
6:54 a.m.: Ballardvale Road & Paddock Lane

6:55 a.m.: Ballardvale Road & Sunset Rock Road
6:55 a.m.: Sunset Rock Road & Spring Grove Road
6:57 a.m.: Porter Road & Spring Grove Road
6:57 a.m.: Porter Road & Timothy Drive
6:58 a.m.: Porter Road & Hammond Way
6:59 a.m.: 25 Alden Road
7 a.m.: Sunset Rock Road & Nutmeg Lane
7:01 a.m.: 50 Hidden Road
7:01 a.m.: Hidden Road & Lantern Road
7:02 a.m.: Porter Road & Hidden Road
7:02 a.m.: 50 Bartlet Street
7:05 a.m.: Students Going To Ahs From Doherty
7:13 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 4

7 a.m.: 9, 15 Wildwood Road
7:01 a.m.: Shaw Drive & Meadowbrook Drive
7:01 a.m.: Shaw Drive & Chatham Road
7:02 a.m.: Wildwood Road & Chatham Road
7:02 a.m.: 68 Wildwood Road
7:02 a.m.: Wildwood Road & Sagamore Drive
7:02 a.m.: Wildwood Road & Sheridan Road
7:03 a.m.: Wildwood Road & Brentwood Circle
7:03 a.m.: Wildwood Road & Wethersfield Drive
7:03 a.m.: Wethersfield Drive & Cameron Road
7:13 a.m.: 50 Bartlet Street
7:19 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 6

6:45 a.m.: Gray Road & Harper Circle
6:45 a.m.: Gray Road & Tucker Road
6:45 a.m.: 30, 48 Gray Road
6:46 a.m.: Corinthian Way & Delphi Circle
6:46 a.m.: Corinthian Way & Athena Circle
6:53 a.m.: Jenkins Road & Alison Way
6:53 a.m.: 11, 19 Jenkins Road
6:54 a.m.: Jenkins Road & Salem Street
6:54 a.m.: 47, 52 Jenkins Road
6:55 a.m.: Jenkins Road & Mortimer Drive
6:57 a.m.: Jenkins Road & Pipers Glen
6:57 a.m.: Jenkins Road & Lorraine Road
7 a.m.: 73 Harold Parker Road
7:13 a.m.: 50 Bartlet Street
7:20 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-Doherty Bus 7

6:50 a.m.: Morningside Drive & Glenwood Road
6:52 a.m.: Rattlesnake Hill Road & Countryside Way
6:52 a.m.: Countryside Way & Peach Tree Path

6:52 a.m.: Countryside Way & Alderbrook Road
6:52 a.m.: Sunset Rock Road & Regency Ridge
6:55 a.m.: 56 Ballardvale Road
6:56 a.m.: Ballardvale Road & Wyncrest Circle
6:57 a.m.: 77 Ballardvale Road
6:58 a.m.: Ballardvale Road & Tilton Lane
6:59 a.m.: Ballardvale Road & Teaberry Lane
7:03 a.m.: 250 Andover Street
7:03 a.m.: Andover Street & High Vale Lane
7:15 a.m.: 80 Shawsheen Road
7:21 a.m.: 50 Bartlet Street

AHS-West Middle Bus 11

6:55 a.m.: Greenwood Road & Green Meadow Lane
6:56 a.m.: Greenwood Road & Dairy Lane
6:56 a.m.: Greenwood Road & Gleason Street
6:57 a.m.: Greenwood Road & Starwood Crossing
6:57 a.m.: 104, 111 Greenwood Road
6:58 a.m.: Greenwood Road & Dean Circle
6:59 a.m.: Candlewood Drive & Lancaster Place
7 a.m.: Candlewood Drive & Lansbury Lane
7:01 a.m.: 65, 46 Greenwood Road
7:02 a.m.: Greenwood Road & Tiffany Lane
7:03 a.m.: 284 Lowell Street
7:08 a.m.: 70, 80 Shawsheen Road

AHS-West Middle Bus 13

6:55 a.m.: 470, 460 River Road
6:56 a.m.: River Road & Avery Lane(Stoneybrook Side)
6:57 a.m.: River Road & Ravens Bluff
6:57 a.m.: River Road & Nollet Drive
6:58 a.m.: 325 River Road
6:58 a.m.: River Road & Greybirch Road
6:59 a.m.: River Road & Furnari Farm Lane
6:59 a.m.: River Road & Cross Street
6:59 a.m.: River Road & Inwood Lane
6:59 a.m.: River Road & Forest Hill Drive
6:59 a.m.: Forest Hill Drive & Bittersweet Lane
7 a.m.: Forest Hill Drive & Deerberry Lane
7 a.m.: Forest Hill Drive & Mulberry Circle
7 a.m.: Forest Hill Drive & Alpine Drive
7:01 a.m.: Forest Hill Drive & Sugarbush Lane
7:01 a.m.: Forest Hill Drive & Cross Street
7:01 a.m.: Cross Street & Brady Loop
7:02 a.m.: High Plain Road & Pendant Court

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