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Town seeks options for land near I-93

Town Meeting voters could rezone River and Dascomb roads near highway ramps

BY DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

The town will ask voters to open up land near two highway interchanges for more than just industrial development.

After a developer-driven effort to rezone the River

Road area for additional uses was pulled from the 2011 Annual Town Meeting warrant, three town committees have been working to provide a solution for expanding the use of land around the River Road and Dascomb Road Interstate 93 interchanges.

Known by officials as "ID2," the to-be-presented industrial zoning district aims to expand the existing industrial zoning climate by allowing developers to build small businesses, services and amenities in the area.

For the time being, people who work in the area do not

have convenient access to services, which Economic Development Council Chairman Timothy Vaill said makes the area less desirable for businesses looking to expand or move.

"When they get out of work, they want to go to the dry cleaners, to Starbucks.

They want to go somewhere to take care of their daily needs," Vaill said. "Right now, because we don't have the zoning, they get out of work and drive to the next town."

Many of these services are located elsewhere in Andover, but still considered

out of convenient reach.

"If you and I were on our lunch break, for us to jump in our car and drive to these services... You don't have the time," Andover Planning Director Paul Materazzo said. "Allowing the flexibility

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Return performance



Karen and Chris Payne-Taylor of Andover were in a New York City punk band in the 1980s. They are now playing their music again, with a performance this weekend. See story, page 13.

ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Feds seek proof Keller recorded naked children

BY NEIL FATER
STAFF WRITER



Richard Keller

metal wrist watch."

Metal watches like the one shown on the tape were among the items that investigators were looking for in Keller's home.

Federal investigators returned to Richard Keller's Cyr Circle home last Thursday looking for proof that the pediatrician and former Phillips Academy medical director not only bought child pornography, but created it as well.

Two videotapes previously found in Keller's home focused on naked children at some kind of resort. Investigators were looking for evidence to prove Keller videotaped the children at a naturalist resort in France without anyone's knowledge, and brought the videos back to the United States, according to a federal affidavit.

The inspector who wrote the affidavit believes the camera used was hidden because on one video made pool-side "when people get close to the camera the person attempts to cover the camera with a piece of cloth or [to] place his hand in front of it. During this time of attempting to cover the camera, a male hand appears with a

Christina DiIorio-Sterling, U.S. Attorney's Office spokeswoman, declined to say whether investigators removed anything new from Keller's home. She also declined to say if her office expected to add new charges.

Keller will be back in court today, Jan. 10, at noon, before Magistrate Judge Jennifer C. Boal, for an initial status conference. No trail date has been set.

Investigators were first at Keller's Cyr Circle home on Sept. 13. They seized "multiple items of computer media... hundreds of printed high-gloss prints outs of child pornography, as well as DVDs, CDs and VHS tapes."

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Speedy plan for downtown bridge work

BY DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

The accelerated construction technology that received praise for quickly replacing 14 bridges over Interstate-93 in Medford will be used to replace the North Main Street bridge near downtown Andover.

Built in 1929, the railroad overpass is one of the town's busiest bridges. Carrying Route 28 traffic over the Andover commuter railroad tracks, the bridge connects downtown Andover to Shawshen Square. The bridge is just north of the Public Safety Center and south of McDonald's on Route 28.

Work could begin in the

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Cars travel south up the hill on Route 28 as a train prepares to leave the station in Andover.

MARY SCHWALM/Staff photo

Selectmen back, others balk at new youth center plan

BY DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

Special Town Meeting voters will be asked to support a plan increasing the youth center's footprint, while reordering how it will be built.

In the warrant articles for the Feb. 11 meeting, voters will be asked to amend the vote from 2011 Special Town Meeting so that it no longer references

how big the building is. The new proposal is to create a one-story building with a footprint that is 4,000 square feet larger. The center will cost more than expected in 2011.

The first \$2.2 million spent on the project must come from money raised privately by the Andover Youth Foundation. Only then can the \$2

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Conversation worth having: Dying wishes

JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

More on the four-part series. Page 14.

It's a conversation everyone should have with a loved one. It's about getting old and receiving the medical care one wants. And, boy, is it tough.

Dr. Rob Schreiber of Andover is a geriatric specialist and knows how tough it is for families.

"It's the white elephant in the room," Schreiber said. "But, you should have this

conversation with a loved one. Make time for it. You will feel better."

Pushing for these conversations is sweeping the country in hopes of getting more families and friends talking about what kind of medical care they want at the end of their lives. Boston

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In Brief

QUOTE, UNQUOTE ...



She put one of our songs on her iPod. Now, that's cool.
— Punk rocker and Andover resident Christopher Payne-Taylor, about his daughter putting a song by her parents, Christopher and Karen Payne-Taylor, on her MP3 player. Story in Townspeople, page 13.

It's open, tolerant and it's warm. That's a reflection of religion in Andover and it's great to be a part of.
— Rabbi Robert Goldstein on the annual pulpit exchange, where Temple Emanuel's Goldstein and the leader of South Church take turns presiding over services at each other's houses of worship. Story, page 8.



Residents can prepare for Feb. 11 Special Town Meeting

A Special Town Meeting will be held in Andover on Feb. 11, at the Collins Center for the Performing Arts, the auditorium for Andover High School on Shawsheen Road. The meeting will start at 7 p.m.

Expected issues include approving additional money to build the new Bancroft Elementary School, and endorsing a new plan that would allow the proposed youth center behind Doherty Middle School to be built in stages.

Upon request, sign language interpreters, material on tape, and other auxiliary aides and services will be provided to ensure effective communications as specified in the American with Disabilities Act. Arrangements must be made by contacting Candace Hall, the town's ADA

Coordinator, at the Town Offices at 978-623-8530 as soon as possible, according to a release from the town clerk's office.

All registered voters who attend Town Meeting will need to be checked into the meeting in the lobby of Collins Center, which is on the right side of Andover High. Registered voters can visit the town website at andoverma.gov to conduct a precinct search under "Town Meeting and Election Calendar" on the home page, then "Precinct Search" and then entering their address.

The town clerk's office recommends that voters check their precinct number before going to the meeting to avoid delays at the check-in area.

Questions may be directed to the town clerk's office at 978-623-8255.

PAST & PRESENT



THEN: This photo, taken before 1922, shows the building now known as Old Town Hall, at 20 Main St., in the days before the Barnard Building. At the time, the 20 Main St. building was Andover's Town Hall.



NOW: For nearly a century, the Barnard Building has occupied the space immediately north of Old Town Hall. Today the Barnard Building includes businesses such as Casa Blanca Mexican restaurant (10 Main St., second floor), Bruegger's (10 Main St.) and Starbucks Coffee (14 Main).

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Camera-ready advertising copy is due by Tuesday at noon.
No cancellations honored after these deadlines.

Andover Little League Baseball Spring Registration 2013



Little League is available to girls and boys who will be between the ages of 6 and 18 (K-12th grade) on April 30, 2013

Registration is available online at www.andoverlittleleague.com

Walk-in registrations will also be held at South Church Saturday, January 12th from 10am 'til noon

Registration officially closes on February 28, 2013 so please register soon!

Registrations received on March 1st or after will be assessed a \$35.00 late fee.

Mandatory Tryouts/Evaluations for the Major, Junior, and Senior Leagues will take place in March.

Specific schedules are posted on our website.

Registration questions can be sent to ALLRegistrar@gmail.com

MVCC Mayors and Managers Breakfast

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will host its Merrimack Valley Mayors and Managers Breakfast tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 11 from 7:30 to 9:15 a.m. at the Andover Country Club, 60 Canterbury St., Andover.

Confirmed guest speakers include Andover Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, Amesbury Mayor Thatcher Kezer, Methuen Mayor Stephen Zanni, North Andover Town Manager Andrew Mayor, Newburyport Mayor Donna Holaday, Haverhill Mayor James Fiorentini, Lawrence Mayor William Lantigua, and Lowell City Manager Bernard Lynch.

The cost is \$28 for members, \$60 nonmembers, and it includes a full breakfast buffet.

For more information, visit merrimackvalleychamber.com or call 978-686-0900.

Andover quarterly property-tax bills mailed

The town of Andover has mailed the actual tax bills for fiscal year 2013, which started July 1, 2012, and ends June 30, 2013.

Third quarter payment is due Friday, Feb. 1, 2013. Taxes unpaid after that date are subject to interest charges of 14 percent.

Questions about property valuations and appeal procedures should be directed to the assessors' office at 978-623-8265. Applications for abatements must be received

in the Assessors' Office no later than 4:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 1, 2013.

The Town Offices at 36 Bartlet St. are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Payments can be mailed in the envelope provided or dropped in the white mailbox with a blue Town of Andover seal in front of Town Offices.

If you have not received a bill, call the Tax Collectors' Office at 978-623-8246 or email treasurer@andoverma.gov.

It is now possible to pay real estate bills electronically or with a credit card with UniPay Online. Go to the Andover website at andoverma.gov and click on the e-Services box along the top of the website for instructions.

Project Home Again warehouse open Sunday mornings

Project Home Again, a service offered by Temple Emanuel of Andover to provides people in need with free, donated household goods, furniture and appliances, has expanded its hours.

In addition to its normal weekday hours (Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon), Project Home Again is now open almost every Sunday from 10 to noon to receive donations.

Project Home Again reports that it works "with social workers and other referring agencies in the Merrimack Valley and Southern New Hampshire to ensure that gently used items

go to those who need them the most."

Check phama.org for the list of dates the Project Home Again warehouse will be open. The warehouse is at 439 South Union Street in Lawrence. Call 978-270-9878 upon arriving at the warehouse, and volunteers will unload your car.

Questions? Contact the organization at info@phama.org.

Food Addicts in Recovery info session Jan. 26

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous is a non-profit program that says it "provides a physical, mental and spiritual solution for food addiction. In FA, individuals who have been obese, too thin, or otherwise obsessed with food have found a solution that frees them from these problems."

FA is based on the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. There are no dues, fees, or weigh-ins at FA meetings.

There will be an information session open to all on Saturday, Jan. 26 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Christ Church, 25 Central St. in Andover. There will be a panel of FA members speaking and opportunities to ask questions.

Newcomers are also welcome at weekly meetings in Andover on Saturdays at 7:45 a.m. at Christ Church as well as on Wednesdays 9:15 a.m. at St. Augustine's Education Center at 35 Essex St.

For more information, call the FA business office at 781-932-6300 or view the FA website at foodaddicts.org.

Red Cross blood drives in January

The American Red Cross will hold several community blood drives during January, including one today, Jan. 10.

All eligible and new blood donors are encouraged to give blood. Blood donors are needed everyday to ensure an adequate blood supply for patients in need.

All presenting donors in January will receive a coupon for a free pound of Dunkin' Donuts coffee.

To make an appointment to donate blood, call 1-800-RED

CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org.

Schedule:
■ Thursday, Jan. 10 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Andover/North Andover YMCA, 165 Haverhill St.

■ Tuesday, Jan. 15 from 1:30 to 7 p.m. at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road

■ Wednesday, Jan. 16 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at CBRE Richard Ellis, One Tech Drive.

■ Saturday, Jan. 26 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St.

Extra fee for dog-license renewals after Feb. 28

Dog license renewal notices were mailed to residents last month. Renewal fees and requirements have changed. The fee for spayed or neutered dogs is now \$13 with proof from a veterinarian. Intact dogs are \$14. All dogs must have proof of a current rabies vaccination.

Andover's renewal notice will indicate the information on file regarding rabies vaccination expiration and gender. If current information is not accurate supplemental documentation from a veterinarian is required. All supporting documents will be returned to the pet owner.

Residents may renew their dog's registration at the town clerk's office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Renewals will also be accepted through the mail by sending a check payable to the Town of Andover and required documentation to the Town Clerk's Office, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, MA 01810.

Renewals received after Feb. 28 will be assessed a cumulative administrative fee of \$5 per month.

Residents may call the town clerk's office at 978-623-8255 or e-mail townclerk@andoverma.gov with questions.

Kids and grief support program

Children react differently from adults regarding the death of a loved one. To assist children in processing their loss, Hallmark Health Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice is sponsoring a Kids and Grief Support Group for children ages 6 through 12 at the Immaculate Conception Church, 600 Pleasant St., Malden.

The winter support group for children was scheduled to begin Wednesday, Jan. 9 and meet for eight sessions: Jan. 9 and 23, Feb. 6 and 27; March 13 and 27, and April 10 and 24. The group takes place from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

A parents/caregivers support group meets at the same time. For parents/caregivers, the group allows them to deal with their own grief and to learn how to assist their children through the grief journey, according to the group.

Registration is required to attend the first meeting. For information and to register, call Judy Seifert at 781-338-7861.

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BRIDGE: Route 28 work could be completed by end of 2014

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spring of 2014 and be completed by the end of 2014.

Officials with the state's Department of Transportation last week presented their plan to replace the bridge at a public hearing last week, following six years of discussion and development.

The project will replace the bridge's entire superstructure — the steel and concrete that cars drive over, according to John Watters, an engineer on the project. It will also replace parts of the bridge's substructure — the walls underneath the bridge that support it.

The latest estimates put the project at around \$3.4 million, which will be paid for by the state, according to Watters. Construction will start sometime in 2014 after it goes out to bid. With work beginning next March, an aggressive schedule could have it completed by the end of the 2014 calendar year, Watters said.

To do the work, the road will be reduced to two 10-foot lanes, one in each direction of travel, with one 4-foot-wide sidewalk, according to Matt Hopkinson, DOT project manager. One half of the bridge will be replaced at a time, with traffic travelling on the side of the bridge not being replaced.

To do this as quickly as possible, the state will put the steel and concrete together off-site and then



Cars travel on Route 28 over the railroad tracks in Andover. The bridge will be replaced in 2014.

MARY SCHWALM/Staff photo

fit the pieces together in Andover like "really big Legos," according to Watters. "When (the pieces) show up to the job site on a flat-bed truck or trailer, we can pick them up like really big Legos and put them in place really quickly," he said. "You almost have an instant bridge."

The same technique was used in the state's "Fast 14" bridge replacement project

during the summer of 2011. The state replaced 14 bridges over Interstate 93 in Medford in just 10 weeks.

Complicating things in Andover, however, is the fact that freight and passenger trains move under the North Main Street bridge.

For cars, "we can usually create detours, temporary roads. Cars can make turns and traverses. Trains can't," Watters said. "Trains don't

like when we're picking up steel beams over their head and they're running at the same time. So this steel beam work that I'm talking about is going to have to work either at night when there's shutdowns in the train service or on some weekends."

While there will be impacts to traffic with the shifting and merging of lanes during construction, emergency vehicles will still be able to

travel north from downtown Andover during the project, according to Hopkinson.

"You're putting a fire truck on a 10-foot lane. They may have to stop traffic or slow traffic down in order to safely travel through there," he said. "We looked at that and the folks at the safety complex seem to think they can work with that. We've addressed the safety issue. There should be none."

To help emergency vehicles cross the bridge during construction, emergency workers will control area traffic lights to let traffic move through the bridge without interference, Public Safety Officer Chuck Edgerly said.

Sweeney Court, a small neighborhood with a driveway feeding right onto the southern end of the bridge, will also be impacted by the construction. When the northbound side of the bridge is being replaced, a new, temporary entrance will be created for those residents to access their property, according to Watters.

Selectman Alex Vispoli said the bridge is one "that's been well overdue to get replaced."

For the time being, however, the project doesn't address a southbound safety issue that Vispoli said needs to be corrected.

"When you're coming south from Shawsheen and coming up towards the library, you've got two lanes going to one (lane) pretty much at the bridge," he said. "It's a little bit of chicken, of 'Who's going to get the right-of-way there?' It's not really an ideal solution."

Watters said the bridge is as wide on its north end as it is on its south end, and that the way the road is painted merges the lanes on the bridge. As planning continues, how to handle the merge is being considered.

ZONING: Voters will be asked about land near I-93 ramps

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in these specific areas in town would allow for some of these complimentary services to move forward."

The new zoning is being proposed jointly by the Planning Board, Andover Green Advisory Board and recently created Economic Development Council, according to Materazzo. The zoning would be enforced via a special permit requiring Planning Board approval, meaning businesses would be approved on a case-by-case basis.

Materazzo said the type of businesses Andover is looking to attract have set up shop just over the border because of Andover's strict zoning. He said that has left Andover residents with fewer in-town services than are typically offered.

"For every 10,000 population, you should have one full service grocer," Materazzo said. With Andover

having 34,000 residents and only two grocers, both in or around Shawsheen Plaza, "we're really a grocer and a half short. From where I sit, and with the work the Planning Board and Economic Development Council has been doing, there has been grocers watching what we do with these two areas."

"If the Town Meeting looks favorably on these two articles, we may have another grocer looking to come to town," Materazzo added.

As it stands, the proposal would prohibit any services north of 25,000 square feet in size from opening up in the two areas. This would stop things like "big box stores" from coming to town while giving smaller-store chains, restaurants, stores and

fitness centers more places to set up shop, according to Vaill.

The town is looking for "whatever it might be that you, as a worker, might want to shop after work, or maybe during lunch," Vaill said. "What we're trying to rule out is the big box Wal-Mart, Lowe's, the big boxes that wouldn't add to the culture in those areas."

The 2011 proposal was presented to the town as the River Road Overlay District. It was brought forward privately by an employee of The Gutierrez Company, a developer that owned several of the 13 pieces of land affected by it. It was pulled from the warrant after the Planning Board opposed it and the Board of Selectmen

declined to take a position.

While Vaill said he wasn't fully aware of the Gutierrez proposal, the fact that it came from a developer with skin in the game may have caused people to look at it "with a little bit of skepticism, whereas this one is being created by the town."

In this case, because the town put the plan together, the town's in the driver seat, according to Vaill.

"We obviously have a

chance to approve any development that wants to go there," he said. "We specifically have not said we want this kind of store or that kind of store. The developers have to make their own cases as to why it would work or not."

For more information about this story, email dluca@andovertownsmen.com.

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Wintertime home-safety tips

Snow and cold temperatures usually force people indoors to keep warm, but the Andover Building Division has sent a press release reminding residents to take extra precautions to protect their home's safety during winter storms.

"Building codes address the amount of snow a roof should be designed to handle, depending on snow fall averages" said Inspector of Buildings Chris Clemente. "Most newer homes are built to these codes, but older homes, especially those with flat roofs, may have been built under different codes and therefore present a greater risk of roof collapse."

Clemente advises hiring a roofing expert to remove snow and ice from roofs and gutters. Heating and dryer vents should also be cleared of snow to prevent possible carbon monoxide poisoning, according to the release.

VNA and Hospice seeks volunteers

Hallmark Health Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice is looking for volunteers to perform tasks to assist patients and provide relief for family members who may simply need to leave home for a few hours.

In addition to opportunities to work directly with patients, volunteers are also needed to assist with office-related tasks in both the VNA and Hospice. Training to work directly with patients will take place in March.

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Business

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

Schwartz Hannum PC launches new website, integrated service features

Andover law firm Schwartz Hannum PC has launched a new website, shpclaw.com, highlighting the breadth of the firm's practice, nearly seventeen years of outstanding E-alerts and Update Articles, and its extensive library of training programs.

The new website will allow Schwartz Hannum clients easier access to the firm's extensive online information and resources, reinforcing the firm's commitment to achieving each client's goals at cost-effective rates.

New website highlights include a labor and employment blog, which will be updated on a regular basis and feature expert commentary on labor and employment practices and resources by the firm's attorneys; an education blog, which will feature news and information specifically targeted to its independent school and education clients; integration with social media platforms; and enhanced features to improve user experiences on the website, including new photographs, multi-functional search capabilities, and a more streamlined interface to easily locate the firm's resources, custom training opportunities, and various seminar and webinar offerings.

Schwartz Hannum PC is at 11 Chestnut St., Andover.

Co-operative Bank donates gifts to children at St. Ann's Home

On Dec. 17, Reading Co-operative Bank employees made a brighter holiday season for children at St. Ann's Home in Methuen by donating gifts on their wish list.

"We were truly excited about the enthusiastic response from RCB employees bank-wide when we asked them to donate gifts for the children of St. Ann's home. We are all happy to support the home and bring smiles to children's faces on Christmas morning," says Rebecca Miller, Assistant Branch Manager at the Andover office and organizer for this toy drive.

St. Ann's is an organization that houses children of all ages who struggle with a variety of mental health, emotional, and educational challenges. St. Ann's provides state-of-the-art programming and services in collaboration with these clients, their families, and other community and state agencies to help them manage their disabilities through residential, day school and community outreach programs, with the goal of supporting the child in the least restrictive setting.

"It has been an honor to work with this wonderful organization this holiday season. The treatment and education St. Ann's Home provides for the children is remarkable," says Amy LaMarche, Business Development Officer for RCB in Andover.



Mike Speights, co-founder of The Foodery, poses for a photo while making a food delivery to TIP founder Jayan Landry. A portion of the money from Andover food orders by the new business will be donated to TIP.

COURTESY PHOTO

Healthy-food delivery group looks to beef up TIP

BY NEIL FATER
STAFF WRITER

The food that local Trauma Intervention Program founder Jayan Landry eats may soon help fuel her work in another way.

The Foodery, a healthy-dinner delivery company looking to break into the Andover market, has decided to donate a small portion of its proceeds to the Andover-based TIP of Merrimack Valley. TIP is a group of volunteers who respond to traumas such as fires, accidents and sudden deaths to help people cope.

The Foodery was started by Friends Mike Speights and John Bauer to provide busy people with prepared dinners that do not contain all the unhealthy ingredients, animal antibiotics and genetically modified foods often used in factory-farm-raised food, they say.

"Our business is kind of the antithesis of trauma," said Bauer. "After hearing that she [Landry and TIP] had been on 19,000 calls, we thought it would be a great way to donate to a service."

The company will donate \$1.50 from every meal bundle to the Andover-based TIP.

"We gave up our careers. We were in finance and real estate. We wanted to do something we were passionate about and had

meaning," said Speights, co-founder of the Foodery. "What we do is we craft meals from organic, sustainable material."

Speights and Bauer have given presentations in town, such as at Yang's Fitness & Wellness Center in Dundee Park to "raise the general awareness of sustainable food practices." "If you're grandmother doesn't know what it is, then you probably shouldn't be eating it," said Landry, who has heard them speak at such events. She was turned onto their food by friend Betsy Beaven, who operated her holistic food consulting business next to Landry's former TIP office on the second floor of Olde Andover Village.

Bauer and Speights believe their delivery company will help many people who don't have enough time -- just as they did not when they were in their former jobs.

"This kind of stems from the kind of hours we were working. It's a challenge to eat healthy (when you work long hours) and its almost impossible on a consistent basis. We'd been friends for a long time and we kept saying, 'One of these days...'" said Bauer. "We're 36 and we said, 'Let's go. Here's something we can fix and will solve a major problem in our lives.'"

"I was big on eating new

foods. Eating new cuisine was a passion. John came from a body-building background, and so he was making a lot of his own meals," said Speights. "We don't have culinary backgrounds. We understand nutrition, we understand taste."

The Foodery used a team of chefs to create the recipes for "fully prepared, fresh, delivered, ultra high-quality meals," said Bauer. Most dinners are 550 calories and there is a four-meal minimum. This week's dinners, which cost \$23 each, include bison meatballs, pasta, broccoli/shiitake mix; and wild sockeye salmon, chard and whole wheat couscous.

The Foodery is expanding into Andover after establishing itself in Boston, Back Bay, Beacon Hill, Cambridge and Newton.

The duo cook the food on Sundays and deliver the packages Sunday nights. That means that they can prepare meals people can use in the first part of the week. They expect to expand and offer another cooking and delivery day on Wednesdays, allowing people to get two deliveries per week that could give them fresh dinners for the entire week. They also look to expand to offer lunch, dinner and two snacks per day in the future. For more information, see myfoodery.com.

DRC awarded \$50M for FDA computing

Dynamics Research Corporation's wholly owned subsidiary, High Performance Technologies Inc., has been awarded a new contract from the Food and Drug Administration to provide scientific computing services.

The single award task-order contract has a ceiling value of \$50 million and a five-year period of performance, which began Sept. 17, 2012. It will help the FDA analyze large amounts of data.

"Under the terms of the contract, DRC will provide a wide range of science and engineering services to support the FDA in leveraging new technologies and ensuring the necessary processing, storage and connectivity support needed to achieve its scientific computing objectives," the company said in a release.

DRC will work closely with researchers and scientific computing users to

facilitate document requirements, perform system analysis, and provide prototypes of new technologies.

Dynamics Research Corporation aims to provide measurable performance improvements for government customers through management consulting, engineering, science and technology solutions. Founded in 1955, DRC is a publicly held corporation maintains more than 25 offices nationwide with major offices in Andover, Mass. and the Washington, D.C. region.

"While we already have a significant level of business at the Department of Veterans Affairs and with the Military Health System, this new relationship with the FDA establishes a strong presence for DRC within the Department of Health and Human Services," Jim Regan, DRC's chairman and chief executive officer, said in a release.

Castro added to Matrix sports-performance program

Matrix Strength & Fitness, owned by Andover fitness and Townsman health column contributor Art McDermott, has announced the hiring of Dennis Castro CSCS to oversee the sports performance program at their new facility on the Wilmington/Andover line.

For the past four years, Castro has been the program director of the Parisi Speed School based at the Cedardale Health Club in Haverhill.

"We couldn't be more pleased to have Coach Castro running our sports programs," said McDermott. "Over the past several years he has emerged as

the 'go to' guy for speed and agility improvement in the Merrimack Valley. He will propel our program to the next level."

Castro graduated in 2006 from Bridgewater State College with a bachelor's degree in physical education with a concentration in exercise science. He is a certified club coach by the USAW and has earned his CSCS accreditation (Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist) from the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

For more information about Matrix Strength & Fitness go online to matrixstrength.com.

Podcast series begins for Arrow Carpet One Floor & Home

Arrow Carpet One Floor & Home has created a "Beautiful Design Made Simple" podcast series available through Carpet One Floor & Home's YouTube channel at youtube.com/carpetoneffh that provides customers tips and design advice. A recent episode introduces Tracy Bross, principal stylist for Tracy Bross Decorating and Styling.

Bross has partnered with Carpet One Floor & Home to produce a series of Beautiful Design Made Simple episodes that help homeowners make design decisions without hiring a decorator or interior designer, according to a company release. The partnership with Bross is part of a long-standing program from Carpet One Floor & Home designed to help customers simplify the process of redecorating their homes, it said.

"We're excited to be able to provide a resource to our customers that gives them credible design advice from a veteran of the style industry," Kenneth Traub, of Arrow Carpet One Floor & Home, said in the release.

In her premiere Beautiful Design Made Simple episode, Bross shares her secret for creating a room that her clients will love -- finding the perfect inspiration.

"Not everyone can afford to have a decorator or designer to make their home beautiful," said Bross. "But that doesn't mean you can't have a home that you love that speaks to your personality."

Carpet One Floor & Home plans to release several more episodes with more advice from Bross throughout the remainder of 2012 and into 2013.

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Your Dental HEALTH

by Nicholas T. Papapetros, DMD, FAGD

DIRTY DENTURE DANGER

Denture wearers have long been advised to take equally good care of their replacement teeth as they do their natural teeth. Now, a recent study underscores the importance of doing so. Researchers have found that dentures are coated with a sticky layer of bacteria known as "biofilm." The potential danger in this coating of bacteria is that it may consist of a drug-resistant staphylococcus aureus bacteria (MRSA), which can be breathed into the lungs to cause hard-to-treat infections. This finding is one of many recent studies that have found links between poor oral health and systemic disease. The take-away advice for denture wearers continues to be to regularly clean their dentures according to their dentists' recommendations.

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Firefighters use the Jaws of Life after a North Andover man's car struck a Route 28 bridge abutment on Route 125 in Andover Monday.

Two seriously hurt in crashes

By DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

A pair of serious, unrelated automobile crashes in Andover on Monday required a medical helicopter to land in the area on two separate occasions.

A medical helicopter was brought down on Route 125 in town Monday afternoon to assist a man who crashed his car into a Route 28 bridge abutment on Route 125.

The 70-year-old North Andover man, later identified as James Sheridan, suffered two broken femurs and severe damage to his head in the crash, according to Mass. State Police trooper Dan O'Brien. He was flown to the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston.

INTERSTATE 93 CRASH

In a separate accident, a 57-year-old woman was transported by medical helicopter to a Boston hospital following a single-vehicle crash Monday evening on Interstate 93 near the intersection of Route 495, state police said.

The I-93 crash occurred at 7:13 p.m. First responders found the lone occupant of the vehicle unconscious at the scene. She was brought to Lawrence General Hospital and later airlifted to Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, police said.

Her condition and name were not available, with police wanting to notify her family of the accident. What



A medical helicopter landed on Route 125 in Andover Monday and took a North Andover man to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

caused the crash is under investigation, according to state police.

ROUTE 125 CRASH

The cause of the crash into the bridge abutment on Route 125 also is under investigation, O'Brien said.

"He veered off to the side and struck the bridge abutment," he said, adding that the man was driving north on Route 125 when the crash took place.

As crews removed him from his car, he was seen moving his arms, showing he was conscious after the crash.

The Route 125 accident was called in to police at 1:55 p.m. Route 125 had to be shut down as Andover Police, Fire and State Police responded to the scene.

The medical helicopter landed directly on Route 125 during the accident because other possible landing zones

weren't available at the time, according to Fire Chief Mike Mansfield.

"We have predetermined landing zones that have been identified in the town of Andover that have been approved by Medflight organizations," Mansfield said. "Because of the snow and inability to get to some of those sites closest to where the accident occurred, it's not unusual to have a Med-flight helicopter land on one of the roads."

The Andover Fire Department, which has its own ambulance services, generally has medical helicopters land on public thoroughfares "a half dozen times a year," according to Mansfield.

"It's usually on the highways — 495, 93," he said. "We're looking at a spot where we can drop that thing — we can land the bird — that's 200 by 200 [feet]."

POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY DUSTIN LUCA

The following items were reported in Andover police logs from Monday, Dec. 31 to Monday, Jan. 7:

ARRESTS

Monday, Dec. 31 — At 3:20 p.m., Kenny Mercado, 20, of 108 Sunset Ave. in Lawrence, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a license revoked for an driving under the influence conviction and a number-plate violation.

Tuesday, Jan. 1 — At 3:08 p.m., Francis Barrett, 49, of 21 Windsor St. in Haverhill, was arrested on Route 495 in the area of Interstate 93 and charged on a warrant for driving an uninsured motor vehicle.

Wednesday, Jan. 2 — At 10:48 a.m., David Martinez, 22, of 13 Shepley St. in Andover, was arrested on Haverhill Street and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license and on a warrant for larceny of a motor vehicle.

At 3:11 p.m., Ilvamar Jordao, 29, of 181 Mount Vernon St. in Lowell, was arrested on River Road and charged with operating a motor vehicle while unlicensed and failing to wear a seatbelt.

At 4:06 p.m., Gerald Fahey, 56, of 13 Carmel Road in Andover, was arrested at his home and charged on a warrant for operating under the influence of liquor and failing to stop for police.

Thursday, Jan. 3 — At 9:13 a.m., Vicente Castillo, 33, of 113 Berkeley St. in Lawrence, was arrested on Lowell Street and charged with operating a motor vehicle while unlicensed.

At 11:51 a.m., a 22-year-old Andover man was placed into police custody on an apprehension warrant.

Saturday, Jan. 5 — At 11:33 p.m., a 16-year-old boy from Andover was arrested and charged on a probation warrant.

Monday, Jan. 7 — At 4 p.m., Johnathan Correa, 22, of 83 Brookfield St. in Lawrence, was arrested on River Road and charged with a miscellaneous motor vehicle

equipment violation and possession of a class D drug with intent to distribute.

CAR CRIME

Tuesday, Jan. 1 — At 8:15 p.m., a car theft that took place on Dec. 27 was reported on Tewksbury Street.

BREAKS

Monday, Jan. 7 — At 8:51 a.m., a house break was reported on Corbett Street.

THEFTS

Wednesday, Jan. 2 — At 11:51 a.m., a theft was reported on Sweetbriar Lane.

At 1:10 p.m., a dog bite was reported on Longwood Drive.

Thursday, Jan. 3 — At 4:42 p.m., a theft was reported on Lupine Road.

Saturday, Jan. 5 — At 10:30 a.m., a theft was reported on Washington Park Drive.

INCIDENTS

Monday, Dec. 31 — At 6:26 p.m., a death was reported on North Main Street.

Wednesday, Jan. 2 — At 5:13 p.m., a death was reported on River Road.

At 9:13 p.m., a domestic incident was reported on Brown Street.

Thursday, Jan. 3 — At 6:10 p.m., police were called to Railroad Street on a report of "a male outside a black SUV screaming and swearing at everyone." Police determined "the male was upset over the parking conditions."

At 6:28 p.m., police were called to Cyr Circle after a resident on the street reported there were "media people at her home and on her property, and she would like them to leave." The incident was reported as U.S. postal inspectors searched the Cyr Circle home of Richard Keller as part of a federal investigation. Police were called back at 4:27 a.m. Friday, Jan. 4.

Friday, Jan. 4 — At 1:40 p.m., trespassing was reported on River Road.

At 2:29 p.m., police investigated drug-related activity on Stevens Street. Six Andover police officers were joined by a state police K-9 unit to search for drugs. Two people were issued court summons for conspiracy to violate drug laws.

At 3:02 p.m., a case of fraud was reported on Strawberry Hill Road.

At 4:16 p.m., police were contacted by somebody who "would like to speak with an officer about her gas cap and door being open on the car." The incident was identified as vandalism to a motor vehicle.

At 5:30 p.m., a domestic incident was reported on Linwood Street.

Saturday, Jan. 5 — At 9:50 a.m., a case of fraud was reported on Tewksbury Street.

At 11:40 a.m., a domestic incident was reported on Lowell Street.

At 1:05 p.m., police responded to a medical call involving an elderly person who had fallen two days earlier and not yet received help or treatment.

Sunday, Jan. 6 — At 2:31 p.m., a recreational vehicle violation was reported on Executive Park Drive.

At 7:31 p.m., a domestic incident was reported on Sagamore Drive.

Monday, Jan. 7 — At 9:26 p.m., a case of fraud was reported on Cheever Circle.

ACCIDENTS

Monday, Dec. 31 — At 7:50 a.m., an accident was reported on High Street. One car was towed from the scene, but no injuries were reported.

At 3:19 p.m., a hit-and-run crash was reported on Stevens Street.

Thursday, Jan. 3 — At 1:14 p.m., a hit-and-run crash was reported on Lowell Street.

At 6:44 p.m., a hit-and-run crash was reported on Haverhill Street.

Friday, Jan. 4 — At 2:21 a.m., a one-car crash was reported on Dascomb Road. The vehicle was towed from the scene and personal injury was reported.

At 5:31 p.m., a two-car crash with personal injuries was reported on Dascomb Road. Both vehicles involved were towed from the scene.

Sunday, Jan. 6 — At 7:39 a.m., a one-car crash was reported on Lowell Street. No injuries were reported but the vehicle was towed from the scene. Property damage was also reported.

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Opinion

Rating some winter developments

Thumbs up to recent news that Andover and North Andover will share some public works services as a cost-savings measure.

As we argued for many years about items such as sewer pumper trucks that only need to be used a few times a year, not every community in the country needs to operate independently in all matters. Andover and North Andover make natural partners.

North Andover Town Manager Andrew Maylor told his board of selectmen on Monday that North Andover and Andover will share street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, pothole repairing, brush cutting and tree maintenance services. It makes a lot of sense, and should be a relatively smooth transition if done correctly.

With Andover also looking to combine its own public works and plant-and-facilities departments into one department we can at least hope for a more streamlined local government, and more effective use of taxpayers' money.

Thumbs down to the strength of this flu season.

Four Massachusetts residents and 13 New Hampshire residents have died from flu-related illnesses. The CDC reports that flu season has arrived early and is widespread.

The best protection against getting this illness is through vaccination and cough and hand hygiene.

Fortunately for those who live in town, the Andover Health Department continues to offer vaccinations to protect residents against the seasonal flu. Individual appointments can be scheduled with the public health nurse for flu shots. People wishing to be vaccinated should call the Andover Health Department at 978-623-8295.

We might feel differently by the time mid-February rolls around, but **thumbs up**, so far, to the appearance of some chilly days and a handful of snowy nights.

Last year was a record-breaker in terms of unseasonably warm weather and scant snow. Winter hardly visited us. With the mild temperatures, it was more like a typical winter in Virginia or North Carolina.

Perhaps as a result, oddball nature stories started rolling out. In some areas, fruit trees bloomed too early and then got socked by a light frost. Mosquitoes emerged weeks earlier than normal, making for an unusually long mosquito season — and the worst year for mosquito-borne West Nile virus.

Bugs of all types that normally don't overwinter very well, survived the winter of 2011-12 quite well, and so there was an unusually fierce infestation of certain types of insects. Some veterinarians in the area reported that 2012 was a banner year for fleas. Given the growth of Lyme disease, the impact the mild winter had on the tick population was also unwelcome.

It was a strange year, one that didn't feel quite right for our region of the country. The mild winter last year was one of the leading causes.

So there is something good, healthy, and maybe even purifying about having a long, cold New England winter. Well, not too long or too frigid — but a reasonable number of cold, snow-filled days in December and January feels about right.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Should the town rezone its land near the Interstate 93 interchanges on River Road and Dascomb Road to allow for more business options?

■ YES: Both interchanges should be rezoned to allow more.

■ YES, but only the River Road interchange.

■ YES, but only the Dascomb Road interchange.

■ NO. Neither should be rezoned.

■ I don't know enough about the plan or its impacts to the town.

■ I have no opinion on this issue.

and Silver, along with wood wastes, DPW materials, and a swap shop where residents can drop items off and pick other items up: 21 votes, 24.71 percent.

■ "Basic" — Minimal, along with fluorescent bulbs, electronics like CRT monitors and TVs, and scrap metal: 19 votes, 22.35 percent.

■ I can't answer this without knowing the cost: 12 votes, 14 percent.

■ "Silver" — Minimal and Basic, along with special hazardous materials and bulky wastes: five votes, 5.88 percent.

■ I don't know how much we should do, but we should definitely have some kind of recycling center: four votes, 4.71 percent.

■ I don't know whether we should do it or not, or I have no opinion: two votes, 2.35 percent.

■ Minimal — single stream, including bottles, cans, and glass.

■ Nothing else: one vote, 1.18 percent.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Last week, we asked "to what extent should a one-stop recycling center be established in Andover?" With 85 responses, the answers were:

■ None — What we have now, curb-side pickup every two weeks, is fine: 21 votes, 24.71 percent.

■ "Gold" — Minimal, Basic

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ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

People sled at Andover High School.

Let's set the record straight on our Townsman

Al Getler
 Publisher

A news sense is really a sense of what is important, what is vital, what has color and life - what people are interested in. That's journalism.

— Burton Rascoe

The Andover Townsman is dedicated to the color and life of Andover. It always has been and it always will be. The Andover Townsman reports what is important to the people that live in Andover and practices a brand of journalism called local or even hyper-local.

Hometown son, late night host and comedian Jay Leno once said something like this during a local appearance: "If a huge earthquake happened in China, The New York Times would have a headline that read 'Death and destruction in China.' But the Andover Townsman would read 'Jim and Mary Johnson had quite a shake on their China vacation.'" Mr. Leno's good natured ribbing is well deserved. The Townsman covers the people of Andover from an Andover perspective and we are proud of our stance.

The importance of local newspapers

Growing up in New Jersey I learned how important a local newspaper is to a community.

My dad was a volunteer fireman, a planning board member, a township committeeman and eventually the mayor of our New York City suburban town. The characteristics of Andover and where I grew up are

similar with the exception that Andover grew larger and faster.

With six kids and an active mother, it was not unusual for one of us and especially our father to end up in the newspaper. Dad didn't always agree with what was said, but he typically felt our town issues received fair coverage. He taught me the process that makes a town work fairly and democratically including the importance of newspaper coverage. I can only remember one time he wasn't happy at all with what he read in the newspaper.

In 1978, my student council friends and I staged a walk-out of the entire student body of our regional high school. We gave speeches about the loss of young teachers due to budget cuts and, after some time passed by, returned peacefully to class. It was my interview in the newspaper that set the old man off. It put the heat on him, but it was democracy at its finest!

The fate of the Andover Townsman

In November and December of this past year, a large number of Andover citizens signed a petition to maintain funding to the Townsman. Lead by three well known and active members of the Andover community, they called on our parent company to return funding to the Andover Townsman.

The passion shown for our newspaper gave Editor Neil Fater and me a lot to be thankful for over the holiday season. As two people who have dedicated the majority of our lives to newspapering, it is inspiring to know that you, our readers, care that

much about what we do. But let's set the record straight.

The Andover Townsman continues to be Andover's newspaper and will be for a long time to come. To state it again clearly; we are not going anywhere and we are certainly not going out of business. Not on my watch. That record is now set straight.

Newspapers, as I am sure you realize, are businesses. They have the same fiduciary responsibility to their ownership as does any business. They must be profitable and the Andover Townsman is profitable. It makes money. That record is now set straight.

The Andover Townsman is a sister newspaper of The Eagle-Tribune. The majority of the services that produce the newspaper are housed in North Andover as are the services to the other sister papers throughout the North of Boston Media Group.

It is simply good business to centralize what you can while keeping the content local. This makes for a better business and, as mentioned, a newspaper is a business. So, yes, we do a lot of what we do to bring you the newspaper in our North Andover building. Some day it all could be done there. That has nothing to do with how well we produce our newspaper. That record is now set straight.

There has been plenty written about the impending death of newspapers. The economy for local and regional newspapers is challenging, but there are many businesses faced with challenges right now. A newspaper depends on advertising revenue primarily and circulation revenue secondarily.

The Andover Townsman is no different.

Occasionally someone tosses me a jab about the newspaper being a little thin. My answer is crass, but direct. I tell them to buy an ad. We can't fill your newspaper with news unless advertisers fill it with ads. Support local businesses instead of clicking to buy that next item. In turn, they will have dollars to invest in advertising. It is a virtuous circle. That record is now set straight.

We love what we do

Neil Fater, Dustin Luca and Judy Wakefield love gathering and reporting the news for you. At times, they will get and give an assist to their colleagues at The Eagle-Tribune.

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Newspaper people are doomed. We are bitten by the bug. We love what we do and are passionate about it. Andoverites are passionate about their local news and demand coverage from their local newspaper. They love their town.

The Andover Townsman and the people of Andover are joined at the hip. As long as you don't give up on us, we will not give up on you. That record is now set straight.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Man saved my dad who fell on frigid night

Editor, Townsman:

Since my mom died over a year ago, my now-83-year-old father has lived alone in his Andover home of 40 years. During the late evening of Jan. 3 (an extremely cold night), he walked down his driveway, slipped, fell and shattered his hip. He could see few lights on and many are away for the winter anyway. He started to yell for help.

A neighbor's son happened to be outside but they live nearly a half mile away down another road.

Michael Kenny told his mother he would get back in his truck and start driving until he could find the person in trouble. Not only did

he find my dad and call for an ambulance, he got him back into his home, which required getting him up a steep driveway and the garage steps. I imagine that getting him up into a truck would have been impossible.

My father said, "It wasn't just everything he did for me, it's that he was so kind."

I asked my father if I could write this letter and he encouraged me to do so.

He said not only did he want to recognize Mr. Kenny for being the miracle that his mother has always known him to be, but he wanted to encourage others to be as kind and giving. Mr. Kenny had lots of choices that night: to ignore the sounds, to call 911 from the comfort of his warm home and let them figure it out, to find my father and wait for help, or to do what he did.

He did not know how long my father had been sitting there and he was freezing. He went above and beyond what I think most of us would do.

There are many elderly people living alone in our neighborhoods. When the sun sets, it is a long and lonely night. Do you know who they are? Do you stop and say "Hello" when you see them sitting out in the sun in the afternoon? Do you check on them? Would you answer a stranger's call for help late in the night?

Thank you, Mr. Kenny, for saving our dad's life and for reminding all of us how to act. For those of us who worry over our elderly parents who are committed to staying in their homes, we can only hope for the kindness of strangers like you.

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Religious tradition - pulpit exchange - turns 20

JUDY WAKEFIELD
 STAFF WRITER

A popular 20-year religious tradition that brings together two Andover congregations will continue this weekend. The Temple Emanuel / South Church Pulpit Exchange is happening Sunday, Jan. 13 at 10:30 a.m. at South Church on Central Street.

Each year, South Church and Temple Emanuel take turns hosting. Temple Emanuel has the odd-numbered years, while South Church takes the even years. The Rev. Cal Mutti, formerly of South Church, started the exchange. This year, Rabbi Robert Goldstein of Temple Emanuel will deliver the sermon while children's choirs from

both congregations will perform. "We come together and it works well," Goldstein said. "It's open, tolerant and it's warm...that's a reflection of religion in Andover and it's great to be a part of." "It's a time of sharing and coming together in faith," said the Rev. John W. Zehring of South Church. "We'll have a lot of youth music and

people love that." Goldstein said his congregation especially enjoys hearing prayers said in English as they are so used to prayers said in Hebrew. Over the years, he's seen neighbors go to the exchange together, something they don't do regularly. One reason his wife, Faith Goldstein, who teaches first grade at South Elementary

School, enjoys the exchange is because she gets to see former students who attend South Church. "I think one reason why people really like this is because it's different," Goldstein said. "Worshipping together is just a good experience for all." Zehring agreed, pointing to the town's successful interdenominational

Thanksgiving service as more evidence that this type of formula works. The Thanksgiving service is held every year and is hosted by a council of religious leaders in town. Different religions are represented at that service. "We are all faithful and it's wonderful to come together," Zehring said. The pulpit exchange service is open to the public.

TOWN TALK

And the winner is...

Over a dozen businesses around The Bridal Center in Andover's Elm Square are coming together for the "Military Dream Wedding" giveaway. The top vote-getting couple was to be announced last night, Jan. 9, after Townsman press time. Three finalists were announced Dec. 22 and over 6,000 video watchers voted, according to the Bridal Center's website. The businesses reviewed the entries and selected the three finalists. Videos of the couples were put on the Internet for the public to vote on (as reported in the Townsman, Dec. 13).

— Judy Wakefield

Andover census in the mail

The Annual Town Census was mailed to residents on Jan. 2, and the town clerk's office is looking for them to be returned as soon as

possible. Failing to return the local census form may affect a person's voting status.

Special census boxes are available throughout the town. Drop-off locations are listed on the census form.

If you don't receive a census by Jan. 15, call the town clerk's office at 623-8255 or visit the town's website at andoverma.gov and search for "Census Form" to download a form.

Challenge yourself, support the troops

Supporters and participants are welcome to attend the first-ever townwide Troop Challenge being held at Yang's Fitness Studio in Andover on Friday, Jan. 27 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Compete in such challenges as push ups, pull ups, a wall sit and a 45-pound back pack carry. It's an event to support Homes for Troops, and build momentum heading toward the annual Run

for the Troops, a road race in Andover scheduled this year for Sunday, April 7. The Troop Challenge is a great way to get in shape for the road race, say organizers.

The cost is \$25 and you must be over 18. See Yang'sAndover@aol.com for more information.

Bears in winter

Speaking of kindergarten, Michelle's Menagerie visited the Bancroft Elementary School Tuesday as part of the kindergarten science curriculum. The presentation was on woodland animals. Kindergarten children are learning about hibernation and animal's habitats during hibernation. Michelle's Menagerie was brought to the school by Bancroft's PTO.

Faith Matters — the show just on break

If you're looking for the local spiritual and religious television show, "Faith Matters," that has been airing for years on Andover's cable television station, it's on hiatus, according to the star of the show. But Rabbi Robert Goldstein of Temple Emanuel in Andover said

the show is coming back.

Goldstein paired with the Rev. Dr. Jack Daniel, who retired from Free Christian Church last year. Goldstein said he and Daniel are currently working on a taping schedule and hope to be back on cable soon.

— Judy Wakefield

Kindergarten registration date scheduled

Andover Public Schools will hold its annual kindergarten registration event on Tuesday, Feb. 5 at the Doherty Middle School auditorium from 6 to 8 p.m.

The event is held for all students entering kindergarten in September 2013, and it covers all town elementary schools. To be eligible for kindergarten in the fall, students must be age 5 on or before Sept. 1, 2013.

The event will feature a brief introduction followed by individual school registration. Information packets can be obtained online in advance at aps1.net.

For questions, contact the assistant superintendent's office at 623-8506 or ddelenzo@aps1.net.



COURTESY PHOTO

From front, Bancroft Elementary School kindergarten students Leah Satlow and Timmy Conners were busy at easels painting a bear's winter habitat. Kindergarten children are learning about hibernation and where animals live while they hibernate.

Are you hearing talk around town that we didn't catch? Let us know! Email townsman@andovertownsmam.com.

The Andover Garden Club Announces SCHOLARSHIPS

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Questions: Katherine Jones gcfmscholarship@aol.com



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Arts & Entertainment

► Addison Gallery of American Art

Winter exhibits will showcase depth



This oil on canvas painting by John Sloan (1871-1951), "Sunday, Women Drying Their Hair," from 1912 is among the images on display this winter at the Addison Gallery for American Art.

The Addison Gallery of American Art, located on the campus of Phillips Academy in Andover, will open its winter exhibition season next week with what the museum is referring to as "a constellation of exhibitions that showcase the Addison's paintings, prints, and photographs, offering a rare opportunity to explore the collection in depth in a variety of media."

Opening Jan. 19, "Eye on the Collection" concentrates on the Addison's paintings, while "Stone, Wood, Metal, Mesh: Prints and Printmaking" explores the range and diversity of the Addison's vast print holdings, with a focus on techniques. "Frame by Frame: Photographic Series and Portfolios" highlights the Addison's extensive collection of complete photographic series and portfolios and opens Feb. 2.

"The Addison's collection, now numbering more than 17,000 objects, is one of the most extensive collections of American art in the world," Brian T. Allen, the Addison's director said in a release about the winter show. "Because our exhibitions change completely three times a year, we are able to present both well-loved masterpieces together with hidden treasures from our collection in new contexts each season. Our winter shows celebrate the collection and are an outstanding example of how we use it to give visitors a unique experience every time they visit the Addison."

Andover residents are invited to attend an opening reception on Friday, Feb. 1, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the museum. The event is free. For information, visit addisongallery.org or call 978-749-4015.

EVENTS CALENDAR

COMPILED BY JUDY WAKEFIELD

THURSDAY, JAN. 10

LIVE THEATER, "Shakespeare's Will" by playwright Vern Thiessen opens, through Feb. 3. Tickets begin at \$20, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, Lowell; MRT.org, 978-654-4678.

WRITERS GROUP, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library writers' group for writers of adult fiction, nonfiction and memoirs. This group provides constructive advice and feedback on each other's works in progress. The group meets on the second Thursday of the month; mhl.org, 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

FRIDAY, JAN. 11

NEW EXHIBIT & OPENING RECEPTION, "Stripped," original comic book illustrations by Don Mathias, Brian McFadden, Norm Feuti, Elena Steier, through Feb. 15, reception is 5 to 7 p.m., music by The Payne-Taylor. Don Mathias Jr. is an award winning freelance illustrator, cartoonist and creative mind behind "Peanizles," an almost daily webcomic. His first comic, "Entering Andover" (which was originally co-written with Andover Townsman editor Neil Fater) ran in the Andover Townsman from May 1998 to April 2011. The Chester F. Sidell Gallery is located on the first floor of Essex Art Center at 56 Island St., Lawrence; essexartcenter.org, 978-685-2343.

NEW EXHIBIT & OPENING RECEPTION, "Connections," through Feb. 15, reception is 5 to 7 p.m. with an artist talk by Nikki Rosato at 5 p.m., The Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery at Essex Art Center. Rosato creates portraits and figure studies from hand-cut maps. Exploring physical and psychological space, her delicate paper sculptures reference memory, distance, and the human body's circulatory system. The Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery is located on the first floor of Essex Art Center at 56 Island St., Lawrence; essexartcenter.com, 978-685-2343.

NEW EXHIBIT, Atria Marland Place hosts, wine reception and meet-and-greet with the Andover Artists Guild. Enjoy delicious wine and cheese pairings while socializing and viewing the works of local artists, 6 to 8 p.m., exhibit runs through Jan. 31; RSVP, 978-475-4225

SATURDAY, JAN. 12

ST. AUGUSTINE MOVIE, "Restless Heart," 7 p.m., AMC Loew's Theater, Methuen, \$12, hosted by Catholic Quest, tickets at catholicquest.org; Alicia, 781-438-1011.

LIVE R&B MUSIC, Stephanie Corby and Brendan Hogan, Crossroads Coffeehouse of the North Parish UU Church, 3 Great Pond Road, 2nd floor, North Andover. Show time at 8 p.m.; doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and are available at crossroads-coffeehouse.org via PayPal. If not sold out, tickets will be sold at the door on the evening of the concert; 978-687-3960.

FREE SNOWSHOEING, and cross country skiing, for all ages, experts and equipment provided, Weston Ski Track, Weston; wintertrails.org for listings and updates.

NEW EXHIBIT, The Whistler House Museum of Art /Lowell Art Association, 243 Worthen St., Lowell, works by Thomas M. Fleming through Feb. 23, opening reception, 2 to 4 p.m. This current collection of paintings, started in April of 2011, is a personal reflection, and artistic expression of living with breast and pancreatic cancer since 2006. Fleming, of Lowell, is a member of Art in Giving, a group of artists raising funds for pediatric cancer research and New England Art Reach.

SUNDAY, JAN. 13

LIVE MUSIC, Boston Black Catholic Choir, to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Since 1992, the choir has traveled nationally and internationally over their 20-year ministry. The choir has performed internationally as well as churches, prisons, shelters, and other venues in the Northeast., 3 p.m., Memorial Hall Library; mhl.org/eventcalendar or 978-623-8401, Ext. 31.

PROJECT HOME AGENDA, is open, and its winter hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon, Sundays, 10 a.m. to noon starting today, Temple Emanuel.

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Georgia Rex, 12, of Andover rehearses with the Concert Choir.



Artistic Director Valerie J. Becker leads the Concert Choir children during rehearsal.



Dierdre O'Rourke, 9 of Lawrence has a question during rehearsal with the Concert Choir.



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Treble Chorus of New England held its first auditions of the year at the West Parish Church Monday night. Maddie Brouillard, a junior at Andover High, rehearses with the Schola Choir.

Try outs for Treble

Youth sing to join choir



Gabrien Casanave-Cohen, 12, rehearses with the Concert Choir for ages 9-13.

Treble Chorus of New England held auditions in Andover for its three youth choirs on Monday. The tryouts were for the choirs known as Training for ages 7-9, Concert for ages 9-13, and Schola for ages 13-18.

Additional auditions will be held on Mondays, Jan. 14 and 21 at West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road in Andover. The schedule allows time for different age groups: Training, from 5 to 6 p.m.; Concert, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.; and schola, from 6 to 8 p.m. There is a free music theory class for choir members for 30 minutes before each rehearsal. People can call Anna Choi at 978-470-TCNE, or email tcnanager@treblechorusne.org to schedule an audition.

Porter to give piano recital at Cochran Chapel

Residents can attend a free piano concert featuring the works of masters Claude Debussy and Frederic Chopin.

On Saturday, Jan. 19, at 7:30 p.m., Stephen Porter will present a faculty piano recital as he performs works by Debussy and Chopin. This event, free and open to the public, will take place in

Cochran Chapel on Chapel Avenue on the Phillips Academy campus.

In 2012 the American pianist Porter was named artist-resident of the Cité Internationale Des Arts, and invited to Paris for two months to give recitals of the music of Debussy during the composer's 150th birthday year. He has performed the

complete Piano Preludes of Debussy in Paris, in Sarajevo as the featured soloist of the 8th Bosnia International Music Festival, and in the United States.

Porter was recently in Washington, D.C. to be the guest on National Public Radio's "Diane Rehm Show," to discuss Debussy's life and music and play selections

from the live concerts. He has appeared as soloist at Albert Long Hall in Istanbul, Turkey, the Rockefeller Foundation at Lake Como, Italy, and with the Amadeus Orchestra of London at LSO St. Luke's. This spring he will give solo recitals in Rio de Janeiro, at Harvard University (new works dedicated to him by 15 contemporary

composers, titled "Re-Imagining Debussy"), and perform Beethoven's final piano sonata, Op. 111, at the Boston Early Music Festival.

Cochran Chapel is handicapped accessible. For further information, contact the Phillips Academy Music Department at 978-749-4260 or send an email to music@andover.edu.

Walk a new Harold Parker trail each Wednesday

The state recreation department is encouraging people to get outside, through a free "We Walk the Woods" program offered locally every Wednesday.

"Studies show that diminishing light at this time of year can cause changes including decreased levels of serotonin (affecting

mood) and melatonin (affecting sleep). Doctors suggest that one solution for this is to get outside during daylight hours, and exercise. Exercise alone can increase serotonin, giving a sense of well being," according to a release from Barbara Buls, a Department of Conservation and Recreation regional

interpretive coordinator. People can walk in Harold Parker State Forest on the Andover-North Andover line every Wednesday at 10 a.m. Residents can meet at the state forest headquarters at 305 Middleton Road. Walks usually run from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

People are encouraged to

wear appropriate footwear such as hiking footwear rather than sneakers.

"Feel free to bring snowshoes/skis on days with snow. This is a moderate hike appropriate for all ages. Children are welcome! Bring water and sunscreen on sunny days," according to the release from Buls. The event

is cancelled only in the event of heavy rain.

This community hike began three years ago and goes all year. The plan is to cover all the trails in the park. For more information call 617-828-1728 or visit www.mass.gov/dcr. This free program is co-sponsored by the Friends of Harold Parker and DCR.

Education



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo

Steel is rising for the replacement Bancroft Elementary School as the town learns how much the project is over-budget.

Ballot box vote may be needed on Bancroft job

BY DUSTIN LUCA
STAFF WRITER

A Wednesday morning School Building Committee meeting held after Townsman deadline was expected to finalize critical details on the budget gap facing the Bancroft Elementary School.

The building committee was expected to finalize the amount of money needed to put the project back on budget. Previous estimates put that number at about 5 million, but many construction costs have been rising.

A conversation between town officials and the state Department of Revenue scheduled for later in the day also provided insight on how the town will vote on raising money for the project.

The debate this week, brought to the Board of Selectmen Monday, was regarding whether the additional money needed for the project would need to be approved by residents at both Special Town Meeting and the ballot box. Expenses that require the town to raise taxes above the level allowed by state law Proposition 2 1/2 must be approved through an election.

Officials worried that a delay to hold a ballot-box election would cause prices to rise higher.

"If it's going to be a contingent vote, which would call for a ballot election (to raise



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff Photo

The clock on the existing school can be seen through the steel of the new Bancroft, slated to open in 2014. Time will tell how much more taxpayers will be asked to spend to complete it.

taxes above Proposition 2 1/2 limits), which would be after many of our potential contracts would expire, we'll have to factor in some escalation number to cover losing some of those contracts," said Tom Deso, chairman of the School Building Committee.

The Department of Revenue will allow the town to make a portion of the newly raised money "non-contingent." That means the debt exclusion vote made by residents in January 2011 would

be considered sufficient for a certain amount of increase. But additional money from next month's Special Town Meeting would require a debt exclusion override, according to Finance Director Donna Walsh.

The issue, however, is that the state is "going by standards that we think are archaic in terms of the percentage increases the construction industry is feeling these days," Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said at Monday's meeting.

The state allows for construction cost increases of around 7 percent. The project is over budget by more than that, according to Walsh.

Information about the Wednesday morning events will be available on the Townsman's website, andovertownsmen.com.

For more on this story or story-related inquiries, email dluca@andovertownsmen.com.

Short term study, travel abroad programs

Northern Essex Community College is offering two short-term international courses: "Introduction to Archaeology: A Site Exploration of Ancient Turkey" and "Field Studies in Natural Systems: The Biogeology of Belize."

Classes will meet during four Saturday sessions on the college's Haverhill Campus and also take an 11-day trip to Turkey or Belize.

Both courses are currently open and students are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who qualify can have the cost of the trip

covered by financial aid. For more information about "Introduction to Archeology: A Site Exploration of Ancient Turkey," contact Professor Kristi Arford at karford@nec.mass.edu or 978-556-3353 or Professor Habib Maagoul at hmaagoul@nec.mass.edu or 978-556-3344.

For more information about "Field Studies in Natural Systems: The Biogeology of Belize," contact Ken Thomas at kthomas@nec.mass.edu or 978-556-3516 or Professor Marcy Yeager at myeager@nec.mass.edu or 978-556-3326.

NECC has eye on new health-assistant certificate

Northern Essex Community College has created an ophthalmic assistant certificate program through its iHealth@NECC program on the Lawrence campus next door to Andover.

This nine-month program will be offered beginning in the fall of 2013.

Ophthalmic assistants gather medical histories, conduct vision tests, coordinate patient schedules, and assist eye doctors with various procedural and clerical duties. They work in a variety of health care settings including ophthalmologist's offices, hospitals and clinics.

The program integrates

classroom theory, laboratory experience, and clinical practice to prepare students for employment in an ophthalmic clinical setting.

Per accreditation standards, students must complete a minimum of 80 hours of course work and 480 hours of supervised, full-time clinical experience.

Students enrolled in the Ophthalmic Assistant Program complete most of their course work in online courses and come to the iHealth@NECC facility on the Lawrence campus once or twice a week for in-class meetings and laboratory sessions.

For more information, contact Nancy Garcia at ngarcia@nec.mass.edu or 978-738-7493.

Pike School students earn first-term honors

Pike School, an Andover private school, has named students to its term 1 honor roll for the current 2012-13 school year. Below is the list of students named to high honors or honors.

HONORS

Grade 9

Trevor Abraham, Lexi Davidson, Jacqueline Gangi, Katrina Gangi, Arnaud Harnage, Colby Keller, Larisa Kreismanis John Rullo Matt Vieira

Grade 8

Audrey Adam, Alexia Ames, Allie Attarian, Sebastian Bishop, Kate Burba, Alex Chaban, Kevin Chen, Bonnie Cheng, Leah Cormier, Hadley Goodman, Katarina Hodge, Joshua Hurst, Grace Kirby, Hannah Latham, Ryan Lattanzio, AJ Lorden, Drew MacInnis, Paul Miller, Nick Moheban, Ben Munick, Syd-Rebecca Marrow, Barbara McDuffee, Connor McKernan, Caroline Reynolds, Clara Rotger, Niko Skrivanos, Natalia Suarez, Sreya Sudreddy, Katherine Sweetser, Nicholas Uva, Sophie Zhang

Grade 7

Andrew Brown, Cooper Bulens, Riley Cardono, Rohan Chaturvedi, Noah Colby, Ryan Conway, Caleigh Cormier, Noelle Dana, Izzy DiAdamo, Christian DiVincenzo, Nell Fitts, Domingo Gonzalez, Oniel Gonzalez, Zoe Hsieh, Lauren Kramer, Kyle Lattanzio, Ian McCabe, Nalia Medina, Bobby Meehan, Chris Mellen, Jeffrey Ng, Sophie O'Brien, Jack O'Connell, Christopher Ogden, Caroline Payne, Isaac Poritzky, Alana Rafiee, Tarun Rastogi, Tyler Ricchuto, Helen Salvatore, Claudia Solano

Grade 6

Max Alibrandi, Mia Borek, Clayton Britt, Aki Charland, Peter Colletta, Nicholas Coutracos, Daniel DeLaud, Jonathan Gonzalez, Sabrina Gribbel, Ben Heinze, Barrett Lyons, Tyler McGoldrick, Emily Michaels, Mari Nakamura, Reverie Nedde, Meredith Newton, Joshua Quirk, Clay Rabold, Sarika Rao, Lily Rauh, Alice Ren, Nicholas Rice, Jordan Richard, Jake Sitak, Nick Tilson, Katie Tsai, Ria Vieira, Teddy Wilkin

HIGH HONORS

Grade 9

Sitara Rao

Grade 8

Grace Anthony, Jordan Aucoin, Andrew Cheng, Izzy Davidson, Dakoury Godo-Solo, Camilla Guo, Leah Hamann, Kiarah Hortance, Allie Iamonaco, Simona Innocenti, Liddy Kasraian, Ritika Kommareddi, Morgan Kuin, Rebecca Marrow, Barbara McDuffee, Connor McKernan, Caroline Reynolds, Clara Rotger, Niko Skrivanos, Natalia Suarez, Sreya Sudreddy, Katherine Sweetser, Nicholas Uva, Sophie Zhang

Grade 7

Colby Beré, Tate Blazonis, Allison Bolton, Frank Cai, Emma Chatson, Emelie Eldracher, Zach Fitzgerald, Michaela Jones, Melisa Kreismanis, Amanda Li, Leslie Mateo, Alexa Matses, Hannah Maver, Michael McCullom, Akshay Mundra, Kate Packard, Connor Peters, Michael Ren, Matthew Schelzi, Jessica Wang, Jake Zanazzi, Maddie Zerbey, Mae Zhao

Grade 6

Jack Anthony, Amolina Bhat, Zenia Bhatena, Bella Borek, Amanda Brooks, Emma Brown, Max Chaban, Cathy Cheng, Ayan Chowdhury, Samantha Davidson, Lauren Fanning, Ava Harrington, Abigail Johnson, Anna Lang, Tristan Latham, Brianna Lawlor, Kaleigh Lyons, Tyler McGoldrick, Emily Michaels, Mari Nakamura, Reverie Nedde, Meredith Newton, Joshua Quirk, Clay Rabold, Sarika Rao, Lily Rauh, Alice Ren, Nicholas Rice, Jordan Richard, Jake Sitak, Nick Tilson, Katie Tsai, Ria Vieira, Teddy Wilkin

ON CAMPUS

UMass Lowell scholars

The following Andover students were honored at the University of Massachusetts Lowell's second annual Celebration of Scholarship Luncheon: Karina Pena, civil engineering major; and David Van Schalkwijk, plastics engineering major.

3.55 grade point average with a minimum of 12 credits.

Cum laude at Clemson

Michael Freedman graduated cum laude from Clemson University on Dec. 20, 2012, with a bachelor of science degree in computer science.

Providence dean's list

The following students were named to the Providence College dean's list for the fall 2012 semester: Katherine Gillis, Class of 2015; Kaitlin Mara, Class of 2015; Kathleen McGinty, Class of 2016; Michelle Ouellette, Class of 2016; and Anna Vecchi, Class of 2015. To be named to the dean's list, students must achieve at least a

Dean College honors

Amy Tanner was named to the Dean College dean's list for the fall 2012 semester. Students are eligible to be named to the dean's list if they have successfully completed an academic course load of 14 credits per semester with a grade point average of 3.3 or higher, with no grade below B-.

LOCAL SCHOLARS

Shore Country Day School honors

Alex Claman, grade 8, was named to the high honor roll for the first trimester at Shore Country Day School.

Loomis Chaffee School honor roll

Mia Edelson, a freshman, was named to the high honor

roll at the Loomis Chaffee School.

Michael Miller, a junior, was named to the honor roll.

Fenn School honor roll

Nicholas Landman was named to the Fenn School of Concord honor roll for the first term.

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Townspeople



Andover resident John Hess (left), Kennedy Community Health Center vice president of planning, was recently honored for his years of work overseeing the organization's expansion. Honoring him at the grand opening of a Framingham health center are board Chairman Matthew Hogan and Kennedy CHC President Toni McGuire.

COURTESY PHOTO

Hess recognized for health-center work

At the recent grand opening of the Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center (Kennedy CHC) on Waverly Street one employee was singled out for his work in overseeing the successful completion of the new state-of-the-art healthcare facility.

At the event held last fall, Andover resident John Hess, Kennedy CHC vice president of planning, "earned high praise from President and CEO Toni McGuire for his dedication to the organization throughout his 28 years with the community health center," the company said in a release.

Speaking to an audience of more than 100 local officials, health care professionals and employees, McGuire asked Hess to stand next to her at the podium.

"There is a person here today," she told the crowd, "who has been working day and night on our Framingham health center project. John Hess wanted to retire, but first he wanted to see this building built. Well, John, your hard work, dedication, late nights at town hall – and early mornings with the contractors – have made this all possible."

Presenting him with a framed photograph of the new health center building, McGuire added, "John, as

a small token of our appreciation, we would like to give you a reminder, a remembrance of this project that you held so near and dear – so that others would have access to primary care."

Hess, 64, and his wife, Kathy, are longtime residents of Andover, and John is a former Andover selectman. They have two grown sons, Patrick, 34, who lives in Brooklyn, N.Y. with his wife, Lauren, and Kevin, 31, who lives in Chicago.

Hess said he was delighted by the successful completion of the new health center, which provides more spacious and modern accommodations for the more than 3,000 patients served each year. The new center at 354 Waverly St. replaces two storefront locations in downtown Framingham. A Kennedy CHC dental office at 32 Concord St. continues to serve patients at that location.

Hess, who has a master's degree in regional planning with a specialty in healthcare, started working at the organization when it was known as Great Brook Valley Health Center in Worcester.

"When I started working for Great Brook Valley Health Center, there were a total of 43 employees," Hess noted. "Today we employ 350 people."

Hess' first position 28 years ago at the Worcester health center included developing policies and procedures around patient care and human resources. With his academic background in planning, he was tapped in 1992 to oversee construction of a new facility across the street from their original Worcester facility. As the organization continued to expand its territory, Hess worked closely with architects and construction crews and quickly evolved into the "resident expert" on building projects, according to the company. About seven years after the original building was constructed, the Tacoma Street site required even more space and Hess supervised a 9,000 square foot addition/renovation project. A third renovation and expansion project was completed just last year.

The recently completed Waverly Street project cost about \$12 million.

"The construction took about a year and a-half, but it was well worth it. It's been really gratifying to see the Framingham health center completed," Hess said. "I had thoughts about retiring and I have cut back on my hours a bit, but getting to see this new health center is really a dream come true."

Death of Wood Jr. changed town history

Bill Dalton



William M. Wood Jr., the 30-year-old son and heir apparent of his namesake father's empire.

William M. Wood Sr. was one of the richest men in the world and the dominant voice in the textile industry. His empire included Shawsheen Village, a community he built.

Wood Jr. was driving his Rolls Royce sedan and killed with him in the front seat was his good friend, World War I hero Major Alexander Gardner of North Andover. Both men's wives were summering in Kennebunkport. In the back seat was another friend, who was thrown from the car, suffering only fractured ribs.

According to eyewitnesses, Wood's car was driven at a high rate of speed, and he may have been racing a Stutz Motor Car, known for speed and performance. Both vehicles were headed towards Andover on the Reading-Andover Road (Route 28) and were less than a half-mile outside of Reading's center.

The two automobiles were side by side with one passing the other. Wood's car clipped a smaller car going in the same direction, knocking it off the road. Losing control of the Rolls Royce, Wood struck an oncoming vehicle and caromed into a telegraph pole, splintering it. Major Gardner was crushed between the Rolls and the telegraph pole and Wood was crushed against his steering wheel. Both died almost at once. All other people in the accident survived with injuries not too

serious.

The roof of Wood's car was torn off, which allowed the backseat passenger to be thrown clear. The doors were ripped off, and the wheels, lights, and mudguards were reduced to a pile of junk. The crash was heard several hundred yards away in all directions and a large crowd gathered.

Shortly, William Wood Sr. arrived at the scene, accompanied by an ambulance that drove his son back to Andover. Hearing almost immediately of the crash, Wood Jr.'s wife chartered a seaplane and flew from Kennebunkport to Andover, landing on the Merrimack River.

A few days later, the driver of the Stutz, which was not damaged, was arrested and charged with reckless driving and operating his vehicle in a dangerous manner. He did not know Wood and denied that they were racing, as did Wood's surviving passenger. In his early driving years, Wood Jr. had compiled a poor driving record, including several citations for fast and reckless driving, reported newspaper editor of the time John N. Cole; however, for eight years prior to the accident his driving record was excellent.

Cole, the editor of the Andover Townsman, wrote on August 18, 1923, "In a long newspaper career the writer can recall no event more startling in its impression than the tragic death of William M. Wood Jr." Cole wrote of Wood Jr. at length, saying, "He developed quickly into a keen businessman and he developed, among other qualities, love for his fellow man that tempered his keen business instinct... The father was leaning more and more upon the son."

William M. Wood Jr., born in Andover, and was a member of Harvard's

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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100 Years Ago – Jan. 10, 1913

New steel shelves were placed in the vaults in the town house this week.

A chimney fire broke out at the home of Frank E. Gleason on High Street on Monday of this week. No serious damage resulted.

A regular meeting of the Andover club will be held on Saturday evening. After the meeting, progressive whist and a smoker will be enjoyed.

The insurance offices have just issued a large fire alarm card which contains all the boxes now in service. Copies may be obtained from the insurance offices on application.

The Colonial Club held a very successful dancing party in the town hall on Friday evening, about 150 couples being present. Music was furnished by the Columbian Orchestra.

75 Years Ago—
Jan. 7, 1938

Two representatives from Lawrence Gas and Electric Company, Messrs. Patterson and Gray, attended the school board meeting Tuesday night at the board's request in order to explain why the school electric rate is so much higher than the domestic rate.

Household furniture, books, pictures, rugs, draperies, statuary, musical instruments, silver, watches, jewelry, fuel and

provisions, are all included among the taxable items which every resident of Massachusetts is required to report to his local board of assessors during the month of January. Anyone who fails to file a true list of his household furnishings, etc. during this month runs the risk of having to pay a tax 50 percent higher than he would if he does file the list.

The announcement by Dr. Nathaniel Stowers this week that he would not be a candidate for re-election to the school board was the most important political news of the week, although rumors continued rife about candidacies for various offices.

50 Years Ago – Jan. 10, 1963

The Town Employees Association and Town Manager Thomas E. Duff have agreed to a salary package for 1963. A percentage increase that amounts to approximately \$200 a year, for policemen and firefighters, and about that amount for other employees including those paid on an hourly basis, has been approved.

The simple magic of paying teachers on a 52-week basis, instead of the existing 40-week system, can lop off slightly more than \$70,000 from the tentative school budget. School Superintendent Edward I. Erickson pointed out the logic of the step to the

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Locals spot 68 bird species as part of annual U.S. count



COURTESY PHOTO

Andover's Donna Cooper was part of a group of local bird watchers who spotted thousands of birds here.

Andover birders helped the National Audubon Society completes its 113th Christmas Bird Count.

Every year for the past 112 years, the National Audubon Society has compiled a bird count around Christmastime. This year, over 60,000 volunteers across the country were counting birds between Dec. 14, 2012 and Jan. 5, 2013. Locally, bird watchers from the Merrimack Valley Bird Club were part of the effort, many rising before dawn to participate in the world's longest running wildlife census, according to Andover's Donna Cooper.

All the data is collected by a Circle Leader and submitted to the National Audubon Society in early January. This year a seven sector

Circle was led by Coope. Other local sector leaders include Al and Evelyn Retelle, Bill Headley, John Robinson, Lou

Wagner, Mike Timko and Dave Williams, she said.

This year the local club reported

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TRUE PUNKS

Andover couple back performing punk rock again

JUDY WAKEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

She's a boomer and proud of it.

"I love this chapter in life. I like to learn and to keep interested...these are the best years," said Karen Payne-Taylor, who has the perfect job - she runs the BoomerVenture program at the Center at Pumphard behind Town Offices.

But what a road it's been for Payne-Taylor and her guitar-playing husband, Christopher Payne-Taylor. The couple used to play in a punk band together named Karyn Satin and the Bedsheets. It was the early 1980s when they dreamily left Florida in hopes of making it big as a punk band in the Big Apple. Their fourth-floor walk-up on Manhattan's lower east side was so hip, just like their friends. Included were members of the band the Ramones, a man named Cheetah Chrome and a woman named Elda Stiletto, who played a mean bass guitar and was good friends with Deborah Harry (a.k.a. Blondie), they said. They hit the big clubs like Maxim and CBGB, and took all sorts of low paying jobs to cover the rent.

They played and rehearsed their hard punk music in a cellar studio called the Pit and listened as their musical friends delivered loud, dark lyrics about love, lust, pain and spirituality.

"It was the first generation of punk and it was reckless," said a now very different Christopher Payne-Taylor, while sitting in the living room of his comfortable home on Summer Street.

Sharing those memories from some 30 years ago made the couple laugh a lot and



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

Photos of Karen and Chris Taylor of Andover in the early 1980's from their time in a punk band.

sort of helps to explain why they are back in the saddle, so to speak. They love to perform music.

There's no Karyn Satin or Pit practices or fourth-floor walk-ups. The couple has regrouped and is performing gigs around Andover using their real names. They still practice in a cellar but it's a quaint music room in the basement of the pretty house they own in Andover.

They performed at Holiday Happenings last month and will perform at an opening reception at the Essex Arts Center in Lawrence tomorrow night, Jan. 11 (see sidebar). They will also perform for an upcoming Andover Youth Services benefit.

Karen Payne-Taylor, a classically trained singer who has performed on famed stages including Carnegie Hall and Jordan Hall in Boston, said the New York scene eventually got old. They wanted a family and knew living in a neighborhood with more addicts than playgrounds was not what they wanted.

"It was time to be an adult and that's what we wanted,"

Karen Payne-Taylor said.

Her husband worked in marketing and the couple moved to Boston. They started out in Jamaica Plain and moved to Andover 16 years ago. Christopher now works at Avid in Burlington, a company that creates digital audio and video technology products used by superstars in the music, television and film industries.

Their daughter, Zoe, is now 20 and attends Mount Holyoke College where she studies history and the classics.

Today, Christopher Payne-Taylor posts videos on YouTube and gets real satisfaction when his old songs get a good response from audiences. The couple performs original songs only.

"Karen coaches me, making sure I sing and don't scream," he said. "She brings a sweetness to our music."

But, perhaps the most treasured compliment regarding the couple's music comes from Zoe.

"She put one of our songs on her iPod," Christopher said proudly with a big smile. "Now, that's cool."



COURTESY PHOTO

Former New York City punk rockers Karen and Christopher Payne-Taylor, now married and living in Andover for the past 19 years, are back performing at local shows. They'll play an opening at the Essex Art Center this weekend.

If you want to hear the Payne-Taylors... Pair play Essex Arts show 'Stripped'

Karen and Christopher Payne-Taylor of Andover, will perform at an artist reception for a new exhibit at Essex Arts Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence, on Friday, Jan. 11 from 5 to 7 p.m. The exhibit is "Stripped," with original comic book illustrations by Don Mathias, Brian McFadden, Norm Feuti and

Elena Steier.

The exhibit runs through Feb. 15. Comic illustrator Don Mathias Jr. is also from Andover. He is an award-winning freelance illustrator, cartoonist and is the creative mind behind "Peanizles," an almost daily webcomic. His first comic, "Entering Andover"

was published in the Andover Townsman over 10 years — from May 1998 to April 2011. It was originally co-written with Andover Townsman editor Neil Fater.

See essexartcenter.org or call 978-685-2343 for more information.



Peanizles comic artist Don Mathias, who grew up on Andover Street in town, will be part of the Essex Art show "Stripped."

DALTON: Wood's death changed Andover history

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class of 1915. The next year, he married Miss Edith Goldsborough Robinson, from an elite Virginia family. Few people doubted the younger Wood's genius, as he was an excellent student and a frequently published writer on the subject of economics.

Working in his father's mills, he started at the lowest level to gain experience; it may have been in that period of his life that he learned good employer-employee relations and good working conditions are good business. He became his father's right arm at American Woolen and was on the board of directors, although he was also involved in a business not associated with any his father owned, Edington

and Co.

History says that Wood Sr.'s actions were a catalyst of Lawrence's Bread and Roses Strike, but it sometimes omits that it was his leadership of the Lawrence mill owners that led to the end of the strike. Wood Sr. had learned the hard way about improving employee relations and welcomed his son's visionary ideas, which included on-site day-care at the mills.

After negotiating a contract with the War Department to provide woolen goods to the American Armed Forces during World War I, Wood Jr. signed up for the Navy and was sent back to Harvard, which was at the time training military officers. He was commended for his work in the Navy and after the war returned to

American Woolen Company, which had moved to Shawsheen.

Young Wood was liked by everyone he met, and although it is impossible to predict what he would have accomplished had he lived, with his intellect, amiability, money, and connections it is hard to doubt that his life would have been notable. At West Parish, in a chapel William Wood Sr. had built and in the cemetery he'd improved, the funeral of his son was held.

The length of the list of attending notables was predictable, but not predicted was that 10,000 to 15,000 people appeared silently, with heads bowed, as William M. Wood Jr. was interred.

The youngest of William Wood Sr.'s four children, Irene, had died during the

Spanish Flu epidemic of 1918-1919. The loss of his son, when added to Irene's death, was too much for Wood. In 1924, he had a stroke, and his doctor told him to retire. He was in a deep melancholy, and two years later, on Feb. 2, 1926, Wood's chauffeured limousine parked on the side of a Florida Road. The self-made man, who had garnered an unimaginable fortune, stepped away from his automobile and unmade himself with a .38 revolver.

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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the family home.

25 Years Ago Jan. 7, 1988

School Committee Tuesday night, and members eagerly approved the move.

One hundred or more Raytheon Company employees are parking on Shawsheen streets this week, as a result of an emergency situation involving Route 495. Riverina Road and York Street were taking the brunt of extra parking. The state, which has taken a portion of the Raytheon parking lot, informed the company to have the vehicles removed.

Evelyn and Nina, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Saliba, of 319 South Main St., celebrated their third birthday, Jan. 1, at a birthday party held at

A prominent Andover man who earned a reputation for growing the best strawberries in New England died in a car accident. Roger H. Lewis, who for 30 years ran Lewis Farm, a 100-acre strawberry farm on River Road, died after his car collided with another in Lakeland, Fla. He was 81.

Selectmen, looking for the first time at a stack of proposed legislation for the Annual Town Meeting, began the long, drawn-out process of preparing the thick sheaf of papers for presentation to the Andover public.

BIRDING: 68 species spotted locally

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13,455 birds from 68 species. Some birds are found in huge numbers like the American crow, which was seen in huge flocks of thousands over Lawrence. Others are found singly like the bald eagle, the purple finch or the yellow-rumped warbler.

The count is open to anyone who feels comfortable identifying birds and can be done at home or by joining a group in the field. Next winter before the season begins the club hopes to recruit some new participants, according to Cooper.

The count began in 1900 when Dr. Frank Chapman, founder of Bird-Lore (which evolved into Audubon magazine) suggested an alternative to the holiday "side hunt," in which teams

competed to see who could shoot the most small game, including birds. Chapman proposed that people count birds instead.

The Merrimack Valley Bird Club has supported the National Audubon Society for over 50 years. The club is responsible for a "circle" of territory about 10 miles in diameter that stretches from North Reading to Lawrence and from Tewksbury to North Andover. On a date determined by National Audubon Society, the club sends out teams of birders to drive or walk through as much of the area as possible and count species and numbers of birds. Other volunteers do a "feeder watch" in which they observe and count birds that come to their feeders at home.

Last year's count shattered

records, according to a release. Nationally, a total of 2,248 counts and 63,227 people tallied over 60 million birds. Counts took place in all 50 states, all Canadian provinces, plus 99 count circles in Latin America, the Caribbean, and the Pacific Islands.

"This is not just about counting birds," Gary Langham, Audubon's chief scientist, said in a release. "Data from the Audubon Christmas Bird Count are at the heart of hundreds of peer-reviewed scientific studies and informs decisions by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Department of the Interior, and the EPA. Because birds are early indicators of environmental threats to habitats we share, this is a vital survey of North America and, increasingly, the Western Hemisphere."

Celebrations
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Engagement

Westerman - Everett

William and Linnea Everett of Raleigh, NC, formerly of Andover, MA are pleased to announce the engagement of their son Andrew to Rebecca Westerman, daughter of Michael and Amy Westerman of Franklin, MA. Andrew is a 2007 graduate of Middlebury College and Rebecca is a 2010 graduate of Quinnipiac University. A September 2013 wedding is planned.

Caregivers can find support in four-part series

People caring for loved ones with illnesses such as Alzheimer's disease may want to join a four-part series offered through the town's BoomerVenture group.

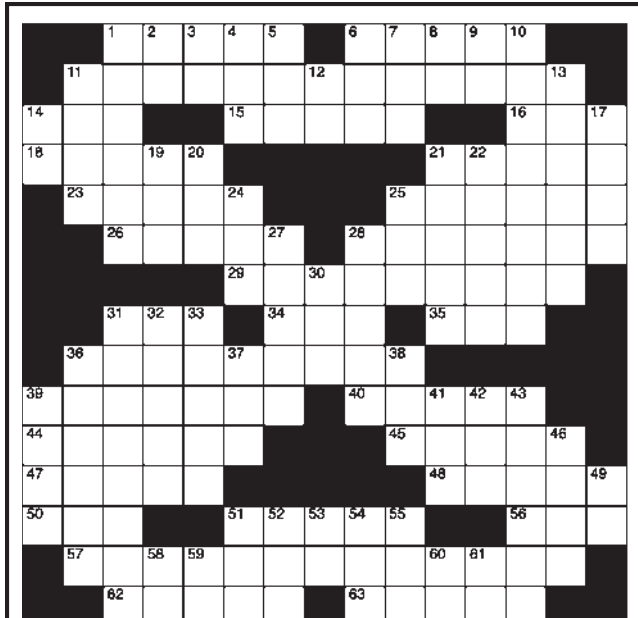
Starting tonight, Jan. 10 at 6:30 p.m., the BoomerVenture Campus will begin the four-week series entitled "Coping with Caregiving" at the Andover Senior Center...

which is to the rear of Town Offices at 36 Bartlet St. The weekly speakers will each address a different aspect of the caregivers' journey.

Jan. 10: Patricia Horgan, Alzheimer's and memory impairment specialist at Atria Marland Place on Stevens Street will present "Coping with Change."

will present "Managing the Details," and plans to "share her organizational tips for getting it all done - and staying sane!"

of end-of-life wishes. Schreiber, an Andover resident, is a former member of the Andover Senior Center's Council on Aging board.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Winter capital of Kashmir
6. So. African Music Awards
11. The Bay State
14. A disorderly crowd
15. Actress Greta
16. Expression of surprise
18. Storybook elephant
21. John Jacob ____, capitalist
23. Mulled wine
25. Membrane around the lungs
26. Shows how something works
28. Canonized
29. Layers bonded together
31. A vessel or duct

Solution in Classified Section

- 34. The fire had been
35. Female sibling
36. Israeli capital
39. Blocked in fencing
40. 98942 WA
44. Gasoline hydrocarbon rating
45. Light snacks with drinks
47. Supplementing with difficulty
48. Am. composer & diarist Ned
50. A waterproof raincoat
51. Accumulate a large quantity
56. Am. Newspaper Assoc.
57. Butterfly collector
62. __ and Venzetti
63. Female servants

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Poked at
2. Equally
3. Manuscript (abbr.)
4. Periodical (slang)
5. Fiddler crabs
6. Hero sandwich
7. Volcanic mountain in Japan
8. Of I
9. Indicates position
10. Legislative acts
11. Low sustained cry
12. Human resources (abbr.)
13. Supported by a prop
14. Megabyte
17. 9/11 Memorial designer Michael
19. The years someone has existed
20. Distilled from fermented molasses
21. a.k.a.
22. Ixionian crown = 100
24. The sun
25. Wide metal cooking vessel
27. Caesar or cobb
28. Building lots

SERIES: Talking about loved one's dying wishes

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journalist Ellen Goodman launched the online Conversation Project last August that offers a conversation starter kit on how to get the conversation going.

Schreiber is a strong supporter of online sites that offer tips on how to get the conversation started.

TIPS ON STARTING THE CONVERSATION

As tough as it is, people should talk about a loved one's dying wishes. Geriatric specialist Robert Schreiber, M.D., of Andover, provided these websites to help get the conversation going:

- agingredefined.org
hslindependentliving.org/college-retirement-living-register
theconversationproject.org/about/ellen-goodman/
blog.hebrewseniorlife.org/you-your-aging-parents

Senior Center on Thursday, Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. to share his thoughts on the importance of this issue.

The bottom line is that it's easier when decision-makers know what patients would choose for themselves.

"You will benefit if there is a plan in place," said Schreiber. "You ensure that the plan someone wanted is

being followed."

Schreiber is former chairman of geriatrics at Lahey Clinic and currently the medical director of outpatient primary care, community based programs, innovation and development for Hebrew Senior Life.

He knows getting aging or sick loved ones to talk about death and dying is difficult.

"They may disagree or just not be willing to talk. You have to respect that and put up with it. Just don't give up," Schreiber said.

SUPPORT GROUPS

The local area has a wide variety of support groups that people can attend for the short or long term.

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Sports

THROWING FIRE

From a family of athletes, Kobelski making her mark in shot put

By DAVID WILLIS
STAFF WRITER

Cassie Kobelski knows her father's allegiance ultimately lies with her. But that doesn't mean she doesn't hear some teasing when the Andover High star takes on archrival Central Catholic.

"Whenever we go against Central my dad jokes that he is rooting for them," Cassie said with a laugh. "But I know he always has my back."

The Kobelski name has long been synonymous with football at Central Catholic, where Cassie's father Greg and his three brothers all starred before moving on to careers in college.

But Cassie Kobelski is now establishing her own legacy at a new school, as a star thrower for the Golden Warriors. This season she has set the lofty goal of breaking Andover's 27-year-old school record in the shot put.

"Only a couple girls a year in Massachusetts that have the chance to throw 40 feet," said Golden Warrior throwing coach Art McDermott. "But Cassie can certainly do that. And her ultimate goal is to break the school record (43 3/4), and I think she has a legitimate shot at it."

The Kobelski household, in fact, is literally a marriage of the Merrimack Valley Conference's fiercest rivals. Cassie's father Greg was a star receiver at Central Catholic (class of 1985), catching 35 passes for 489 yards as a senior. Greg's brothers Todd (class of 1994) and Brian (1988) both starred for the Raiders and Villanova and Matt (1999) stood out at Central and Colgate.



Cassie Kobelski prepares to unleash a throw during Andover track practice on Monday. Kobelski has her eyes on setting the school record in the shot put this season.

CARL RUSSO/Staff photo.

"Football was always a huge part of our family," said Cassie. "Every year on Easter we would play football and I would play quarterback. I did cheerleading for the (Andover Junior Football League)."

Despite the pull of Central, Cassie's loyalty always fell with the Golden Warriors — the school where her mother Lorri (Cochiaro, class of 1985) was a volleyball captain.

"I always wanted to go to Andover High," she said. "When I was little we would

go to games and my brother would wear my dad's Central Catholic jacket and I would wear my mother's Andover jacket. On Thanksgiving my dad would joke with me if Central won."

Cassie played multiple sports growing up, but it was in middle school that she discovered track. Her original event, however, was not throwing.

"I would go to Hooptown with (current Andover track star) Courtney (Comeau) during the summer, then go over her house and run

hurdles," said Kobelski, whose uncle is married to the sister of Courtney's father, Golden Warrior track coach Peter Comeau. "So hurdles were my first event."

As a freshman, however, Kobelski accidentally found a new love.

"I worked really hard on the hurdles and ended up getting shin splints," she said. "But I just thought my legs just hurt, so I pushed myself too hard and ended up getting hurt and couldn't compete."

"While I was injured I started hanging out with my friends, who happened to be the throwers. Then coach McDermott suggested I try out the shot put. So I really found it be accident."

After spending much of her sophomore year learning to throw, Kobelski delivered a breakout season last spring. She became the first Andover thrower to place at All-States since Felicia Thompson in 2004, taking eighth in the shot put with a 36-4. She was also fifth at EMass. Division 1 (35-11),

SEE HER STORY

For a video interview with Andover's Cassie Kobelski, visit andovertownsmen.com/sports or rallynorth.net.

second at MVC Meet (36-5) and third at Andover Boosters (season-best 36-7).

"She really stepped up and took it to another level at the end of last season," said McDermott. "And the best part is she has picked up right where she left off last year. She has opened as far as she was throwing last year, which is very difficult. She has been working for four years and it has now finally fallen into place."

With the season just underway, she has won the shot put in both of Andover's dual meets, both times setting a new personal best. Her 36-8 3/4 in a win over Lowell is a new PR.

"I feel like I am better prepared than ever before," said Kobelski, who has already been accepted to Holy Cross, where she was recruited to throw. "I have worked hard and lifted more. I did Bay State Games this summer. I would love to go all the way to Nationals. That would be great. I am slowly improving my personal best."

But her ultimate goal is the school record of 43-3/4 set in 1986. It is a goal that she is reminded of every day by the school's all-time track leader board, which sits on the wall near the school's main exit.

"I see that every time I walk in or leave the building," she said. "It reminds me I have to keep working hard and setting my goals high. That was amazing."



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Andover's Scott Campbell and the rest of the battered Andover High hockey team used their toughness to grind out a big victory on Monday. Campbell had a goal and an assist.



COURTESY PHOTO

Jessie Livingston formed half of the one-two punch, along with Courtney Carver, for the Andover girls gymnastics team that earned a victory on Monday.

Boys hockey, girls gymnastics earn wins

BOYS HOCKEY

Campbells pace Warriors

After a week where most of the team battled the flu, already injury-riddled Andover toughed out a 3-1 victory over Waltham on Monday. Scott Campbell scored one goal and assisted on another, Mark Campbell and Will Sauerbrunn

each added a goal and Jack Wilkie had two assists for the winners. Colby Gilbert made 25 saves.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Carver dominates

Courtney Carver and Jessie Livingston formed a dynamic duo, trading off victories to lead

Andover to 138.15 points and victory over Westford (134.05) and Dracut (126.3) on Monday. Carver took wins in the bars, floor and all-around and Livingston took first in the beam and was second in the vault, bars, floor and all-around.

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SPORTS INFORMATION FROM THE COMMUNITY

Volleyball all-star from town

Madelaine Gray, a senior high school student from Andover, and a two time captain of the Lawrence Academy varsity volleyball team in Groton, was named for a third year to the NEPSAC All Stars Tournament. NEPSAC is the New England Prep School Athletic Council.

Maddie, an outside hitter, has been a valuable member of the team, earning the Coach's Award as a freshman, her first year as a volleyball player and the Most VP award twice.

Spring lacrosse sign-ups continue until Jan. 14

Registration is now open for the 2013 spring lacrosse season. Visit andoveryouthlacrosse.com to register now to secure a spot for the upcoming season.

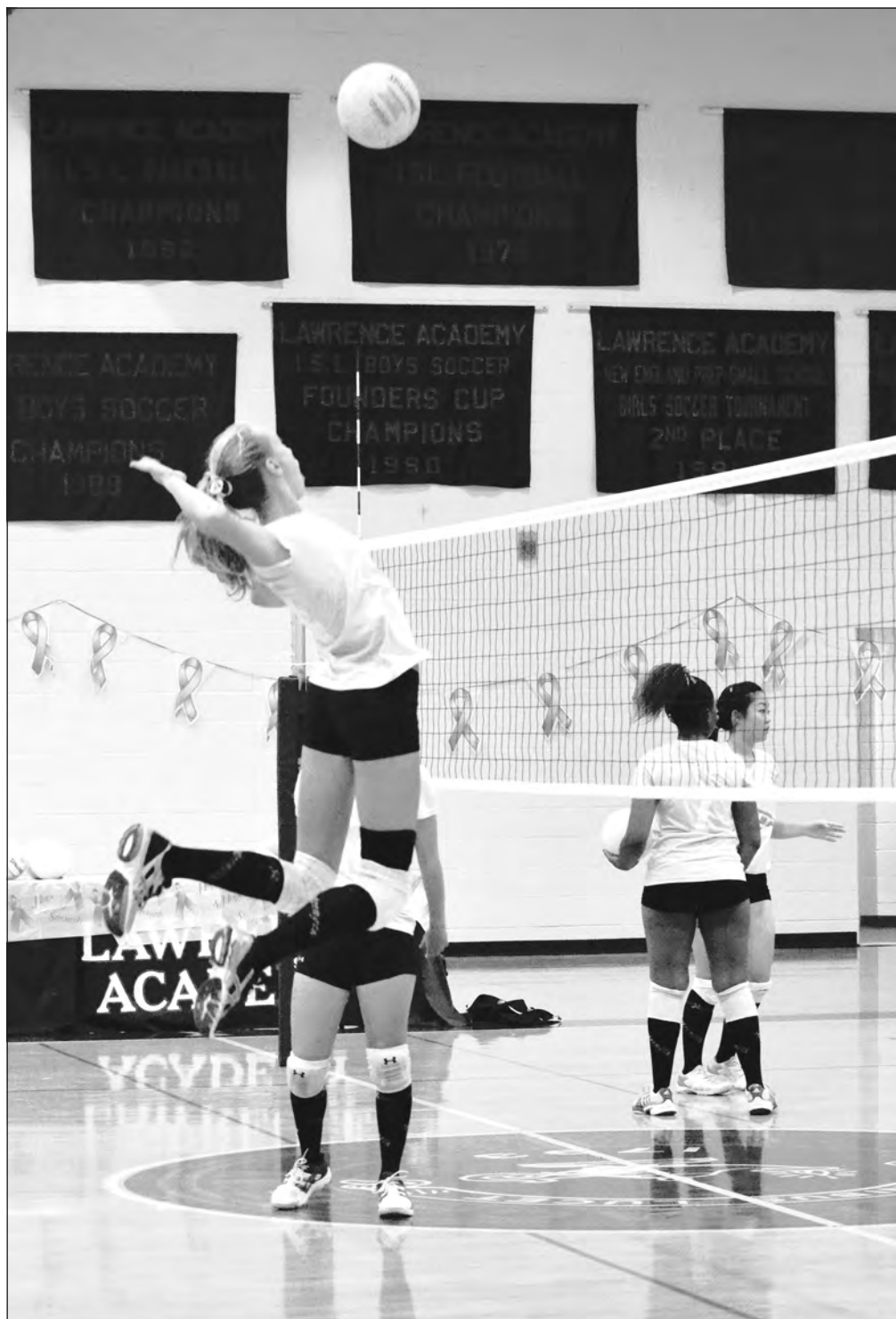
"Please note that roster spots in Andover Youth Lacrosse are in high demand and each age group WILL fill up. Waitlists will be formed, but there is no guarantee that members of the waitlist will be added to an active roster for the 2013 season," reports program director Tony Lombardi, of Andover Youth Services.

The initial online registration period will take place until Jan. 14.

"After this date, there is no guarantee of being added to a roster for the season and any registration that is available will have a \$50 late fee added to it," reports Lombardi.

All registrants to Andover Youth Lacrosse must be members of US Lacrosse through June 30, 2013. This is an additional fee of \$25 and registration for this is integrated through the online registration process. People with any questions about their US Lacrosse membership should contact US Lacrosse directly.

"Andover Youth Lacrosse has worked on some new initiatives for the upcoming season. This has resulted in an increase of registration fees for most of our boys'



Courtesy photo

Madelaine Gray, shown preparing to spike a ball, has been a key player during her time on the volleyball team at Groton's Lawrence Academy.

levels," according to Lombardi. "Please note that our third through fifth grade boys participants will receive 10 sessions of indoors skills development as a part of their initial registration. These sessions will begin on Saturday, Jan. 5. Andover Youth Lacrosse will be hiring

coaches for all of our sixth, seventh and eighth grade boys teams. These coaches will take part in training sessions and pre-season skills sessions, as well as the complete 2013 spring season. Registration fees for our boys first and second grade program and the entire girls league

have remained the same for the 2013 season."

If you have any inquiries into the registration process or the upcoming season, email Andover Youth Lacrosse. People are asked to refrain from emailing or calling Andover Youth Services with lacrosse questions.

ROUNDUP

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BOYS GYMNASTICS

Freshman Joseph Aronov won the vault (8.1), was second in the pommel horse and rings and won the all-around with a 37.5 as Andover beat Attleboro 145-133 on Monday. Star Brian Manning added wins in the parallel bars, pommel horse and rings.

Brian Manning won the pommel horse, floor exercise and rings, but Andover fell to Burlington 146-136 on Friday. Joseph Aronov added a team-high third in the all-around for the Warriors.

BOYS SWIMMING

Zhao, Wu lead the way

Eric Zhao took the 200 freestyle (1:53.42) and 100 freestyle (50.47), Aaron Wu won the 100 butterfly (1:00.65) and they teamed with Charlie Lei and Vince Camin to win the 200 freestyle relay as Andover topped Central Catholic 90-76 on Friday. Eric Shi added a win in the 500 freestyle and swam on the 400 freestyle that took first.

GIRLS TRACK

Donovan earns win

Cate Donovan won the 1,000 in an outstanding 3:06.90 to lead Andover at the Freshman-Sophomore Meet on Sunday. Gillian Gamche added a victory in the 55 hurdles in 9.01 while Hannah Chapman took the long jump with a 15-8 3/4.

BOYS TRACK

Naveed stands out

Hamza Naveed placed second in the 300 in 36.99 for Andover at the Freshman-Sophomore Meet on Sunday. Naveed also teamed with Oliver Eberth, Kevin Chem and Dillon Preston to win the 4x200 in 1:36.09. George Cardillo, Demetri Kostakas, Victory Guery and Billy Baldwin finished second in the 4x400.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Alois keeps starring

Jackie Alois scored 13 points and added nine steals as Andover blasted former rival Lowell 50-29 last Thursday. Devon Caveney knocked down a pair of 3-pointers, Jessica Witten had seven points and Rebecca Alois added six points for the winners.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Dunn hot in loss

Chris Dunn hit four 3-pointers on his way to a team-high 14 points, but Andover lost to Lowell 50-40 on Friday. Sam Dowden added 10 points for the Golden Warriors.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Keefe, Alois goals for naught

Meagan Keefe and Veronica Alois each scored a goal, but Andover fell to Hingham 6-2 on Monday.



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