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## Union fighting to restore fired high school teacher

By DUSTIN LUCA  
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The Andover Education Association says a school district decision to fire high school teacher Jen Meagher for an email she sent to

fellow teachers last June was illegal, and a grievance filed with the state's Department of Labor Relations seeks to restore her with back pay and benefits.

Meagher and AEA President Kerry Costello testified

before a DLR hearing Tuesday at the department's Boston headquarters. At the hearing, they answered questions about the high school's reaccréditation process and how bargaining for the latest contract was tied directly

to reaccréditation self-study reports.

In the final month of contract bargaining last June, Meagher sent an email to 60 high school staff saying the reaccréditation process "is the only leverage we have

left at the bargaining table. We can assure the (School Committee) and (Superintendent Marinel McGrath) that reports will be passed and (reaccréditation) will continue if there is a contract signed this summer

that maintains a five-class load at AHS."

Up to that point, the only remaining "sticking point" in contract talks was teacher workload at the high school.

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The 456 graduates of Andover High School toss their caps into the air at the end of Monday's commencement ceremony at the Tsongas Arena in Lowell. For complete coverage, see Pages 11 to 13.



Tyler Weeks applauds during the graduation ceremony.

## Class of 2013 bids AHS farewell

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## Andover at top of pay scale

Superintendent, lieutenant among region's highest earners

By BILL KIRK AND DOUGLAS MOSER  
Staff Writers

Two of the highest-paid municipal employees in the Merrimack Valley work for the town of Andover, according to a review of 2012 salary records from the region.

School district Superintendent Dr. Marinel McGrath earned the most in the area, with \$202,894.50. The other top earners were police lieutenants and chiefs, including Andover Police Lt. John Pathiakis, who took in \$194,401. About \$80,000 of that salary came in the form of overtime.

"I put in the hours," Pathiakis said yesterday. "I gave up a lot of family life and worked a lot of overtime, between extra shifts, training and details."

Pathiakis said most of his earnings came in the form of taking extra shifts.

"Most lieutenants don't like working overtime; they have young families and want to spend time with them," he said. "I worked a lot of shifts."

McGrath, meanwhile, was hired at a high rate of pay when she first came to the district in 2010, School Committee Chairman Dennis Forgue said.

McGrath's salary has gone up at the same rate as the negotiated salaries of school union employees, Forgue added. In 2011, she joined teachers in going without a raise.

Her gross 2012 salary was \$202,894, which included \$3,000 in retroactive pay and a 1 percent raise. She got a 2 percent raise for fiscal 2013 and is scheduled for another 2 percent raise in fiscal 2014, which starts July 1, Forgue said.

In March, McGrath and the School Committee signed a new, five-year contract. Raises for 2015 through the end of her contract will be negotiated annually, Forgue said.

He also said McGrath was not the highest paid in the region, saying that honor goes to Jeff Riley, the state-appointed superintendent of the Lawrence School District.

According to Chris Markuns, a spokesman for Riley, the Lawrence superintendent earns \$198,000 and is paid by the state.

Forgue defended McGrath's high salary, saying when she started, she was earning around \$195,000, a little less than the previous

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## Water, sewer rate hikes OK'd

By BILL KIRK  
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The Board of Selectmen narrowly approved an increase in water and sewer rates Monday night, meaning ratepayers will fork over an additional \$29 a year in fiscal 2014.

Serving in their capacity as water and sewer commissioners, selectmen OK'd a proposal by Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski to increase sewer rates by 8 percent. The vote was 4-1, with Chairman Alex Vispoli voting against the measure.

However, the town manager's initial request for a 2.5 percent water rate increase failed on a 3-2 vote. Voting against it were Vispoli, Paul Salafia and Dan Kowalski. Voting in favor of it were Brian Major and Mary Lyman.

Vispoli had argued that Stapczynski should have brought the rate increases to the Board of Selectmen for a vote prior to the May 7 Town Meeting so that voters would know what the

## Teen jailed after crashing car into tree on Elm Street

By BILL KIRK  
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Two people are still in the hospital and one person is in jail following a violent, one-car crash on Elm Street late last week.

Bradford Miller, 19, of 18 Dale St., Apt. 4B, Andover, was behind the wheel of his 2002 Mitsubishi Lancer at around 1 a.m. Friday when

he lost control of the vehicle and smashed into a tree in front of 83 Elm St.

Miller was out of the car and walking around the accident scene when police arrived while two people were trapped in the crumpled vehicle.

Miller sustained minor injuries and was arraigned in his hospital room at Lawrence General Hospital

Friday afternoon on multiple charges, including two counts of operating under the influence of liquor causing serious bodily injury, being a minor in possession of alcohol, speeding, a marked lanes violation and possession of cocaine.

Because he has a separate, outstanding drunken-driving

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superintendent, Claudia Bach.

"(McGrath) is managing one of the largest school districts in the area," he said. "She inherited a school district with a lot of challenges — two years of extremely contentious contract negotiations. We are trying to really impact an entire culture of the school district. It's not an issue of whether she's overpaid, it's an issue of value."

He said McGrath has done a "better job of managing budgets, ending with a surplus last year and a surplus

this year." "Basically, she is the CEO of the schools, managing a \$76 million budget, of which

\$69 million is appropriated, plus grants. She has 800-plus employees," Forgue said. "It's a very challenging

environment where there is a very long-term, ingrained culture."

Town manager Reginald

"Buzz" Stapczynski, meanwhile, defended the high rate of pay for the town's police and fire officials, saying overtime in public safety is just a normal part of the job and can be easier on municipal budgets than hiring new police or firefighters.

"The concern is retirement benefits, and other post-employment benefits," Stapczynski said. "The analysis we've done is that oftentimes, it's less expensive to have the overtime for positions."

McGrath wasn't the only superintendent in the top 10. Haverhill Superintendent James Scully earned \$176,615 last year.

And Pathiakis certainly wasn't the only high-paid

public safety official in the area.

He was joined in the top 10 list by police and fire officials from Haverhill, Lawrence and Methuen, all of whom cracked the \$150,000 mark.

Additionally, some towns require their officials, or at least managers, to live in town. Andover is one such community, and Stapczynski said that requirement means the town has to pay officials enough to afford housing.

Superintendents also must have advanced degrees, and districts often demand experience for their municipal managers who oversee hundreds of employees and thousands of students.

## AREA'S TOP 10 HIGHEST PAID PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

NAME	GROSS 2012 SALARY	POSITION	BASE SALARY
Marinel McGrath	\$202,894	Andover schools superintendent	\$196,506
John Pathiakis	\$194,401	Andover police lieutenant	\$114,932
Alan DeNaro	\$194,213	Haverhill public safety superintendent	*
Roy Vasque	\$193,131	Lawrence police captain	\$100,856
Donald Burke	\$189,007	Lawrence fire captain	\$51,321
Brian Pattullo	\$180,848	Andover police chief	\$147,106
Kristopher McCarthy	\$179,300	Methuen police captain	\$94,797
James Scully	\$176,615	Haverhill schools superintendent	*
Thomas Fram	\$170,311	Methuen police captain	\$94,797
Shawn Quaglietta	\$168,721	Lawrence police sergeant	\$73,676

\*Base salaries not available for Haverhill city employees

## CRASH

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case against him from last June, Miller was remanded to the Essex County Sheriff's Department and taken to Middleton Jail, where he will be incarcerated for at least the next 60 days.

The two passengers in the car, also from Andover, were

more seriously injured and remained in the hospital for several days following the accident.

Michael Lyons, 19, of 12 High Vale Lane, was in the back seat of the car. Theodore Pineault, 19, of 15 County Road, was in the front seat. While police and fire rescue officials were

able to get Lyons out of the car shortly after the accident, it took about 30 minutes for firefighters to cut the roof off the car to remove Pineault, whose legs were pinned by the dashboard.

Lyons was released from the hospital Tuesday afternoon, according to his father, state Rep. Jim Lyons, R-Andover.

Police have issued summonses on cocaine possession charges to the two passengers, who have been in trouble with police in the past.

Last April, Lyons, Pineault and two other teens were arrested on charges of disorderly conduct and trespassing after police broke up an underage drinking party on Buchan Drive.

Rep. Lyons said Tuesday that he and his family are "grateful that all the young men are going to be OK and we are praying for their full recovery."

He praised Andover police and fire officials "for their quick response" and thanked the staff at Lawrence General Hospital "for the work they did to make sure the injuries were not worse."

**'Danger to community'**



BILL KIRK/Staff Photo

Lawrence District Court Judge Jose Sanchez, left, speaks to Bradford Miller, 19, of Andover, during his arraignment at Lawrence General Hospital on Friday.

During the bedside arraignment on Friday, Assistant District Attorney Kate Sarmini, reading from the police report, said Miller was believed to be driving 47 mph in a 30-mph zone when he lost control of his car.

When officer Benjamin Ledwell arrived at the scene, he found the defendant without a shirt and in bare feet walking around the car.

"He was unsteady on his feet," she said, referring to the report. "His speech was slurred. Officer Ledwell smelled alcohol on his breath."

According to the report, Miller told Ledwell, "I'm going to jail, I already have one OUI."

He also told Ledwell that he had consumed 10 beers starting at around 10 p.m.

Ledwell said in his report that Miller also told him he and his friends had pooled their money and purchased cocaine earlier that night for \$80 or \$90. A search of the car turned up a plastic bag containing white powder believed to be cocaine, Sarmini said.

She said the car was littered with beer cans.

Sarmini argued that bail stemming from Miller's June 3, 2012 arrest should be revoked.

"The facts from the 2012 case are very similar," she told Judge Jose Sanchez, who presided over the hospital room hearing. "He was leaving a house party (in 2012) and got into a series of accidents. He hit two mailboxes, drove over a couple of lawns, hit a stone wall. He did a lot of damage."

Miller was given a Breathalyzer test following the June 3 accident where his blood alcohol content registered at .14, nearly twice the legal limit of .08.

She argued that releasing Miller now would "seriously endanger the community."

The judge agreed.

"You would be a danger to the community if released," he said, in deciding to revoke bail on the 2012 case and remand Miller to the Essex County Sheriff's Department.

Sanchez also agreed with Sarmini's request for \$10,000 cash bail on the charges stemming from Friday

morning's accident. Conditions of his release, if he makes bail in 60 days, include house arrest, wearing a tracking bracelet, random drug and alcohol screenings and a prohibition from operating a motor vehicle.

His next, pre-trial hearing is scheduled for June 17.

Miller's attorney, Nicholas Howie, did not contest the bail revocation on the old case or the \$10,000 bail on the new case. He added there were "additional facts" in the case that hadn't come out yet that could be reviewed at a future court date.

He said after the hearing he was referring to a blood test taken of his client.

Howie, of the Howie Law Office in Andover and Salem, N.H., said he also represents Miller in the 2012 case. The next hearing date on that case is July 15, Howie said.

**Bad curve**

A neighbor who lives immediately adjacent to the accident scene said the sound of the crash woke him up just before 1 a.m. Within minutes, there were three ambulances, five police cars, a Lawrence General Hospital trauma unit and two fire trucks on scene. Accident reconstruction investigators were there most of the night, wrapping up around 5 a.m.

The neighbor, who didn't want his name used, said that stretch of Elm Street has been the scene of numerous accidents over the years.

In the 1970s, there were four serious accidents along that stretch in a two- or three-year period, he said. Over the years, a number of trees have been "wiped out" by car accidents, he said. One year, a car landed on his front steps after driving across his neighbor's lawn, through a fence and over a wall.

He finally prevailed on town officials to install a series of Chevron arrows to alert drivers to the dangers of the curving roadway. Since those signs were installed, he said, the number of accidents dropped significantly.

"That cured it," he said.

Another neighbor, former Building Inspector Kaija Gilmore who has lived at 83 Elm St. for 32 years, agreed the stretch of road is dangerous. She said that many years ago, the same tree that Miller hit was hit by a car in another serious accident.

"It's speed," she said. "Cars go in excess of 50 mph in a 30-mph zone."

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# YMCA OKs only phase one of expansion

The anticipated ground-breaking for the Andover/North Andover YMCA expansion this fall will encompass only the first phase of the project for the facility at 165 Haverhill St.

The initial, \$21 million phase of the project will double the existing aquatic space with the construction of a multipurpose pool,

double the available space for fitness and group exercise, include a new child development center for preschool and school-aged children, add a new Active Living Center for older adults, renovate existing locker rooms, add an Active Learning Stem (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Center for youths and teens, and include

space for the Merrimack Valley YMCA's healthcare partner, Lawrence General Hospital, to provide physical therapy and other community-based health resources.

The first phase, however, will not include a 50-meter competitive swimming venue, which was incorrectly reported due to an editing error in last week's

Townsmen.

The YMCA will continue raising money as construction begins in hopes of acquiring an additional \$6 to \$8 million to fully fund the master plan over the next three years. That master plan includes the 50-meter pool, which will only be built when the additional funds are raised.

## RATES

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rates were before acting on the new fiscal budget.

Salafia argued that the town manager's justification for the water rate increase — that the town needed to bump up its water reserve in case of emergency and because that was "tradition" — didn't make sense.

"We don't need reserves to be so large," Salafia said. "I haven't seen any evidence of a catastrophe. My sense is, we have room to save money. My hope is we can save the money."

Kowalski said several times that he wanted the town manager to create a 10-year plan for the water and sewer departments, rather than the five-year plan he presented at the meeting.

"Is there more information you can bring back to the board to better justify the increase?" he asked. "If we had more information in July or August, could the board change the rate then?"

Stapeczynski said the new water bills need to go out in July and that delaying the rate change would mean putting a new rate in place during the second round of billing.

"We'd start the fiscal year with one rate, and then go up to another rate," he said, adding that wouldn't be fair to ratepayers.

Major proposed a compromise water rate of 1 percent, meaning the average water user's bill will go up around \$4 a year instead of \$8 a year.

The remaining \$150,000 shortfall could be made up by moving money out of reserves into the water

fund's operating budget.

Lyman noted, "That's a good middle ground. It's not a huge jump." And Kowalski said the motion was a "good idea to move us forward."

The compromise was approved 3-2, with Kowalski changing his vote.

Vispoli said while he was disappointed in the outcome, he was pleased with the level of detail provided by the town manager about the water and sewer budgets.

"It was one of the most comprehensive reviews we've seen, and that's because we questioned it," he said. "With more detail and more discussion, you get a better view of the situation. We wouldn't have had that level of detail if we hadn't insisted on answers."

He said that in the future, he will insist the town manager provide "that type of comprehensive review before Town Meeting and before any kind of adjustment's requested. The sequence was completely backward. I stand by my statement because this is the second time it's happened."

## TEACHER

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The School Committee proposed increasing the workload from five to six courses, allowing the district to eliminate teaching positions and save money while also putting a dent in climbing class sizes.

Ultimately, the final, ratified contract incorporated a six-course-per-year teaching model. Though Meagher asked the teachers receiving her email to abstain in their votes on the self-study reports, all seven reports were passed by the last day of school, June 21.

Meagher was fired by the district on Sept. 17, according to a notice of dismissal from McGrath. In the dismissal, McGrath said Meagher's email urged teachers to refrain from performing an in-service duty required of them by the contract — exercising their judgment as to the merits of the re-accréditation reports.

The union filed a grievance charging that the termination was illegal on the grounds that Meagher's decision to send the email was

"concerted protected union activity."

At the hearing Tuesday, union legal representative Laurie Houle said Meagher "was the face of the union's action activities" and "this termination was under the pretentious guise that Ms. Meagher encouraged a strike."

Houle argued that there was a direct link between the re-accréditation process, specifically the self-study reports, and the collective bargaining session because the reports were based on high school teachers leading five courses a year, while teachers faced the possibility of teaching a sixth course by the end of the year.

A second hearing day was scheduled for yesterday, Wednesday, after The Townsman's deadline.

In his opening comments at the hearing, School Department attorney John Foskett said Meagher's dismissal was "focused purely on the content of this email" and that the email's "purpose, the sole purpose, was to obtain leverage at the bargaining table."

In an Oct. 31 response to the AEA grievance charge,

the School Committee wrote that the email "urged the faculty to withhold the exercise of their judgment and discretion regarding the reports and the process and to instead simply vote to abstain for reasons having nothing to do with the accreditation process."

No witnesses were called by the School Department at Tuesday's hearing, and the department's involvement in the hearing was only through cross-examination. The AEA called Meagher, union President Kerry Costello and high school English teacher Greg Waters to testify as witnesses.

In her testimony, Meagher said she opposed the passing of the reports because "in my opinion, the validity of the reports was completely undermined. They had decided we were teaching six courses when all the research (for the reports), all the evidence we gathered, wasn't going to be related to the school we were going to be over the next 10 years."

Costello, in her testimony, said "there was no withholding of service" sparked by Meagher's email because

teachers "could vote to abstain, but they voted."

"I felt this was protected union activity," she said.

Meagher received a letter from McGrath not long after her email was sent out stating that the superintendent intended to terminate her. The official notice came two months later, after the 2012-2013 school year had already started.

Meagher at one point broke into tears while trying to describe her last day at the school, forcing the hearing to recess for around five minutes.

Once she returned, she said she was "stunned" by McGrath's termination notice, and not just because it ended her relationship with the district. It also said she exhibited "conduct unbecoming of a teacher," which she took direct issue with at the hearing.

"People who are fired for conduct unbecoming of a teacher do things like have sexual relationships with students or hit students," she said. "They do horrible things to kids. I was being given that label officially. That was now a part of my professional record."

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# Townspeople

## A lemonade to benefit cancer research

By DUSTIN LUCA  
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A group of neighbors on Cheever Circle will participate in the National Lemonade Days event this weekend, raising money to support pediatric cancer research.

National Lemonade Days was started in 2000 by Alex Scott, a Connecticut

resident who was diagnosed with neuroblastoma, a pediatric cancer. She died in 2004. Thousands of Alex's Lemonade Stands continue to be held annually in her memory.

The local youths teaming to operate the Andover stand at 83 Cheever Circle are Cale and Maya Flatley, Gracie Karl, Tanner and Macy Peckham; Evan,

Megan and Abby Arpin, and Hannah and Connor Peck. The stand will be open Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Gracie Karl, 11, said the money raised at the stand goes to a good cause "because it's not fun having cancer. We want to find a cure for that that's easy."

The stand will be selling baked goods like cupcakes

and Rice Krispie Treats in addition to lemonade, Gracie said.

Cale and Maya Flatley's father, Kevin Flatley, said passersby will be able to buy goods at the stand either by paying for the items directly or contributing through either an online donation or by texting a donation to the effort right from the stand.



Longtime Andover residents Marie and Douglas Howe will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on Saturday.

Courtesy Photos

## Still lovebirds after 70 years

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
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Jitterbugging at the old Crystal Ballroom on Haverhill Street was a favorite pastime for Douglas Howe back in the day.

When a police officer threw him out from one of the dances, he knew he'd be back.

He loved to dance and soon had a pretty girl from Lawrence on his arm. He wanted to show her off.

So back he went to the Crystal Ballroom with Marie and he was able to get back in. They were just teenagers and they would return often, dancing the nights away.

Doug is now 92, Marie is 93. But the dancing memories — there certainly are a lot of them — still bring a smile to their faces.

After spending much of their lives in Andover, the Howes now call the Meadows in North Andover home. They will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 8.

"All those silly things he did to make me smile still make me smile," Marie said of their successful marriage. "That's what he did."

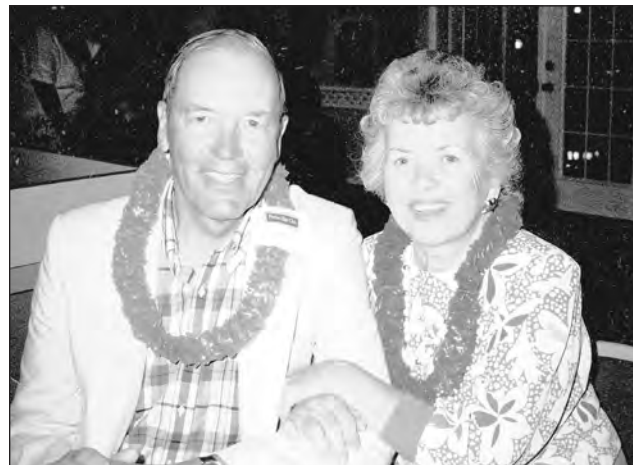
Doug, who was a Navy pilot and proudly wore his uniform on the couple's wedding day in 1943, just shrugged as he listened to his wife, a nursing school graduate, pay him



Douglas and Marie Howe on their wedding day in 1943.



The Howes celebrated their 35th anniversary in 1978 with a trip to Bermuda.



Douglas and Marie Howe in March 1988 as their 45th wedding anniversary was approaching.

compliments last week. "They really are

lovebirds," said Michelle Merrill, activity director at

the Meadows. "Marie still rests her head on her husband's shoulder."

The Howes lived with their four children — three boys and a girl — on Arundel and Kenilworth streets before settling in the Smithshire Estates neighborhood.

Doug founded an insurance company and realty that was initially located on the second floor of 52 Main St.

He remembers when you could buy a house in Andover for less than \$10,000 and can only shake his head at today's housing prices.

"In 1955, you could do it ... I remember that," he said.

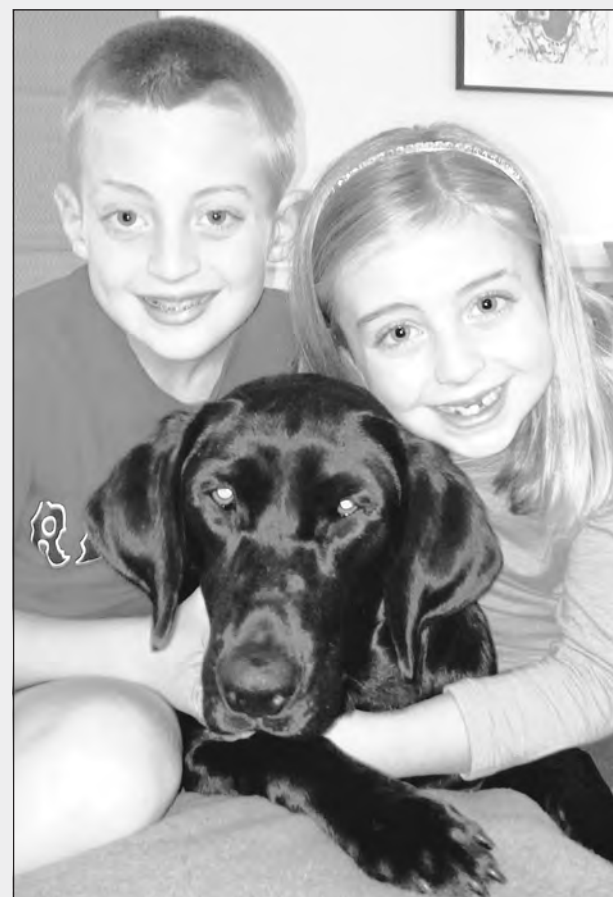
Daughter Nancy Howe Erdman of Exeter, N.H., said her father ran his realty and insurance business for years in Andover. His business eventually merged with Doherty Insurance. He also sat on several boards in town over the years.

Today, the couple has 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, of which 14 are boys.

While they live in separate rooms at the Meadows, they are just steps apart.

They have no big anniversary plans, but one thing is for sure — the jitterbug fan will be showing off his pretty girl from Lawrence.

## TOWNSPET OF THE WEEK: SUNDAY



Sunday with her owners, Oscar and Joely Bunting.

Sunday, a 2-year-old black Labrador, was picked up as a stray in Indianapolis by Lucky Lab Rescue and adopted last fall by the Bunting family of Wagon Wheel Road after they lost their 14-year-old black Lab, Berkley. Sunday, who can often be seen out on walks along the Andover Village Improvement Society trails and through the Phillips bird sanctuary, recently passed her American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizens Test, which judges dogs on basic training and manners, and is now in advanced training for her therapy dog test. Once she receives her "degree," she will follow the work of her predecessor, Berkley, doing pet therapy at The Professional Center for Child Development on Osgood Street in Andover. Sunday

is learning to maneuver wheelchairs; tolerate loud, unexpected noises and be very gentle in all situations. Soon, Sunday will be able to provide unique, interactive therapy for children with disabilities, encouraging the kids at The Professional Center to reach, stretch and touch, or even just connect through the togetherness of tummy time. In doing so, her owners, David and Jessica Bunting, together with their children, 10-year-old Oscar and 8-year-old Joely, say they will be able to share Sunday's love with others.

■ ■ ■  
Nominate your favorite pet for TownsPet of the Week. The honor is open to all types of pets. Submissions with a photo can be sent to [townsman@andovertownsmen.com](mailto:townsman@andovertownsmen.com).

## Scout Troop 76 gives back to former leader

Scouts of Ballard Vale Troop 76 came to the aid of the family of a past leader recently by helping with the daunting task of cleaning out his house of 20 years as he made the move to an assisted living residence.

Youth and adult troop members joined together in the effort for "Mr. B," who began his relationship with the troop in the 1980s when his son, Chris, crossed over from Cub Scouts. Mr. B went on to participate in countless campouts, weeks at summer camp and canoe trips as well as serve for several years as troop committee chairman and merit badge counselor. He continued his involvement with the troop long after his son earned his Eagle Scout.

When failing health necessitated Mr. B's move from his home, 23 Scouts and adult members of Troop 76, known as The Super Ducks, stepped up to assist the process, even though some had never met Mr. B before, Scoutmaster Don


Milligan said. The Scouts gathered at Mr. B's house last month in place of their regular troop meeting and spent 5 1/2 hours — a total of more than 70 man hours — working in teams cleaning out the house and garage. As gratitude for their work, many of the Scouts went home with some of Mr. B's artifacts, including Boy Scout books from the 1950s and old baseball cards.

"I could not have done this by myself, and with just the family, it would have taken weeks to do what they managed to finish in less than a day," Mr. B's son said. Milligan called Troop 76 a hard-working group. "Give them a task, point them in the direction and try not to get run over as they charge into it," he said.

Troop 76 is part of West Wind District, Yankee Clipper Council, Boy Scouts of America, and meets Friday nights at 7 at Ballard Vale United Church, 23 Clark Road, Andover.

### Your Dental HEALTH

by Nicholas T. Papapetros, DMD, FAGD



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Genetics often play a role when patients have teeth that are missing because they failed to develop. This is particularly likely to happen with teeth such as the lateral incisors, second premolars (bicuspid), and third molars ("wisdom teeth"). Permanent teeth may also be lost through decay or injury. Regardless of whether a tooth is lost or missing, its absence can lead to tipping or drifting of the adjacent teeth into the resulting empty space. In addition, opposing teeth in the other jaw are likely to overerupt, or the loss of several side teeth may lead to a collapsed bite. Whatever the causes of missing teeth, they should be replaced as soon as possible to restore biting function and avoid complications.

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# Making their marks on the world



## Andover Stories

Steve Pekock  
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Historical Society

Last week, this column described a few of the numerous institutions disproportionate to its modest population that have helped Andover lead the region and the nation.

It now seems a fitting time to follow up with a few vignettes to identify a small number of this town's residents who have made singular contributions to the world we know today.

No description of Andover's leading individuals can begin without Anne Bradstreet. Bradstreet came to the colonies in 1630 at age 18 with her parents and young husband, Simon. She and her family were among a new wave of English settlers, well born and reasonably well-educated, who came to build the economy of the region, soon settling in Andover.

Simon Bradstreet served in various capacities with the Massachusetts Bay Company and his business called him away frequently. His wife, well-educated for a woman of the day, had access to the relatively large library belonging to her father, Thomas Dudley, and spent the empty hours learning and reading. Eventually, her interests

turned to composing poetry. Puritan New England was not supportive of women learning, much less expressing themselves. Bradstreet's brother-in-law was impressed with her works though. He secretly copied them and returned to England where he had them published to some acclaim.

As a result, Andover resident Anne Bradstreet achieved the honor of being both the first published American poet and also the first female English poet. Locally, she is known as the first lady of the Valley of the Poets as the Merrimack Valley would eventually become known.

Osgood is a name often seen in the Andovers. Samuel Osgood was one of its first sons, having been born in town in the year of its founding. After graduating from Harvard College in 1770, Osgood joined the military, leading a local troop to the battles of Lexington and Concord. Later, he served in a variety of roles in Massachusetts government, including the state's representative to the Continental Congress.

In 1785, Osgood was appointed commissioner to the treasury in New York City, then the nation's capital. Once the Constitution was ratified, firmly establishing the legitimacy of the government, President George Washington appointed Osgood to be the nation's first postmaster general.

Andover's leadership also shows up in unexpected places. Consider the jar of honey in the cabinet. The Father of American Beekeeping was an Andover resident.



Courtesy photo

Andover grouse hunter Charles Davies is credited with the creation of skeet shooting in the 1920s.

Rev. Lorenzo Lorraine (L.L.) Langstroth was born in Philadelphia and educated at Yale. He arrived in Andover in 1836 as pastor of South Congregational Church.

It is said that Langstroth had an abiding interest in insects from a very young age. This interest led to his identification of one aspect of bee habit. If the area around combs exceeded "bee space" — the relative size of a bee — bees would tend not to construct wax that would glue the hive together, making it dangerous to harvest honey.

As a result, in 1852, Langstroth secured a patent employing top-hung movable frames separated by "bee space." This invention revolutionized honey production.

Finally, it is amazing to think a shooting sport that has worldwide appeal and is an Olympic event was invented in Andover. In 1920, Charles Davies, an avid grouse hunter, wanted to devise a method to improve his skill. The result was an exercise he coined "shooting around the clock." He launched traps to release targets at different levels.

By firing from 12 locations around a circle (around the clock), Davies found he could be challenged by nearly every shooting angle a bird hunter might experience.

The complaints of a neighbor that shot pellets were falling on his property forced an adjustment. A second trap was located across the field, the circle became a fan and Davies' exercise became wildly popular with hunters and recreational shooters.

Because the field was no longer a clock, the name needed revising. A magazine contest in 1926 led to the name "skeet," which approximates "shoot" in Norwegian, and is attributed to Gertrude Hurlbutt, winner of the naming contest.

There has been no lack of inspiration in this small town nor talented men and women to leave their marks on history. Who will historians write about over the next centuries? Perhaps the answers are in our homes and schools today.

## ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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### 100 Years Ago June 6, 1913

Parents Day will be observed at Punchard School next Tuesday. No special program will be carried out, but parents will be welcome to visit the school and view the work being done.

Mrs. George Bailey and her two sons of Merrimac visited relatives in town over the weekend.

Miss Edith Johnson of Tufts College spent a few days at her home on Salem Street last week.

### 75 Years Ago June 2, 1938

The Town of Andover received a check for \$442.85 Tuesday from the Alexander Supply Co. to terminate a long-standing controversy between selectmen and the Board of Public Works regarding the purchase of the so-called "Big Mike," or Austin 77, a combination scraper, scarifier and plow. The Board of Health

office moved over the weekend from rented quarters on Park Street to the former checkroom on the second floor of Town Hall.

### 25 Years Ago June 2, 1988

The Finance Committee voted against endorsing the article for the Lawrence-Andover Collaborative School project to be voted at the June 20 special town meeting. But Finance Committee Chairwoman Joanne Marden said the vote did not mean a financing package couldn't be put together at another time.

After spending two years recuperating at the Veterans Hospital in Roxbury after a tragic accident left him paralyzed, Eugene Doran returned to Andover. "I've been home two weeks and I've never felt better and healthier in the 25 months," Doran said. Doran was injured while sitting in a barbershop when he was hit by a nail shot from a stud gun in an adjacent store.

## Chamber music, farmers market next up for Chroniclers

There's Something About Andover continues its celebration of resident artists this month with the spotlight on Michael Finegold, a local flutist and founder of the Essex Chamber Music Players. Finegold will discuss the ensemble's work as well as its efforts to bring music and music education to the region.

In the second segment, the show visits the Andover Farmers Market on the grounds of the Andover Historical Society.

The shows air Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday, Friday,

Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m. on Comcast Channel 8 and Verizon Channel 47.

The show is produced by the Andover Chroniclers, an all-volunteer group of seniors from the Center at Punchard. The group welcomes new members. Anyone who might be interested in any aspect of video production can email seniorcenter@andoverma.gov with the subject line Skip Wilkins.

To learn more about the group and watch previous shows, visit [www.andoverse-niorcenter.org/programs-activities/other-groups/andover-chroniclers](http://www.andoverse-niorcenter.org/programs-activities/other-groups/andover-chroniclers).



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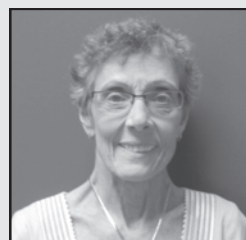
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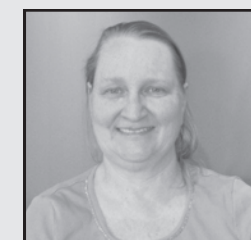
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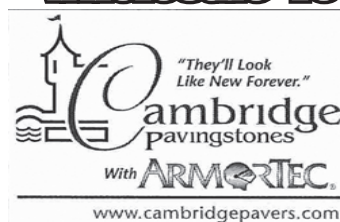
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# Out on a limb for Habitat for Humanity

Retelle Tree Corp. took Arbor Day to heart this year by donating a team and equipment to a Merrimack Valley Habitat for Humanity Project in Lawrence.

As part of its conversion of St. Patrick's Convent at 100 Parker St. into 10 affordable housing units, Habitat for Humanity needed to do some site improvements, including removing five damaged and overhanging trees from the back of the property.

Enter Retelle, a family-owned tree business that has been operating in Andover for more than 40 years. The company assembled a crew on a Saturday and went to work.

While removing trees might seem counter-intuitive to the goal of Arbor Day, the owners of Retelle say the trees intruded on the area of the site that will provide off-street parking for the development's residents. There was also concern that the overhang from the trees could potentially damage the building. Because the trees were non-native species, their removal was recommended.

Ken LaRose, president of the Merrimack Valley Habitat for Humanity board, said Retelle's efforts will improve the health of the surrounding landscaping. And, the wood from the trees did not go to waste. Several artisan woodworkers retrieved wood to use in their next projects, with the rest being collected by individuals for firewood, leaving little to dispose of.



COURTESY PHOTO

From left, Peter Retelle, president/owner of Retelle Tree Corp.; Yvan Levesque of Levesque Wood Company, Riki Retelle, Eric Hanson and Chris Fletcher recently contributed their time and equipment to a Merrimack Valley Habitat for Humanity project in Lawrence.

Retelle Tree — which includes family members Peter Retelle, owner and president, and Riki Retelle, foreman, climber and director of maintenance — was founded in 1967. For more on the business, visit [www.retelletree.com](http://www.retelletree.com). For more on Merrimack Valley Habitat for Humanity, visit [www.merrimackvalleyhabitat.org](http://www.merrimackvalleyhabitat.org).

## BUSINESS BRIEF CASE

### Test prep focus for

#### Essex Education

Essex Education, founded by Andover natives Richard Snyder and Katherine Lamanna, has set up shop in downtown Andover at 89 North Main St., Suite 203.

The co-founders say their primary focus is on introducing more New England students to the ACT college entrance exam, which they say is a better test, particularly for students who have pursued more of an advanced curriculum.

Snyder and Lamanna say that colleges and universities give equivalent consideration to the ACT and SAT, so which test to take is entirely up to the student. Snyder, who taught in California, added students there prefer ACT because it's challenging but intellectually satisfying. This summer, Essex Education will also offer prep courses for high school students signed up for advanced placement physics, calculus and English classes in the fall to provide them with exposure to the curriculum in advance of the school year.

Snyder and Lamanna attended Andover public schools from kindergarten through 12th grade and have a combined 15-plus years of teaching experience.

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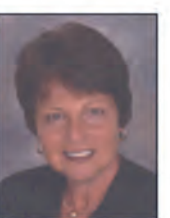
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# Education

## National Latin Exam translates into awards

Latin students from Doherty Middle School and Andover High School who scored top awards on the National Latin Exam were recently honored for their achievements.

The local students joined more than 154,000 peers at public and private schools across the U.S. and abroad in taking the exam in early March.

The exam assesses knowledge of language, mythology, history, culture and reading comprehension. Local educators say receiving an award on the exam is an achievement, regardless of whether the students are in middle or high school or at the collegiate level.

This year, Andover students received awards ranging from Cum Laude to Gold Medal/Summa Cum Laude certificates. The Doherty students were presented their awards during their Spring Open House on May 22. Recognition for the Andover High students was scheduled for the Senior Breakfast and the Underclassmen Awards ceremonies.

### CUM LAUDE

**Latin I:** Kyle Aulbach, Jack Fanikos, Scott Jackson, Ilana Pike, Clare Sullivan,

**Latin III:** Caroline Drooff, Matthew Ferreira, Amanda Hornick, Michael Lowe, Andrew Wang

**Latin IV Prose:** Jeremy Brownholtz

**Latin V:** Peter Scapicchio

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

**Latin I:** Erin Hanrahan, Maxwell Kalinowski, Luc Pakey, Elin Rungren, Angela Vu

**Latin II:** Amber Li, Matthew Tringali, Christopher Zhou

**Latin IV Prose:** Sambangi Jaydeep

**Latin V:** Graceanne Casto, Kylie Fox

### MAXIMA CUM LAUDE

#### Silver Medals

**Latin I:** Matthew Dennett, Richard Zhong

**Latin II:** Jesse Girrell, Ari Pike, James Zhou

**Latin IV Prose:** Qingyuan (Yen) Wu

### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

#### Gold Medals

**Latin I:** John Crowley, Emai Lai, Jacob McConley, Ryan O'Meara, Jeremiah Thomas

**Latin II:** Victor Zhang

**Latin III:** Daniel Zhang

**Latin V:** Kylen Moynihan

## Pike School's Ren tallies for MathCounts

Michael Ren, a seventh-grader at the Pike School in Andover, put his skills to the test as part of the Massachusetts MathCounts team that successfully defended its national championship title recently in Washington, D.C.

Ren, the son of Barry Ren and Melissa Qian, was a newcomer to the four-person team. He was selected following his successful individual outing at the state competition earlier this year.

He journeyed to the nation's capital for the 2013 Raytheon MathCounts national finals in May, competing with his team against 55 other squads made up of middle-schoolers from across the country. Following the



COURTESY PHOTO

Andover's Michael Ren was part of the Massachusetts MathCounts team that successfully defended its national championship title recently in Washington, D.C. From left, coach Joshua Frost and teammates Alec Sun, Ren, James Lin and Matthew Lipman flanked by MathCount officials.

written competition, the emerged victorious, beating percent margin to retain the Massachusetts contingent Washington state by a 0.5 national title.

Ren placed 27th out of 224 competitors.

Teammates Alec Sun and James Lin, both of McCall Middle School in Winchester, advanced to the individual competition, with Sun taking home the National Individual Championship while Lin made it as far as the quarter-finals. The team also included Matthew Lipman of Meadowbrook School in Weston, who placed 33rd overall.

The Massachusetts MathCounts team is coached by Joshua Frost of Jonas Clarke Middle School in Lexington. Ren's math teacher at the Pike School is Liza Walters. For more on the event, visit [www.mathcounts.org](http://www.mathcounts.org) or

### LOCAL SCHOLARS

**Sana Nadkarni**, a fifth-grader at High Plain Elementary School in Andover and aspiring artist, was awarded the 2013 Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award by the Massachusetts Association for Gifted Education. The award is named for a 7-year-old boy killed in a shooting in Italy in 2000.

Nadkarni has received other recognitions and exposure, including an exhibit at the Statehouse and reception at Andover's CITI Bank. She was recognized by the 2011 Massachusetts School Library Association Bookmark Contest, Junior Federal Duck Stamp Contest, a GO Writer's Contest and the U.S. Arts Olympiad.

Senior **Emma Keefe** of Andover received The Thompson English Prize for outstanding scholarship in her English studies during Lawrence Academy in Groton's Cum Laude Day awards assembly on May 1. She is the daughter of Julie and John Keefe.

The following students were named to the honor roll at Shore Country Day School in Beverly for the second trimester: **Alex Claman**, grade 8, high honors; and **Jack Miller**, grade 8, honors.

Juniors **Cecilia Bole** and **Aileen Kim** were inducted into the National Honor Society at Austin Preparatory School in Reading on April 8.

The following students were named to the Belmont High School honor roll for the third marking period: **George Apostle**, grade 11, high honors, son of **Marizela Zeiger** and **John Apostle**; and **Peter O'Connell**, grade 8, honors, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter O'Connell.

Andover residents **Robert Lemons**, a student at Wood Hill Middle School, and **Andrew Selima**, a student at St. Augustine Elementary School, have each received a St. Francis Xavier Merit Scholarship at St. John's Prep in Danvers. They will begin their studies in September.

**Myles Bagley** of Andover received the Middle School Award of Merit at Belmont Hill School's annual Prize Day Ceremony. Bagley just completed the eighth grade.



COURTESY PHOTO

Several students from West Middle School brought their projects to the Regional Science and Engineering Fair at UMass Lowell this spring. From there, six West Middle teams advanced to last weekend's state competition.

## West Middle shines at science fairs

West Middle School students have returned from the state Science and Engineering Fair with plenty to be proud of.

Two teams — the duos of Ved Ahuja and Andreas Steenbergen and also Eric You and Shawn Khetarpal — placed second at the fair, which was held Saturday, June 1 at Worcester Technical High School.

Steenbergen and Ahuja, who had won first place at the Regional Fair on May 4 at UMass Lowell, focused their project on the effect of wind turbine on electric output. You and Khetarpal highlighted the solar oven.

Brooke Lenex, who placed second at the Regional Fair, scored an honorable mention at the states for an individual project on roofing materials.

Based on the results of the regional and state fairs, Khetarpal and You,

Ahuja and Steenbergen, and Lenex can apply to compete in the National Middle School Science and Engineering Fair.

Meanwhile, two teams — Andrew Kazmer and Faolon Curtin-Orsmond (graphene project) as well as Will Raphael and Jack Murray (solar-powered algae growth inhibitor) — and individual competitor Matthew Davidson (effect of drag on aerodynamics) all earned third-place finishes at the state competition.

Other students who competed at the May 4 regionals against 15 other middle schools from the area were individuals Aditi Kannan (energy consumption), Michael Kelly (solar phone charger) and Charlotte Guterman (designing a stronger flat roof) and the team of Ananda Kao and Jackie McGinnis (solar-powered refrigerator).

West Middle's alternates to the regionals were Meredith Stewart (water impurities and the Mpemba Effect), Kate Freeland (testing desalination methods), Kaamil Lokhandwala (waste decomposition), Michael Slattery and Owen Mosher (testing pesticides), Sophie Bardetti and Lindsay Williams (decomposing spoons) and Jason Yundt (maglev testing).

The students qualified for the regionals and states at the fifth annual West Middle School Science and Engineering Fair on April 10. The school fair featured 165 projects judged by 50 community members.

West Middle received a GEMS (Gelfand Endeavor in Massachusetts Schools) grant, allowing the teachers and students to use inquiry-based learning to expand their knowledge in science and engineering and fund the fair.

## Cleanup crew

Members of The Green Team of Wood Hill Middle School picked up six bags of trash under and around the bleachers at Andover High School recently while managing to avoid patches of poison ivy. Team member Jack Rigazio, left, had the idea for the clean-up because he lives near the high school and had noticed a lot of trash in the area. Joining Rigazio in the effort are, from left, Wood Hill Middle School health teacher Stacey Consiglio, Sibi Thirumalai, Matt Donahue and John McCarthy. Madison Quill, not pictured, also got her hands dirty as part of the clean-up. High School Principal Christopher Lord commended the students, telling them, "We have 'lightning strikes' at AHS for students who do great things like this."

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# Citizen's exchange prompts call to police

By BILL KIRK

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A citizen's comments escalated into a shouting match with members of the Board of Selectmen Monday night and only ended after officials threatened to call police.

The heated exchange involved Donal Coleman of High Street, who addressed the board at 7:30 p.m. during

its "Citizens Petitions & Presentations" time, which opens every selectmen's meeting.

Coleman directed sharp words at selectmen over his concern with traffic in Elm Square and along Elm Street, saying the crosswalk lights leave pedestrians unsafe.

"People go 60 mph past my house," he said. "My mother can't get across the street to get to the library."

"It's horrible. The lights aren't synchronized. No one yields at the right-hand turn. That has to be improved or someone's going to get killed."

He then began speaking about a former town official, at which point Lyman told him several times, "You're done." Selectmen Chairman Alex Vispoli then reiterated several more times, "You're done."

After the exchange continued for a few more moments, Lyman said, "One more comment and I'm calling the police" to have Coleman removed from Town Hall. At that point, Coleman sat down.

While police were called to the town offices on Bartlet Street at 7:59 p.m. for "community policing," according to the police log, no offenses were reported.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

### 'Pirates of Penzance' auditions

Do you remember your childhood dreams of becoming a singing pirate? The Treble Chorus of New England is hoping to make those dreams a reality.

Treble Chorus' "Hands On Opera" program is preparing to stage Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance" for its 2013 season and is still auditioning for the chorus and for

young men between the ages of 13 and 17. Final auditions will be held Monday, June 10, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at West Parish Church in Andover.

The group is also scheduling auditions for its three choirs — Training, ages 7 to 9; Concert, ages 9 to 13; and Schola, ages 13 to 18 — for its 2013-2014 season.

For an audition or more information, contact Anna at 978-470.8263 or tcenanager@treblechorusne.org.

### Casting call for movie extras

Secrets Movie LLC is seeking volunteer extras for its upcoming film "The Minister's Wife," which will be filming scenes at Massachusetts School of Law in Andover on June 17 and 18.

"The Minister's Wife" is based on a true story and Kathryn Casey's book, "Deadly Little Secrets." It is being produced by Mark

Donadio and Miriam Marcus of Moody Independent, line produced by Andrea Ajemian of Worcester and directed by John Stimpson. The bulk of the filming is being done in Worcester.

Extras of all ages over age 12 are needed for full days. If interested, e-mail contact information and a recent photo to Lynn Hedvig at movietmw@gmail.com, with your name and the word "extra" in the subject line.

# Family left homeless after electrical fire

A fire that started in the basement of a home on Marland Street left a family homeless early Monday morning.

Police responded to a 911 call about an electrical fire in the basement at 22 Marland St. at 4:59 a.m.

When they arrived, they found heavy smoke pouring from the building, but

reported that all occupants had evacuated safely.

Red Cross volunteers assisted four adults and two children, providing them with emergency temporary shelter, emergency funds for food and clothing, comfort kits including toiletries and two Mickey Mouse dolls.

— Bill Kirk, Staff Writer

## OBITUARIES

### Thomas Dye, 87

March 6, 1926 — May 3, 2013

VENICE, FL — Thomas J. Dye, 87, of Venice, Fla., and longtime resident of Andover, died on May 3, 2013. Born in Columbus, Ohio, Thomas was

Little League coach and umpire.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia (Dynes); daughters, Susan Jenkins and husband,

Roger, of Andover, Margaret Cuneo and husband, Robert, of Andover; and sons, Thomas and wife, Robin, of Salem, N.H., and Charles and wife, Jennifer, of Salem, Conn. He is also survived by



Tom built his business career in the shoe industry; his specialty was in the design of heel and last manufacturing. He traveled extensively in Germany and Italy for international trade shows. He retired as Vice President of Sterling Last Co. Tom was active in the Andover community serving as a trustee of South Church, Boy Scout Commissioner, and

13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Funeral services were held in Venice, Fla. A private commitment ceremony will be held in July at West Parish Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Infinity Home, 1505 S. Tamiami Trail, #402, Venice FL 34285 or the Tidewell Hospice House, 220 Wexford Blvd., Venice, FL 34293.

### Mrs. Ann Elizabeth (Murphy) Fuchs, 77 Years

February 26, 1936 — May 28, 2013

ANDOVER AND NAPLES, FL — Mrs. Ann Elizabeth (Murphy) Fuchs, a resident of Andover and Naples, Fla., and beloved wife of John F. Fuchs, died at the Holy Family Hospital in Methuen on Tuesday morning, May 28, 2013. She was 77 years old.

Besides her loving husband, John, Ann will be missed by her loving children, Dorothy A. and her husband, David J. Rokes, of Naples, Fla., John J. Fuchs of Haverhill, and Paul F. Fuchs and his partner, Judith L. Mize, of Tewksbury. She was also the sister of the late Dorothy Haney and Jackie Murphy.

Born in Trenton, N.J., on February 26, 1936, she was the beloved daughter of the late John and Louisa (Clower) Murphy. Mrs. Fuchs was an active woman and was a member of the Andona Society in Andover and the Village Garden Club. She had been employed by Pappagalos in Andover, Young Fashions and Valentine Flowers. In her spare time, Mrs. Fuchs enjoyed winters in Naples, Florida playing golf.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Calling hours were held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main St., Andover, Thursday, May 30, 2013, from 4 to 7 p.m. Service and interment will be privately held at a later date. Donations in Ann's memory may be made to the Lazarus House Ministries, 122 Essex St., Lawrence, MA 01840. For additional information, please visit [www.burkemagliozi.com](http://www.burkemagliozi.com).

### Attorney Gerald M. Lewis

ANDOVER — Gerald M. Lewis of Chestnut Hill, formerly of Andover, a lawyer in the Andover area, and former radio and television personality in Portland, Maine in the 1950s, died Saturday, June 1, in Boston of heart disease. Born in Boston, June 23, 1928, he was the beloved husband of Joan Eleanor (Steinberg) Lewis. They would have been married 62 years on June 6. Mr. Lewis will be missed dearly by his wife; his son, Geoffrey Lewis and his wife, Amy Caplan, of Waban; his daughter, Rose Lewis of Needham; and his three granddaughters, whom he adored, Samantha, Jessica, and Ming Lewis. Mr. Lewis was the son of the late Rose Mendelsohn Lewis and George Jacob Lewis. He was predeceased by his siblings, Frances Rosenstein, Morton Lewis, and Miriam Marcus.



**ARRANGEMENTS:** Funeral services for Mr. Lewis were held at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover, on Monday, June 3, at 1 p.m. For complete obituary, please visit the funeral home website at [brezniakrodman.com](http://brezniakrodman.com).

### Timothy D. Sweeney, 52

Founder of Tim Sweeney & Son Landscape Co.

ANDOVER, MA — Timothy D. Sweeney, 52, a longtime resident of Andover, passed away at the Massachusetts General Hospital on Sunday, June 2, 2013.

Andover Youth Services.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on December 24, 1960, he was the beloved son of the late Daniel P. Sweeney and Rebecca Kenney-Olofsson and her husband, Alan P. Kenney, who survive him, of Andover.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by one son, Scott D. Sweeney of Andover; three siblings, Robyn Ellington of Havre, Mont., Kirk Sweeney and his wife, Yaovaret, of Hong Kong, and Elizabeth Meissner and her husband, Michael, of Ayer, Mass.; also many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tim was raised in Andover, and attended Andover public schools.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Calling hours will be Friday, June 7, from 4 to 8 p.m., in the Farmer & Dee Funeral Home, 16 Lee St., Tewksbury. Private burial will be held at the convenience of the family in West Parish Cemetery, Andover. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Andover Youth Services, 37 Pearson St., Andover, MA 01810. [www.farmer-anddee.com](http://www.farmer-anddee.com).

Prior to his illness, he operated the Tim Sweeney & Son Landscape Company for 15 years.

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# Andover High graduation



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Members of the class of 2013 await their diplomas at Tsongas Arena.

## Distinguished citizens

### Class of '13 breaks barriers, celebrates community

By DUSTIN LUCA  
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As Andover High School's class of 2013 poured from the Tsongas Center in Lowell Monday night, they did so with one resounding message in their mind: Be ready for what lies ahead.

But this year's Distinguished Citizen honoree, as chosen by the class, believes the 456 graduates are embarking on their next step in life as distinguished citizens themselves.

Longtime Andover High School educator Brian Parker, who was forced to take a leave of absence from teaching after suffering a brain hemorrhage and stroke, attended Monday's ceremony having traveled a long road of recovery that he said was motivated by the class of 2013.

"Leaning to walk or speak again has been a challenge, but you've inspired me through the hundreds of cards, the many visits. ... It has been overwhelming," he said. "We are here to honor you. You're truly Andover's distinguished citizens."

Before accepting their diplomas, this year's graduates bestowed a class gift that they hope will allow their legacy to continue with future classes.

"Our class succeeded in raising Andover High School spirit," graduate Lauren Wackowski said in announcing the class gift — a sound system upgrade for the high school's Dunn Gymnasium. "As we all go into separate directions, we'll be happy to know that the class of 2013 has left its mark. Future generations will have louder pep rallies, and Jack's Jungle can continue its success."

Class essayist Sean Sullivan said the class of 2013 arrived at Andover High from different middle

schools and paths. But together they leave Andover in collective fashion, he said.

"We broke through all the barriers that prepare us for the following chapters of our lives, awaiting for us jobs and taxes," Sullivan said. "We'll always remember the barriers here: tests, projects and quizzes. And don't forget, multiple principals."

School officials encouraged the graduates to be prepared for the real world and ready for the opportunities it will provide. Superintendent Marinel McGrath said "real-life learning" now awaits the students.

"You're no longer going to find a daily agenda on the board to guide you. Learning at this point will become much more difficult to quantify, and most real-life tests will come unannounced," she said. "These tests, by the way, are going to continue for at least the next 60 or more years."

Thomas Powers, a 1983 graduate and teacher at the school since 2002, offered an equally powerful, yet simple message.

"Do not let school get in the way of your education," he said. "I ask (students seeking recommendations), are you pursuing good grades in order to get into a good college so that you get a good job, so that you can buy all the stuff that you already have?"

"You need to get out there, you need to travel, you need to seek, you need to ponder, you need to think, you need to pursue knowledge with uncommon passion. You shouldn't be constrained by a rubric on an assignment or a curriculum at a high school. You shouldn't be restrained by colleges or the practical exigencies of seeking a job when you're finished with college. You need to pursue the passions of your mind."



Sam Vecchi gets a hug at Andover High School's graduation ceremony Monday night.



William Baldwin congratulates Andover High teacher Brian Parker, this year's Distinguished Citizen Award recipient.



Rachel Huntley sported a unique cap at graduation.

#### ABOUT THE CLASS OF 2013

**Graduates:** 456  
**Valedictorian:** Evan Huang  
**Salutatorian:** Casey Zhang  
**Essayist:** Sean Sullivan

**Readers:** Christopher Cortner, Jessica Dunne, Alexandra Gaspar, Dina Roumeliotis, Victoria Sherzi, Jaclyn Torres



Jillian Wilson can't hide her enthusiasm during graduation.



Greg Manson waits outside Tsongas Arena before the start of Monday's Andover High School graduation.



Meghan McPhee records a video as she and her classmates file into Tsongas Arena.

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## Finding her niche and more

### Renton forges connections at Marland, AHS

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
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Glance at Marina Renton's resume and one might wonder what she hasn't done in her four years at Andover High School.

The high honors student may be a bit quiet, but her resume speaks loudly of success. It goes like this:

- Volunteer work at Atria Marland Place in Andover with residents coping with Alzheimer's

- Editor of the Warrior Weekly, the AHS newspaper
- Art director of AHS Arts magazine
- Pianist with six years of lessons behind her

Along the way, Renton successfully completed numerous Advanced Placement courses and earned two scholarships, which she'll put to good use as she pursues an Ivy League education at Brown University in Providence come fall.

While Renton has made an impression academically, it's her compassion for those less fortunate that has people talking.

"Marina is a remarkable person," said Mary Mazza, the Engage Life director at Marland Place. "She is compassionate and dedicated. The residents look forward to her visits."

It was nearly three years ago when Renton's grandfather moved into Marland Place. She visited often and when he passed away in April 2011, she knew she wanted to do something for his caregivers.

"They were so compassionate, so caring. I wanted to say thank you," Renton said.

She kept visiting residents, painting nails and playing games. Then, her visits became a bit more involved when she developed a successful storytelling method called TimeSlips that helps people with dementia better connect with staff, family and friends.

Here's how it works: She puts arbitrary photographs, such as an image of a dog or a dancer, on a page and residents write stories about them. They open up as imaginations go wild, she said.

"It's just great to watch them connect to the photograph," said Renton, who put together a TimeSlips presentation that was submitted to the Alzheimer's Foundation and won her a \$500 scholarship.

Kim Bergey, Renton's guidance counselor for four years at Andover High, said Renton did her Senior Exhibition on TimeSlips.

"It is one of the most interesting projects that I've

ever seen a senior do," Bergey said. "That project gets them (Marland residents) using their mind in a way they're not used to. Instead of being frustrated that they can't remember things, they say, 'Let's create our own memories.'"

Renton also garnered attention when she took the school's newspaper online.

"Her junior year, she was promoted to editor-in-chief of Warrior Weekly and proposed the idea to push the paper to a web platform. And she made it happen," Bergey said.

While Andover High is a big school, Renton said individual students have plenty of opportunity to succeed and excel.

"In my case, having a teacher as a true mentor made an enormous difference," she said.

That teacher was freshman English instructor Scott Aubrey, who she said took an interest in her academic work, encouraging her to explore the extracurricular options available at Andover High and supporting her when she developed an interest in the school newspaper, for which he serves as faculty advisor.

"You just have to find your niche," Renton said.

Or multiple niches.



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Kelsey Stevens explored the artistic side of black and white photography as part of her Senior Exhibition project, which she showed off at a program last month at the high school. Stevens is headed to North Park University in Chicago in the fall.

## The shutterbug of AHS

### Stevens develops a passion for the lens

By DUSTIN LUCA  
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When Kelsey Stevens came to Andover High School, she imagined becoming an athlete like her brother. Instead, she became the go-to shutterbug of the class of 2013, building a solid portfolio and reputation even before she picked up her diploma Monday night.

"I wanted to be a soccer player and go to some school where I could go into architecture or engineering," she said.

But now, the Chicago-bound Stevens has her goals fixed on a job as a photographer for National Geographic.

"Dream big," said the 18-year-old graduate.

Stevens launched her photography career as a sophomore, when she found herself enrolled in a Photography I course. She initially tried to drop the class, but offerings were sparse and nothing else fit her schedule,

she said.

She soon realized she enjoyed working with a camera — so much so that it developed into a full-fledged hobby. That Christmas, she got a pricey digital single-lens reflex camera and her fate was sealed.

Leading up to graduation, Stevens filled her days with academics and her nights with photo shoots. She had so many clients wanting everything from senior photos to event coverage that she had to turn gigs down, she said.

She has also been known to capture town events and do photo work for Andover Youth Services. In recent weeks, her time was spent putting together the senior slide show, her final photo foray for the class of 2013.

Even as she is preparing to leave town for Chicago and the campus of North Park University, current high school juniors are lining up to schedule appointments to have their senior photos

taken for next year.

Andover High photography teacher Brittany Martin said she started entering Stevens in competitions even before she had her in a class.

"She has really lit a fire in the fine arts, and particularly photography," Martin said.

Martin said that many members of the high school photography club, which Stevens helped form, "pay attention to what she's doing and try to make her achievements their own goals."

"People really depend on her here," Martin said. "We're really going to miss her."

Stevens is undecided on her college major, though she is leaning toward either business — where she said she can learn how to promote her photography skills — or communications.

But "if I'm not liking what I'm doing, I'll absolutely turn back to photography," she said.

### LOCAL NATIONAL MERIT WINNERS

Several Andover students are among the 2013 winners of the National Merit and National Achievement Scholarships and the National Hispanic Recognition Program by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

#### Andover High School

**Evan T. Doyle**, who is seeking to major in environmental engineering, won a National Merit Pfizer Inc. scholarship.

**Stan W. Huang**, who is seeking to major in computer science, won a National Merit Northwestern University scholarship.

#### Phillips Academy

**Emily L. Field** was one of eight students named a National Merit Scholar and will receive a \$2,500 scholarship.

**Nicole Pelletier** and **Andrea M. Vargas** were among 10

students named National Historic Scholars by the College Board's National Hispanic Recognition Program.

In addition, six seniors were recognized with special scholarships and honorable mentions. They include **Stephanie D. Petrella**, National Merit Special Scholarship.

### 2013 GRADUATES

The 300-member graduating class of St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers included 14 Andover residents. The 103rd commencement exercises were held May 19.

The local graduates are: **Alexander Phillip Cain**, **John P. Chahraban** (Mathematics Award), **Michael Vincent Cirbee**, **Jonathan Jay Costello**, **William Carter Durland**, **Dustin Douglas Hunt**, **Phillip Kyle Igoe** (Computer Science Award), **John William McKeon**, **Eric Charles O'Connor** and **Andrew Zucco**, all National Honor Society members; and **John Daniel Cirbee**, **Thomas Christopher Cirbee**, **Michael Joseph O'Hara** and **Michael Edward Selima**.

Five Andover students were among the 103 graduates to receive their high school diplomas during the 250th commencement exercises at The Governor's Academy in Byfield.

The local graduates are **Hannah Abbe**, **Joseph Shon Jr.**, **Alexandra Horn**, **Siobhan McDonough** and **Logan Poole**.

Two Andover students were among the 121 graduates of Austin Preparatory School in Reading.

**Anne Green** received the Medal for Mathematics and the Medal for Business & Economics at commencement. She will be attending Georgia Institute of Technology.

**James Acheson** will be attending Northern Essex Community College.

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# Krit Classic

## Annual race draws more than 1,000 participants

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Sunday's fifth annual Krit Classic 5K Run/Walk and Kids Fun Run at Andover High School in memory of Kristin "Krit" Kearins was full of memorable take-aways, from an emotional balloon launch to a photo finish in the kids race between two youngsters participating in memory of their aunt.

Kearins' mother, Pam Sheehy, called the event an "amazing celebration" that kicked off with the traditional launch of hundreds of green balloons to the music of "Over the Rainbow."

"Krit for sure was smiling down on us," Sheehy said.

The event brought out at least 1,200 runners of all ages to support the cause, according to Sheehy.

In the 5K, 19-year-old Simon Voorhees of Andover topped the men's field with a time of 16:48 and Alison Boutiette, 33, of Reading, led the women at 19:56. Race director Mike Meagher got the race off to a rousing start in his automobile.

The Kids Fun Run, introduced only last year, exploded with more than 150 participants. In the untimed half-mile run for the 7- to 12-year-old set, two of Sheehy's grandchildren, 12-year-old Kayli Fagan and 9-year-old Will Sullivan, were neck-and-neck as they crossed the finish line. Ages 6 and under, meanwhile, competed in a quarter-mile race.

Krit Classic organizers were flooded with so many kids' entries that they ran out of numbers as well as T-shirts given to all participants and are ordering more to accommodate those who didn't receive one. In addition to the T-shirts, all of the youngsters were awarded medals, Orange Leaf gift cards, wrist bands, and Frisbees from Digital Federal Credit Union.

Sportscaster Mike Lynch of WCVB-TV Channel 5 served as the event's emcee, while Ted Teichert of Andover was the DJ. Local vocalist Christy Catino sang the national anthem. Greater Boston Running Company, one of the event sponsors, provided the awards.

Vendors on hand for the day or offering food or provisions for the runners were Orange Leaf and Pinkberry with frozen yogurt, Domino's with pizza, Perfecto's with bagels, Cedar's



MARY SCHWALM/Staff photos  
**Simon Voorhees, of Andover, the overall winner in Sunday's fifth annual Krit Classic 5K, is congratulated by Kearins' mother, Pam Sheehy.**

Slideshow available at [andovertownsmen.com](http://andovertownsmen.com)

Mediterranean Foods with hummus, Market Basket with fruit and water, Gatorade, Core Power shake and Olde Redding Butcher Shoppe. Volunteer Diane Summer offered face painting throughout the morning and Andover Massage assisted runners following the race.

This year's Krit Kearins Memorial Scholarship went to Andover High School senior Mackenzie Dutton, who will be studying nursing at Endicott College in Beverly this fall.

An honor roll student, Dutton has been a two-sport varsity athlete on multiple state championship girls swimming and diving teams as well as the goaltender for the girls ice hockey team. Dutton has been selected to represent Warrior Way, a program designed to promote and encourage positive attitude, integrity, sportsmanship, determination and the symbolism of being a student-athlete while stressing the importance of academics to elementary and middle school students. She has also volunteered her time as a youth ice hockey and baseball coach and has received several academic and athletic awards.

During her freshman year in 2010, Dutton's father lost

### TOP FINISHERS MALE

- Ages 15 and Under**  
1. Preston Taylor, 9, Andover, 5:18  
2. Andrew Benassi, 10, Reading, 25:56  
3. Colby Goodchild, 9, Reading, 25:57
- Ages 16 to 19**  
1. Simon Voorhees, 19, Andover, 16:48  
2. Mark Galat, 17, Andover, 18:53  
3. Justin Sonberg, 17, Andover, 19:07
- Ages 20 to 29**  
1. Nick Stamas, 27, Boston, 20:28  
2. Robby Morache, 21, Hampstead, N.H., 20:51  
3. John Kou, 20, Andover, 20:59
- Ages 30 to 39**  
1. Brett Budzinski, 38, North Andover, 17:25  
2. Richard Cotta, 34, Andover, 19:09  
3. Ryan Lynch, 39, Andover, 20:31
- Ages 40 to 49**  
1. Brian O'Neil, 46, Andover, 18:42  
2. Ken Cain, 41, Andover, 21:00  
3. Chris Ritondo, 42, Andover, 21:08
- Ages 50 to 59**  
1. John Goodwin, 57, Andover, 18:37

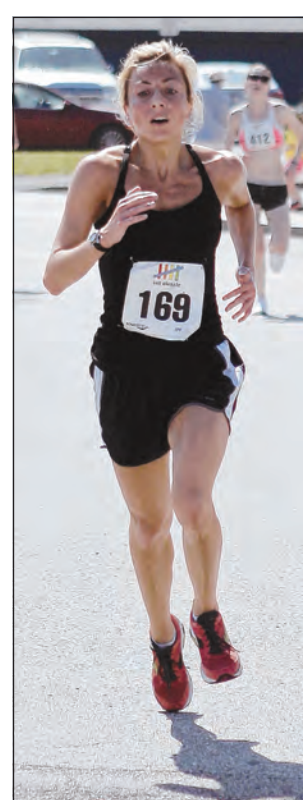
### KRIT CLASSIC 5K

2. Bill Squires, 54, Reading, 19:45  
3. Michael McHugh, 53, Cambridge, 20:03
- Ages 60 to 69**  
1. Will Meredith, 63, Methuen, 23:23  
2. Ross Huntington, 61, Hampstead, N.H., 24:18  
3. Charlie Farrington, 68, Methuen, 27:00
- Ages 70 and Over**  
1. Bob Stamm, 70, Andover, 42:37  
2. Lou Peters, Methuen, 42:55
- TOP FINISHERS FEMALE**
- Ages 15 and Under**  
1. Chantal Keller, 14, Andover, 22:21  
2. Julia Boyd, 15, Andover, 23:21  
3. Megan Gallagher, 10, Andover, 23:31
- Ages 16 to 19**  
1. Sarah Smith, 18, Acton, 24:49  
2. Maeve Awiszus, 16, Andover, 27:03  
3. Maggie Verrette, 16, Andover, 28:14
- Ages 20 to 29**  
1. Melissa Donais, 29, North Andover, 20:00  
2. Liz Keady, 26, Andover, 22:56
3. Natalie Sousa, Andover, 23:16
- Ages 30 to 39**  
1. Alison Boutiette, 33, Reading, 19:56  
2. Joanne Zieno, 31, Boston, 23:42  
3. Jennifer Chapin, 39, Reading, 24:24
- Ages 40 to 49**  
1. Sue Kiley, 44, Andover, 22:10  
2. Kate Jagger, 42, Andover, 23:00  
3. Robin Taylor, 40, Andover, 23:16
- Ages 50 to 59**  
1. Nancy Corsaro, 54, Methuen, 23:31  
2. Lisa Plume, 50, North Andover, 24:17  
3. Linda Benjamin, 50, Andover, 24:42
- Ages 60 to 69**  
1. Patty Sumner, 67, Reading, 30:08  
2. Barbara Meierowitz, Portsmouth, R.I.  
3. Sue Wartman, 68, Andover, 36:57
- Ages 70 and Over**  
1. Mary Gilmartin, 71, Andover, 54:22  
2. Suzanne Lind, 72, Bradford, 57:25  
3. Sandra Divincenzo, 70, Andover, 1:00:22

For the complete results, visit [www.coolrunning.com/results/13/ma/Jun2\\_5thKri\\_set1.shtml](http://www.coolrunning.com/results/13/ma/Jun2_5thKri_set1.shtml).



**Will Sullivan, left, and Kayli Fagan, cross the finish line stride for stride in the Fun Run portion of Sunday's Krit Classic, held in memory of their aunt, Kristin "Krit" Kearins.**



**Alison Boutiette, of Reading, was the top female finisher in the Krit Classic 5K.**

Scholarship Fund was raised through a silent auction, raffle and other activities. Lynch announced the day's winners and Teichert again provided the music.

Five-year Krit Classic sponsors were honored. They include Andover Country Club, Andover Townsman, Bank of New England, Fred C. Church, Indian Ridge Country Club, Institute of Performance Fitness, Kirkwood Printing, Latham Law, Old Time Sports, Pearson Plumbing, Perfectos Caffe, Reid Graphics, Screenprint Dow, Techprint, TSR and Trident Lock & Key.

A 2000 graduate of Andover High School and popular athlete, Kearins was just 26 in September 2008 when she suffered severe head trauma in a bike accident on a rain-slicked bridge in Boston. She succumbed to injuries a short time later.

The Krit Classic was started by Kearins' family in the months following her death. Proceeds support an annual scholarship to a graduating Andover High senior who embodies Kearins and other causes. For more on Kearins and the Krit Classic in her memory, visit [www.kritkearinsclassic.com](http://www.kritkearinsclassic.com).

his battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. The scholarship selection committee said that while managing her own loss, Dutton has been a compassionate support system for her mother and younger brother. In addition, she has helped others through their grief as a volunteer camp counselor at a bereavement camp. She has also raised \$11,000 toward ALS awareness and spoken at the ALS

world conference. Following the race, an after-party for Krit Classic sponsors and supporters was held at Indian Ridge Country Club in Andover, where another \$10,000 to support the Krit Kearins Memorial

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Mr. & Mrs. Brian J. Feeney of Andover, MA are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Brandi L. Feeney to Elijah Greenwood, son of Diana Rivera of Haverhill, MA and Herbert Greenwood of Charlestown, NH. Brandi is a Realtor with Coldwell Banker of Andover, MA. Elijah is currently employed with J. Bresnahan Moving & Storage of Plaistow, NH. An August 2013 wedding is planned.

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# Sports

## AHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK AUSTIN BENDETSON



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover No. 1 singles player Austin Bendetson dominated in the regular season and has been just as good in the state tournament.

Kudos to Andover High boys tennis sensation Austin Bendetson. This past weekend, the recent grad and captain both his junior and senior seasons led Andover High to victory in the Division 1 North quarterfinals with a 5-0 win over Lowell.

Bendetson, who made it to the state individual finals, earned a 6-0, 6-0 victory in the top singles spot. The Merrimack Valley Conference Player of the Year for two years has never lost a league match over that time.

## Perry named girls basketball coach

### Won two New Hampshire hoops championships while in Salem

By DAVID WILLIS  
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E.J. Perry is well aware of the legacy of Jim Tildsley, the man who recently retired as Andover High girls basketball coach after 387 wins and — most importantly — four state titles.

“I am in the Andover High gym basically every

day and I see those state title banners hanging there,” Perry said. “It’s an inspiration. Jim is probably one of the top girls basketball coaches in state history. Like the commercial said, ‘Often imitated, never duplicated.’ That success is something we want to imitate.”

Now, after admiring Tildsley’s success from the

stands, Perry will take on the daunting task of replacing the legend.

This week, the Golden Warriors announced that Perry has been hired as head girls basketball coach. He replaces Tildsley, who built a dynasty with the four titles and a 387-60 record in 18 years at Andover before retiring at the end of last season.

“I’m thrilled,” Perry said. “This is really a tremendous opportunity. I love basketball, but it had to be the right fit with football. I love the challenge, and I couldn’t be taking over for a better person than Coach Tildsley.”

Taking on the challenge now makes Perry the

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CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Mike Maldari, right, was best known as part of record-setting relay teams. Over the weekend, he also set the Andover High record in the 800.

## Maldari makes lasting mark with record run

By DAVID WILLIS  
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If there was any question what Mike Maldari meant to the Andover track program over the last four years, the crew of former Golden Warriors tracksters waiting to greet him at the high school after All-States on Saturday certainly provided a clear response.

And when they began chanting his name, that was the icing on the cake.

Maldari closed out his memorable, often unsung, career with the Golden Warriors in style on Saturday, when he broke the school record in the 800-meter at All-States with a 1:56.01.

“I have been thinking about it for four years,” Maldari said. “I started as

more of a miler, but I really settled into the 800 and felt like it was my race. I have been dreaming of this for years, and to do it was really special.”

It was the culmination of a career that was often overshadowed while a member of outstanding 4x800 relay teams.

“After being surrounded by those great relay teams, Mike really needed an identity on his own,” Warriors coach Peter Comeau said. “He has been chasing this record all year. It was important to him and he really worked for it. He sacrificed senior week (for Andover High seniors) to get that extra training in and it paid off.”

Making the record even more memorable was that it broke the mark of 1:56.32

owned by Adam Vetere, half of the legendary Andover High track duo along with identical twin Mark Vetere. Both now compete for Naval Academy.

“The Veterees were New England champs and All-Americans,” Maldari said. “Today, I can feel like I am on their level in one event.”

“I could hear the coaches yelling after the first 400 and I knew I was on a good pace. So I tried to stay with the pack and let them carry me in. I saw the clock and I knew it was going to be close. But I did it and it was great.”

Maldari previously wrote his name into the school’s record books as a member of the 4x800 relay that ran a Warrior-best 7:53.75 two years ago and last season ran an 8:01.49 at New

Balance Nationals.

“He has been a key member of these teams,” Comeau said. “He had the opportunity to run with guys like (Ryan) Cooney and (Simon) Voorhees and (Will) Klein. This season, he really had to push himself this year. That’s a tribute to his commitment to track and breaking the school record.”

Maldari’s dedication and accomplishments earned him the 2013 Andover High Robert McIntyre Award for Excellence in Athletics. Next up, Maldari will be going to UMass Amherst where he will run track.

“I am so proud of everything he has accomplished,” Comeau said. “Andover has a terrific track tradition, and to break a record is something special.”

## Bergeron’s first home with Bruins was in Andover

### Sports Names and Faces

Bill Burt

Did you know that Boston Bruins star Patrice Bergeron spent the first year of his career with the Bruins living in Andover?

He was only 18 at the time and without a full-time place to live when Marty Lapointe, a fellow French Canadian, offered Bergeron a place to stay while he was getting his feet wet professionally.

Apparently, Bergeron’s parents were grateful.

“I really learned a lot being with Marty, really about being a professional athlete and working hard,” Bergeron said. “I loved living with his family in Andover. It was a nice place to be.”

Bergeron had a few chores to do around the house, to earn his keep; one of which was baby-sitting Lapointe’s three children.

“He baby-sat a few times and the kids loved it,” said Lapointe, who left the Bruins for the Chicago Blackhawks after three seasons. “I do know that every time he (baby-sat), the basement was a mess. They wrestled down there and played floor hockey.”

### Chapman getting better

A year ago, Hannah Chapman was a good triple jumper for Andover High, finishing fifth in the MVC meet and 10th at the state meet as a freshman.

A year later, Chapman is

the best ever with a 37-foot, 2-inch jump to take first place at the state meet last week.

“I’ve been coaching Hannah since she was in fourth grade,” coach Peter Comeau said. “I told everyone when she was just a kid that she was going to be a star. So I’m not surprised at all.”

But the best part was the person Chapman passed, Andover grad Emily Belluche, who had the record of 36-7.

Belluche, who just finished her sophomore year on the Colgate University track team, was there for the state meet rooting on her former team and especially Chapman.

“Emily was at the meet and I talked to her just before I jumped,” Chapman said. “She gave me her blessing to break her record, so I knew I had to do it this time.”

With the words of encouragement from the record-holder in her mind, Chapman made history on her next jump, setting a new school mark with a 37-2, a leap also good enough for the title at the Eastern Massachusetts Division 1 meet yesterday afternoon.

### Another Hunt on horizon

The Hunt boys from Andover, Don Jr. (sophomore at Trinity College) and Dustin (a senior at St. John’s Prep), have had wonderful spring seasons for their respective schools.

Don was named to the second team on the

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Courtesy photo

The Hunt family of Andover — Dustin (St. John’s Prep), Donald Jr. (Trinity College) and Cassandra (Brooks School) — all had big spring seasons at their respective schools. Look for younger brother Darin, not pictured, who will be a sophomore at Brooks School in the fall, to be rowing in the future.

## Boys tennis rolls into North semifinals

### BOYS TENNIS

Austin Bendetson and Varun Penamatsa each rolled to 6-0, 6-0 victories to lead No. 6 Andover to a 5-0 drubbing of No. 3 Lowell in the Division 1 North quarterfinals on Friday. Drew Rooks completed the singles sweep by taking the No. 3 spot and the two doubles teams each took 6-1, 6-0 victories.

### BASEBALL

#### Farnham shines, but Andover eliminated

Cam Farnham recorded three hits, including a two-run double in the seventh to give Andover a one-run lead. But the No. 19 Golden Warriors could not hold on and a few opportunities fell short in a 4-3 loss to No. 14 Acton-Boxboro in the Division 1 North preliminary round last

Thursday. Jake Muhlfelder was 2 for 2 while Jack Cox, Colin Flynn and Gabriel Hernandez added two hits each for the Warriors.

### BOYS LACROSSE

#### Warriors win big

Will Reardon scored five goals, Justin Brosnan tallied four goals and 10 other players scored at least once as No. 11 Andover pounded No. 22 Cambridge Ringe & Latin 22-5

in the Division 1 East preliminary round last Wednesday. George Cardillo added three goals, Andrew Eriksen scored two scores, Jesse Graves had a goal and four assists and seven other players scored one goal each.

Despite three goals for Andrew Eriksen, No. 11 Andover fell to No. 6 St. John’s Prep in the Division 1 East first round

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# PERRY

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busiest man in sports, since he adds the basketball job to his duties as Andover High head football and boys volleyball coach.

"Coaching is in my blood," Perry said. "My father, my grandfather and all of my brothers. I sat down with my family and asked if I am ready for that transition. With the new playoff system in football, there would only be a week of overlap if we made the Super Bowl.

"I want to win Super Bowls, and I believe in delegating to my assistant coaches. I will be reaching out to Jim's assistants (Leo Lafond and Kerri O'Dea). I love coaching and I love Andover. I am always raring to go"

While Tildsley's legacy is tough to match, Perry has an impressive basketball resume — and championship pedigree — of his own

to go with his two MVC titles in three seasons as Golden Warrior football coach.

A star on the court at Andover and Colby College, Perry spent 12 seasons as head boys basketball coach at Salem, N.H., High, going 177-100 and winning two Class L titles. That after stints as head man at Malden Catholic (82-66 record) and Algonquin (16-5 record). He left the Salem job after taking the Andover football job.

"When I first came to football, I felt like there was a certain amount of time and organization I had to put in," Perry, 48, said. "But once I got through that, I felt I could step up and take on other endeavors. I wouldn't say I missed basketball, but I always enjoyed coaching it. I went to as many of the Andover girls basketball games as I could and seeing the passion that they play the game made me very interested. I felt like it was a perfect fit."

The possibility of juggling football and basketball seemed more possible following a conversation with Mike Redding, who is head coach in both football and girls hoops at Mansfield.

"I was at a conference (game) in late April and Redding was getting an award," said Perry, who teaches at Andover's West Elementary School. "He talked about how the two could work together. That really piqued my interest. Soon after, I called (Andover athletic director) Don (Doucette) and sent in my resume."

Doucette was thrilled when he learned Perry was interested in the job.

"I know E.J. so much more as a basketball coach than a football coach," Doucette said. "While I was a college basketball coach, I got to know E.J. through recruiting and camps.

When I found out he was interested, then got to the point of being very interested, he became our sole

focus and we knew he was right for the job."

Perry expressed no concern about taking on his first girls head coaching job after coaching boys in football, basketball and volleyball. He said he planned to meet with the team soon. Andover was hit hard by the graduation of 1,000-point scorer Devon Caveney and defensive whiz Jackie Alois from an 18-7 team which fell to eventual state champion Central Catholic 62-31 in the Division 1 North semifinals this winter.

"I have coached some of my daughter's teams over the years," said Perry of junior-to-be Andover hooper Julia. "And for a while, I worked with the girls hurdlers at Salem. I watched these girls work with coach Tildsley and these girls are very focused on listening and doing the drills.

"These are motivated kids at Andover that want to succeed. That's all you can ask."



STAFF PHOTO/Paul Bilodeau.

E.J. Perry, here after being hired as Andover football coach, was hired this week as the Golden Warriors' girls basketball coach. He is also the boys volleyball coach.

# ROUNDUP

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on Saturday. Justin Brosnan, John Oteri and Sean Carroll each scored once for the Warriors.

## GIRLS LACROSSE

### Andover falls

Meagan Keefe scored twice, but No. 9 Andover lost No. 8 Billerica in the Division 1

North first round on Friday. Weezie Gross and Mackenzie Billins each had a goal for the Golden Warriors.

## GIRLS TENNIS

### Camilo's effort for naught

Samantha Camilo won top singles 6-1, 6-0, but No. 1 Andover lost to No. 9 Westford Academy in the Division 1 North quarterfinals on Sunday. Paige Webster added the other Golden Warrior win, taking No. 3 singles 6-1, 6-1.



Courtesy Photos

## AAA Division All-Star Team 2

# A farewell to fields for AAA All-Star Game



Colin Elliott of the Tigers is the AAA Division Home Run Derby winner.

Andover Youth Baseball's AAA Division players took to the ball fields at Chandler Road Sunday, June 2, for its annual All-Star Game and Home Run Derby.

It marked the last time the 10- to 12-year-olds of the league would hold the events on Chandler Road. Next year, play will move to the new Dyermond Park on Blanchard Street, which is scheduled to open later this

year.

Colin Elliott of the Tigers claimed the Home Run Derby title, slamming 10 home runs in round one and following it up with four in round two to earn his trophy.

Two simultaneous split-team/league games were also played, resulting in a pair of hard-fought games that demonstrated the skills of this year's all-stars.

The Canigator, the

mascot for the Lowell Spinners, was on hand to liven up the day. Rounding out the fun was live entertainment from the Phillies' Robbins Family and music supplied by DJ Johnny Rocca.

Donations to defray the cost of building the new ball fields are still being accepted. Contributions of any amount can be sent to

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# BURT

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All-NESCAC golf team, helping Trinity to a second-place finish in the league match. And Dustin, who is among a handful of the most talented pitchers in Massachusetts, has helped the Prep to a 21-1 record while regularly touching 90 mph on the radar gun.

But their kid sister, Cassandra, a sophomore at Brooks School, is no slouch herself on the mound. Cassandra

recorded 42 strikeouts in 54 innings this spring, including a no-hitter against ISL opponent Middlesex. She was just one walk shy of a perfect game.

Her bat also came alive near the end of the season, including a 3-RBI game in Brooks' finale against Phillips Academy.

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