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9 years in making, Main Street banner scales new heights

Promotional sign hung in time for Andover Day

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It doesn't seem like it would take much. A well-meaning local resident and businessman proposes that a banner be hung across Main Street in the heart of downtown to herald community events such as

Andover Day, Holiday Happenings, annual Town Meetings and the like. But this, as they say, is Andover, where every change, even little ones, can take a long, long time. In fact, it's even spawned a joke: If you want to do something here, you have to propose it over and over and over. Put the

word "and" together with "over" and you get: Andover. So it is with this banner, something proposed nine years ago by Andover's Mark Spencer, a former photography shop owner who now runs Water Analytics, a

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From left, Mark Baldwin, Jim Kapelson, Mark Spencer and Peter Caruso, all of whom played key roles in seeing the promotional banner installed across Main Street, were on hand for Tuesday morning's unveiling. PAUL SALAFIA/Courtesy photo

Back to school



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

First-grade teacher Susan Whicher decorates her classroom at South Elementary School in advance of students' arrival on Wednesday.



Jordan Lugo, right, tries on his new backpack as 4-year-old James Martin looks on last week in the Stowe Court Community Room at Memorial Circle. The backpack giveaway culminated a summer book club at the public housing complex in town.

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Proposed marijuana clinic takes first step

Andover remains possible site for dispensary

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A Newburyport-based company has filed an application with the state Department of Public Health to open a marijuana dispensary in Essex County — possibly in Andover.

The company, Alternative Therapies Group, is one of 16 applicants for a dispensary in Essex County. In all, 181 applications were submitted to the state by last week's deadline as part of the first phase of review.

Chris Edwards, president of the nonprofit company, confirmed last week that his organization filed an application and that the dispensary may end up in Andover.

"We are looking at a number of locations and have letters of intent on multiple properties," Edwards said. "We are looking at a number of locations in a number of communities, but Andover is still a strong possibility."

Edwards also told The Salem News, The

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File closed on neighboring casino plan

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Sometime in the future, someone will pull a document from a shelf in the town manager's office, blow the dust off it and ask, "What was this all about?"

The Andover Action Plan on the proposed Tewksbury casino had grown significantly since Penn National Gaming swept into the neighboring community in early July, intent on building a \$200 million, slots-only casino right near the town border.

But last week, the hopes of the company were dashed

when Tewksbury Town Meeting voters resoundingly rejected the casino proposal.

When Andover selectmen met last Wednesday, Aug. 21, the night following the Tewksbury vote, an agenda item calling for an "update on Tewksbury slots parlor proposal" wall all but a moot point.

The weekly packet that goes out to selectmen with the agenda had included a 13-page plan and supporting documents devoted exclusively to the casino and what Andover was going to do

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Thriving anew

Bloom returns to Andover High's sustainable garden

Andover High School student Jacky Wang, 17, tends to the sustainable garden located in the school's courtyard. The garden is back flourishing thanks to the efforts of volunteers, student interns and the Andover Garden Club.

PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photo



By DUSTIN LUCA
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The sustainable garden at Andover High School is flourishing anew after volunteers, vacationing students and a town garden club stepped in to prevent it from growing fallow

Its rebirth was celebrated

and put on public display last week at an open house that honored those responsible for cultivating it back to life.

Parent volunteer Ann Knowles credits the commitment of student interns working over the summer

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BANNER: Persistence of local businessmen credited with banner raising

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manufacturer of water treatment technology.

Spencer, the former president of the Andover Rotary Club, first proposed flying a banner downtown in 2004.

"That's when we started," the Spring Hill Road resident said. "There were a ton of hurdles to cross. And this wasn't my full-time job. Even if I had spent all my time and energy on this and worked at it full-time, it still would have taken five years."

But early Tuesday morning, with help from a small army of volunteers and town workers, the first promotional banner — complete with steel guide-wires, building anchors and high-strength, rip-stop nylon — was hung with care.

Measuring 30 feet wide and 36 inches tall and announcing the upcoming Andover Day on Sept. 7, the colorful, blue and yellow banner stretches from the corner of One Main Street, home of the bridal center housing Cristina's, to the corner of the Barnard Building at 8 Main St., home of Indra Salon and Latitude Sports Clubs. Both buildings are owned by Tom Belhumeur.

"It is the happiest day of my life," Spencer said, "second only to my daughter being born."

And he's not joking. It's almost as if Spencer himself gave birth to this Brobdignagian banner.

A banner's slow rise

A cursory review of Andover Townsman articles and an interview with Spencer gives some indication of why it took so long to get this thing hung.

Spencer told the Townsman in January 2008 that he and fellow members of the Andover Business Community Association began working on a banner bylaw in 2004 after they were told by town officials that year that they couldn't hang a banner to promote — you guessed it — Andover Day.

Town officials told him that since there was nothing in the sign bylaw about banners, they must be illegal.

"It was a very severe reading of the bylaw," he said. Rather than take that as a defeat, Spencer worked closely with local attorney Peter Caruso and Jim Kapelson of Kap's Menswear on a new bylaw that addresses banners.

"I researched every bylaw across the country and wrote it myself," he said, adding that Andover's now senior planner Lisa Schwarz was instrumental in guiding him through the process of researching and writing a



Courtesy photo

A crew from Baldwin Crane in Wilmington helped to hoist the new promotional banner into place across Main Street Tuesday morning. Working with Randy Willis of the town Forestry Department, in the bucket of the crane, to bring the nine-year effort to fruition were Jean Cormier, center, and Jeff Berry, lead engineer, both with Baldwin Crane.

bylaw that would get the necessary approvals.

Once it was written, the bylaw ran the gauntlet, garnering approvals from the Board of Selectmen, Design Review Board, Planning Board and the now-defunct Main Street Committee, among others. Spencer and his team held numerous meetings with town officials, including many with the building inspector.

"We went through one committee after another and wore everyone down until we had everybody on our side," he said.

Then, it was on to Town

Meeting — one of the events the banners are intended to promote — where voters in May 2008 approved Spencer's bylaw.

Another warrant article to provide nearly \$50,000 in funding for the installation of two poles to hold the banners was withdrawn.

"We didn't want to kill the bylaw," Spencer said.

Then, it was back to selectmen — this time for approval to form a committee that would raise money for the poles, which at the time the group thought were needed.

That's when the effort stalled because the banner

committee couldn't find a good place to mount the poles that wouldn't interfere with underground utilities.

"We were dead in the water," Spencer said. "I thought it was over. We couldn't find a place to put the poles and even if we could, we couldn't figure out how we were going to raise the money for them."

In October 2010, Spencer got an email from Merit Tukiainen, former owner of Night & Day, a specialty store for women's lingerie on Park Street that closed in 2011. Tukiainen, still active in town affairs including Andover Day, suggested Spencer contact Belhumeur of CHB Enterprises of Swampscott, the owner of 1 and 8 Main St., two buildings on opposite sides of the main thoroughfare through downtown.

Belhumeur agreed to let Spencer and his group install brackets on his buildings, which now hold the removable steel cables for the banners to be flown.

"Merit called me, out of the blue, so I called Tom," Spencer said. "He needs to get a lot of credit."

Working closely with Mark Baldwin of Baldwin Crane in Wilmington as well as his engineer, Jeff Berry, they figured out a way to put up the banner without a lot of fuss.

As he was renovating 1-7 Main St., home of the Bridal Center, Belhumeur had brackets installed on the corner of the building. Across Main Street, Berry suggested putting brackets on the Barnard Building, which had easy access via the roof of the adjacent, one-story building at 4 Main St., home to the former Andover Gift Shop.

"You only need a bucket truck from one side," he said.

Finally, at 5 a.m. on Tuesday, the first of what is hoped to be ongoing banners was installed. The early-morning timing was necessitated by the need to shut down Main Street while the steel wires were put in place and the banner was pulled across the street.

Spencer's efforts were lauded by town officials, including selectmen, with whom he met on numerous occasions.

"I applaud Mark's persistence," Selectman Paul Salafia said. "He is focused on business development in Andover and he should be commended."

Selectmen Chairman Alex Vispoli echoed that sentiment.

"It took a lot of effort by Mark Spencer," he said during last week's selectmen's meeting. "It will nicely frame out nonprofit events."

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GARDEN: Students donated summer harvest to pantries

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and the generosity of the Andover Garden Club, which donated much-needed funds, with keeping the garden growing.

Last school year, the garden faced an uncertain future with the elimination of the high school's environmental science class. Historically, students in that class got their hands dirty in the soil every spring, growing produce to sell at the Andover Historical Society's Farmers Market and for use in the school's cafeteria, Knowles said.

Not only was the class that



PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photo

After facing an uncertain future, the sustainable garden at Andover High School will be enjoying renewed attention this year with the return of environmental science classes to the curriculum. Jacky Wang, 17, was one of the student interns who helped keep the garden growing this summer.

tended the garden gone, but the teachers associated with it no longer found they could allot time for its cultivation under the restructured six-class teaching schedule that went into effect last year.

"We had a meeting in January, and sort of asked how

we're going to run this in the absence of a curriculum tie-in," Knowles said. "The teachers didn't have the time, or resources, to continue to care for or operate the garden."

One of those teachers was Melanie Cutler, a high school

AP biology teacher who had worked hand-in-hand with the garden and its caretakers since its creation.

"I was worried, because we didn't have classes working on it, that not much would happen," Cutler said.

As spring arrived, Knowles and fellow parent volunteer Michelle Maldari, whose children have since graduated, took charge and helped to form the high school gardening club.

"We had the meeting, and we were trying to determine, 'How could we run this?'" Knowles said. "Michelle and I said we would continue to keep the garden growing as a school club."

Even that proved to be a challenge, however.

"Not only are there a million clubs, but when you start a club in the middle of the year as opposed to the beginning when you have club sign-ups, that made it that much more difficult to get participation," Knowles said.

Then, a benefactor came into the picture, inquiring about what type of resources were needed to see the garden thrive.

"The Andover Garden Club said, 'Maybe we could help,'" Knowles said.

Andover Garden Club member Tina Girdwood, who also serves on its Environmental Awareness Committee, said she saw an immediate need at the garden.

"With any garden, you need equipment — especially when you have a lot of kids over time using the equipment, you need to replace it from time to time," she said. "There were certain expenses they had and the Garden Club was anxious to help out with the project."

The club donated \$1,000 to get the garden back on track last spring.

As spring turned to summer and school gave way to vacation, students in the newly formed gardening club stuck around and dug in with the volunteers and newly acquired tools.

Buoyed by the donated funds, the student gardeners donated the food they grew this summer to area food pantries, Cutler said.

The start of the new school year this week will mark the return of the curriculum tie-in for the sustainable garden, she said. The environmental science class will be offered for ninth- and 10th-graders once again.

"They've got enough students to run one or two sections, so we're excited to have that back in the curriculum," Cutler said. "And the garden will be built back into the curriculum again so it will be tied into what students are learning in class."

The garden is now turning a corner to "when it is most powerful," Cutler said, "when students are learning about sustainable agriculture in the classroom and able to do the work in the classroom."

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It's official: Bucuzzo named Dracut town manager

Town Notebook

Bill Kirk



Steve Bucuzzo — Andover's assistant town manager since June 2001 — has been named the town manager of Dracut.

Bucuzzo, 49, of Haverhill, was picked on a 4-0 vote by the Dracut Board of Selectmen as The Townsman was going to press Tuesday night. He will succeed Dennis Piendak, who is retiring in November after 26 years on the job. "I am very pleased to hear

that the Dracut selectmen have named me to be their next town manager," Bucuzzo said in an email to The Townsman. "I know they are placing a great deal of trust and faith in me. Dennis Piendak is leaving some big shoes to fill. But I think I am ready and well prepared to take over the helm there. "I have learned much during my tenure in Andover, and look forward to using my knowledge and experience to help Dracut move forward as well. I plan on working hard each and every day to meet the high expectations of the selectmen and citizens of Dracut. For now though, I'll just enjoy the moment, and start thinking about how best to facilitate a smooth transition between communities."

Andover Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapeczynski said he was happy for Bucuzzo, with whom he has worked for the past 12 years. "He's ready for it. He's well-trained, has a great background and great experience," Stapeczynski said. "He'll step up and help lead the community of Dracut."

Larry Murphy, town manager?

Many people outside Town Hall may not have noticed, but City Clerk Larry Murphy was town manager earlier this month because both Stapeczynski and Bucuzzo were on vacation at the same time.

It was a unique situation that has only happened once or twice before, town

officials said. The last time, former police chief Brian Pattullo filled in as temporary town manager. Normally, Bucuzzo would fill in.

Under the town charter, the town manager must file a letter with the town clerk advising him when he will be out and appointing someone in his absence. Stapeczynski filed a letter with Murphy outlining that during his two-week vacation, Bucuzzo would be in charge Aug. 6 to 11, while Murphy would take over Aug. 12 to 19.

Murphy said there wasn't much to do. He signed the payroll warrant and a couple of routine bid documents.

"Anything out of the ordinary was held for Buzz," he said.

Stapeczynski said he had a nice vacation on Cape Cod.

Water summit

For some Andover residents, the summer of 2013 may be remembered as the summer of brown water. Despite record-high rainfalls, meaning less watering for local lawns, the water system inexplicably churned out brown water in July.

To answer questions and allay residents' fears, selectmen have requested that Stapeczynski together with acting public works director Chris Cronin go before residents and explain what happened.

The water summit is being planned for late September or early October.

Liquor license OK'd

A new Chinese/Japanese fusion restaurant that's scheduled to open early next year has won an all-liquor license from the town.

Karma, to be located in Shawsheen Plaza, 209 North Main St., still needs approval from the state Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, but it appears it now has all its local approvals.

At a public hearing last week, an attorney represented Zhen Guo, who will be the manager and owner of the 190-seat restaurant, which will include outside seating for 30 people. Burke said Guo, who owns a similar restaurant in Westford, is eyeing a January 2014 grand opening for Karma.

BUSINESS: Preparation plans for casino scrapped after Tewksbury 'no' vote

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about it. The plan included discussion of the proposed casino's impact on utilities, traffic, crime, property values, and the environment, among other considerations.

Action items included meetings with the Department of Public Works, Merrimack Valley Planning Commission, traffic consultants and Tewksbury town officials and even drop-in visits to Penn National Gaming, the Pennsylvania company behind the proposal.

Selectmen and other town officials said fortunately, the plan can now be shelved. "Our team put together a plan to get ready," selectmen Chairman Alex Vispoli said. "We were doing our homework behind the scenes. I'm just glad we don't have to use the plan. That can be filed away in (the town manager's) office."

The work of selectmen and town officials did not go unnoticed last week. John Pasquale, a local resident who attends nearly every selectman's meeting, gave them a standing ovation.

"I was proud of you all," he told selectmen as he stood up and clapped loudly, much to the amusement of the handful of people sitting in the third-floor meeting room at Town Hall and probably to the viewers at home.

Town Manager Buzz Stapeczynski said that if the casino vote had passed, the issue would have continued to consume the time of staff and elected officials alike.

Members of the planning staff, as well as police and

fire officials, along with town counsel, Conservation Commission director and many others had spent countless hours in meetings preparing for the casino.

Vispoli said Friday that the vote was "a good demonstration of why open Town Meeting works. All the boards and committees in Tewksbury had voted to recommend in favor of (the casino), including the town manager."

But Town Meeting members, who had to be registered voters in Tewksbury, saw things differently, voting 1,568 to 995 against the proposal to rezone property off Ames Pond Road to accommodate the casino. To pass, the zoning amendment needed two-thirds majority support.

One outstanding detail following the Town Meeting vote now appears to be resolved. Part of the process for approval of the casino included a town-wide vote in Tewksbury. After the rezoning proposal failed, Penn National Gaming sent a letter to Tewksbury officials telling them to cancel the town-wide referendum that was scheduled for Sept. 21.

Last Friday, Tewksbury selectmen voted unanimously to call off that town-wide vote. However, since the state had already scheduled the election, it's unclear what impact the selectmen's decision will have.

Tewksbury Town Manager Richard Montuori told the Lowell Sun last Friday that no statutes exist to guide whether a posted referendum can be canceled in this situation, but he expected no challenges to the decision.

CLINIC: Officials consider Special Town Meeting

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Townsman's sister paper, last week that his company is also considering a site in a "technology park area" in Salem.

Last fall, a medical marijuana ballot question passed overwhelmingly in the state. In Andover, 61 percent of voters approved the proposal.

State regulators recently issued guidelines for the businesses, which may only sell marijuana to people who have a doctor's prescription based on a diagnosed medical condition.

Last Thursday, Aug. 22, was the deadline for Phase 1 application forms. The list of applicants includes the name of the nonprofit corporation, a contact person and the county of preference for the location. The list does not have specific addresses so it is unclear if any other medical marijuana dispensaries have been proposed in Andover or anywhere else in the Merrimack Valley.

According to state health officials, applications will be reviewed in two phases. Under Phase 1, dispensary applicants will be reviewed for, among other things, nonprofit status and financial viability. Applicants must also report whether any member of their proposed organization has a felony drug conviction.

Applicants who meet the qualifications in Phase 1 will be eligible to proceed to Phase 2 this fall where a selection committee will conduct an in-depth review and select dispensaries through a competitive process. The committee will evaluate and score Phase 2 applications based on such factors as appropriateness of the site, geographical distribution of dispensaries, local support and the applicant's ability to meet

the overall health needs of registered patients, while ensuring public safety.

The voter-approved law allows DPH to register up to 35 nonprofit dispensaries across the state, with at least one but no more than five dispensaries per county. DPH anticipates that the Phase 1 review will be completed by mid-September. At that time, the list of applicants that make it to Phase 2 will become available to the public.

The second phase of the process is lengthy, Edwards said.

"All these groups are putting together business plans that include cultivation, security and other details of their operations," he said. "The applications will be hundreds of pages and highly detailed. Sites will be divulged complete with architectural drawings. There's quite a bit of work to do."

Edwards said his team has already started the work in anticipation of the state's announcement of Phase 2 applicants.

"We've been working on the content for quite some time," he said. "There's been a lot of legwork going on for a while."

Prospective marijuana dispensaries were required

to pay a \$1,500 fee for submission and consideration of the Phase 1 application. A \$30,000 fee will then be required if they qualify for Phase 2 of the review. Both fees are non-refundable. Dispensaries that are selected for licenses must pay a \$50,000 annual fee for a certificate of registration. There will also be a \$500 annual registration fee for each dispensary agent.

One wrinkle faced by Edwards and his team, which includes former state Rep. David Torrisi, is that Andover may vote on a moratorium on medical dispensaries.

Edwards began talking to town officials in May, catching some people by surprise, even though there had been discussion about putting a moratorium on the May Town Meeting warrant.

However, that never happened and now Andover officials are trying to decide whether to hold a Special Town Meeting this fall, which could include a vote on a one-year moratorium on medical marijuana dispensaries.

Selectmen Chairman Alex Vispoli said he is working with the town manager and Finance Committee to determine if a Special Town Meeting will

be needed to spend \$375,000 in state aid for schools that wasn't anticipated in the 2014 budget.

"We'll decide in September if a Special Town Meeting is necessary," Vispoli said. "If we do have a fall Special Town Meeting, the town manager will recommend that (a moratorium) be put on the warrant."

The moratorium, if approved by Town Meeting voters, would need approval from the state attorney general.

The attorney general's office has approved several temporary moratoriums, including some in the Merrimack Valley, to give communities time to rework their bylaws to create zones or districts for marijuana dispensaries.

Edwards said he doesn't want to force a marijuana dispensary on a town that doesn't want one.

"We are trying very hard to find the best fit," he said. "We are trying not to force this down somebody's throat, even if we have the right to site it somewhere."

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Planners viewing future of The Park

By DUSTIN LUCA
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The Park is one of the most used public spaces in town, and officials want to learn how it can be improved in the years ahead.

The Planning Board is set to create a master plan for the town's premiere greenscape, located along Bartlet and Chestnut streets just off the downtown, according to town Planner Lisa Schwarz.

The master plan project grew out of recent inquiries about The Park that led Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski to decide the time was right to reevaluate the property and how it's being used, Schwarz said.

"We've had a few people come forward to ask about different events at The Park, or (ask), 'Can we put a playground in The Park?'" Schwarz said.

She said the goal of developing a master plan for the space is "to take an overall inventory



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff photo

A cannon presented to the town from Andover VFW Post 2128 in 1932 is one of several features in The Park at Bartlet and Chestnut streets. Officials are launching a study of the space and are seeking the public's ideas for its future.

of what's there—the trees, the plantings and the infrastructure we have" to see what's working and how officials can build on it.

Residents around The Park were recently sent letters

seeking their thoughts on the space. As The Townsman went to press Tuesday night, the Planning Board was scheduled to hold a kick-off meeting to review the draft scope of the prospective master plan.

Anyone with ideas for improving The Park or who wants to get involved with the process can email Schwarz at lschwarz@andoverma.gov or call the town's Planning Department at 978-623-8310.

ZBA vacancies putting strain on town board

By BILL KIRK
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The new chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals appealed to the Board of Selectmen last week to appoint three more members to his board as soon as possible.

David Brown, who took over as chairman after the sudden resignation of Stephen Anderson earlier this month, said the board is designed to seat nine members, including five regular members and four associate members.

But due to resignations, the board is short three associate members. And the vacancies have the potential to hinder the board's ability to act.

Brown said the law requires the same board members to hear testimony on a project from start to finish. But without a full complement, and the occasional absence of one member or another, it is difficult to get the required five-member quorum needed to review proposals through to the end, he said.

In fact, he said, one project has to be re-advertised and the public hearing on it re-started because of the paucity of members. In addition, a couple projects, including a small 40B affordable housing development, are in the pipeline and will need approval soon, and Brown said he doesn't want the shortage of members to interfere with the process.

After a period of relative stability for about 10 years, Brown said the board now finds itself in a unique situation.

"I hope you do it with deliberate speed and not let it drag on for months and months," Brown said of the need to fill the empty seats.

Brown added he doesn't want Andover to follow the path of some communities that have allowed their zoning boards to lapse, resulting in projects not getting heard.

"We need to act fast," selectmen Chairman Alex Vispoli agreed. "We want to get this done as quickly as possible."

The current situation was caused by the departures of board chairman Stephen Anderson, who resigned a year shy of the end of his three-year term, and two long-time members who chose not to seek reappointment, Brown said.

Regular member Lynne Batchelder, who joined in 2001 as an associate member, and Rachel Baime, who joined in 2007, both stepped down after their terms expired.

Brown said all three resigned for personal and professional reasons.

Meanwhile, Carol McDonough, a third member also the clerk of the board,

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has been named to a new term.

Brown said the vacancies would have been filled earlier except that selectmen decided to take a more active role in the process than it has done in the past.

Under the town charter, the Board of Selectmen is responsible for appointing members of the Zoning Board, as well as the town accountant and town manager.

Traditionally, Brown said, Zoning Board members have been chosen from the town's talent bank, a repository of resumes submitted by local residents interested in volunteering on boards and commissions.

Brown said three names from the talent bank were forwarded to the Zoning Board by Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski. The applicants met with the Zoning Board for "get-to-know sessions" and were given the green light for appointment, he said.

However, Brown said, "The names never got to the selectmen." Brown said there was nothing wrong with the three applicants, but that selectmen have sought to be more involved in screening and interviewing candidates.

"We were in the process of suggesting these people would be fine. But selectmen decided to open the process up," he said. "That's just fine. We're all on the same page."

Now, the net will be cast a little wider, Brown said.

"We are encouraging the three people we met with to reaffirm their interest and be part of the process, and we'll see where it all goes," he said.

A subcommittee of two selectmen will review the applicants, including the original candidates, then schedule interviews and make recommendations to the full board.

"We're going to work quickly to make sure the positions are filled," Vispoli said.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following real estate transfers were recorded recently in Andover:

186 Abbot St.: ANA Builders LLC to Daniel J. and Yan L. Verdolino, \$930,000

20 Alderbrook Road: Ellen R. Muise Estate and Joan E. Leyden to Wayne Frerichs, \$295,000

13 Brady Loop: Diane K. Haynes to Patrick and

Rebecca McCullough, \$576,500

6 Buchan Road: John A. and Marjorie E. Lundgren to Sauray Mukherjee and Arundhati Samanta, \$485,000

17 County Road: S. Andover Dev. LLC to Vilnis G. and Iveta G. Kreismanis, \$649,900

43 Juniper Road: Fred and Jane Pimental to Lyle Getto and Michelle M. Piselli,

\$533,000

8 Kensington St.: Mark F. and Amy Ranalli to Branislav Cenanovic, \$665,000

5 Porter Road, Unit 106: Phyllis A. McEvoy to Daniel J. Greenwald and Shana L. Leiter, \$197,000

29 Rattlesnake Hill Road: Brendan P. Norton RET and Brendan P. Norton to Richard L. and Danielle M. Smith,

\$389,900

107 Salem St.: 107 Salem Street LLC to Alfred J. and Anne S. Hammond, \$1,220,000

110 Wildwood Road: Joseph P. Nolan and Kathleen M. Deschenes to Matthew B. and Meghan E. Hart, \$525,000

11 Woburn St.: Christopher E. Brouady to Wayne Frerichs, \$285,000

POLICE LOGS

COMPILED BY DUSTIN LUCA

The following items were recorded in Andover police logs from Monday, Aug. 19 to Sunday, Aug. 25:

ARRESTS

Monday, Aug. 19 — At 4:31 p.m., Jorge Santiago-Correa, 48, of 33 First St., Lowell, was arrested on Lowell Street and charged with attaching wrong plates to a motor vehicle, operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license, driving an uninsured motor vehicle or trailer and driving an unregistered motor vehicle. He was also charged on a warrant.

At 9:19 p.m., Alexandra Ricciardelli, 22, a homeless New Jersey resident, was arrested on Burnham Road and charged with trespassing.

Wednesday, Aug. 21 — At 2:46 a.m., Xavier Albertorio, 22, of 6A Forest St., Lawrence, was arrested on Red Spring Road and charged on a warrant.

Sunday, Aug. 25 — At 2:37 a.m., Iris Gonzalez, 57, of 77 Farley St., Lawrence, was arrested on River Road and charged with a marked lanes violation, driving without a license in possession, speeding in violation of a special regulation and operating under the influence of liquor.

BREAK
Tuesday, Aug. 20 — At 6 p.m., a house break was reported on Summer Street. Entry into the home was gained through a kitchen window.

THEFTS
Monday, Aug. 19 — At 9:47 a.m., a theft from a motor vehicle was reported on Washington

Avenue.

Tuesday, Aug. 20 — At 10 a.m., a theft from a motor vehicle was reported on Pasho Street.

At 3:05 p.m., a theft of Red Bull was reported by a North Main Street business.

Thursday, Aug. 22 — At 8:26 a.m., a theft from a motor vehicle was reported on Riverside Drive.

Sunday, Aug. 25 — At 2:18 a.m., a tire theft was reported on River Road.

INCIDENTS
Monday, Aug. 19 — At 4:48 a.m., police were called to Central Street after a motorist reported a crash near Horn Bridge. Police at the scene determined there was no crash, just a "paper delivery person speaking with another delivery person."

At 7:35 p.m., a domestic incident was reported on

Coventry Lane.

Thursday, Aug. 22 — At 8:58 a.m., police received a complaint about "approximately 10 loose llamas" in the street on Gould Road. Police at the scene reported "no issue, animals appear secured on their property."

At 9:16 a.m., police were called to South Main Street on a report of "a female that is sitting on top of a utility box." The lone responding officer reported no problem, just "a Verizon worker doing work."

Saturday, Aug. 24 — At 2:45 p.m., police issued a ticket on High Street to a motorist allegedly caught traveling 64 miles per hour in a 30-mile-per-hour zone.

ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, Aug. 20 — At 9:12 a.m., an accident involving a pedestrian was reported on Chestnut Street. The pedestrian was not reported injured.

Thursday, Aug. 22 — At 11:28 p.m., an accident involving a single car into a utility pole was reported on High Plain Road. No injury was reported, but the car was towed.

Sunday, Aug. 25 — At 1:44 p.m., a two-car crash requiring one tow was reported on North Main Street.

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■ OBITUARIES

Donald J. Kramer, 80

September 11, 1932 — August 22, 2013

NAPLES, FL — In the early morning hours of August 22, 2013, Donald "Don" J. Kramer, 80, of Naples, Fla., passed away peacefully at his home.

Don was born on September 11, 1932, in Boston. His passing was preceded by that of his three older siblings, Barbara Ryan, Bill Kramer and Bud Kramer.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy E. Kramer; his sons, Robert and wife, Sharon, of Andover, Mass., John and wife, Lisa, of North Andover, and Michael and wife, Tracy, of Yarmouth, Mass.; his daughters, Suzanne Kramer of North Andover, and Ann Reilly and husband, Joe, of Andover; and 11 grandchildren, Thomas Kramer, Alexander Kramer, Lauren Kramer, Victoria Reilly, Lindsay Reilly, Allison Kramer, Steven Kramer, Joseph Kramer, Nicole Kramer, Michelle Kramer, and Charles Kramer; and also by a number of nieces and nephews.

Don leaves behind a tremendous, admirable legacy. He graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's in accounting from Northeastern University in 1959, and subsequently went on to receive his master's in business administration, with highest honors, from Boston University. He was the director of three successful technology companies, a long-time angel investor, as well as a partner and principal at T.A. Associates. He served as a loyal director of over 50 company boards, and recently retired as chairman of the board at Insig-

nia Systems, Inc., and as vice chairman of the Northeastern University Board of Trustees. His selflessness was marked notably by his generous philanthropic efforts — in particular those at Lahey Clinic, The Naples Philharmonic and Northeastern University.

Always striving for intellectual stimulation, Don reveled in the opportunity to maintain close relationships and entertain meaningful conversation with those around him. He devoted himself to spending quality time with his wife, children and grandchildren. In his retirement, Don maintained an active, fulfilling lifestyle as an avid golfer, playing often with both family and friends. Though he allowed himself ample time to spend with his family, he never lost sight of his intense work ethic and passion for investing. Don continued to serve on several company boards, as well as being a valued investment advisor, well into his retirement years.

Don Kramer was a loving husband, father and grandfather, as well as a fierce friend and mentor. He will be dearly missed.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends called on Tuesday, August 27, from 4 to 8 p.m., at the Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence Street, Andover. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, August 28, at 10 a.m., at St. Augustine's Church in Andover.

For directions, or to offer condolences, please visit www.contefuneralhomes.com.



Stephanie Holden, 57

1956 — 2013

MERRIMAC, MA — Stephanie Jean (Baslow) Holden, August 19, 2013, passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer. Stephanie was visited by close family and friends and comforted by her husband until her passing. Stephanie was 57. Born in New Milford, Conn., she was the only child of Gene and the late Shirley Baslow of Washington, Conn.

Stephanie was a graduate of the Wickham Rise School and Post College where she obtained an Associate's Degree in business. She then moved to Boston where she worked for several companies including Sperry and Houlton Mifflin Publishing. Moving to Hudson, N.H., in the mid eighties she was employed by a small software company as Office Manager.

Stephanie met her husband of 24 years in 1987. They were married in 1989 and moved to Merrimac where the family resides today. Hired by Copyright Clearance Center in 1992, she worked as office manager and later as Renewals Coordinator. She was hon-



ored for 20 years of service in 2012. Stephanie gave birth to the couple's only child in 1995. She very much enjoyed watching her daughter grow up. Stephanie was extremely proud of her daughter and strived to help her obtain her true potential.

Stephanie was fond of her animals, especially her cats, Lily and Tigger. She enjoyed shopping for antiques. She was fun loving and enjoyed spending time with family and friends, especially her best friend, Katie, and her mom, Shirley. Girls night out was an event she always looked forward to.

Stephanie was preceded in death by her mother, Shirley. She is survived by her father, Gene, her husband, Bob, and her daughter, Lindsay. The family wishes to thank all who contributed to helping Stephanie in her battle with cancer. A special thanks to her closest friend, Katie, and to the staff at the MGH Cancer Center.

ARRANGEMENTS: A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the SPCA of Massachusetts.

■ HAROLD PARKER STATE FOREST ACTIVITIES

Harold Parker State Forest is ready for a new season with a host of free events. Here's what's coming up at the property on Jenkins Road in Andover starting next week:

TUESDAY, SEPT. 3
Senior Stroll, 10 to 11 a.m.: Enjoy a slow-paced stroll on paved surfaces with the park interpreter, while taking in the scenery around Frye Pond.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4
We Walk the Woods, 10 a.m. to noon: Join the park interpreter for a slow-paced, weekly walk through the forest while enjoying nature at its finest. Each week, the group we hike to a different part of the forest for a series of 12 hikes. Binoculars and cameras are recommended; appropriate for children over age 6.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6
Soapstone Quarry Ramble, 3 to 5 p.m.: Join the park interpreter for a walk back in time as the group tours the site of the old Jenkins blue soapstone quarry, The Skug River mill site and a glacial

erratic. Cameras are recommended; appropriate for all ages.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7
26th Annual Fishing Festival, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sudden Pond (follow signs): The festival promises fun for all ages; licenses are not required and all equipment and bait is provided. The event is co-sponsored by the state Department of Conservation and Recreation and Massachusetts Wildlife Angler Education program. Instructors will be on hand to assist. The event goes off rain or shine.

All programs are open to the public. Unless otherwise noted, they start from the campground nature center.

Bring water, wear sunscreen and bug spray, dress in layers and wear good footwear.

An adult must accompany children. Most activities will be canceled in the event of rain.

For more information on programs, call 978-475-7972 or visit www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/northeast/harp.html.

New message service for Andover schools

The Andover Public Schools is upgrading its telephone messaging service from "Alert Now" to "Connect 5."

Officials say the Connect 5 service will enable the district to personally communicate with parents and guardians about emergency situations, school events and important issues impacting students. It allows staff to send personalized emails and/or voice messages to families' home, work or cell phones.

According to a message to parents, Superintendent Marinel McGrath says based on the Connect 5 system's proven track record, school staff are confident the new service will facilitate and improve school

and district-wide communications with parents and employees.

In preparation for the change, school officials have been seeking to collect all current telephone numbers from parents so they do not miss out on any important communications.

All parents have been sent emails regarding the messaging change seeking an update of student contact information to allow staff to verify the transfer of data via the new system.

Anyone who has not been notified or does not receive a confirmation email regarding the change should submit their student contact information via the link www.aps1.net/studentcontactinfo.

Plans set to mark veterans graves

Michael Burke, director of veterans' services, has announced plans to place 3,600 flags on the graves of Andover veterans at Spring Grove Cemetery on Abbot Street on Sunday, Oct. 6, starting at 11 a.m.

Andover veterans together with Boy, Girl and Cub Scouts as well as other interested citizens are encouraged to lend a hand with the effort. Burke says the process takes about

90 minutes and affords an opportunity to see parts of Andover's history up close.

Burke adds the task could not be completed without the community's continual support and says he appreciates all who offer their time.

In case of severe inclement weather, the activity will be postponed until Oct. 13 at 11 a.m.

For more information, call the veterans office at 978-623-8218.

■ RELIGION BRIEFS

Beth Israel high holiday services

Congregation Beth Israel of the Merrimack Valley, 501 South Main St. (Route 28), Andover, will usher in the year 5774 next week with Rabbi Howard Mandell, the new spiritual leader of the congregation, officiating the services and Cantor Stephen Thompson as the cantorial soloist. Rosh Hashanah services will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 4, at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday and Friday, Sept. 5 and 6, beginning at 9 a.m.

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, begins with Mincha services on Friday, Sept. 13, at 6:15 p.m., followed by Kol Nidre at 6:30

p.m. Services begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 14, and continue throughout the day until sunset.

A community Break Fast will be held at the conclusion of Yom Kippur services; reservations are required.

For information about attending services, call the synagogue office at 978-474-0540.

Temple Emanuel religious school

Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover, is inviting parents for coffee, cake and conversation on the first day of religious school on Sunday, Sept. 8. To find out more, visit www.templemanuel.net or call 978-470-1356.

George A. Rennie, 64

1-25-1949 — 8-5-2013

HENNIKER, NH — George Angus Rennie, 64, of Henniker, passed away suddenly on Monday, August 5, 2013. He was born in Andover, Mass., on January 25, 1949. He was the son of Margaret (Purcell) and Wallace Rennie. In his early years he helped his parents with their strawberry farm before moving to Mirror Lake in Tuftonboro, N.H. He was a 1967 graduate of Kingswood Regional High School and Plymouth State University where he was a founding brother of the Lambda Chi Fraternity. He was previously employed by Concord Hospital and currently employed at Cheshire Medical Center. He was an avid golfer and skier and volunteered his time to many charitable efforts.



He is survived by his loving wife, Lucinda (Cindy) Rennie. He also leaves two children, Mike Rennie and Meg Rennie.

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Sock it to puppet play



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Zsuzsi Culbertson starts giving shape to her sock puppet creation during a workshop last week at Memorial Hall Library.



Silvia Culbertson and her 5-year-old daughter, Zsuzsi, look through a book of patterns before beginning work on their sock puppet.

Dig Into Reading's closing scoops



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photos

Adam Farland, 2, eats ice cream last week at the finale to Memorial Hall Library's Dig Into Reading summer program.



Mir, 3, left, and Zain Durrani, 7, work on a project as the library's Dig Into Reading program comes to an end.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING: MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY

The fall book sale, ornament-making demonstration and more highlight the schedule next month at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover. All events are sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library.

Here is a look at what's in store:

Creative Café: Monday, Sept. 9, 7 p.m. Grab your craft supplies for a fun, monthly craft night that offers a chance to meet other crafters and work on your own projects. Open

to adults who knit, crochet, scrapbook and create other portable crafts.

Art Exhibit Reception: Tuesday, Sept. 10, 4 to 5:30 p.m. Reception for "Soaring," an exhibit co-sponsored by Andover Cultural Council and Memorial Hall Library featuring the work of Andover elementary students, in main circulation area. Light refreshments will be served.

eBook How-To: Tuesday, Sept. 10, 7 p.m. Learn how to download free best-selling titles to read on the computer, iPhone, Android, Kindle or other compatible eBook reader; bring your device and cords

or login/passwords for Kindle users, library card and questions for the hands-on session with Overdrive; part of Beehive series.

Writers Group: Thursday, Sept. 12, 7 p.m. Writers of adult fiction, nonfiction and memoirs invited for constructive advice and feedback on works-in-progress.

Career Networking Group: Thursday, Sept. 19, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Job seekers invited to expand their network of business contacts, share ideas and learn effective job search strategies under the leadership of certified career coach Arleen Bradley.

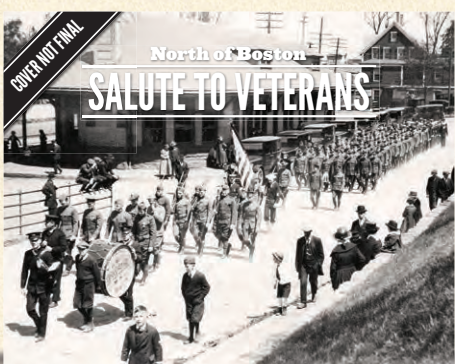
"Make Film History:" Thursday,

Sept. 19, 7 p.m. Robert Gerst, professor and chairman of the Liberal Arts Department at Massachusetts College of Art, discusses his book, "Make Film History: Rewrite, Reshoot and Recut the World's Greatest Films," and his hands-on website that describes crucial moments when movies fundamentally changed. Gerst will explain how yesterday's great filmmakers live on today in contemporary films; part of Beehive series.

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Opinion

Banner a vivid symbol of community pride

There are several achievements to celebrate in Andover this week — the first of which is plainly visible to anyone who happens to visit downtown.

Nine years after Mark Spencer thought it would be nice to fly a banner in town to promote some of Andover's most popular community events, the local businessman took his place on Main Street Tuesday morning just as the sun was starting to rise and watched as the end result of his dogged persistence was unveiled.

To say that Spencer fought an arduous battle to get the first of what he hopes are recurring banners hung downtown is an understatement. Let's just say that so much time has passed since the approval of the town bylaw that had to be created to allow for the promotional banner to fly downtown that parts of the bylaw are no longer valid and must be updated.

At times, Spencer likely wondered why he was investing so much of his valuable time in a 30-foot-wide, 36-inch-tall banner when he had a company to run, a family to nurture and hobbies to enjoy. Yet, he continued plugging away at countless meetings and through numerous discussions and negotiations because he saw value in the strip of nylon that he tirelessly pursued.

Spencer is adamant about calling the banner initiative a group effort. But we're fairly sure the blue and yellow banner now suspended between 1 and 8 Main St. to promote the Sept. 7 Andover Day celebration never would have been hoisted into place if it wasn't for Spencer leading the charge.

Sure it's just a banner. But it's a symbol of one man's pride for his community and a desire to promote its events and attractions for all to see. And for that, the town should toast Spencer, just as the Andover Business Community Association did with a round of champagne this week.

Two other initiatives deserve pats on the back as well. Thanks to the Andover Garden Club, parent volunteers and student interns, the sustainable garden at Andover High School is thriving once again and now has a healthy future ahead of it. Parent volunteers took control over the plot as it was about to go fallow last year and the garden club came through with a donation to help with equipment.

Now, an environmental science class is back in the curriculum and will make the garden part of its lesson plan. The garden is a good example of hands-on learning for students, and we're glad to see that it will continue to reap some valuable benefits, at least for the foreseeable future.

A collaborative effort to create a memorable summer for youths at the Memorial Circle public housing complex is also worthy of recognition.

Through the efforts of parent Claire Stahley and town recreation director Kim Stamas and the generosity of the Andona Society, 24 youngsters got to spend their summer at day camp at Reservation Park. Kerri O'Dea, a special education teacher at Wood Hill Middle School, made sure the youths continued to sharpen their reading skills through a summer book club. And Phillips Academy student Liddy Kasraian of Andover organized a backpack drive to give the youths the tools to start the new school year off on the right foot.

The fact these achievements were brought about largely through the commitment of volunteers — with nothing to gain but improving the lives of others and making their community a better place to live — only makes them that much more deserving of praise.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you support or oppose David Birnbach's STEAM Studio charter high school proposal?

SUPPORT: The resources aren't available for full STEM-initiative support at the public school level, so a charter school that offers those subjects would be welcome in town.

SUPPORT: Something like a high school-aged charter school would help alleviate overcrowding at Andover High School.

SUPPORT, but for another reason.

OPPOSE: It would draw possible student enrollment away from the public school system and its own STEM initiatives.

OPPOSE: The initiative is driven by a School Committee member, which raises immediate conflict-of-interest

concerns.

OPPOSE, but for another reason.

OTHER: I don't know, or I have no opinion.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Last week, we asked our web readers, "With school's early return next week, what are your thoughts about this year's shortened summer vacation schedule?" With 63 responses, the answers were:

TOO SHORT: The reduced length of the season got in the way of planning for the family — 30 votes, 47.62 percent.

LENGTH WAS FINE: The shortened season didn't bother us or get in the way of anything — 17 votes, 26.98 percent.

TOO LONG: Students could have gone back even earlier. They would get out earlier if they did — 16 votes, 25.4 percent.

TIME FOR LEARNING



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo

First-grade teacher Susan Whicher prepares her classroom at South Elementary School last week in anticipation of students' arrival. Andover marked the first day of school on Wednesday.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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100 Years Ago Aug. 29, 1913

Two electric storms passed over Ballardvale Wednesday afternoon. The lightning struck in three places and while it did considerable damage, luckily it did not start a fire in any of the places it struck, namely Henry Fountain's house, Charles Pearson's house and the mill chimney.

Like all other communities throughout the state where any number of minors are employed, Andover manufacturing establishments will be more or less affected by the new law governing the working hours of minors under age 16 that goes into effect next Monday.

75 Years Ago Aug. 25, 1938

An advertisement for The J.E. Greeley Co. offers young pig pork loins, 29 cents per pound; hamburger, 21 cents

per pound; Silk Floss flour, 83 cents for a large sack; Doeskin facial tissues (500 count), 27 cents; large package Salada tea bags, 32 cents; and new potatoes, 5 pounds, 9 cents.

"Snow White and Seven Dwarfs," "Quintupland," "Little Women," "Shopworn Girl," "Rascals," "My Bill," and "Little Miss Thoroughbred" are showing at Andover Playhouse, with matinees at 2:15 p.m. and evening showings at 7:30.

50 Years Ago Aug. 29, 1963

The Lord's Prayer was legislated from the classrooms of Andover's public schools at 1 a.m. Wednesday when the School Committee voted unanimously to abide by the historic decision of the U.S. Supreme Court. The action came near the end of a marathon six-hour session and created little discussion.

Two Andover residents were treated at Lawrence General Hospital Aug. 21 for injuries sustained in a collision at the intersection of Essex and Ridge

streets. Mrs. Marjorie Edwards, 237 Highland Road, operator of one of the cars, received a chin laceration and foot injury. Miss Mary Goumas, 37 Chester St., operator of the second car, sustained a shoulder injury.

25 Years Ago Aug. 25, 1988

Andover Nationals' dream of a World Series championship faded Wednesday morning as Spring, Texas, defeated the first team from Massachusetts to appear in the finals by a score of 8-2.

The state awarded Andover \$765,000 through the state's Community Development Action grant program Tuesday. The funds will pay for infrastructure improvements in support of the rehabilitation of the Shawsheen Mills complex.

Mary McGarry Morris of Andover just published her first novel, "Vanished." It's been praised by The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times and Writer's Digest. A producer wants to put the book on screen.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Grecoe Jewelers thankful for support

Editor, Townsman:

As you may have read in the Aug. 1 Andover Townsman, Grecoe Jewelers has moved this summer. Due to this move, we have many to thank.

We want to acknowledge our fortuitous meeting with Robert Bohland and Lillian Montalto, owners of Lillian Montalto's Signature Properties, which subsequently led to Greg Alexandris, the owner of the Nathan Frye House at 168 North Main St., now the new home of Grecoe Jewelers. The professional, respectful, and gracious manner with which these individuals conduct business is both valued and appreciated.

Gratitude is also extended to our fellow business owners for their support, kindness and many offers during our transition. We appreciate and thank our customers for their continued business and support and look forward to seeing you at our new location (where we have free parking!).

BARRY AND NANCY GRECOE
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168 North Main St.

Charter school idea is a 'lose-lose'

Editor, Townsman:

Two weeks ago, a story appeared on a charter school proposal, to be located in Andover, and then last week, a letter. From the story, I was surprised and concerned that David Birnbach would be leading the application for it. I

think that his role as a School Committee member should preclude his involvement. The inherent conflicts are so apparent, I am surprised that he has not resigned his seat. I would urge him to do so, and I hope others do as well.

In speaking of conflicts, I will note that my wife is a teaching assistant in Andover and thus a member of the Andover Educational Association. Our children are graduates of the Andover Public Schools, and the excellence and professionalism of Andover teachers make them an equal partner in the triumvirate that make our town's schools the envy of the Merrimack Valley, alongside strong parental involvement and accomplished and innovative administrators.

Having David wear two budget hats, that of Andover Public Schools and that as a leader of a charter school initiative sets up some alarming possibilities. His STEAM proposal ... how will that work with budget decisions around increasing staff to address the per-pupil ratios at Andover High? As David notes, the high school is overcrowded by 250 students. What of expenditures for expanding the high school's own Science, Math and Engineering initiatives, to offer an increased advanced placement curriculum; the list could go on and on.

That David has made proposals that have not been acted upon increases, not lessens, my concern. It seems that rather work within the system he is part of, he has decided to go rogue and it is not difficult to imagine where his enthusiasm

will be focused.

The rest of the committee seemed caught off guard by this announcement. There is a finite amount of budget money to support public schools ... ALL SCHOOLS ... in Andover. Most years, we find that amount is less sufficient than we would like.

His blithe "win-win for everybody" comment in the original story, based on "taking 250 students out of the high school" is especially puerile and offensive. Taking \$3.2 million out of the budget that serves all students in town and channeling it to an alternative school will not amount to a win-win. It will amount to a lose-lose, as parents of Andover Public Schools students will see a decline in district performance and tax-paying homeowners will notice a decline in the resale value of their properties as a direct result. Nobody picks the community they choose to live in based on a charter school location.

If bringing a charter school to Andover is your new passion, David, please pursue it. Just not as a board member whose sole focus should be to increase the excellence of the schools we already have.

GERRY GUSTUS
5 Fern Road

Upset by 'callous' disregard for trees

Editor, Townsman

Your Aug. 15 in-depth piece on the library's installation of the beautiful elm photo-banner was excellent, and I was enjoying it until the very last paragraph, which might well have been

omitted given some thought and tact.

Was it necessary to state that the Doherty paving project has forced some residents to "shed green tears" over the "loss of some unhealthy trees"? This was snide, uncalled for and furthermore untrue.

None of us in the area have any problem with the removal of trees that are nearing the end of their lifespan and obviously deteriorating. What we find upsetting is the callous disregard for those trees that are for the most part in glorious health, of historic value and the main components of the little park that was our homes' only protection from being sucked into the school zone.

I doubt that any independent arborist would agree that those trees' safety is being protected, given the masses of roots torn out and the omission to date of any water provided for their remaining roots. In fact, the first casualty (the tulip poplar) has just turned yellow and is dropping all its leaves from shock. Yes, for these trees we are indeed shedding "green tears."

The library people, Karen Herman and designer Suzanne Korschun, are to be commended for their concept and execution of the new banner. It is a striking image and a reminder of the heritage we have lost, in this case through no fault of our own. It should serve to remind us all of the value of the historic trees we still have, which should be cherished, protected and preserved, and not sacrificed to expediency so that all we have are images to remember them by.

KRISTINA TROTT
Morton Street

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Turning the page on summer



Rachel Martin, 9, who is entering the fourth grade, is excited as she carries away a backpack full of goodies she received from Liddy Kasraian, right, at Memorial Circle last week.



Four-year-old James Martin, left, collects his new backpack as Jordan Lugo awaits his during last week's giveaway at the local public housing complex.



Memorial Circle youngsters write thank-you notes last week after receiving new backpacks before going back to school. Andover students returned to the classroom this week, starting the new year off before Labor Day for the first time in years.



MARY SCHWALM/Staff photos

Alexa Ramos, 7, gets ready to go through her backpack filled with items that will serve her well in second grade.



Liddy Kasraian, 14, of Andover, hands out backpacks to awaiting students. Kasraian organized the backpack drive for youngsters in the summer book club at the public housing complex.

Backpack giveaway closes out vacation for Memorial Circle youths

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
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It was a summer of fun for a group of youngsters at Memorial Circle, thanks to a volunteer team representing several good-hearted groups in town.

It started with Claire Stahley, a local parent, and Kim Stamas, the town's recreation director, who worked with the Andona Society to ensure 24 children from the public housing development got to spend their vacations at day camps at Recreation Park.

The Andona Society, a nonprofit group of local women dedicated to aiding and supporting the youth of the community, came through with camperships that helped cover the cost for Memorial Circle residents to participate in the town's summer camp program. The society awards

camperships each year through funds raised at its events, including the signature Spring Clowtown festival.

Stahley also arranged for the Senior Center van to provide transportation to and from Memorial Circle to Recreation Park for the campers. A grant from the Quota Club paid for all the gas. And, Stahley also saw to it that the kids who participate in the free lunch program received breakfast and lunch as well.

Then, Kerri O'Dea, a special education teacher at Wood Hill Middle School, took things a step further by organizing a summer book club for the Memorial Circle kids. Every Wednesday afternoon after day camp, the youngsters gathered at the Stowe Court Community Room at Memorial Circle to turn pages together.

Nine volunteers from Notre Dame

University, who live at the ABC (A Better Chance) House on Main Street in Andover during the summer, pitched in to provide some added support. A different book was chosen for each grade level to read with their assigned team of volunteers, O'Dea said.

Dianne Caraviello, a local teacher who leads many family programs at Memorial Circle, said O'Dea and her group of volunteers made sure that the kids had access to books and reading support all summer long.

Caraviello has run the Family to Family program at Memorial Circle for more than 10 years. The program offers kids at the 54-unit, low-income housing complex access to Scouting, sports, summer day camps and other programs. The mission is to promote equity among youth in Andover.

Through the program, Caraviello is credited with helping Natalie Gomez-Martinez, a former starting point guard on the Andover High girls basketball team who is now continuing the sport as a student at Marist College in New York.

When the Book Club ended last Wednesday, Aug. 21, the youths had one final treat in store.

Liddy Kasraian of Andover, a student at Phillips Academy, organized a Backpacks for Kids giveaway for the summer bookworms. Thanks to community donations, everyone got a new backpack with which to start the school year.

"There was so much volunteer support for this. They make Andover a great community," Caraviello said of everyone who pitched in.

Classic cinema — silent style — at Rogers Center for the Arts

Silent films with musical accompaniment return to the big screen this fall at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover.

Silent film composer Jeff Rapsis, regarded as one of the nation's leading silent film accompanists, will provide the sound track for the films.

The free, Wednesday night series features four of the most-requested titles from the silent film era:

■ Sept. 11: "The

Cameraman" (1928), starring Buster Keaton.

■ Oct. 30: "Nosferatu" (1922), directed by F.W. Murnau. Just in time for Halloween, the title is the original silent film adaptation of Bram Stoker's famous "Dracula" story.

■ Jan. 22: "Birth of a Nation" (1915), starring Lillian Gish.

■ March 26: "The Strong Man" (1926), starring Harry Langdon.

All of the screenings start at 7 p.m. The public is welcome.

"If you haven't seen a

silent film the way it was intended to be shown, then you're missing a unique experience," Rapsis says in a release.

"At their best, silent films can be surprisingly sophisticated. They still retain a tremendous ability to cast a spell, engage an audience, tap into elemental emotions and provoke strong reactions."

For more information on the series, call the box office at the Rogers Center for the Arts at 978-837-5355.

EVENTS CALENDAR

ART AND GALLERIES

ADDISON GALLERY, "Flash Back Nov. 22, 1963," presented on the 50th anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's assassination, opening Sept. 1 through Jan. 12, 2014; "James Prosek: The Spaces in Between," incorporating natural history painting with more contemporary influences, opening Sept. 1 through Jan. 5, 2014; gallery admission free. Phillips Academy, 180 Main St., Andover. Gallery hours Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.; 978-749-4000. www.andover.edu/museums/addison/Pages/default.aspx.

MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, Artist of the Month exhibit featuring works by hooked rug artist Happy DiFranza of North Reading, through Aug. 31. Coming Sept. 1 through 30, "Soaring," featuring works by students from seven local elementary schools, first floor; Zentangle art by community services librarian Emily Classon, second-floor display case; 2 North Main St., Andover; 978-623-8401, www.mhl.org.

AUDITIONS

BALLET, New England Civic Ballet open auditions for "The Nutcracker," Sunday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.,

NECB studios, 4 Dracut St., Lawrence; ages 8 to adult welcome; \$15 registration fee, no production fee; performances will be Dec. 13 to 15 at Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; www.newenglandcivicalballet.org, 978-975-0289.

CHORAL SINGERS, New England Classical Singers' open rehearsal, singers with prior choral experience and music reading ability welcome; Wednesday, Sept. 4, 7 p.m., South Church, 41 Central St., Andover; www.newenglandclassical.org, 978-474-6090.

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TownsBeat

OUT & ABOUT

Local influence fills music series

Violinist Michael Rosenbloom, who teaches at Phillips Academy in Andover, joins with pianist Rebecca Plummer for a free concert on Sunday, Sept. 8, at 2 p.m. at Lawrence Public Library, 51 Lawrence St. Rosenbloom, who is also the concertmaster of the

Boston Ballet, discovered a little-known violin sonata by Bernstein just as he was being hired to perform in Lawrence. The piece along with selections by Mozart and Brahms will be featured in the program.

The concert is part of an ongoing classical music series presented by the Friends of the Lawrence Public Library. Terri Kelley

of Andover is artistic and managing director of the series that spotlights world-class chamber musicians.

The series, which is open to the public, continues Sunday, Oct. 6, with pianists Esther Ning-Yau and Eleanor Perrone. Cellist Joel Moershel and Lisa Caliri are on tap for Sunday, Nov. 3.

For more information, call the library at 978-620-3600.

Author to speak on debut novel

Marjan Kamali, author of "Together Tea" — the story of a mother and daughter who return to Iran 15 years after their family escaped and fled to America — visits Congregation Beth Israel, 501 South Main St., Andover, on Sunday, Sept.

29, at noon.

Born in Turkey to Iranian parents, Kamali spent her childhood in Kenya, Germany, Turkey, Iran and the U.S. As an adult, she's lived in Switzerland, Australia and the U.S.

Kamali has a bachelor's degree from the University of California at Berkeley, a master's degree in business administration from Columbia University in New York and a master's degree in fine arts from New York University.

Her fiction work has been selected as a top finalist in Glimmer Train's Fiction Open and the Asian American Short Story Contest. Her works have been broadcast on BBC Radio 4 and published in the anthologies "Tremors" and "Let Me Tell You Where I've Been." "Together Tea" is her

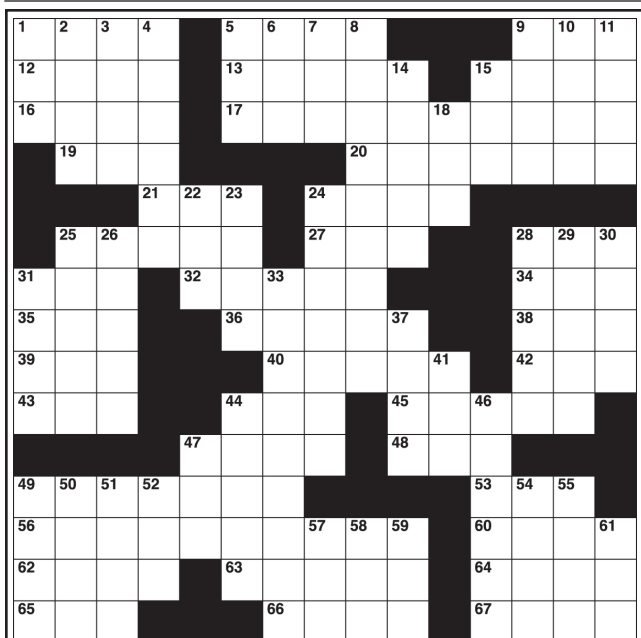


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Violinist Michael Rosenbloom, who teaches at Phillips Academy, will perform next month as part of a free concert series at Lawrence Public Library that is organized by an Andover resident.

first novel. Kamali teaches writing at Boston University. She and her husband have two children.

To submit an item for Out & About, email townsman@andovertownsmen.com.



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CLUES ACROSS

1. Feminist Lucretia
5. Lacrimal gland fluid
9. Airborne (abbr.)
12. Double-reed instrument
13. De Mille (dancer)
15. Burn plant: ___ vera
16. Represent by drawing
17. Roy Harold Scherer
19. Point that is one point N of due E
20. Causing vexation
21. Belonging to a thing
24. Leg joint
25. Suffragette Anthony
27. Form a sum
28. Point midway between E and SE
31. Convert a hide into leather
32. Radical derived from butane
34. Priest's liturgical vestment
35. Goat and camel hair fabric

36. Sticky
38. Talk
39. Committed information rate
40. Strong twisted cotton thread
42. 331/3 rpms
43. Honey (abbr.)
44. Founding Father Franklin
45. Frees from pain or worry
47. Tennis player Bjorn
48. Not inclined to speak
49. Shoulder blade
53. Express pleasure
56. One week before Easter
60. Attired
62. Chew the fat
63. Weighing device
64. Captain ___, British pirate
65. Tropical American cuckoo
66. Any place of bliss or delight
67. Remain as is

CLUES DOWN

1. "Rounders" actress Gretchen
2. Off-Broadway theater award
3. Grave
4. Court game
5. Pitch
6. Sense of self-esteem
7. Mandela's party
8. Lights again
9. Likewise
10. Film set microphone pole
11. "Housewives" Leakes
14. A torn off strip
15. Promotions
18. A. Godfrey's instrument
22. Bill in a restaurant
23. Cozy
24. Knocking out
25. Polio vaccine developer
26. Numeral system

28. Former gold coin worth \$10
29. Swats
30. Flows back or recedes
31. Rotation speed indicator
33. Respect beliefs of others
37. Original matter
41. Cologne
44. Small round soft mass
46. Kisses noisily
47. Large passenger vehicle
49. Prevents harm to creatures
50. Songwriter Sammy
51. Jai ___, sport
52. Payment (abbr.)
54. Settled onto
55. Incline from vertical
57. Father
58. Brew
59. Strong desire
61. Insecticide

Art-crime expert to give inside track on Gardner Museum heist

Anthony Amore, director of security at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston and an expert on art crime, will highlight famous capers in the art world in a program on Tuesday, Sept. 24, at 7 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library on North Main Street.

Protecting cultural property is a never-ending

job for any art museum, Amore says in a release. But despite advanced security technologies, thieves are still able to slip past security and steal precious and highly valuable pieces, he says.

Amore will discuss what drives a thief to steal a piece of artwork right off a museum wall, often in broad daylight, and what really

happens to the artwork after it's stolen.

His lecture will include details about the world's most significant art crimes, including the unsolved Gardner Museum heist in 1990 when two thieves — disguised as policemen — stole 13 pieces of artwork valued at \$500 million. Amore has been leading the efforts to track down the

missing artwork since joining the museum in 2005.

Amore is the co-author of "Stealing Rembrandts: The Untold Stories of Notorious Art Heists" with investigative reporter Tom Mashberg.

For more on the program, contact Memorial Hall Library at 978-623-8401 or visit www.mhl.org.

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FAMILY

TREBLE CHORUS, Treble Chorus of New England fall auditions for three choirs — Training, ages 6 to 9; Concert, ages 9 to 13; and Schola, ages 13 to 18 — Monday evenings, Sept. 9 and 16, West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Andover; additional dates may be available; Anna Choi, 978-470-8263 or e-mail tnemanager@treblechorusne.org, to schedule audition; www.treblechorusne.org.

APPLE PICKING, Smolak Farms apple orchard opening, Saturday, Aug. 31, and hosting fall festivals every weekend in September, featuring hay rides, kids activities, animals and more, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; 315 South Bradford St., North Andover; www.smolakfarms.com, 978-682-6332.

INDIA DAY, India Association of Greater Boston hosts India Day 2013 featuring Indian food, musical performances and Bollywood dance, Sunday, Sept. 8, 4 to 8 p.m., Collins Center for the Performing Arts at Andover

High School, 80 Shawsheen Road, Andover High School; free, www.iagb.org.

FILM

SILENT FILM SERIES, Classic silent film series with musical accompaniment featuring "The Cameraman" (1928), Wednesday, Sept. 11, 7 p.m.; "Nosferatu" (1922), Wednesday, Oct. 30, 7 p.m.; free, Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; 978-837-5355.

LECTURE

TO CATCH A THIEF, Anthony Amore, art crime expert

and director of security at Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, discusses famous art crimes Tuesday, Sept. 24, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover; Emily Classon or Stefani Traina, 978-623-8401.

MUSIC

CHAMBER MUSIC, Mistral Music, formerly Andover Chamber Music, opens 17th season — "Wanderlust: Postcards from Around the World" — with "A Night of Modern Tangos with Pablo Ziegler," Saturday, Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; tickets \$30, \$25 seniors; www.andoverchambermusic.org, sales@AndoverChamberMusic.org, or 978-474-6222.

CLASSICAL CONCERT, Lawrence Public Library hosts concert featuring music by Mozart, Brahms and Leonard Bernstein with violinist Michael Rosenbloom and pianist Rebecca Plummer, Sunday, Sept. 8, 2 p.m., 51 Lawrence St., Lawrence; free; 978-683-8222.

POPS VISIT, Keith Lockhart and Friends present composer Igor Stravinsky's "The Soldier's Tale," a talk and performance to benefit Northern Essex Community College's Endowment Fund, Saturday, Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m., Collins Center for the Performing Arts, Andover High School, Shawsheen Road; tickets \$35; 978-556-3870, www.mvarts.info, www.necc.mass.edu/signature-event.

THEATER

SCIENCE FICTION CLASSIC, Aquila Theatre Company performs Ray Bradbury's "Fahrenheit 451" Wednesday, Sept. 25, 7:30 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; tickets \$25, \$20 seniors, \$18 college employees; www.merrimack.edu/community/rogers, 978-837-5355.

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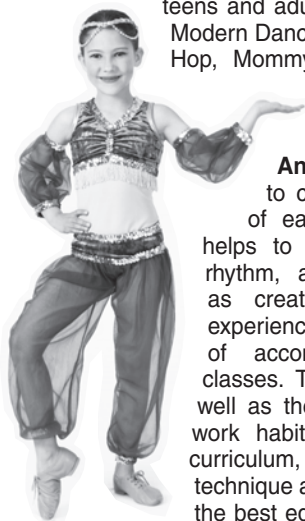
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Townspeople

Sharing the spotlight

Teichert sisters shine in TV debut for 'Twinsanity'

BY BILL KIRK

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Allison and Valerie Teichert don't like being twins. But the 11-year-old girls do like being on TV.

And scoring that TV time this week had everything to do with the fact they're twin sisters.

"It's cool," Allison said.

"Our friends said they wanted to be on the show," Valerie added.

This past Tuesday night, the Teichert twins, who are going into the sixth grade this year, were featured as part of "Twinsanity!" on "Nick News" with Linda Ellerbee. The half-hour show aired on the Nickelodeon network.

According to a press release that publicized the program, the Teichert twins "have a tendency to finish each other's sentences."

Take this outtake from the show: "Val: 'People ask us...' Ally: '...do you like being a twin?' Val: 'And we say...' Ally: 'No!' Val: 'Too many people get us mixed up...' Ally: '...and we don't like sharing!'"

It's clear they have grown tired of being asked about being twins.

During an interview with The Townsman, they were asked if they shared each others' clothes.

"No!" they replied in unison.

When asked if their father, former Andover selectman Ted Teichert, 52, ever got them mixed up, they both said, "Yes!"

For older sister Julianne, 14, a budding thespian who has performed in a number of plays locally, watching her younger siblings on TV has been an interesting experience.

"I think it's neat," she said. "It's something different for a TV show."

Allison and Valerie were asked to be on the show after their mother, Jeanne, responded to an ad on a website devoted to the mothers of twins.

She sent in an application, with photos, which was followed up by a phone interview with the two girls.



Julianne Teichert, 14, of Andover, is flanked by her 11-year-old sisters, Valerie, left, and Allison. The siblings were featured this week on the "Nick News" episode titled "Twinsanity."

PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photo

CATCH A GLIMPSE

For those who missed this week's broadcast of "Twinsanity," the episode, and other episodes of "Nick News," are available at www.nicknews.com after they premiere on Nickelodeon. Additionally, the episode is available on iTunes at <https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/nick-news-with-linda-ellerbee/id40020372a> show about kids who are twins.

"I never thought after the phone interview they'd pick them," Jeanne Teichert said. "I figured they must have had hundreds of people interviewing. The twins are kind of shy on the phone."

But, she said, they were probably chosen because "they don't like being twins and they aren't afraid to tell people that. They're identical and people confuse them all the time. They like to be in separate classes. They do whatever they can to be separate."

One day in May, a TV film crew showed up at the Teichert home at about 9:30 a.m. and spent the day following the girls around, including filming them at soccer practice. The crew interviewed the girls both together and separately, while also interviewing Julianne about what it's like to be the sibling of twins.

In an email to The Townsman, host Ellerbee said Allison and Valerie were picked using both old-fashioned and newfangled technology.

"How do we find kids? The old-fashioned way: Dial and Smile. Sometimes you have to dial many many numbers to find the right kids. Of course, after 22 years on the air, we are very connected to schools, parent organizations and clubs for kids.

"Now, with the Internet, our job is both easier and harder. More sources, more choices, more work — but it's worth it when you find great kids like Ally and Val."

The Teichert twins came to the show's attention through a request coordinating producer Kara Pothier sent to the National Mothers of Multiples Club, Ellerbee said. "Twinsanity" producer Wendy Lobel conducted the phone interview, she said.

The purpose of the show, according to the press release, was to get kids from around the country to discuss the assumptions, misconceptions and truths about being a twin.

Other twins were also featured in the program.

Jeremy, 15, from New Jersey, was filmed saying, "One of the major disadvantages to being a twin is having to share everything. We share a room, which we always have — since the day we

were born. Well, probably since before we were born, technically."

"Ughhhh," said his twin brother Ethan.

Kavita, 14, from New Jersey said, "You think of yourself as two different people, yet you find yourselves doing the exact same things. Said her twin sister, Divya, "That's so disturbing."

"Sometimes people ask if we're identical," said Taylor, 14, from Texas, speaking about herself and twin brother, Torrance. "And I just feel as if they need to be slapped."

"Being alike is not the same as being the same," host Ellerbee, a veteran TV journalist, said. "You may be a twin, but you're still you. Sometimes I wish I were a twin. Maybe a twin for a day ..."

"Nick News," produced by Lucky Duck Productions, is now in its 22nd year and is the longest-running kids' news show in television history. It has built its reputation on the respectful and direct way it speaks to kids about the important issues of the day. Over the years, "Nick News" has received more than 21 Emmy nominations and recently won its ninth Emmy Award for "Under the Influence: Kids of Alcoholics" in the category of Outstanding Children's Nonfiction Program.

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Courtesy photo

This original photo of an American elm serves as the basis for a new banner gracing the back entrance of Memorial Hall Library. A town historian believes the tree once stood on South Main Street.

Shedding light on library elm's past

It's a long-gone elm from town, but in no way is it forgotten as a huge banner hanging outside the back entrance to Memorial Hall Library is serving as a beautiful reminder of the tree that once was.

While it's perhaps the most talked-about elm tree in town this summer, the original location of the tree emblazoned on the library banner that was the subject of an Aug. 15 Townsman story had remained a puzzler.

No one seemed to know where in town the elm once stood. And the circa 1900 photo of it shed no clues as to its original whereabouts.

But well-known town historian Jim Batchelder, back from vacation, seems to have some clue. Batchelder believes the tree most likely stood on South Main Street near what is now the intersection of Alderbrook Circle and Route 28.

Researching an earlier copy of The Townsman, Batchelder found a published photograph of the elm tree that dates its planting to 1899.

Apparently, there was once a school in the area of South Main Street where it grew and the elm tree was perfect for that school's landscaping.

— Judy Wakefield, staff writer

Sigmund Pfeiffer, who has been enjoying Poms Pond since he moved to Andover in 1960, celebrated the last day of the 2013 season there with his 11th swim of the summer.



Courtesy photo

Keeping pace at Poms for more than 50 swim seasons

The youngsters who splash in the waters of Poms Pond every summer have nothing on Sigmund Pfeiffer.

The South Andover resident has been enjoying swims in Poms since he moved to Andover in 1960.

Over the years, he's twice been named to the pond's Ten Mile Club, an elite group of swimmers who logged at least 10 miles in the waters in one summer. In fact, Pfeiffer on occasion was a member of the Ten Mile Club several times over in one season.

Now in his late 80s, Pfeiffer is still swimming with the best of them. This summer, he waded into the waters of Poms 11 times — including taking his final swim to mark the last day of the 2013 season.

Share your Feast of the Seven Fishes special traditions and memories

The Andovers Magazine, one of North of Boston Media Group's sister publications to The Townsman, is seeking families from Andover and North Andover who enjoy the Feast of the Seven Fishes as part of their holiday celebrations.

We'd love to hear your family's special traditions, including what you serve and whether you're preserving memories passed down through the generations.

We'll be highlighting the Feast of the Seven Fishes in the holiday issue of The Andovers Magazine.

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Education

Cooking Matters seeking healthy support from town

As students throughout the region head back to school this week and next, a national nonprofit program is working to ensure all children have access to the nutritious food they need to thrive and is seeking support and volunteers from Andover.

Cooking Matters Massachusetts empowers local families at risk of hunger with the skills, knowledge and confidence they need to shop for and cook healthy, affordable and delicious meals through its six-week program, Share Our Strength's Cooking Matters, and one-time grocery shopping tours known as Cooking Matters at the Store.

Sponsored nationally by Walmart, the program is built around the statistics that 15 percent of Americans are now living in poverty and nearly one in five children's families lack the necessary resources to provide them with nutritious food.

More than 900 participants

graduated from the Cooking Matters program in Massachusetts in 2012. The program aims to reach more than 1,000 families in the state in 2013.

Locally, Cooking Matters has been working with organizations such as Groundwork Lawrence, Lawrence Community Connections and the Boys and Girls Club of Lawrence.

"The recession has impacted families across the country, including those in all of Massachusetts," Alicia McCabe, director of Cooking Matters Massachusetts, says in a press release.

McCabe says Cooking Matters Massachusetts has outstanding chefs, nutritionists and other community members who volunteer their skills and expertise. But more support is needed to help meet the high demand for the courses, she says.

Ruthy Olney, assistant director of school nutrition

for the Andover Public Schools, has volunteered with the program and says she is "so impressed by the work they do."

An informational session on Cooking Matters and Share Our Strength will be held Tuesday, Sept. 17, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Memorial

Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover. The session will offer ways to get involved as a volunteer or supporter with the Share Our Strength No

Kid Hungry campaign. To learn more, visit www.cookingmatters.org/mass or www.NoKidHungry.org.

Professional Center gearing for Trot for Special Tots

The Professional Center for Child Development is making plans for its 21st annual Trot for Special Tots 5K Road Race & Walk on Sunday, Oct. 6, at its Andover campus at 32 Osgood St.

The all-ages, fitness-friendly event typically draws a crowd of nearly 400 and offers a chance for the center's families to get together, socialize and provide mutually beneficial support. It also affords the community an opportunity to learn more about the center's work.

All proceeds from the event will go to support the center's therapeutic and educational programs and services aimed at helping children of all abilities achieve their full potential. The center serves more than 1,400 children with challenges and disabilities and their families throughout Massachusetts and southern

New Hampshire. Trot for Special Tots is sanctioned by the USA Track & Field Association and has attracted some seasoned runners in the past.

Registration starts at 9 and the race gets under way at 10. The fast, flat course travels through residential neighborhoods; strollers are welcome. A cookout with prize presentation and team recognition will follow the race.

The entry fee is \$25 in advance, \$30 after Oct. 4 for the race; \$15 in advance, \$20 later for the walk; and \$30 in advance, \$35 later for the family walk.

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Andover Stories

Gail Ralston
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The year was 1887. The Massachusetts Legislature had passed an act "to supply the Town of Andover with water." All that stood in the way of a town system was ... the Town of Andover itself.

Boston engineering firm Crafts and Forbes had been retained by the Water Committee, a group appointed at Town Meeting the previous March, and it had just released a study examining different available water sources and suggesting methods of water supply.

Discussions on the need for securing a reliable water system had reached a fever pitch, with the reasons most often cited being rapid town growth and the necessity for water to provide fire protection.

The next step was a special Town Meeting on Dec. 12, 1887, at which time voters were asked to accept the decision of the

Legislature enabling the town to supply itself with water if it chose. Deciding on the specific method and money appropriations would come later. Prior to the Town Meeting, The Townsman printed a complete copy of the act.

That December, Town Meeting voted to accept the act by a vote of 291-118 — with the measure winning just 18 votes more than the two-thirds majority necessary for passage. Letters to the editor on the subject followed immediately.

One writer — "Citizen" — advised the town to "look before you leap." The engineers' report was criticized as giving "a wholly one-sided and rose-colored view, particularly in the financial aspect."

The destruction of picnic grounds around Haggetts Pond (the No. 1 contender for the water source) was argued, not to mention the building of rights of way through farms and gardens. An increase in taxes was also a concern. Many farmers felt they already had excellent wells and reservoirs and didn't see the necessity for paying for something that was working just fine.

Another "Citizen" countered the letter, saying a town water system would

benefit the community as a whole and enhance real estate property values. A Townsman editorial opined "the town would make very slow progress in any line whose citizens should go against every project that in their opinion they themselves did not need."

A second special Town Meeting was set for Monday afternoon, Feb. 13, 1888. On the agenda was the report of the Water Committee, election of water commissioners and application to the Legislature to "increase the town's power to issue bonds." While light in attendance, the voters nevertheless supported all measures.

At the regular Town Meeting that followed in March, John H. Flint and James P. Butterfield, who both went on to become selectmen, joined Felix G. Haynes in being appointed water commissioners. Their charge was to study and recommend which of the four schemes proposed by the engineers was the best for the town to adopt.

At yet another special Town Meeting on April 12, 1889, the commissioners issued their report and the voters officially selected Haggetts Pond as their source preference. (Only one voter objected.)

Meanwhile, the Legislature passed the act to grant Andover the authority to raise the necessary monies.

With many other decisions to be made and the issue still not settled, another editorial appeared: "Andover as a town has been slow and conservative to a fault in those matters of municipal necessity and convenience, which every enlightened and progressive community now affords. But with a population of over 6,000 and the marked tendency to growth and expansion so apparent about the main village, we cannot longer stand still.... It will be well for us to recognize the fact and wisely use our opportunities."

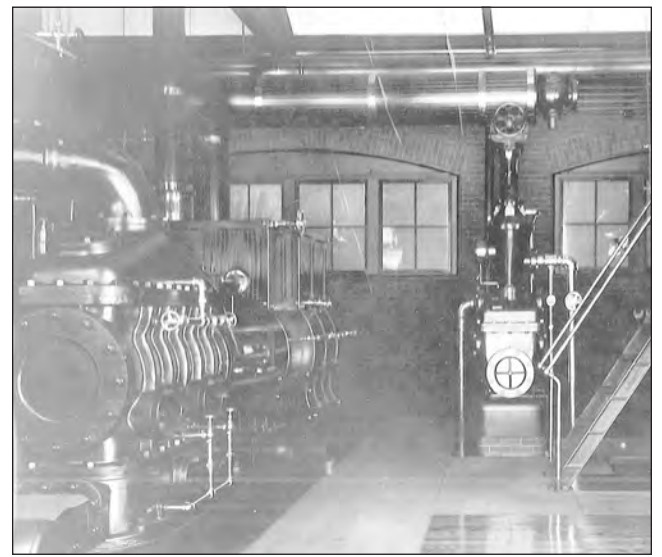
Another special Town Meeting in June seemed to put the main question to bed. By a vote of 106 to 28, \$150,000 was appropriated for the purpose of introducing and establishing the system.

By November 1889, the first of the "Andover Water Works" had been drawn up, and the system of piping valves and hydrants laid out. A pumping station was designed with the modern George F. Blake Pump and a reservoir laid out. In 1890, water flowed and Andover entered a new era.



Published by W. A. Allen, Ph.G. Pumping Station, Haggetts Pond, Andover, Mass.

The Haggetts Pond pumping station, circa 1890.



The interior of the Haggetts Pond pumping station.

WHAT'S HAPPENING: THE CENTER AT PUNCHARD

The Center at Punchard (The Center), 30 Whittier Court, Andover, began its fall term this week.

The session, which runs through Nov. 15, features weekly classes in aerobics (seated to very vigorous), strength training, beginner and intermediate yoga, basic and performance tap dancing, basic and intermediate tai chi as well as line dancing and Zumba.

The ribbon cutting for the newly expanded and remodeled kitchen at the center is set for Monday, Sept. 9, at noon and an open house at

the center will be held Friday, Sept. 27, starting at 9 a.m.

In addition, late-summer outdoor barbecues are planned for Thursdays, Sept. 5 and 12, from 5 to 7 p.m. Pianist Tom O'Brien performs Sept. 5 and The Jazz Disciples takes the spotlight Sept. 12. Advance purchase is required. Boomer-Venture screening room movies follow the barbecues at 7 p.m.

And a dinner show — "Shakespeare: Lunatic, Lover and Poet" — is planned for Saturday, Sept. 21, at 6 p.m.

Here is a look at some of the classes on tap this season:

Nordic Walking: Wednesdays, Aug. 28 to Sept. 25, 3:55 p.m. Aerobic and upper-body workout using specially fitted poles to hike the AVIS trails; \$28.

Tai Chi - Moving for Better Balance: Sept. 3 to Jan. 24, Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m. and Thursdays at 2:15 p.m. Reduce the risk of falls in this evidence-based program; 36 classes for \$65.

Great Courses - Life Lessons from the Great Books: Wednesdays, Sept. 4 to Nov. 13, 10 a.m. Begin a journey of the mind exploring six themes: the unconquerable human spirit, youth and old age, love, courage,

laughter and irony as well as patriotism; \$22 or \$3 for drop-ins with advance reservation.

Drawing and Painting Landscapes: Mondays, Sept. 9 to Oct. 7, 1 p.m. Learn to paint a variety of scenes; \$40, bring your own supplies.

Beginning Bridge: Mondays, Sept. 9 to Nov. 4, 10 a.m. Lessons for the newcomer to bridge or anyone who wants a basic bidding refresher; \$139.

Computer Aggravations: Tuesday, Sept. 10, 1:15 p.m. Miklos Jako, author of "Computer How-To for Normal People," leads a one-hour presentation on solving 20 common

computer aggravations; \$3.

Bender Barre: Thursdays, Sept. 19 to Nov. 14, 6 p.m. Challenging workout combining elements of Pilates, yoga and ballet to strengthen, sculpt and tone. No previous experience required; bring yoga mat; \$50.

Retirement on the Line: Age, Work and Value in an American Factory: Monday, Sept. 23, 1:30 p.m. Anthropologist Caitrin Lynch, author of a study about a Needham factory that employs primarily seniors, explores the value and meaning of work for seniors and the consequences for a society that devalues

aging and employment; \$3.

"Faberge Revealed" - A Trip to Peabody Essex Museum: Thursday, Sept. 19, 9 a.m. to 4:40 p.m.; \$40.

All classes and events are open to the community; however, space is limited and registration is required. If space is available, individuals may enroll for a half-session or audit a class once as an introduction.

Hours at The Center are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. For a complete listing of classes and programs, check the center's newsletter or visit www.andoverseiorcenter.org. For more information, call 978-623-8321.



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Sports

Giants donate Super Bowl tickets for Kelley raffle



Boston College Athletics/Courtesy photo
All-American candidate Oliver Hanlan speaks to longtime Boston College sports information director Dick Kelley after BC dedicated its upset win over Virginia to him last spring. Kelley, a native of Andover, is battling ALS.

By MICHAEL MULDOON
Staff Writer

The Mara family, owners of the New York Giants, have donated two prime seats for Super Bowl XLVIII on Feb. 2, 2014 at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J. That is the grand prize in a raffle being run to help defray soaring medical costs for ALS patient Dick Kelley. The 48-year-old Andover native, who has been a sports information director at Boston College the last 22 years, was diagnosed with the dreaded disease in September 2011. Cost of a raffle ticket is \$200 or five for \$900. The grand prize includes the two

HOW TO HELP

Raffle tickets to support Dick Kelley can be purchased for \$200 or five for \$900 at dkffightsals.com. Contributions to his care can also be made at youcaring.com/medical-fundraiser/help-bc-s-dick-kelley-/52245.

Super Bowl tickets, hotel stay at the Meadowlands Plaza Hotel and \$500. The Mara family has been longtime Boston College benefactors and Kelley has been friendly with the family for years. Other prizes include tickets to the Nov. 3 Steelers at Patriots game (two winners will each receive two tickets), four tickets to a Bruins home game (any regular-season game), two 2013-14 season

tickets to Boston College basketball, a basketball signed by the 2012-2013 Boston Celtics, a hockey stick signed by the 2012-13 Stanley Cup finalist Boston Bruins, a basketball signed by the ACC basketball coaches and a basketball signed by the Big Ten basketball coaches. The grand prize winner will be announced on one of the ESPN stations during a BC football game telecast in October, and again during

a "College Football Live" broadcast. Kelley's battle with ALS (also known as Lou Gehrig's disease) has been the subject of lengthy, moving stories in SI.com and CBSsports.com, among other major media outlets. Both stories highlighted the extraordinary impact he had made on the BC community — from All-Americans like Matt Ryan and Jared Dudley to walk-ons to team managers — and the overwhelming show of support the school has in turn given him. One of the most emotional moments in modern BC athletic history came March 3

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HOMETOWN HERO



Mike Yastrzemski takes a hack for the Aberdeen IronBirds. The Andover resident is starring for the Baltimore Orioles' single-A affiliate. Courtesy photo

Orioles' Yastrzemski embraced by family, friends on trip to Lowell

By DAVID WILLIS
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Anne-Marie Yastrzemski remembers when her son Mike was just a little boy, playing in the backyard of the family's Andover home. Even at that young age, Mike always told his mother what he would become when he grew up. "From the moment he could speak, he always said he was going to be a professional baseball player," Anne-Marie Yastrzemski said. "And Mike never ceases to amaze me. It is so amazing to see his dream come true." Mike Yastrzemski is now following his dream of reaching the major leagues as a minor leaguer in the Baltimore Orioles organization. This week, his career took him



ANGIE BEAULIEU/Staff photo
Andover's Mike Yastrzemski drew plenty of fans to LeLachur Park in Lowell this week as the Baltimore Orioles minor leaguer returned to the Merrimack Valley to play ball.

just a short trip down Interstate 495 from his Andover home, when his Aberdeen IronBirds traveled to face the Lowell Spinners Monday through Wednesday. It marked the first time Yastrzemski has played baseball so close to home since his days with

the Andover Legion team, predating his years as a star for baseball powerhouse Vanderbilt University in Tennessee. "It's really exciting to be back," Yastrzemski said. "I love this area. There is nothing like it. It's been an amazing summer, but there is something really special about being close to home and playing in front of my family and friends." And there was a large contingent of Yastrzemski friends and relatives on hand to cheer on their favorite Baltimore Oriole in his local debut on Monday. "I have no idea how many were there," Yastrzemski said. "Aunts, uncles, cousins, former teammates, neighbors. And of course my mom. I hope they weren't too loud." But they were quite loud cheering on young Yaz. "This is so cool!" family friend

Jen Grebe said. "I used to babysit him and change his diapers. Now he's a professional baseball player." The 23-year-old Yastrzemski has given his family plenty to cheer about this season, his first in professional baseball after being picked in the 14th round by the Orioles in the 2013 draft. Yastrzemski — the former St. John's Prep standout — entered the week hitting an impressive .272 with three home runs and 18 RBIs for the summer. He was named the Orioles' minor league offensive player of the month for July, and was named a New York-Penn League All-Star. He has also opened eyes throughout the organization. "He's had an outstanding summer," IronBirds manager Matt Merullo said. "He has a very good

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Kennedys honored for 50 years of contributions to Boston College sports

Jack Kennedy has been one of Boston College's most loyal and generous supporters for more than 50 years. His wife, Jacqui, has become an ardent Eagle supporter, too. The couple were recently honored for their generosity during the college's Flynn Fund Appreciation Week. Jack Kennedy, a Lawrence native and former teacher-coach at West

Middle School in Andover, graduated from BC in 1961. Jacqui Kennedy, an Andover High graduate who now teaches near their home in Hampton, N.H., earned a graduate degree from BC. The Boston College website wrote, "They are among the most loyal and passionate fans. In fact, Jack and Jacqui make the long drive to the Heights

for every home football, hockey, men's and women's basketball game." The Kennedy family certainly hasn't forgotten its roots. Jack Kennedy's brother, Frank Kennedy, has been honored by his alma mater, Brown University, for his longtime support of its athlete programs. In 2006, he won the athletic department's prestigious Joslin Award.

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The Townsman wants to spotlight the triumphs, and tragedies, of Andover's local sports teams and athletes. We're asking coaches, players, parents and fans to send us photos as well as highlights from all the week's sporting games and events. Items can range from a shout-out for a top player or team, a spectacular play or sports milestone or even some candid shots from a game or practice. We also want to hear ideas for stories on athletes or a big game that The Townsman should feature in its pages. Send your photos, highlights and story ideas to townsman@andovertownsmen.com or call 978-475-7000, ext. 8733. We look forward to hearing from you.

Cormier assists Stars to 7th in national tourney

Andover's Rachael Cormier did her part to help the New England Shooting Stars, New Hampshire Amateur Athletic Union Basketball State Champions, to a seventh-place finish recently in the AAU National Championships in Orlando, Fla.

Despite being without two of their top players due to injury, the Stars came away with a 56-51 win in overtime in their first game against the Florida Titans, with Cormier contributing five points to the tally.

Cormier netted another four points in the Stars' second victory against the Connecticut Velocity, 54-38, and then contributed six boards to help win the final game of pool play against undefeated Potomac Valley Vogues, 50-37.

The Stars won the first game of the championship bracket against the Florida Anacondas, but dropped the second and third games against the Alabama Angels and Tuscaloosa Warriors.

In the final game of bracket play against the Connecticut United Queens, the Stars posted a 49-36 win to finish seventh overall, with a 5-2 record, in the national tournament. Cormier had six points and four rebounds in the Stars' last outing on the court.



The New England Shooting Stars, New Hampshire AAU State Champions, recently competed in the AAU National Championships in Orlando, Fla. The team includes, front row, from left, Hannah Neild, Tayler White, Megan Collins, Rachael Cormier of Andover, Colleen Frey and Sammy Trearchis and, back row, from left, assistant coach Erin Leary, Brittany Roche, Carli Citrano, Rene Roggenbuck, Jackie Panneton, Tyra-Ann Scott, Vanessa Fleury and coach Dennis Reed

Courtesy photo

YAZ: Happy homecoming

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lefty swing, plays a very good center field and is just very steady. He may not be flashy, but I think he is the best all-around player on the team."

One Red Sox employee was also wowed by his defense.

"He just glides like a major leaguer out there," he said.

But while his mother and a few family members have traveled to watch Yastrzemski play, it was not until this week that the entire family and Andover clan could make the 11-mile trip to Lowell to watch him take the field in the minors.

"Today is a very, very proud moment," Anne-Marie Yastrzemski said. "We have so many people here and we are trying to be as loud as possible. Nothing is better than to see your son happy."

Mike was also plenty happy to have his cheering section, which saw him go 1 for 4 with an RBI single, a walk and a run scored and make two impressive catches in center field in the opener on Monday.

"This is something very few people have the chance to do," he said. "Only a lucky few get to play professional baseball and I am happy and humbled to be here. I've been away for so long, I got used to being away from Massachusetts and the Red Sox. So it's cool to be back. I had the chance to get home and I am seeing family. It's great."

But does it bother him that so many people pay attention to him because of his last name, which he shares with his grandfather — MLB Hall of Famer and Sox icon Carl Yastrzemski, whose No. 8 is retired at LeLacheur Park?

"Mike always says that the Yastrzemski name isn't really extra pressure," Anne-Marie Yastrzemski said, "because he's never known another name. That's Mike."

Yastrzemski agreed that he does not sweat the attention, despite a large section of autograph seekers yelling his name before the game.

"The guys like to razz me about all the questions and attention I get because of my name," Mike Yastrzemski said. "But I just brush it off. The hardest part about professional baseball is just finding that routine that works for you."

He is, instead, embracing the important things, like his first professional home run.

"Now that was cool," Yastrzemski said. "It was in the ninth inning against Hudson Valley. I was down 0 and 2 in the count and just wanted to make contact and ended up getting lucky."

His mom is enjoying the ride, too.

"You wish you could be at every game, but you can't," she said. "So to have him close, and see so many of his friends, is amazing. He is just amazing. He just gets better and better."

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KELLEY: Raffle to help pay bills

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during the men's basketball game vs. Virginia at the Conte Forum. Prior to the game, Kelley was presented the prestigious U.S. Basketball Writers Courage Award by Sports Illustrated's Pete Thamel.

Many believe the rousing standing ovation he received was the longest in the 25-year history of the Conte Forum. Then, in storybook fashion, BC stormed back to upset the Cavaliers, with the winning shot coming from about 15 feet away from where Kelley was sitting.

When the game concluded, the players and coaches made a bee-line to Kelley to embrace him.

"That's like the movies," former BC great Danya Abrams marvelled.

Coach Steve Donahue declared at the start of his post-game press conference, "This game was for Dick Kelley."

"DK," as he is affectionately called by the BC athletes, is a 1982 graduate of Andover High School and earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from BC. His parents, longtime school-teachers Ed and Ann Kelley, still live in Andover.

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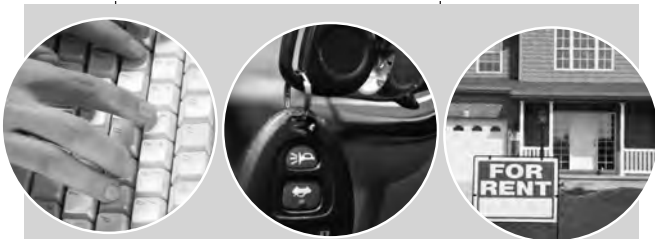
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A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, 2ND FLOOR, MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Andover Community Trust, Inc., P.O. Box 5038, Andover, MA for a Comprehensive Permit under M.G.L. Chapter 40B to construct one permanently affordable single family dwelling that will not meet the minimum side yard depth requirement on a lot with insufficient area and frontage. Premises affected are located at 94 Woburn St., Andover, MA in an SRC District and are shown on Assessor's Map 120 as Lot 1. DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 8/29, 9/5/13

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A public hearing will be held at The Hall, 2nd floor, Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Elm Sq., Andover, MA on THURSDAY, September 12, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Gerald & Sarah Pendleton, 11 Cheever Cir., Andover, MA for a variance from Article VIII, §4.1.2 &/or for a special permit under Article VIII, §3.1.3.D.2, 5.2.6.1 & 5.2.8.1.b &/or for special permits under Article VIII, §§5.2.8.1.b & 3.3.2 to erect a free-standing sign on a lot bisected by a zoning district boundary that will exceed the maximum allowable area & height. Premises affected are located at 1 Riverside Dr., Andover, MA in an SRC & IA District, and are shown on Assessor Map 126 as Lot 4B. DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 8/29, 9/5/13

Office of Andover Tree Warden

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 87, Public Shade Tree Law, Section 3, the Town of Andover Tree Warden will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, September 12, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the 3rd Floor Conference Room A, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, MA regarding an application from Joann Jacobson, 75 High Plain Road, Andover, MA to remove public shade trees. The applicant proposes to remove three 30" diameter white pine trees at 75 High Plain Road. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated. Paul Sanborn Tree Warden Date of Issue: Friday, August 16, 2013 AT - 8/29, 9/5/13

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