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Two years later, couple's murder remains a mystery

By Dustin Luca

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Almost two years after couple's family continues to went on and what led to this." search for answers.

suspects or motives, leaving shot dead on the first floor the public that "the circumdark, without closure.

"It's very hard for the fam- 9:18 a.m. the execution-style mur- ily," Jeff Greene, Geraldine Crossing neighborhood, the day, really have no idea what End.

in the case and few clues 69, and Geraldine M. "Jeri" now-retired Andover Police have surfaced about possible Magee, 67, were both found Chief Brian Pattullo assured

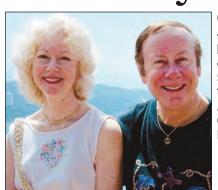
relatives to remain in the of their 14-room home at 7 stances lead us to believe

A dozen hours earlier, their

Orchard Crossing at around there's no further threat to the Andover community."

Greene said the Magees' ders of John and Geraldine Magee's nephew, said this black Lexus SUV was found family has spent a lot of time Magee shook their Orchard week. "We all just, to this burning in Boston's North the last two years in a game of speculative play-by-play, Authorities said from the hoping to uncover some On Wednesday, Dec. 14, start that they had no person explanation for who would No arrests have been made 2011, John E. "Jack" Magee, of interest. But from day one, have wanted the couple dead.

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John Magee are photographed on a trip before their slayings. They were found dead in their Andover home at 7 **Orchard Crossing on** Dec. 14, 2011.

COURTESY PHOTO

A true prince

Local cobbler's emergency repairs save day for new Miss Massachusetts

By Sonya Vartabedian svartabedian@andovertownsman.com

The newly crowned Miss Massachusetts has a real-life prince in the form of an Andover cobbler to thank for her rhinestone-encrusted tiara and pageant sash.

Caroline Lunny says if it wasn't for David Yaboujian of David's Shoe Repair on Bartlet Street, she probably wouldn't be headed to the Miss USA pageant next year. The Holliston woman was in rehearsals for the

Miss Massachusetts pageant last month in Lowell when one of the straps that held her 6-inch heels on her feet suddenly ripped apart, rendering them unwearable.

With just four hours to go before the start of the pageant — and knowing her daughter's white, beaded pageant gown was expertly tailored to the shoe's exact towering height — her mother, Kate, leaped into action.

Unfamiliar with the local area, she drove north from Holliston and ended up in downtown Andover. Here, she dashed into Christina's Bridal Shop

downtown with the hope she might pick up a

See YABOUJIAN, Page 5



PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photo

Miss Massachusetts 2014 Caroline Lunny makes good on a promise to personally thank Andover cobbler David Yaboujian for making emergency repairs to one of her pageant shoes after it broke during rehearsals just hours before the competition. She went on to win the crown, and credits the local cobbler with helping her claim

A gift for the outdoors

Nature lover leaves \$62,700 to AVIS

By Judy Wakefield jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

Andover Village Improve- with this.' ment Society got an early

one of her favorite charities. It Country Club in Andover. is the largest gift ever received by AVIS.

"This

president of the AVIS board of the couple as "absolutely very trustees. "But, we are thrilled outdoorsy."

Christmas present thanks to the age of 96, lived on Bout- world," Rock said. "They didn't a more than \$60,000 bequest well Road off River Road in have children and they enjoyed from a lifelong resident who west Andover for many years traveling very much. They loved nature and the outdoors. with her late husband, Robert enjoyed hostels and Ellen con-Ellen F. Fraser, who grew up Fraser. He was a former presitinued staying at hostels even on a farm on Cross Street, left dent of the Community Sav- after her husband's death. I \$62,700 to the nonprofit land ings Bank in Lawrence and used to take her to the airport trust, which she identified as longtime golfer at Indian Ridge ... I remember she was 88 when dedication of the Family Exchange

Robert Fraser's goddaughter, Mary Alice Rock of North was totally Andover, who served as the

unexpected," said Mike Timko, executor of her will, described

"They loved to cross-coun-Fraser, who died in 2011 at try ski and skied all over the

she stayed at her last hostel." The Frasers were also avid



Ellen Fraser, seen in 1996 at the Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse at Lawrence Girls Club, left \$62,700 to Andover Village See AVIS, Page 2 Improvement Society.

Tax hike restraint warning sounded

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

The town manager's Capital Improvement Program got a harsh reception Monday night from members of the Finance Committee and the public, who lashed out at Andover's profligate spending habits and accompanying skyrocketing property taxes.

"I'm concerned about how we're spending money," Finance Committee member Gregory Serrao said during a meeting with members of the School Committee, Board of Selectmen and other town officials. "The debt model shows we are getting to unsustainable spending levels."

See **DEBT**, Page 5

School redistricting delayed until fall of 2015

By Dustin Luca dluca@andovertownsman.com

Plans to redistrict the town's elementary school community have been put on hold for

The School Committee voted unanimously last week to delay the redistricting until fall

The vote buys one more year of life for Shawsheen School, a choice elementary school said to be closing in the future due to its age and condition.

The decision, in part, grew out of unknown variables with the construction of the new, expanded Bancroft Elementary School.

Officials have said once the new school which will increase student enrollment at Bancroft from around 500 students to 680 at full capacity — goes on line, the town's elementary schools will undergo a redistricting process to realign student populations.

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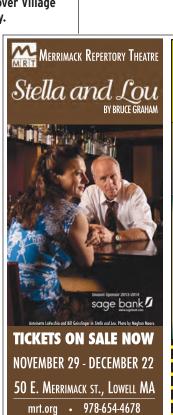
Andover Garden Club bow maker extraordinaire Ann Lange, right, teaches Barbara Sullivan the art of twisting and turning ribbon to create a focal point for her wreath at a workshop last week.

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MARY SCHWALM/Staff

Tying up the holidays









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MAGEES: Couple's relatives still seeking answers in Andover slaying

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"We run a lot of different doesn't seem like there's a said. solution at this point — nothkind of result."

On Tuesday, the Essex

"We will continue to pur- In the days leading to

Andover Police Chief Patfollowing Pattullo's retire- worked.'

responsible for this horrific

"This remains a top priorscenarios through our head, ity with all agencies involved and none of them make any and we continue to investisense," he said. "You'd like to gate all leads and angles of figure the mystery out, but it this senseless murder," he

Authorities are renewing ing that could give rise to this their appeal to the public for their help.

"We continue to request County District Attorney's that anyone with any inforoffice and Andover Police mation or possible informa-Department issued a joint tion in this incident to come statement saying the investi- forward and contact one of gation "remains active and a the agencies involved," Keefe

sue every lead until we his retirement, Pattullo find the person or persons expressed disappointment responsible for this tragic that the case wasn't solved for the Magee family in was leaving Keefe with ago, is up for sale. court,"District Attorney Jon- it unsolved. But he also athan Blodgett said in the assured the investigation was dedicated to the crime." ongoing.

rick Keefe, who assumed the said at the time. "It was a was built in the mid-1980s by to \$999,000, with the latest Academy. position this past August tragedy that is being actively the Magee family's construc- reduction of \$100,000 coming



murder and seek justice on his watch and that he The Magees' 14-room home at 7 Orchard Crossing, where they were found murdered two years

tion business is up for sale. in mid-November.

along with Blodgett's office, ily simply hopes authorities estate listings, the four-home is described as being we remain hopeful the right anonymous tip line at "is determined to find those "have the right resources bedroom, four-bathroom "majestically sited" on an buyer is out there for it."

house was put up for sale almost 2-acre, premiere lot Meanwhile, the couple's in June for \$1.25 million. in a very desirable location, on the case is encouraged "It is not a cold case," he Orchard Crossing home that The price has since dropped just a heartbeat from Phillips to contact the Massachu-

"It's a very unique property with a lot of great features," he said.

As for Magee Construction, son John Magee III continues to operate the company once run by his father that was responsible for developing the Orchard Crossing

neighborhood. "Magee Construction remains an ongoing entity," Greene said. "Houses are being built."

While life for the family goes on, Greene said they remain hopeful some resolution to the case will soon come to light.

"The family remains supportive of the police," Greene said. "We get regular updates from them. We trust that this investigation remains in their primary focus."

Anyone with information setts State Police detectives Greene said that since the assigned to the district house first hit the market, attorney's office at 978-745ment, said his department, Greene said the Magee fam- According to online real The 5,500-square-foot "there has been interest, and 8908 or the Andover police

AVIS: Trustees vote to use donation to acquire land

■ Continued from Page 1

hikers and took advantage of area organizations, with AVIS trails on 1,100 acres in Andover of those. that are held in trust for the pub-

right outside their door ... and I the amount of the gift. know they liked to cross-country ski there," Timko said.

One year, the couple planted Timko said. numerous Christmas tree seedlings on their property and held to put the gift in its land acquisia big party for their family when tion fund. The organization has it came time to cut down the been acquiring and conserving

said. "We all cut our own Christ- and wildlife since 1894. mas trees.

many organizations, including account was getting low," Timko the Lawrence Garden Club, the said. "Buying additional land Daffodil Society and the Horti- is what the Frasers would have cultural Society. At age 90, one wanted."

• Talents & Strengths

Identification

of her flower arrangements won a ribbon at the Topsfield Fair.

Her estate awarded gifts to 16 AVIS' more than 35 miles of receiving the largest donation

AVIS was notified in 2011 that it was remembered in Fraser's "Deer Jump Reservation is will, but only recently learned

"We just think this was so nice and a wonderful thing to do,"

Timko said AVIS trustees voted open space in Andover for the "That was so much fun," Rock protection of natural resources

"We use money from that Ellen Fraser was a member of account to buy land and the



Ellen and Robert Fraser were avid outdoors people. Her estate has left \$62,700 to Andover Village Improvement Society, which will use the funds to boost its land acquisition account.

SCHOOL: May be ready for action in April

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is well on track for being done the fall. by the May 22 contract dead-

officials have been consider- would begin in May. Demoling that if the new Bancroft is tion of the old building would when they return from the fall. spring break,

unknowns, including poten- the site" into the fall, Deso tial weather delays, to guar- said. "It's a question of the antee that, Deso said. And degree of work. It's going to without a guarantee, officials be the same duration.' decided to hold off on any decision on redistricting.

temporarily.

we're going to get there."

scenarios.

Should the new Bancroft

demolition of the existing Bancroft would start in May, Tom Deso, chairman of the but no work would be done on School Building Committee, the site until after the school said the second phase of the year ends. Final planting and \$50 million Bancroft project landscaping would occur in

Should the new school line, with the potential for not be ready for occupancy completion as early as April until September, students school vacation week, which would remain as is through is set for April 21 through 25. the end of the school year. For the last few months, Landscaping of the new site completed before April vaca- still occur over the summer, tion, students and staff could with final paving, line paintmove into their new home ing and more occurring in the

"In either scenario, we're But there are too many still going to be working on

School Building Committee meetings with public safety Delaying redistricting will officials, including the Police mean enrollment at Ban- Department, have supported croft Elementary School will opening the school early so remain at its original capacity long as the building is ready, Deso added.

"The April scenario is very Bancroft Elementary enticing, and we're working School Principal Malcolm very hard to get there," Deso Forsman said he favored the said. "But we can't guarantee April move-in date because "it gives us a chance to move in Deso said the project is cur- with our current population, rently operating under two a known population, with the same group of parents.'

"There's a level of knowlbe ready to open in April, edge of the site and what students would return from we're trying to do," Forsman spring break to their new said. "If we move in April, classrooms. Preparations for we have that core of people already there to make it a smooth transition.

However, School Committee Chairman Dennis Forgue cautioned against relying on

the April move-in date. "The April scenario is built on the premise that everything goes well over the next (several) months," he said. It's "a considerable period of time we're hoping everything goes better than we're contractually obligated."

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John Doherty,

a Vietnam War

veteran, offers

his remarks

on the 72nd

anniversary of

Pearl Harbor at

a ceremony at

the Center at

Punchard.

LEFT: Members of the Andover Honor Guard, from front to back, veterans George Walsh, Joseph Hey, Alfred Dusey and Joseph Leone, raise replica rifles and fire off rounds in front of the World War II memorial in The Park during the town's Pearl Harbor observance ceremony last week. RIGHT: Andover Honor Guard member John Doherty, a Vietnam War veteran, plays taps.

Remembering 'day of infamy'

By Dustin Luca dluca@andovertownsman.com

A solemn event last week recognized the 72nd anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, which ultimately became the battle cry for America's entry into World War II.

Presented by American Legion Andover Post 8, the ceremony opened with recorded remarks from President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Dec. 8, 1941 address, in which he termed Dec. 7 "a date which will live in infamy."

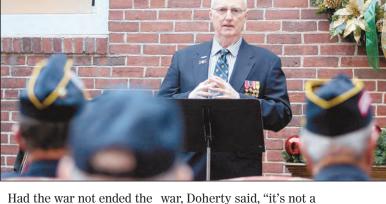
John Doherty, a Vietnam War veteran, then spoke of the significance of the war was a war we could well and daughters who fought so effort that followed.



American Legion Andover Post 8 Commander Ted Witman addresses the gathering at last week's Pearl Harbor anniversary ceremony.

Dec. 7," Doherty said. "This home front and of our sons to me speak in German."

"It sure didn't look good on for the efforts both at the years, you could be listening



way it did, Doherty said the good idea to provoke Uncle country would have likely Sam." "It came out the way it been split by the Mississippi

River — land to the west under should have," he said. "Hope-Japanese control and land to fully, it has given pause to a lot have lost. And if it weren't bravely (overseas) for four the east occupied by Germany. of countries who might want With America's response to try something like this

and eventual triumph in the again."

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Book release party for 'Salute to Veterans'

The North of Boston on the war during his jour- the Civil War through the being sold at the discounted on Friday's release party, Andover Townsman, cele- Karen Andreas and Editor Afghanistan. brates the release of its new Tracey Rauh also will make with a launch party on Fri-sion is free. day, Dec. 13.

lic are invited to the event dreds of local veterans from Veterans" book are also from 9 to 11 a.m. at The Eagle-Tribune office, 100

Turnpike St., North Andover. Veterans of all wars and anyone with an interest in the rich history of the North of Boston area can use this time to network, exchange stories and sign one another's books.

World War II veteran Morley Piper will speak about his experience on D-Day, as well as his reflections

Veterans, their friends and to Veterans" features phoprice of \$29.95. families and the general pub- tos and stories from hun-

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Raymond E. Lewis, 80

January 2, 1933 — November 21, 2013 (Buster)



DUBLIN, CA — Raymond for most of his life and he was E. Lewis (Buster) died Nov. 21, the President of the Richmond 2013, at the age of 80 at the Pelicans for many years. Bust-Kindred Care Home in Liv- er also enjoyed once a month ermore, California. Ray was gambling trips to Tahoe where born in North Andover, Mas- he played blackjack and used sachusetts on January 2, 1933, the birthdates of his grandto the late Raymond Edward children to play keno. He was and Elizabeth Irene Lewis. He proud to say he often broke is survived by his wife, Judy even. Buster was also a me-Goen-Lewis and his daugh- chanical engineer who was inters, Carol Ann Cohn and Irene credibly handy. Every vehicle Elaine Lewis. He is also sur- he purchased he made sure to vived by his grandsons, Aaron convert to have a bed. In this and Matthew Cohn and Can- way he could take road trips von Lewis; his granddaugh- and he could sleep wherever ters. Misty-Dawn Sundseth he wanted. and Iris LewisThorne and his A memorial will be held De-



great-granddaughter, Lillian cember 14, in Monterey, Calif., Jules Sundseth. Buster was an where his beloved ocean will avid fisherman and skin diver carry his ashes out to sea.

William F. McDonough Jr.,

July 23, 1938 — December 4, 2013

STONEHAM, MA — William F. McDonough Jr., of Stoneham, December 4, 2013, at age 75, surrounded by his

William was the beloved husband of Winifred (Treacy) McDonough. He was the devoted father of William J. Mc-Donough and his wife Kathy and John J. McDonough. William was the cherished grandfather of Alanna, Siobhan, Liam, Michael, Ryan and Meghan. Loving son of the late William F. and Winifred (Monks) McDonough.

William's funeral was held from the Barile Family Funeral Home, 482 Main St., (Route the following organizations: cember 10, 2013, at 10 a.m. Hockey and Pony League, Anfollowed by a funeral Mass dover Youth Hockey, Valley Jr. family on Sunday, December 8, Stoneham Red Men and Mar-2013, from 2 to 8 p.m. and Monconi Club. day, December 9, 2013, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Funeral Home. Patrick's Parish. Parking attendants and handicapped elevator are available. making donations in memory Interment St. Patrick's Cem- of him to St. Patrick's School, etery, Stoneham.

William was a 1956 gradu- 02180. ate of Stoneham High School where he played varsity base- barilefuneral.com or www.faball and ice hockey. Actively cebook.com/BarileFamilyFuinvolved and contributor to neralHome.



28), Stoneham, Tuesday, De-Stoneham Athletics, Youth celebrating William's eternal Warriors Hockey, Stoneham life in St. Patrick Church, 71 High School Hockey, Austin Central St., Stoneham at 11 Prep High School Hockey, The a.m. Family and friends were Governor's Academy Athletcordially invited to gather and ics. Member of Indian Ridge share remembrances with the Country Club in Andover and

Devout parishioner of St.

Please honor William by 20 Pleasant St., Stoneham, MA

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Rudolf P. Hecken, 82

June 9, 1931 — December 3, 2013

CARY, NC — Rudolf Peter Hecken, 82, of Cary, NC, died on Tuesday, December 3, 2013. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend.

A native of Bad Hönningen, Germany, he was the loving husband of Gisela Hecken and the son of the late Anton and Maria Hecken, both deceased.

He is survived by two daughters and his sons-in-law, Margit and Ed Iwanowicz of San Diego, CA and Gabriele and John Bauman of Cary, NC: a son, Michael Hecken of Pittsboro, NC; and his grandchildren, Peter, Andrew and with their families.

trical Engineering at the Uni- ARRANGEMENTS: A private mefirst job at the European Orga- NC. nization for Nuclear Research In lieu of flowers, contributions with his family to Massachu- ceofwake.org. setts in 1968 where he worked



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Kaitlyn Iwanowicz, and Jes- for the then Bell Laboratories sica and Cayla Bauman. He is as an engineer. He lived in Analso survived by his brother dover and N. Andover until his and his wife, Karl and Ursula retirement from Lucent Tech-Hecken, and a sister and her nologies in 1992. He continued husband, Margit and Horst to work as a consultant in his Schleicher, all residing in field of telecommunications. Germany. His brother, Alfons He later moved to Hilton Head Hecken, predeceased him. He Island, SC to enjoy his full reis also survived by several tirement. Rudolf enjoyed the cousins, nieces and nephews great outdoors, especially the mountains, traveling, fishing, Rudolf earned a PhD in Elec- rose gardening and painting.

versity of Aachen (RWTH), morial service was conducted at Germany and obtained his St. Michael the Archangel in Cary,

(CERN) in Switzerland. He may be made to the Hospice of subsequently immigrated Wake County, http://www.hospi-

Mr. Thomas J. Oatman, 51

February 12, 1962 — December 5, 2013

ANDOVER — Mr. Thomas J. Oatman, 51, a resident of Andover for the past 12 years, and formerly of Medford, died suddenly at his home on Thursday, December 5, 2013. He was the beloved husband of Lee-Ann (Mitchell) Oatman. Born in Erie, Pennsylvania,

on February 12, 1962, Mr. Oatman was the beloved son of the late William G. and Patricia A. (Macosko) Oatman. Tom was a graduate of Wentworth Institute and was employed by American Science and Engineering in Billerica as a manager software test engineer for the past seven years.

Above all, Tom enjoyed being Fred Ruskie. involved with his son, Jona- ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral than. He was a Pack 79 Cub Mass was celebrated at St. Robert Scout Den Leader in Andover. Bellarmine Church, 198 Haggett's He loved to take Jonathan to **Pond Road. Andover. on Tuesday.** Home Depot to do projects December 10, at 11 a.m. Relatives and to take him fishing and and friends were welcomed. Calling skiing as well.

Lee-Ann and son, Jonathan, Robert Bellarmine Church. Inter-Tom will be very missed by his ment will be held in the West Parloving siblings; William "Bill" and his wife, Carolyn Oatman of Rochester, N.Y., Cynthia and her husband, Gary Education Fund, c/o Lee-Ann Oat-Messina of Derry, N.H., Mark man, 126 Bellevue Road, Andover, and his wife, Luann Oatman MA 01810. For additional informaof Blandon, Penn., and Lisa tion, please visit www.burkema-Ruskie of Wake Forest, N.C.; gliozzi.com. brother-in-law, Tim and his



In his spare time, Tom en- wife, Pam Mitchell of North joyed playing golf and fly Granby, Conn.; and many niecfishing. He also enjoyed play- es and nephews. He was also ing poker with his friends. the brother-in-law of the late

hours were held on Monday, De-Besides his beloved wife, cember 9, from 4 to 8 p.m., at St. ish Garden Cemetery in Andover.

Donations in Tom's memory may be made to the Jonathan Oatman

Jeannette A. (Straughan) Perreault, 91 Years

October 12, 1922 — December 8, 2013

ANDOVER — Mrs. Jean- Third Order.

University of New Hampshire, nephews. Class of 1952. She also was Church of Andover, and was gliozzi.com. a member of the Franciscan's

nett A. (Straughan) Perreault, She will be very sorely 91, a resident of Andover since missed by her loving children; 1964, and beloved wife of the Mark and his wife, Mary Perlate Robert Perreault, died at reault of Phillipston, Roberta her home, on Sunday, Decem- M. and her husband, Jack Sullivan of Haverhill, and Franc-Born in Lowell, Mass., on Oc-esca and her husband, Merrill tober 12, 1922, she was the be-Rouff of Andover; brothers, loved daughter of the late Jes- Frank and Steve Straughan se B. and Aurore (Lamarche) of Pelham, N.H.; sister, Mary Straughan, Jeannette was a Bedard of Rye, N.H.; grandgraduate of Chelmsford High children, Katherine and Peter School, Class of 1940, and the Rouff; and many nieces and

ARRANGEMENTS: A graveside a 1953 graduate of the UNH service was held in the Gibson Cem-Graduate School. Jeannette etery, Pelham, N.H., on Wednesday, was a WWII Army veteran. December 11, at 10 a.m. Relatives She worked as a teacher assis- and friends were most welcomed. tant at UNH for many years, A memorial Mass followed the and also was employed at the burial, at 10:30 a.m., in St. Patrick State House in industrial ac- Church, 12 Main Street, Pelham. In cidents. Jeannette was a very lieu of flowers, donation's in Jeanactive person for her entire life nette's memory may be made to and had volunteered as a Girl The Andover Village Improvement Scout Camp counselor, was a Society. For additional informacommunicant of St. Augustine tion, please visit www.burkema-

■ POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY DUSTIN LUCA

Gas smells on **Federal Street** unfounded

A mysterious gas smell

ing them to evacuate the apartment.' building, according to scanlot, followed by a third report with a cane." from 600 Federal St., about a half-mile down the road.

Kevin Connors. Crews were locate the truck. also sent to 800 Federal St., an hour.

dissipated."

The following incidents Dec. 2 to Sunday, Dec. 8:

ARRESTS

a.m., Felix De La Cruz, 18, motor vehicle.

and charged with possession "safe and sound." of a class A drug.

Saturday, Dec. 7 — At 12:31 p.m., Michael McNally, 53, Main Street and charged was towed from the scene. with failure to grant right of with a license revoked for an OUI conviction.

O'Malley, 41, of 30 Coloand charged with malicious three cars were towed. destruction of property asportation and disorderly reported on Colonial Drive. conduct.

THEFTS

Thursday, Dec. 5 — $At\ 2:50$ p.m., a house break was reported on Juniper Road.

INCIDENTS

Monday, Dec. 2 — At 6:32sent fire and utility crews p.m., police were called to to several locations along Post Office Avenue on a Federal Street Tuesday, but report of a domestic incident the multiple reports came up involving a man who "is yelling very loudly." Police at the Callers at 300 Federal scene reported the man "has St. initially reported a gas his TV up and computer on smell just after 2 p.m., lead- and he is the only one in the

Wednesday, Dec. 4 — At 7:08ner reports. Moments later, p.m., police were called to another report of a gas smell Stevens Street on a report of came in from 400 Federal St., "an 89-year-old female who is located across the parking combative and hitting people

Thursday, Dec. 5 — $At\ 10:35$ a.m., police were called to Columbia Gas was called Mayflower Road on a report to the scene to investigate. of "a stainless steel truck Fire and gas crews did meter that may be dumping septic readings at all locations, but into a manhole." The caller picked up no evidence of wasn't able to provide any gas leaks anywhere, accord- additional information, and ing to Andover Fire Deputy police on the scene couldn't

Saturday, Dec. 7 — At 11:02a construction site that will a.m., a dog attack involving soon be the new home of two dogs that came out of a Schneider Electric. All crews vehicle and attacked a third cleared the scene after about dog was reported on Elm Street.

"It was the same report At 12:29 p.m., a motorist throughout," Connors said. on Rock Ridge Road called "People smelled it, and it 911 to report that "she hit a squirrel" and "the animal is still alive."

At 2:22 p.m., police were were reported in Andover called to Mulberry Circle police logs from Monday, after a resident reported that "he has a wolf in his garage." An officer at the scene reported it was a fox Wednesday, Dec. 4 — At 1:37 and let it out of the garage.

At 3:56 p.m., police of 86 Spruce St., Lawrence, responded to High Plain was arrested on North Main Road on a family's report Street and charged with a of a missing person. Police lights violation, operating brought in the assistance under the influence of liquor of a State Police helicopter, and driving an uninspected a Burlington Police Department bloodhound and more. Friday, Dec. 6 — At 4:19 p.m., It was later discovered the Nicole Janowitz, 21, of 10 person left a message that Cross Road, Billerica, was the family had missed, and arrested on Frontage Road the individual was found

ACCIDENTS

Monday, Dec. 2 — At 7:01 a.m., 27 Cranleigh Mews, Nashua, a two-car crash was reported N.H., was arrested on North on Haverhill Street. One car

At 9:51 a.m., a two-car way at an intersection and crash was reported on River operating a motor vehicle Street. One car was towed.

At 2:26 p.m., a two-car crash was reported on River At 1:54 p.m., Patrick Road. One car was towed.

At 6:29 p.m., a threenial Drive, Andover, was car crash with injury was arrested on Colonial Drive reported on River Road. All

Friday, Dec. 6 — At 9:12 p.m., under \$250, shoplifting by a hit-and-run crash was

Sunday, Dec. 8 — At 6:50 p.m., an accident with personal injury was reported on Dascomb Road.

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YABOUJIAN: Andover cobbler saves the day for Miss Massachusetts

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pair," Kate Lunny said.

replacement pair. But while the charged for the job. bridal shop staff proved friendly,

they were unable to help. heels. They said that kind of shoe extra. I didn't stay for the money. I had to be custom-ordered. I wasn't did it from the heart." going to be able to find another

But Christina's offered one . Yaboujian.

The cobbler had just closed his from her daughter.

Thirty minutes turned into 90 as while, she kept calling Yaboujian chusetts 2014. every quarter-hour, urging him to "please, please don't leave."

importance of the occasion, Yabou- feet. They posed for photos with jian wouldn't take any more than the now lucky pair of shoes and the \$20 he would have normally she even persuaded the generous

"It wasn't like she was going on a date or something. She really needed she told Yaboujian. "You saved the "These were size 10, 6-inch the shoes," he said. "I couldn't charge day. I won because of my shoes."

> But Kate Lunny handed him a \$50 tip — and a promise.

"When she wins, she is compossible solution in the form of ing here to give you a hug," Kate Lunny said of her daughter.

shop that Saturday afternoon, but to Caroline Lunny 15 minutes I can't thank him enough.' agreed to wait 30 minutes while before she was to board a motor Kate Lunny retrieved the shoe coach to take her back to the her most about Yaboujian was his arena for the night's competition.

Three hours later, she was Kate Lunny waited to gain access standing in her newly repaired in the wall," she said. "He stayed for to the pageant arena. All the shoes being crowed Miss Massa- me. He is such a sweet gentleman

Last Friday, Caroline Lunny and be applauded. He's just amazing." her mother made good on their Caroline Lunny vowed to return Sure enough, he didn't, sticking word. The grateful pageant win- to Andover one more time before around to repair the broken shoe and ner who turns 23 this month deliv- she heads to Miss USA next

cobbler to try on her sash.

'We did it ... we did it together,"

Caroline Lunny said she was so proud of herself for finding one pair of nude-colored patent shoes to match all her pageant outfits. She never imagined they might break.

"As soon as I put them on after he fixed them, I knew I was good The repaired shoes made it back to go," she said. "They were solid.

> Kate Lunny said what impressed willingness to help a total stranger.

"He didn't know me from a hole and did such a good thing. He should



Miss Massachusetts 2014 Caroline Lunny laughs as Andover cobbler David Yaboujian tries on her sash after meeting him for the first time last Friday. Yaboujian stayed after-hours to do emergency repairs to Lunny's broken pageant shoe. She went on to win the pageant and a chance to complete

reenforce the other half of the pair. ered a hug and a heartfelt thanks June. Saying she's not taking Yaboujian her pageant shoes to "It truly is a real Cinderella Saying he understood the to the man who kept her on her any chances, she will be bringing make sure they'll hold in place.

DEBT: Finance Committee and the public decry town's spending habits lot of seniors, are having from Phillips Academy, and been since 1997, when it was will take that to Town Meet-based on the value of vour

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Finance Committee mem- trol of taxes." ber Margaret Kruse said she was worried about the ect, which cost about \$50 day night's discussion was and voters at large. impact on taxpayers.

or three.'

won't all pass. If you throw lic Safety Center. them all out there at once, they'll all fail."

people can, but a lot of us, a along the Merrimack River ment will be the highest it's

difficulty."

He wasn't the only one snake Road said the average concerned about Town Man- tax bill in town has gone up 46 in over the next few years. The it will almost double, bring-

affected. You have to get con-exceed \$35 million.

ing online," she said. "The adds about \$100 to the averrest of these projects might age tax bill starting in 2015. we've had about the fis-construction numbers, we Rigby's comment. "Taxes are projects." come in the next year or two But that's on top of about an cal 2015 budget," he said. additional \$238 a year tax- "The Finance Committee Kruse said if selectmen payers are shelling out now is saying, 'Wait a minute put forth the projects as tax for big-ticket items approved guys, we need to prioritize overrides, "they probably in the past, such as the Pub-these exempt-debt borrow-

Stapczynski's CIP would taxpayers." ask voters to approve spend-Several residents agreed. ing on six more multi-million concern he has is that tax-"It's staggering the dollar projects, including payers will be doling out amount of tax increases we a new Ballardvale fire sta- more for debt in 2015 are getting," Mike Roli of 2 tion, a new town yard, reno- about \$324 on average — College Circle said. "People vations to Andover High than they have in decades. can't afford this. Maybe some School, purchase of land In fact, the debt require-

czynski's plan for future "It's not just seniors hasn't been set, but even broad bill to nearly \$9,000.

The Bancroft School proj- man Jon Stumpf said Monmillion, was paid for partly the first chance his members

ing items to be fair to the

Stumpf said the biggest

nothing set in stone until

"We have the Bancroft through a voter-approved had to question the town what big projects lay ahead," School tax increase com- debt service override, which manager's proposed figures. he said. "When they mature "This is the first dialogue to the point of having real ment," he said, referring to struggling to pay for other

purchase of land from Reich- just \$190. Last year, debt on ing and a debt-exemption house, among other things." Greg Rigby of 131 Rattle- hold Chemical for ballfields. big projects was costing tax- vote. It could be a year from That doesn't make it any

He added that while people increases. Finance Committee Chair- projects are approved by may have seen their propalso gone up.

Spending would be phased payers about \$166. Next year, now or five years from now." easier for people living on The town manager said fixed incomes, Roli said. He ager Reginald "Buzz" Stap- percent over the last 10 years. actual cost for the projects ing the average taxpayer's that while debt may seem noted that for many people, high, in the past it's been Social Security cost-of-living projects, known as the Capi- who are affected," he said. estimates show funding for Stapczynski said the CIP a higher percentage of the increases aren't keeping tal Improvement Program, "Everybody in town is the town manager's list would is a work in progress, with overall budget than it is now. up with local property tax

> "We are going backward," selectmen, Town Meeting erty taxes go up 46 percent he said. "You're killing us. and voters at large. in 10 years, that's because It isn't affordable. I don't "That list is my vision of their property values have know how you can buy conservation land and put in "That's a tricky argu- playing fields when we are

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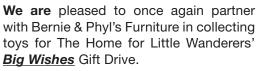
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Rep. Lyons moves to block abutting Vale developer

By Dustin Luca dluca@andovertownsman.com

The tale from the Vale has taken another dramatic turn, with state Rep. Jim Lyons and his wife purchasing property solely to obstruct the plans of an abutting developer.

long-standing feud, Berna- of protecting his family. dette Lyons paid more than

since 2003 to build a million- property. dollar home on a site on the Andover Street land.

Street parcel, which was tionary terms. recently assessed by the town

large chunk of the driveway to the Johnsons' Reynolds Street property. The Reynolds Street land, meanwhile, backs up to the Lyons family home on High Vale Lane.

Rep. Lyons last week said buying the Andover Street property around the corner In the latest volley in a from his home was a matter

But the Johnsons, who pre-16 times the assessed value viously owned the Andover of an unbuildable lot at 233R Street lot, said the purchase Andover St. — adjacent to prohibits them from moving land owned by Bill and Gail forward with developing their Lyonses in 2011, have aimed financial resources into the comments.

Reynolds Street that abuts their probation stemming if I go on Reynolds Street, I exactly what we're doing." According to a warranty victions, the Johnsons cannot Johnson said. deed filed with the Northern come within 20 feet of prop-25,725-square-foot lot at 233R of the Andover Street lot, the protect our home and our fam- not yet been scheduled. Mean-The small, vacant Andover while abiding by the proba- harassing our family."



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Reynolds Street land after State Rep. Jim Lyons discusses his wife's purchase of 233R The Johnsons, who were having invested a decade Andover St. during a Nov. 12 Planning Board meeting. Abutter convicted of harassing the of work and considerable Bill Johnson, seated behind him to the right, objects to his

> Under the conditions of he owns Reynolds Street and, family," Lyons said. "That's from their harassment con- could be trespassing," Bill

"Not only that, but (Lyons) that victims of crimes want to guilty verdicts in an effort to at \$8,100, runs alongside a has taken the conclusion that protect their homes and their clear their names.

Nov. 20 asking the court to as the buyer of 233R Andover tion, Johnson said his Rep. Lyons, however, said modify the terms of their St., now owns not only the inability to walk on his own Essex Registry of Deeds, Ber- erty owned by the Lyonses. the land purchase was a means probation so they can access property, but the infrastruc- driveway leading to his own nadette Lyons purchased the With the Lyonses' purchase for him to take measures "to their land. A hearing date has ture under the ground. Andover St., also known as Johnsons said it's impossible ily from these convicted crimi- while, the Johnsons, who both to access the sewer connec- his request that the court terthe "Steir lot," for \$125,000 on now for them to access their nals who were sent to prison served prison sentences fol-tion, the water lines, the road-minate the probation restric-Reynolds Street property after a jury trial for criminally lowing their harassment con- way or anything else to do tions on him and his wife victions, have filed an appeal with Reynolds Street through altogether. "I don't think it's unusual seeking to overturn their that property," Lyons said.

ture, including water and —period. sewer access, that Bill Johnsite, he said.

"I have to access these denying him those rights." utilities and the town has approved me to use them for Newton-based attorney that lot," Johnson said. "The Michael Gillis, representing town isn't going to allow Bernadette Lyons, told the another set of utilities since Johnsons that they are "not to they're there."

sons' Reynolds Street prop- currently upon, the property." erty were discussed, Lyons The Johnsons filed a motion told members that his wife, structure remains in ques-

ther, stating Johnson no Johnson said.

Further complicating the longer has the opportunity issue is the utility infrastruc- to access his own property

"We are entitled to our son installed on the Andover rights, and he, as he told oth-Street property in 2005 when ers before, has no right in that he owned the lot. That infra-roadway," Lyons said. "He has structure was put in place to no right to use the infrastrucsupport the future develop- ture. He has no right to use ment of his Reynolds Street the water. He has no right to access his lot, because we are

In a letter dated Nov. 15, trespass upon (the Steir lot) At a Nov. 12 Planning Board for any reason, nor are you to meeting during which plan affect in any way any and all modifications for the John- infrastructure leading to, and

While the utility infraproperty is the larger issue "Mr. Johnson has no right and serves as the basis for

"(Lyons) is interfering with Lyons went one step fur- my right to make a living,"

10-day liquor license loss, probation for Raagini

By BILL KIRK

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this week reduced its sus- to an ABCC official. pension of Raagini Indian Bistro's liquor license from addition to forcing the res- Pabla also lives, and met liquor after-hours at the hearing, selectmen sus- age of 21. 30 to 10 days, while ordering ignation of Pabla as man- him outside the restaurant restaurant. The specifics pended Raagini's liquor a series of changes, includ- ager, selectmen imposed a at around 1 a.m. ing the resignation of its number of other restrictions manager.

licensing board, brokered sheen Plaza. an agreement with resstate Alcoholic Beverages relationship with. for Wednesday morning.

The selectmen, acting infractions at the less-than-men/Licensing Board hearin their role as the liquor year-old eatery in Shaw- ing that the two took a drive by police.

ney, Joseph Edwards of 24-year-old manager and a home. Haverhill, on the eve of a 17-year-old girl he was in a

Pabla sought to appeal the attorney in the case, Ilya while he was investigating selectmen's 30-day license Defilippis, Pabla received a another matter.

suspension, handed down text from the 17-year-old girl

around town, then returned

Pabla and his previous age drinking came to light on for some time."

The girl and her mother answer. in June. With this week's on March 21 while he was at apparently had gone to the at the nearby Washington which they revealed that ment issues for my client."

Pabla was called before to the restaurant, where man Lt. Edward Guy said led to Monday night's taurant for one year, until taurant manager Jaspreet the board following a March Pabla served the girl alco- earlier this year that "activ-"Jessi" Pabla and his attor- incident involving the then hol. He then gave her a ride ity had been going on afterhours, which was brought to the following provisions: Detective Patrolman our attention. It happened

attorney advised him not to which time he can return as approval next week.

agreement, Edwards can- work. The girl then walked police station to report a that," Defilippis said. "There sion that Pabla's father take The Board of Selectmen celed the hearing, according to Raagini from her home separate incident, during are obvious Fifth Amend- over as manager.

Under the agreement, in Park apartments, where Pabla had served the girl Following the June 17 hiring of females under the of the other matter under license for 30 days; the employees. The training, Defilippis testified at a investigation were not restaurant appealed to the which must be conducted designed to thwart further June 17 Board of Select- released, and no charges ABCC. While the appeal annually, teaches how to were brought against Pabla was pending, talks contin- prevent over-serving alcoued between the town and hol to patrons. Andover police spokes- Raagini's attorney, which

■ A 10-day liquor license ary action. Peter Reming said in a May multiple times. Det. Dan- suspension, starting Jan. 2, Control Commission appeal According to police 10 police report that the iel Milne investigated and during which the restaurant liquor license is up for hearing that was scheduled reports and testimony by information about under- found out it had been going may remain open, but not renewal and had been serve alcohol.

a full-time employee. The "I'd ask he not answer agreement includes a provi-

■ A prohibition on the

■ TIPS training for all

■ Probation for the res-Jan. 2, 2015, during which The agreement calls for time any infractions could result in further disciplin-

The restaurant's annual scheduled to be voted on When Selectman Dan

The resignation of Monday night, according Kowalski questioned Pabla Pabla as manager. He may to Town Clerk Larry Murat the June 17 hearing only work at the family- phy. He said a busy agenda about how often he had owned restaurant from 6:30 delayed the vote, which is served liquor to minors, his to 10:30 p.m. until July 1, at expected to be brought for



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World language teachers lead conference workshop

Linda Kane of West Middle School, Teachers." Norma Villarreal of Wood Hill Middle Middle School participated in the 46th the Spanish Classroom!' annual conference of the Massachuthis fall in Sturbridge.

and offered more than 110 sessions said in a release. and workshops for teachers of all languages on topics of class activi- Andover Public Schools were Jorge ties, cultural information, assess- Allen, director of world languages; ment, technology, articulation and Maria Hernandez and Patricia Gregprogramming. Helena Curtain, ory of Wood Hill Middle School; nationally renowned speaker and Lauren Hayes, Melissa Buganski author, was the keynote speaker and and Kate McGonagle of West Middle inspired attendees with her address School; and Lin Wu of Andover High "Head, Hand and Heart: Supporting School.

Andover world language teachers the Collective Voice of Language

The local trio was selected to pres-School and Leela Bakshi of Doherty ent a workshop titled, "Olé! Music in

"The opportunity allowed us to setts Foreign Language Association work collaboratively to share the exciting work connecting content, The conference attracted almost project-based learning and technol-900 attendees from across the state ogy going on in our district," they

Also attending the conference from



From left, Linda Kane of West Middle School, Norma Villarreal of Wood Hill Middle School and Leela Bakshi of **Doherty Middle School presented** a workshop at the 46th annual conference of the Massachusetts Foreign Language Association.

Courtesy photo



Andover's Team "Force Five" will be competing in the Massachusetts State FLL Robotics Championship on Dec. 21.

'Force Five' powers on to states

advancing to the Massachu- the FLL competition. Championship to be held eighth-graders attending multiple timed tasks. response system.

Team "Force Five" from Dec. 21 in Worcester.

First Lego League Robotics to the states, the team won Austin Prep in Reading. competition qualifier on Sat- an award for Gracious Pro- For the competition, the to use autonomous drones urday, Dec. 7, in Shrewsbury, fessionalism, a key aspect of team designed and built a to perform storm dam-

setts State FLL Robotics The team consists of to autonomously execute an integrated emergency

West Middle, Doherty and Additionally, the students

Andover came up big in the In addition to moving on Pike schools in Andover and researched, developed and presented a concept robot that was programmed age assessment as part of

ON CAMPUS

recently awarded degree tory and ethics. It is based in the Edna M. McGlynn Schol- Bowdoin Book Award winner from Binghamton University a remote camp in the Adiron- arship awarded to a matricu- for achieving a 4.0 GPA. She in New York.

earned a Master of Science devices. degree in biomedical anthropology from the Harpur College of Arts and Sciences.

the School of Management. Club in Danvers.

dack Semester program this lence in music.

Two local students were history, ecology, cultural his-Sarah Elizabeth Hempstead sion and most electronic major in history.

were among Salem State nursing from Saint Joseph's James Bowdoin Scholars Jordan L.Greenberg earned a scholarship recipients recog- College of Maine. Bachelor of Science degree in nized during a recent recepmanagement leadership from tion at Danversport Yacht

Andover High School grad- Antone Aquino Music Schol- ity College in Hartford, ment and legal studies and uate Samuel F. Pratt is one of arship awarded to a student Conn., for the 2013-2014 minoring in history. Morin, a 12 students at St. Lawrence majoring or minoring in academic school year. She sophomore, has not declared University in New York music who demonstrates received the honor after a major. participating in the Adiron- outstanding academic excel- compiling an exemplary

fall. Following the model of **Casey Colbert** received the pology after three years at studying abroad in another Delphine M. and James B. the college. culture, the Adirondack Sullivan Ph.D. Scholarship Semester offers students awarded to a student majorthe opportunity to immerse ing in science (biology or honored for their academic September. Miler received themselves full-time in the chemistry) and enrolled in excellence at the annual her doctorate in musical arts natural world. The program the Honors Program. Colbert Sarah and James Bowdoin in woodwind performance. includes extended wilder- also received the Dorothea Daat Bowdoin College in Joel received her Master of ness experiences as well as Lyons Scholarship given to a Maine.

Stella Bracke was awarded a

31 seniors to be named a respective classes. Ossoff, a Michael Benjamin received the President's Fellow at Trin-junior, is majoring in governacademic record in anthro-

Michelle Wiener, a senior, and administration.

Kimberly Whitworth received was named Sarah and James dacks, without cars, televi- lated graduate student with a is majoring in government and legal studies as well as sociology.

William Ossoff and Nicole Morin Three Andover residents Bachelor of Science degree in were both named Sarah and for being among the top 20 percent of students with Anne Arnzen was among the highest GPAs in their

> Meghan E. Miller and Elisa M. Joel were among the 1,613 students awarded degrees Three local students were from Boston University in Education in policy, planning

Spoonfuls of holiday help for the hungry

Bread's annual Holiday 'marketing' the spoons at Spoons Project fundraiser. the school craft fair and, The Holiday Spoons Proj-most of all, sharing a valu-

ect encourages children of able lesson with the class all ages — through schools, and learning more about youth groups, neighbor- hunger together." hoods and family gatherings sis in America. To raise money, chil- the initiative for the last 14,

dren take ordinary wooden and matches up to \$10,000 in spoons and transform them donations. into works of art, which they then sell, with the proceeds a chance to win a free, pribenefiting Project Bread.

dren learn about hunger, result of their spoon decoraincluding the basics that tions. People have until Jan. humans need to survive, 6 to vote online for their who is affected by hunger, favorite group of spoons, the importance of a healthy with the winner earning the breakfast, how affording screening. For more inforhealthy food can be diffi- mation, visit www.projectcult for some, ways to help bread.org, www.facebook. people who face hunger and com/projectbread, or www.

Siviski says in a release it

Shannon Siviski's fifth- was a great process watchgrade class at High Plain ing her students "create Elementary School has the spoons, hearing what raised \$460 this season to the students thought about help end hunger in Mas- the project and the motive sachusetts through Project behind it, listening to them

Project Bread has been - to get involved in both presenting the Holiday raising money and learning Spoons Project for nearly about the overall hunger cri- 20 years. Jordan's Furniture has teamed with it on

The students now have vate screening at a Jordan's Along the way, the chil- Furniture IMAX theater as a

twitter.com/walkforhunger.



The fifth-graders in Shannon Siviski's class at High Plain Elementary School created these Holiday Spoons as part of Project Bread's annual fundraiser.

Calling all youth wrestlers

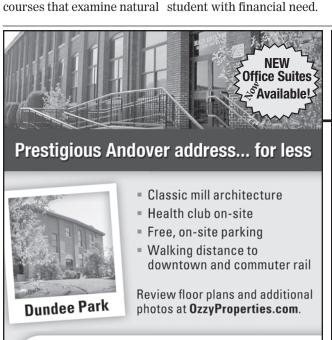
Warrior Wrestling is now through fourth-graders in signing up for its eighth one group, which will pracseason.

Andover boys and girls fifth-through eighth-gradin second through eighth ers in another, which will grades. Wrestlers will practice Tuesdays and learn technique, get in bet- Thursdays from 6 to 7:30 ter shape and, of course, p.m. All practices will be wrestle. Participants will held at the Wood Hill School also spend a few Saturdays gymnasium. competing in meets and tournaments.

The program is split into outhservices.com.

Andover Youth Services two groups, with secondtice Mondays and Wednes-The program is open to days from 6 to 7 p.m., and

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by Nicholas T. Papapetros, DMD, FAGD

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Survey seeks pulse of downtown parking

By Dustin Luca dluca@andovertownsman.com

parking downtown? Ideas on office. how to improve Andover's economic core? The town a member of the subcommitwants to hear from you.

anyone frequenting down- work at the businesses." town Andover, soliciting their opinions on the age-old to see people using down-

the heels of last month's needs," Guy said. "Andover Tomorrow" ecodevelopment."

on the back. Leary said her Dec. 24. group is hoping to have the

survey distributed by all the banks, downtown merchants and restaurants, as well as Do you have gripes about the library and public safety

Police Lt. Edward Guy, also tee, said the survey's target An Economic Develop- is "residents as well as peoment Council subcommittee ple from out of town, people is circulating a survey to who utilize the businesses,

The subcommittee "wants debate on whether adequate, town, and if we have a betconvenient parking exists ter understanding of what people are looking for, we're The survey comes on better able to service their

Hard copies of the survey nomic forum. Subcommit- are available throughout tee member Andrea Leary downtown Andover. A link to said parking is "a key and the online survey, conducted critical piece in economic through SurveyMonkey.com, can be found at the town's The survey consists of 10 official website, www.andoquestions, with the oppor- verma.gov. Responses will tunity for general comment be accepted until Tuesday,

Flu vaccines still available

Anyone who missed the has not yet had the flu vac- spray (FluMist) will be avail-

cine is in luck. residents. The vaccination between the ages of 2 and 49. is free of charge; however, be requested for billing sion at 978-623-8295. purposes.

The traditional intramustown's annual flu clinics and cular shot and the nasal able, as well as a limited The Andover Health Divi- amount of high-dose vaccine sion has a limited amount for residents 65 and older. of vaccine still available by The FluMist is designed for appointment for Andover medically eligible people

To schedule an appointinsurance information will ment, call the Health Divi-

▶ West Parish Church **Blue Christmas Service on Sunday**

West Parish Church, 129 experience those feelings, Reservation Road, Andover, and instead hide from, them, will hold a Blue Christmas pretend or withdraw. Service on Sunday, Dec. 15,

time of year is one of joy and help those who find themconsumerism, with many selves in the midst of darkof the carols and services ness during this time of focusing on hopes and expec-celebration. tations. Some people, however, cannot authentically

Sunday's service of music. readings, meditation, can-The public message this dles and preparation will

All are welcome to attend.

Forgue, Robb shining examples of leadership

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Editor, Townsman:

Two seemingly unrelated items in the Dec. 5 edition of the Andover Townsman caught my attention. I say "seemingly unrelated" because, for me, the relationship is strong.

First, Susan McKelliget, in her All Those Years Ago column, reports that on Dec. 8, 1988, Don Robb and Richard Neal, both in their third terms as School Committee members, announced that they would not be seeking re-election for a fourth term.

Then I read a letter from Dennis Forgue, the current chairman of the School Committee, in which he announced that he

would not seek re-election to a third term on the committee.

We have known both Don and Dennis over the years. I first met Don during daily morning dog walks at Lower Shawsheen Field more than 20 years ago. At the time, my wife, Jo-Ann, and I were only peripherally involved in the daily life of the town, but as we got to know Don and his wife, Vickie, we were exposed to the mechanics of town government and particularly to the issues that were the fabric of Andover. With no wish to embarrass Don, I would say that he was our mentor in our introduction

to Andover on a deeper

level, and his example led both of us to become more involved in town in a number of ways over the years.

Dennis and I became acquainted shortly before his first campaign for a seat on the School Committee six years ago, when we both served on the Space Needs Task Force, set up to study the condition of all of the public schools in Andover, both from a physical infrastructure standpoint and as to capacity. This task force led to petitions to the Massachusetts School Building Authority, in its first year of existence, for state assistance in constructing the new Bancroft School, which is now nearing

completion. I found Dennis to be a dedicated, nose-tothe-grindstone member of the group, one who did his homework and was very much data-driven, but who was also aware of the personal impacts of decisions.

Both Don's and Dennis' service to the town are shining examples of leadership. They believed they had something to offer, but also realized the importance of allowing others to step to the plate and share their views. We will be forever grateful for having known Don and Dennis, and we look forward to continuing our friendship.

JO-ANN AND TOM DESO 81 High St.

Tax increases cause for frustration

Editor, Townsman:

The Nov. 21 Townsman was a good read — that is, if you are at all concerned about your "soon-to-arrive" town tax bill. It is good to know that Proposition 2 1/2 is alive and well in Andover. It appears that your taxes will only be going up about 4.6 percent. How does that happen? Good question and the answer is that you voted for it at the last — and previous Annual Town Meetings. If vou were not there to vote. that's no excuse; your neighbors helped you out and did it for you.

The mechanism that all too few seem to understand that allows this is in those seemingly innocuous votes for items that are presented as "debt exclusions." It

almost sounds like we will not have to pay — kind of like the present thinking of the administration in Washington. Apparently, there is still some down there who believe we can borrow our way out of debt. I don't think so, but they do and they have those special printing presses to assist them. We do not have the ability to print dollar bills on Bartlet Street Andover Town Hall.

Debt exclusion does not mean we don't pay; it simply means that the payment from your taxes — does not come under the $2\,1/2$ percent threshold that is supposed to be the annual legal increase limit. Sorry if that's news.

We were told that the

plans under way for the high school expansion, redevelopment of the Ballardvale fire station and the "whatever we are to do" plans for the Town Yard are to cost about \$9 million. That figure comes with a caveat, however; "two projects don't have price tags yet." To add to the equation, we have one ongoing project (Bancroft School) that will hopefully come in on time and on budget. Could happen, but less than an even money bet in my book.

Then we have the youth center — to have been built with private funds. Didn't quite happen that way. The town is into that project already for almost \$3 million (actually \$2.7 million, I think). And it hasn't yet been started

to be built. The project has been stripped of "bells and whistles" to make it more affordable and, of course, there is no mention of cost of maintenance. One million dollars would have provided more than 3,000 annual memberships to the new, enlarged YMCA under construction just down the street. Do the math — \$2.7 million.

Start reading, thinking and go to meetings where these subjects are discussed: it is your tax dollars being spent. It's the only way you can have a say in how that happens. Think I'm frustrated? You bet, and there is still "term limits" to think about — another subject, another time.

CEL PERRY Timothy Drive

A vibrant 'Pirates' with Treble Chorus

Editor, Townsman:

On Nov. 2, my family attended a vibrant performance of "The Pirates of Penzance" presented by the Treble Chorus of New England. It was part of their "Hands on Opera!" program, which is dedicated to educational outreach.

Directed by Rebecca Farnham, all aspects of the

production — performers, stage hands, set creation, lighting technicians, etc. - are handled by the members of the Treble Chorus, ages 10 to 18. Full-length operas are abridged into shorter productions that still maintain the music and the story line.

It's a rare opportunity for kids to have a taste of the music and spirit

of operas. In fact, one of the stars of this "Pirates" production, Francesca Lionetta, is now planning her higher education in music to be the field of opera. Andover is blessed with many terrific educators. The adults involved with Treble Chorus are insightful and contribute hundreds of hours to these

musical endeavors and

additional development, including the disabled.

I encourage families to gather for an evening of genuine pleasure. The next performance is "Ring in the Holidays" on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 7 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College in North Andover

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Opinion

Waiting and hoping for answers on Magee murders

Two years have passed since Andover grandparents John and Geraldine Magee were found shot to death, execution style, in their million-dollar home on Orchard Crossing.

Their daughter found her parents dead when she showed up the morning of Dec. 14, 2011 to drop their grandchildren off for them to baby-sit.

News of their murder hit hard in the upscale neighborhood, which the Magee family's construction had developed, and throughout the community.

At once, authorities were quick to rule out that the killings were random — there was no sign of forced entry and nothing was stolen from the home. They quickly sought to set the public's mind at ease that they should fear for their safety. But while it follows then that the assailants were

known to the couple, there has been little else said about the circumstances of their murders and who may have wanted them dead. One year into the case, the Essex County District

Attorney's office and Andover Police Department appealed to the public for any information that could potentially lead to some answers. It appears they heard little, because this week

they renewed that same request while also reiterating that the two agencies are still actively investigating the double homicide. Retired Police Chief Brian Pattullo and current

Police Chief Patrick Keefe both refute that the case has gone cold. And District Attorney Jonathan Blodgett assured that the investigation "remains active and a high priority."

"We will continue to pursue every lead until we find the person or persons responsible for this tragic murder and seek justice for the Magee family in court," Blodgett said in this week's statement.

That may be. But Blodgett nor anyone else in his office were taking interviews on the case. And Blodgett again said "specific details about the investigation cannot be released at this time.'

It's hard to imagine that anyone in the general public with information hasn't come forward by now. And it at least appears that those who may have details are not inclined to share them.

Perhaps if some of those details came to light some background or clues as to potential motive - it might offer some ideas of what areas law enforcement authorities are looking into and lead someone to perhaps be able to connect the dots.

On the one-year anniversary last year, a local crime expert said about one-third of murders whether committed by an acquaintance or a stranger — are never solved.

But he did say without warning, police can receive a random call or tip that blows the case wide open. The thinnest thread can unravel the entire puzzle, he said.

'It's also possible that somebody will get arrested for something else and they say, 'I have information.' Loyalties become strained," said Larry Siegel, a criminology author and criminal justice professor at the University of Massachusetts at Lowell, speaking generally about murder investigations.

Let's hope that happens with the Magee killings. Until then, all their family can do is wait and hope that someone who knows something decides to

An arrest or arrests in the case won't change the outcome. The Magee family has lost their parents and grandparents. But in all criminal cases, solving the case provides closure. And without closer, the unanswered questions will continue to haunt not only John and Geraldine Magee's relatives but the community — which will always feel a little uneasy knowing that two residents were killed so brutally in the privacy of their own Andover home.

REMEMBERING PEARL HARBOR



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff photo

U.S. Army veteran Francis Rittershaus, right, is walked by American Legion Andover Post 8 member Dave Lynch to the town's World War II memorial in The Park ahead of last week's Pearl Harbor ceremony.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

STEAM Studio would offer further diversity

Editor, Townsman

I'm a parent of three Andover High School graduates and the former chairman of Cornell University's Alumni Admissions Ambassadors in Eastern Massachusetts. In those roles, I became quite familiar with both student capabilities and high school programs throughout Eastern Massachusetts. I also have some familiarity with science, technology, engineering and mathematics. I earned a Ph.D. in electrical engineering and computer science from Cornell University and spent over three decades in R&D within the telecommunications industry.

I urge you to support the Andover STEAM Studio Charter High School. Its programs more closely match the needs of our technology-based economy than that of either Andover High School or Greater Lawrence Vocational Technical School. Although both claim to have excellent STEAM programs, they fall far short of the STEAM Studio Charter High School proposal.

For years, the Andover School Committee and faculty have fought the introduction of STEM programs and school/industry

cooperation. The recent extended labor difficulties at Andover High School are indicative of faculty intransigence, especially, some union leadership encouraging teachers to boycott the

state certification process. Although Greater Lawrence has excellent programs for a large segment of the region's population, it seems that it has been unable to attract many Andover students. It could be that its requirement that students enter as freshmen precludes Andover parents from making the decision that their child is best suited for a vocational career at such an early age. I wish this STEAM pro-

gram was available when our three sons went to Andover High School. Their career paths might have had fewer perturbations if they had had more "handson" and "project-based" experience. Especially for our eldest, who moved through three environmental management consulting companies and two middle school teaching positions before finding his passion as an elementary school science teacher.

A new Obama Administration program, Youth Career Connect, will give

substantial grants to "innovative programs that give students industry-related job skills." This grant program also addresses those teenagers who find "high school boring and drop out because they don't see the connection between a diploma and future job prospects." This proposal addresses both the needs of those who will aim for careers in research and development, and those who work on teams to implement, install and maintain evolving technologies.

Andover is strengthened by the diversity of the interests of the people in the community.

tions. At the primary school intriguing split ... a couple level, in addition to the public schools, they support of parents for; a couple of Catholic, Jewish, Montessori and independent day schools. In addition, they participate in cultural, religious, music, arts, drama and athletic after-school programs. At the secondary school

level, I would guess that about 20 percent of our students seek education outside of our public school system. Phillips Academy, Brooks School,

Governor's Academy, Central Catholic, Austin Prep, St. John's Prep to name a few. Our top students find the need to attend the Russian School of Mathematics enrichment program.

They seek summer programs at a full range of local camps, colleges and universities.

I would expect the STEAM program to bring back many of these students and provide educational access for others. Its curriculum significantly enhances that which is provided at Andover High School and its smaller size can make it more nimble to respond to evolving needs.

At the public hearing Its citizens support a mul- held at Andover's Memorial titude of educational institu- Hall Library, I perceived an of parents against, a couple students against, a couple of students for (including the student representing the student council); the educational establishment strongly against, those who worked in technologyrelated industry strongly

> We should encourage, not deny, our youngsters this opportunity.

BOB FRIEDENSON 109 Bellevue Road

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

It has been two years since

John and Geraldine Magee were killed in Andover. With the investigation continuing, where do you see it going? Solved next year.

Solved by 2015. I don't see it ever getting

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Last week, we asked, "With a public ice rink coming to The Park on Bartlet Street, what are your thoughts on the first-time offering?" 96 responded, with 81 in favor of the idea and 15 against it. The

individual results were:

Great: We need something like this, as it will create a strong holiday atmosphere that could become a tradition — 61 votes, 63.54

Good: The idea is a good one, as a lot of people in town would go out to enjoy it — 20 votes, 20.83 percent.

Very bad: Something like an ice rink is a liability and risk, and would generate a lot of noise for neighbors -11 votes, 11.46 percent.

Bad: The idea has been tried in other areas. There's a reason why we haven't had one previously. — four votes, 4.17 percent.

Editor, Townsman:

Last month's Andover Tomorrow economic forum was a shameless public relations charade designed to breathe life back into the recently defeated rezoning/ town yard effort for next year's Town Meeting.

The guest speaker, economist Barry Bluestone, presented Andover's strengths and weaknesses in terms of attracting business in a comparison of Andover to 50 other municipalities.

"Citizen opposition" was noted as a negative for Andover. Professor Bluestone sheepishly said, "You have a very vocal citizenry when it comes to particular parcels of land? I guess?

This is what we found out."

His comment was more of a question than a statement, which made me suspicious. This was followed by one of the panelists bemoaning the defeat of the town yard rezoning article at our Town Meeting last May. And then a question for Bluestone from another rezoning supporter who belittled the "very small vocal minorities" at Town Meeting for blocking "perfectly sensible, logical ideas." The moderator wrapped up the event saying, "I don't have a specific issue to talk about tonight. There is no project we are talking about." Really?

Here is what they didn't

say at the forum. After the meeting, I contacted Professor Bluestone, who confirmed to me that the "citizen opposition" finding was not based on any independent research, but rather was given to him as a negative by the town officials who completed the Economic Development Self-Assessment Tool survey. How about that? Town officials consider citizen opposition to be a negative for our town. Funny, they don't seem too concerned when a vocal minority rubber stamps their bloated annual budgets or approves their nonessential pet projects at Special

Economic forum was 'shameless charade'

Town Meetings. Our town leaders have dug us all into a very deep financial hole with unfunded liabilities for healthcare and pensions exceeding \$350 million and they want residents to pay for all of it with higher tax rates next year. Andover cannot afford another nonessential \$18 million to move the town yard. The small vocal minority that supports the rezoning effort for the so-called "Golden Triangle" needs to address this concern and others or they will continue to face "citizen opposition."

BOB LANDRY Co-founder, TownofAndover.com **4 Seminole Circle**

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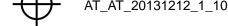
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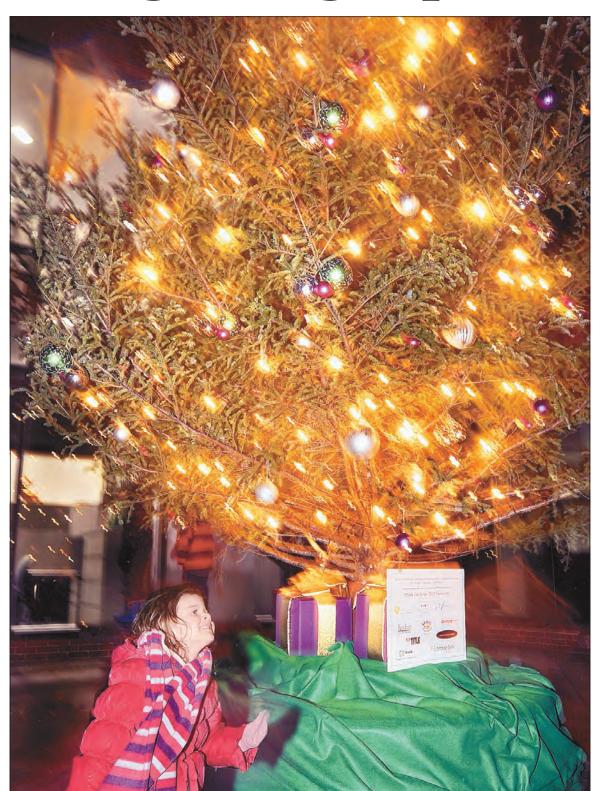
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TownsBeat Lighting up the season



Micaila Michaels, 3, sneaks a closer look at the Christmas tree after the lighting ceremony at the TD Bank courtyard on Main Street.

A spirited Holiday Happenings enlivens downtown

Photos by Carl Russo

Santa was the man of the hour last Friday night as he paid his annual visit for Andover's Holiday Happenings celebration.

St. Nick welcomed kids to his lap, danced the limbo and brought the Christmas tree on Main Street to life in white lights for the seasonal tradition that shuts down Main Street for the evening.

A light drizzle didn't stop families from enjoying the live entertainment and free activities, strolling through the local shops and taking in the fun, courtesy of the Andover Business Community Association.



Santa Claus shows off his limber side as he leads the limbo dance to music provided by DJ Ted Teichert in front of the Tiki Bar at Old Town Hall.



Catherine Francis, 9, and her sister Caroline, 7, create their own light show around their cousin, Nicholas Woods, a senior at Andover High School, as they wait for the lighting of the Christmas tree downtown.



Richard Bowen, who is credited with introducing the Ballardvale tree lighting, hands a candle to Leila Boudries, 10, of Andover.



The Christmas tree on Ballardvale green was lit during an old-fashioned holiday affair on Sunday night.



Collin Rowe, 6, of Andover, flashes a bright smile illuminated by his candle at the tree lighting.



The Ballardvale community joins voices for some caroling around the Christmas tree.

Aglow in a Vale tradition

Photos by Mary Schwalm

The community of Ballardvale gathered together Sunday for its annual old-fashioned tree lighting and carol sing on the green.

Former Town Manager Richard Bowen, who was the driving influence behind the launch of the holiday event in his section of south Andover several years ago, was once again on hand to do the honors.

This year's lighting included hot chocolate, cider and treats and was presented by the Ballardvale Historic District Commission.



Preston Murphy, 2, of Andover, marvels at the play of light from atop father Chris' shoulders at the tree lighting.



Medley of 'Nutcracker' ballets dancing to town

7 twirling with New **England Civic**

New England Civic Ballet toes up its annual performances of Tchaikovsky's holiday classic "The Nut-Rogers Center for the Performing Arts at Merrimack College in North Andover.

The production includes

seven Andover dancers: Kate Beaver, Riley Griffin, Elaina Ventre, Julia Jennings, Emily Bartner, Jessica Liao and Louise Steenbergen. It is being directed by Phyllis George and Roshni Pecora.

Performances are Friday, cracker" this weekend at the Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 14, at 2 and 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$22 for children ages 12 and under and seniors ages 55 and older. They may be purchased online at www.newenglandcivicballet. at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 org or by calling the studio at 978-975-0289.

Local leaping with **Northeast Youth**

Jillian Germano of Andover is among the cast of Northeast Youth Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker" on stage this Friday through Sunday at the J. Everett Collins Center at Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road.

The production choreographed by artistic director Denise Cecere features more than 125 auditioned dancers from Greater Boston, along with international guest artists hailing from Australia, Columbia,

Puerto Rico, Hawaii and New York.

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Performances are Friday and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$26 for adults, \$23 for children and seniors. For tickets or more information, visit northeastyouthballet.tix.com or call 800-595-4849.

Return of Dance Prism tradition

Dance Prism brings its 31st season of "The Nutcracker" to the J. Everett Collins Center at Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road, next weekend.

The cast of 140 includes the touring company's professional dancers and apprentices as well as aspiring ballet students drawn from statewide



COURTESY PHOTO

Andover dancers, from left, Kate Beaver, Riley Griffin, Elaina Ventre, Julia Jennings, Emily Bartner, Jessica Liao and Louise Steenbergen are in New England Civic Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker" this weekend at the Rogers Center for the Performing Arts at Merrimack College in North Andover.

open auditions, all under the artistic direction of founding member Mary Demaso together with Scott Ranagan.

Young audience members are invited to meet Clara plus the Nutcracker Prince, Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier following all performances.

Show times are Saturday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 22, at 2:30 p.m. Tickets for reserved seating are \$24 for adults, \$18 for children and seniors. For reservations or more information, visit www. danceprism.com or call 978-371-1038.

■ EVENTS CALENDAR

ART AND GALLERIES

ADDISON GALLERY, "Flash Back Nov. 22, 1963," 50th anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's assassination, through Jan. 12, 2014; "James Prosek: The Spaces in Between," incorporating natural history painting with contemporary influences, through Jan. 5, 2014; "Natural Selections," drawings from Addison's permanent collection, through March 2014; "the kids are all right," photography and video exploring notion of family in 21st century, through Jan. 5; 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.

ESSEX ART CENTER, "Good Fences," site-specific installation exploring contemporary boundaries and borders, by Jamal Thorne. through Dec. 19, Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery; 56 Island St., Lawrence; Leslie Costello, 978-685-2343 or leslie@essexartcenter.org; www.essexartcenter.org.

ALPERS FINE ART, "(Largely)

Small Works," end of year exhibit featuring a variety of pieces, through Dec. 24 and Jan. 9 to 12. Gallery hours Tuesdays through Fridays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sundays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; 96 Main St., Andover; 978-760-1829, www. alpersfineartonline.com/ current-exhibit.html.

FAMILY/CHILDREN

TREE TIME, Tree time at the Andover Historical Society, featuring more than 30 Christmas trees decorated in historical fashion, through Dec. 29; open Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 5 p.m., Blanchard House, 97 Main St., Andover; admission \$8, \$5 members, seniors and children, free kids under 5; www.andoverhistorical.

org.christmas. **SOLSTICE SUNSET, Winter** solstice celebration featuring short hike prior to solstice sunset ritual Saturday, Dec. 21, 3 to 5 p.m., Harold Parker State Forest, 1951 Turnpike St., North Andover; free, sponsored by Friends of Harold Parker and state Department of Conservation and Recreation; 617-828-1728,

www.mass.gov/dcr.

WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRA-TION, Fourth annual Shawsheen River Watershed **Association Winter Solstice** Celebration, featuring short presentation, entertainment by local musicians and campfire to roast marshmallows, Sunday, Dec. 22, 5 to 7 p.m., Serio's Grove, 47 Lowell Junction Road, Andover; meet/park in field at 5 p.m. for short walk to pavilion; free, bring refreshments (no alcoholic drinks allowed); bring bells to ring for the raising of Oak King banner;

FILMS

Bob Rauseo, 978-684-2459.

SCREENING ROOM, Boomer-Venture Screening Room Film Festival series featuring "Unfinished Song,' starring Academy Award winner Vanessa Redgrave, Thursday, Dec. 12, 7 p.m.; "Herb and Dorothy," documentary on art collecting, Thursday, Dec. 19, 7 p.m., free; Center at Punchard, 30 Whittier Court, Andover; 978-623-8321, www.andoverseniorcenter.org.

MUSIC

PIANO SHOWCASE, Honors piano students of the Merrimack Valley Music Teachers Association perform a piano showcase Saturday, Dec. 14, 2 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover; free; 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32; www.mhl.org/ eventcalendar.

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MYTH BUSTERS, Global Spectrum presents "Myth-Busters: Behind the Myths," starring Jamie Hyneman and Adam Savage from the hit TV show "Myth-Busters," Saturday, Dec. 14, 8 p.m., Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 50 Merrimack St., Lowell; tickets starting at \$40, VIP package \$150, includes meet and greet with Jamie and Adam; www.LowellAuditorium. com, 866-722-8780.

 Compiled by Chelsea DeFusco

Solution in Classified Section

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- 18. Grin 19. Complied with
- 21. Explosive 23. Perennial woody plant
- 24. Expression
- 28. Small Japanese deer 29. Denotes past
- 30. Bullfighting maneuver
- 32. Deaf signing language 33. Assistance
- 35. What part of (abbr.)
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49. Give a quick reply

52. Spanish appetizers

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60. Fellowes' Masterpiece series

46. College army

56. Environment

63. Questions

39. Two-toed sloth

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- 40. Biblical Sumerian city
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HOLIDAY OUT & ABOUT: Singing Santas ready to serenade

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Lawrence's Singing Santas are preparing to hit the road for their annual Santa Night on Friday, Dec.

Every year on the second Friday of December, the Santas and their elves aka members of the local Kiwanis Club and their family and friends — span out across the area for a night of Christmas caroling and merry making.

The group will board its "sleigh," a 55-seat luxury coach, at 5 p.m. at the Riverwalk in Lawrence and head to some 20 pubs and restaurants across the Merrimack Valley to perform a round of carols and collect donations for the club's charities. A band of caroling Santas will also be out on foot visiting restaurants in downtown

making their rounds until about 10 p.m. The funds collected will go to support the club's causes aimed at improving the lives of children in Greater Lawrence.

Holiday sparkle at Crystal Ballroom

The Crystal Ballroom Holiday Ball is set to spin on Sunday, Dec. 15, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Old Town Hall, 20

The evening will feature the music of DB's Orchestra. the church year. The Parish Tickets are \$10 in advance. Admission at the door is \$15 for individuals, \$25 for couples. Contact the Center at Punchard at 978-623-8321 or visit www.andoverseniorcenter.org for more.

A festive First Light celebration

The Jon Nelson Band (formerly Yom Hadash) will highlight the Merrimack Valley Jewish Federation's annual First Light celebration on Sunday, Dec. 15, starting at 2:30 p.m. at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover.

The festive, communitywide Hanukkah event and family concert will include a sing-along with the band, a complimentary latke bar

and Hanukkah treats.

music and high-energy concerts have been a staple in Jewish music for more than 15 years. In addition to founding the Jewish rock band Yom Hadash, Nelson is a popular children's entertainer and educator. He and his bands have performed close to 1,000 concerts for audiences of all ages and his music has been heard on radio stations in the U.S.,

Canada and Israel. First Light is sponsored by the Merrimack Valley Jewish Federation with support from local businesses and residents.

Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$9 for seniors over 70 and children over 5; children 5 and under are welcome for free. Additionally, there is \$45 family package with a minimum of two adults with children 17 and under. Tickets are available online at The Singing Santas will be www.mvjf.org or by calling 978-688-0466.

Christ Church hosting Advent **Lessons and Carols**

Christ Church Andover. 33 Central St., presents its annual service of Advent Lessons and Carols on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 5 p.m.

Accompanied by organ and candlelight, the service of Biblical verses, carols and hymns of the season, is one of the musical highlights of Choir and St. Cecilia Choristers will sing anthems by Orlando Gibbons, Peter Warlock, Thomas Ravenscroft, George Dyson, Paul Manz and Charles Wood.

The service will be preceded by a recital featuring Christ Church musicians Dawn Bell, flutist, and Carolyn Skelton, harpsichordist, performing works by Johann Sebastian Bach, Jean Langlais, Georg Bohm and John Stanley at 4:30 p.m. The program is under the

direction of Barbara Bruns, Christ Church Andover's minister of music.

Doors will open at 4 p.m. A suggested offering of \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students is requested to support Christ Church programs. A recep-Jon Nelson's inspirational tion will follow the program

in the Parish Hall.

Traditional carols and more at Phillips

Phillips Academy will present its Service of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 4:30 p.m. in Cochran Chapel on the school's campus at 180 Main St., Andover.

Presented by the Phillips Academy Chaplaincy and Music Department, the Service of Lessons and Carols is derived from ancient sources and is celebrated according to its usage at King's College, Cambridge, England.

The service will feature traditional Christmas readings and familiar Christmas carols from various traditions and cultures. There will be performances by the Fidelio Society and the Academy Chorus under the direction of Christopher Walter, the Handbell Choir under the direction of Abbey Hallberg Siegfried and the Academy Harp Ensemble under the direction of Emily Lewis. Members of the local Protestant and Catholic communities will also participate.

The concert is open free to the public. For information, contact the Phillips Music Department at 978-749-4260 or email music@ andover.edu.

Small-scale wonder at Alpers Fine Art

Alpers Fine Art at 96 Main St. in downtown Andover has decked its walls with some 60 new pieces of art for the holiday shopping season.

The exhibit, titled "(Largely) Small Works," leans heavily toward small-scale, modestly priced paintings and sculpture. It includes eight paintings by Ellen Granter, whose small oil of three birds on a branch, "Two and One," graced the cover of the international best-selling novel "The Help."

In addition, the gallery owned by Neil Alpers has expanded its inventory of locally sourced women's



COURTESY PHOTO

"Both," an oil on panel by Ellen Granter, is one of the featured pieces in Alpers Fine Art's "(Largely) Small Works"

jewelry and broadened its selection of Jon Olsen's award-winning photography of rural New England.

"(Largely) Small Works" runs through Dec. 24. After a holiday break, the exhibit will resume from Jan. 9 through 12. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit alpersfineartonline.com or call 978-760-1829 for more information.

Handbells ringing for the season at North Parish

The sanctuary of historic North Parish Church on North Andover common will again fill with the music of the holiday season on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 7 p.m.

The adult, children's, teen and handbell choirs under the direction of the church's professional musicians, John Middleton-Cox, Erin Lane and Barry Low, will mix old favorites with new arrangements of sacred and secular songs that celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah and the winter solstice.

ings there will be solos by Middleton-Cox and Low and audience sing-alongs, including "Let There Be Peace on Earth" as a call for the coming year. Those who have sung Handel's "Messiah" will be invited to join the performers for the Hallelujah Chorus.

A suggested donation of \$15 will be requested at the door.

Northern Essex's `Christmas Carol`

Northern Essex Community College continues a holiday tradition this week with its annual production of "A Christmas Carol."

Students, faculty, staff, alumni and family members have been performing the Charles Dickens classic for nearly 15 years. NECC theater professor Jim Murphy has acted and/or directed the production since the inaugural year, and his wife, fellow theater professor Susan Sanders, has overseen the set direction and costuming.

Performances are Friday, Along with the choir offer- Dec. 13, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 14, at 2 and 7 p.m.; and Sunday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m. in the Chet Hawrylciw Theater in the Spurk Building, 100 Elliott St. Haverhill. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$8 for students and seniors, and \$5 for children 6 and under. They can be purchased at the door or through www.mvarts.info.

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Townspeople

A tailor-made Spirit of Giving Gala

Bill Dalton



My wife, Katharine, and I attended Ironstone Farm's recent Spirit of Giving Gala at Andover Country Club, a place that was transformed into a Prohibitionera speakeasy. Many of us dressed for the occasion. My wife put together a flapper outfit and looked

sensational. My tuxedo, worn since college, looked like it had actually seen some speakeasies.

Shortly after arriving, I talked with Enzo and Lina Fossella during a happy and boisterous cocktail hour, through which we managed a conversation. The Fossellas own Enzo of Andover, which supplies top-end clothing to men. When they first opened in 1983, the local paper took a fancy to the Fossellas, and pictures of them at one fundraiser or another appeared often.

Our dinner at the gala was especially pleasant because we were sitting next to Susan and Mike Tucker — she the former senator and past gala honoree, he a retired CEO of a publishing company and a supporter of Ironstone Farm.

Our table was close to where the emcee, Susan Wornick, a Boston journalist, was most amusingly moving the program toward the fundraising auction. At the same time, Enzo was working his way back to his table and was near Ms. Wornick when they were suddenly talking, with the 400 in attendance listening. Enzo, using his pleasing Italian accent, effusively told Wornick how wonderful she was, and she, somewhat embarrassed by the compliment, adroitly turned it all into part of the show. It caused lots of laughter.

Into the auction, Enzo, now with Lina at his table, extemporaneously spoke up to donate a handmade suit for auctioning. Then ensued the bidding, with Enzo joking back and forth with the bidders. All in all, I was pretty impressed so decided to find out more about Enzo and Lila.

In the middle of World War II, Enzo was 7 years old, living in Calabria, Italy. He was both an apprentice tailor and schoolboy. At age 16, he opened his own tailor shop. In 1954, he was 19 and had saved enough money to follow his father to America. Enzo left behind beautiful Lina, the girl across the street with whom he'd grown up. Four years later, after establishing himself in the clothing industry in Massachusetts, he returned to Calabria

and they were married. For the next 25 years, Enzo worked his way up in the clothing business, eventually becoming a fashion designer, and he and Lina raised a family. Then they opened Enzo of Andover, supplying handmade men's clothing. For 23 years, he and Lina worked from the Musgrove Building and for the past seven years from 91 Main St. (near Lantern Brunch and the Andover Bookstore). Lina welcomes customers to the shop as well as does fine stitching. She was taught fine embroidering and knitting as a child in Italy. I asked Enzo how much he charges for a handmade men's suit. He said about \$4,500, adding that it takes 65 hours to make the suit, and the material is the very best.

Enzo and Lina haven't kept their success to themselves. In addition to supporting such excellent nonprofits as Ironstone Farm, Enzo founded the Service Club of Andover 20 years ago with a mission to help developmentally disabled children. He says, "Those children are the most wonderful people on Earth."

This is a great American success story.

Bill Dalton writes an occasional column for the Townsman. His email is BillDalton@ AndoverTownie.com.



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Veda Eswarappa visited India in the summer of 2008. Here, she is seen teaching students at a government home for boys in Bangalore.

Personal perspective

Andover woman tackles health issues in India

By Dustin Luca dluca@andovertownsman.com

As a sophomore at Phillips Academy, lifelong Andover resident Veda Eswarappa had an opportunity to walk the streets of Mumbai, India - a place rich with her family's heritage.

What she saw changed her life. Now, the 23-yearold hopes to change India in return with a book aimed at tackling the country's health care issue head on.

Co-authored with writer Sujata Bhatia, "Naturally Based Biomaterials and Therapeutics: The Case of India" seeks to expose the academic world to the topic of biomaterials applied to nations like

"If you're wandering around Mumbai, you're prone to seeing a lot of people begging or panhandling for money, and a lot of people have visible injuries — wraps around their bodies, open wounds," Eswarappa said. "You can have world-class, incredible health care. But at the same time, you have people who don't have access to it, who aren't getting good care at all."

Biomaterials, according to Eswarappa, are "any material ing the areas and quickly



ALEE PERKINS/Courtesy photo

Veda Eswarappa, second from left, with coworkers at the Self Employed Women's Association in Ahmedabad, where she did an

that's interacting and interfacing with your body, in a medical kind of way.'

She points to silk as an example. The material can be used as a bandage to cover wounds because of its fabric qualities, she said. But it also possesses unique proteins that can enhance and dramatically improve the healing

process, she said. Eswarappa, who has traveled to India about a halfdozen times to visit family and work with non-governmental organizations, said she has been interested in global health and international development since high school.

As an undergraduate at Harvard University in Cambridge, she took a number of courses further explor-

grew interested in biomaterial applications for the developing world. As she began doing more research, she said she realized there had not been much work done in the area, particularly with a

The challenge of bringing biomaterials to India comes down to a matter of supply and demand — a high supply of materials available, but with a seemingly anemic level of demand, she said.

focus on India.

"There are a lot of people living under a couple dollars a day," Eswarappa said. "If some of these things were to be taken seriously and tested out there, it could lead to better health outcomes for a lot of the population that isn't able to access great health

care now or can't afford it." Eswarappa, whose parents are from India, attended Andover public schools through eighth grade before enrolling at Phillips, where she traveled to India as part of the school's thenyoung Niswarth program.

The 2008 Phillips graduate then went on to Harvard, where she completed much of her research into biomaterials before earning her undergraduate degree with honors in biomedical sciences and engineering in 2012.

"Naturally Based Biomaterials and Therapeutics" came at the encouragement of the assistant director of biomedical engineering at Harvard, who urged her to publish her research and connected her with academic publisher Spring Science+Business Media.

Eswarappa, who is now working to bridge education and healthcare at the Parthenon Group, a consulting firm in Boston, said while a lot of potential exists in the field, "there's a tremendous amount of testing and proof to be done."

She credits the community she came from as the reason why she has been so successful. But even then, being successful is something she doesn't necessarily admit to.

"I've been fortunate in a lot of ways, and I've had a lot of opportunities," she said. "Other people, had they been in similar circumstances, they could have done similar things. I don't think by any means that I'm really a standout."

An artful farewell



Outgoing Addison Gallery of American Art Director Brian T. Allen, right, with his partner, Steven Horsch. His new post will have him leading the oldest art museum in New York.



About 60 guests feted Brian T. Allen at a reception last week as he prepares to leave the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy to become director of the New York Historical Society. Here, Allen, left, listens as Susan Faxon, Addison Gallery's associate director, talks about his accomplishments during his nine years in Andover.

Special Thanksgiving helping for 150-plus

More than 100 area fami- at Thanksgiving. Whole lies and several residents Foods joined the effort last of the Andover Housing year. Authority were able to enjoy a Thanksgiving with all members, Whole Foods custhe trimmings thanks to a tomers and Andover Rotarfood drive organized by the ians was astonishing," Diana Andover Rotary Club and Kiesel, Yang's co-owner, said two local businesses.

The Rotary teamed needy families.

the purchase of turkeys and ticipation as well. Thanksgiving fixings and families supported by Laza- fundraiser can contact Kiesel rus House in Lawrence and at YangsAndover@aol.com. ity residences.

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Kiesel said that in addiwith Yang's Fitness Center tion to the funds raised, and the Whole Foods Mar- there was an outpouring ket in Andover to provide of help from all three orga-Thanksgiving dinners to nizations in sorting, combining and delivering the The collaborative effort, dinners to the families. She which has become known as said many of the volunteers the Turkey Brigade, raised found their lives were posimore than \$2,500 toward tively impacted by their par-

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Boughs of green for Andover Garden Club

Andover Garden Club members put their wreath-making skills to the test at a special holiday workshop last week at South Church.

Back by popular demand, the workshop was filled to capacity as club members and their guests unleashed their creative sides to turn balsam and more into festive wreaths to display, while learning some design tricks along the way.

Participants incorporated their own personal touches to finish off their one-of-a-kind greens creations.

In addition to decorating wreaths for their own homes, Garden Club members were also able to create about 10 wreaths to donate to Neighbors in Need.

Many club members also contributed greens, and the leftovers were used to make arrangements for donation to last week's Center at Punchard craft fair.



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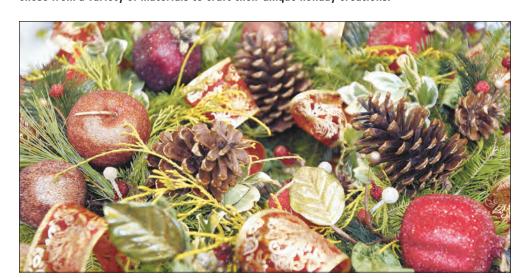
Andover Garden Club members, from left, Sandra Clevesy, President Anne Feeney and Paula Eriksen work on their wreaths during last week's club-sponsored workshop.



Pat Edmonds admires her work after affixing the final touches to her wreath.



Carolyn Fantini, left, and Carol Prentiss decorate their wreaths. Andover Garden Club members chose from a variety of materials to craft their unique holiday creations.



A festively decorated wreath adorned with pinecones and more rests on a table during the workshop.

Santa trots in for Ironstone treat

More than 200 people enjoyed Breakfast with Santa plus a ride on some special horses at Andover's Ironstone Farm on Sunday.

Ironstone welcomed the community to the free event, which included breakfast in one of the farm's indoor arenas and a chance to meet and be photographed with the farm's horses, which were decked out in their holiday finest for the occasion.

Ironstone Farm is home to two nonprofit organizations that benefit special needs children and adults, veterans with post-traumatic stress, cancer survivors and others. Offerings combine several traditional therapies into one program by using the power of horseback riding and the farm environment.

In addition, Ironstone offers riding lessons. Those interested in riding in the eight-week winter block must regis-

Ironstone is currently raising funds for an expansion. Earlier this year, Andover's Doug and Diana Berthiaume pledged to match any individual donation of \$5,000 or

more, up to a total of \$500,000, to support the project. For more information about Ironstone or to schedule a

at the event, Ironstone Farm riding instructors Victoria Kellman, left, and Emily **Hutson** posed with Santa and horses Bergen and Bront. The Andover **High School** graduates both learned to ride at Ironstone as airls.

After a day of helping out

> WENDY MORRISSETTE/ Courtesy photos

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Ironstone Farm volunteer Mary **Ruth Luther of** Andover enjoyed the breakfast with her daughter, Claire, who rides horses at the farm. Claire used the opportunity to ride Ironstone's biggest horse. Ben. for the first time.





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Jane and Peter Stein of Montague, MA and Glenn and Diane Damon of Andover, MA proudly announce the engagement of their children, Karen Isgur and Jamie Damon on September 21, 2013. A Spring 2014 New England wedding is being planned.

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Email holiday photos to townsman@andovertownsman. com. We can't wait to see what's out there.

Peter and Loren

Tran of Andover

festivities with children Sophia, 9, and Alex,

summer camp.

Ironstone's holiday

6. Sophia, pictured atop Clint, takes riding lessons at **Ironstone Farm** and also attends its popular

attended

Sports

Are you immune? A dose of prevention for the holidays

On Fitness

Art McDermott



It seems like nearly everyone I bump into recently is battling a cough or cold of some

sort. As soon as the cold weather moves in, the viruses that cause colds and flu seem to explode into action.

There are many products on the market to fight colds and lessen the severity and duration of a cold once you contract it. Taking large amounts of vitamin C is one common approach on this front. However, many people omit a vital step, which may prevent you from getting sick in the first place.

Your digestive tract or intestines play a critical role in your immune system. In fact, some specialists estimate the intestines make up 80 percent of your immune system. If the delicate balance of helpful bacteria is disturbed, you become much more susceptible to illness and infection.

The good news is there is something you can do to support a sound digestive tract.

In a recent study out of Australia, a group of 465 men and women with an average age of 36 were given probiotics or a placebo. Probiotics are microorganisms that help maintain the natural balance of organisms (microflora) in the intestines.

The individuals were given 2 billion colony forming units (CFUs) for 150 days. By the end of the study, the group taking the probiotic (technically named bifidobacterium lactis) had a 27 percent reduced risk of upper respiratory infection versus the group taking a placebo. In addition, it took the group taking the probiotic much longer to develop symptoms of illness.

Eating bacteria may sound unappetizing, but the benefit of ingesting good bacteria has been around for a long time.

If you are a fan of yogurt, you have already heard of the "live cultures" contained in many brands that maintain the balance of good bacteria in the intestines.

However, if you are not a fan of yogurt, taking probiotics in a supplement form is the way to go. The benefits are many, the cost is low and they are readily available at any health food store or supermarket.

With the holidays upon us and plenty of social events to attend, protecting yourself against the spread of virus is important. So stock up on vitamin C and add a probiotic to your daily routine.

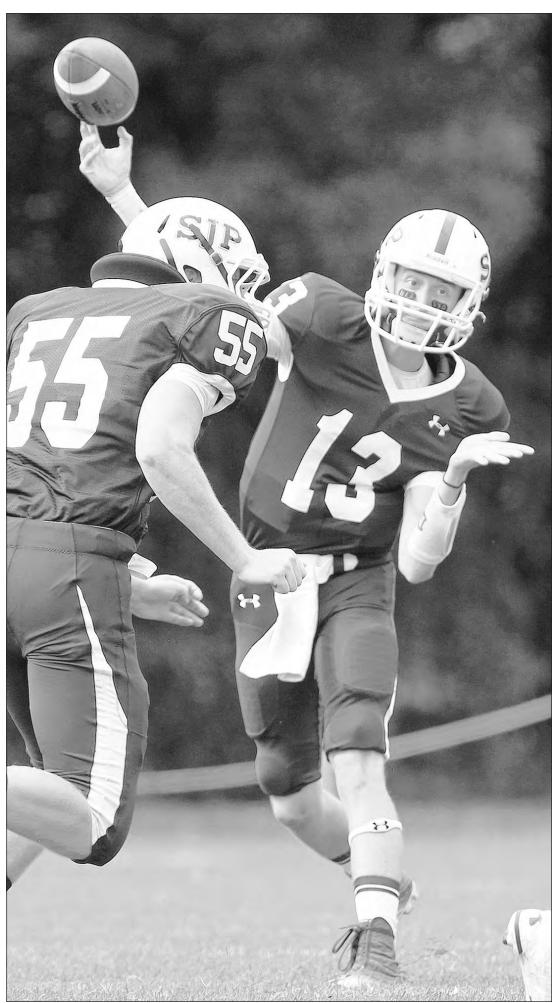
Art McDermott of Andover is the owner of Matrix Strength & Fitness in Wilmington as well as assistant track coach at Andover High School. A certified strength and conditioning specialist and certified nutritionist, he specializes in the testing and training of individuals ages 50 and older through his "Boomer Blueprint" service. Visit www. $matrix strength.com\ for$ more.

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WORTH THE WAIT

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St. John's Prep senior quarterback Michael Geaslen rifles a pass during a big 36-22 win over Brockton. The Andover resident who left town to play for St. John's after his freshman year shattered a longtime passing record at the Danvers-based Catholic high school this season.

A patient Geaslen broke school passing record at St. John's Prep

By BILL BURT bburt@andovertownsman.com

It wasn't easy for Michael Geaslen to leave some of his buddies at Andover High after his freshman year and transfer to St. John's Prep in Danvers.

In fact, some people from Andover probably thought Geaslen was crazy, particularly knowing his desire to play football and baseball, two powerhouse sports at the Catholic



Geaslen

high school. But thanks to a lot of patience and determination, Geaslen's senior season at St. John's, which recently came to a close, was a memorable one. Geaslen — who

wasn't named a starter until this past September — not only got to play quarterback this fall, but he broke a longtime school passing record held by a Hall of Famer while doing it.

The All-Catholic Conference League all-star threw for 1,280 yards, besting the previous mark at St. John's set by Brian St. Pierre (1,180 yards), who later went to star at Boston College before spending eight years as a backup QB in the NFL with Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Arizona and Carolina.

'(Geaslen) had to wait his turn and to be honest, I think he surprised a lot of people," St. John's Prep football coach Jim O'Leary said. "But honestly, I believe he was ready to play as a junior if we needed him.'

Ironically, he almost did ... against his hometown Andover High squad in the Div. 1 semifinals last year in Lowell.

'Our starting quarterback, Jack Sharry, was out all week long with an injury," O'Leary recalled. 'It was a short week. We were prepared to start Mike against Andover. That would've really been something.'

Sharry ultimately was able to start the game and St. John's eventually won, 20-0, with Geaslen taking some snaps late in the fourth quarter against his former

As for 2013, Geaslen was as solid as they come under some dire

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VHERE ARE THEY NOV

EDITOR'S NOTE: With the fall season at an end and the winter season about to begin, it's time to take a look back a pair of the greatest players in Andover football history.

Glenn Verrette and Jerry Stabile led Andover to Super Bowl victories in the 1970s, and both went on to have terrific college football careers. The two have remained in the Andover area, and we checked in with both to see how they are doing now.

Verrette led Andover to Super Bowl greatness

By Michael Muldoon Staff Writer

Dick Collins may have coached more great players than any football coach in area history.

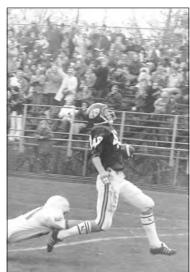
His players excelled at Michigan, Florida, Boston College, Maryland, Duke, UMass, Holy Cross, UNH, Brown, Harvard and on and on.

When asked who was the best, Collins would invariably discuss various Farnhams and Perrys and Marinaros and Jerry Stabile and Erik Greenstein and say it was just too tough to single out one player.

But he'd invariably say, usually off the record, it was Glenn Verrette.

In three glorious years in the mid-'70s, Verrette lost only once ... and that was in the Eastern Mass. Division 2 Super Bowl his sophomore year. The other two years Andover won Super Bowls, with Verrette catching the winning TD pass in overtime one year and with 1:25 left in the other.

"More than the team accomplishments, it was the camaraderie," said Verrette, who still lives in Andover. "I knew kids since the first and second grade and



Courtesy photo

Glenn Verrette leaves a defender in the dust during his tremendous career at Andover High in the 1970s. He went on to star at Holy Cross College in Worcester.

to accomplish something really special with them, it's just always a part of you."

They are still close. "We just went on our 34th golf

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Stabile was the total package on the gridiron

By Michael Muldoon Staff Writer

Players like Jerry Stabile only come along every so often.

He was a rare combination of size (6-0, 195 pounds), strength (threw the shot put 53-9), speed (hurdler/sprinter in track), toughness and brains (won BC football's prestigious Scanlan scholar-athlete award).

With Stabile, a ferocious linebacker, Andover's first-team defense in 1976 gave up just three touchdowns all season en route to winning its second straight EMass. Division 2 Super Bowl.

"When Jerry hit you, it hurt," said Tom Coffey, a fellow starting linebacker. "He was fast, tough and had a mean streak. He was the definition of a football player."

For Stabile, it was all about believing.

"When you are on that field, you have to know you are tougher and better than everyone else," he said. "If you truly believe it, you can do whatever you want.

Stabile made a lot of believers. And his combination of size and speed earned him plenty of suitors. He chose Boston College over Syracuse, Georgia Tech, Navy and



Jerry Stabile was an All-Scholastic linebacker/running back at Andover High, who went on to star at Boston College.

the Ivy Leagues.

There, he played (and played right away) with some top-flight talent like former New England Patriots Fred Smerlas and Steve DeOssie and his roommate, Mike

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conditions as St. John's Prep lost the "best" running back in the state, Jonny Thomas, to a leg injury four games into the season.

All of a sudden, the littleused forward pass would be en vogue under O'Leary.

"You lose a running back who already has 800 yards (in three-plus game) and you are definitely concerned," O'Leary said. "When that happened, it really became Mike's team. He showed his value to us after that game."

For a few weeks, Geaslen also lost four starters on the offensive line, which made things very difficult.

But Geaslen's game got

Geaslen threw for 10 touchdowns and ran for three more, as St. John's finished 6-5, losing a heartbreaker to Catholic Conference champion and Div. 1 Super Bowl finalist Xaverian in the last minute of their Thanksgiving

Day match-up.

"Mike drove us down the field and got us the go-ahead score in the final two minutes," O'Leary said of the game. "But they came back and scored and Mike got us down to the (Xaverian) 24-yard line before the game ended."

O'Leary said a few college



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St. John's Prep quarterback Mike Geaslen of Andover rolls out of the pocket looking for an open receiver during a win over Malden Catholic. Geaslen waited until his senior year to get the nod as starting quarterback for St. John's.

football programs inquired about Geaslen as a quarterback, as he appears to still be growing at 6-foot-2 and 170 pounds. But the 18-year-old has already committed to play baseball at Northeastern University in Boston in the

"I give Mike a lot of credit," O'Leary said. "He stuck it out and kept working. And when his time had finally come, he came through."

STABILE

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Mayock, now with the NFL Network and ABC Sports.

He played against some top talent, too. His senior year, he faced thirdranked Pitt with Dan Marino and then the next week it was 11th-ranked Stanford with John Elway.

BC nearly pulled the upset against Marino (14-6 loss), then rolled past Stanford 30-13.

Stabile was all over the field that day, including an interception on Elway to go with a whopping four pass-breakups and six tackles. The strong safety was named ECAC Player of the Week and earned Eagle-Tribune Performance of the Year honors

"Looking back at what Elway became, it was a sweet memory," Stabile said.

Stabile was a three-year starter and led the Eagles' defensive backs in tackles his final two years with a combined 150.

En route to BC, Stabile racked up an impressive career at Andover High, rushing 118 times for 876 yards and scoring 12 TDs as a senior in the Warriors' pass-oriented runand-shoot offense.

His sweetest high school memory? That's easy.

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"It has to be the Super Bowls," said Stabile, who grew up in the Shawsheen section of Andover. "It has to be a thrill for kids today. At the time, it was probably even a bigger thrill."

He played for legendary coach Dick Collins, who for the 1976 Eagle-Tribune All-Star team said of Stabile, "Offensively and defensively, I don't think there is a player around who can touch him."

"In my mind's eye, Dick was always an icon," said Stabile, who was inducted into the Andover High Hall of Fame in 2006. "He ruled the old-fashioned way, discipline and the concept of team and everybody playing a role. That really taught me hard work and discipline and teamwork. It sounds cliche, but they are life lessons I carry with me today."

The second of four athletic brothers, Stabile said the tragic loss of his oldest sibling, Tony, to a stroke

at a young age left "a huge hole" in the family.

Tony Stabile was being touted as one of the top running backs Andover had seen in years. A week after he was named MVP of the East-West game (the town's junior high schools), he succumbed to a stroke.

"It had a tremendous impact," he said of his brother's death. "It had a lot to do with who I became and what I was able to accomplish."

His younger brothers were also talented athletes. Bob Stabile scored a team-high 7 TDs for Andover in 1983 and then starred at UMass Lowell. Steve Stabile overcame major kidney surgery to start for the Golden Warriors and also captained the gymnastics team.

The next generation has continued the tradition. Steve Stabile's son, Tom, broke his uncle Jerry's family season rushing record as a senior

tri-captain at North Andover High.

Bob Stabile's daughters, Becca and Sam, are among the greatest track athletes in Haverhill High history.

Today, Jerry Stabile is a married father of four girls. He has put his college education as a business and communications major to work, co-founding eZuce Corp., located in Brickstone Square in Andover, four years ago. He is the COO of the unified communications (UC) software and services company.

Stabile also served on Andover's Board of Selectmen from 2007 to 2010.

His two oldest daughters, Joslyn and Alexa Stabile, are in Los Angeles.
Alexa works in public relations while Joslyn is an aspiring model/actress.

Joslyn has worked on three films: "The Sadist," "The Cornerman" and "Pawn," where she appeared with Michael Chiklis, the former Andover High football captain who is a close family friend. She could be seen recently sitting right behind Simon Cowell on a recent episode of "X Factor."

Stabile also has two daughters in middle school in Andover, Carly and Julia, who play basketball and lacrosse.

VERRETTE

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trip," said Verrette, who is senior managing director for Cassidy Turley commercial real estate in Boston. "It was (ex-teammates) John McDonald, Jeff Winters, Steve Fabiani, Duncan Black, T.J. Stamas and Steve Tassinari."

Verrette's father, Ernie, attended Central Catholic and his mother, Joan, was a nurse at Phillips Academy so he gave those schools a look. Albeit briefly.

"Just growing up in Andover, you wanted to play for Dick Collins," he said. "That was a big thing for

me."
That first Super Bowl win,

an incredulous Verrette recalled screaming at teammate Black, who he thought was coming in to replace him — on fourth down in overtime.

"I started screaming at him to get off the field," Verrette

recalled.
Turned out that Black
wasn't telling him to come
out, but to move to slot

receiver.

"Mark Farnham and I did a crossing route," said Verrette, who had 110 receptions in his Hall of Fame career at Andover. "Billy Alexander just brought it in perfectly. It was a great call."

Verrette's second TD grab of the game made it 20-20 and Peter Reilly booted the game-winning PAT. Senior year was another thriller. Plymouth-Carver led 3-0. Verrette was supposed to run a curl pattern but he broke it off and he and Alexander were on the same page.

"We both had so much experience together," said Verrette, who also was a standout in basketball and baseball. "We both read the situation. We scored and won the game."

The 14-yard TD came with 1:25 left. The big play of the drive was a 32-yard flea-flicker from Verrette to Farnham.

Verrette was the All-Scholastic with the best hands in the state, but he stressed that there was an eye-popping amount of talent. Farnham

was All-Ivy at Brown, McDonald helped lead UMass to the 1-AA national title game and Jerry Stabile starred at BC.

"We had better coaching, too," said Verrette, citing Collins and his top assistants, Bill Vickers and Dick Bourdelais.

Although Verrette was just 5-11, 165 pounds with good, not great, speed, the college coaches could see the magic. BC, Holy Cross and Brown were at the top of his list.

Holy Cross, where his brother, Bob, was entering his senior year, eventually won out.

Bob is quite a story, too. He graduated from Holy Cross despite being blind.

"He was a big inspiration,"

said Verrette, who was an assistant under Ken Maglio for six years at Andover. "On the one hand, he's my brother. We'd horse around, shoot baskets. On the other hand, at times, you'd reflect on his situation. That he couldn't do things that I could because he didn't have sight. He probably swung the vote. In the back of my mind, it was just a good situation to spend the year together."

At the time, Holy Cross played a rugged schedule. During Verrette's career, the Crusaders played BC, Air Force, Army and Rutgers.

Any concerns he could make the jump were allayed almost as soon as he stepped foot on campus. He settled in at defensive back and was a captain, four-year starter, first-team All-East honoree and O'Melia Award winner as the MVP of the BC game. Verrette, who was inducted into the Holy Cross Hall of Fame in 1988, intercepted 15 career passes and also was a star on the baseball team.

Following BC, the New York Giants brought him in as an undrafted free agent but a nagging hamstring injury ended his NFL hopes.

"I didn't pass the physical," said Verrette, who is married with three children, ages 24, 21 and 16.

"That was frustrating. It would have been nice to compete. But there aren't a lot of jobs in that league. I was ready to move on and start my business career."



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FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Joseph P Nolan, Jr. Also known as: Joseph P Nolan Date of Death: 10/11/2013 To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by Kathleen M Deschenes of Westford MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as request-

ed in the Petition.

And also requesting that: Kathleen M Deschenes of West-

ford MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to

serve Without Surety on the bond.
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceed-ing. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before

10:00 a.m. on 12/30/2013 This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this pro-ceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken

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FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Jonathan L Jenkins Date of Death: 10/11/2013 to all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Barbara Freedman Wand of Boston MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
And also requesting that:

Barbara Freedman Wand of **Boston MA**

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond. You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 12/23/13.

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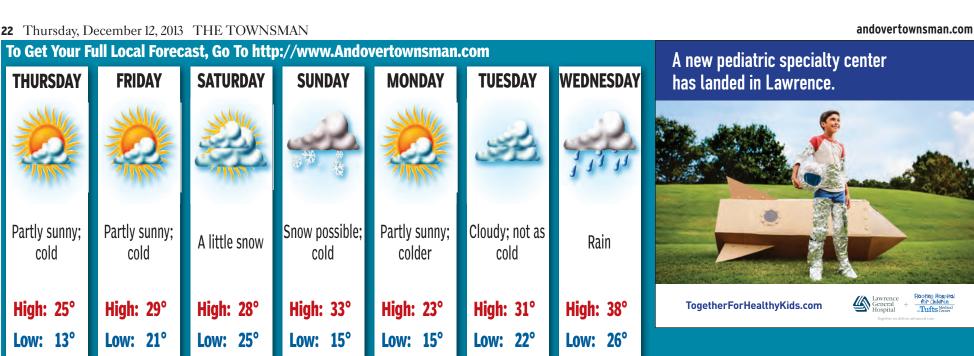
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