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# Ritzer family decries state SJC decision By Dustin Luca 'Betrayal, anguish' over parole potential for juvenile killers will be victimized again," the family

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of Andover to bear.

The parents and siblings 18 are unconstitutional.

of the 24-year-old Danvers The decision by the state's in prison to be given a chance and heinous crimes than vic-The fact that a 14-year-old High School teacher who highest court rendered on for parole.

could be paroled if he is found was found dead in the woods Christmas Eve day argues In a statement released guilty of viciously murder- behind the school in October that life sentences for juve- last week, the Ritzer family murderers are now provided ing Colleen Ritzer on Oct. 23, ing their daughter and sen- are decrying the recent state niles fail to take into account said it "feels a deep sense of a second chance through the the decision affects sentenctenced to life is too much for Supreme Judicial Court find- the potential for young betrayal and anguish" with possibility of parole, victims ing options for him should he the family of Colleen Ritzer ing that life sentences with- offenders to be rehabilitated. the decision, saying it "pro- slain at the hands of 'youthful be convicted in the case. out parole for killers under It paves the way for "youthful vides more rights to those offenders,' possibly even our offenders" sentenced to life youths convicted of horrible precious daughter, Colleen,

tims and their families."

again," the family said.

While 14-year-old Philip Chism, of Danvers, has "While these convicted pleaded not guilty to murder-

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# ICY ATTRACTION



RYAN HUTTON/Staff photo

Anna Zytkovicz, 5, of Andover and her older brother, Max, 10, test out the new ice rink in The Park at Chestnut and Bartlet streets on Sunday. A hard freeze Christmas week allowed locals to lace up their skates and take to the recently built attraction to start the new

# Park rink proving popular with families

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

advantage of cold tempera- the surface. tures to enjoy some quality family time last week.

"I'm so thrilled," said Mollie making difficult. Shenker of Candlewood Drive, skating on New Year's Day the temperature plunged and with her son, Aaron, 5.

"You're not allowed to skate was rock-hard. on the ponds. I was too anxbackyard."

Aaron pushed a couple of attached milk crates around,

sliding along on his skates as his mother encouraged him. "This was a great idea," she

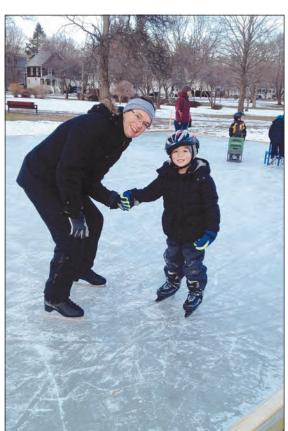
The 40-by-60-foot rink located in a corner of The Park just off Bartlet Street near the Town Offices parking lot — resembles a typical backvard rink. It was built by a group of volunteers, under the guidance of the public works department, using The town's new ice rink 2-by-8-foot boards and a tarp in The Park glided success- bought at Home Depot. A fully into 2014 as skaters took hydrant was opened to flood

> The rink faced a rocky start as warm weather made ice-

> But during Christmas week, by New Year's Day, the ice

Ted Teichert, a former ious to take him there any- selectman who pushed the way. And this is much easier rink idea in November, just than building a rink in your had knee surgery and hasn't had a chance to skate on it

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Mark Gleichmann and his 5-year-old son, Adam, take a break from skating at the outdoor rink at The Park to pose for a photo on New Year's Day.

BILL KIRK/Staff

# Lyman to bow

Selectman won't seek fifth term

> By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

After a 12-year run on the Board of Selectmen, Mary Lyman announced this week it's time for her to move on.

Lyman, 53, of 50 School St., announced Monday night that she won't be a candi-

**■** Chris Cronin re-electapped as new tion in director of Department of Municipal Services.



Mary Lyman

March. She had initially planned to seek another term, but said she had a change of heart over the

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# Town loses remaining Reichhold property

Site eyed for playing fields sold to LLC

By Dustin Luca dluca@andovertownsman.com

It could have been called "Ballardvale Springs," Andover's next proverbial field of dreams on a once-contaminated industrial site along the Shawsheen River that is better known by its prior owner, Reichhold, Inc.

But sluggish negotiations fell apart, and despite the town being authorized to spend

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# A gift, with love

# Younger sister donates kidney to ailing sibling

By Judy Wakefield jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

zie Dias watched as an older tic fibrosis, found herself Police Log......4 sister, Ashley, who was born in the hospital this winter Sports......14 with cystic fibrosis, waited on awaiting her second kida lung transplant donor list ney transplant, MacKenzie for organs that never came.

Before Ashley Dias could she received the life-saving receive a double lung trans- surgery. plant — her second in about graduate of Andover High her sister. School died June 14, 2012 with her youngest sister and other family members by her

bedside.

So when the oldest of the Dias sisters, Lindsey, who Two years ago, MacKen- was also born with cyswas determined to see that

On Tuesday, MacKenzie 10 years — the 26-year-old Dias donated her kidney to

Just hours after the at Cleveland Clinic in Ohio surgery, performed at

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be voted on, opened on Nov. 4

and will be closed by Jan. 31.

It will be published and avail-

The budget, meanwhile, is

And the Finance Committee

Meanwhile, nomination

completed with the required

The last day to withdraw

March 5. The election ballot

The last day for non-regis-

The state primary is sched-

The town clerk's office is

open daily so people can reg-

The town election is sched- able for public scrutiny by

School. But anyone wishing to due to the town by Feb. 7. The run for office must have their annual town report is sched-

signed nomination papers in uled to be filed by March 18.

in May. Anyone who wants to papers for elected town offices

place something on the war- are available in the town

rant has to have it in by the end clerk's office. They must be

Town Clerk Lawrence Mur- number of signatures by Feb.

elections calendar, which from the town election is Feb.

includes times and dates for 20. And the last day to register

the major, official activities of to vote in the town election is

Annual Town Meeting, dur- will be ready by early March.

budgets, zoning articles, major tered voters to sign up to vote

capital purchases and a num- at the annual Town Meeting

6, 12 and 13 at the Collins Cen- uled for Tuesday, Sept. 9 with

ter Auditorium at Andover the general election on Nov. 4.

ber of other items are voted on, voters is Tuesday, April 15.

Town Meeting, meanwhile, report is due by April 25.

Calendar for

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ing to be held at Andover High

will be held the first two weeks

annual Town Meeting and

ing which school and town

will be held at 7 p.m. on May 5,

High School on Shawsheen

of this month.

the year.

Road.

uled for March 25, with all vot- early April.

phy recently released the 4 at 5 p.m.

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elections, Town Meeting set weekend.

much to juggle," said Lyman, with you.' who has three sons with her had to go. I just can't do this."

day night's meeting, "It's been a long run."

As of Tuesday, no one had an open, three-year seat on the very hard to make it work." board. A vacancy also exists announced recently that he, her decision. too, would not be seeking until Feb. 4 to file nomination Lyman said. papers with the town clerk's

miss Lyman's service to the

subcommittees, and tempers 20 years old. have been raised," Chairman Alex Vispoli said.

said, chuckling.

Vispoli went on to call for meetings. I'm just glad worked at Family Services in you're here for the next bud- Lawrence. get cycle."

disappointed" to hear Lyman back." was leaving. "We all bring board," he said.

"I have a new boss, and I just echoed that sentiment, adding, favorite assignment was her

In an interview with The pler in my life and this is what Lyman said she will miss the work that she's been able to due to work or other conflicts. She told selectmen at Mon- do, especially with the elderly and disabled, but won't miss the long meetings.

"It's a huge time commitpulled papers for what is now ment," she said. "I've tried

She spoke with fellow selecton the School Committee, men and they all told her they as Chairman Dennis Forgue understood the reasoning for ing to what the town does,"

re-election. Candidates have I did the job with integrity,"

Selectmen said they would her youngest son was in kin-mittee, from 1992 to 1995. She cost to taxpayers. dergarten. Now, he's 17 and then took a break from elected graduating from high school. politics. "We've worked on many Her other two sons are 23 and

"I'm not a pushover," Lyman time and now I'm full-time," she said.

For the past year, she has

get cycle." "It's definitely going to be term on the board in 2011. Selectman Dan Kowalski sad," she said. "But I'll be Prior to serving as

Selectman Brian Major board, and Lyman said her her to run for public office. Disabilities.

the commission's meetings

important things," she said.

liaison to the Council on Aging.

"That brings new mean- heads. side to the work."

elected to the seat the follow- the ledger were treated. ing spring.

for her current three-year another side.

director of human resources Selectmen are assigned for the town for five years, unique perspectives to the various areas within the town from 1985 to 1990. She said it to focus on as members of the was that work that prompted

"I always felt like I could realized, it's going to be too "It's been a pleasure working role with the Commission on make a difference if I could change policies that I saw 'They are amazing to work when I was working," she said. husband, James. "I decided to Andover Townsman just prior with," she said. But recently, "I felt like I was more effectry to make things a little sim- to her formal announcement, she hasn't made it to many of tive because I knew what was going on."

Lyman, who has a mas-"I felt like I was missing ter's degree in public administration, said that inside Prior to her work with the knowledge, along with her Commission on Disabilities, educational background, she said she was the board's helped her push for changes on such things as the use of town cars by department

For years, the town had she said. "You are improving been overly generous in the "They said they thought people's lives. It's the human way it doled out take-home cars for town employees, Before serving on the Board Lyman said. She sought to Lyman was first elected to of Selectmen, Lyman spent create more structure with the board 12 years ago, when one term on the School Com- the program to reduce the

She said she also sought to change some of the antiquated In October 2001, she was language in union contracts, appointed to fill a vacancy and to strive for fairness in "When I started, I didn't on the Board of Selectmen the way employees on both have a job, then I went part- and then was subsequently the town and school sides of

"A secretary in one depart-In 2008, she defeated chalment should be treated the Lyman's service "unparal- been working in fundraising lenger Peter Cotch by a 260- same as a secretary in another leled. The behind-the-scenes at Greater Lawrence Family vote margin to retain her seat, department," she said, noting work, you're always prepared Health Center. Before that, she receiving 1,446 votes to his that for years one side was 1.186. Lyman ran unopposed paid at a higher rate than

"I haven't done everything I Prior to serving as an wanted to do, but I felt like I've said he was "truly happy to be getting my nights elected official, she worked as made a difference," she said.

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# REICHHOLD

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nearly \$1.8 million over the span of several years to buy the Lowell Junction Road land, it has gone to a private buyer.

the last remaining piece of the Reichhold property on Dec. 17 for \$1.8 million. It was paid in

The purchase by the private investment group led by James T. Lynch is the latest director of site remediation at chapter in the town's more the company's North Carolina purchase lists the company's than decade-long history with the property.

With 33.5 acres around the

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site secured by the town in land expired later that year as czynski said. work to clean up contamination went forward.

agreed to the final allotment of \$550,000 to seal the deal.

The Conservation Comgage through the Reading Co- 2 to call the site Ballardvale Registry of Deeds documents. acquire the property," according to meeting minutes.

> John Oldham, Reichhold's Commonwealth. headquarters, said his team 'worked hard to try to make 103, in North Reading. that property part of the town. They've been given opportunities for years.

a good opportunity to sell the property. We took that oppor- for comment for this story. tunity and moved on."

But that isn't to say the site is turn-around." a total loss, however.

the remaining 13 acres of the conservation piece," Stap-Over the years, the town

has acquired portions of the to sell property for years to the Over the years, Town Meet- site, including Serio's Grove. town," Oldham said. "We did ing had approved spending Purchased in 2001, that site sell a number of parcels to the \$1,325,000 on the last piece of is widely used by residents town, and we've been happy to Believe-Andover, LLC, based acreage. Then in May, voters for boat access and camping work with the town. It was just out of North Reading, bought at the annual Town Meeting amenities, according to the one of those situations where Andover Trails Committee the deal couldn't be made and website. Information on Believe- on."

part with a \$1.35 million mort- mission even voted on July Andover, meanwhile, is limited. The company was formed in May consented to the final operative Bank, according to Springs "if and when we on Nov. 12, 2013 by Lynch as infusion of cash to purchase manager, according to filings the property, conceptual

Documents on the official Lynch, of James T. Lynch cash. "It just didn't work out. It's Construction in North Read-

Lynch couldn't be reached the water that it will maintain.

property to private owners. Reichhold "wanted a quick needs.

"We're actively using the the town's negotiating price 2006, exclusive rights to buy land we already have, at least "was too low." He, however, declined to offer the price on the table.

> "Reichhold has been willing it was time. We had to move

When Town Meeting voters with the state Secretary of the graphics showed potentially two soccer fields and two soft-The deed finalizing the ball diamonds on the land.

While Selectman Brian address as 348 Park St., Suite Major was disappointed about losing the site, he said, "I completely understand the town website also show that company is trying to get some

Major said while the elusive that simple," Oldham said. ing, secured a drain-layer's final piece of the site "is a nice "We finished the work that license through Andover's block of land," the town still needed to be done and it was Health Department last year. owns a sizable stretch along

He added there are other Board of Selectmen Chair- options for creating baseball, Town Manager Buzz Stap- man Alex Vispoli said the softball and soccer fields elseczynski said he was disap- town was waiting for a grant where in town to satisfy the pointed with the sale of the to subsidize the purchase. But town's existing recreational

> "We can still look at the In response, Oldham said Deyermond facility, where we will be capping (the landfill). There is potential for putting additional fields there," Major said. "We can build additional fields behind South, Sanborn (schools). We have space to

do it." While the Reichhold property could have been the next field of dreams in town, there are limitations on the site due to the prior contamination, according to Registry of Deed

documents. The site can't be used for housing, a school, day care, nursery, agriculture or farming. Additionally, a state hazardous waste site cleanup professional must sign off on any work removing soils or any construction or renovation efforts at the site before work occurs, the documents

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The Ritzers have appealed

wake of the ruling. situation."

"The family wants to do this could happen to as well," Finegold said.

The Ritzer family crafted a according to Finegold. letter to Gov. Deval Patrick, the letter.

Finegold said while the lar situations.

state Legislature is not in a position to alter the ruling, the laws enforcing it are subiect to amendment.

to state Sen. Barry Finegold, land, but what we're focus- on Jan. 3 in response to the Massa- we are now forced to endure a D-Andover, for his help in the ing on is how long someone chusetts Supreme Judicial Court's could be convicted and not ruling that youths convicted of Finegold, who met with the be eligible for parole," Fine- murder and sentenced to life in Ritzer family Monday night gold said. "Right now, it's prison are afforded the opportunity at their request, said they 15 years. Could we make it for parole: face "an incredibly difficult later? Could we make it a lot longer?"

The heart of the discus- with the recent decision of the everything they can to make sion, at that point, becomes Massachusetts Supreme Judicial sure they don't have to relive measuring when denying Court that provides more rights to it every X number of years, the opportunity for parole those youths convicted of horrible and this is true for any family  $\,$  becomes cruel and unusual  $\,$  and heinous crimes than victims  $\,$ punishment for a minor who and their families. While these conhas received a life sentence, victed murderers are now provided

which Finegold delivered only ones upset by the court's the hands of 'youthful offenders,' to the governor's office on decision, Finegold said. A possibly even our precious daugh-Tuesday, he said. He would day after a story on Fine- ter, Colleen, will be victimized again families." not disclose the contents of gold's planned meeting with and again. the Ritzer family was pub-While there is nothing leg-lished in The Townsman's islators can do to overturn sister paper, The Eagle-Tri- pointed by this ruling," he man as he sat in a car in the SJC ruling, pointed to don't charge first-degree the court's decision, Fine- bune, the senator said he was gold said there is still room contacted by other families

# RITZER FAMILY STATEMENT

FROM PAGE ONE

This statement was issued by the The court is "the law of the family of Colleen Ritzer of Andover leen was taken in a cruel manner;

"The Ritzer family feels a deep sense of betraval and anguish a second chance through the pos-The Ritzer family is not the sibility of parole, victims slain at

who have experienced simi- court came in the case of tences without parole failed are still developing, and con- it warrants a first-degree Gregory Diatchenko, who to take into account a young cluded that it is a violation charge."

File courtesy

MacKenzie

Dias. left.

and her

Lindsey,

with their

Marylynne

mother,

sister,

right,

Dias.

Our daughter and sister Coltremendous loss for life while her likely attacker will be afforded the opportunity for parole if convicted. There will never be 'parole' for our family's life sentence without

If the individual charged with her horrific murder is convicted and sentenced to life in prison, he must never, ever have an opportunity for parole. Paroling such violent offenders would be more cruel and unusual punishment to victims' families and loved ones.

This decision should not be applauded, rather overturned as an act of justice and humanity to victims of violent crimes and their

"(They) are really disap- was 17 when he stabbed a The Dec. 24 ruling by the in 1981. It held that life sen- that the brains of teenagers so heinous and horrible that

being rehabilitated.

ruling at a broader level — circumstances. from the vantage point of the prosecution.

serving life sentences.

itself on being enlightened with first-degree murder. on victims' rights," Blodgett been put to rest."

It's a ruling that goes beyond the U.S. Supreme that are so abhorrent and Court's holding in Miller vs. so heinous a juvenile should Alabama, Blodgett said.

Boston's Kenmore Square recent research showing murder unless the facts are

defendant's likelihood of of the Eighth Amendment's ban on cruel and unusual Essex District Attorney punishment to summarily Jonathan Blodgett has also sentence someone to life voiced his opposition to the without parole under those

Blodgett said that while he and other prosecutors do His office is now preparing not dispute that teen brains for parole hearings for nine are different from those convicted killers currently of adults, that is already factored into decisions on "Massachusetts prides whether to charge a teenager

"We've always undersaid at a press conference stood that," Blodgett said. Dec. 27. "And yet this deci- "That's why district attorsion comes out on Christ- neys have robust juvenile mas Eve day? That's a pretty and young adult offender tough, bitter pill to swallow diversion programs, to give for victims' families who recognition to the fact that thought that these cases had juveniles sometimes make mistakes."

"There are some crimes be sentenced to life without The Miller decision, like parole," Blodgett said. "We

# DIAS

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Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, mother Marylynne Dias of Andover was positive about the results.

"Everything went so well," Marylynne Dias said, adding she was hopeful her daughters could be released from the hospital as soon this Thursday.

In an email prior to the surgery, MacKenzie Dias said she was not about to watch her sister Lindsey suffer the same fate as sister

relieved. It's been a long plants are needed to improve MacKenzie Dias says her and Boston, had been waitand tiring journey, but I quality of life. was determined to save my sister wait on a list for lungs ting that happen to Lindsey," MacKenzie Dias wrote.

With both Lindsey and Ashley Dias born three years as the healthy child in a fam- Ashley Dias received her sister Lindsey's story stays apart with cystic fibrosis, the ily of illness and that helps double lung transplant with positive and see that she gets family has been no stranger me and helps others. It has to transplant surgeries.

sive, multi-system genetic will be preparing a video ney transplants, with aunts her." disease that leads to thick documenting the transplant once again stepping forward deposits of mucus in the procedure to post on the site as donors. lungs as well as several in the coming days.

other symptoms throughout the body. Often lung, kidney, received her double lung her Facebook page, has stud-"Yes, I am incredibly pancreas and liver trans- transplant at the age of 15, ied health at UMass Lowell

sister's life. I saw my other uated from Andover High made medical history as the transplanted. School in 2009, shares her first parents to ever donate that never came. I wasn't let-family's story on her blog: double lobes of lung to their Tuesday. http://breatheeasywithme. blogspot.com.

a big viewing audience," she Cystic fibrosis is a reces- said of the blog, adding she oped diabetes, requiring kid- zie simply wrote. "I just love

child.

"I write about my journey the age of 15, middle sister ever it took to make sure her her aunts as donors.

Both sisters then devel-

Following the kidney

transplants, both girls led fairly normal lives. But in 2011 when Ashley Dias started getting lung infections, her mother knew something was wrong. She needed a second lung transplant. She died the next year before she could receive the organs.

Then this past November, Lindsey Dias returned to the hospital, initially for deep wounds on her heel that would not heal, according to her sister's blog. Hyperbaric chamber treatment proved unsuccessful and an infection followed. The 2001 Tewksbury High School When Lindsey Dias graduate who, according to mother and father, Bruce ing several weeks for sister MacKenzie Dias, who grad- Dias, now of Tewksbury, MacKenzie's kidney to be

The wait ended on

MacKenzie Dias said on Three years later, also at Monday she would do whathealthy again.

"I love my sister," MacKen-

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HEALTH

# RINK

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yet. But he said that so far, it's looking pretty good.

"It's a little bumpy and some people say it's too small, but I say, 'This is the first year. Just wait," Teichert said last Friday, as a storm that dropped more than a foot of snow on the region finally started to drift out to sea. "We'll make it bigger next year."

But for pint-sized skaters, the diminutive rink was just fine. In fact, it was just right.

"It's pretty good," said Adam Gleichmann, 5, skating with his father, Mark, on New Year's Day.

"It's nice," agreed his dad. 'It's good for families."

Teichert said a group of volunteers, including Bob Chaves, Ames Prentiss and Bob Carver, stepped up to clear the snow that fell just after New Year's. He said it's important to remove the snow as soon after a storm as possible to maintain the smooth surface

A gang of snow shovelers was at the rink last Friday evening around 5, working foot or so of snow off the ice before it could adhere.

hard to get the newly fallen,



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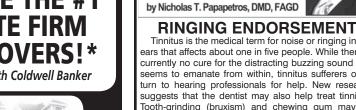
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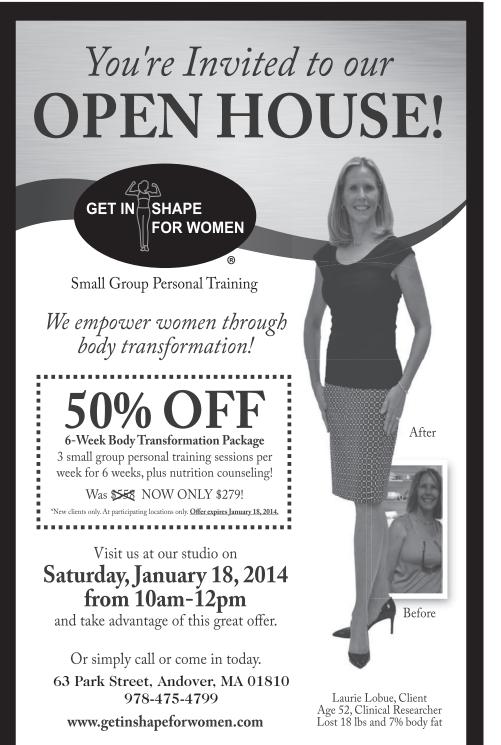
seems to emanate from within, tinnitus sufferers often turn to hearing professionals for help. New research suggests that the dentist may also help treat tinnitus. Tooth-grinding (bruxism) and chewing gum may be potential tinznitus triggers due to a connection between the centers of the brain that control the muscles for chewing and those connected to the auditory system. Moreover, other research shows a link in the severity temporomandibular disorder.

of jaw pain from temporomandibular disorder and that of tinnitus. In light of these findings, a custom-fit night guard may help stop the ringing.

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# Obituaries

### OBITUARIES

# Elinor Furey, 90

July 26, 1923 — December 29, 2013 In Loving Memory

riod of declining health.

High School, Lowell, MA. On Paul while living in Florida. August 12, 1950, she married, Raymond F. Furey.

aboard the Queen Elizabeth II P. Furey. on its maiden voyage. Elinor tennis players and played into date to be determined. their 80's. They were also avid Bridge players.

outgoing personality and arrangements. This full obituamong her friendships people foleyfuneralhome.com. from all over the world. She

KEENE, NEW HAMP- was involved in the Andover SHIRE, ANDOVER, MASSA- (Massachusetts) Garden Club CHUSETTS — Elinor Gos- and spent years with Welcome selin Furey, 90, a resident of Wagon when she and her Keene, New Hampshire and family lived in Andover, MA. former resident of Andover, Elinor was often referred to Massachusetts, passed away as a "Social Sweetheart." She peacefully at Langdon Place of had a very strong faith and Keene, on Sunday, December she and her family were active 29, 2013, following a short pe-members of the St. Augustine Catholic Church in Andover, She was born July 26, 1923, MA and Espiritu Santo Cathothe daughter of Anthony and lic Church, in Safety Harbor, Dora (Dubois) Gosselin. She Florida. She also served as a was a 1941 graduate of Lowell volunteer for St. Vincent de

Elinor is survived by her daughter, Deborah F. Link Elinor held several jobs and her husband, Thomas, of throughout her life, including Keene, NH; her son, Richard working for Lowell Electric A. Furey of Plaistow, NH; her Light Company during World daughter-in-law, Lee Furey of War II. She was most commit- Sandwich, MA; four grandchilted to her work as a homemak-dren, Joshua Furey, Nathan er and was a loving mother Furey, Molly Link and John and grandmother. She most Link; her brother, Robert Gosenjoyed spending time with selin and his wife, Louise, of family and friends. In their re- Chelmsford, MA, and many tirement while living in Flori- nieces, nephews, and extendda, she and her husband trav- ed family members. She was eled extensively all over the predeceased by her husband, world. They were among those Raymond, and their son, John A Memorial Mass will be

and her husband were lifelong held in the Spring of 2014 at a

The Foley Funeral Home, 49 Court Street, Keene, NH, is Elinor was known for her assisting the family with these winsome smile. She included ary is also available at www.

# Raymond J. Gaudet, 89

August 23, 1924 — December 29, 2013

ANDOVER — Raymond J. fication and spent his career at Gaudet, 89, lifelong resident of the former Western Electric/ Andover, passed away peace- Lucent Technologies in North fully at the Kaplan Family Andover, retiring in 1982 as a Hospice House in Danvers, on part of the management team. Sunday, December 29, 2013.

det. He is survived by his son, hit a hole in one. Thomas, of Andover, his caregiver, with whom he resided, the staff of the memory comand his son, William, and his pass unit at Methuen Village partner Rosa Cabrera of San- and the Hospice of the North down, N.H.; five grandchildren, Shore & Greater Boston for James Gaudet, Michael Gaudet, Kayla tended to Raymond during the Gaudet, and Jacqueline Gau- last several weeks of his life. det; and three great-grandchil- He was truly blessed to have dren. He is also survived by been in their care! his sisters, Catherine Cardinal of Dover, N.H., and Lucille (Jo- followed by burial at Sacred Heart seph) Abreu of Atkinson, N.H.; cemetery, will take place in the and brothers, Amedie Gaudet Spring. Arrangements are being of Arizona, and Alfred Gau- conducted by the Burke-Magliozzi det (Vera) of Northwood, N.H.; Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St. Analong with several nieces and dover, Mass. nephews.

discharge in 1948, Raymond Danvers MA 01923. obtained his electrician certi-

A lifelong, avid golfer, Ray-Raymond was born in An- mond was a member of the dover to the late Joseph and Far Corner Golf Course in Box-Jacqueline (Doucette) Gau- ford, Mass., where in 1999, he

Thomas would like to thank

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass,

In lieu of flowers, memorial do-Educated in local schools, nations may be made in Raymond's Raymond served in the U.S. name to the Alzheimer's Associa-Navy during WWII as a tor- tion, Massachusetts Chapter, 311 pedo man aboard the U.S.S. Arsenal St., Watertown, MA 02472, Banqust. After his honorable or Care Dimension's, 75 Sylvan St.

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# Two die in early New Year's accident

crash has claimed the lives wheel and where the teens the road "going by at a high where he died. of two teenagers, one from were coming from. Lawrence and the other authorities said.

vehicle they were in as it Procopio. crossed from Lawrence into the snow by the Interstate Procopio said. 495 interchange with both occupants ejected.

25 South Walker St., Lowell, said.

Massachusetts State

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killed after fleeing police in when Lawrence police tried a car at more than 100 mph, to stop a 2007 Acura TSX in the direction of the sus-

The car was registered to I-495. Andover on Route 28. The an Amesbury woman, and

and Quadeer A. Dicks, 19, of excess of 100 mph," Procopio

Police continued traveling copio said.

southbound on Broadway, guard rail, and then appears investigation. Police identified the dead at one point shutting its to impact the concrete base

After the first cruiser where Dicks was declared new year," Procopio said.

Police were investigating broke off from the chase, a dead, Procopio said. Rodrithe circumstances sur- second Lawrence cruiser guez was flown by medical rounding the crash, includ- saw the car a little more helicopter to Brigham and An early New Year's Day ing who was behind the than a mile farther down Women's Hospital in Boston,

rate of speed" at the South No other vehicles are The chase started before Broadway intersection with believed to have been from Lowell, who were 2:45 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, Inman Street, Procopio said. involved in the crash, Pro-

Lawrence and Andover sedan on Route 28 at Water pects and found the Acura police were the first to the The 19-year-olds died Street, according to State off the road on the snow- scene, with Andover fire after losing control of the Police spokesman David covered grass shoulder at crews getting dispatched the junction of Route 28 and as well. Due to the accident taking place on a state "It looks like the car actu- highway, State Police were car was found wrecked in was not reported stolen, ally loses control on 28 in called. The Essex County Andover, veers off the road, District Attorney's office "The vehicle continued impacts a snow bank, a steel was also helping with the

"It was early New Year's as Cesar X. Rodriguez, 19, of lights off and at speeds that of the steel structure" of the morning, so we're investi-135 Bowdoin St., Lawrence, Lawrence estimates were in 495 overpass, Procopio said. gating where they may have Both victims taken to been coming from if they Lawrence General Hospital, were out celebrating the

# Driver cited in Route 28 pedestrian crash

By Dustin Luca

A 42-year-old Lan-Monday, Dec. 30, according eltine said. to police.

to Commander Charles according to Heseltine. Heseltine.

caster woman was cited Main Street (Route 28) by car and traveled approxi- in a crosswalk when crossfor impeded operation of a Frye Circle at around 6:23 mately 20 feet before sliding ing the busy road may have motor vehicle after hitting p.m. when she was struck by off onto the pavement," Hes-contributed to the crash. a Lawrence resident cross- a vehicle driven by Christina eltine said. ing North Main Street last Nickerson of Lancaster, Hes-

Injured in the single-car walk when she was hit, but to be head trauma and inter- eyes off the road to attend to accident was Doris Lopez, there was one about 30 feet nal injuries, he said. Informa- something on her (vehicle's) 61, of Lawrence, according north of where she was, tion on her condition wasn't console.

"It appears the victim

Lopez was crossing North ended up on the hood of the was dark and Lopez wasn't

Lopez wasn't in a cross- hospital with what appeared police "she had taken her

available earlier this week.

Heseltine said the fact it

He said Nickerson's cita-The Fire Department tion for impeded operation transported Lopez to the stemmed from her telling

# Report: Municipal pension, health care and debt service costs see sharp rise

By Michael Norton State House News Service

big municipal spending areas percent. – pensions, health care and safety and education.

was released this week, the sume an ever larger share of million in fiscal 2006. Massachusetts Taxpayers municipal budgets for the

between fiscal 2007 and Widmer said in a statement full-time employees. Over fiscal 2012, while all other released to the State House the same period, municipal Explosive growth in three municipal spending rose 10 News Service. "With mod-spending on health care

ies and towns, according in fiscal 2013, an improve- ies and towns over the past percent over the period. to a new report that warns ment over recent years, but 1 decades.' unaffordable obligations 1/2 points shy of the 5.2 peraccording to the report.

According to the report, manent cause." Foundation reports that foreseeable future as munic-between fiscal 2007 and sions, health care and debt lion in unfunded liabilities," pal employment fell by 6 funded the research.

service grew 23 percent MTF President Michael percent, or more than 15,500 est revenue growth at best, rose by 19 percent, spending Hampered by the slowest funding for schools, public on debt service surged 23 debt service — continues to growth in property taxes safety and other services percent, and pension contrioutpace more modest growth since 1985, total municipal will be sacrificed in order bution spending spiked by in the revenues collected in revenues, meanwhile, grew to pay for the unaffordable 30 percent. Total municipal the 351 Massachusetts cit- by 3.7 percent to \$23.4 billion obligations taken on by cit- spending increased by 13

While local aid cuts and Massachusetts voters the recession are often have forced layoffs and will cent average annual growth approved \$11 million in prop-blamed for municipal spendcut into spending on public rate between 1982 and 2009, erty tax increases through ing cuts and layoffs, the override votes in fiscal 2013, report identifies the growth In its 43rd annual report "Spending on employee the lowest amount since 2000 in spending on pensions, on municipal finances, which and retiree benefits will con- and down from a peak of \$49 health care and debt service as the "larger and more per-

According to the MTF, a municipal spending on pen- ipalities face nearly \$45 bil- fiscal 2012, total munici- grant from FirstSouthwest

# **■ POLICE LOG**

COMPILED BY DUSTIN LUCA Sunday, Jan. 5:

# **ARRESTS**

a.m., James Keenan, 46, of was arrested on River Road because it involved town 206 Stackpole St., Lowell, and charged with operat- property. was arrested on Main Street ing a motor vehicle with a motor vehicle with a revoked warrant. registration, operating a motor vehicle or trailer. and charged with operating warrant for three separate and a one-way violation. charges.

with operating a motor vehi- a class A drug. cle with a suspended license, attaching the wrong plates to

At 5:56 p.m., Javier Padilla, The following items were 70, of 65 Union St., Lawrence, warrant.

At 8:17 a.m., Vivian Ryan Mulchahey, 29, of 2 Vazquez, 39, of 30 Juniper South Ave., Derry, N.H., was St., Lawrence, was arrested arrested on River Road and on River Road and charged charged with possession of was reported on Haggetts crash was reported on Low-

# **THEFTS**

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# **INCIDENTS**

p.m., Dennis Trodden, 51, of Detectives were called North Main Street moments Monday, Dec. 30 — At 7:47 19 Anthony Road, Peabody, to document the incident earlier.

and charged with driving a suspended license and on a p.m., police were called "a single-car crash, no inju-Wednesday, Jan. 1 — At 3:12 assist the Fire Department was called but the operator motor vehicle with a revoked a.m., Timothy Hart, 53, of 16 in responding to a reported was "no longer on scene." license, subsequent offense; Woodbury St., Salem, N.H., garage fire, which was After police called the oper-

He was also arrested on a under the influence of liquor p.m., police were called to "two parties arrived back on Friday, Jan. 3 — At 4:36 p.m., Fire Department with a post the (operator) of the vehicle; sible dryer fire.

**Saturday, Jan. 4** — At 8:57 who is back at the house." a.m., vandalism to a mailbox Pond Road.

At 4:57 p.m., police were called to Main Street on a p.m., a two-car crash was Monday, Dec. 30 — At 12:12 report of a 75-year-old man reported on Elm Street. One Dispatcher notes report the was reported on Lowell subject falling at 52 Main St. Street. One car was towed. Friday, Jan. 3 — At 11:03 and walking to 20 Main St., a.m., a theft of less than \$250 where rescue crews found involving a car and MVRTA was reported at a Lowell him. Hours later, at 6:37 a.m. bus was reported on Central Sunday, police were called Street. Personal injury was to Main Street on a report of reported as "one person was "a trail of blood in the snow having neck and back pain." in front of Royal Jewelers." With the trail leading from ing company was called to 54 Main St. to Old Town Hall, Gray Road to assist "a plow police checked the area for a truck that tipped over.' possible cause, finding "no one in the area and no bro- a.m., an accident involving a ken windows."

# **ACCIDENTS**

1:36 a.m., an accident was reported on Salem Street. bridge was recorded.

At 6:25 p.m., a three-car Monday, Dec. 30 — At 12:39 crash was reported on North taken from Andover police was arrested on Shattuck p.m., police were called to Main Street. This accident, logs from Monday, Dec. 30 to Road and charged on a the water treatment plant on which required one tow, was Lowell Street on a report of unrelated to another crash Tuesday, Dec. 31 — At 12;26 an older man who had fallen. involving a pedestrian on

Wednesday, Jan. 1 — At 2:53 a.m., police responded to Wednesday, Jan. 1 — At 10:03 Salem Street on a report of to Burton Farm Drive to ries." An area tow company and driving an uninsured was arrested on Union Street knocked down at 10:17 p.m. ator and told him to return **Friday, Jan. 3** — At 5:45 to his vehicle immediately, Cheever Circle to assist the scene advising they were not it was their younger brother

> At 7:02 a.m., a single-car ell Street.

Thursday, Jan. 2 — At 12:19

At 12:37 p.m., an accident

At 3:08 p.m., an accident

Friday, Jan. 3 —  $At\ 10:02$ 

At 6:17 p.m., an area tow-

car into a pole was reported on Red Spring Road. Saturday, Jan. 4 — At 7:50

Monday, Dec. 30 — At a.m., a one-car crash was reported on Andover Street. At 6:12 p.m., a two-car

One car was towed from crash was reported on the scene, and damage to a Pine Street. Both cars were towed.



# Education

# Wading through the rain Young girl denounces bullies through song Sanborn wins education

By Judy Wakefield jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

Zoe Nepomnayshy was just 9 years old when she started getting picked on by her classmates. She said the other girls teased her about her clothes and thought nothing of poking her as they laughed about her sense of fashion.

A shy fourth-grader at the time, Zoe said she remembers all she wanted to do was get away from those mean girls. She cried a lot in those days, feeling worthless and ashamed, while also wondering if her peers were right about her social awkwardness.

Thankfully, she said, her mother, Ame Matuza, and her best friend helped her through those rough times by getting her to talk honestly about how much the bullying hurt.

"I guess they were jealous," Zoe replied when asked why she thought she was picked on. "You never really know ... bullies just say stuff and keep going."

Today, a much happier 12-year-old Zoe is using the experience to inspire others.

The seventh-grade honors student at West Middle School has written a song called "Feel the Rain" about her bullying experience. In it, she talks about how to stand strong in the wake of being bullied or being told that you are something less than you are.

"We did not initially know that she was writing it because it was her way of dealing with (the) bullying," her mother said. "When she finally did show it to us, we thought it was really special."

Zoe started with the lyrics and then put music to the words. After spending some time refining the song, she brought it to her piano teacher, Ed Lee of The teachers have received cop-Music Studio in Tewksbury, ies of the song so they can who liked it so much that he share it with students. took it through the studio process and produced it.

The initial recording was done last December and then it took about 10 months to coordinate the musical and vocal accompaniment and lay all the



RYAN HUTTON/ Staff photo

Singer-songwriter Zoe Nepomnayshy, at the piano in her Andover home, turned her experience with bullies into a song titled "Feel the Rain" in hopes of helping other youths who find themselves being picked on by their peers.

# `FEEL THE RAIN' **ZOE NEPOMNAYSHY**

I know a lot about you, and about what you can do Like trying to always bring me down, right back down to the ground. You seemed so nice and caring, too, but I should not have trusted you, Because beneath those heartfelt smiles, lay insecurities that ran for

I thought we'd be the best of friends, sharing laughter 'til the end, Instead you shared with me your rage, and let your tiger out of its

You laughed at every move I made, you lied and took my friends away, You ruined lots of days at school, and made me feel like a fool. (Chorus) Don't tell me I can't feel the rain, don't tell me I can't hear the

Don't tell me I can't see the rooftops, even if you say only you can. I felt so lost and afraid, knowing I had been betrayed Not knowing which way to turn, I knew I had a lot to learn. You made me feel so very small, but that is not true at all I know that I have got the key, to unlock the power in me. When people come in my life, and make me feel less than tall, I know what to do ...

I must break the chain of feeling sad and refrain from making others feel small.

various tracks. The song was released on iTunes in October under the young songwriter's stage name, Zoe Bronwyn.

Ame Matuza said local

There have been too many terrible stories of late ance counselors to play. about suicides and horrible tragedies associated with bullying," Matuza said. "We an email that Zoe's song are trying to get the word out that bullying should not be tolerated."

Moira O'Brien, Zoe's former principal at Shawsheen Elementary, sent it to all of her staff. Teachers at West Elementary have been playing it for their classes. Gina Murray of the West Middle School PTO sent it to the principal, vice principal and some of the guid-

West Elementary School Principal Liz Roos said in fits in with the five tenets of the school's Open Circle program.

"That's our social emotional program and the tenets are: making big problems smaller, caring about your classmates, knowing when to ask for help, working well with others and being in control of body and words," Roos wrote. "Students are recognized with Open Circle High Five stickers for demonstrating any of the tenets."

Zoe, who has two younger siblings, said she knows putting her autobiographical story into a song on iTunes could have opened her up to even more bullying. But it hasn't.

"I just thought that maybe I could help someone ... that's why I did this song," said Zoe, who in her free time swims on the Hurricanes team, dances and teaches at Dance Infusion in Andover, takes piano and guitar lessons and plays in the chime choir at church.

She encourages youths who might find themselves the target of bullies to open up about it and not keep it to themselves.

"Bullying is out there and you have to talk about it, she said. "I was lucky to have my mom and my best friend. I talked and cried with them. That's what you have to do ... talk about it. Don't hide."

# grant from ExxonMobil

Sanborn Elementary to invest in the future of their on Mobil Educational Alli- hood schools. ance Program from VERC Dave Poler, district man-

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School recently received a communities through educa-\$500 grant through the Exx-tional grants to neighbor-

Enterprises, a convenience ager of VERC Enterprises, store and Mobil/Gulf gaso- presented the check to Sanline operator with loca- born school nurse Lisa Slattions throughout Eastern tery on behalf of the VERC Massachusetts and New West Andover Mobil, location at 139 River Road.

"We're proud to participate bil Corporation and Global in such a fine program that Partners LP, the ExxonMobil recognizes and supports the Educational Alliance pro- quality of local schools," Leo gram is designed to provide Vercollone, CEO of VERC local retailers an opportunity Enterprises, said in a release.



Dave Poler, district manager of VERC Enterprises, presents a \$500 check to Lisa Slattery, registered nurse at Sanborn Elementary School. The grant was made possible through the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Program.

## ■ PIKE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

were named to the honor Estelle Zhu roll for the first term at Pike School in Andover:

### **HIGH HONORS** Grade 8

Maddie Zerbey, Mae Zhao

# Grade 7

thena, Bella Borek, Amanda Brooks, Emma Brown, Cathy Katie Tsai, Ria Vieira

# Grade 6

tier, David Chatson, Olivia Washburn, Abby Zerbey Ehrgott, Vincent Fan, Sophie Green, Ronit Gupta, Doug-Ishaan Mundra, Brooke Mur-Maddy Silveira, Carly Tilson, Taylor Willis

The following students Rachel Tucker, Charles Yang,

### **HONORS** Grade 8

Colby Beré, Andrew Brown, Cooper Bulens, Riley Tate Blazonis, Allison Cardono, Rohan Chaturvedi, Bolton, Frank Cai, Emma Noah Colby, Ryan Conway, Chatson, Emelie Eldracher, Caileigh Cormier, Noelle Zach Fitzgerald, Michaela Dana, Izzy DiAdamo, Chris-Jones, Melisa Kreismanis, tian DiVincenzo, Nell Fitts, Amanda Li, Leslie Mateo, Domingo Gonzalez, Oniel Alexa Matses, Hannah Gonzalez, Zoe Hsieh, Lau-Maver, Michael McCullom, ren Kramer, Kyle Lattanzio, Nalia Medina, Akshay Mun- Ian McCabe, Bobby Meedra, Kate Packard, Danielle han, Chris Mellen, Jeffrey Page, Isaac Poritzky, Tarun Ng, Sophie O'Brien, Jack Rastogi, Michael Ren, Dan O'Connell, Caroline Payne, Teplow, Jessica Wang, Sun- Connor Peters, Alana Rafiee, ing Wang, Jake Zanazzi, Tyler Ricchiuto, Will Riley, Helen Salvatore, Matthew Schelzi, Matthew Sciascia, Amolina Bhat, Zenia Bha- Claudia Solano, Alec Tucker

### Grade 7 Max Alibrandi, Jack

Cheng, Jack Curtin, Saman- Anthony, Mia Borek, Clayton tha Davidson, Lauren Fan- Britt, Max Chaban, Aki Charning, Sabrina Gribbel, Ava land, Peter Colletta, Nicholas Harrington, Ben Heinze, Coutracos, Daniel DeLaus, Abigail Johnson, Anna Lang, Jonathan Gonzalez, Barrett Tristan Latham, Kaleigh Hodgson, Nikhil Khot, Brianna Lyons, Emily Michaels, Mari Lawlor, Margaret Lee, Amy Nakamura, Meredith New- Liu, Renae Lorden, Carissa ton, Joshua Quirk, Rolando Mastrangelo, Naimah McDon-Rabines, Clay Rabold, Sarika ald, Tyler McGoldrick, Kaitlyn Rao, Lily Rauh, Alice Ren, McKinnon, Vinay Metlapalli, Nicholas Rice, Nick Tilson, Julianne Meyers, Reverie Nedde, Kailey O'Neill, Hannah Onofrio, Zach Papapet-Kaela Aalto, Madison ros, Kenyon Pelletier, Elena Abraham, Ian Aulbach, Katie Ranalli, Jordan Richard, Cade Brooks, Taylor Charpen- Rose, Serena Santiago, Kiefer

# Grade 6

Charlie Addesa, Tommy las Hazel, Olivia Hodge, Aitken, Brian Barker-Morrill, Nikki Iamonaco, Nakul Iyer, Eric Bishop, Cameron Bulens, Dallion Johnson, Zoe Katz, Rachel Burba, Chloe Colby, Olivia Lai, Jake Lapp, Saman- Thano Danas, Elisa DiGiammo, tha Lee, Emily Ma, Cassidy Chloe Ginsberg, Grace Hen-McGoldrick, Myles McIntyre, nessy, Isabela Miller, Charlie Jonathan Mei, Jennifer Mills, Murphy, Claire Nagahiro, Liam Nestor, Casey O'Neill, Matthew phy, Katelyn O'Brien, Aidan Onofrio, Catherine Payne, Katy O'Brien, Jack Palfrey, Therese Riley, Cameron Riley, James Pelletier, Sophia Ranalli, Wil- Rogus, Vanessa Shipley, Abiliam Rinaldi, Lindi Schroeder, gail Vieira, Emma Willard,

# ■ EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

## Guest speaker at LLL Preschool

LLL Preschool at 129 Reservation Road is hosting an open Monday, Jan. 13, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The public is invited to visit the school's classrooms, begins accepting applications for 2014-15.

the benefits of a play-based interested families. preschool. Children are wel-

978-475-772 or visit www.lllpreschool.com.

# Kaleidoscope benefit

meet the teachers and learn Railroad St., is donating more about the preschool as it 5 percent of net sales on Guest speaker Debra Nich- Fund to assist more families program for high-ability stu- 475-2299, ext. 33, or by email olas, an Andover kindergar- with tuition this summer. dents in kindergarten through at yhoward@andovermontesten teacher, will share her Representatives from Kalei- grade 8 runs from July 28 to thoughts and experiences on doscope will also be at Whole Aug. 1. Both programs are kindergarten readiness and Foods that day to speak with held on the campus of Pike

come and encouraged to entering its 34th year, provides kaleidoscopekids.com or call man.com.

For more information, call ence, math, art, drama, music, computers and more to chil- Open house at dren ages 3 to 13. New courses Andover School of this summer will include Bakhouse and guest speaker on Whole Foods holding ing Bonanza, Zentangle Art, Montessori Kaleidoscope's Got Talent, Whole Foods Market, 40 Drum Beat, Raising Roofs and on Tuesday, Jan. 14, from 9 to Wood Works.

Wednesday, Jan. 15, to the one-week sessions from July Kaleidoscope Scholarship 7 to 29. In addition, the KITE tact Yvonne Howard at 978-School in Andover. For more Education Notebook, email Kaleidoscope, which is information, visit www. townsman@andovertowns-

more than 170 courses in sci- 978-475-1422.

Andover School of Montes-Fashion Design Challenge, sori is holding an open house 11 a.m. at the school, 400 South The program runs in three, Main St. in Andover. For more information, con-

sori.org.

To submit an item for the

# ■ LOCAL SCHOLARS

a senior at the school.

Apostle of North Billerica, assembly for having earned Bob and Nancy Daly, achieved honors for the first honors averages between 85 marking period at Belmont and 89.9 percent. Honored

George Apostle, son of Mariz- Middlesex School in Con- Cliff and Ronna Markell; and senior; Hannah Currie, junior;

ela Klebe of Andover and John cord's annual fall academic sophomore Matt Daly, son of and Sarah Wright, senior. Receiving honors were Gabriella DiVincenzo, Alex Munick Several Andover stu- and Madeleine Thero, juniors; Hill School in Belmont. He is were seniors Max Novick, son dents have been named to Emma Horn, Emily Pisacreta and of David and Susie Novick, the honor roll at Lawrence Benjamin Purtell, sophomores; and Will Scott, son of Karen Academy in Groton for the and Katherine Burns, Jonathan Four Andover resi- Darby Scott and David Kloss; fall trimester. Receiving Coombs, Benjamin Munick and

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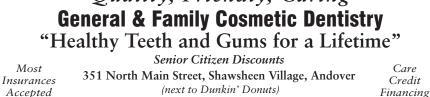
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# Andover native is Boston mayor's chief of staff

# Koh named as Walsh's first key appointment to cabinet

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Andover native Daniel ness School. Arrigg Koh, a graduate of

would take the job.

new energy to the mayor's Obama. office," Walsh said in a stateorganization. We have great Walsh. talent joining us, and I know Boston."

from Harvard University and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard Busi-

His mother is Dr. Claudia Phillips Academy, has been Arrigg of Arrigg Eye and Ear tapped as chief of staff for Associates of Lawrence. His new Boston Mayor Marty father was the state's public England Patriots, nonprofit but only himself." health commissioner from consulting for defense con-Walsh, who was sworn in 1997 to 2003 under Gov. Wil- tractor Booz Allen Hamilton on Monday, announced over liam Weld and his successor, Holding Corp., talent search having Koh on board. the weekend that Koh, 29, the late Gov. Paul Cellucci. He for executive recruiting firm iel joining our administra- of Health and Human Ser- Baseball. tion and bringing a fresh, vices, working for President

ment. "He has broad expe- working as general manager administration. rience about City Hall and of the streaming network a deep understanding of operated by the Huffington ents could be reached for for all its citizens.' managing a large, fast-paced Post before being tapped by comment.

Daniel will help me trans-chief of staff to Huffington after teaching for 30 years, he form the way we do things in Post founder and editor-in-doesn't remember many stulic service. Koh was born and raised position that involved help- an impression on him. in Andover, graduating from ing her craft strategy for elor's degree in government Media Group. Before that, him," Bardo said.



business

chief Arianna Huffington, a dents. But, he said, Koh made

former Bos- ble about him is that even as of Sen. Edward Kennedy. competitive institution, Dan tremendously fortunate to month," the story said. Koh pre- continued to be true to the work with her. Arianna is strategy and in him. Though a young boy, profit." Dan already possessed a high

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is currently assistant secre- Spencer Stuart and labor is blessed by Dan's willing- called "Opportunity: What Is named to the Forbes list of "I'm excited to have Dan-tary of the U.S. Department relations for Major League ness to serve in the public's Working." interest," Bardo said. "Dan is

> Seth Bardo, an English with Pike School's official nesses' in April 2013." He previously worked as teacher at Phillips, said that publication, the Quill, spoke

his team decided to focus on walks of life and are under the positive. In July 2012, the the age of 33. "The new mayor of Boston website launched a segment

"They received over 700 the media category. The selection of Koh a person of uncommon char-examples from mayors, entremarked the first major acter who will help the new preneurs, and citizens all over website noted: "As Arianna The younger Koh had been appointment of Walsh's new administration to realize its the world who are helping Huffington's chief of staff, goals in continuing to make create jobs," the Quill story Koh helped keep a 700-person Neither Koh nor his par- this city a thriving metropolis said. "The initiative was so news organization with seven Koh, in an earlier interview 'What Is Working: Small Busining smoothly. Now he does

about what drew him to pub- Post brought nonprofit orga- net TV venture launched in nizations focused on provid- 2012." "I always want to give back ing jobs together with donors to people who don't have the who believe in these mis- runner, having completed 10 "Dan Koh made such a same opportunities or the sions. More than 200 organi- marathons. Pike School in 1999 and Phil- and manage the work of 700 strong impression that I platform that I do," said Koh, zations from 31 states and 110 lips in 2003. He has a bach- people at the Huffington Post surely will always remember referring to his stint with cities applied for a space on ated Press and other media former Mayor Menino in the site. The Huffington Post, outlets was used in this report.

he was an "What was so striking 2011-2012 and his work as leg-utilizing Crowdrise, an online adviser to about Dan, what was so notaislative intern with the office fundraising website, raised more then \$1.5 million for ton Mayor a ninth-grader struggling to As chief of staff to Arianna the charities from HuffPost's establish himself at a highly Huffington, he said: "I am 50 million unique visitors per

Recently, according to viously did values that his family imbued open-minded and not just for Quill, Koh was selected to join the NYC hub of Global At the Huffington Post, Shapers, a World Economic development moral standard, one that he Koh was involved in a variety Forum community commitfor the New did not use to judge others, of projects, and when news ted to making a difference in reports on the job crisis cities and states around the Bardo went on to say that became too negative, Koh and world. Members are from all

> Just recently, Koh was "30 under 30" for people in

The write-up on the Forbes successful, that they launched international editions runthe same at HuffPost Live, the Last spring, the Huffington ambitious interactive Inter-

In addition, Koh is an avid

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# **Conservation Commission hopes** to hire forester to manage land

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

step in the long-term manage- vation property, he said. ment of public lands with the hiring of a licensed forester eventually hiring a full-time where fields once stood. to study 600 acres of town- forester who would come in owned woodlands.

Porter, along with Conservagrants totaling up to \$9,500 over the years to actively to pay someone to author a manage them, he said. 10-year "stewardship plan" Brook North reservations.

ple aspects of forest resource Porter and Douglas said in a tiguous, he said. statement.

and submitted to the state by the effort. mid-May. He said he hopes Porter began pursuing the the work being done by the to have someone working on idea of hiring a forester and Trustees of Reservations at the plan this month, pending creating a long-term plan for its Ward Hill property, Porter approval by the Conservation the town's conservation prop-said. Commission, and has already erties after he took a course spoken to a forester he knows taught by the UMass For- clear-cut 15 acres of trees to who may be interested in the estry Department called the create a grasslands habitat project.

in a series of steps needed species of animals such as to take on long-term man- the bobolink, a migratory The Conservation Commis- agement and planning of the bird that has become endansion is looking to take the first town's 2,000 acres of conser- gered due to its habitat being

town has been awarded three ties. But little has been done species.

for the Wood Hill/Bald Hill, the land and let nature take its to think we are going to cut Virginia Hammond and Fish course," he said. "You can, but everything down. But if you the state is looking for towns are going to diversify an area, "A forester considers multi- to manage their properties."

The three reservations and selective trimming." management and the way the that will be studied first were woodland fits into the larger chosen because they are the ment creates a "successional landscape surrounding it," largest and are largely conhabitat" that includes fields

Porter said in an interview owned by Andover Village a variety of wildlife, including last week that the grant will Improvement Society, which the bobolink. be paid once the plan is done may want to join the town in

Keystone Project. It teaches forester to assess the three unteers about the importance also providing open vistas.

reservations is just the first of creating habitat for certain destroyed from development Porter envisions the town and the growth of forests

Part of any management and manage public properties plan, he said, will include Commission member Kevin over the next decade or more. thinning of woodland prop-He said the town has done erties and possibly even cuttion Director Bob Douglas, a great job of conserving ting down large areas of trees recently reported that the unique and valuable proper- to create habitat for such

> "This is not just about how much wood we can cut down," "You don't want to just buy he said. "I don't want people you have to do some cutting

> He said proper manageand the growth of different Plus, they adjoin properties species of plants that attract

The hope is that any kind of management plan will mirror

There, the private land trust that will attract migratory The hiring of a licensed conservation workers and vol- birds and other species while

"We are trying to do the same thing," Porter said. "We need to hire an expert. Once he's on board, we'll be able to give advice to the town on the different options available."

Join O'Horo

# Cronin tapped to lead new Municipal Services Department

By Dustin Luca dluca@andovertownsman.com

Acting Department of Public Works Director Chris Cronin has been chosen to lead the town's new Municipal Services Department, overseeing operation and maintenance of schools, town buildings, roads, parks, grounds and much more.

Cronin was appointed by Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski to take the newly created position effective Jan.

 $\label{thm:conin} \text{The appointment was pre-} \quad \text{Chris Cronin, pictured left while speaking to town officials at }$ sented to the Board of Select- the Town Yard in 2010, has been appointed to lead the town's board is expected at its next acting DPW director. regular meeting Jan. 27.

not known what his new zens of Andover." expected to rise.

He was one of 33 prospec- to take advantage of effi- focus on customer service. tive candidates who applied ciencies" in the merging of "We serve the residents,

down to six candidates, five an assessment process to become finalists.

Out of that testing phase, man standing.

"It has been a long process,

men at its meeting Monday. new Municipal Services Department, which combines Plant and A confirmation vote by the Facilities with the Department of Public Works. He is currently Cronin, who started work- but I'm excited for the oppor- "Chris is outstanding," ing for the town in 1988 as tunity," Cronin said Monday he said, praising Cronin a junior engineer, currently night. "I'm thrilled to be tak-

salary will be, although it is Cronin said he anticipated Selectmen Chairman Alex

for the position, Stapczynski departments, adding that who have high expectations That field was narrowed through that reorganization. said. Stapczynski, who became

ultimately moved through tion to his current perma-business.' nent position as highway superintendent.

him forward as the highway ment of Public Works. superintendent," Stapdidn't know much about Joe Piantedosi. him and he rose to the challenge."

the process that led to his ment head (instead of two)." hiring.

again."

Selectman Brian Major

earns about \$122,000. It is ing this step to help the citi- extremely trustworthy and a straight-shooter.'

"a minor reorganization Vispoli praised Cronin for his

there would be "no layoffs" of quality service," Vispoli

Cronin, who thanked the of whom were interviewed. town manager in 1990, three board for its consideration, Two candidates, including years after Cronin was hired, said he often tells employees Cronin and a person from said the department head in the department, "we're outside Andover who Stap- didn't appear on his radar not in the water or sewer czynski declined to identify, until 2003 with his promo- business, we're in the people

If confirmed, Cronin will take over a town department "I didn't get to know him that was created last year Cronin came out as the last until (former DPW direc- with the merger of Plant and tor) Bob McQuade brought Facilities with the Depart-

> The move to unite the czynski said. "In 2003, I departments began in 2010 appointed him to superin- with the retirements of DPW tendent and that's when Director Jack Petkus and I really got to know him. I Plant and Facilities Director

> Stapczynski said the merger "streamlines the Selectmen Monday night organization, saves money praised Cronin's work the and then, moving forward, last two years as acting pub- we are setting the compensalic works director as well as tion package for one depart-

> The new director's position "This was a very thorough was budgeted at \$119,232 last process," Selectman Mary year. According to Towno-Lyman said. "You went fAndover.com, Cronin made around the world and back \$122,795 last year as acting director.

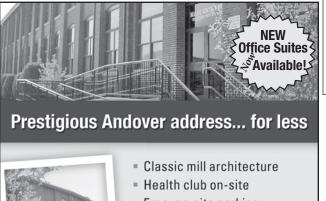
> Cronin is classified as an said the choice was a good "M3" employee, which carries a salary range of \$83,250 to \$113,464 under fiscal year 2010 pay rates prior to inflation adjustments, according to Rita Marconi, benefits and compensation manager for the town.

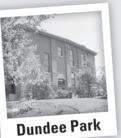
Maintenance superintendent Ed Ataide currently serves as acting head of Plant and Facilities. It is unclear how Cronin's appointment as director of the new department will affect his position.

Cronin's pending appointment marks the first of three major town department hires in Andover this year.

Department of Community Services Director Mary Montbleau has recently announced she will be retiring March 3. And officials are still working to replace Town Accountant Rod Smith, who retired last year.

Staff writer Bill Kirk contributed to this report.





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# **J**pinion

# SJC parole ruling for juveniles misguided

State Sen. Barry Finegold, D-Andover, is promising to help the family of a murdered teacher, devastated by a recent Supreme Judicial Court ruling that means her accused killer, if convicted, will not spend the rest of his life

Finegold's task is not an easy one but it is well worth the effort to grant the families of victims relief from this misguided court decision.

The SJC ruled on Christmas Eve that it is unconstitutional for murderers under age 18 to be sentenced to life in prison without parole. The court based its decision on the

The SJC decision is retroactive, meaning there are 63 killers in Massachusetts serving life sentences who now will be eligible for parole. Nine of these committed their crimes in Essex County.

premise that the brains of juveniles are not fully developed, therefore "a judge cannot find with confidence that a particular offender, at that point in time, is irretrievably deprayed," the court said.

The decision extends a 2012 ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court in Miller v. Alabama that struck down mandatory life without parole sentences for juvenile killers. The SJC decision not only bars mandatory sentences, but denies judges the discretion of weighing facts of a specific case and

determining that a youthful murderer merits life in prison without parole.

The U.S. Supreme Court relied on similar arguments about immature brain development in juveniles, but retained to judges the ability to look at each case individually.

The SJC decision is retroactive, meaning there are 63 killers in Massachusetts serving life sentences who now will be eligible for parole. Nine of these committed their crimes in Essex County. Among them is Richard Baldwin, who was 16 in 1992 when he bludgeoned 16-year-old Beth Brodie of Groveland to death with a baseball bat.

The SJC ruling will also impact the case of Philip Chism, the Danvers High student charged with the murder of teacher Colleen Ritzer of Andover. If convicted, Chism's sentence must include the possibility of parole.

In a statement, the Ritzer family said it felt betrayed that the SJC showed more concern for the rights of killers than compassion for their victims.

"This decision should not be applauded, rather overturned as an act of justice and humanity to victims of violent crimes and their families," the family said.

Finegold, whose 2nd Essex and Middlesex District represents Andover, Dracut, Lawrence and Tewksbury, told reporter Dustin Luca the ruling "caught a lot of people off guard. I disagree with the decision and I do believe it should be life without parole for someone who commits a crime like what has happened."

Finegold said the Legislature "may have to look into a constitutional amendment. We need to look into legislation."

That won't be easy. Passing a constitutional amendment in Massachusetts is a complex task requiring the support of a majority in a joint convention of the Legislature in two successive sessions. Then, the proposed amendment is placed on the ballot for the consideration of voters.

The SJC decision is as misguided as the law the U.S. Supreme Court corrected in its 2012 ruling. The high court determined that, in the case of juveniles convicted of murder, a judge must be able to weigh the facts of a case in establishing a sentence. The SJC prohibits judges from weighing the facts of individual cases. Just as mandatory life without parole sentences are an inappropriate one-sizefits-all remedy, so, too, is the SJC's blanket prohibition of any life without parole sentences.

The Legislature should act to remedy the injustice the court has imposed on the families of the victims of juvenile killers.

# **WEB QUESTION**

# THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

The state Supreme Judicial Court has ruled juvenile offenders serving life prison sentences should be offered parole. Do you agree with its decision? YES: Life sentences don't consider a defendant's likelihood

of being rehabilitated by serving in prison.

NO: Juveniles are charged as adults because of the nature of the crime, and future rehabilitation is considered by

I don't know, or I have no opinion. LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

While wrapping up 2013, we asked readers, "What do you think was the biggest story in Andover this year? With 154 responses, the answers were: RITZER MURDER: Community responds to Andover High

School graduate and Danvers High School teacher allegedly slain by one of her students — 99 votes, 64.29 percent. TAX TALK: Tax rates, water rates jump again as massive

projects approach on horizon — 23 votes, 14.94 percent. STEAM STUDIO: School Committee member proposes charter school to serve high school community — 16 votes, 10.39

YOUTH CENTER WINS: Town Meeting votes to divide Wood Trust; work begins on site — 10 votes, 6.49 percent.

WATER WOES: Dirty water hits taps as town battles toxic sludge case in court — 4 votes, 2.6 percent.

**ZONING IN:** Town talks new zoning districts for industry, elderly housing, Town Yard, medicinal marijuana — 2 votes,

# IT'S ALL DOWNHILL FROM HERE



Carter Chaney, 5, gets some sledding action in on the hill at Andover High School on Sunday before Monday's heavy rain, followed by this week's deep freeze.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor's Note: These two letters were sent to the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as part of the public comment for the proposed STEAM Studio charter high school in Andover and were requested to be printed in The Townsman.

# Andover charter school decision should be delayed

**Editor, Townsman:** 

This letter concerns the STEAM Studio charter school now being proposed for the Town of Andover. I recommend that the approval or disapproval of this application by DESE be delayed for a full cycle based on the rationale I outline

I am a longtime resident of Andover, had three children utilize the public schools in town and am a strong supporter of the school system itself, its rigorous academic programs and its undisputed long-term success. I am also the chairman of Andover's **Economic Development** Council whose mission is to make Andover the best place to work and live in America (this, of course, includes the schools). I am a public school product myself, have a Bachelor of Science in math and hold two master's degrees. My wife, who also holds a master's degree, was a longtime school teacher in Lexington. So we are not innocent bystanders in this important discussion. I am a strong supporter

of the charter school concept itself, and have been pleased to see the charter school successes in Boston, other communities in Massachusetts as well as in deserving (primarily) urban areas throughout America.

I empathize with the proponents of the proposed STEAM Studio charter school in Andover as we all wish to better prepare the next generation of participants in our economic society. We are all familiar with the "gap" that currently exists here in Massachusetts between applicants and job openings — which is particularly acute in the technology sector. Clearly we, as citizens and key arbiters of precious resources, must

address this issue urgently. However, in my judgment, the Andover citizenry has not yet had enough time to thoroughly evaluate this important choice now before us. There are three reasons why I believe this application should be delayed for a cycle to allow adequate examination:

1. Is there a gap between what the Andover Public Schools now provide (in the STEAM arena) and what a dedicated charter school might do? Yes, there is. But a careful analysis of efforts now under way and planned in the Andover schools can address that gap quite substantially.

Unlike some of the other less well-funded school districts in the commonwealth, Andover is very progressive and carefully blends the desire for well-rounded

preparation with the more pronounced needs in the STEAM sector. Finally, the location of a vocational high school in town plus immediate access to other private schools locally affords our populace some excellent choices. Thus, the need appears to be not as great here, relatively speaking, as it might be in more deserving parts of the state. 2. Should the proposed

charter school come into being in Andover, the budget impact for both the public schools as well as the general town operations would be severe as the charter school funding is now constituted. This is due primarily to the methodology behind the Chapter 70 aid supplemented by the Chapter 46 reimbursements. Time is full impact of these financial changes and plan for a potential transition.

3. Andover is one of the last remaining Town Meeting communities where, essentially, all of the key decisions in the operation of the town (and the school district) are determined by the majority of the townspeople. That is the culture of the town. Due to the timing of the proposed STEAM Studio application, there has considered. not yet been enough time to fully examine and evaluate

the proposal by the vast majority of Andover citizens. It might well be that sufficient support resides in town to launch this new charter school, but our "socialization" of this issue has not yet been given time to work.

I understand fully that there is no "town vote" or other "official blessing" of the charter school operation; however, extra time would certainly allow more taxpayers in Andover to understand the proposal and its financial impacts and allow other voices to be heard. I believe that DESE would benefit from additional input from Andover given that this is such an unusual location for a charter school proposal.

My understanding is that DESE will give final considnecessary to understand the eration to the STEAM Studio application at its annual deliberation in February.

> Given that the need in Andover — while important - is not critical, that the extensive budget impact of this proposal is considerable and not well-enough understood and that the general population of the town has not yet had an opportunity to fully assess the proposal, the delay of a year in evaluating the proposal should be

> > TIMOTHY L. VAILL 9 Bancroft Road

# STEAM Studio charter plan would weaken Andover schools

Editor, Townsman:

This letter comes from an Andover High School teacher of 15 years experience and her father who has 10 years of service on the Andover School Committee and 10 additional years of service on the Andover Finance Committee. Both of us have an interest in and passion for public education.

We are adamantly opposed to Mr. Birnbach's proposed STEAM Studio charter school for several reasons. The establishment of a "STEAM" Academy implies that only those subjects are worthy of support and thus marginalizes all students whose interests lie outside of those disciplines. In reading Mr. Birnbach's proposal, it is obvious that art has been included in only the most minimal way and the "Art" that the proposed school includes focuses solely on computerassisted design. Thus, this school would not truly encompass all the

facets of a STEAM school.

Should the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education approve such a school, it will set an unhealthy precedent. If the interests of a small group of students deserve this kind of attention, what about the interests of other students? Should the community also provide a Fine Arts Academy, a Communications Academy, an International Affairs and Foreign Language Academy, a Health Services Academy and schools for other equally worthwhile interests? A point of fact, it is the purpose of a comprehensive high school to serve this range of needs, which Andover High School already does exceedingly well.

In the majority of charter school cases, the DESE reassigns state money because those schools are located in districts that rely overwhelmingly on state funding for support. This is not the case in Andover. Less than 10 percent of Andover's public school budget comes from state funding. Therefore, the proposed STEAM Academy would allow DESE to reassign local funding without the approval of local voters. That is a fundamental contradiction of the proud history of public education in the

commonwealth of Massachusetts. Along those same lines, as residents of this community for more than 30 years, we are appalled that an elected official would use his position on the School Committee to propose a project that would not only weaken Andover Public Schools, but would also enhance his own personal position. We vehemently urge you to deny Mr. Birnbach's request for approval of the inappropriately named Andover STEAM Academy.

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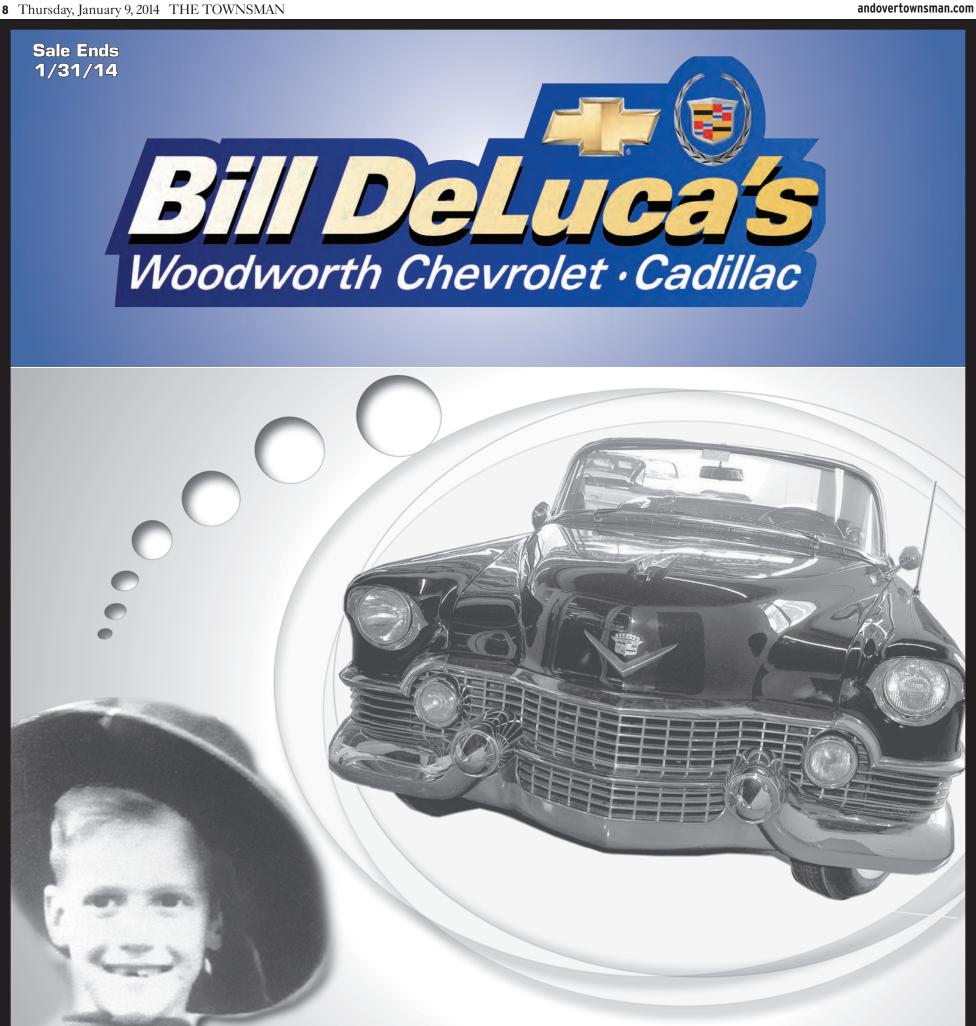


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# TownsBeat

# Building kings on and off court

# Andover group helps establish local SquashBusters Program

By BILL BURT bburt@andovertownsman.com

Lawrence has basketball, baseball, soccer and football programs in place to hopefully give boys and girls something to do, teach a little teamwork and possibly inspire them to take that passion to other areas of their

Well, thanks to some prodding from a few Andover residents, there's a new youth sport in town, one that might surprise most, if not all, of its residents:

Squash.

That's right, squash, the sport of kings, or at the very least the sport of elite prep schools and colleges in the country.

The same sport Forbes Magazine tabbed as "the healthiest sport" to play a decade

In fact, the "Ivy League" sport is not only here, but after a \$250,000 fundraiser a few weeks ago in North Andover for the SquashBusters Program, it appears to be setting roots for a long time coming.

SquashBusters was founded in 1996 as the first after-school program of its kind in the U.S. — combining squash, academics and community service. The organization's aim was to serve students from Boston and Cambridge public schools through the "most crucial years" of their development, with the goals of building strong personal character, pushing students to matriculate to and graduate from college and improving the overall physical and emotional health of youths.

SquashBusters is under the growing umbrella of the National Urban Squash and Education Association, with similar programs in Harlem, Newark, Bronx, Philadelphia, New Haven, Baltimore, Cleveland, Detroit, Minneapolis, Denver and in a handful of California cities.

Three summers ago, Phillips Andover squash coach Tom Hodgson was visiting SquashBusters founder Greg Zaff at their alma mater, Williams College in Williamstown, and they began talking about the program.

"We were talking about the need for additional afternoon programming for kids in Lawrence," Hodgson said. "We talked about the opportunity to put our students (from Andover) and the area squash community in contact with our neighbors in Lawrence. It was exciting."

Hodgson passed the word along to two of rence director Dora Lubin said. "We his squash pals from Andover, Ross Elkin and Ed Krapels.

A dream soon became a reality.

"I was aware of SquashBusters in Boston," Elkin said. "Then a core group of us - including Tom, Ed, Bruce Landay, Henry White, Doug Burbank and I — began investigating what would be required to start a program.

"It turns out that, coincidently, Squash-Busters Boston was thinking about expanding to a second location, and Lawrence was one of the places they had thought about. We realized quickly that there was no need for us to try to reinvent the wheel, and when SquashBusters said that they would commit to starting a program in Lawrence, we agreed to put our support behind that

SquashBusters' mission statement is this: help and then 60 to 90 minutes of squash To challenge and nurture urban youth — as instruction three days a week from Sepstudents, athletes and citizens — so that they recognize and fulfill their fullest potential in life.

'When we started to introduce squash in Lawrence it was the fall of 2012 and we went into the Wetherbee and Arlington



RYAN HUTTON/Staff photos

Ross Elkin, left, and Tom Hodgson pose with some of the students from the Lawrence SquashBusters Program. The initiative aims to use squash to challenge and nurture urban youths so that they recognize and achieve their fullest potential in life.



Ross Elkin, back row second from left, and Tom Hodgson, back row second from right, with members of the Lawrence SquashBusters Program. Elkin and Hodgson helped raise \$250,000 for the initiative. They are accompanied by program director Dora Lubin, back far right, and academic coordinator Audrey Guerrero, back far left.



Locals Ross Elkin tries to block out Tom Hodgson on the squash courts of Brooks School in North Andover. The pair are working to introduce squash to Lawrence students through an initiative they have helped to bring to the area.

(middle) schools," SquashBusters Lawbrought a bunch of racquets and the kids would hit the balls around in the gym. It was a little chaotic.

"And then when we had sign-ups for this fall, I had visions that we were going to get only 10 kids. But 150 boys and girls signed up. We eventually took 24 kids from each school. It has surpassed all of our expectations.'

The key element in all of this, though, was getting the area's two top prep schools, Phillips Andover and Brooks School, to

Both did. Emphatically.

"We are so lucky to have such great schools with top-notch facilities." Elkin said. "It couldn't be any better. Andover and Brooks have been incredible partners."

Boys and girls in the SquashBusters That support wasn't just dollars, but time. Program get 60 to 90 minutes of academic tember to June. The Arlington Middle School students are scheduled to attend Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday while the Wetherbee School students go Monday,

Wednesday and Saturday. The 48 participating children are picked

The recent "MashUp" squash competition at Brooks School in North Andover helped net \$250,000 for the SquashBusters Lawrence

The competition consisted of four teams, each comprised of a world-class player, five amateurs, a student from Brooks School or Phillips Academy and a SquashBusters student.

Each of the amateur players raised money to participate. The teams battled in a round-robin format with the two top finishers playing in the finals for all the marbles. Andover's Ross Elkin, Ed Krapels and Tom Hodgson were among the

Originally, the hope was to raise \$100,000. But with a special matching grant of \$75,000, the event raised more than double the expectations. All of the proceeds will directly benefit SquashBusters Lawrence and its 48 students.

For more information about SquashBusters, visit www.squashbusters.org.

up at their schools between 2:20 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. and they are back in Lawrence by about 6:30 p.m.

The Saturday schedule is simply two hours of squash, with the two schools com ing together to play.

In other words, this is the real deal. "I had run into a number of Squash-Busters kids at youth tournaments that my son, Seve (a Brooks School student), had played," Elkin said. "I was always impressed by the way they conducted themselves. To be blunt, it's not the easiest thing for a bunch of kids from innercity Boston to move comfortably in the Wellesley/Weston-Mercedes/BMW-private school world of squash, and yet the Squash-

Busters' kids did just that. "I love the intensive, long-term approach that the program takes. They ask the students to make a seven-year commitment and to work for everything they get — in the classroom, on the court and in the community. That's extraordinary.'

The Lawrence kids have reaped many benefits in about 16 months, including traveling to tournaments at some elite colleges in New England while rubbing elbows and competing against their peers.

"I've been to Harvard, Yale and Williams

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Susan Kramer O'Neill, formerly of Andover, in New York's **Times** Square.

# Smiling through life Former local writer shares everyday nuances in book

By Judy Wakefield jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

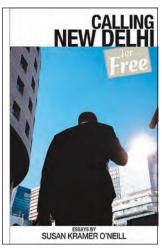
The book starts with an introduction starring a doughnut — a glazed jelly cruller that not only oozes with calories (260), but also oozes with a comedic approach to life in short essay style that will keep readers amused to the end.

Titled "Calling New Delhi for Free" (\$9 paperback), it's the handiwork of former Andover Townsman reporter and longtime writer Susan Kramer

O'Neill used to live in Andover with her family husband Paul and two kids - but now calls Brooklyn, N.Y. home.

"I used to work as a reporter (at the Townsman) back when dinosaurs walked the Earth (1985 or '86 or so, during the Bob Finneran era) and was

BLACKVIKITA



Former Andover resident Susan Kramer O'Neill has published a collection of her humorous short essays in "Calling New Delhi for Free."

recently startled to see the Little League team from 25 years ago staring at me from my computer on the Townsman website," O'Neill said in an email. "So, I quickly

sent links to my husband and my son, who coached and played for a non-competing team in that era."

This is O'Neill's second book and it reminds her very much of her long-ago weekly newspaper gig in Andover. She wrote a weekly humor column for the paper "back in the day."

"Don't know that anybody would remember me from that time, but I guess I can say the job gave me my start down the essay trail," she

She continues her trademark style in "Calling New Delhi," offering humorous takes on family, social media, tech support, travel, war and one presidential inauguration. But today's technology craze is what clearly gets this author's

O'Neill said many of her columns are musings on how technology messes

with the minds of mere humans. The book title reflects her frustrations.

"It's kind of a symptom of the age and a symbol of the tech craziness," she said. "So many times, we idiots start on the path to tend to some faulty product we've bought somewhere by making a simple phone call — only to find ourselves talking to New Delhi," O'Neill said.

She shared her New Delhi experience: "I was having trouble linking the book with the Kindle edition with my author page, so I engaged the `chat' feature you know, where you type your message and somebody comes online to type back and try to solve the issue at hand and I noticed the individual on the other end of Amazon support had kind of an odd name. So, when we'd supposedly solved our issue, I asked



where she was typing from. She said, of course, New "I gathered a batch of Delhi," O'Neill recalled. my blog entries and a few

O'Neill is also a registered nurse who volunteered with the Peace Corps and was an Army nurse in Vietnam. She wrote "Don't Mean Nothing" (Ballantine 2001, UMass Press 2004, Serving House Books 2010), a collection of short stories based loosely on her experiences in the

The author highlights the funny side of life's everyday nuances in her writing.

which is the site where I throw up an essay now and then under the title 'Off the Matrix," she said. In addition, for the past

outright essays and decided

to publish them as a book

with Peace Corps Writers,

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# An operatic milestone Purcell piece celebrates Phillips' 40 years of coeducation

Andover Dance Group, Phillips Academy's student dance ensemble, together with the Fidelio Society, a select a cappella choir, and several student musicians will present Henry Purcell's tragic opera, "Dido and Aeneas," this weekend at

Tang Theatre on campus, 180 Main St., Andover.

The opera is based on Virgil's "Aeneid" and was originally performed in 1688 at the Josias Priest's girls

Andover's production will be performed by members of the Fidelio Society, directed by Christopher Walter, and the Andover Dance Group, directed by Judith Wombwell.

school in London.

The original choreography by Wombwell places the singers among the dancers and uses the Andover/Exeter rivalry as a replacement for Carthage and Troy.

The title roles of Dido and Aeneas will be played by singers Caroline Sambuco and Adam Brody and dancers Emily Ewing and Graham Johns, all of whom are seniors.

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The supporting female role of Belinda will be sung by junior Rebecca Cheng and danced by senior Sophia Landay. The sorceress who intervenes in the happy union of the couple will appear in the form of the Exeter mascot and guest appearances will be made by faculty member Kevin

Phillips Academy varsity baseball team.

The production of "Dido and Aeneas" celebrates Phillips Academy's yearlong recognition of the 40th anniversary of coeducation on campus, highlighting programs that came up the hill from Abbot Academy and continue to thrive at PA today. The dance program and Fidelio are two such prominent programs.

Day students performing in "Dido and Aeneas" Graber and members of the include Abriana Mayer,

Elizabeth McGonagle, Sarah Cronin, Erica Nork, Vivian Liu, Katie Graber, Justine Wang, Hannah Beaudoin, Alexandra Decker, Michaela Barczak, Cheng, Ewing, Lan-

day and Brody. The production is presented by the Phillips Academy Department of Theatre and Dance in conjunction with the Department of

Music. Performances are Friday, Jan. 10, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 11, at 8 p.m. Both shows are open to the public. Tickets are \$5 and may be reserved through the box office at 978-749-4433.

# Tea time for 'Downton Abbey' return

Season 4 of "Downton It will host a tea party cel- St., Andover. Costumes are week's snowstorm. still excited for its return.

**■ EVENTS CALENDAR** 

**ART AND GALLERIES** 

Abbey" may have already ebrating the new season of encouraged to add to the fun. For more information, conhad its premiere on Sunday. the popular series on Friday, But Memorial Hall Library is Jan. 10, from 10 to 11 a.m. planned for Friday, Jan. 3, at 978-623-8400, ext. 32, or at the library, 2 North Main but got postponed due to last bshoostine@mhl.org.

The event was originally tact Brooke at the library

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## **CLUES ACROSS**

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- 14. Old name for Tokyo 15. Largest continent
- 16. Showed old movie
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- 23. Misaddressed mail (slang)
- 25. Expresses pleasure
- 26. Samba or basket rummy
- 31. Military leader (abbr.)
- 33. A citizen of Iran
- 34. Environmental Protection Agency
- 35. Carbon, radioactive or varve

### **CLUES DOWN**

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- 3. Armed conflicts
- 4. Am. Music Awards
- 5. Dance mix DJ Einhorn
- 6. Oxidation-reduction
- 7. Structure 8. Modern
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- 24. 007's Flemming
- 26. 12th century Spanish hero El \_\_\_\_
- 29. Cuckoo
- 9. Roman Conqueror
- 11. 8th C. BC minor Hebrew prophet
- 20. In active opposition
- 28. Slave rebellion's Turner

- 36. Loss of electricity
- 41. Mass. Cape
- 44. 1/1000 of a tala
- 45. Players at 1st, 2nd & 3rd
- 46. Covered Greek portico 49. Bring upon oneself
- 53. Bumpkins or hayseeds 59. Fleshy seed cover

- 64. Civilian dress
- 66. Box (abbr.)
- 67. Burning crime
- 37. Fasten with string
- 38. Teller replacement
- 40. Sea eagle
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- 44. Marten furs
- 46. Strike workers
- 48. Louise de la Ramee's pen name
- 54. mater, one's school

- Solution in Classified Section
- 43. Mediator
- 51. Leuciscus cephalus
- 52 Cold War foe II
- 60. Golf ball prop
- 61. Antipathetic
- 62. Wait or tarry
- 63. Weather map line \_\_\_bar
- 65. Relaxing resorts
- 30. From a time
- 32. Applies with quick strokes
- 39. Command right

- 47. Thysanopter
- 50. King of Thebes
- 55. Time unit
- 57. Von Bismarck, Iron Chancellor 58. Front of the leg

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**ALPERS FINE ART, "(Largely)** Small Works," end-of-year exhibit, through Jan. 12, 96 Main St., Andover. 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.; 978-760-1829, www.alpersfineartonline.com. **ESSEX ART CENTER, "Every** 

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Place" by Allison Cekala and Sarah Pollman and "Enter the Void" by Elissa Salas in Chester F. Sidell Gallery; "Mostly Sunny, Scattered Clouds," new work by Ellen

Rich, Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery; Jan. 10 through Feb. 14. opening reception. Friday. Jan. 10, 5 to 7 p.m., with artist talk at 5 p.m.; free; 56 Island St., Lawrence; Leslie Costello, 978-685-2343 or leslie@essexartcenter.org; www.essexartcenter.org.

### **AUDITIONS**

**AUDITIONS, Treble Chorus** is holding auditions for the Spring 2014 season for its four choirs — training, ages 7 to 9; concert, ages 9 to 13; schola, ages 13 to 18 and My Own Voice for singers with special needs — Mondays, Jan. 13 and 20, 4:30 to 6 p.m., West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Andover; contact Anna S. Choi, tcnemanager@treblechorusne. org or 978-470-8263, to schedule an audition.

### **FILMS**

**SCREENING ROOM, Boomer-**Venture Screening Room Film Festival series featuring "Kinky Boots," based on a true story about a drag queen who comes to the rescue of a son who inherits his father's failing shoe factory, Thursday, Jan. 9, 7 p.m.; "Renoir," a movie set on the

Renoir Clan, Thursday, Jan. 16, 7 p.m.; free, snacks available; Center at Punchard, 30 Whittier Court, Andover; 978-623-8321, www.andoverseniorcenter.org. **LECTURES** 

French Riviera following the

PARENT TO PARENT, Jack Agati presents "Birth Order: How Your Place in the Family Affects Your View of the World," Wednesday, Jan. 15, 7:30 to 9 p.m., West Middle School Auditorium, 70 Shawsheen Road. Andover: hosted by Andover Parent to Parent; free; www.andoverp2p.com. RAIN GARDENS, North

Andover Garden Club presents "Rain Gardens to the Rescue" with Donna Williams, a talk on the Massachusetts Rain Garden Campaign to help reduce polluted runoff flowing to water resources, Tuesday, Jan. 14, 7 p.m., St. Michael's Parish Hall, 196 Main St., North Andover; free, northandovergardenclub@yahoo.com or Lisa, 978-689-9318. **MUSIC** 

**BRASSERIE 28.** Thursday. Jan. 9, Marc Fleury, acoustic, country covers; Friday, Jan.

classic rock; Thursday, Jan. 16, singer-songwriter Ryan Fitzsimmons, acoustic covers; all music 8 to 11 p.m., 2 Elm Square, Andover; http://brasserie28.com. OPERA, The Phillips Acad-

emy Department of Theatre and Dance in conjunction with the Department of Music presents Henry Purcell's tragic opera "Dido and Aeneas" performed by Andover Dance Group, the school's student dance ensemble; the Fidelio Society, a select a cappella choir, and several student musicians, Friday, Jan. 10, 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 p.m., Tang Theatre, Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover; open to public, tickets \$5; 978-749-4433.

# ETC.

**OPEN HOUSE,** Andover School of Montessori open house Tuesday, Jan. 14, 9 to 11 a.m., 400 South Main St., Andover; 978-475-2299, ext. 33, or yhoward@andovermontessori.org.

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# ■ WHAT'S HAPPENING: MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY

Here is a look at some of the programs and activities on tap this month at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover. All events are free and sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library:

# 'Jazz Gems' concert

Master jazz pianist and new Andover resident Eyran Katsenelenbogen will perform solo renditions of beloved jazz standards from Document Conservation the Great American Songpopular by Nat King Cole, Fats Waller, Dave Brubeck, Bill Evans, Michel Legrand, Miles Davis, Chick Corea and George Gershwin, on Sunday, Jan. 12, at 2:30 p.m.

A classically trained pianist with a unique jazz style, Katsenelenbogen, who goes by Rani, has performed in concerts and on radio and television throughout the world. Related to Felix Mendelssohn, the Israeli-born

musician was first taught by Aida Barenboim, mother and teacher of famed pianist/conductor Daniel Barenboim. He studied and now teaches at the New **England Conservatory of** Music in Boston.

### Research your historic house

Bill Veillette, executive director of the Northeast Center, will introduce the book, including pieces made topic of documentary house research on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 7 p.m.

Veillette will demonstrate the variety of information sources available on historic houses, provide tips on how to approach research and offer examples of how to connect the dots to create The Beehive: Author a compelling story of one's historic house and its former occupants. He will also draw a connection between the Col. Robert Means

48 Central St. in Andover.

### Virtual tour with **Gravestone Girls**

Join the Gravestone Girls on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 7 p.m. for a virtual tour of Andover's local cemeteries, including photographs of special and interesting burying places around town.

Through their interactive slide show, they will chart the evolution of cemeteries and gravestones from the Colonial era to modern times and bring to Mazin and other staff light "the art, symbolism and history of these living history museums located on everyone's main streets ing on those long winter and in their backyards."

# Molly Vazquez

Groveland native Molly Vazquez shares her two nonfiction books, "Alohouse in Amherst, N.H., and pecia & Wellness: How I

Got My Hair Back Treatment Free" and "Alopecia & Wellness Cookbook: Healthy Recipes for Everyday," on a visit to the Beehive on Thursday, Jan. 30, at 7 p.m. Vazquez discusses her journey of healing herself when doctors could not help. She says she is living proof that one's diet can be the best medicine.

TOWNSBEAT

## Tuning into popular TV series this winter

Library Director Beth members discuss and recommend their favorite television series for viewnights on Friday, Jan. 31, at 10 a.m. Attendees are encouraged to share their own favorites during the Beehive program.

For more information on any of the programs, visit www.mhl.org or call 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

## ■ SHABBAT PROGRAMS AND MORE AT **CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL**

conservative congregation at acceptance, understanding 501 South Main St. (Route 28) differences, love and respect. in Andover, is kicking off the After the performance, youngnew year with a host of events sters will be treated to a makeand activities. Here is a look at your-own-sundae party. The what is planned this month:

### Youth Shabbat

vices for grades two through 978-474-0540 or office@BethIsseven are held monthly at raelMV.org. Congregation Beth Israel. Known as the M & M Minyan, Holiday Story Hour these services, which run from 10 a.m. to noon, use games, 6 and their parents, grandpardrama, crafts and discussion ents and siblings are invited to and give students a chance to a Jewish Holiday Story Hour practice what they learn in the on Tuesday, Jan. 14, from 10 to classroom. At noon, the stu- 11 a.m. at Andover Bookstore, dents join the congregation for 89 Main St., Andover. Sponthe conclusion of the Shabbat sored by Congregation Beth service and a light luncheon. Israel, the program is made The next M & M Minyan will possible by a grant from the be held Saturday, Jan. 11; Merrimack Valley Jewish all youngsters are invited to Federation. It will feature the participate.

## Toddler Play Group

Beth Israel has a monthly Reservations are requested by skills. The next group will be 978-474-0540. held on Sunday, Jan. 12, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the syna- **Shabbat Dinner** the office at 978-474-0540.

# Children's Concert

Parents Award winner whose office at 978-474-0540.

Congregation Beth Israel, a songs teach children about cost for the afternoon is \$2 per person. Reservations are requested by Monday, Jan. 6, Youth Shabbat morning ser- by contacting Amy Sherr at

All children ages 2.9 through reading of a book with a Tu B'Shevat theme. Youngsters will be encouraged to join To introduce young children in the movements depicted to Jewish traditions, customs in the story. Snacks will be and holidays, Congregation served following the reading. Toddler Play Group. Led by a Jan. 12 by contacting Esther certified instructor, the pro- Kaufman, education director, gram features games, music at EdDirector@BethIsraelMV. and fun activities, which also org or by calling Amy Sherr teach the youngsters social at the synagogue office at

gogue. A suggested donation A Community Shabbat Dinof \$10 per session or \$50 per ner and Tu B'Shevat Seder year is requested. For more will be held Friday, Jan. 17, information, contact the con- beginning at 6 p.m. at Congregregation's education director, gation Beth Israel. Students Esther Kaufman, at EdDirec- will help lead Kabbalat Shabtor@BethIsraelMV.org or call bat services, and families will join together with blessings and songs. All are welcome to this special Shabbat cel-A Children's Concert and Ice ebration. There is a suggested Cream Party will be presented donation of \$20 per family. Reson Sunday, Jan. 12, starting at ervations are requested by 1 p.m. The program, which is Monday, Jan. 13. E-mail educageared to children ages 2 to 8, tion director Esther Kaufman will feature a musical perfor- at EdDirector@BethIsraelMV. mance by Fran Friedman, a org or call Amy Sherr at the

# HEALTH BRIEFS

## **Senior Mini Health** Clinics on tap

for the year. Six are planned aged to give. this month.

The January schedule is: ■ Monday, Jan. 13, 2 to 3

- Railroad St.
- Wednesdays, Jan. 15. Center, 30 Whittier Court
- Monday, Jan. 27, 1 to 2 p.m., Frye Circle

sary. For more information, or log onto redcrossblood. call the Health Department org. at 978-623-8295.

# Donors sought for January Red Cross blood drives

has two community blood 12-step recovery pro- will begin on Thursday, drives coming up this gram, is open to anyone Jan. 9, from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

month in town.

day to ensure an adequate eating or bulimia, The town's Health Depart-blood supply for patients in

scheduled for .

- Thursday, Jan. 23, 1:30 Center at 35 Essex St. p.m., Andover Commons, 30 to 7 p.m., Saint Augustine Church, 35 Essex St.
- 22 and 29, 2 to 3 p.m., Senior a.m. to 3 p.m., CBRE Rich-Center, 30 Whittier Court ard Ellis, One Tech Drive

To make an appointment NAMI Family to to donate blood, call 800- Family course No appointment is neces- RED CROSS (800-733-2767)

## **Food Addicts in** Recovery **Anonymous**

Food Addicts in Recov- in Middleton. The American Red Cross ery Anonymous, a free

suffering from food obses-

ment has scheduled a series need. All eligible and new Andover on Saturdays at phrenia, bipolar, major of Senior Mini Health Clinics blood donors are encour- 7:45 a.m. at Christ Church depression, panic disorder The blood drives are Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. at disorder; coping skills for

> list of meetings elsewhere, munication skills, problem ■ Thursday, Jan. 30, 10 call 781-932-6300 or visit solving, recovery and rehawww.foodaddicts.org.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness is sponsoring the Family to Fam- Health Briefs column, email ily education program for townsman@andovertownsloved ones of individuals man.com. living with serious mental illness starting next week

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The course will be taught Donors are needed every sion, overeating, under- by trained family member volunteers. It will cover Meetings are held in information about schizoat 33 Central St. and on and obsessive compulsive St. Augustine's Education crisis and relapse, basic information on medica-For more information or a tions, listening and combilitation, and self-care.

For more information or to register, call or email Sheila at 978-304-0146 or ShePowGir45@gmail.com.

To submit an item for the

# O'NEILL

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13 years, O'Neill has been the primary editor for Vestal Review, which handles "flash fiction," stories of no more than 500 words.

O'Neill's resume is long and includes stints as an editor, reporter, freelance writer, nurse, storyteller, envelope-stuffer and

wedding singer. Through it all, she's been faithfully writing essays about everyday life, capturing its funny manual for living today, but aggravating side.

when it was not uncommon for young, lower-middle-class women to be told that they should either learn to type or study to be a nurse," she said. "I did both."

to enjoy her writing style. One reviewer called her latest offering, "A told in a fresh and vibrant voice."

While O'Neill admits she wastes a shameful amount of time on Facebook and peacecorpsworldwide.org/.

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(College) for tournaments," said Phoenix Almonte, 12, a seventh-grader at the Wetherbee School. "They are amazing places. I would love to go to Harvard some day. I want to be a doctor. And maybe I could play squash there, too. I'm pretty good."

In fact, Almonte's most memorable experience as a SquashBusters member was his overnight trip to play a tournament at Williams College.

"It was so cool staying in the dorms and seeing the incredible campus," Almonte recalled. "I also loved the buffet meals. I got to eat as much as I wanted every meal. It was great."

You can email Bill Burt at bburt@andovertownsman.

## **ANDOVER MASHUP PLAYERS**

### **ANDOVER ACADEMICS TEAM**

Ed Krapels John Palfrey

# **LAWRENCE LEGION TEAM**

Ross Elkin Peter Caruso Seve Elkin Mark Hodges Manoj Munjal

# **ESSEX COUNTY NICKS**

Henry White Mark Attarian Ted Jenkins Bruno Pakey Bill Wall

### **MERRIMACK VOLLEY TEAM**

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# Townspeople

# Finding wonder, happiness within a joyful group of children For the dogs: March benefit

## Elizabeth Bernardin

Editor's Note: Andover High School sophomore Elizabeth Bernardin has been volunteering at the Professional Center for Child Development in Andover for more than a year. The sister of a younger brother who is on the autism spectrum and who attended the center, she says she has found the opportunity eye-opening and gratifying on a variety of levels. She shares her experience in this piece.

The summer before high school, I began searching for an organization I could contribute to. I wanted to apply myself outside of school in a setting where I could help and hopefully make an impact. I went to a few different groups before I decided on the Professional Center for Child Development in Andover. The biggest factor in this decision was the fact that my younger brother, William, had attended there. I knew he had benefited, so I wanted to give back to the people who had helped him.

William is on the autism spectrum. I've seen how hard he works every day to accomplish the things that come naturally to the rest of us. Whether it was basic things such as making eye contact when being spoken to or eating with a spoon, or more advanced skills such as communicating and interacting with others, William has always had to work extremely hard. It's been a trying, exciting and rewarding journey as an older sister.

Being someone who lives in a home where autism is such a prominent topic, I felt I could bring some valuable knowledge to the job. And, honestly, it did help a lot, because there were times when a child would do something that strongly resembled William's behavior. There were many things, however, that I wasn't prepared for, because each child is



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Elizabeth Bernardin with her brother, William, who prompted her to start volunteering at the Professional Center for Child Development in Andover.

unique. I wasn't prepared for how gratifying this experience would be or for the contagious happiness of the children.

You forget what it's like to be a child with the ability to find joy in everyday things — whether it's blowing bubbles or drawing with chalk. Having the privilege of interacting with these children instilled in me a newfound sense of wonder and happiness. It made me see the world a little differently and take time to appreciate what I have. Some of the children I worked with faced greater challenges than William, but they were bright and energetic and put their all in everything they did. I knew I had found the right place to volunteer.

My first event at the PCCD was the Trot for Special Tots. Since then, I've also been able to volunteer at holiday parties as well as in a summer classroom. Volunteering was initially at Andover High School.

a little nerve-racking, but the strong sense of community within the PCCD walls helped me acclimate. I had the opportunity to not only work with amazing children, but also with a dedicated staff who made my experience so worthwhile. They showed me what I needed to do in order to be successful and opened my eyes to all the good the PCCD does for so many families.

I feel honored to have the privilege of volunteering at the Professional Center for Child Development. Being able to work with the children and interact with them on a personal level is an unbelievably rewarding experience. I am grateful to Ellen Waddill and everyone else at PCCD for this amazing volunteer opportunity, and I look forward to continuing my work with the fantastic staff and children

Elizabeth Bernardin is a sophomore

# March benefit to raise funds for off-leash park

Mark your calendars now: A fundraiser has been  $\ \emph{According to the group's}$ planned for March 8 to raise money for the Andover Dog Park.

As last reported in the Townsman, supporters of the dog park need to raise about \$50,000, which will be handed over to the town to hire a contractor to build the park.

The town has donated about a half-acre of land near **Bald Hill Conservation Trails** as space for the dog park. Volunteers have cleared it, but now dog park supporters need someone to prepare the site, build a fence and parking lot, and put up whatever other amenities are called for in the final design.

The fundraiser will be Cakes by Design.

preserve the natural features fundraising efforts. and rolling terrain of the land. A couple trees, includ- to make an online donation, ing a large white oak tree in visit andoverdogparkma. the center, will be kept to com.

website, the Andover Dog Park will be an area of 0.6 acres for dogs to run and play off leash. The aim is to preserve the natural features and rolling terrain of the land. A couple trees, including a large white oak tree in the center, will be kept to provide shade.

provide shade.

The area will be comheld at Andover Country pletely fenced in and will Club from 7 to 10:30 p.m. include a double gate at the and will include a silent auc- entrance to ensure safety. tion, appetizers and drinks, Organizers say they want and entertainment. Tickets to provide a safe, fun area are \$50 and are available for dogs to play and ownat River Road Veterinary ers to mingle. The project Hospital, Groom Town Bou- was started several years tique & Spa, Blue Dog Acad- ago and now a new group emy, Learning Express and of private citizens has come together and is working According to the group's with town officials to see the website, the Andover Dog project to completion. The Park will be an area of 0.6 estimated budget of \$55,000 acres for dogs to run and for the park will be privately play off leash. The aim is to funded through a variety of

For more information or

# DPW a helpful Facebook friend in new year's storm

news to the community.

The snowfall caused In today's age of technolstaff said.

the department reports. Intern Sarah LaMacchia

cling pickup information.

kicked off the new year illus- the latest news in town. In trated the power of social addition to waste collection networking for the town's information, the page also Department of Public Works features updates on road and the benefit of the social construction work, power media website in spreading disruptions and water main breaks.

delays in trash and recycling ogy, the ubiquity of social pickup throughout town, networks allows for greater leading several residents to ease and convenience call the pubic works depart- when sharing information, ment for information and LaMacchia said. Integratupdates on the situation, ing Facebook into communication between the town However, the information and its residents will allow was also accessible in an for important updates to be easier, more efficient way, shared more efficiently, she said.

The DPW will continue said that the DPW Facebook to use Facebook to help page was updated multiple the town share informatimes throughout the storm tion instantaneously with with new trash and recy- its residents, she said. Visit the Facebook page She said the Facebook at www.facebook.com/ page is a quick and easy way AndoverDPW.

# Troop Challenge benefit gearing up



Courtesy photos

The winners of last year's Troop Challenge at Yang's Fitness & Wellness Center. This year's event to benefit Home for Our Troops and raise awareness for this spring's Run for Our Troops 5K in Andover is set for Jan. 24.

sought for the second annual ness Center, 5 Dundee Park, treadmill climb. Andover.

ness for April's Run for the

Yang's Townwide Troop tenders are invited to com- event and to the top three information, visit www. Challenge to benefit Homes pete in timed military fitness for Our Troops on Friday, events, including push-ups, Jan. 24, from 7 to 9 p.m. pull-ups, jump rope, wall at Yang's Fitness & Well-sits, abdominal crunches and

More than 100 contenders Concord, N.H. Organizers say the event and spectators attended last



Last year's Troop Challenge included a treadmill climb done at a 10-degree incline with competitors wearing 45-pound backpacks. Andover High School lacrosse coach Wayne Puglisi, top left of photo, coaches Paula Perry of Andover, a personal trainer and group fitness instructor at Yang's, in the challenge as her daughter, Sydney, looks on.

be awarded to the top female are also available. The area's toughest con- and male in each individual To sign up or for more

> event will help to build a YangsAndover@aol.com or home for injured veteran 978-475-2020. Army Sgt. Matt Dewitt of

This year, participants receive a free, commemo- www.HomesForOurTroops. Troops 5K in Andover, which may compete individually or rative T-shirt. Tickets for com.

YangsFitnessCenter.com Proceeds from this year's or contact Diana Kiesel at

For more information about the Run For the Troops Registration for com- 5K, which is set for Sunday, combines good, healthy com- year's event, which raised petitors are now being April 6, visit www.runforthpetition for a great cause, more than \$2,400 for the accepted. Those who sign etroops5k.com. For more on up by Friday, Jan. 17, will Homes for Our Troops, visit

# A visit to the fire station



Cub Scout Pack 76 from South School recently paid a visit to the Andover Fire Station. Attending the outing were, front row from left, first-graders Drew LaChapelle, Charlie Howard, Kevin Hogan, Luke Organisciak, Drew Pulsifer, Danny Kirby, Owen Andrade, William Rice, Ty Cox and Henry Kane, and, back row from left, den leader Dave Howard dressed as a firefighter with Andover firefighters Garrett Ferris and Michael Oteri.

# **SEND US YOUR TOWNSPETS**

The Townsman is seeking nomi- regular feature in The Townsman. nations for TownsPets of the Week. The honor is open to all types of pets. We want to spotlight Andover's top dogs and cats – not brief description of the animal to mention fish, birds, hamsters, chickens and maybe even some snakes and turtles, too - as a

To nominate your favorite pet, submit a photo, with or without his or her owners, along with a and its special qualities, to townsman@andovertownsman.com.

# Competitors and charibenefits the Homes for Our as part of a team. Prizes will spectators, which are \$25, table cheerleaders are being Troops initiative.

raising money and aware- cause.

# ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

Compiled by Susan McKelliget

> 100 Years Ago **Jan. 16, 1914**

The local fire alarm whistle, which has been located above the Tyer Rubber Company since its installation several years ago, was removed from that building and relocated on the main factory of the company. The Board of Engineers announced, in connection with the fire alarm system, that in the future, the testing blows will be given at 7:45 in the evening instead of noon, as has been the custom.

The Andover Equal Suffrage League held its second regular meeting at Mrs. James C. Sawyer's on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 3:30 o'clock. After a short business meeting, the following talks were given: "A Brief Survey of Women's Legal and Social Rights under the Roman Law, Canon Law and English Law;" second, "The Political Status of Woman in the United States Today."

75 Years Ago Jan. 12, 1939

The six-room house on Shawsheen Heights built by Frank Cairns has been sold to Raymond S. Walker, who has already moved in and intends to make it his permanent home. The sale was made through the W. Shirley Barnard real estate and insurance agency.

Trudi Schoop, blonde Swiss dancer, will be here on Tuesday evening to present her international troupe in a program at the George Washington Auditorium. Miss Schoop is happy to be back in America on her fourth consecutive tour. She likes American audiences. "They respond more quickly" she said through

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an interpreter. "I suppose it's their constant contact with movies.'

50 Years Ago **Jan. 16, 1964** 

Confirmation that the old barn on Maple Avenue actually was an original town fire station was received this week from a man who should know. John A. Flint — now a resident of Raleigh, N.C. — has every reason to be sure of his facts. He hitched a ride on the moving barn when the builders were taking it to Maple Avenue from its Main Street location. Mr. Flint says the station was on the east side of Main Street near the corner of Chestnut.

Fire — which for a time threatened the entire building at 8 Essex St. caused several patrons of the Forum V coffee shop to leave hurriedly last Saturday night. The flames, however, were confined to the electrical shop in

the rear of the building and did not cause much damage to the coffee house, a fish store and a laundromat.

25 Years Ago **Jan. 19, 1989** 

The ballot as of Wednesday showed incumbents Gerald Silverman and Charles Wesson being challenged by George Danneman and Jack Dziadul for selectmen, moderator James D. Doherty being challenged by John Dovle, Andres Salazar and Christopher Outwin seeking the two School Committee openings and incumbent Eileen Connelly the only candidate for a five-year term on the Andover Housing Authority.

Bancroft Elementary School will honor Andover teacher Mrs. Jane Collins, who is retiring after 29 years of service to the school on Wednesday, Jan. 25.

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# Going dark on incandescents

By Doug Ireland Staff Writer

They're gradually disappearing from store shelves those 40- and 60-watt incandescent lightbulbs once ubiquitous in every home in town.

They're going the way of the 100- and 75-watt incandescents, which have already been outlawed within the last two years.

As of Jan. 1, federal law has banned the manufacturing

60-watt incandescents. inventories are exhausted.

The goal of the Energy switch to more energy-effi-bulbs, but won't be surprised or CFLs. They are 75 percent most shoppers had not yet more efficient and last at heard about the ban. least 10 times longer, accord-

Energy. generally don't last as long.

Managers at several area disappear last year. stores said last week they

Sandbox helping 17

early-stage ventures

2014 Winter Accelerator.

basic necessities to home-

program, Luby expects his ventures.

create local jobs and a ness fields, and access 24/7

less students. Among them Accelerator Program.

are Aeroship.it founded Ninety percent of the 29

by Michael Luby. The busi- early-stage businesses and

nonprofit group providing shared workspace.

**■** BUSINESS BRIEFCASE



and importation of the 40- and Gary Keleshian of Optech, an Andover company that specializes in lightbulbs, holds an old-style incandescent bulb The incandescent bulbs still that can no longer be manufactured in the United States nor

managers said they started ing off the shelves. before 75-watt bulbs began to of inventory."

Independence and Security had yet to see a run on the placing extra orders to meet store managers said. And

"I always stock up," Gary

Managers responded by at Bridge Street True Value sustainable."

Hardware across the border in Pelham, N.H., said many customers requested the 75-watt bulbs, but he wasn't sure if the 60- and 40-watt bulbs would be scooped up as quickly.

"I don't foresee a big rush," he said.

But some customers do complain about the cost of the CFL bulbs, he said. An eight-pack of 60-watt incandescent bulbs costs \$2.99, compared to 99 cents for a single CFL bulb.

"That's the biggest gripe," Ducharme said.

CFLs also don't cast as much light for at least several minutes after being turned on - one reason why some customers balk at buying them, there is some concern over the safety of the CFLs because can be a health hazard.

But several area residents saw a surge in 100-watt bulb said they prefer CFLs because Just before 100-watt bulbs sales and is waiting to see if they are more energy effiing to the U.S. Department of were banned in 2012, store the other types will start fly-cient and are expected to last up to seven years.

"It makes sense to me," ping at an area Home Depot. Robert Ducharme, manager "It's more long term and

# ■ REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

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The following real estate to Frank E. Zavrl, \$325,000 transfers were recorded recently in town:

■ 36 Smithshire Estate: Caroline C. Mulligan to Halie

■ 32 Corbett St.: Armand Corning, \$740,000 K. and E.G. Bartlett to Heidi ■ 22 Topping Road: Janet Coombs to Ivan Elias,

**■ 77 Lowell Junction Road:** \$290,000 Reichhold Inc. to Believe ■ 100 Washington Park Drive, Unit 1: Roy D. Umanzio to ■ 85-87 Porter Road: Porter Mark Derbyshire, \$107,500

### **■ BUILDING PERMITS**

The following building per- Co., commercial industrial/ mits were recently issued by residential, restroom renovathe town, according to the tions, \$323,048 Andover Building Department. The list includes per- Damian, single family, kitchen mit recipients and addresses, remodel, \$32,000 job descriptions and value of planned improvements:

Ramich, \$387,900

Andover LLC, \$1,800,000

Road NT and John C. Pustell

family, foundation, \$255,000

and Susan L. Gramolini, sin- 200 gle family, open deck, \$12,240

ily, structure permit, \$345,000 nets, tile dining room and ■ 2 Stonehedge Road: Trust- kitchen floors, \$10,545

ees of Phillips Academy, commercial, kitchen renovation, Yuan Yong Zhang and Lyn-\$14,588

and Cynthia A. Mclaughlan, windows, \$23,889 ■ 100 Murray Way: Merrimack \$11,183

Valley Augustinian College, modular building, health cen- kitchen and living room renoter (temporary), \$205,500 ■ 8 Robinswood Way: Paul J.

■ 11 Haskell Road: Benita and deck extension, \$3,700

■ **62 North St.:** 62 North vation, \$13,835 Street LLC, single family, raze house and garage, \$15,000

Development LLC, single room remodel, \$20,000 family, construction, \$346,000

Stephen A. Brickman, single single family, roof, install family, remodel kitchen and window, bathroom renovabathroom, \$39,667 ■ 4 Cullen Circle: Four Cullen

Circle/Daniel and Sue Farrell Oak Properties LLC, single bathroom, \$17,107

■ 36 Greenwood Road: Zonghetti Family Trust/Maureen ell Street Realty LLC, com-E. Zonghetti, single family, mercial, foundation only,

■ 350 Lowell St.: Raytheon unavailable

■ 4 Acorn Drive: Luke

■ 19 McKenney Circle: Conrad L. and Sharon Provencher, **3 Torr St.:** Jeffco Inc., single single family, replace vinyl siding, 23 replacement win-■ 103 Gould Road: Stephen F. dows, slider, front door, \$40,

■ 7 Marilyn Road: Matthew J. ■ 9 Newport Circle: Patch and Heather J. Flynn, single Development LLC, single fam- family, replace kitchen cabi-■ 138 Rattlesnake Hill Road:

nelle Yvette Lin, single fam-■ 87 Tewksbury St.: Mark D. ily, rooftop solar array, \$46,900

■ 3 Algonquin Ave.: John D. IV single family, vinyl siding and and Wendy E. Nevin, single family, bathroom remodel,

■ 1 Dean Circle: Gail D. commercial, foundation only, Der Ananian, single family, vation, \$34,870 ■ 36 Boston Road: Wayne

and Barbara A. Heller, sin-S. Frerichs, single family, gle family, strip and reroof, replacement window, kitchen cabinets, floor tile, \$14,500

■ 49 Highland Road: Trust-Yuval Zabar, single family, ees of Phillips Academy, commercial, bathroom reno-

■ 44 Juliette St.: Raymond

and Thomas Gaudet, single

■ 6 Newport Circle: Patch family, kitchen and bath-■ 174 High Plain Road: James ■ 10 Wolcott Ave.: Effie P. and M. and Maura A. O'Brien,

> tion, \$15,447 ■ 2 Rolling Ridge Road: Kings

Trust, single family, renovate family, addition and alterations, remove porch, \$90,000 ■ 321 Lowell St.: 323 Low-

two-story addition, \$143,000 30,000-square-foot building,



PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photos

can be sold at U.S. stores until imported as of the new year. Some shoppers are stocking up.

Act, adopted in 2007, is to 40- and 60-watt incandescent customer demand. cient lighting, including use if customers start hoarding Keleshian, owner of Optech they contain mercury, which of compact fluorescent lamps, them. They speculated that in Andover, said.

Incandescent bulbs cost a to sell a lot of them. The lot less than CFL bulbs, but same thing happened shortly ago," he said. "I sold off a lot said one man who was shop-

entrepreneurs accelerate opportunity to compete for Deshpande Foundation

Keleshian said he recently

"I had a run a few months

will use its delivery service. well-being of greater Lowell wealth management, gov-

store, a website that helps from experts in various busi- Foundation.org. Enterprise Bank This is Sandbox's third hires senior VP of

investment advisers

hit areas. By the end of the still actively pursuing their dent of Enterprise Invest- one in Andover. ment Advisers. She has business will have built a Founded in 2010, the more than 27 years of bankprototype and developed key nonprofit Merrimack Valing experience and previ- Business Briefcase, email relationships with humani- ley Sandbox aims to boost ously held progressively townsman@andovertownstarian organizations that the economic and social responsible positions in man.com.

During the 12-week Accel- and Lawrence by advanc- ernment banking, cash erator Program, which con- ing entrepreneurship and management and commer-Merrimack Valley Sand-tinues through February, innovation. It is supported cial lending throughout box is helping 17 early-stage participants will have the by a pilot grant from the Greater Boston. Her experience includes

their business and nonprofit \$30,000 in cash prizes; net-started by Gururaj "Desh" leading a multi-billion-dollar organizations as part of its work with the Sandbox com- and Jaishree Deshpande of division of 70 professionals, munity of more than 100 Andover. For more informa- including advisers, relation-Participants' ventures investors, industry experts tion, visit www.MVSandbox. ship managers and trust offiinclude a specialty cake and entrepreneurs; learn org or www.Deshpande- cers. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wesleyan University.

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# Sports

# Andover's O'Brien hired as Houston Texans head coach

By Kristie Rieken Associated Press

Andover's Bill O'Brien has gone from perhaps the toughest coaching job in college football to a coveted gig with one of the NFL's most respected teams.

Less than two years after replacing Joe Paterno as coach at Penn State, the 44-year-old O'Brien has returned to the NFL as head coach of the Houston Texans, officially hired last week. He was an offensive assistant under Bill Belichick with the New England Patriots from 2007-12, but the Penn State job was his first as a head coach. Now he gets the Texans,

who spiraled to an NFL-worst 2-14 record last season.

"He showed that he has the ability to step into difficult situations and turn them around," Houston owner Bob McNair said. "He did that at Penn State under very difficult circumstances and did an outstanding job there. We expect to see good things happen immediately."

O'Brien was 15-9 at Penn State, hit hard by NCAA sanctions levied for the Jerry Sandusky sex abuse scandal that cost the late Paterno his job.

He takes over for Gary

Kubiak, who was fired with three games left in the Texans' dismal season. Despite Houston's collapse, many believe it is a plum position because the Texans have many talented pieces in place and could make a quick turnaround. Houston won consecutive AFC South titles before this year's disaster.

O'Brien said he spoke to many people he trusted throughout the NFL before deciding to go to work in Houston.

'These people were unanimous in one thought, and that is that the Houston Texans are a top-flight organization that

does things the right way," he said. "It's rare enough to be a head coach at the highest level of football. What makes this opportunity special and put it over the top for myself and my family was to work for an owner like Bob McNair.'

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After his first season at Penn State, O'Brien interviewed with the Jacksonville Jaguars and Cleveland Browns, among others, only to stay in state college. This time, the lure of the NFL was too strong to resist.

"I love the players at Penn State and I respect their



Bill O'Brien of Andover has left Penn State to take over as head coach of the Houston Texans. It is his first head coaching See O'BRIEN, Page 15 job in the NFL.

# **GYMNASTICS**

# Back with no fear

# After nearly career-ending injury, Livingston stars for Andover

By David Willis dwillis@andovertownsman.com

Doctors have informed Jessie Livingston that when she eventually finishes competing in gymnastics, the back pain that has plagued her for the past four years will likely fade away.

But anyone who believes the Andover High senior is going to walk away before the job is done doesn't know Jessie Livingston.

"Doctors hope the pain will go away with time," she said. "But I love gymnastics and I love competing for Andover. I love my teammates and coming through for them. I will have time after high school. Right now, I want to have a senior year to remember."

It was more than three years ago that a fractured back nearly ended Livingston's gymnastics career before she ever had the chance to compete for the Golden Warriors.

But the 5-foot Livingston not only overcame the odds to return to her sport, she has once again emerged as one of the top gymnasts in Massachusetts and the top all-around competitor for Andover High, which is 2-0 heading into the week.

She is someone that strives for perfection in everything that she does," coach Tracy Vadala said. "She came back from an injury that ends most careers, and has been my top girl in the all-around since her sophomore year. She does things most gymnasts can't do."

It wasn't long ago, however, that Livingston didn't believe she would ever compete in gymnastics again.

A competitive gymnast since childhood, Livingston's world was thrown into disarray in September 2010 when the then-Andover High freshman was working out with her club team.

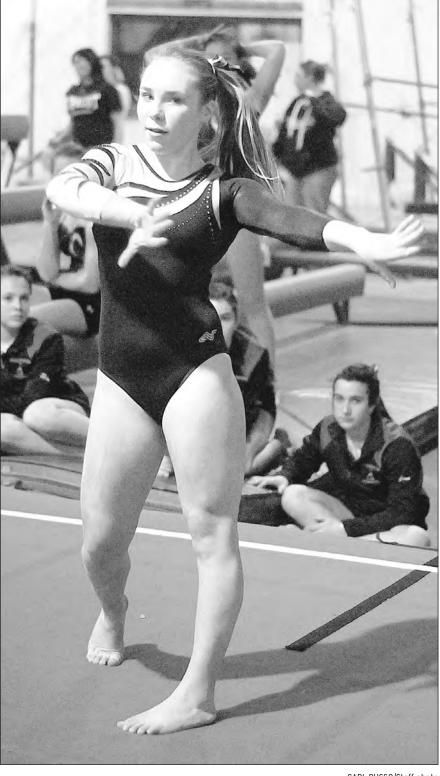
"I was doing a move on the bars when I hyper-extended my back," she remembered. "But I thought I could just work through it so I kept practicing for the next couple of days, which probably made it worse.'

But as the pain grew worse, reality set in that she needed to see a doctor.

"At first, they couldn't find anything on the X-ray," she said. "So I had an MRI and bone scan and CAT scans.

'They found a hairline fracture in one

See **LIVINGSTON**, Page 15



Jessie Livingston performs her floor exercise routine. After a fractured back nearly ended her career as a freshman, Livingston has starred for the Golden Warriors for the last three seasons.

# Girls hockey tops state's top-ranked team in upset

**GIRLS HOCKEY** 

With the score tied in the third period, sophomore superstar Veronica Alois on Monday scored the unassisted goal that gave Andover a 2-1 shocking upset over Arlington Catholic, the No. 1-ranked team in the state by the ESPNBoston.com statewide

The victory moved Andover from No. 11 to No. 5 in the Eastern Mass. standings.

The Golden Warriors grabbed the lead in the first period on a goal by Brianna Deloury, with assists going to Mikayla Panneton and Jillian Hughes. AC then tied the score in the second, setting up Alois' heroics in the third.

Meghan Johnson continued to be a rock in net, making 22 saves against a squad that had outscored opponents 13-3 through its first three games.

Veronica Alois scored again, but Andover lost to Acton-Boxboro 2-1 last Saturday. Brenna Keefe assisted on the goal and Megan Johnson made 25 saves for the Warriors.

# **BOYS BASKETBALL**

Giribaldi clutch in comeback win David Giribaldi sunk the go-ahead free throws with 42 seconds left, then added another free throw plus a steal and lay-up to clinch a 56-52 win over Lawrence High on Sunday in the Golden Warriors' first contest after winning the Christmas Tour-

'That's not Giri being a leader, it's Giri being a winner," Warriors coach David Fazio said. "The kid's just a winner, and we haven't had one like him in a long, long

With Giribaldi struggling until the final moments, freshman E.J. Perry IV led Andover with 15 points while **Jonathan** Rodriguez added 13 points and Connor Merinder had eight points.

# **GIRLS TRACK**

# Kobelski stars

Lizzie Kobelski took second overall in the 55-meter hurdles in 9.35 to highlight Andover at the Freshman-Sophomore large school meet on Saturday.

Wyllie Boughton added a second overall in the high jump (5-0), Casey McCarroll was right behind in third in the event (5-0), Miranda Lawrence was fifth in the long jump (15-1.25) and the team of Lawrence, Boughton, Mackenzie Kennedy and Delianna Marmolejos

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# Local rower signs with Division 1 college

Less than 15 months after being introduced to the sport of rowing, Andover High School senior Diana Glinos signed her letter of intent to row at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Glinos, formerly a competitive swimmer, did not begin rowing until the fall of her junior year.

"I had grown tired of swimming, so my dad, who rowed in college, suggested I give crew a shot," Glinos said in a press release. "The first time I rowed was on my 16th birthday and I loved it, so I signed up for the intro program at Essex Rowing."

Glinos immediately took to the sport, competing as part of 4-plus crew last spring. In the in both the top open-double and a statement. the quad.



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Andover High senior Diana Glinos, right, seen with freshman Molly Eberth competing in the women's junior double at the 2013 Head the Essex women's novice 8-plus of the Merrimack Regatta, has signed to row at the University of crew and the undefeated novice Wisconsin-Madison on an athletic scholarship.

summer, she moved to smaller rowing career. We can't wait to for eight years, six of those with along a nearly 8-mile stretch of Team, finishing the year rowing head coach Bebe Bryans said in for AHS, she qualified for states

sport athlete who has shown Her multi-sport background in the discus event. great promise in her fairly short includes competitive swimming

sculling boats as part of Essex help her find her potential on the a club team before swimming for the Merrimack River, between Rowing's High-Performance water," Wisconsin-Madison's Andover High. While competing the Lawrence and Lowell dams. two years in a row. She also com- has introduced more than 900 Glinos will row on an athletic peted on Andover High's varsity athletes to the sport of rowing "Diana is a talented multi- scholarship for the Badgers. track team, qualifying for states and currently maintains a roster

"I feel like I've been able to school and adult athletes.

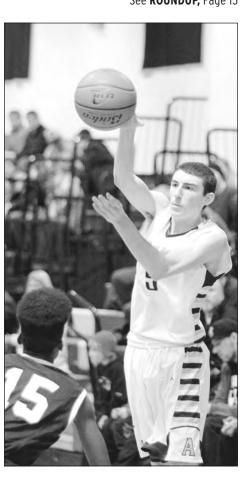
apply my competitive experience with other sports to rowing," Glinos said. "Swimming and throwing made me athletic and strong, and rowing gave me a sport to really be passionate about."

Essex Rowing's senior coach Travis Gardner expressed pride for Glinos' success.

"She is a tough athlete with dogged determination and a mature approach to training,' Gardner said. "I'm sure she will be an immediate asset to the University of Wisconsin-Madison team."

Essex Rowing is a private, nonprofit organization that is focused on advancing the sport of rowing. Founded in 2006, it trains youths and adults from throughout the region at its Methuen facility

Since its inception, the club of 100-plus middle school, high



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Andover's John Pisacreta tries to pass over the head of Lawrence's Dantae Neal (15) during the Warriors 56-52 win Sunday night.



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### **▶** Basketball

# Youth Free Throw Contest set for Jan. 18

Soccer stars

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son go to senior girls captain ients are generally play-Jessica Witten and boys var- ers with great spirit who sity player Kenny Doherty.

says of Witten: "Jessica is a the junior varsity and varfine player and an excellent sity teams for several years. contributor to positive team chemistry. She's a great winners will now altershooter with a fine move nate between the boys and to the basket. She provides girls varsity teams for the great leadership. We all hope remainder of the season. for a very fine rest of the sea- Next week's recipient will

Boys coach Dave Fazio team.

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son from Jessica."

ROUNDUP: Alois can't lift girls hoop to a victory Caveney added 11 points for

O'BRIEN: New Texans coach

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was fourth in the 4x200 for the Golden Warriors.

**GIRLS BASKETBALL** 

Alois' effort for naught Rebecca Alois scored a season-best 19 points, but Andover could not continue its momentum from the **Christmas Tournament** title, falling to Billerica 52-41 on Sunday. Colleen

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toughness and their resil-

iency and everything that

they've demonstrated on a

do regret not being able to

on that team. While I tried

never to mislead anyone, I

understand that some peo-

ple feel let down. But again,

it was a decision that was a

once-in-a-lifetime opportu-

from St. John's Prep in

O'Brien, who graduated

Danvers and Brown Univer-

assistant at Brown, Georgia

Tech, Maryland and Duke,

sity in Providence, was an

nity for me."

day-to-day basis," he said. "I

continue with the great kids

the Warriors.

**BOYS HOCKEY** 

Warriors drop two Cam Burton and Will Sauerb-

runn each scored a goal, but Andover lost to Waltham 4-2 on Saturday. 

Despite 35 saves for  ${\bf Pat}$ Schena. Andover fell to Arlington Catholic 4-0 last Monday, Dec. 30.

quarterback Tom Brady in

follows Dom Capers, who

sion season in 2002, and

in the tem's history.

With the Texans, O'Brien

led the team from its expan-

Kubiak as the only coaches

"I think that's a fantastic

position to coach because

of all the things that go into

it," O'Brien said. "The quar-

terback has to be a great

teammate, a hard worker.

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tion ... it's a job that's never-

always striving for perfec-

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can always improve if you

like coaching quarterbacks

a leader, a really good

New England.

# **LIVINGSTON:** Jumps back into gymnastics

Three Andover residents recently played with the Massachusetts Premier Soccer U14 Knights

in the Super Y League North American Championship at the IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla.

Soccer Federation for identifying players for U.S. National teams. Representing Andover on

The event is sanctioned as a National Olympic Development Program of the United States

the team, were, from left, Will Raphael, Liam Murphy and captain Matt Sciascia.

Ten soccer players from Andover and North Andover joined forces to win the Phanzone

League in Hampstead, N.H. with a 10-0 record. The players included, front, Bobby Holmes

of North Andover (St. John's); and back from left, Andover residents Seve Elkin (Brooks),

Josh Santos (Andover High), Matt Kelly (Andover High), Amit Deliwala (Andover High), Kyle

Surehan (Andover High), Cory Lang (St. John's), Sam Kelly (Andover High) and Alex Wagner

(Brooks). Ray Foster (Andover High) is missing from the photo.

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of my vertebrae and that I had done damage to my growth plates."

Even in a sport as brutal and injury-filled as gymnastics — Livingston had already suffered a pair of broken ankles and a fractured knee — this was earth-shattering news.

"She was 14 when it happened," said her mother, Grace Livingston, in 2012. "You think you are going to walk perfectly your whole life and she's never going to have a broken back. That's never going to happen, and then it does."

Livingston faced a long, difficult recovery. She was forced to wear a back brace and severely limit her physical activity. At the time, it also meant that she might never compete in gymnastics again.

"That is a really devastating injury," Vadala said. "It's a career-ending injury for most. You just don't see gymnasts come back from a broken back. But she worked so hard to regain her abilities and compete again."

After so much pain and injury, Livingston considered leaving gymnastics for good. But as she rehabbed, she stayed around the Andover High team, and that began to reignite her fire for the sport.

"I definitely didn't think I would be able to come back," she said. "Gymnastics is a scary sport, and I thought if I did come back, I would never be as strong as I was.

"Being around the high school team meant a lot to me. They supported me, and I wanted to come back and get better for them, too. They made me fall in love with the sport again."

She began to return to gymnastics slowly as a

freshman, placing fourth in the bars at North

Sections. As a sophomore, she continued to regain her form, winning the all-around in six meets, and added six more victories in the vault falling only to a boy competing for Methuen. She then led Andover to its first North Sectional title

since 2000, taking fourth in the all-around as part of a dynamic duo with Courtney Carver. Livingston then placed a team-best fourth in the all-around at the state meet. A season later she

placed first or second in the all-around in six dual meets, trading firsts with Carver, then earned team-best finish in the allaround at North Sectionals. She has opened this season in style, winning the all-around in the season-opener, then scoring a team-best second in the second meet.

And excelling in the allaround (which combines the score of the vault, floor exercise, balance beam and bars) in so many different events is a unique challenge for Livingston, due to the limitations of her back injury.

"I can't do any extreme back-bending," Livingston said. "I can't do back handsprings or bridges. My back just doesn't extend like that anymore. So I have to take certain skills out of my routine, some that are easier for other gymnasts, and replace them with different skills. They are tougher, but I make it work.'

This winter will likely be the end of Livingston's gymnastics career, as she plans to focus on her studies in college, having already been accepted to Michigan State, Ohio State, Indiana and Florida State.

"I just don't think my back could take it," said Livingston, who Vadala believes could compete at a Division 1 college if she chose. "Four more years would be too much. Hopefully the pain will subside

But before she calls it a career, Livingston has her eyes set on one more big season.

"After four years I want to go out with a bang," she said. "I want to help my team make a run at North Sectionals and states. That would be the cherry on the top of the ice cream of my career."

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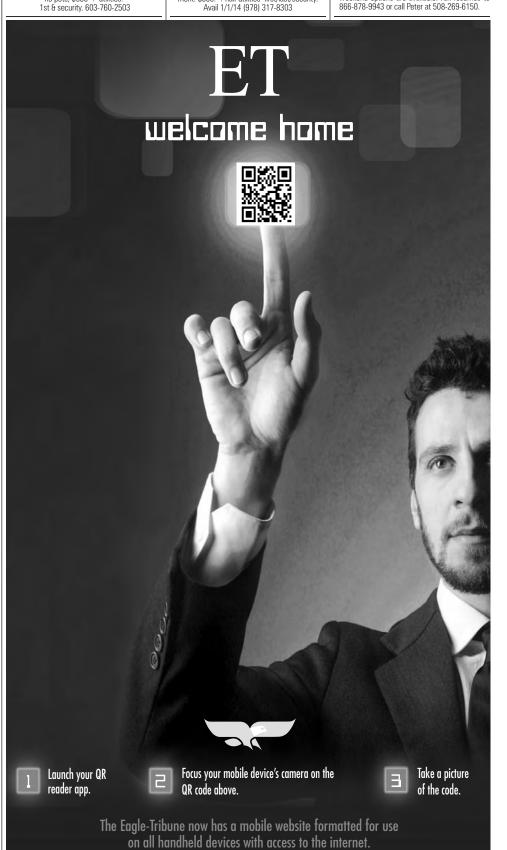
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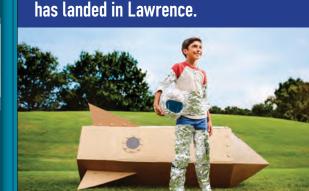
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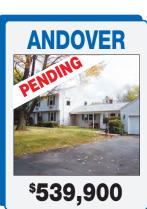
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