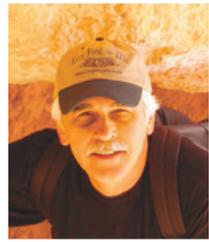


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Mentor, coach, legend: Collins, 82, remembered

By DUSTIN LUCA
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“The word quit does not exist.”

For generations, Andover athletics legend Richard “Dick” Collins instilled those words in his students — history scholars and gridiron warriors alike.

Last Thursday, Feb. 20, the coach, teacher and

longtime School Committee member died at the age of 82, after a period of poor health. His memorial service is being held today, Thursday, at South Church in Andover, beginning at 11 a.m.

Best known throughout the region for his legacy as an Andover football and track coach, Collins first came to Andover High School in 1959 for a coaching job paired with

a classroom assignment teaching history.

After 28 years in the classroom, he retired from teaching in 1997. He continued in various coaching capacities until the last year or so as his health began to decline.

As news of Collins’ death spread last week, comments and memories of his impact on Andover helped paint a picture of an athletic program put

on the map and a community transformed through the touch of a single teacher.

Chris Capano, director of student activities at Phillips Academy, said he feared Collins the first time he stepped into his classroom in 1992.

“As 10th grade history started, I — and probably everyone else in the

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Longtime Andover High School teacher and winning football and track coach Richard “Dick” Collins in 2006 outside the field house named after him. Collins is being remembered this week as a mentor, friend and inspiration to many. File photo

BIG wishes for Logan



Courtesy photo
Logan Pearson and his parents, James and Cathy, pose with Middlesex Sheriff’s Department officers, who were among the more than 50 members of law-enforcement agencies who turned out to help him celebrate his birthday in style.

Police officers, strangers give 12-year-old a birthday like no other

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It was a birthday celebration befitting a local celebrity, appropriate given the global notoriety 12-year-old Logan Pearson has received from a single Facebook post.

After weeks of a full-scale onslaught

of birthday wishes and inspirational messages from around the world, Cathy and James Pearson of Andover watched as their severely autistic son was able to celebrate his birthday with all the fanfare deserved.

This past Saturday, more than 50 police officers from Andover, North Andover and beyond showed up at the

family’s Lowell Street apartment to escort them to a birthday celebration for Logan like no other at Fuddrucker’s in North Andover.

From there, it was just a blur of atmosphere, Cathy Pearson said.

“We weren’t sure what to expect,”

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School officials spar over contract talks

Forge, Birnbach trade accusations on process

By DUSTIN LUCA
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Two School Committee members are exchanging volleys over the handling of teacher contract negotiations — with one questioning the process and the other accusing him of aggressive tactics.

School Committee Chairman Dennis Forge last week criticized member David Birnbach for his critical comments of the board outlined in an opinion piece submitted to The Andover Townsman. (See *Opinion, page 11, for letter.*)

In it, Birnbach says the lack of financial analysis on a tentative teachers contract currently before the committee



Dennis Forge David Birnbach

for ratification is, in his eyes, “alarming.”

Birnbach details a recent closed-door School Committee session, where Forge and member Paula Colby-Clements, who are members of the contract bargaining subcommittee, outlined the proposed, three year-deal that has been negotiated with the Andover Education Association.

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Local man charged with drug trafficking

Police say suspect dealt heroin, cocaine out of parents’ house

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A Lowell Street resident could face a minimum of 36 years in prison if found guilty of drug trafficking charges racked up through a month-long investigation leading to his arrest last week.

Erik Owen, 41, of 486 Lowell St., Andover, was arrested Friday afternoon at the home he shared with his parents, where he had allegedly been dealing heroin and cocaine, police Commander Charles Heseltine said.

He is charged by police in two towns on a litany of drug and weapons charges, including two counts of trafficking more than 200 grams

of heroin, one count of trafficking more than 200 grams of cocaine and four counts of distribution of a class B drug (cocaine).

He is also charged with individual counts of the following: possession of a class B drug (Percocet) with intent to distribute, distribution of a class A drug (heroin), unlawful possession of a firearm, unlawful possession of ammunition, and unlawful possession of a firearm while committing a felony.

His initial arrest Friday followed “a month-long investigation into the sales of heroin and cocaine” from his home that was launched

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Town cooking up new rules for food trucks

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Food trucks in town could soon come under new rules for where and how they operate if a new bylaw is approved.

The Planning Board will seek Annual Town Meeting approval this spring for a new food truck license and regulation process that

would be governed by the Board of Selectmen.

Town Planner Jacki Byerly said the article was created because the town has “had more interest in mobile food vendors, so we wanted to make sure they’re (licensed) in an orderly fashion, as we do with any building restaurants.”

If approved, the bylaw would give selectmen “the ability to grant a license to mobile food vendors, set a fee for that license and establish regulations,” Byerly said. The terms of those regulations would be up to the selectmen to set, she said.

Currently, food trucks in Andover must obtain a license to operate from the Board of Health. That approval would remain in place separate from the new bylaw, according to Health Director Tom Carbone. “We do a plan review,” Carbone said. “We look to make sure they comply with the applicable codes.”

The fresh set of regulations would address whether “the public good is served” by the business, the proposed bylaw language reads. The regulation focuses on whether “the traveling public will be inconvenienced in its use

of the public ways and sidewalks, whether the business has sufficient parking and whether the public safety is protected,” it says.

Byerly said it would be up to the selectmen to determine the exact regulations and how they would be enforced. Selectmen would set an annual fee for the licenses, issue them yearly

on Jan. 2 and establish fines for violations, not to exceed \$300, according to the Town Meeting article. Existing food trucks would have 90 days to obtain their license.

“It may end up playing out that there are only designated spots (that food trucks) can go in, or it could

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ACCUSATIONS: Forgue, Birnbach swap criticism

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The terms of the contract, which was ratified by the teachers union on Feb. 21, have not yet been made public pending the School Committee's approval.

The agreement was reached after about a half-dozen meetings over the span of a month, in contrast to the last contract negotiation cycle, which was protracted and contentious.

Birnbach said he "asked the subcommittee and superintendent to share with the School Committee their documented financial analysis identifying the total annual costs to support the terms of the proposed agreement," which includes a cost-of-living raise for teachers. The percentage of the raise has not been disclosed.

"Why is chairperson Dennis Forgue allegedly pushing for a quick vote on the teachers contract before being able to share this information with all committee members?" Birnbach wrote.

"Negotiations just started in January. Why are School Committee members rushing to fast-track a contract agreement — allegedly committing taxpayers and the Town of Andover to millions of dollars of obligation — without first doing the financial due diligence?"

Forgue lashed back, saying Birnbach's comments follow an aggressive trend by him against the school district's leadership.

"Over the last weeks and months, many of David's behaviors and comments have focused on discrediting the School Committee, the chair and the superintendent," Forgue said. "This is part of that pattern."

Birnbach's letter was submitted on the heels of his proposed STEAM Studio charter high school being rejected by the state commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Birnbach was the lead proponent of the school, which his team hoped to open this fall in Andover.

Forgue said there is a notable correlation between the two.

"Some of the comments and things have exacerbated since the decision of DESE to deny the STEAM Studio application," Forgue said.

Forgue declined to provide details that could impugn the bargaining process should the School Committee, with the addition of Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, turn down the teacher contract.

However, he said an executive, closed-door session was held early in the contract bargaining process to appraise all five School Committee members of the plan going forward. Birnbach participated remotely by phone, Forgue said.

"David was quiet during the entire conversation, provided no recommendations, no comments until the very end when we asked for comments and David said he was OK with our plan," Forgue said. "He was aware of everything we eventually agreed to and he said he was OK with it."

Forgue acknowledged the two sides used a fast-moving negotiating process this time around that focused on a limited range of topics.

"We just completed a tumultuous two-year, very challenging negotiating session only a year and a half ago," Forgue said.

"There is still significant fatigue — negotiating fatigue — on all parties. Certainly, the teachers didn't want to get into a contentious process again, and neither did the School Committee."

After the two sides reached their deal, the School Committee held a follow-up executive session "where we began to talk, in general, about what had occurred, the process, the tenor of the meetings ...," Forgue said. "There were questions, a need for information. We didn't have all that on hand at the moment."

A follow-up, closed-door meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 3, to provide additional information, including financial impacts, Forgue said.

Birnbach in his letter also attacked the School Committee because it has not yet conferred behind closed doors with the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee on the new contract.

"Why hasn't the School Committee reached out to the selectmen and Finance Committee to schedule an executive session to get their feedback and discuss how the proposed contract terms could impact other town departments in upcoming contract negotiations?" Birnbach wrote. "How can a final vote be taken without their input?"

But Forgue said such a meeting would likely occur before the School Committee takes a vote. He anticipated the matter would be discussed on Monday as well.

Forgue said he expected more criticism from Birnbach as the fiscal year 2015 budget process moves forward.

Birnbach has, to date, not played a role in the budget development process, which is well under way and nearing the end, Forgue said. He added Birnbach has not attended any of the meetings of the school district's budget subcommittee, which has provided committee members several opportunities to weigh in on programs and financial matters, and was not on hand for the superintendent's initial budget presentation to the School Committee.

Last year during the budget development process, Birnbach proposed the creation of a Center for Technology and Engineering at Andover High School, which would have required a \$90,000 investment in the school budget. The proposal failed to win the support of the committee. Months later, Birnbach announced his proposal for STEAM Studio, focusing on the core STEM curriculum of science, technology, engineering and math with the addition of design arts. In an email, Birnbach called Forgue's comments "so unprofessional."

"School Committee members should be kind and respectful to each other even when they don't agree," Birnbach said. "It is unfortunate that Mr. Forgue continues to withhold important information while cutting corners and pushing for a quick vote on a major contract. The Andover community deserves better."

LOGAN: Special birthday for boy with autism

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she said. "Everywhere we looked, there were either news cameras or police cars, officers standing outside their cars."

The family, including Logan's two younger sisters, was then escorted by police, their cruisers' lights flashing and sirens blazing, across town and into North Andover. Traffic police directed them into the restaurant parking lot and to an empty spot reserved up front.

"We were laughing. We were so excited," Cathy Pearson said. "We had never experienced anything like this in our life."

Inside, officers stood at attention as the family was brought to their table. The law enforcement community sang "Happy Birthday" to Logan, showered him with gifts and presented him with a cake of a gingerbread man dressed as a police officer that he especially enjoyed.

It was a chance for Logan "to be in his element. That's when he shines," his mother said.

"The thing with Logan is he likes to be outside, outdoors. He likes new and different experiences," Cathy Pearson said. "He prefers video arcades, the lights, the music — and he liked that."

The genesis for the party was a message Cathy Pearson posted on Facebook a month earlier.

In it, Pearson said she was already "feeling sick about losing another year where autism has my son — has his voice! Every year on his birthday, I close my bedroom door and bury my face into my pillow and cry."

"Logan has stopped getting birthday cards, birthday parties YEARS ago. I guess everyone realizes that he doesn't understand anyways," she wrote. "This year, I want to stop feeling downright upset that my son is aging into a young man under a blanket of autism. I want to CELEBRATE him and ENJOY his day."

The Facebook post included the family's mailing address and permission to pass it around.

From there, Logan's father, James Pearson said, "It ended up, really, getting re-posted



Courtesy photo

Logan Pearson with some of the thousands of birthday wishes he has received from across the globe after his mother posted a message on Facebook asking people to help make her severely autistic son's 12th birthday a special one.



Courtesy photo

Logan Pearson hugs Cambridge police officer Stephen Bikofsky, who with his girlfriend was responsible for organizing this past Saturday's birthday party for the local 12-year-old at Fuddruckers in North Andover.

beyond what she had expected to the point that it went viral."

As the post made its way around the globe, well wishes by the hundreds from as far away as Japan and Tanzania flooded the family. James Pearson estimates Logan has received a couple thousand pieces of mail, with more arriving daily.

"He has received, from one kid in Washington, a Jay Jay the Jet Plane play set. He has

gotten a Slinky, Hot Wheels cars," he said. "Someone sent us an Australian flag — a full-size Australian flag. We also have an Australia magnet on our fridge now."

One card contained a crisp \$20 bill and a handwritten note, reading, "to be used only for ice cream. Enjoy." Another came with the words "Happy Birthday Logan" punched in braille and then rewritten in ink. Last week, a stranger sent

along a card with a \$100 gift card to Toys "R" Us.

Logan's story also made its way to Cambridge police officer Stephen Bikofsky and his girlfriend, who took the lead in arranging the special birthday party at Fuddruckers. They reached out to area police departments to be part of the celebration, too.

In addition to the birthday wishes for Logan, many people have also taken the opportunity to pass a message on to his parents.

"One of the ones that touched us the most was a woman who related to us that she, too, had a son with autism, and she had experienced the same kinds of feelings," James Pearson said. "She said, 'In honor of both my son and yours, I'm going to send Logan a birthday card every year.'"

The experience has also led to a request from Autism Speaks for Cathy Pearson to start a blog and share "what it is like to raise a child so severely impacted with autism."

The outpouring has been more than the Pearsons could have ever fathomed for their oldest child, who is nonverbal and cognitively at the developmental level of an 18-month or 2-year-old child.

"The fact that this many people that we've never met before would take the time, and the energy, and the money for postage, and send a kid they don't know — in some cases across the world — a card for his birthday, to me, that's inspiring," James Pearson said. "It just amazes me that people will do that."

Judging from Logan's reaction, his parents believe their son has also felt the community's embrace.

"We're at the point where we believe he understands more than we give him credit for," James Pearson said. "I know for sure he responds to us being excited."

Cathy Pearson said everything from the birthday cards to the party at Fuddruckers showed the family that "we're supported, that Logan counts."

"We pour so much in every day, and our other kids see that," she said. "All those years, we were sad, we shouldn't have been — because he counts."

TRAFFICKING: 'A lot of activity at that home'

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after police received a complaint about alleged drug activity there, Heseltine said. Andover police detectives John Delaney and Michael Lane led the investigation.

The detectives over the last month "observed a lot of activity at that home, a lot of people coming and going on a daily basis," Heseltine said.

A search warrant for the house was obtained Friday from Lawrence District Court. Heseltine said when police arrived at the house in the afternoon, Owen was outside and was taken into custody without incident.

Inside the home, police found around a half-kilo of heroin with a street value of about \$45,000 and a quarter-kilo of cocaine, worth about \$14,000 on the street, Heseltine said. Police also recovered \$2,300 in cash and 30 milligrams of Percocet worth

\$900, he said.

The home, located not far from the Tewksbury town line and the Route 133 interchange with Interstate 495, is owned by Owen's parents, who were not involved in his arrest, the commander said.

From that event, Owen was charged with one count each of trafficking heroin and cocaine, as well as the smaller distribution and possession charges, according to Heseltine.

The investigation continued, however, and police were led to 94 Long Meadow Road in Tewksbury in search of more drugs, as well as an illegal weapon, Heseltine said.

The homeowner of that address, whose identity wasn't available this week, consented to a search and handed over another 550 grams of heroin, as well as a .357-caliber Smith and Wesson magnum and ammunition, belonging to Owen, according to Heseltine.

As a result, Tewksbury police added charges. They include trafficking more than 200 grams of heroin, unlawful possession of a firearm, unlawful possession of ammunition and unlawful possession of a firearm while committing a felony.



Courtesy photo

Police seized a half-kilo of heroin, quarter-kilo of cocaine, an illegal weapon and ammunition, and more in their arrest of a local man on drug trafficking charges last week.

"As a result of that investigation, we netted over a kilo of heroin, obviously the gun and ammunition," Heseltine said. "Obviously, we're very happy about that. The detectives did a great job."

The three trafficking charges, each for more than 200 grams of their respective drug classes, are the highest level of charges possible. The charges scale based on the weight recovered, Heseltine said.

If found guilty of trafficking either class of drugs, sentences could carry a mandatory minimum of 12 years in prison and maximum of 20 years per charge, and a \$50,000 to \$500,000 fine for each, according to Carrie Kimball-Monahan, spokeswoman for District Attorney Jonathan Blodgett.

Heseltine declined to discuss the origin of the distribution charges to protect the integrity of the case against Owen going forward.

However, Owen's proximity to I-495 makes the arrest a notable one, he said.

"By the amount of traffic we've seen at this house, meaning people coming and going, his arrest is going to put a dent in people's ability to get drugs," Heseltine said.

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Cultural Council awards 2014 arts grants

The Andover Cultural Council is awarding almost \$5,000 in cultural grants to support 13 programs and initiatives planned for Andover this year.

Live music, historical programs, literary offerings and visual arts presentations across town are among the array of activities that will be supported by the council's disbursement of its \$4,883 in cultural funding for 2014.

Included in the grants are programs providing cultural enrichment for students, creative workshops for seniors and performances and events aimed at the general public.

"We had some impressive proposals, and, as always, the decision process was extremely difficult," Cultural Council co-chairwomen Leslie Seaton Malis and Judith Farzan said in a release. "We strive to fund as broad a range of activities as possible, while keeping the mix fresh in order to promote continued cultural vigor and growth."

Malis and Farzan said they are especially pleased that seven of this year's recipients represent completely new ventures that the cultural council has not previously funded. Many of the projects this year also focus on youth or seniors.

"(Those) were the two groups most often cited by residents as an area they felt we should emphasize," the co-chairwomen said.

The Andover Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 councils serving Massachusetts. The program is considered unique because it is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based arts, humanities and science programs every year.

The annual appropriation is provided by the Legislature to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, which in

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Andover Cultural Council: Andover Photography exhibit, \$400

Addison Gallery of American Art: Drop-In Family Days, \$400

Jorge Allen: Early Language Learning Showcase, \$500

Susan Choquette: Shakespeare & Company, Andover High School residency, \$600

Teresa Consentino: Art Club at Andover High School, \$400

Doherty Middle School: Myth-masters, \$319

Dawn Kelley: "Music is Love" performance at Andover Senior Center, \$200

Susan Lenoe: "Harriet Beecher Stowe, the Andover Years" at Memorial Hall Library, \$350

New England Brass Band: Holiday Concert, \$300

New England Classical Singers: American Music Concert, \$300

Karen Payne-Taylor: Andover Memoir Project, \$450

West Elementary School: "Behind the Mask - Cat Mountain," \$264

Wood Hill Middle School: Billy Jonas Band, \$400

turn allocates funds to each community.

"The Andover Cultural Council continues to do a great job using its resources to promote a wide variety of the arts in town," Sen. Barry Finegold, D-Andover, said. "Everyone benefits from a thriving local arts scene. I appreciate all the hard work the council does to ensure the success of these programs."

The recipients will be honored at a reception in May at the Addison Gallery of American Art on the campus of Phillips Academy in Andover.

The Andover Cultural Council will seek applications again in the fall for next year's round of funding. To learn more, visit www.andoverculturalcouncil.com.



AMY SWEENEY/Staff photos

Christian Garay-Bernard, 9, right, of Andover, uses glue to paint the sky following a story hour presentation last week at Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy in Andover.



Cameron Gibson, 4, left, and his sister, Chloe, 6, of Andover, get some help with their sky paintings from their grandparents, Sharon and Peter Gray, who are visiting from Scotland, during last week's story hour at Addison Gallery.

Skies of milk

There were no tears shed over spilled milk at the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy last week.

Addison hosted a February school vacation week story hour last Friday featuring Charles Green Shaw's tale, "It Looked Like Spilt Milk," about a cloud that transforms into different shapes.

After hearing the story, the youngsters explored the gallery exhibition, "Natural Selections," paying close attention to the shapes and colors that artists used to represent the sky.

Then, the children created their own sky scenes with art materials in the Museum Learning Center.

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Dorothy H. (Maloney) Graham, 85 Years

February 15, 1929 — February 17, 2014

AMESBURY, FORMERLY OF ANDOVER — Mrs. Dorothy H. (Maloney) Graham, a resident of Amesbury for the past year, formerly of Andover and beloved wife of the late Frederick J. Graham, died at the Merrimack Valley Hospice House in Haverhill on Monday evening, February 17, 2014. She was 85 years old.

Born in Newton, Massachusetts, on February 15, 1929, she was the beloved daughter of the late William J. and Florence (Fischer) Maloney. Dorothy was a graduate of Newton High School and was employed by R.H. Stearn's Department Stores. She was also employed, for many years, by Macartney's in Andover. In her spare time, Dorothy enjoyed playing golf and always loved to walk and read. She also enjoyed knitting and spent her summers at Hampton Beach. Above all, Dorothy loved spending time with her family and friends.

She will be lovingly remembered by her children, Jacqui and her husband, Jack Ken-

nedy, of Hampton, New Hampshire, Frederick J. "Rick" Graham and his girlfriend, Brenda K. Hardy, both of Byfield and Constance E. and her husband, Bruce A. Harris, of Amesbury; siblings, Phillip and Eugene T. Maloney, both of Florida and Florence Anderson of West Newton; grandchildren, Morgan and Brady Harris; dear friends, Gloria Callahan and Ruth Driscoll and several nieces and nephews. She was also the sister of the late William and Walter Maloney.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral mass will be celebrated in St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex Street, Andover on Saturday, February 22, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. Relatives and friends were welcomed. Calling hours were held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover on Friday, February 21, 2014, from 4 to 7 p.m. Interment will be privately held. Donations in Dorothy's memory may be made to the Merrimack Valley Hospice House, 360 North Avenue, Haverhill, MA 01830. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemagliozi.com.

Mrs. Eleanor J. (Marshall) Berthel, 90 Years

December 31, 1923 — February 24, 2014

ANDOVER — Mrs. Eleanor J. (Marshall) Berthel, a longtime resident of Andover, and beloved wife of the late Russell Berthel, died at the Wingate at Andover Nursing Center in Andover on Monday evening, February 24, 2014. She was 90 years old.

Born in Haverhill, Mass., on December 31, 1923, she was the beloved daughter of the late Dudley K. and Margaret G. (O'neil) Marshall. Mrs. Berthel was a communicant of St. Augustine Church in Andover. She worked as a registered nurse for the Holy Family Hospital in Methuen, for many years. In her spare time, Eleanor enjoyed traveling and spending time at the beach. She also loved eating out, especially at Kitty's and Roma's. Above all else, family was her number one priority.

She will be very sorely missed by her loving daughters, Jane M. and her husband, John Cain of Sandown, N.H., and Karen L. and her husband, and David M. Elkin of Andover; cousin, Kathleen Morin of Lawrence; grandchildren, Michael Cain, Julie LaPage, Alise Cain, Lynne Meineke, Lisa Tylus, and Michael, Shawn and Timothy Elkin; and nine



great-grandchildren.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral mass will be celebrated in St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex Street, Andover, on Friday, February 28, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are most welcome to attend. Calling hours will be held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, on Thursday, February 27, from 5 to 8 p.m. Interment will be held in the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in North Andover. Donations in Eleanor's memory may be made to the Caritas Holy Family Hospital, 70 East St., Methuen, MA 01844. For additional information, please visit www.burkemagliozi.com.

Mary Ann Comparato, 47

December 5, 1966 — February 17, 2014

ANDOVER — Mary Ann (McCusker) Comparato, 47, of Andover, MA, unexpectedly passed away Tuesday, February 18, 2014. Mary Ann was born to Jeanne (Paul) McCusker and the late Peter McCusker in Waltham, MA, on December 5, 1966.

Mary Ann graduated from Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School in 1985 and earned degrees from Lasalle College and Northeastern University. She worked as a sales representative in the high technology industry, taught in the Andover school district, and most recently as an Independent Consultant for ACN.

Mary Ann was married on June 7, 1997, and is survived by her husband, Frank Comparato of Andover, MA and her two beautiful children, Thomas C. Comparato and Genevieve N. Comparato. She will be lovingly remembered by her mother, Jeanne McCusker of North Andover, MA; her brother and sisters, Peter McCusker of Thetford, VT, Lynne (McCusker) Davis of Lowell, MA, and Sheila (McCusker) Roche of Manchester, NH; her brothers and sisters-in-law, Thomas and Diane (Hyde) Comparato of Tucson, AZ, Lea (Comparato) Savely of Andover, MA, Gina (Comparato) and Ralph Dellatto of Andover, MA and Christopher and Christina (Clifford) Com-



parato of South Hamilton, MA; nieces, Ali, Julia, Emma, Talia, Marisa, Carly, Ella, Sophia, Ashlie, Stephanie and her daughter, Brianna; nephews, Jared, Alex, Cody, Nicholas, Robert, Martin; many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Mary Ann loved being a mom and enjoyed time with her family and friends whether it was on vacation or just relaxing together. In her spare time, she enjoyed activities with her family, such as tennis, long walks, and going to the beach.

Mary Ann was a fun, loving, strong person who will be fondly remembered for her ability to bring people together through her professional networking and personal vibrance. She will be sorely missed by so many friends and family.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral mass was celebrated at St. Augustine Church on Wednesday, February 26, 2014, at 10 a.m. Burial followed at West Parish Cemetery in Andover.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to a fund for Mary Ann's children. Checks may be made payable to the "Mary Ann Comparato Children's Fund" and sent to Jacqueline Hesketh, 10 Cullen Circle, Andover, MA 01810.

To offer online condolences, please visit www.confuneralhomes.com.

Victor Paul Brightman, 86

February 23, 1927 — February 21, 2014

NORTH ANDOVER, MA — Victor Paul Brightman, 86, of North Andover, died on February 21, at Lawrence General Hospital. Victor was born in North Andover to the late Victor George and Alma (Lockhart) Brightman. He graduated from Johnson High School, Class of 1946, and was a member of the Trinitarian Congregational Church in North Andover. As a lifelong North Andover resident, Victor will be fondly remembered for his love of a glass of iced coffee and a long conversation with his many friends. He was a machinist for Davis and Furbur and Borden Chemical. Later, he was employed for many years by the North Andover School System as a custodian for both the middle school and high school. Victor was an avid New England sports fan, who especially loved to watch the Red Sox.



He is also survived by nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his wife, Shirley E. (Scofield) Brightman, and is survived by his children, Donna Galant and husband, Mike, of Bradford, Sandy Alaimo and husband, Steve, of York, Maine, Paula Sullivan and partner, Matt, of Salem, N.H., Mark Brightman and fiancée, Tammi, of Methuen, and Brian Brightman and fiancée, Denise, of Norwood, Mass.

He is also survived by nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

ARRANGEMENTS: Family and friends may call on Friday, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Conte Funeral Home, 17 Third Street, North Andover. Burial of ashes will be in the springtime at Ridgewood Cemetery in North Andover. Memorial contributions may be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Flr, Brookline, MA 02445.

To leave condolences, please visit www.confuneralhomes.com.

He was predeceased by

Mr. David Alton Manning, 42

July 30, 1971 — February 23, 2014

MANHATTAN, NY, FORMERLY OF ANDOVER — Mr. David Alton Manning, a resident of Manhattan, N.Y., formerly of Andover, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, at the Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital in New York, on Sunday, February 23, 2014. He was 42 years old.

David was the beloved son of Paul L. and the late Linda J. Manning, and loving stepson of Judith Manning of Andover. He was a graduate of Andover High School, Class of 1989, and of the UMASS Amherst, class of 1993. A 20-year resident of New York, Mr. Manning was a partner at Mediacom in New York, and had held various positions at several Manhattan communications and media firms throughout his highly successful career.

David was an amazing person, so handsome, so kind. His inner strength and the positive and compassionate way he approached everything he did, made him so special to be around. A natural athlete, he possessed an unyielding focus and commitment towards any goal he set, with no compromises, always pushing forward to live his best life on his own terms. David was a true friend and non-judgmental listener, and approached life with an open mind. A true free spirit, David led a very active and full life. He loved to spend his time outside of New York City, mostly between Cape Cod Bay and Burke Mountain, Vt. He traveled annually with his very dear friends to places like the New Orleans Jazz Festival, Vail, Colo., Whistler, British Columbia, San Diego, California, London, and even attended the Olympics in Beijing and The Great Wall of China. He loved animals and nature, books and music, and was a talented artist. David was an accomplished athlete and loved to ski, hike and run.

He was also an avid Boston Sports fan, attending the Sox games whenever he could, and even attended the 2013 World Series. David's infinite positive spirit and strength,



gentle soul, warm heart, and graciousness will forever be in our hearts.

In addition to his father and stepmother, Paul and Judith, David is survived by his siblings, Paul and his wife, Ruthann Manning of Methuen, Whitney and her husband, Paul Keeley of Windham, N.H., Melissa and her husband, Anthony Morgante of Andover, and Rebecca and her husband, Justin Zuill of Bedford, N.H.; and beloved nieces and nephews, Madyson, Adeline, Savannah, Owen, Anthony, and Linda. He was also by cherished late grandparents, aunts and uncles, cousins, and so many dear lifelong friends.

ARRANGEMENTS: David's funeral service will be held in the Free Christian Church, 31 Elm Street, Andover, on Sunday, March 2, at 3 p.m. Relatives and friends are most welcome to attend. Calling hours will be held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, on Saturday, March 1, from 3 to 8 p.m. Interment will be privately held. We are eternally grateful for the care David received from Dr. Diane Reidy Lagunes and her team at Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital. Donations in David's memory may be made to Cycle for Survival, Caring for Carcinoid NYC, at <http://mskcc.cinvio.net/goto/dianereidylagunes>, or the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, 424 East 92nd St., New York, NY 10128-6804. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemagliozi.com.

Mrs. Effie B. (Pappas) Brickman, 52 Years

March 4, 1961 — February 21, 2014

ANDOVER — Mrs. Effie B. (Pappas) Brickman, a resident of Andover for the past 14 years, formerly of Boston, and the beloved wife of Stephen A. Brickman, died at the Lawrence General Hospital on Friday evening, February 21, 2014. She was 52 years old. Born in Boston on March 4, 1961, she was the beloved daughter of Alexandra (Tselios) and the late William Pappas. Mrs. Brickman was a graduate of Suffolk University in Boston, where she earned both her undergraduate and graduate degrees. Effie was a wonderful wife and mother. She selflessly put her family's and friends' needs before her own. Effie was not only a sympathetic ear to others, she would quietly and quite naturally do for those in need of assistance and comfort without having to be asked. She will be very dearly missed.

In addition to her beloved husband, Stephen, and loving mother, Alexandra, Effie is survived by her children, Alexander E. and Elizabeth M. Brickman of Andover; brothers, Paul, and his wife, Linda Pappas of Methuen, and Angelo Pappas of Boston; and many nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral mass will be celebrated at Sts. Constantine & Helen Church, 71 Chandler Road, Andover, on Friday, February 28, at 10 a.m. Calling hours will be held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, on Thursday, February 27, from 4 to 8 p.m. Interment will be held in West Parish Garden Cemetery in Andover. Donations in Effie's memory may be made to the Mass General Hospital for Cancer Research, c/o MGH Development Office, 100 Cambridge St., Suite 1310, Boston, MA 02114. For additional information, please visit www.burkemagliozi.com.



POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY DUSTIN LUCA

Road-rage incident leads drivers to be summonsed

Two Lawrence residents are heading to court after an accident on Union Street Monday morning led to a road rage incident between two drivers.

A 51-year-old Lawrence is being charged with negligent operation of a motor vehicle, and a 30-year-old Lawrence man for assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, after their cars collided when one vehicle failed to yield to the other, according to Commander Charles Heseltine.

The accident was reported at 8:43 a.m. What happened after the cars collided is subject to conflicting reports from both people, but at some point during the argument, the male driver threw a full bottle of Vitamin Water at the woman, Heseltine said.

While the woman was given a summons for her driving, the throwing of the beverage earned the man the assault summons, according to Heseltine.

Six Andover police officers, including a sergeant and three detectives, were called to the scene to assist.

The following incidents were recorded in Andover police logs from Monday, Feb. 17 to Sunday, Feb. 23:

ARRESTS

Monday, Feb. 17 — Starting at 3:24 a.m., police made four arrests on River

Road. Arrested were: Richard Gonzalez, 23, of 79 Springfield St., Lawrence; Stephanie Rivera, 23, of 9 West Laurel St., Lawrence; Julissa Mendez, 22, of 17 Bowdoin St., second floor, Lawrence; and Jeannette Colon, 23, of 48 Bromfield St., third floor, Lawrence. All four were charged on warrants. In addition, Rivera was also charged with an active count of giving a false name during booking.

Tuesday, Feb. 18 — Beginning at 11:49 a.m., police made three drug-related arrests on River Road. Arrested were: Alyssa Boisvert, 25, of 15 Third Avenue, Lowell; Shawn Heselton, 30, of 15 Third Ave, Lowell; and Charles Kasinskas, 24, of 75 Lafayette St., Lowell. Kasinskas and Boisvert were both charged with possession of a class A drug, and Heselton was charged with being knowingly present where heroin is kept. Kasinskas was also charged on a warrant.

Thursday, Feb. 20 — At 12:11 p.m., Felix Jimenez, 30, of 290 Broadway St., Methuen, was arrested on River Road and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, driving a motor vehicle with a revoked registration and driving an uninsured motor vehicle or trailer.

Friday, Feb. 21 — At 8:28 a.m., Telvi Gomez, 36, of 237 Walnut St., Chelsea, was arrested on Main Street and charged with attaching the wrong plates to a motor vehicle, operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license, driving an

uninsured motor vehicle or trailer and driving an unregistered motor vehicle.

At 10:30 a.m., David Marhefka, 50, of 3 Hillside Ave., Derry, N.H., was arrested on Lowell Street and charged with possession of a class B drug.

At 4 p.m., Rachael Saari, 19, of 239 County Road, Greenfield, N.H., was arrested on Lowell Street and charged with possession of a class A drug.

Saturday, Feb. 22 — At 8:41 p.m., Edwin Guzman, 36, of 54 Cambridge St., Lawrence, was arrested on River Road and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, subsequent offense.

Sunday, Feb. 23 — At 10:28 p.m., Enrique Rosa, 34, of 45 Middlebury St., Lawrence, was arrested on Bullfinch Drive and charged with having an open container of liquor in a motor vehicle, a miscellaneous motor vehicle equipment violation and possession of a class B drug.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 19 — At 8:42 p.m., police were at the scene of a car stuck in a snowbank on Burnham Road when it was determined that the vehicle had no insurance. The vehicle was then towed from the scene and the driver was issued a court summons for allowing the operation of an uninsured vehicle.

Thursday, Feb. 20 — At 4:03 p.m., a caller on Main Street reported that "someone wrote 'help' on the window of (a) house." The

caller was concerned that somebody was in danger. Police responding to the scene determined there was "no emergency; it is believed to be a prank."

Saturday, Feb. 22 — At 11:27 p.m., police were called to Harold Parker Road after a caller asked for an officer "to check the front of the house because they hear noises outside by the driveway." The caller called back moments later to report that "she looked out her window and it is two deer."

Sunday, Feb. 23 — At 6:25 p.m., police received two 911 calls reporting gunshots heard in the area. Police checked the area and weren't able to locate a cause.

ACCIDENTS

Saturday, Feb. 22 — At 7:39 a.m., police were called out to Central Street on a report of an accident involving a motor vehicle and a town-owned ambulance. While the ambulance was responding to a call and taking the corner at North Main and Central streets with lights flashing, another vehicle crossing Elm Square hit the ambulance's front, driver-side corner. Damage between the two vehicles was more than \$1,000 and the driver of the car, a North Andover resident, was not issued a court summons as a result of the accident, according to Heseltine.

Sunday, Feb. 23 — At 10:23 a.m., a hit-and-run crash involving a parked car was reported on Main Street.

Business

For the kids



COURTESY PHOTO

William DeLuca IV, far right, of Woodworth Motors and the DeLuca family of dealerships in Andover and Haverhill, attended the presentation of a \$1,500 Ambassadors Grant to the Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence. Club Executive Director Markus Fischer, back row, second from left, accepted the gift from Robert O'Koniewski, back row, far left, executive vice president of the Massachusetts State Automobile Dealers Association and the Massachusetts State Automobile Dealers Charitable Foundation. DeLuca is also a member of the foundation.

New CEO for Andover-based Philips North America

Brent Shafer has been named the new chief executive officer of Philips North America, located at 3000 Minuteman Road, Royal Philips announced earlier this month.

Shafer takes over from Andover resident Greg Sebasky, who retired on Feb. 3.

Shafer will be responsible for strengthening Philips' culture of entrepreneurship and growing revenue and market share in the U.S. and Canada, according to a press release issued by the company earlier this month.

He will report directly to Royal Philips' CEO Frans van Houten. Shafer previously served as CEO of Philips' Home Healthcare Solutions business group.

"Given the size and the dynamics of the North American market, and the opportunities that we see, we are

taking decisive actions to boost new business development and grow faster than the market," van Houten said in the release. "In Brent, we have the right leader to do just that as he brings a strong track record, both within Philips and outside of the company, of building successful businesses based on entrepreneurship and meaningful innovations."

With more than 21,500 employees and operations at 57 facilities in 26 U.S. states and three Canadian provinces, Philips North America focuses on serving customers by leveraging its portfolio in healthcare, consumer lifestyle and lighting.

Shafer has previously held senior leadership positions within Philips and other companies, including General Electric, Hill-Rom and Hewlett-Packard.

— Bill Kirk, staff writer

Chamber unveils Access to Capital plan

By BILL KIRK

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The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce has announced a new initiative that may enable businesses to gain access to much-needed capital.

The chamber, as part of its Merrimack Valley Chamber Means Business Economic Development Program, unveiled the initiative last month at the annual mayors and town managers breakfast at Andover Country Club.

It is aimed at helping businesses and industries of all

types and sizes with their expansion or relocation plans in the Merrimack Valley, Chamber President Joe Bevilacqua said.

"The chamber recognizes that perhaps the most critical question that any business must face is access to capital," he said. "Knowing this, we've organized the Merrimack Valley Chamber Access to Capital Forum, and we extend this invitation to all chamber member banks and credit unions to participate."

The forum is scheduled

for Friday, March 14, starting at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast, followed by a brief speaking program at 8 a.m. It will be held at Sal's Conference Center on Merrimack Street in Lawrence.

After, local and out-of-town business owners or representatives can sit with local lenders to discuss what options are available to them.

"This will be an amazing opportunity for banks and credit unions to meet current businesses in the valley and those considering a relocation here, to discuss finance

opportunities," Bevilacqua said, adding that representatives of local, state and federal agencies will also be invited, including the New England regional administrator and state director of the U.S. Small Business Association, the state secretary of economic development and the state secretary of labor and workforce development.

For more information or questions, contact Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce President Joe Bevilacqua at 978-686-0900 or jjb@merrimackvalleychamber.com.

■ BUSINESS BRIEFCASE

Andover Inn honored at leadership conference

The team at Andover Inn was recently honored with the Charitable Excellence Award during Waterford Hotel Group's annual Leadership Conference and Awards Celebration at the Marriott Hartford Downtown in Hartford, Conn.

Andover Inn was also recognized during the two-day conference with a Core Value Award for sustained success. The presentations were made during awards ceremonies held to recognize Waterford Hotel Group's top performers from 2013.

"The Andover Inn team is actively involved in giving back to their community on many levels," Rob Winchester, president and chief operating officer for Waterford Hotel Group, said in a release. "They have embraced the mission of the Waterford Group Charitable Foundation and have impacted the Andover region in such a positive way."

Regarding the inn's Core Value Award, Winchester added, "This award is given to a property for ability

to achieve success in 2013 regardless of any obstacles throughout the year, and the Andover Inn has proved to be worthy of this recognition."

A member of the National

Register of Historic Inns, Andover Inn features 30 guest rooms, three private function rooms, Samuel's restaurant and a back lawn for outdoor seasonal events. It

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Bancroft School signs raise hackles of neighbors

By BILL KIRK

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It's back to the drawing board for two signs proposed for the entrance roads to the new Bancroft School.

The Zoning Board of Appeals recently told the architect to scale back the signs after some neighbors objected to their size.

With the new, \$50 million elementary school due to open in the fall, architects are putting the finishing touches on the project, including oversized signs marking the two entrances to the school.

One, two-sided sign would be placed at the Bancroft Road entrance, while another, single-sided sign would be

placed on West Knoll Road.

The signs originally proposed by architect Peter Lukacic of SMMA in Cambridge were about 5 feet, 6 inches high and about 6 feet long. Plans called for them to be set on white posts about 3 feet off the ground, similar to new signs at other local schools, just a bit larger.

When appeals board Chairman David Brown asked at a meeting if anyone in the audience wanted to speak about the plans, a half-dozen hands shot up. Neighbors of the school then crowded around the dais and looked at images of the proposed signs.

"They're rather large and they are far away from the building," Tom Williams of

133 Holt Road said. "I'd be viewing the back of these signs from my property."

Williams said the school is already large, and signs of that size would be unnecessary.

"Anybody going down West Knoll Road is either going to the school or lives on the street," he said.

According to the architect, West Knoll Road will be used as the access road for buses, while the Bancroft Road entrance will be for parents dropping off or picking up their children.

Brown questioned the need for such a large sign at the secondary entrance on West Knoll Road. Lukacic agreed the sign could be smaller and

said he would return to the building committee to get its input.

As for the Bancroft Road sign, Lukacic said it replicates what's already there.

Lucy Vaill of 9 Bancroft Road said the builders have done a good job incorporating the new school into the neighborhood, but she was concerned that a large sign would have a negative impact on the residents.

"You don't want the sign to jump out at you," she said. "Just make it fit in."

Tom Boshier of 159 Holt Road also said both signs should be smaller.

The ZBA will revisit the signs at its next meeting on March 6.

Hookah lounge snuffed out

Building inspector says zoning does not support use

By DUSTIN LUCA

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A proposed hookah lounge will not be setting up shop in town any time soon.

Building Inspector Chris Clemente has denied Lux Hookah Lounge's application to open its second social lounge at 63 Park St., one block off Main Street in the heart of downtown.

Clemente said he rejected the business certificate application for the lounge and tobacco retailer based on the site's current zoning.

He said the applicants, Maryanne Nagle and Bahaa Dalloul of Fig and Lux, LLC, were unable to provide a clear answer on what their intended use of the property would be.

"They said, 'We're going to serve food.' No, we're not going to serve food," Clemente said. "I couldn't get a straight answer. It really didn't fit into any one specific use in the zoning table."

The proposed site, also home to Domino's Pizza, a women's clothing shop and some professional offices, is zoned as "general business," according to Clemente.

The zoning "basically

says unless it is specifically allowed, it is prohibited," he said.

Clemente said there is currently no location in town where the proposed lounge could operate unless the applicants narrow their use.

The business has the right to appeal Clemente's decision to the Zoning Board of Adjustment either for a variance or "as aggrieved by my interpretation," he said.

Nagle did not return a call for comment. She and Dalloul own Lux Hookah Lounge in Plymouth, which they opened in May 2012. Andover would have been their second site.

Health Director Tom Carbone said he had placed an administrative decision from his office on hold pending Clemente's ruling. That decision is now unnecessary.

The hookah lounge application has led health officials to discuss the need for tobacco use and sales regulations in town. Currently, local regulations do not exist and the town is governed by state laws, which permit tobacco use at locations where more than half of the business' receipts stem from tobacco products, according to Carbone.

The Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on proposed tobacco control regulations for Andover on March 17, Carbone said. A location and time for the hearing has not yet been set.

Health Department offering vaccines for adults

The Andover Health Department, as part of its adult immunization program, is offering vaccinations to protect residents against several serious diseases: pneumococcal pneumonia, tetanus/pertussis and shingles.

The recommendations by the Centers for Disease

Control and Massachusetts Department of Public Health are:

- **Pneumococcal pneumonia vaccination** is recommended for all adults 65 and older and for other adults between the ages of 19 and 64 years with chronic health problems, including

asthma. It is also recommended for those individuals who smoke. This immunization is different from the flu shot and is not needed annually.

- **Tetanus and pertussis**, also known as whooping cough, can be prevented with the new combination vaccine

called Tdap. One dose is recommended for all adults, but especially for those who have contact with infants, including parents, grandparents, child-care and health-care providers.

- **Shingles** is a very debilitating disease that can affect anyone who has had chicken pox disease. One dose of Zostavax is recommended for those over age 60.

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Police detective, firefighters to be honored at dinner

Andover firefighters and a local police detective will be among the 41 members of area police and fire departments honored next week by the Exchange Club of Lawrence at its annual Public Safety Awards Dinner. The event will take place Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the Wyndham Hotel in Andover, beginning with a social hour at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7.

"This is one of our most important events," event chairman Rick Blain said in a release. "We are thrilled to recognize such deserving men and women, people who routinely put the safety and well-being of others ahead of their own."

Andover Fire Department units will be honored for their efforts to extricate a man who was trapped under an 18-wheeler on Lupine Road last February.

While the man lost his leg as a result of the severity of his injuries, officials say his successful extrication by firefighters and other personnel working together as a team has allowed him to go on to learn to walk again with the aid of a prosthetic leg and drive the same type of tractor-trailer units he was trapped under last year.

The honorees are:

Central Station, Unit 1: Deputy Chief James Dolan, Lts. Terrence Retelle and Todd Pomerleau, firefighters Clifford Pattullo, Thomas Kennedy and Michael Oteri,

firefighters/emergency medical technicians Robert Murphy and Kevin Farragher.

Ballardvale Station, Unit 1: Lt. John Ronan and firefighters Shawn Kelley and Donald Hinckley

West Station, Unit 1: Lt. Robert Dalton, firefighters Ernest Vocell and Todd Collins, firefighters/emergency medical technicians Christopher Morgese and David Pas

In addition, police Det. Kevin Aufiero will be recognized for his role in the investigation of a series of car breaks in November that led to the arrest of a suspect and recovery of two high-powered rifles stolen from an FBI SWAT emergency-response vehicle parked in Andover.

Aufiero, working in conjunction with State Police and the FBI, processed the cars involved. As part of that work, he lifted fingerprints from two of the vehicles that matched a Lawrence teenager in a database, which led investigators to that suspect the next day. The suspect, a juvenile, was arrested and a Colt M16-A1 rifle and HS Precision Pro-Series 2000 Sniper Rifle that were taken in one of the breaks were recovered.

Tickets for the Exchange Club of Lawrence awards dinner are \$25. The public is invited. For reservations or more information, contact Blain at 978-332-5100 or rick@rrblain.com. Visit www.lawrenceexchangeclub.org for more information.

Storms bury snow and ice budget

By DUSTIN LUCA AND DOUGLAS MOSER
Staff Writers

The stormy winter has done a number on the town's snow and ice removal budget.

According to recent figures, the town has spent \$1.5 million, about \$250,000 more than what had been allotted for the task this fiscal year.

Andover is not alone. Public works departments around the region have all blown through their snow and ice budgets as one storm after another has blasted local communities.

Every department in the area has already spent more than \$1 million apiece this winter, with some public works directors fearing a rough March still to come.

The unpredictability of weather, and particularly New England weather, is built into how snow and ice budgets can operate. While state law prohibits deficit spending in every other budget, requiring communities to end the year with balanced ledgers, snow and ice removal costs can run in the red because of the public safety factor involved.

However, while a community can carry a snow deficit forward to the next fiscal year, it must be repaid out



MARY SCHWALM/Staff photo

A truck clears snow earlier this month through an opening in a fence on the second-story parking area at Woodworth Motors in Andover.

of the tax base. A large deficit also can be reduced at the end of a fiscal year by taking any money remaining in other departments' budgets and applying it to the snow and ice deficit.

Andover has put more than 150

vehicles to work clearing streets during major storms, according to Chris Cronin, director of municipal services.

"It's a lot," Cronin said earlier this month. "But to keep (the town) at the level of service we have, it takes a lot of vehicles."

The storms also have strained salt supplies across the region. Widespread heavy demand has led to orders backing up for weeks in some cases and local sheds running low.

Last week, Andover was waiting on 50 trailer loads of salt, or about 1,500 tons. The town is part of a consortium of area communities, which purchase salt together. The consortium has the option of buying salt through a secondary supplier if the primary supplier cannot deliver.

Some area public works directors say if salt starts running low, they mix in sand and sometimes magnesium. They say they can also opt to treat flat roads with straight sand.

Despite Andover's snow and ice budget being overspent, Cronin said it won't affect how his department responds to whatever storms to come. He said crews will continue to handle all storms and needs with the same intensity.

"Public safety comes first," he said.

Retired teachers to vote on insurance switch

By BILL KIRK
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Retired teachers are scheduled to vote next week on a proposal by the town to switch their insurance plans that officials say is projected to save Andover \$500,000.

Currently, retired teachers are the only group of employees or former employees who get their health insurance through the state-sponsored GIC (Group Insurance Commission). They must decide

at their meeting next month whether to switch to a plan provided by the town.

All of Andover's other local unions and bargaining groups are covered by plans negotiated by the town with private carriers, including Mass. Interlocal Insurance Association and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski reported Monday night that the town is in the process of negotiating new health insurance

contracts and recently received three bids, which are being compared.

Meanwhile, packets describing the proposed switch from GIC have been sent to retired teachers. They will take a non-binding vote on the proposal when they

meet Wednesday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m. at the Collins Center at Andover High School, Stapczynski said.

"A big turnout is expected," he said, adding selectmen will vote on the proposal at a meeting after the retirees take their vote.

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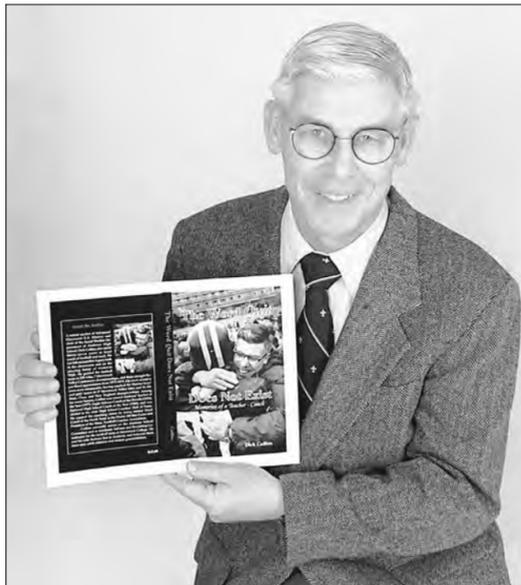


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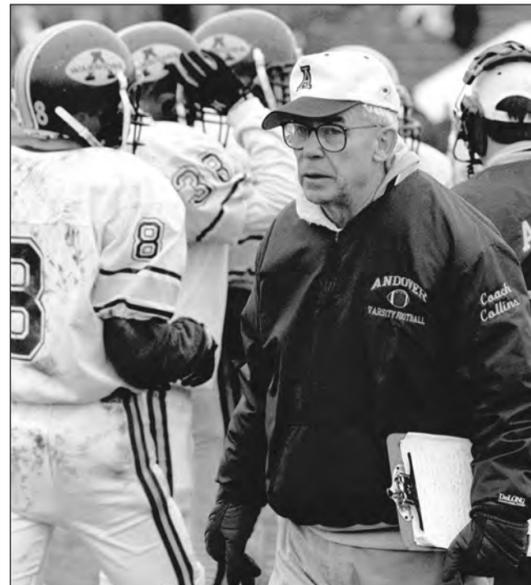




Richard "Dick" Collins is congratulated by his wife, Barbara, and his stepson and campaign manager, Charles Ziegenbein, on winning his first election to the Andover School Committee in March 1998.



Collins posing with the cover of his book, "The Word Quit Does Not Exist," in December 1998.

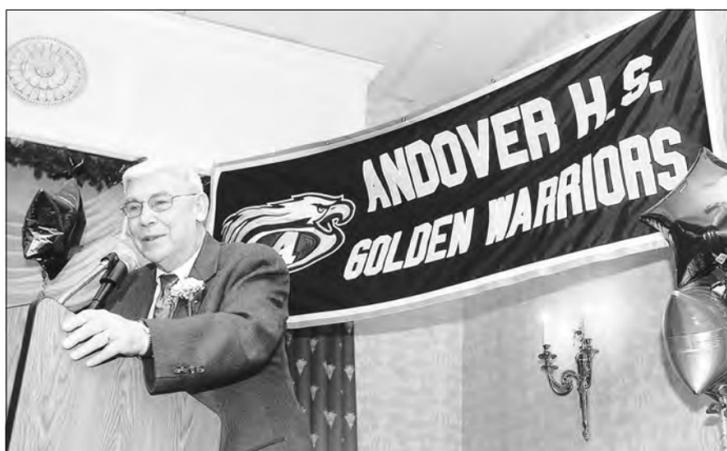


Collins coaching an Andover Warriors football game in November 1995.

Collins answers questions during a candidate forum at the senior center in 2007. Collins served 15 years on the School Committee.



Dick Collins as a student athlete.



Dick Collins addresses the crowd during the Pynchard-Andover High School Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony in 2006.

COLLINS: Coach, teacher, mentor, School Committee member mourned

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class — had heard stories of his intensity on the football field," Capano said. "But he wasn't a yeller or a screamer for no reason. If you were rude or disrespectful, he'd raise his voice for effect, but never without reason. "By the time I had him for senior year, I realized that I wasn't 'scared' of him. I just had a ton of respect for him." Collins was remembered as a storyteller, one with so much background in Andover that there was rarely a topic he couldn't provide insight on. That included his input during his 15-year tenure on the School Committee following his retirement from teaching. "He had a lifetime of stories, with lessons to be learned in those stories," School Committee member Paula Colby-Clements said. Added Capano, "He used to joke that he had been around for most of the stuff

he taught, so it was easy to have great stories." While he made an impact in the classroom, Collins is better recognized for his work on the field, particularly the wild success of Andover athletics under him in the 1970s. His football teams went to the state super bowl three consecutive years from 1973 to 1975, earning the title in the last two outings. His winter and spring track teams won 80 dual meets in a row, including numerous state and conference titles. He was picked national track and field coach of the year and is in the New England Hall of Fame for both football and track. When the high school was expanded in the 1990s, the field house was named after him. Those who knew Collins under an athletic light said his passing represents the departure of an icon. "The fact that he is not with us anymore is kind of, in my mind, like turning a page

in the experience of all those people who were affected by him," said Andover native Jerry Stabile, a former selectman who played football under Collins. Andover High track coach Peter Comeau, hired to replace Collins in 1996, said his predecessor's coaching style was molded in his youth after serving with the U.S. Marines. That was most painfully obvious in his choice consequence for athletes in need of discipline — running sets up and down the large hill in front of Andover High, according to Comeau. "He would always reference back to the Marines, running hills," Comeau said. "He was very stern and very strict ... but it worked, because as much as you wanted to be frustrated with him, you loved him." Collins scaled back his participation in Andover athletics in his later years, though he remained a scout and mentor for the football team

until 2012 and was involved in the track program even up to this year. "In 2010, he was still animated, would come around, talk to the kids, tell them what it was like," Andover High football and girls basketball coach E.J. Perry said. That 2010 team started off the season 1-3 before going on to win the next seven straight games to capture the state title — the Golden Warriors' first since 1977 under Collins. "He set a tone in the '70s, and he set a tone in 2010," Perry said. Leo Blais, a 1996 graduate of Andover High School, said he always viewed Collins as "the Vince Lombardi of Andover." "He was from a different generation," Blais said. "He really motivated you to give your best effort. It didn't matter if you weren't athletically gifted — in his eyes, that wasn't what it was about. "He just wanted you to be able to hold your head high,

knowing you did your best." Recalling Collins as "a very, very good friend," former superintendent Ken Seifert, who served from 1969 to 1990, said Collins clearly took his own advice to heart. "The philosophy unwritten is you practice hard, you play hard, you play fair and, above all, recognize that sports were only a training ground for the bigger game — life," Seifert said. Throughout his decades in town, Collins carried quotes that every one of his athletes and students took with them, according to Perry. One among them — "It's not what a man or woman can do. It's what they can do when they're knocked down" — is one Perry continues to pass down to his athletes today. Another, offered by state Sen. Barry Finegold, D-Andover, was that "no one can stop you from doing your best." "He instilled those lessons in us on the field, but really he was teaching us about life," Finegold said. "They

turned out to be the principles of how I live my life, and for that I have Dick to thank." The most familiar, however — "the word quit does not exist" — is one that has stayed with Comeau. "As much as you wanted to be frustrated with him, you loved him, because you knew he cared about you," Comeau said. "He would come up to you and say, 'Listen, the day I stop yelling at you is the day I stop caring. That's the day you should worry about.'" And that plays into his legacy, Collins said. "(There are) amazing men who have come out of Andover High School, because Dick never gave up on them," Comeau said. "And if he did, they knew they were screwed." ■ ■ ■ *The Richard J. Collins Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established to honor Collins. Donations may be sent to Essex County Community Charitable Fund, 175 Andover St., Danvers 01923.*

TRUCKS: Town considering new regulations

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play out that they could go out on any streets," Byerly said. While one local food truck operator said Andover seems open to working with mobile vendors, she is raising concerns about the proposed regulations that are being considered in North Andover, where a similar bylaw was approved last year by its Town Meeting. Nadine Levin, owner of Pipe Dream Cupcakes which operates in both communities, recently sent a letter to North Andover officials via her lawyer questioning the legality of their proposed regulations. The rules there aim to make sure food trucks use one space at a time, follow parking regulations, have insurance, don't have signs out and manage their own trash. Levin, who served on the committee that helped draft the new regulations being considered in North Andover, said the seven members

"are not all on the same page," and there are lingering questions about what's been proposed. In a letter to North Andover officials, Dana Cohen, an attorney representing Levin, wrote that while the town's proposed restrictions would in practice be "for the protection of the general public for safety or traffic reasons," he suggested that "absent solid, concrete evidence of actual safety and traffic concerns ... they can only be interpreted as being implemented to protect a certain 'class' of business." Cohen said the restrictions could be unconstitutional under state general laws, case law and federal laws and in violation of town bylaws. They could also be "discriminatory and deemed to be an intentional interference with one's trade and commerce to benefit other classes of businesses, i.e. bricks and

mortar," the letter, which was also distributed to the Andover Board of Selectmen, says. In Andover, Town Meeting must first approve the new bylaw before officials can begin considering a set of regulations. Levin, when contacted late last week, declined extensive comment except to say Andover officials seem "to be very willing to work with local food vendors and food trucks." "We'll see what happens," she said. Selectmen Chairman Alex Vispoli, meanwhile, said he wanted to understand the proposed bylaw and what local business groups, like the Economic Development Council, think about it before discussing its merits. "I'd want to also understand what other towns are doing, what has been established," Vispoli said. "The key would be to make sure whatever we're doing is something



Nadine Levin, owner of Pipe Dream Cupcakes, is raising concerns with proposed food truck regulations in North Andover. Andover is considering adopting its own new rules for mobile food vendors. Levin has operated her mobile cupcake van in both Andover and North Andover. that's not going to burden new businesses forming, but something that has a type of balance and reason for doing it."

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Opinion

Snow way to plan

School districts in New Hampshire and Massachusetts have some homework to do before starting the next school year.

As winter grinds on, schools in both states are plowing through snow days at an alarming rate.

Safety must be the overriding factor when superintendents are making the call on whether to cancel classes

when storms hit. And hit they have this winter. Residents and highway crews have barely been able to dig out from one snowstorm before the next looms ominously on the horizon.

It's New England, it's winter, it's to be expected.

But so, too, should school officials be expected to plan ahead.

Andover did. It built five snow days into its school calendars. So did North Andover. That preparation

pays off. The school years won't have to be extended in both communities unless Mother Nature continues her unrelenting attack well into March.

Other districts aren't so lucky — or as thoughtful.

Methuen and many others already have acknowledged the academic year will be extended later into June to make up for the days when snow kept classrooms empty.

There's a pattern here — and it could get worse, even for those schools that did plan for inclement weather.

No one wants to be in school in late June, when the grass is green, the streets clear and the classroom air ripe from too many days trapped inside.

Making the call too far ahead of a storm is risky. If the storm doesn't materialize, the superintendent often becomes the brunt of criticism for making a decision too quickly.

The reverse is also true. Guess what happens when that same superintendent opts to ring the bell and hold classes, only to have a storm change course or intensify? The superintendent is the target of concerned and angry parents, who would rather have let the kids sleep in than risk a ride home on slick roads.

But it's not a lose-lose situation. Building snow days into the academic calendar gives superintendents a bit of a cushion, not unlike a soft fall into a fluffy pile of new snow.

If winter turns out to be mild and school buses roll without interruption, everyone's happy. The calendar banked on five stormy days. If they're not needed, then school ends early and everyone gets a jump-start on summer.

Build in a contingency plan and celebrate if you don't need it.

New Hampshire schools have another option — blizzard bags. It's one districts ought to consider implementing. And officials in Massachusetts might do well to look north and consider adopting their own version of blizzard bag days, too.

Blizzard bag days are snow days with a twist. No one is physically in school, so travel risk is eliminated. Teachers and students can spend the day in their pajamas and no one will object.

But students are expected to do schoolwork. They are given assignments to complete when snow keeps them at home, most of it done online. Teachers are available through email and sometimes by phone to answer questions. Teachers must also do their homework in advance, preparing lessons and assignments for a snow day.

If 80 percent of the students in a school complete their work, the school doesn't have to make up the day. It's been an option for New Hampshire schools for about five years, but few take advantage of it. They should.

Winter will always mean snow and snow will always lead to cancellations. But school officials could plan better and take advantage of a program that makes sense for New England. Everyone will be grateful they did come June.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

It has been a rough winter, with more still to come. Where do you rank plowing and storm cleanup efforts this season?

1: Horrific. With taxes this high, we should be getting much more service.

2: Rough, but so has the season. There is definitely room for improvement.

3: Average. It's New England — we can't expect to have perfect conditions all season.

4: Good. There is some room for improvement, but I'm happy with what I have seen.

5: Outstanding. The town has been doing an incredible job this season. Bravo to them.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Last week, we asked, "Where do you stand on the school district's purchase of 160 additional laptop computers beyond what was approved by Town Meeting?" With 99 responses, the answers were:

I don't support it. Town Meeting approved 400 MacBook Pros, so the School Department should have purchased only 400 and no more — 58 votes.

I'm OK with it, but not how it was done. It should have been handled more officially like everything else tied to town dollars — 25 votes.

I support it. The MacBook Pros go to school staff who need them, so however they were obtained, the end result is justified — 16 votes.

LOOK OUT BELOW



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Several youngsters and their families made the most of last week's February school vacation snowstorm to get in some runs on the hill in front of Andover High School. The freshly fallen snow provided prime conditions for sledders like 9-year-old Sophie Scali of Andover.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

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100 Years Ago Feb. 27, 1914

The first of a series of three dances was given by the subscription party at the November clubhouse last Monday night. The hall was prettily decorated and a good time was enjoyed by all.

The grocery stores will close from noon until 5 p.m. Monday afternoon for the Town Meeting.

Miss Bertha Anderson of Boston was the guest of Miss Edith Whitman of Pine Street over the recent holiday.

75 Years Ago Feb. 23, 1939

It's been like Old Home Week down in Marland Village lately, for one of the neighborhood's best-liked

characters has returned to its midst. Down at the foot of North Main Street hill, a few steps beyond Harding Street, is a little variety store, or rather a little store with a big variety. Back in 1917, a hard-working, energetic young man came over from Lawrence to buy the store, and for years Bob Franz fulfilled the wants of the people of that section. Last week, Bob came back to the store, and for several days, his old friends poured in to shake hands with the man who often had proved a real friend in need.

50 Years Ago Feb. 27, 1964

There are three candidates for two School Committee seats — veteran member William A. Doherty asks reelection, and following him on the ballot are Lee E. Noyes and Robert Sherman. Polling

places in town are as follows: Precinct 1, Central Fire Station; precinct 2, Square and Compass Club Hall; precinct 3, Sacred Heart School; precinct 4, Grange Hall; precinct 5, Ballardvale Fire Station; and precinct 6, Peabody House on Phillips Street.

Sharply divergent opinions on the police pay question and on industrial development highlighted a generally listless candidates night Tuesday at the high school. In an atmosphere of politeness toward the candidates on the part of their questioners, all but one candidate for the contested offices appeared at the annual session.

25 Years Ago March 2, 1989

Amy K. Morrissey, a junior at Andover High School, was recently

chosen as The Andover Townsman's first student intern. Morrissey, 16, is the daughter of Brian and Theresa Smith of 3 Sheffield Circle. As a student intern, Morrissey will be writing school- and town-related articles and learning about the workings of a weekly newspaper.

A six-month crackdown on Andover car owners using out-of-state license plates should add more than \$17,000 to town coffers this year, police said. Massachusetts residents looking for an expensive Mercedes or Porsche can save thousands of dollars buying in New Hampshire — a tax haven state that doesn't charge sales tax, Sgt. Arthur Ricci said.

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This is alarming. Negotiations just started in January. Why are School Committee members rushing to fast-track a contract agreement — allegedly committing taxpayers and the Town of Andover to millions of dollars of obligation without first doing the financial due diligence?

And why hasn't the School Committee reached out to the selectmen and Finance Committee to schedule an executive session to get their feedback and discuss how the proposed contract terms could impact other town departments in upcoming contract negotiations? How can a final vote be taken without their input?

In my 11 years on the School Committee, I have

never seen anything like this.

DAVID BIRNBACH
School Committee member

Banking at the post office would be a win-win

Editor, Townsman: Bringing back banking services to the U.S. Post Office would be, in the words of a Midwest newspaper columnist, a spectacular idea. It is a win-win situation.

While generating a new revenue stream for Postal Service operations, it would also provide a convenient, less-costly way for Americans to conduct routine financial transactions such as paying bills, maintaining a checking account and financing small loans. For those who live in rural areas, where there are not many bricks-and-mortar banks available, only predatory check cashing and payday loan operations are available today for basic financial services.

Somehow the notion of family thrift, building a nest egg and saving for a rainy day has lost relevance for Americans. Today, the U.S. has one of the lowest savings rates amongst the major industrialized nations in the world. Access to easy credit has made too many families captive to mismanaging their finances,

wanting it all right now and seeing the dream of retirement too many years into the future. Reopening banking services at post offices will also provide an opportunity for Americans to learn an important part of family finances — saving money.

Taking care of family finances can be part of the everyday trip to the post office, picking up the mail and stopping by the coffee shop to say hello. Banking at the post office can also appeal to many by eliminating excessive fees and charges charged by predatory money lenders and providing opportunities for Americans to learn about thrift and saving for the future.

At present, you can purchase money orders at the post office. By providing savings and checking accounts, and safe and low-cost ways to finance small loans, modest family incomes can be stretched by reducing banking costs.

Many believe that saving money is a thing of the past. But, having good credit is the key to family finances. The ability to put money to work in savings and conservative investments is a path to building wealth in America. It's a financial plan that could be realized by simply visiting your local post office.

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Well-scripted RETURN



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The Radium Girls, from left, Maci Letsky as Irene Rudolph, Lauren Wanthal as Harriet Roeder and Emily Wivell as Grace Fryer, find themselves living with a deadly glow, their clothing and bodies constantly exposed to deadly radium paint in a luminous watch-painting factory in a scene from Andover High School Drama Department's festival play.

Powerful glow

AHS Drama Dept. delves deep for festival entry with 'Radium Girls'

The Andover High School Drama Department taps a true story for its entry as it hosts a preliminary round of the 2014 Massachusetts Educational Theatre Guild Drama Festival this weekend.

FESTIVAL LINEUP

Andover High's Drama Department will be the second entrant to perform its piece on the stage of the Collins Center at Andover High, 80 Shawshen Road. The schedule for Saturday is:

- 9 a.m.: Cambridge Rindge & Latin, "(Anon(ymous))"
- 10 a.m.: Andover High School, "Radium Girls"
- 11:15 a.m.: Matignon High School, Somerville "The Little Drama Guild That Could"
- 12:15 p.m.: Shrewsbury High School, "Enchanted April"
- 2 p.m.: Newton Country Day School, "Wiley & The Hairy Man"
- 3 p.m.: Worcester Academy, "Experiments in the Garden of Eden"
- 4:30 p.m.: Everett High School, "Cocoon Soup at the Palace"
- 5:30 p.m.: Medford High School, "Mirrors"

Andover will join the Drama Departments from seven other high schools in presenting their festival entries on the stage of the Collins Center in town on Saturday, March 1 starting at 9 a.m.

Each play will be presented in a condensed, 45-minute format for this competition, with three of the eight schools ultimately selected by the judges to advance to the next level of competition.

Andover High Schools entry tackles a real-life drama set in 1926. "Radium Girls" traces the efforts of Grace Fryer, a watch

dial painter, as she fights for her life and her day in court during a time when radium was seen as a miracle cure and the dangers of radioactivity were not fully understood.

Fryer led a charge to seek justice from a company whose owners knew radium was dangerous, but whose greed kept factory girls working with radium paint to fulfill lucrative military contracts.

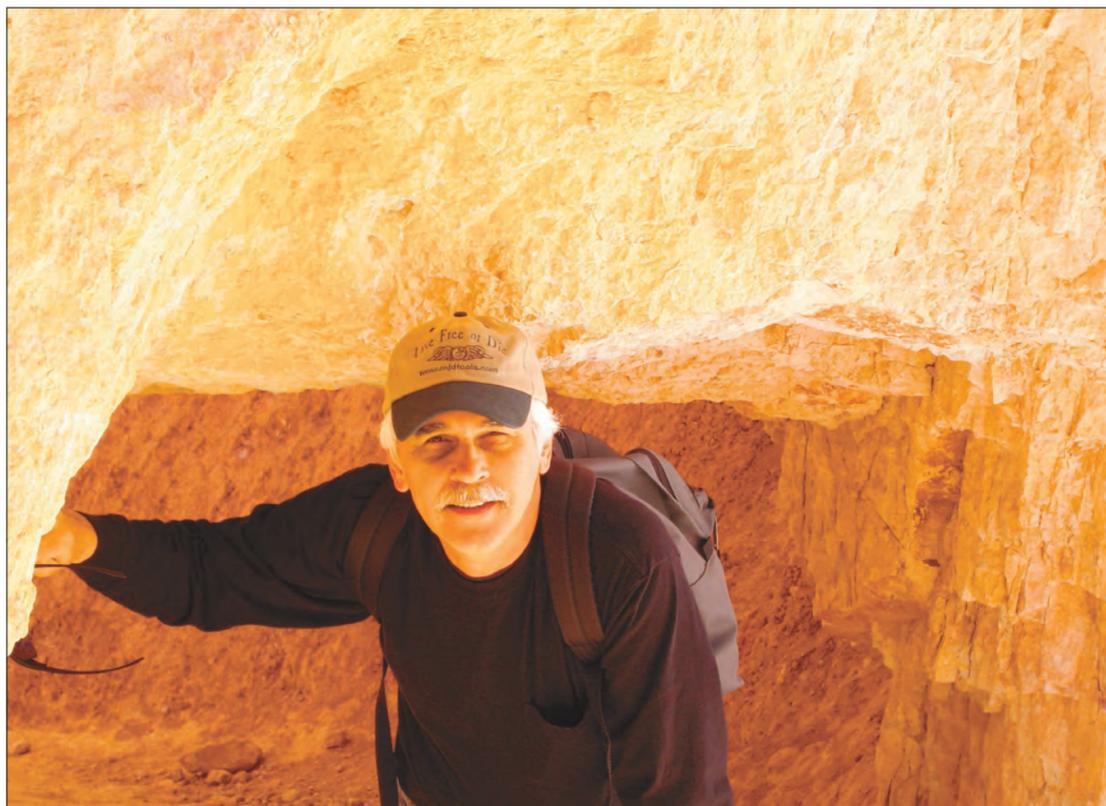
The fast-moving ensemble piece is

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Conor Meehan, right, as the unscrupulous company counsel, and Connor Dwyer, as the stalwart counsel for the employees, in "Radium Girls." The Andover High School Drama Department presents the play during Saturday's preliminary round of the 2014 Massachusetts Educational Theatre Guild Drama Festival at the Collins Center.



Courtesy photo

Andover playwright Ron Radice is enjoying his return to script work, and audiences are, too.

Playwright enjoys success with return to the stage

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
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It has all the makings of a good script.

A playwright from Andover picks up the pen after a 35-year hiatus and finds a receptive audience still waiting for him.

It's based on a true story, too. Just ask theater-goers in the 10 states where Ron Radice's most recent work has been performed.

At 71, Radice, who put aside his playwrighting for more than three decades to raise his family, is now watching his work delight audiences in New York and beyond.

"I stopped writing and you could say I'm back," said the soft-spoken playwright, who has quietly flown under the radar for years.

His current project, the comic drama "To the Top," has been on stage for its premiere run this month at the Alleyway Theatre in Buffalo, N.Y.

The play is about two vagabonds who meet and become comrades at the foot of a mountain, which they eventually climb. As the pair ascends to the top of the mountain, they come upon a number of eccentric characters who inadvertently teach the duo about themselves and their friendship.

Radice said it's a scenario that's familiar for many people: You spend some time really thinking about relationships and you learn a lot.

The play was a finalist in Alleyway's 2011 New Play competition. One reviewer called the script "very philosophical and funny," proclaiming "this show should not be missed."

The accolades are a bit of a time-gone-by part of the playwright's life. By 1972, Radice already had three plays produced by the New York



Courtesy photo

Tom Owen, left, and Tim Joyce play a pair of hapless wanderers who join forces and strike out together on a path that leads ever upward in local playwright Ron Radice's comic-drama "To the Top." The new work has been on stage this month at Alleyway Theatre in the heart of the theater district in Buffalo, N.Y.



David C. Mitchell, right, as a lost circus clown, one of three visions who appear to Tom Owen and a fellow vagabond on their trek to the summit in a new play by Andover's Ron Radice.

Theater Ensemble. He had taken courses in theater at Bard College and was living

in Woodstock, N.Y. Then, he completely put down the pen. "I got married, had four

PLAYWRIGHT HIGHLIGHTS

Ron Radice's first play, "Pick-pocket," was produced in 1972 by the New York Theater Ensemble at the Performing Arts of Woodstock, N.Y.

"Won't Happen Again" was accepted by the Great Plains Theatre Conference for a reading and received second place in the 77th annual Writer's Digest Writing Competition Stage Play Script Category.

"Bricks" was produced in 2010 at the Heller Theatre in Tulsa, Okla., and took first prize in a competition there.

"The Wheelbarrow," a short play, was written at an Arthur Kopit workshop in Kansas City, Mo., and has been produced in four theaters in four different states and has been published in a collection of short plays.

"The Climbing" received second place in the 79th annual Writer's Digest Writing Competition Stage Play Script category, was a semifinalist in the 2011 O'Neill National Playwrights Conference, was finalist in the 2011 Maxim Mazumdar New Play Competition with Alleyway Theater, where it was renamed "To the Top."

"Lulu's Last Ride" was in production at the Provincetown Theater in May 2012 and "Do Like Papa Says" was in production at the Playwrights Platform Festival in Boston in June 2012.

kids and knew I had to earn money to take care of my family," said Radice, who has lived on Elm Street since 1990,

Radice turned to the high-tech world and a career in software development. While he flirted with writing at times during that period, he never got serious about it again until a filmmaker friend called looking for a short play that he had written many years earlier. That was 2006. It took months to find the piece, but Radice was glad he did. His friend made

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Playing an active role

dresscode hosting day of fitness to launch new workout line

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
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Andover's dresscode in Elm Square is calling on local fitness professionals to help it launch a new line of activewear in its shop.

To celebrate the arrival of the workout apparel from Vimmia, dresscode owner Amy Finegold of Andover is welcoming trainers to her store on Sunday to lead a day of demonstrations.

Finegold said she decided to add compression leggings and sports bras to her collection of

chic everyday and special occasion wear at the request of her regular clientele.

"They wanted activewear," she said. "Who doesn't work out?"

The 42-year-old mother of three and wife of state Sen. Barry Finegold, D-Andover, said she knows all about a working mom's crazy schedule and how important good health is to keep a family well balanced.

She's had two back surgeries, a knee operation and delivered those three babies all while owning her store.

"As I'm getting a little older, I've become increasingly aware of the connection between wellness and strength in both body and mind. I've found that it's incredibly relevant to my customers and friends as well," she said.

Not only has that mind set led to the addition of activewear to dresscode's offerings, Finegold has just published a book about wellness that includes tips and recipes from area trainers and health experts.

The book sells for \$20, with proceeds benefiting Family Services of the Merrimack Valley, an

organization that Finegold believes tries to help families find their health and balance through its programs.

The four-day introduction of Vimmia Activewear begins this Thursday, Feb. 28, and culminates on Sunday, March 2, with the free day of fitness demonstrations, healthy snacks and more from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Finegold has lined up seven trainers to each lead 20-minute workout sessions followed by 10 minutes of

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FASHIONABLY FIT

Here is the schedule for Sunday's fitness demonstrations at dresscode, 2 Elm Square:

- 10:30 to 11 a.m.: Sylvia Sasso of Shaperella, European body shaping
- 11:15 to 11:45 a.m.: Lisa Swanson of Fitness Together, one-on-one training and mini fitness evaluations
- Noon to 12:30 p.m.: Barre n9ne, barre
- 12:45 to 1:15 p.m.: Paula Perry of Yang's, high-intensity interval training
- 1:30 to 2 p.m.: Ben Moll of Yang's, strength and balance
- 2:15 to 2:45 p.m.: Stacy Gillis of Elite Fitness, tidal body workout
- 3 to 3:30 p.m.: Latitude Sports Club

Arts & Entertainment

Troubadour Paul headed to Crossroads Coffeehouse

Ellis Paul, one of the most respected singer-songwriters in American's folk world, will be performing with Austin singer-songwriter Rebecca Loebe at Crossroads Coffeehouse in North Andover on Saturday, March 8.

This show will be a preview of Paul's new record and songs from his more than 20-year career, which was launched out of the Boston open mike scene.

Heavily influenced by the folk stylings of Woody Guthrie, some have said Paul has successfully bridged the gap between traditional and modern folk music. He has gone on to win numerous awards, including an unprecedented 15 Boston Music

Awards and his songs are frequently featured in numerous TV shows as well as several Hollywood films such as "Me, Myself and Irene," "Hall Pass" and "Shallow Hal."

Paul just finished recording his next studio album in Atlanta, Charlottesville and Boston to be released next month. Kristian Bush, half of the Grammy-award winning Sugarland duo, produced the project. For the second time, the release is completely funded by fans, who raised more than \$100,000, with 600-plus donors all from his e-mail list.

Loebe opens the show. She has been working as a full-time touring musician in the U.S. Next month, she heads

to Europe and Japan. In 2011, she was cast in the first U.S. season of "The Voice," during which she performed her own arrangement of Nirvana's "Come As You Are," which was seen by more than 12 million viewers.

In 2012, she released a new album, "Circus Heart." Most recently, she has been touring extensively with Paul.

Next week's show starts at 8 p.m.; doors open at 7:30. Crossroads Coffeehouse is in North Parish Unitarian Universalist Church at 3 Great Pond Road, North Andover. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call 978-687-3960 or visit <http://www.crossroads-coffeehouse.org>.



Ellis Paul brings his successful folk career to Crossroads Coffeehouse in North Andover next week.

Courtesy photo

PLAYWRIGHT: Crowd's reaction matters to him

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it into a short film. The exercise awakened his writing passion and by 2007, Radice was back to writing every day.

Radice continues to write each day with no plans to stop. He works on his scripts wherever you can find him, including on planes, trains and at home, which he shares with wife Claire.

He said his ideas come to him when least expected. For example, an episode with a brick that was thrown through a window at his home years ago before he moved to Andover served as the basis for "Bricks," which was produced in 2010. It won first place in a competition at the Heller Theatre in Tulsa, Okla.

"To the Top" is also built around a theme that's relatable. The play closes out its run in

Buffalo on Saturday. "The characters are very well-conceived and will quickly draw the audience into caring about their relationship," says director Neal Radice, who is not related to Ron Radice, and, in fact, pronounces his last name differently from the playwright.

"...I hope to stage and interpret the play in a way that lets audiences see the story as relevant to their own relationships."

The playwright Radice typically sits in the audience when one of his works is being performed. He says the crowd's reaction matters to him.

"I really enjoy being in the audience and seeing if they laugh — or if they don't," Radice said, chuckling. "I just hope the audience remembers me and goes to see (one of his plays). That's what would be great for me."

Out & About: Musical moments for youth orchestras

Compiled by Judy Wakefield

Andover musicians will join with Northeast Massachusetts Youth Orchestras for a pair of performances the next two weekends.

The group's three flute choirs will perform Saturday, March 1, at 3 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Topsfield.

Local flutists who are members of the flute choirs include Somin Virmani, junior flute choir; Avery Wendell, flute choir; and Sam Krapels and Amanda Hornick, select flute choir. The choirs are under the direction of director Trisha Craig

Then next Sunday, March 9, the NMYO Chamber Music Ensembles will give a concert at First United Methodist Church, 57 Peters St., North Andover, at 3 p.m.

NMYO Symphony Orchestra musicians and select members of Intermezzo Orchestra participate in an eight-week chamber music program in which they are placed into small ensembles and coached by visiting professional musicians.

The 13 chamber ensembles performing March 9 include local musicians Vivien Qin, Arman Koul, Gavin Batsimm, Yazhini Ramesh, Yanchen Zhan, Sarah Vrontas, Timothy Wang and Samuel Zhang, all

on violin; Hannah Garth, oboe; and Seongwoon "Shawn" Moon, trombone. Music by such composers as Beethoven, Dvorak, Mozart and Nielsen will be on the program.

Admission to both concerts is free; the public is invited. Call 978-309-9833 or visit www.nmyo.org for more information.

Intricate finale for bead and fabric work

Andover artist Cornelia van dan Broeke caps off a month in the spotlight with the final week of an exhibit of her work at The Center at Pynchard, 30 Whittier Court, Andover.

The display features examples of van dan Broeke's fabric and bead work.

She has a degree from the Museum of Fine Arts School and has shown her work throughout greater Boston as well as in New York City. About five years ago, she began working with beads on fabric as a means of taking a break from painting. Now, she has become committed to the medium.

Kathleen Milstein of Merrimack will be the featured artist for March. She captures pattern and form in her natural landscape images suggesting the gentle moodiness and power of the outdoors.

Five graphic art students from Greater Lawrence Technical High School in Andover will show their work in April.

The exhibits may be viewed weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call The Center at 978-623-8321 or visit www.andoversenior-center.org.

Inventive jazz with Marcus Roberts Trio

The Marcus Roberts Trio shows off its signature approach to jazz performance in a concert on Friday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover.

Founded by Roberts in 1995, the trio is known for its virtuosic style that is strongly rhythmic, melodic and filled with dynamic contrast.

Joining Roberts in the trio are drummer Jason Marsalis and bassist Rodney Jordan, who is the most recent addition to the ensemble.

Tickets are \$22 in advance, \$25 at the door; \$20 for students and seniors. For tickets or information, call the Rogers Center box office at 978-837-5355 or visit www.merrimack.edu/rogerscenter.

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ACTIVEWEAR: 'Healthy celebration' at dresscode

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questions and discussion. The public is encouraged to sample the different styles of exercise and find one that best works for them.

Finegold said the event dovetails with her philosophy around her store,

which she stressed has always been about giving back and supporting her community.

"This is a celebration of health," she said.

For more information, call dresscode at 978-470-0300 or visit www.dresscodestyle.com.

WHAT'S HAPPENING: MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY

'FROM FARM TO PLATE:' Saturday, March 1, 2 to 4 p.m. Three of the region's farmers highlight important issues facing local farmers and consumers. Lisa Colby of Colby Farms in Newburyport, Glenn Cook of Cider Hill Farm in Amesbury and Rich Bonanno of Pleasant Valley Gardens in Methuen lead the free forum hosted by the League of Women Voters of Andover/North Andover. It will address the many ways food and farming affect everyone and look at who keeps local farms in business, what threatens their existence

and why it is important to keep them around.

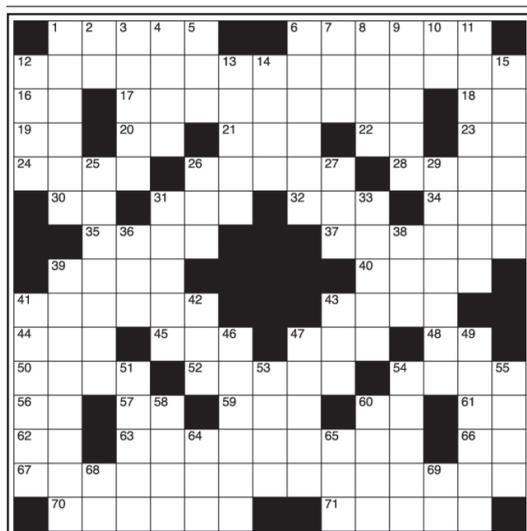
'LEGENDARY LOCALS OF ANDOVER:' Thursday, March 6, 7 p.m., Longtime Andover Townsman columnist Bill Dalton and his wife, Katharine, appear in The Beehive to share their new book, "Legendary Locals of Andover," by Arcadia Publishing. They will touch on the stories of the people who helped create the Andover that has inspired people for generations, from Samuel Francis Smith, who penned the lyrics to "America" in 1831, to conservationists Alice Buck and Harold

Rafton, plus Benjamin Pynchard, Salem Poor, William Wood and more. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

'VISIT FROM 'CHRONICLE:' Thursday, March 13, 7 p.m. Journalist and author Ted Reinstein shares his book, "A New England Notebook: One Reporter, Six States, Uncommon Stories." Reinstein is best known around New England as a correspondent for "Chronicle," where he has been a reporter and producer since 1995. The book recounts some of his favorite people and stories from his many travels

around New England for "Chronicle."

'MOVIE SCREENING.' Thursday, March 20, 6:30 p.m. "Dark Forest in the Mountains," a screening of the film by Roger Kupelian shot on location in 1994 on the front lines of an underreported war between two former Soviet Republics, Armenia and Azerbaijan, as they squared off against each other over the fate of the 170,000 Armenians living in the small mountainous region of Nagorno-Karabakh. Co-sponsored by the Merrimack Valley Knights of Vartan.



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ALPERS FINE ART, "The Power of the Power of Suggestion," juried show featuring 33 artists, through March 2, 96 Main St., Andover. Gallery hours Wednesdays 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.

CENTER AT PUNCHARD, Bead and fabric work of Cornelia van dan Broeke of Andover, through February; Works by Kathleen Milstein of Merrimack, March 1 through 31; 30 Whittier Court, Andover; 978-623-8321, www.andoverseniorcenter.org.

AUTHORS/READINGS

ANDOVER BOOKSTORE, Neil Swidey, "Trapped Under the Sea," Thursday, March 6, 7 p.m.; David

Christopher, "The Holy Universe," Thursday, March 13, 7 p.m.; free; Andover Village Square, 89R Main St.; 978-475-0143, <http://hugobooks.com/andover>.

HOCKEY ORIGINAL. Boston Bruins great Derek Sanderson discusses his autobiography, "Crossing the Line: The Outrageous Story of a Hockey Original," Saturday, March 8, 3 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St., Andover; hosted by Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St.; admission one hardcover book, \$25.95; 978-475-0143, <http://hugobooks.com/andover>.

'LEGENDARY LOCALS,' Bill and Katharine Dalton, authors of "Legendary Locals of Andover," stories of people who helped create Andover, Thursday, March 6, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St.; free, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, www.mhl.org; 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

'NEW ENGLAND NOTEBOOK,' Journalist Ted Reinstein, author of "A New England Notebook: One Reporter, Six States, Uncommon Stories," Thursday, March 13, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St.; free, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, www.mhl.org; 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

FILMS

SCREENING ROOM, BoomerVenture Screening Room Film Festival series featuring "The Other Son," Thursday, Feb. 27; "Una Noche," Thursday, March 6; all films at 7 p.m.; free, snacks available; Center at Punchard, 30 Whittier Court, Andover; 978-623-8321, www.andoverseniorcenter.org.

FUNDRAISER

UNLEASHED, Friends of Andover Dog Park fundraiser featuring silent and live auctions, raffles, appetizers, drinks, desserts and live entertainment, Saturday, March 8, 7 p.m., Andover Country Club, 60 Canterbury St.; tickets \$50, proceeds support construction of a dog park in town; www.AndoverDogParkMa.com.

LECTURE

FOCUS ON FARMING. "From Farm to Plate: How We Sustain Local Farms," a discussion on issues facing local farmers featuring Lisa Colby of Colby Farms in Newburyport, Glenn Cook of Cider Hill Farm in Amesbury and Rich Bonanno of Pleasant Valley Gardens in Methuen, hosted by the League of Women Voters of

Andover/North Andover, Saturday, March 1, 2 to 4 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover; free, www.lwv-andovers.org.

PARENT TO PARENT, Ann Helmus, Ph.D., presents "Tips For Helping Your Child Achieve Academic Success at Home," Thursday, Feb. 27, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Pike School Auditorium, 34 Sunset Rock Road, Andover; hosted by Andover Parent to Parent; free; www.andoverp2p.com.

MUSIC

'AMERICAN SAMPLER,' New England Classical Singers presents "An American Sampler: Songs of Love and Nature," featuring Ronald Perera's "Why I Wake Early," Saturday, March 8, 7:30 p.m.; pre-concert talk, 6:30 p.m.; Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; tickets \$20 adults, \$18 seniors, \$15 groups of 10, children and students with ID free; www.newenglandclassical.org; 978-474-6090.

MUSICAL CHAPEL, Phillips Academy Choirs under the direction of Christopher Walter perform works by Haydn, Guastavino, Berger, De Curi-tiba, Poulenc, Part and Monteverdi, Friday, Feb. 28, 7 p.m.; Academy Jazz Band and ensembles perform works by Benny Carter, Thad Jones

and Bob Mintzer, Sunday, March 2, 3 p.m.; Cochran Chapel, Phillips Academy, 180 Main St., Andover; free; 978-749-4260, music@andover.edu.

SIGNATURE JAZZ, The Marcus Roberts Trio featuring founder Marcus Roberts, drummer Jason Marsalis and bassist Rodney Jordan, Friday, Feb. 28, 7:30 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; tickets \$22 in advance, \$25 at door; \$20 students/seniors; 978-837-5355, www.merrimack.edu/rogerscenter.

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THEATER

DRAMA FESTIVAL, Massachusetts Educational Theatre Guild Drama Festival preliminary round featuring eight high school drama departments, including Andover High School, performing in a show-case, Saturday, March 1, 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Andover High School performs at 10 a.m.; Collins Center for the Performing Arts, Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road, Andover; tickets \$10 for full day; www.andoverdrama.com.

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Join the Andover Townsman and Eagle-Tribune in supporting this worthy cause! On Thursday, March 20th, we will publish a special section highlighting this event. Content may include a race route map, information about race participants and the organization, Home for Our Troops, and feature stories about local veterans.

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Education

State to conduct mandated school district review

The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education soon will be conducting a Coordinated Program Review of the Andover School District's compliance with civil rights, English language learners and special education state and federal regulations.

The review, which occurs every six years, is mandated under federal and state law. The last review was completed in 2008 with a mid-cycle review finished in 2011.

As part of the process, department staff will select programs to observe, staff and parents to interview and instructional sites to assess. The department is reviewing several programs

Public is invited to provide comment

during a single visit in order to be most efficient and to encourage strong connections among the programs.

Following the review, a report will be completed and presented to the superintendent and School Committee. The report will highlight areas for commendation as well as places where the district must propose corrective action plans.

The process is intended to provide districts

with a blueprint for ongoing improvement of their programs and services for all students. The department's report and corrective action plans are public information and will be available upon request from the department. The program review final reports will be available online through the department at www.doe.mass.edu/pqa/review/cpr/reports/.

Any member of the public may request to be interviewed by telephone by a member of the

department's visiting team. Those wishing to provide comment should call the superintendent's office at 978-623-8501 by Friday, Feb. 28, and leave their name and phone number, or call the Department of Education directly at 781-338-3715.

A member of the visiting team will contact each person seeing an interview within two weeks after the completion of the site visit. If an individual is not comfortable communicating in English or requires some other accommodation, the department will make arrangements to communicate appropriately with the individual.

From support squad to innovators

Tech-savvy students writing program for new high school lab

By DUSTIN LUCA

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Andover High School teachers with technology woes worry not. Your students are here to help.

A student-run help desk has been one of the successes of the high school's new Innovation Lab that was launched this school year.

An alternative to study hall for students with technological prowess, the lab was created on the heels of the district dedicating substantial funds to the purchase of new computers for staff, Daniel Downs, school technology integration specialist, said.

"We got all these new MacBooks for the teachers, and we knew there was going to be a need for supporting the teachers with the new technology," Downs said.

But the help desk isn't just about students being at the faculty's beck and call to provide tech support.

The new course offering includes an educational component built around a silicon-charged core, with each student developing and completing semester-long projects, Downs said.

Viabhav Patel, 16, has spent his time outside tech calls using one of his favorite video games from home to demonstrate how digital worlds can make tangible impacts in the real world.

It wasn't what he originally expected when he signed up for the class.

"When I first heard of the class, I thought it was going to be me helping out everybody else with what they don't know about computers," Patel said.

As the school year moved forward and tech support calls waned, he dove into one of his passions at home — the video game Minecraft — and began exploring its capacity to improve lives beyond the digital world.

"Minecraft has inspired people to learn about animations, coding, music and even starting a business," he wrote on a blog post for the Innovation



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff photo

The Innovation Lab at Andover High School started as an alternative to study halls and a chance to aid teachers with new technology. It has since gone on to jumpstart students' future in high-tech careers. Front row, from left, students Parth Valecha, 15; Crispin Wendell, 15; Peter Banta, 17; and John Makiej, 14; with, back row, school technology integration specialist Daniel Downs and Zachary Griffin, an intern from ITT Technical Institute.

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Daniel Downs, school technology integration specialist

Lab. "Minecraft is not just a game, but a huge learning tool for anyone with the passion to further their goals."

Fellow Innovation Lab member Peter Banta, a 17-year-old junior, also focused on an aspect of game development.

Using the three-dimensional modeling standby Maya 3D, Banta crafted spaceships from pictures he found on the Internet for the upcoming space trading and combat simulator video game Star Citizen.

Banta said the project gave him "early experience in the field, so you'll know, if you enjoy what you're doing, you'll have an idea how to go forward," he said. "I'm working with something that's going to

be used in the field."

As a final assignment, each student must create a final presentation for the class using Google Hangout — a collaboration medium akin to video conferencing. Downs likened the presentation to a review board in the tech industry.

"The presentation is really student-driven," he said. "We have other students in on the final presentation, and they have to ask questions."

Initially, only three students signed up for the Innovation Lab during its first semester in existence, Downs said. But as that trio started making the rounds of classrooms to provide technological

troubleshooting for the staff, word spread and interest grew sharply, he said. Now, 15 students are enrolled.

Patel said with the larger group, the students are looking at potentially introducing a ticket system to better manage tech support requests during peak times.

Eli Gukovsky, 16, meanwhile, hopes to see the lab expanding out of its current location, which is essentially a closet at the back of the high school library. The room is home to a few computers, maybe the occasional motherboard and some furniture.

"I would think, eventually, we're getting so many kids, we might get a better room," Gukovsky said.

Downs said one option for the Innovation Lab might be to have a dedicated help desk in the library itself.

"There are a lot of groups that come down and use laptops, and they can use (the

help desk) to ask questions," he said.

Three journalism students who recently worked to promote the Innovation Lab as part of a class assignment believe there could be even broader implications for the new program should it expand.

"If you get students interested in this, they could develop a mobile app for Andover High," Hugh Smith, one of the journalism students, said. "This could be Andover High's technology hub."

Mae Hunt, another journalism student, said she believes students as well as teachers would benefit by the tech space and services if they knew what was available.

"They don't know this is here and don't know they have an opportunity," she said. "If it's anything that can help them make the class time more efficient, they'd jump on the opportunity."

Sanborn makes 100th day count in a big way

Students at Sanborn School turned their 100th day of class this year into a civics lesson to help those in need.

School Council members issued a challenge to their classmates, encouraging each grade level at Sanborn to collect at least 100 food items by the 100th day of school on Feb. 11. The donations would then go to support the Lazarus House Food Pantry in Lawrence.

Students and their families responded in a big way. Not only did each grade level achieve its goal, but the school as a community collected 979 items in total over the course of the three-week challenge.

The Student Council members who spearheaded the drive were Rachel Johnson, Brooke Rose, Liam Cummings, Michael Sheehan, Simran Bajaj, Gabriela Roldan, Gianna Correia, Caroline Rothmann and Ariel Kim.

In addition to motivating the student body to participate, the Student Council members also helped to load the Lazarus House truck with all of the donations.

Through the donation drive, Sanborn students learned that more and more people, often due to unemployment and driven by hunger, are turning to food pantries for assistance in feeding their families.

According to Lazarus House, among the hardest hit in this area are single mothers with young children and the elderly living



COURTESY PHOTO

Members of the Student Council spearheaded the food collection drive for the Lazarus House. In addition to motivating their classmates, they helped to load the nearly 1,000 food items that were donated to the food pantry into trucks for delivery.

on fixed incomes. The Lazarus House Food Pantry provides emergency food supplies to as many as 763 families each week.

ON CAMPUS

Patricia Collins, daughter of William and Maureen Collins of Andover, recently participated in the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Maine's annual White Coat Ceremony, which formally recognizes the transition students make from laypeople to assuming the responsibility of physicians.

Alexander Cain received the National Italian American Foundation Intel Scholarship. Cain attends Hofstra University in New York and is majoring in computer science.

Amy Tanner has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2013 semester at Dean College in Franklin.

Four local students were named to the dean's list at Providence College in Rhode Island for the fall 2013 semester. They are junior Kaitlin Mara, sophomores Kathleen McGinty and Michelle Ouellette, and freshman Nicholas Flannery.

Rimmer Tjalsma has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2013 semester at Davenport University in

Michigan.

Sheila Cremin, Emma Lamoreaux and Christiana Riendeau were among the 1,498 students named to the dean's list for the fall 2013 semester at Keene State College in New Hampshire.

Two local students have been named to the dean's list at Hamilton College in New York for the fall 2013 semester. Alice A. Grant, a senior majoring in biology, is a graduate of Brooks School. James P. Hunter, a first-year student, is a graduate of Phillips Academy.

Matthew Beirne, Richard Borges, Kelly Broderick-Peck, Jane Cross, Amanda Davolio, Katja Hock, Diane Krafton, Maria Rockwell, Pamela Schwing and Grace Tomaszewski were named to the dean's list at North Shore Community College in Danvers for the fall 2013 semester.

Three local students were named to the dean's list at Bryant University in Rhode Island for the fall 2013 semester. They are Sara Famiglietti, a junior majoring in accounting; Bryan McNiff, a senior majoring in finance;

and Joshua Velez, a freshman with an undeclared major.

Jessica Shi was named to the dean's list for the fall 2013 term at Choate Rosemary Hall in Wallingford, Conn.

Two local students have been named to the dean's list at Endicott College in Beverly for the fall 2013 semester: Taggart Sterling Muggia, son of Robert and Melanie Muggia and a senior majoring in English, and Nicholas Anthony Sarno, son of Daniel and Roseanne Sarno and a junior majoring in business administration.

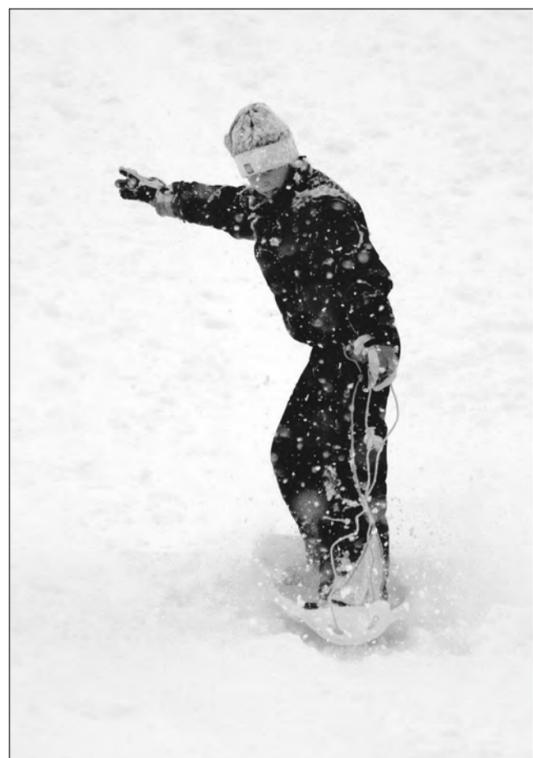
Kevin DiPasquale has been named to the dean's list at the University of Notre Dame in Indiana for the fall 2013 semester. He is a student in the College of Engineering.

Caroline Decruccio was among more than 1,100 students named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Pratt Institute in New York.

Caroline Szendey was named to the dean's list for the fall 2013 semester at St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Townspeople

Riding in style



RAYN HUTTON/Staff photo

Lizzie Dankert, 11, of Andover, keeps her balance as she glides down the Andover High School hill snowboard-style during last week's storm, which coincided with February school vacation.

Boy Scouts to canvas for Neighbors in Need food drive

Boy Scout Troop 79 of Saint Robert Church in Andover takes to the streets of town starting tomorrow for its annual Winter Food Drive.

Troop members will be canvassing the northwest section of Andover, visiting approximately 1,300 houses between Interstates 495 and 93 to collect donations for the Neighbors in Need food bank in Andover.

Starting Saturday, March 1, Scouts and their parents will be distributing fliers highlighting the food drive that have been donated by a local business.

The fliers will be followed by reminder notices and red food bags, which will be distributed next week.

Then on Saturday, March

8, several dozen Scouts are expected to return to the neighborhoods to retrieve the food bags and donations.

Last year, 3,123 food items were collected and then sorted and packed into 63 milk crates provided by Neighbors in Need, with excess items filling an additional 42 boxes. A Neighbors in Need food van and a truck that was volunteered for the effort then delivered the food to the charity's Dundee Park warehouse.

In addition to Scouts from Troop 79, Pack 79 Webelos II and their parents also helped with last year's food drive.

Troop members and their leaders are once again asking for the public's support for this year's collection.

Run for the Troops prepares for big field

By DUSTIN LUCA
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As many as 3,000 runners are expected to race through Andover in early April for the 2014 Run for the Troops 5K.

Registration is now open for the fifth annual fundraiser on Sunday, April 6, that is bent on building homes for handicapped war veterans.

The biggest change that awaits past participants is a slightly different course iteration, co-organizer Bill Pennington said. The start line will now be set up toward the back of The Park near Whittier Court.

Pennington, who said the goal continues to be to improve the quality of the event every year, is anticipating a record field.

"The entries are at least twice as high as last year, same time, and I think that's because of our success," he said.

"People understand we've done well. We help build houses like we've said we're going to do. The soldiers come back and people identify with the cause."

Proceeds from the event support the nonprofit Homes For Our Troops, which builds

specially designed homes for veterans injured while serving their country. This year, the organization is seeking to build a home for Army Staff Sgt. Matt Dewitt of Concord, N.H.

Already, three veterans — who are now reliant on wheelchairs — have received specially adapted homes in part due to Andover's yearly support of the event. All three past recipients are expected to return to Andover for this year's race in support of Dewitt, according to Pennington.

"They want to make sure other (soldiers) are taken care of, too," he said. "That's why they promote the cause. They're not coming up to see me."

In addition to the race, a fundraising dinner is planned for Friday, April 4, at the Wyndham Hotel on Old River Road.

Early race registration is \$25 through tomorrow, Feb. 28. After tomorrow, the fee increases to \$30. Tickets for the dinner are \$25, with tables of 10 available for \$250.

To register for the race, buy dinner tickets or for more information, visit www.runforthetroops5k.com.

Saving Beauty: a blind and deaf dog

Bill Dalton



I saw a cocker spaniel a while ago and I've thought a lot about him. He was totally

blind and deaf from birth, but a good woman raised him anyway.

My wife and I were at a house party and the woman brought the dog. She wasn't showing him off, but she was proud of him. The dog was wandering around because he'd been there before, and the Boston terrier that lived in the house got along with him fine. At first I didn't know the dog was blind and deaf dog; he seemed like a normal dog.

I bent down to pat him, first offering my hand in front of his face — something I do with dogs unfamiliar with me. A dog's most acute sense is olfactory. He sniffed my hand, and I patted him on the head, and he wagged his tail.

A few minutes later, standing in front of him, I reached down again and scratched his back, but this time he startled a bit. Seeing this, the owner explained to me the dog's condition.

I was surprised and asked, "Completely deaf and blind?" She said yes, and said she'd had him almost from birth. In fact, the dog had a brother with the same condition and the woman's sister had him. I said that was awfully nice, and I bent down to look at the dog.

Although believing her, I found that it was difficult to believe. It was

obvious from looking at the eyes they were useless, being fully opaque. When I spoke, the dog reacted in no way. Then he wandered off, navigating around numerous legs in the kitchen — sniffing, like all dogs do, for an opportune fallen crumb and hoping that someone might offer a morsel. A few people did.

The dog was a beautiful albino, with white-as-snow, soft-as-silk fur pleasant to touch. I thought he was as beautiful as a dog can be, and he liked to be patted, wagging his stubby tail in response.

"You keep him very clean," I said to his owner. She smiled, saying his fur is naturally soft. I asked, "He does everything based on his sense of smell?"

She said he also had other senses that worked for him, like feeling vibrations in the floor, and she added that he could tell when she was thinking about him. She said that all she had to do was think that it was time for him to go out or be fed, and he'd react.

We didn't discuss whether that was due to ESP or whether canines' incredible sense of smell, perhaps further enhanced in this dog, might detect small changes in his owner that give him information.

There is little else to say except that this story is about kindness, not giving up on a life, and love — a woman's love for animals. I can't get that dog out of my mind and don't want to.

Bill Dalton writes an occasional column for the Andover Townsman. He can be reached at billdalton@andovertownie.com.

Beavers and more at AVIS annual dinner

The Andover Village Improvement Society returns to the Phillips Academy Log Cabin at 212 Highland Road in Andover for its annual dinner on Tuesday, March 11, at 6 p.m.

Dr. Jonathan Lyon of the Merrimack College Biology Department is this year's guest speaker.

He will discuss beavers and their impact on the broad array of other species that inhabit the neighborhoods around their dams and lodges. His presentation will include information on his longitudinal study of beavers in the area around Andover and how he hopes that study will assist in the planning for dealing with these clever beasts.

Lyon has broad research interests in applying ecological approaches to help understand, predict and ultimately

solve real-world problems. He work has focused on plant community ecology, the character of ecotones between communities and across landscapes, the impacts of human disturbance on plant community structure and dynamics, conservation biology and environmental management. He also has an interest in freshwater, aquatic plant communities.

The public is invited to join AVIS for the evening. Social hour starts at 6 p.m., followed by the buffet dinner at 7. Tickets are \$28. For tickets, send a check payable to AVIS to Elizabeth Poland, 22 Wolcott Ave., Andover 01810.

Lyon's presentation will begin at 8 p.m. and is open to the public at no cost.

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Sports

Stellar Olympic effort for Andover's Drew



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Annalisa Drew of Andover completes one of her runs during the women's ski halfpipe qualifying at the 2014 Winter Olympics last week in Krasnaya Polyana, Russia.

By MICHAEL MULDOON
Staff Writer

Ninth in the world. That's what Andover 20-year-old Annalisa Drew accomplished last week.

The American Olympian nailed her final attempt in qualifying last Thursday morning and was one of 12 to advance to the freestyle halfpipe finals.

Her 72.40 best score put her 11th, but comfortably into the finals. Thirteenth place was a 66.20.

Drew, who had plenty of members of the Drew and DeLuca families there cheering her on, moved up to ninth in the finals.

All four of the U.S. competitors reached the finals. Maddie Bowman of the U.S. won gold, Marie Martinod of France took

silver and Ayana Onozuka of Japan took bronze. Brita Sigourney of Carmel, Calif., placed sixth, Drew ninth and Angeli VanLaanen of Bellingham, Wash., 11th.

Drew got off to a slow start with a 61.20. Facing enormous pressure, she then rebounded big time with a 72.40, which was good for eighth in the second round of preliminary qualifying.

The fun-loving Andoverite playfully stuck her tongue out at the camera after her pressure-packed 72.40.

In the finals, she posted a 66.40 and was in seventh, then was overtaken by two skiers for the ninth place.

Drew, who attended Andover High for two years before transferring to New Hampton School in New

Hampshire, was added to the U.S. team after a vote by the committee for her strong overall season.

This was the first time that the halfpipe, an X Games-style event with soaring daredevil tricks, was an Olympic sport.

Early in her two-week stay in Russia, Drew was tweeting frequently. On Feb. 7 she tweeted, "Opening ceremonies was definitely one of the craziest moments of my life!"

It wasn't always perfect.

Another day she tweeted, "Got back from training and I find a hole in my bathroom floor that wasn't there this morning!"

Friends tweeted and posted on Facebook excitedly after watching taped

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Record-setting girls gymnastics rolls to title

Squad gearing for state meet on Saturday

Led by a third in the all-around for Courtney Carver, Andover High School's girls gymnastics team dominated on the way to winning the North Sectional title in Hudson last Saturday.

The Golden Warriors scored a school-record 146.1 points, topping No. 2 Newton South (144.475). It was the third time the team beat its school record this season.

"We are so excited," Andover coach Tracy Vadala said. "We were seeded first. It's always hard to stay on top."

"The girls were great top to bottom. The key to this team is we have depth from one to six. They are all more than capable of scoring very, very well. If somebody falls, somebody else will get that score for us. People make mistakes, but we have somebody to pick us up."

The dynamic duo of Carver and Jessie Livingston continued to star.

In addition to her third in the all-around, Carver won

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the floor exercise (9.5), tied for second in the vault (9.425) and was eighth in the bars.

Livingston, meanwhile, was third in the beam (9.475), sixth in the bars and seventh in the all-around.

"They know they have to be in a zone," Vadala said of the all-around duo.

Also chipping in with a key finish was Rachel Cadet with a 10th in the vault.

The Golden Warriors, which went into the North Sectionals on the heels of their Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 championship two weeks ago, now advance to the states this Saturday in Shrewsbury at 4 p.m. Andover is seeded second in the meet, just a half point behind the first-place seed.



Courtesy photo

The Andover High girls gymnastics team celebrates after winning the North Sectional title this past weekend. The team includes, top row, from left, Victoria Norton, Jessie Barry, Rachel Cadet, Isabel Tavenner, Courtney Carver, Marissa Dorros, Anna Mankovich and Amber Li; middle row, from left, Isabelle Allen, Kaitlyn McDonald, Gina Campbell, Beatrice Ward and Sophia Allen; and bottom row, from left, coach Tracy Vadala, captain Rachel Mandelbaum, Tamra Rutfield, captain Natalie Wagner, captain Jessie Livingston and coach Leeann Vadala. Devan DeSisto is missing from the photo. The state tournament is on Saturday.



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover captain John Pisacreta fights through a North Andover defender to fire up a shot earlier this season. Pisacreta has worked his way from JV player as a sophomore to varsity captain this season.

'Energizer Bunny'

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On the biggest stage of his varsity career, John Pisacreta shined his brightest.

He passed to set up teammates, slashed to the basket for points, knocked down shots from the outside, helped defend a Division 1 college recruit and, with the game still in question, sunk a pair of key free throws

Point guard Pisacreta has fought his way to the top

as Andover snapped a lengthy losing streak at Central Catholic last week.

Like he has throughout his basketball career, the Andover High point guard delivered everything asked of him and so much more.

"John is our energy,"

Golden Warriors basketball coach David Fazio said. "He is our enthusiasm, our motor on the court. He is a self-made player who has earned everything every step of the way."

For four seasons,

Pisacreta has fought tooth-and-nail to carve out his position on the Andover basketball team. This season, that work has more than paid off.

As senior captain and starting point guard for the Golden Warriors, Pisacreta has emerged as a go-to player on both sides of the court for Andover, which has surged to a 16-4 record and the No. 3 seed in the

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Andover High boys hockey finishes season with draw

BOYS HOCKEY

Matthew Quercia and Jack Wilkie each scored a goal to give Andover a 2-2 tie with CAL foe Triton in its season finale last Wednesday, Feb. 19.

Despite 29 saves for Nick Scarpa, Andover lost to Matignon 3-2 last Monday, Feb. 17. Mark Campbell and Steven Shuhwerk each scored a goal and Brad Durling had two

assists for the Warriors.

Andover fell to archrival Central Catholic 9-1 last Tuesday, Feb. 18. Sean Enright had the Warrior goal, off assists from Jackie Wilkie and Mark Campbell.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Giribaldi red hot

Behind 32 points by guard David Giribaldi, Andover surged to a 12-point

halftime lead and cruised past Everett, then ranked No. 1 in Division 1 North 74-54 last Sunday in the first round of the IAABO tournament. Connor Merinder added 14 points and dominated the boards while E.J. Perry IV scored 12 points for the winners.

Despite 13 points for Connor Merinder and a game-high 18 for David Giribaldi, Andover fell short to St. John's Prep

60-51 in the championship game of the IAABO tournament last Monday. E.J. Perry IV added 10 points and Ryan O'Connell had nine for the Warriors.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Johnson leads Andover to tie

Andover's Meghan Johnson made 22 saves as the Golden Warriors played Westford

Academy to a 1-1 tie last Monday, Feb. 17. Weezie Gross scored the Warriors' goal, a first-period tally, off an assist from Brianna Deloury.

Veronica Alois scored her 31st goal of the season, but Andover was upended by Division 2 powerhouse Tewksbury/Methuen 3-1 last Wednesday, Feb. 19.

Jessica Leone and Mikayla Panneton assisted on Alois' score.

TRACK

Relay leads Warriors

The team of George Cardillo, Oliver Eberth, Kevin Chen and Hamza Naveed placed ninth in the 4x200 to lead Andover at the All-State indoor track meet this past Saturday.

For the girls, Hannah Chapman was 13th in the 55-meter hurdles.

PISACRETA: Gritty guard's hard work pays off

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Division 1 North tournament. The Warriors were scheduled to begin play against Billerica on Tuesday.

"This season has been a blast," Pisacreta said. "But now we want to make it a special (playoff) run."

"My goal out there is to do whatever is needed of me to help the team win. If we are winning, I will keep doing what is working, and if we lose, I will change. That is what matters to me and the team."

Pisacreta seems to have found that perfect balance this season, averaging 7.4 points while playing the distributor role setting up superstar scorers David Giribaldi and E.J. Perry IV. "He is awesome," Perry IV said following the Central game. "John is a true point guard. He makes everyone on the court better."

But unlike backcourt mates Giribaldi and Perry, who both exploded onto the scene as freshmen for the Golden Warriors, Pisacreta faced a much longer path to varsity stardom.

Pisacreta grew up in love with basketball, learning the game from his father, former Winchester High captain Vin Pisacreta, and attending Fazio's Hooptown basketball school.

"My father really taught me so much about the game," John Pisacreta said. "He got me interested and I just loved it from a young age. Then I started going to Hooptown and that just

WARRIORS ROLL OVER CENTRAL

No one on the Andover basketball team could remember the last time a Golden Warrior boys squad had won on Central Catholic's home court. But one thing was for sure.

"It has been a long time, much too long, since Andover has won at Central," center Connor Merinder said.

That wait came to an end last Wednesday, Feb. 18, as the Golden Warriors rushed out to a big lead and held on to down the Raiders 76-65. It was Andover's second win in three meetings against its archrival this season, after losing 21 of their previous 22 match-ups with the Raiders dating back to Jan. 6, 2006.

"My whole life I have heard the stories," said E.J. Perry IV, who hit four key free throws and took charge in the final minute.

made me love it more. I knew I wanted to play for Andover High."

When high school arrived, Pisacreta spent his first season as a member of Michael Votto's freshman team, and a year later played JV for Alan Hibino.

"We are in a generation where everyone wants to be on varsity right away," Fazio said. "But John is someone that paid his dues. He started on freshman, went to JV and just worked so hard to get better. You saw the improvements every step of the way."

As a junior, Pisacreta earned a permanent varsity position for the first time, and the job description was clear.

Bring the energy
"Coach Faz called me the Energizer Bunny," Pisacreta said. "I had to come off the

"Stories about my uncles and dad playing in this gym for Andover. It's something that had always meant so much to me and that I had dreamed of many times in my head."

The Warriors held a 22-point lead early in the fourth before Central cut it to four with less than a minute left. But Perry, Connor Merinder (14 rebounds), John Pisacreta and Ben Brown all hit free throws to seal the win.

David Giribaldi scored a team-high 18 points.

"The atmosphere was crazy," Merinder said. "There were times I couldn't hear myself. We knew they were going to make a run. We just had to settle in and play basketball."

"To win this, at Central, is so satisfying. It means everything."

bench and bring energy, on defense especially. Make some steals, control the ball and just energize the team. I was happy to do whatever was asked."

The guard's confidence began to grow, and hit a major high during the Warriors' mid-season victory over North Andover.

"I played really well in that game and it made a difference," he said. "I got a couple of steals and easy lay-ups and that gave me a lot of confidence. I was coming off a sprained ankle and coach Faz was joking he was glad I didn't hurt it again getting off the bus."

Pisacreta finished the season averaging 3.4 points per game, but his leadership ability proved even more to his coaches and teammates. "He was a unanimous

choice for captain," Fazio said. "Everyone knew he was the choice. He loves to practice and be a part of the team. Having him here gives the team a great energy."

Being selected captain was quite a thrill for the senior-to-be.

"I found out during the team dinner last May," he said. "It was an honor. I felt like I had a lot of responsibilities on my shoulders. I learned a lot from (2012-13 captains) Sam Dowden and Chris Dunn. I wanted to be a vocal leader both on and off the court."

Pisacreta, who was joined by junior Connor Merinder as co-captain, has more than lived up to expectations as a captain this season.

He has also, for the first time, earned a spot in the starting lineup.

"It was a great feeling," he said. "But I would have been happy to come off the bench, too. I just wanted to do whatever would help the team. I trust coach Faz to put me in whatever spot is best for me to have success."

In just the second game of the season, Pisacreta exploded for a career-high 18 points, and has been rolling ever since. Now, he hopes that his senior season extends to a trip to the TD Garden, and maybe even a journey to the state championship game.

"A tournament run would be huge," he said. "This is Faz's 25th year coaching Andover, so it seems like it's about time to put a banner up in the gym, right? I feel like we have the talent to do it."

'Raise the Lights' for Deyermont Park opening

Andover Little League is preparing again readying for its Opening Day Parade and Ceremony, which will be held this year on April 26.

What's new this year is that the league will be opening the season at the new Deyermont Park complex off Blanchard Road.

After many years of work with the town in conjunction with Huntress Associates, the fields at the new park are now ready for play.

However, a lighting system to support night games remains outstanding. League officials say that means teams will ultimately play fewer games on the new fields since they cannot yet support play after dark until lights are installed.

The league has revamped its fundraising program to now be called "Raise the Lights." There are a few different ways to get involved

and help support the purchase and installation of lights.

Andover businesses can donate to have their names and logos featured on fence banners, on the backs of team jerseys and on the league website and Facebook page. Sponsor banners and named jerseys will be visible on TV and announcers will mention businesses that sponsor games during broadcasts.

For the first time, Andover Little League will be working with Andover TV this season to film, edit and broadcast some of the games using Andover students as announcers.

The league is also continuing its personalized Engraved Donor Brick program to support the lighting initiative.

For more on either program, visit <http://andover-littleleague.com>.

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coverage of her Olympic showing on NBC.

"Just saw your OLYMPIAN on TV!!!!!!!" wrote family friend Kara Guerin. With her age and

athleticism, the future appears bright for Drew. Prior to the games, she earned major attention and respect as the first female to attempt a 1,260 in competition. That's a staggering 3.5 revolutions.

PMC Kids Rides aim to pedal through town

The Pan-Mass Challenge is seeking volunteer coordinators to get Kids Rides rolling through Andover.

The mini bike-a-thons involve children ages 2 to 15 in the Pan-Mass Challenge mission by providing them the opportunity to raise money for cancer research just like adults.

PMC Kids Rides vary in

course, mileage and set-up, ranging from short obstacle courses for tykes on tricycles to 26-mile treks. They can be held in school parking lots,

parks or anywhere there are safe roads, and can include music, games, character appearances, silent auctions and food. Cyclists of varying experience levels can ride as individuals or as part of

teams. Many cyclists ride in honor of a family member or friend who is fighting or has lost his or her battle with cancer.

The original PMC Kids Ride sprouted as a grassroots effort in 1998 when 13 children rode around their Medfield neighborhood 25 times and raised \$1,600 for the PMC. During the past 14

years, young cyclists have gone on to raise more than \$5.5 million. This year's goal is to net \$900,000.

Andover has a strong connection to the Pan-Mass Challenge, the organization says. Last year, 59 local residents participated in the annual adult ride, raising more than \$337,300 for the cause, which supports adult and pediatric

patient care and cancer research at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston through the Jimmy Fund.

Applications for spring 2014 Kids Rides will be accepted through March 15. Coordinators are able to choose the date of their ride and tailor their event to their own community. A PMC staff member will be assigned to

support Kids Rides coordinators throughout the planning process with logistics, signage, rider recruitment, promotion and fundraising.

To learn more about the PMC Kids Rides program and how to start a ride or participate in an existing ride, visit www.kids.pmc.org or call Justine Darmanian at 781-449-5300, ext. 300.



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First Run

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First Run

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PROFESSIONAL

First Run

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Legals

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at The Hall, 2nd floor, Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover, MA on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of Charles and Andrea Enman, 3 Durham Dr., Andover, MA for a special permit under Art. VIII, §3.1.3.F.4 for the continued existence of a family dwelling unit. Premises affected are located at 3 Durham Dr., Andover, MA in an SRB District and are shown on Assessor Map 114 as Lot 31M. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIR
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT - 2/20, 2/27/14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Essex
The Superior Court

CIVIL DOCKET# ESCV2013-01956

RE: Gregory Famiglietti and Sarah Famiglietti v. Beneficiaries or Legal Representatives of CM Realty TR., Usa Malloy, Individually and as Former Trustee of C.M. Realty Trust, and Calvin Metcalf, Individually and as Successor Trustee of C.M. Realty Trust

ORDER OF NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: the Beneficiaries or Legal Representatives of C.M. Realty TRUST, created pursuant to certain trust documents recorded at the Essex North District Registry of Deeds at Book 4844, Page 217, WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN, and to any person Claiming a right to property located at 5 Ballardvale Road, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts and described more particularly in the complaint in the above captioned action;

GREETING:

WHEREAS a civil action has been begun against you in our Superior Court by **Gregory Famiglietti and Sarah Famiglietti**, wherein it is seeking to quiet title to property located at 5 Ballardvale Road, in the Town of Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, with a Deed dated September 1, 1998 and recorded at the Essex North District Registry of Deeds at Book 5170, Page 267.

WE COMMAND YOU if you intend to make any defense, that on **04/04/2014** or within such further time as the law allows you do cause your written pleading to be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court at Salem in the County of Essex, in said Commonwealth and further that you defend against said suit according to law if you intend any defense, and that you do and receive what the Court shall order and adjudge therein.

Hereof fail not, at your peril, or as otherwise said suit may be adjudged and orders entered in your absence.

It appearing to this Court that no personal service of the Complaint has been made on the defendants, the potential trust beneficiary defendants, if any, are unknown.

It is **ORDERED** that notice of this suit be given to them by publishing in the Eagle Tribune and The Andover Townsman, newspapers published in said Andover, once a week for three successive weeks, the last publication to be at least 20 days before said return day. A hearing is scheduled for April 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. in the Newburyport Superior Court, 145 High Street, Newburyport, Massachusetts.

Dated at Newburyport this 3rd day of February, 2014.

Richard E. Welch III, Justice
Thomas H. Driscoll Jr.,
Clerk of the Courts
By: JoDee Doyle
Assistant Clerk

AT/ ET - 2/20, 2/27, 3/6/14

PROFESSIONAL

First Run

ENGINEER, Principal - Packaging (MA0813GV) sought by Broadcom Corporation in Andover, MA. Develops new packaging or containers to meet established requirements and maintains oversight and quality of existing packages/containers for all product groups. Must have unrestricted right to work in U.S. Must reference job code. Mail all resumes to HR Ops Specialist, 5300 California Avenue, Bldg. 2 #22098B, Irvine, CA 92617.

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TOWN OF MARBLEHEAD

Superintendent, Recreation and Parks

Reporting to the Recreation and Parks Commission, the Superintendent is accountable for improving and maintaining the safety of the town's playgrounds, parks, beaches, athletic grounds, school grounds, conservation land, designated cemeteries and burial grounds, trees and their related facilities. Promotes, administers, and supervises recreation programs utilizing the facilities and resources of the department. A Bachelor's degree required preferably in horticulture or related field with 5 - 10 years of related experience. Strong managerial background and knowledge in the use of natural turf pesticides, herbicides, and fungicides. Knowledge of alternative practices desirable.

Application deadline is March 14, 2014. Email resumes to: **marbleheadrp@gmail.com** or send to **Marblehead Recreation and Parks Department** 10 Humphrey St., Marblehead, MA

First Run

Town of Rockport

Community House Facilities Manager

The Town of Rockport seeks qualified candidates for the position of Community House Facilities Manager for the Department of Public Works. Under the general supervision of the Director of Public Works, this position serves as the primary coordinator of all aspects of the Community House function areas, including rentals, cleaning, maintenance and other uses. This position is also responsible for the security of the building and will respond to building alarms and mechanical & electrical malfunctions associated with the facility. This position is a non-union stipend position with an annual compensation of \$10,000. The successful candidate must be available on an on-call basis throughout entire year. A complete position description can be obtained on the Town of Rockport website at www.townofrockport.com under Public Works/Department of Public Works. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest with a current resume by March 10, 2014 to: Director of Public Works, Town Hall, 34 Broadway, Rockport, MA 01966

SALES

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Legals

NOTICE

On Monday, March 17, 2013, in the School Committee Room, 2nd Floor, 36R Bartlett St., Andover, MA, at 6:30 p.m., the Andover Board of Health will hold a public hearing on proposed changes to its regulations governing the sale of tobacco products and smoking. The public is invited to attend and make comments. Proposed amendments include, but are not limited to, the following subjects: the sale and use of electronic cigarettes, the sale of cigars and bald wraps, and a prohibition on the operation of so-called "smoking bars." Copies of the proposed changes can be obtained at the Andover Board of Health, 36 Bartlett St., Andover, MA, or by calling the Board at (978) 623-8295.

AT - 2/27/14

TOWN OF ANDOVER

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as amended, that ARL Andover Management, LLC, One Post Office Square, Boston, MA, has applied for a Transfer of an Inholder All Alcohol Beverages License for the Wyndham Andover Hotel at 123 Old River Road, Andover from S/H Andover Management, LLC, of 1300 E Woodfield Road, Schaumburg, IL. Applicant has also applied for a Change of Manager for said license. Deborah North DeGalla of 43 Meadow Lane, Benton Andover, MA is the new designated manager.

The public hearing will be held on March 10, 2014 in the Third Floor Conference Room at Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, Massachusetts at 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the General Laws relating thereto.

By Order of the Board of Selectmen
Lawrence J. Murphy
Town Clerk

Date of Issue: Thursday, February 27, 2014
AT - 2/27/14

TRADES/INDUSTRIAL

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AGRICULTURE

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Legals

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at The Hall, 2nd floor, Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover, MA on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of Musgrove, LLC, c/o CP Management, 11 Court St., Suite 100, Exeter, NH for variances from Art. VIII, §5.2.9.3.a, b & d and §5.2.6.3.b, c & d to install 8 30"x10" projecting banners on 3 sides of the building.

Premises affected are located at 2 Elm Square, Andover, MA in a GB District and are shown on Assessor Map 39 as Lot 27. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIR
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT - 2/20, 2/27/14

TOWN OF ANDOVER

WARRANT

The Annual Town Election will be held on **TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2014** Polling hours are from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM. All precincts will vote in the **Collins Field House, Andover High School, Shawshen Road, in said Andover** on the following Article:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator for one year, one Selectman for three years, one School Committee member for three years, one member of the Andover Housing Authority for 5 years and two Trustees of the Punched Free School for three years.

The entire Warrant is posted on the Town's website (www.andover-ma.gov) and copies are available in the Town Clerk's Office and the Memorial Hall Library.

ANDOVER BOARD OF SELECTMEN
AT - 2/27/14

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at The Hall, 2nd floor, Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover, MA on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of South Andover Development, LLC, P.O. Box 248, North Andover, MA for a variance from Art. VIII, §4.1.2 and/or for special permits under Art. VIII, §3.3.3. 3.3.5 &/or 3.3.7 to raze an existing pre-existing, non-conforming dwelling and construct a new single family dwelling that will not meet the minimum front and side yard depth requirements on a lot that lacks the minimum required area.

Premises affected are located at 15 County Rd., Andover, MA in an SRC District and are shown on Assessor Map 183 as Lot 30. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIR
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT - 2/20, 2/27/14

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ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator for one year, one Selectman for three years, one School Committee member for three years, one member of the Andover Housing Authority for 5 years and two Trustees of the Punched Free School for three years.

The entire Warrant is posted on the Town's website (www.andover-ma.gov) and copies are available in the Town Clerk's Office and the Memorial Hall Library.

ANDOVER BOARD OF SELECTMEN
AT - 2/27/14

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at The Hall, 2nd floor, Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover, MA on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of South Andover Development, LLC, P.O. Box 248, North Andover, MA for a variance from Art. VIII, §4.1.2 and/or for special permits under Art. VIII, §3.3.3. 3.3.5 &/or 3.3.7 to raze an existing pre-existing, non-conforming dwelling and construct a new single family dwelling that will not meet the minimum front and side yard depth requirements on a lot that lacks the minimum required area.

Premises affected are located at 15 County Rd., Andover, MA in an SRC District and are shown on Assessor Map 183 as Lot 30. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIR
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT - 2/20, 2/27/14

Legals

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A public hearing will be held at The Hall, 2nd floor, Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover, MA on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of Robert & Beth Ackerman, 13 Carisbrooke St., Andover, MA for a variance from Art. VIII, §4.1.2 &/or for a special permit under Art. VIII, §3.3.5 to construct a 4'x4 7/8" rear addition that will not meet the minimum side yard depth requirement.

Premises affected are located at 13 Carisbrooke St., Andover, MA in an SRB District and are shown on Assessor Map 36 as Lot 34. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Premises affected are located at 97 North St., Andover, MA in an SRC District and are shown on Assessor Map 127 as Lot 35. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Residents urged to return census forms

The town clerk's office is urging residents to return their annual town census forms for 2014. The forms were mailed out to all residents the first week of January. As of Monday, only 62 percent had been returned. Failure to return the town census will affect one's active

voting status. An accurate count of all residents is also important for the town for several reasons. For example, the current population count is the basis for allocation of state and federal funds. Compliance with this state requirement also provides proof of residence to

protect voting rights, veterans' bonuses, housing for the elderly, school enrollment and related benefits. For anyone who did not receive a census form or has misplaced theirs, blank forms are available online at <http://andoverma.gov/clerk/>. Residents cannot register to

vote or change their political party on the census. Voter registration forms are available at the Town Offices, Memorial Hall Library and post offices in town. Anyone with questions or who needs more information should call the town clerk's office at 978-623-8255.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following real estate transfers were recorded recently in town:

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- 25 Juniper Road: Michael and Erin Suffoletto to Thomas P. Mulligan and Sarah S. Lee, \$585,000
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