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## Hookah lounges, e-cigarettes under fire

By DUSTIN LUCA  
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The Board of Health is considering new tobacco regulations that would outlaw hookah lounges, restrict e-cigarettes sales to minors and tighten restrictions on cigar sales.

The proposed regulations come on the heels of an application for a hookah tobacco lounge, which sought to open on Park Street at the edge of the downtown.

While Lux Hookah Lounge was denied a permit from the town's Building Department, Health Director Tom Carbone said there are currently no health regulations in place that would prohibit a tobacco lounge from doing business in Andover.

He said the lounge legally has the right to operate because state law allows smoking at any establishment where more than half of its products qualify as tobacco related. Because Andover presently does not have its own regulations for tobacco lounges, it is bound by the state rules.

Carbone said he did not act on Lux's application after Building Inspector Chris Clemente denied the lounge a permit because its owners were unable to provide a clear

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## Rift divides special ed. parents

By BILL KIRK  
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Deepening factions on the Special Education Parent Advisory Council have led to the resignation of seven of its 10 members.

Six members — including the president and vice president — stepped down last week, citing an inability to work with a new group of parents that is trying to get involved in the organization.

Their departure — which followed last month's resignation of the board's other co-president — came as the advisory council was preparing to distribute its first-ever parent survey seeking feedback on special education services in town.

In a group letter to school officials last Friday, the six resigning members pointed to a "fundamental disagreement about the function and future direction" of the council.

They said a "small but vocal group of parents has expressed dissatisfaction with the way SEPAC has been run and the work that the group has done on behalf of parents of children with special needs." They added that the newly involved parents "expressed disregard" for

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## Saluting imagination



MARY SCHWALM/Staff photo

Members of the Warheads, from left, Griffin Hout, Oscar Bunting, Cameron Kirn, Cameron Riley and Andrew Beckwith perform their challenge at Sunday's Destination Imagination regionals in Andover. Story, more photos, Page 12.

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TOWN ELECTIONS 2014

## O'Donoghue wins seat

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CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Mary O'Donoghue, right, celebrates with friends after cruising to victory in the Andover Board of Selectmen's race against Jodi Oberto in Tuesday's town election.

By a wide margin, local Realtor and longtime Finance Committee member Mary O'Donoghue on Tuesday defeated her opponent, Jodi Oberto, in the race for an open seat on the Board of Selectmen.

O'Donoghue took 941 votes to Oberto's 309. O'Donoghue, who won in all nine precincts, got 76 percent of the vote.

"I'm very happy," said O'Donoghue, who hosted an election night party for campaign volunteers, family and friends at the home she and her husband, Geoff, own at 69 Salem St. "We worked very hard, had a good campaign."

She said that during the campaign she heard from a lot of people that the town has to "rein in spending. That is the bottom line."

"This is a fiscally challenging time," she said. "The big issue is our spending. We have to address that immediately." She said that even though the budget season is well underway, spending proposals aren't set in concrete until May Town Meeting, so there is still time for her to have an impact on the final budget.

"Only Town Meeting can authorize spending," she said. "I'm looking forward to the challenge of being on the Board of Selectmen."

While O'Donoghue spent the day — from 6:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. — holding campaign signs with supporters at the entrance to the Andover High School field house, her opponent took a low-key approach to election day.

"I did a little sign-holding, but I was trying to keep it a normal day and keep myself busy," Oberto said. "I worked on a church project."

She didn't find out the results until called by a reporter from The Andover Townsman at around 9:15 p.m.

"It's not a surprise," she said when she heard the final tally. "I

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## Lyman issues a departing call for respect

By BILL KIRK  
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After 12 years, Mary Lyman's had enough.

The tone of political discourse in this country has taken an ugly turn, even in the comfy confines of a leafy little suburb like Andover, said the departing selectwoman who stepped down this week after more than 12 years on the board.

Lyman said while she she'll miss many of the good things that she helped accomplish in town, she won't miss the late-night meetings and the sometimes-contentious nature of the new civic dialogue.

"The tone people treat each other with is part of the reason I'm leaving," said Lyman, who completed a stint on the

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CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Outgoing Selectwoman Mary Lyman was honored at her last board meeting Monday night. Her colleagues presented her with some fun gifts and a bouquet of flowers.

## 'Lest We Forget'

### Series explores Civil War's impact on Andover

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
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Seven soldiers from Andover were killed in the Battle of Spotsylvania in Virginia in 1864. Six more men died later from wounds sustained in that battle and at least two more died from sickness.

Even more men were wounded. Sadly, the Battle of Spotsylvania was a day for the historical record books in town.

"It was Andover's greatest loss in a

single battle," said Carrie Midura, programs and public relations manager for the Andover Historical Society. "The Battle of Spotsylvania affected nearly every family in the small town that was Andover in 1864.

"We don't know how many more died in the five to 10 years after Spotsylvania directly as the result of the wounds they suffered there."

This spring, Andover joins the nation in marking the 150th anniversary of the

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Mike Morris, left, and Jane Cairns look over Civil War-related artifacts that will be among the 80 pieces featured in the "Faces of Andover: Impact of the Civil War" exhibit opening April 11 at the Andover Historical Society on Main Street.

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# Turnout around 5 percent for town election with 1 race

By DUSTIN LUCA  
AND BILL KIRK  
Staff Writers

With just one contested race on the ballot, turnout was low at yesterday's town election. Just over 5 percent of the town's 22,944 registered voters cast ballots.

At the last town election, only 4.6 percent of registered voters filed ballots.

By 1 p.m. yesterday, with only 587 votes cast, Town Clerk Larry Murphy said he expected "just about the same" in turnout from last year.

"We had about 5 percent last year. If we stay at this rate, we'll end at 5 percent," he said. "We'll see. I'm hoping it will pick up."

It did pick up a little as the day went on, according to several people at the

polls. Including blanks, some 1,277 people cast ballots, which comes to about 5.5 percent of registered voters.

In the selectman's race, 1,250 people voted, giving the race to Mary O'Donoghue over Jodi Ober to by a tally of 941 to 309, or roughly 76 percent to 24 percent.

Several unopposed candidates also earned victory — Joel G. Blumstein to the School Committee, Sheila Doherty as town moderator, Donald Schroeder and James Sutton as trustees of the Punchard Free School, and John O'Donoghue to the Housing Authority.

Don Gottfried, of Avon Street, said he almost didn't vote, but came to the high school because "I was out for lunch and said, 'I should really go vote.'"



Poll workers Bea Phister, left, and Maureen Finneran pass the time during a slow election day Tuesday by working on their knitting as they wait for voters at Andover High School.

He said it was because there weren't enough candidates.

"There was one formal part of it. Probably having more involved would generate more competition

and generate more people voting."

Regardless of who was on the ballot, Earl Efinger, Iceland Road resident and Punchard Free School trustee, likened the need for residents to vote to serving in the military.

"I got drafted in 1952, spent two years active duty, four years serving — six years of my life," Efinger said, adding it was the prime of his youth. "I should have been out chasing girls, but it's a duty. That's what it is all about."

The same duty rests in voters, who were notably absent in Andover Tuesday, according to Efinger.

"People have other things to do currently, which are more important, apparently," he said. "It's disappointing."

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## O'DONOGHUE: Has served on several committees

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know she had a lot of support from folks. She worked hard. I wish her well and hope she does a good job with the rest of the board."

Ober to's only experience in the political realm was in 2010 when she ran for state Senate as an Independent, garnering 1 percent of the vote. Current state Sen. Barry Finegold, a Democrat from Andover, won that race.

O'Donoghue, on the other hand, has been on the Finance Committee for the past 12 years and has served on a number of committees.

At her home last night, many of the people she has worked with over the years were there to congratulate her.

"Mary will add a lot of value to the board," said Ted Teichert, himself a former selectman. "Over the years, she's voted against some hard issues. She'll vote for what's best for the town."



Newly elected Selectwoman Mary O'Donoghue celebrates with her husband, Geoff, and their children, Beibhinn and Geoffrey, after winning Tuesday's town election.

Four-term Mary Lyman, whose last day as a selectman was Wednesday, said she was happy that O'Donoghue will be replacing her on the board.

"I'm ecstatic over the results," she said. "Mary will do a wonderful job."

Jim Greico, who lived in Andover for 18 years before moving to North Andover six years ago, said he volunteered for O'Donoghue,

holding signs and even dressing up as Tigger one day to wave to voters as they drove by on Main Street.

"I've known her for 25 years," he said. "She'll be super. She has a lot of experience, she's honest, she's mature and she'll take care of town finances."

Andover resident Gail Watts agreed.

"She'll get us in a better fiscal position," she said. "When I found out she was running, I said, 'I'll do whatever you need.'"

Watts said the town needs someone with O'Donoghue's background. "We need a better

downtown and we need to get the school budget under control," she said. "Something needs to be done and I hope Mary is the person to right the ship. She'll be a good catalyst for change."

O'Donoghue's son, Geoffrey, 30, visiting for 10 days from San Francisco, said he was proud of his mother's accomplishment.

"It's really exciting and inspiring," he said. "I think she'll be an independent voice on the board."

He said his mother is known for being passionate and driven.

"She'll put everything into it," he said. "We had to pull her away from sign-holding today. It was 19 degrees. We just wanted her to take a 45-minute break."

Two friends originally from Ireland, O'Donoghue's native country, were there to wish her well — and also held signs during election day.

Eamonn and Julie McGrath, who now live in Franklin, knew Geoff and Mary before they moved to the U.S.

"She's very organized, smart and focused," Eamonn said. "She took up cycling, running — and now this. But I'm sure she'll do well."

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# Forgue departs as new Bancroft comes to fruition

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Dennis Fogue came to the Merrimack Valley in 1971 to further his education as an undergraduate at Merrimack College in North Andover.

A few decades later, the Connecticut native would begin to help further the education of others in his new hometown of Andover, where he and his wife, Eileen, settled to raise a family in 1999.

Appreciative of the Andover School District and what the schools were doing on behalf of the couple's children, son Jobe and daughter Naomi, Fogue said, "we wanted to contribute to that."

He got involved first as a volunteer and PTO president, then as a school facilities task force member before seeking election to the School Committee in 2008.

This week, he made good



DUSTIN LUCA/Staff photo  
**Dennis Fogue tours a second-grade classroom in the new Bancroft Elementary School last week. He played a pivotal role in the school's construction during his two terms on the School Committee.**

on his promise to his family to serve just two terms — a tenure during which he faced heavy fire from the Andover Education Association amidst heated contract negotiations and helped guide the committee through several other challenges.

On Wednesday, the outgoing committee chairman

turned his seat over to candidate-elect Joel Blumstein, who ran unopposed for the opening.

Now, Fogue, 61, said he expects to focus on his executive recruiting business and spend time with his family, including coaching his son's soccer team this year.

"He said he'd do his two

terms, and now he's done," School Building Committee Chairman Tom Deso said. "I'm proud that he stuck to his guns on that."

Fogue first met Deso while serving on a volunteer school facilities task force. After having volunteered at Shawsheen Elementary School and becoming the co-president of its parent-teacher organization, he joined the task force charged with examining the space needs of the town's 10 school buildings.

Out of that task force came the recommendation to replace Bancroft Elementary School. While some of the task force members then transitioned to the School Building Committee for the construction project, Fogue set his sights on the School Committee.

"Through (the task force), I became familiar with people on the School Committee and the people in the schools,

and I was approached to see if I would consider running for the School Committee," he said.

His first election bid came in 2008, against the late Greg Rigby, who would eventually serve on the Finance Committee and help start watchdog site TownOfAndover.com. Deso aided that initial campaign.

"Dennis was very numbers driven, very analytical at looking at capacities," Deso said. "I didn't know him that well and volunteered to help him with his campaign. That's where I really got to know him better."

Fogue's 2011 re-election bid for a second, three-year term came at the height of a tumultuous contract battle between the School Committee and the teachers union. His opponent, Donald Gottfried, had heavy teacher backing and came within 123 votes of unseating Fogue. It would take another 15

months to settle the contract, with Fogue at the bargaining table. From there, the healing process for both sides began, with large strides occurring since then, he said.

With the new Bancroft School nearing completion and preparing to welcome its first students in the fall, Fogue can step down knowing one of his major projects has reached a successful conclusion.

Meanwhile, the School Committee charges forward without Fogue as it faces a list of new challenges.

"There's a lot of concern at the moment around the tax burden in the community and rebalancing the needs of the schools and the needs of the tax base of the entire community," Fogue said. "Those are going to be some interesting waters over the next year or two, balancing that with some of the needs at the high school."

## LYMAN: Outgoing selectwoman calls for more respect in town politics

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School Committee from 1992 to 1995 before joining the Board of Selectmen in 2001.

"It's people not treating people with respect. It's one of the biggest problems."

During a recent public hearing on a health insurance plan change for retirees, for example, she said one of the people affected confronted the selectmen "and began yelling at us."

One day, while grocery shopping, a resident who had a beef with the town tried to push his shopping cart into her path as she entered the store.

She said a local attorney once attempted to bribe her after she reviewed the controversial plans of one of his clients.

And at least one resident "says he's going to sue me" every time he sees her.

Then, last week, she got an email from a resident who had been friendly with her husband. But instead of seeking a solution to his problem in a nice way, he took on a hostile tone, essentially

calling her and all elected officials "idiots."

Lyman, who has volunteered countless hours as a selectwoman, said most people are cordial in public. But behind the scenes, via emails and phone calls, people get nasty, she said. And not just with her. Nearly every day, Lyman said she observes town workers doing their best to respectfully serve the public. Residents should offer the same treatment in return, she said.

"Everyone there (Town Hall) works very hard," she said. "Buzz (Stapczynski, the town manager) sets the tone from the top. He's around all the time. He shows up for Saturday morning coffees (at Old Town Hall).

"Andover residents get a lot of bang for the buck. We have more talented people than I've ever seen working for this town. We are not above the average in taxes. We have a good education system, better roads than most towns and we deliver good services. We are trying hard to do everything well." Couple her recent

acceptance of a full-time role as a fundraising coordinator at Greater Lawrence Family Health Center with the growing contentiousness and Lyman said her decision not to seek a fifth term became clear.

Lyman, 53, said she's proud of the work she's done, particularly with the Commission on Disabilities, which spearheaded an effort she supported to hand out bracelets to elderly wanderers with Alzheimer's disease or dementia.

She credited the commission, under the leadership of Maddy St. Amand, with pursuing the program, which enables people suffering from memory loss and similar diseases to keep living in their homes. For the cost of about 1 1/2 days in a nursing home, the \$350 device allows wearers to be easily tracked and returned home if they wander off.

"We were one of the first towns to have that," she said. "The (commission) found out about it, came up with the program and worked with the Police

Department to implement it."

But Lyman was disappointed that her efforts to get a new senior center built in town failed by just 16 votes. The center, which was to be located near Doherty Middle School, would have been built close to the site of the Cormier Youth Center, which she said ultimately won approval by many of the same people who helped torpedo the senior center at Town Meeting.

"I tried really hard on the senior center," she said. "That was a huge loss. The effort went on for years. We researched and did all these things. But the neighbors were brutal — they wanted tissue paper wrapped around the roots of the trees. We took care of every single concern."

Among her accomplishments, Lyman pointed to a successful initiative to reduce the number of take-home vehicles used by town officials, a perk that had received considerable criticism. She worked with

selectmen Chairman Alex Vispoli on a study identifying employees who had a town vehicle and then developed a plan to eliminate the perk for the next hires. Now, vehicles are provided to only a handful of town employees, such as the police and fire chiefs who are required by law to have them.

She's also proud of former Finance Director Anthony Torrisi's achievement securing a AAA bond rating for Andover 15 or so years ago. "Every time we go out to bond, we get very good rates," she said. "He worked hard to get us that status."

Right up until her last meeting Monday night, Lyman continued pushing for responsible town government. During recent budget meetings, she has tried to drive home the point that hiring new employees makes it very hard on taxpayers, particularly in the face of cutbacks and economies occurring in the private sector.

That approach has

surprised department heads when they have gone before the selectmen to present their budgets. Already, selectmen have lopped \$600,000 from the budget, essentially eliminating the plan by the town and School Department to add a combined 14 full-time-equivalent employees next fiscal year.

In one case, selectmen rejected Police Chief Patrick Keefe's proposal to expand a part-time clerk's post to full time to process a recent influx in gun license requests, saying the departments combine existing positions to handle the workload.

"I don't think they knew what we were coming up with," Lyman said of the department heads. "The board has to take the official position that we are not going to authorize new positions. It's hard, but they have got to figure out how to get it done within the existing budget."

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■ OBITUARIES

## Daniel H. Gilbride

October 26, 1974 — March 13, 2014

NORTH ANDOVER, MA — Daniel H. Gilbride, 39, of North Andover Mass., passed away on Thursday, March 13, 2014.

He was born on October 26, 1974, in Salem, Mass. The son of Eileen Gilbride and the late Philip Gilbride.

Dan was raised in Andover, Mass., and spent weekends in northern New Hampshire. He attended Johnson and Wales University in Providence, R.I., and UMass Lowell in Lowell, Mass., and was employed as a Systems Engineer at Daymark Solutions.

Dan was an avid snowboarder and was an instructor at Bretton Woods where he met his future wife and many lifelong friends. He was loved by all who met him. He drew people in with his sharp wit and dry sense of humor. He was great with children and was a devoted uncle to Kiera and Jameson. Dan was a faithful family man and considered

many of his friends to be family. His untimely passing has left a hole in our hearts and he will forever be loved and remembered.

Dan is survived by his wife, Elsa; mother, Eileen; stepfather, Jim Lydon; brother, Sean; sister-in-law, Deana; niece and nephew, Kiera and Jameson; sister-in-law, Heather Perry and brother-in-law, Michael McHale. He is also survived by loving extended family and friends.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Calling hours were held Friday, March 21, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Conte Funeral Home, 17 3rd St., North Andover, MA 01845.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Dan's name may be made to: Cradles to Crayons, <http://www.cradlestocrayons.org/boston/node/add/donation>, at 155 North Beacon St., Brighton, MA 02135. 617-779-4700.

To leave online condolences, please visit [www.contefuneralhomes.com](http://www.contefuneralhomes.com).

## Janet E. Bean, 76

June 19, 1937 — March 18, 2014

KISSIMMEE, FL

— Mrs. Janet Elizabeth Bean, 76, of Kissimmee, FL (originally from Andover, MA), passed away on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at Good Samaritan Health Care. She was the wife of Robert S. Bean, Jr. Janet was born in Lawrence, Mass., on June 19, 1937, to the late Calvin and Doris (Sutcliffe) Metcalf. Janet enjoyed Bowling and was a member of the International Women's Bowling League. Along with her Husband of 57 years, Robert, Janet is survived by a daughter, Bonnie Pond and three sons, Robert (Debbie) Bean, III, Bruce Bean and William (Tina) Bean. Janet is also survived by 7 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by 2 brothers, Calvin and Robert Metcalf; and several nieces



and nephews.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** Arrangements under the direction of Osceola Memory Gardens Funeral Home and Crematory, 3175 Pleasant Hill Road, Kissimmee, FL 34746, [www.osceolamemgds.com](http://www.osceolamemgds.com).

## ■ WHAT'S HAPPENING: CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

Members of the board of directors of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, Northeast Region, will be guest speakers at a breakfast on Sunday, March 30, at Congregation Beth Israel, 501 South Main St. (Route 28), Andover. Founded in 1929, the federation has more than 20,000 members providing benefits to synagogues across North America and around the world.

Men and women in the community are invited to participate in the morning's

activities, which will begin with services at 9:30, followed by breakfast and the program at 10:30. There is no charge for the breakfast; however, reservations are requested.

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The community is invited to a spirited and uplifting "Shabbat Chai at CBI" service on Friday, April 4, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Congregation Beth Israel. The family-friendly service will feature music to accompany congregational singing. A buffet dinner will follow. Admission

for the dinner is \$10, with a maximum charge of \$25 per family; children 12 and under are free. Reservations are requested by Tuesday, April 1.

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Author and Brandeis alumnus David Ostrowsky will be the guest speaker on Sunday, April 13, at Congregation Beth Israel. Ostrowsky will be discussing and signing copies of his latest book, "Game Over or Game On?: How Pro Athletes Leave Sports and Enjoy the Game of Life."

Men and women are invited. The program begins with services at 9:30, followed by breakfast and the program at 10:30. There is no charge for the breakfast, but reservations should be made before Wednesday, April 9.

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Congregation Beth Israel is the only conservative synagogue in the Merrimack Valley. For information or to make reservations for any of the upcoming programs, call the synagogue office at 978-474-0540.

## SPED: Six committee members resign at same time

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SEPAC's policies and procedures and had "communicated distrust" with the current leadership.

"It has become increasingly apparent that the disparity between the established PAC and this group is insurmountable. Despite our best efforts, we cannot effectively lead this group and remain true to the goals of the organization," the six said, adding they were resigning "with profound disappointment."

The letter was signed by president Jackie Pitts, vice president Pam DeMichaelis and members Lauren Vallarelli, Regina Kelly, Kathy Sherman and Sharon Mason. It was sent to Annie Gilbert, who serves as the School Committee's liaison to the council, with copies to Superintendent Marinel McGrath and Student Services Director Joyce Laundre. The resignations were effective Friday at 5 p.m.

The former co-president of the group, Cindy Webber, resigned about a month earlier, citing personal reasons.

Six of the seven resigning members did not return phone calls last week. One of the members reached, treasurer Vallarelli, would only say that the resignations "were not directly related to

the survey." She declined further comment.

Gilbert said in a voice-mail message left with The Andover Townsman that she thought the resignations were a result of a "philosophical disagreement over the future direction of SEPAC. That's what led to the resignations."

The resignations leave just three people on the board. It is unclear what will happen next or how new members will be appointed.

Cindy Cromer, one of the newcomers who has tried to get involved with the advisory council, said she would agree to be on the board and in fact had already been nominated by several people to fill a seat.

She said she was not totally surprised by the mass exodus, but was "a little surprised" by what was said in the letter, adding, "I've never been part of a hostile takeover before."

"I don't agree that people expressed dissatisfaction about the way things were done," she said. "We just brought up ways to improve it, like following the Open Meeting Law. I don't agree with the letter. I guess I don't give it a lot of credibility."

While not SEPAC members, Cromer and Jeanne Teichert had both been

appointed to a subcommittee to create the survey that is scheduled to go out to parents this week.

Teichert said there had been some disagreement over the process used to assemble the survey, but that ultimately everyone agreed it was a good idea. The board even voted unanimously at its last meeting on Wednesday, March 19, to send out the survey. Immediately after that vote, however, the six board members announced their resignations.

"The new people who got involved were the ones who were more interested in moving forward with the survey," Teichert said. "It was our idea. We took the ball and ran with it. There were some complaints from people who had been there a while about the process, but there really wasn't a process because no survey had ever been done before."

Cromer suggested that the longer-serving board members, some of whom had been involved 10 to 15 years, couldn't handle the speed with which the new group of parents assembled the survey and prepared it for release.

"The survey committee came on strong," she said. "They got it done in under two months. Up until now, it's

been run like a government organization. It's been slow, not nimble at all."

Cromer said she was unclear on why the six board members were moved to resign together.

"I don't know what the real reason is, unless they just didn't want to work with the new parents," she said. "When you've been with an organization for 10-plus years, like some of them have been, maybe they perceived what we were saying as criticism, when all we were doing was bringing it (the committee) more in line with the law. There was nervousness they weren't following the law."

But, Cromer said, the important thing is for the board to regroup and reconstitute itself to make sure the survey gets out and that results are compiled and then disseminated to the public so that student services can be improved, if necessary.

"What gets lost in all this, there are kids who need services to be able to be educated and that's where the focus needs to be," she said. "We are doing things to help families in town who have special needs children and don't know what to do. Kids get really anxious when they can't succeed. When they can, they will. Let's help them."

## Youthful trio of music

Six young violinists from Andover will be featured in Merrimack Valley Suzuki Strings' 21st annual Strings Welcome Spring Concert on Sunday, March 30, at 3 p.m. at First Church Ipswich, 2 Meeting House St., Ipswich.

Andover's Gavin Batsimm, Kayla Lang, Yazhini Ramesh, Samuel Zhang, Vivien Qin and John Witt will be among the violinists and violists performing in small ensembles, full groups and as solos as part of the concert.

Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$5 for students and seniors; family rates are available. For more information, call 978-685-7844.

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Five student musicians will perform with Northeast Massachusetts Youth Orchestras' Honors Chamber Ensemble Concert on Saturday, March 29, at Shalin Liu Performance Center, 37 Main St., Rockport.

The local performers are trombone player Seongwoon "Shawn" Moon and violinists Arman Koul, Gavin Batsimm, Yazhini Ramesh and Sarah Vrontas.

The concert starts at 7 p.m. Admission is free. Visit [www.nmyo.org](http://www.nmyo.org) or call 978-309-9833.

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Fourteen-year-old cellist Mari Nagahara of Andover will perform with the Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras as it joins with professional musicians from the Boston Symphony Orchestra on Sunday, March 30, for the world premiere of a new adaptation of Mozart's "The Magic Flute" for young audiences.

Two performances are planned, at noon and 3 p.m., at Symphony Hall in Boston. Tickets range from \$5 to \$20. Visit [www.bso.org](http://www.bso.org) or [www.BYSOweb.org](http://www.BYSOweb.org) or call 888-266-1200 for more.

## TOBACCO: Town reviews smoking regulations

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answer on their intended use of the proposed Park Street site.

But under current health regulations, Carbone said he could approve the Plymouth-based Lux's application today.

Carbone said health officials have been considering new regulations for years, but were prompted into action by Lux's application.

"There are a lot of things not covered by the law, so we had to take the bull by the horns with something that has been waiting to be addressed," he said.

If adopted, the new rules, which require Board of Health approval only, would take effect Jan. 1. They would be the first major update to the town's tobacco use regulations since Town Meeting banned cigarette smoking inside restaurants in 1994. Convenience store owners as well as the proponents behind Lux attended a public hearing on the proposal last week.

In addition to banning tobacco lounges, the new regulations would treat electronic cigarettes as a tobacco product, restricting their sale to anyone under age 18.

E-cigarettes would also be prohibited from use in restaurants, outdoor dining spaces and anywhere else traditional cigarettes are not allowed.

Currently, the state has no laws governing e-cigarettes, which contain a liquid nicotine solution designed to produce a vapor for inhalation. They can be sold to anyone, regardless of age, state Department of Public Health spokeswoman Anne Roche said.

While the House of Representatives is now considering a bill that would restrict the sale of e-cigarettes to minors, almost 100 communities, including Haverhill, Reading and Tewksbury, have taken matters into their own hands, adopting their own local regulations. Andover hopes to follow suit.

"On a state level there are no laws in regard to regulating the sale, ID and that kind of thing," said Ron Beauregard of Andover, who is program director of the Healthy Community Tobacco Control Program. "Each board of health is making that decision on their own. In general, what they're trying to do is product, restricting their sale to anyone under age 18.

cigarettes."

Beauregard said e-cigarettes are potentially a gateway for youth to become addicted to nicotine and said the regulations are a step in the right direction.

"I'm for anything they want to do to emphasize the fact that the product belongs only in adult hands," he said, adding there are questions surrounding the vapors that e-cigarettes produce.

Andover Spa clerk Jay Shrestha said workers at the Elm Street store routinely check the ages of e-cigarette customers, a practice he believes is followed by other local retailers, too.

"Since it has nicotine in it, we card them," Shrestha said. "I think everybody cards."

The sale of individual cigars is also facing tougher rules. The regulations would ban the sale of single cigars priced at less than \$2.50. Cigars with a price tag below \$2.50 would have to be sold in groups of four or more.

That provision has drawn opposition from the owner of two Mobil stations in town.

"For freshness and other reasons, many cigar smokers just want a single cigar, not a whole package," Leo

Vercollone, president and CEO of Mobil store owner VERC Enterprises, said in a letter to the Board of Health. "When we aren't allowed to carry cigars in the pack sizes our customers want, but the store just across the town line can, many of our customers will simply go to that store instead of ours."

With that, "we lose not just the cigar sale, but also the milk, bread, lottery and other ancillary sales that go with it," he wrote.

But Shrestha said while Andover Spa carries individual cigars priced at less than \$2.50, they don't sell many of them.

The new regulations would also restrict the sale of blunt wraps, paper used to roll cigarettes, to minors and prohibit all tobacco-related sales at educational facilities, including colleges, which are currently unregulated, Carbone said. Retailers would also face some small changes to signage requirements.

The Board of Health will continue its discussion of the proposed regulations on April 14 and then possibly refer the rules to the town lawyer for review. A vote could come at its May 12 meeting.

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# CIVIL WAR: Andover perspective doesn't forget lives lost in Spotsylvania

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battle with an 11-week series of lectures, exhibits and other events that will explore how the Civil War changed the community to become what it is today.

The initiative — titled “Lest We Forget: Andover and the Civil War” — aims to tell the stories of Andover and its people during the 19th century.

Simply listing seven names doesn't really put the loss felt by the town as the result of just one day in the Civil War into any sort of perspective, according to “Lest We Forget” organizers.

This is especially the case for today's generation of people, who are confronted with death and casualty numbers on a daily basis, they said.

“Simply put, it was an enormous number to the town of Andover in 1864 as demonstrated by the 1864 numbers adjusted for today's Andover population,” Andover Historical Society board member and “Lest We Forget” committee member Michael Morris Jr. said.

“... There are the soldiers who participated directly in the war effort whose sacrifices need to be remembered — from the common soldiers like the young teenager George Smart who left Andover as a drummer boy only to die of disease a short time later to 18-year-old Walter Raymond who starved to death in a Confederate prison camp on Christmas Day in 1864.”

Morris said it seemed appropriate that the town should honor those from Andover who fought in the Civil War during the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Spotsylvania given it marked the time the Andover Company first entered combat and suffered significant loss.

“A few of us thought it was important to commemorate Andover's unique place in the country's Civil War history and to examine its dramatic effects upon the town,” said Morris, a local attorney.

A \$10,000 grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation was secured with



COURTESY PHOTOS

**Civil War soldier George Smart was just 15 when he mustered out of Andover in 1861 as a drummer. He succumbed to disease in 1862. His drum has been gifted to the Andover Historical Society.**

the help of Phillips Academy Head of School John Palfrey to help cover mailing and website costs for the series, Midura said.

Andover launches the 150th remembrance of Spotsylvania this weekend with a concert of popular Civil War pieces, including ones by President Abraham Lincoln's favorite composer, Louis Moreau Gossec, and the Creole-influenced American Chopin.

The Boston Saxophone Quartet will perform Sunday, March 30, at 2:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library. The program will include several familiar classics, such as “Oh, Susanna,” “Battle Hymn of the Republic,” “When Jonny Comes Marching Home Again” and “Dixie.”

Next month, the Andover Historical Society presents the exhibit “Faces of Andover: Impact of the Civil War.” Midura traveled to Carlisle, Penn., to obtain photos of Andover soldiers for the display, which is set to open April 11.

Also next month, Harvard University president Drew Gilpin Faust will visit Andover with Civil War documentarian Ric Burns for a lecture and film screening on “Death and the Civil War” sponsored by Phillips Academy.

The series involves the participation of several groups in town, including the historical society, Phillips Academy and its Addison Gallery



**Andover Civil War soldier Orrin L. Farnham**



**Andover Civil War soldiers Ballard Holt and Walter Allen**



**Jonathan Holt was one of seven Andover men killed in the Battle of Spotsylvania in 1864.**

## ANDOVER CASUALTIES

These seven Andover men were killed in the Battle of Spotsylvania in Virginia on May 19, 1864:

- Samuel Aiken
- Granville Cutler
- James Eastes
- Edward Farmer
- Jonathan Holt
- Charles Ridley
- James Rothwell

## SERIES HIGHLIGHTS



COURTESY PHOTO

**The Boston Saxophone Quartet will perform a concert of popular Civil War pieces, including familiar classics like “Oh, Susanna,” “Battle Hymn of the Republic,” “When Jonny Comes Marching Home Again” and “Dixie,” on Sunday to kick off the 11-week series, “Lest We Forget: Andover and the Civil War.” The concert starts at 2:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library.**

documentarian Ric Burns will discuss Burns' documentary on Faust's book, “This Republic of Suffering: Death and the American Civil War,” looking at the staggering death toll of the Civil War and the way it changed the nation; presented by Phillips Academy; lecture on Tuesday, April 15, 7 p.m., Cochran

Chapel, 2 Chapel Ave.; film screening of “Death and the Civil War,” Sunday, April 13, 2 p.m., Kemper Auditorium, 5 Chapel Ave.; both programs open free to the public.

In May and June, more book discussions, conversations, a visit by renowned military historian Gordon C. Rhea and a walking tour

are planned to continue the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. The Townsman will provide details closer to those dates.

For a complete schedule for “Lest We Forget,” visit [www.andoverlestweforget.com](http://www.andoverlestweforget.com).

■ **MUSIC OF THE CIVIL WAR**  
**MUSIC:** Boston Saxophone Quartet performance Sunday, March 30, 2:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St.

■ **NORTH & SOUTH LECTURE**  
**SERIES:** Afternoon lecture series presented by historian Don Robb and exploring why the Civil War happened, focusing on the split between the North and South and the people who came together to form a more perfect union; Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17 and 24 and May 1, 2 p.m., Center at Punchard, 30 Whittier Court. Cost \$15; registration required, call 978-623-8321.

■ **'FACES OF ANDOVER:'**  
Andover Historical Society exhibit showcasing the impact of the Civil War on Andover, featuring 80 pieces, including photographs of Andover soldiers retrieved from Pennsylvania by historical society program manager Carrie Midura with assistance from longtime historical society volunteer Jim Batchelder, who visited Spotsylvania and cemeteries in Virginia; opening event Friday, April 11, 7 p.m., Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.

■ **'DEATH AND THE CIVIL WAR:'**  
Harvard University President Drew Gilpin Faust, an American historian and Harvard's first female president, and Civil War filmmaker and

of American Art, Andover Veterans Services, Memorial Hall Library, Greater Lawrence Technical School, Andover Bookstore and The Center at Punchard.

Morris said credited the hard work of many in pulling the series together, including historical society board president Jane Dietzel Cairns,

Palfrey, Midura; Joan Silva Patrakis, author of “Andover in the Civil War;” local historian Jim Batchelder, who visited Spotsylvania; Don Robb, who is lecturing on the secessionist crisis; Doug Mitchell, researcher of Andover's Drummer Boys, among others.

“Personally, I find it

remarkable that Andover was not just the home to author Harriet Beecher Stowe whose novel, ‘Uncle Tom's Cabin,’ had contributed significantly to the anti-slavery movement in the country, but also how Andover was the summer residence of President Franklin Pierce, whose pro-Southern leanings

and support for the Kansas-Nebraska Act contributed significantly to the secessionist crisis ....” Morris said.

“It's amazing to think that these two persons with such divergent views and who changed the course of our nation's history walked the very same streets at roughly the same time.”

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WHAT'S HAPPENING: THE CENTER AT PUNCHARD

The Center at Punchard (The Center), 30 Whittier Court, Andover, has several activities planned. Here are some of the highlights:

**Estate Planning:** Friday, March 28, 10 a.m. Estate Planning Forum with Capt. Jason R. Ebacher, Esq., who is the TRIAD director at the Essex County Sheriff's Department; free.

**The Origins of Women's Studies:** Monday, March 31, 1:30 p.m. Merrimack College women's studies professor Dr. Debra Michals discusses the origins of the field, the politics surrounding it and why it matters now more than ever; part of center's Women's History Month series; \$3.

**Coping With Caregiving:** Thursdays, April 3 to 24, 7 to 8:30

p.m. Join the experts as they offer vital information about the challenges and rewards of caring for loved ones as their needs increase; free with registration.

**Healthy Eating Tidbits:** Friday, April 4, 9:30 a.m. "Be Aware of What the Label Says" will focus on the Food and Drug Administration's food-labeling regulations. Learn about acceptable nutrition facts and health claims on food products. A healthy breakfast will be provided.

**Passover Seder:** Monday, April 7, 12:30 p.m. Rabbi Robert Goldstein of Temple Emanuel in Andover will lead a traditional Passover seder, explaining rituals and traditions. All are welcome to attend and to learn about seder customs. A

meal will be served; \$5.

**Tax Talk:** Monday, April 7, 1:30 p.m. It's not too late to file your tax returns. Find out if you qualify for the senior circuit breaker credit for Massachusetts and what to do if you get a letter from the IRS or other taxing authority. Come with your tax questions.

**Spring Scams and Personal Safety:** Friday, April 11, 9:30 a.m. Police officer Robin Cataldo discusses the latest home improvement scams to watch for, including pavers, roofers and landscapers. Personal safety as well as financial safety and security will also be discussed; registration is appreciated.

**The Kennedys and Ireland:** Monday, April 14, 1:30 p.m. Dr. Richard Padova, an Andover

resident and professor of history and geography at Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill, leads a discussion of President John F. Kennedy and his family's relationship with their home country. He will trace the ancestral roots of the Kennedy family and look at the president's celebrated trip to Ireland in June 1963; \$3.

All events are open to the community. However, space is limited and registration is required.

The Center at Punchard is open daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For a complete listing of classes and programs, check the center's newsletter or visit [www.andoversenior-center.org](http://www.andoversenior-center.org). For more information, call 978-623-8321.

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100 Years Ago  
March 27, 1914

A little excitement was aroused in town Tuesday afternoon when a horse belonging to Thos. E. Rhodes got frightened at a pile of boxes overturning on Chestnut Street and, jumping, turned the wagon completely over, broke away and ran down to Main Street, where it was stopped by Chief of Police Frank M. Smith.

A petition is being circulated to induce the Bay State Street Railway Company to run a through car from Lawrence to Andover through North Andover for one fare.

75 Years Ago  
March 23, 1939

A rumor that seemed to have substantial basis had it this week that the Shaw property on Main Street, considered as a Town Hall site at the recent Town Meeting, has been sold to private parties. It is not known whether the property will be used for business purposes or for residential, but opinion seems to incline toward the former.

The final meeting of the League of Women Voters Study Group on "Juvenile Delinquency" was held at Mrs. Stafford Lindsay's home on Wednesday afternoon. Miss Margaret Davis spoke of the work the Andover Guild does to combat delinquency. Miss

Bessie Goldsmith amazed and delighted the group with a witty account of her duties as policewoman and matron of the town lockup.

50 Years Ago  
March 26, 1964

A thousand or more youngsters of all ages are expected at The Park Saturday afternoon for the annual Easter Candy Hunt. The event is sponsored by the Recreation Department, and begins promptly at 2 o'clock.

For the first time since an oral polio vaccine has been available, local adults will have an opportunity to acquire polio immunization at a public clinic. The Junior Chamber of Commerce has announced plans for the first of two clinics, to be held outdoors, on Saturday, April 4, at the rear of the Central School, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

25 Years Ago  
March 30, 1989

Someday in the hazy future, an incumbent selectman may be upset in town elections, but it didn't happen in 1989 as Andover voters returned Charles Wesson and Gerald Silverman to their seats on the Board of Selectmen by a surprisingly comfortable margin Monday.

With seemingly the entire town split down the middle over purchasing portable classrooms for a day-care program, the Planning Board went its own way, voting unanimously to support the Town Meeting article.

WHAT'S HAPPENING: MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY

Get ready for some genealogy and a celebration of National Library Week. That and more are on tap for April at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St. Here's a look at some of the highlights:

Genealogy lock-in

Register for an evening of after-hours genealogy research on Friday, April 3, starting at 5:30 p.m. Participants will enjoy exclusive access to databases, computers, microfilm and local

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Greenscapes talk

"Gardeners & Climate Change: Saving the Planet One Garden at a Time," a conversation about how gardeners can adapt to and fight climate change in their own yards, will be presented on Monday, April 7, at 7 p.m. The program is sponsored by

the Andover Department of Municipal Services, Greenscapes North Shore and Memorial Hall Library. Visit [www.greenscapes.org](http://www.greenscapes.org) for more.

National Library Week

Members of the Friends of Memorial Hall Library board will celebrate National Library Week April 13 to 19. They will have a table set up in the library to answer questions and sign up new "friends."

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necessary.

The simple finger stick test costs \$5 and does not require fasting. The program is being funded through a grant from the Andover Home for Aged People.

For more information or to reserve a time slot, call the Health Department at

978-623-8295.

Red Cross blood drive April 15

The American Red Cross is holding a community blood drive on Tax Day, Tuesday, April 15, from 2 to 7 p.m. at Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St., Andover.

Donors are needed every day to ensure an adequate

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To make an appointment to donate blood, call 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767) or log onto [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

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# Opinion

## Andover deserves better than lackluster election day

Seemingly with little notice, Mary O'Donoghue sailed to victory as the town's newly elected selectwoman Tuesday night.

It was without much notice because just 5 percent of the town's registered voters came to the polls to weigh in on a contest that pitted O'Donoghue against Jodi Oberto for the one open seat on the Board of Selectmen.

*But at a time when residents seem to be more concerned than ever at the fiscal state of the town, the voter apathy — for a second year in a row — is somewhat disappointing. Last year, turnout was no different — with just under 5 percent of voters again showing up to exercise their civic duty.*

True, the race — the only one on the town election ballot — was not exactly a hotly contested one. Both candidates did some campaigning and meeting with residents, but as elections go, there wasn't a lot of fire behind this one.

From the start, O'Donoghue, a longtime Finance Committee member who is widely known in town as a Realtor, had considerable support behind her. Oberto was admittedly the newcomer to town affairs and while she promised to bring a fresh set of eyes to local government, her campaign never really got off the ground.

On Tuesday, the stage was set for O'Donoghue to be the eventual winner. And that likely kept voters from venturing out to the polls.

But at a time when residents seem to be more concerned than ever at the fiscal state of the town, on spending on projects and on how the town is being run, the voter apathy — for a second year in a row — is somewhat disappointing. Last year, turnout was no different — with just under 5 percent of voters again showing up to exercise their civic duty.

While it may not be case, the lack of election day activity sends a message to town officials that residents are either wholly pleased with the way things are going or they don't care. We think neither is 100 percent the case.

There is much at stake in the months ahead as officials work to balance the growing needs in town with limited funds. We wish O'Donoghue luck as she settles into her role and have every reason to believe she will look to use her experience on the Finance Committee to be the voice of the people in scrutinizing budgets and making sure their every dollar is carefully spent.

But it's up to residents to hold her and every other elected official accountable. Now is not the time for complacency. And we hope Andover holds O'Donoghue to her promise to seek fiscal restraint as she takes on some of the most critical tasks ahead.

## OFF TO THE POLLS



MARY SCHWALM/Staff photo

A poll worker looks up from her magazine as a voter, with a child in tow, makes her way to her precinct location inside Andover High School's field house to vote during Tuesday's town election. It was slow at the polls all day.

## 'Voices of Freedom' a celebration of shared heritage

**Rabbi Robert S. Goldstein**

Temple Emanuel of Andover



This spring marks the 50th anniversary of the martyrdom of three victims in the fight for racial

justice — Michael Schwerner and Andrew Goodman, both Jewish, and James Chaney, an African-American. They are remembered for their courage and conviction.

Throughout our nation's history, Jews and African-Americans have been inextricably linked. From the anti-slavery movement to the more recent drive for civil rights, Jews and blacks

have walked side by side in their pursuit of freedom and equality.

For African-American slaves, images from the Book of Exodus in the Hebrew Bible were invoked to describe their bondage at the hands of their masters. They identified with the oppression of the ancient Israelites and they compared their cruel slave masters to the wicked Pharaoh of old. As they prayed for their own freedom, they were inspired by the story of the Israelites' redemption from Egyptian bondage with cries of "Let my people go," the same words spoken by Moses to Pharaoh.

In the 1960s, Jews stood with American blacks in their quest for equality. Pictures of the late revered scholar and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, his yarmulke precariously perched on his head, arm in arm with

Rev. Martin Luther King, have become iconic symbols of the long road to freedom blacks and Jews walked together, which Rabbi Heschel referred to as "praying with his feet."

That struggle, at times violent, has become part of the common heritage of American Jews and blacks. In more recent years, this history has found its way into the contemporary Passover seder, when Jews retell the story of their own redemption from slavery and oppression. Today, in many Jewish homes, Negro spirituals, which invoke images of the Jewish and African-American experience, are sung at the seder table.

In celebration of that shared legacy, in anticipation of the upcoming observance of Passover and to honor the memories of the three martyrs of the civil rights movement, Schwerner, Chaney

and Goodman, the Andover Baptist Church Choir will join with members of Temple Emanuel in a celebration of the "Voices of Freedom." The program featuring music from both the African-American and Jewish traditions will be held Friday, March 28, at 7 p.m. at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover.

Under the direction of Temple Emanuel's Cantor Idan Irelander and Andover Baptist Church Music Director Michael Belcher, the two congregations and their respective choirs and musicians will join together in the spirit of gratitude for all that has been accomplished, and hope for the challenges that still lie before us. The program is free and open to all; Temple Emanuel is handicap accessible.

*Rabbi Robert S. Goldstein is the spiritual leader of Temple Emanuel of Andover.*

## WEB QUESTION

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

New town rules seek to ban hookah lounges and limit e-cigarette and some cigar sales, as Methuen seems to welcome a hookah lounge. Your thoughts?

**NOT RESTRICTIVE ENOUGH:** The

new rules are a good start, but more should be done to prohibit or discourage tobacco use even further given the long-documented health implications tied to tobacco.

**TOO RESTRICTIVE:** Businesses like convenience stores depend

on these kind of sales, and the Board of Health shouldn't impose new rules on them for catering to demand.

**JUST RIGHT:** There are a number of gaps in what should and shouldn't be sold in town, and these new rules do exactly what is needed to protect the public.

**NO OPINION:** Smoking is a lifestyle choice that doesn't

have an impact on me, so I don't have any thoughts on the new rules.

### LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Last week, on the heels of Tuesday's election, we asked our readers if having only one contest on the ballot — for a single seat on the Board of Selectman — was an area of concern given a

lack of candidates. With 66 responses, the answers were:

**YES:** Limited contests are a sign of an unhealthy democracy. More people should step up and run — 42 votes, 63.64 percent.

**NO:** Some years are hot, others are not. It all depends on who is in the town at the time and doesn't point to a larger issue — 11 votes, 16.67

percent.

**SOMEWHAT:** A lack of options on the ballot means we have less variety to choose from, but it may also mean the town is well-run — eight votes, 12.12 percent.

**NOT INTERESTED:** I don't participate in local elections, whether it's a large candidate field or a small one — five votes, 8 percent.

## Rushed teacher contract a disservice

Editor, Townsman:

The unnecessarily rushed negotiating by the Andover School Committee of a new contract with the Andover teachers union is the most irresponsible act of the School Committee in the 29 years my family has lived in Andover. Contrary to the empty rationale given by the chairman of the School Committee (he said it was to save on legal fees), there was no need to railroad through the most important, as well as most expensive, town contract (a contract that is going to cost taxpayers approximately \$180 million).

Besides ignoring the exploding cost structures of the current teachers union contract, this severely abbreviated negotiation ignored addressing the quality of education in Andover, ignored rectifying material shortcomings in reviewing the performance of teachers and ignored adding needed educational goals and

incentives for teachers to measurably improve the quality of education being delivered to the town's children. It merely stuffs more money in the pockets of members of the teachers union.

Having served on a school committee, the three most important responsibilities that a school committee has are the hiring/firing of a school superintendent, the setting of measurable educational goals and school system policies, and the negotiating of the contract with the teachers union.

The reason negotiating a contract with the teachers union is one of a school committee's most important responsibilities is that these contracts control almost everything that gets done in the schools. School systems have ceded so much control of the educational process to teachers unions over the years that today the only way a school committee can exert any influence on what is to be achieved in a school system is via explicit provisions in the contract with the union. A school system

superintendent, for instance, cannot even make changes in the structure of the school day that will improve the quality of education if it has not been previously negotiated into the contract.

That's why preparing for and negotiating a teachers union contract should be a task on which a school committee spends most, not the least, of its time since it's the primary mechanism by which a school system's educational goals and objectives get translated into action and what gets done in the classroom.

So this rushed negotiating of the single most important contract in town represents an abdication by those members of the School Committee who pushed for and supported this short-circuited negotiation of one of their most important responsibilities. It merely saddles town residents with a contract that carries a \$180 million price tag that fails to move the quality-of-education needle one bit and fails to rein in a school system compensation/benefits structure that has

spiraled out of control.

**BOB POKRESS**  
3 Cherrywood Circle

## Taxes a worthwhile investment in town

Editor, Townsman:

I am a senior citizen; in fact, I am 70-something. I raised my children in Andover. Their education in Andover schools was paid for by all the taxpayers of Andover because in my daughters' school-attending years, my real estate tax payment probably did not cover the cost of their Andover education. I think educating the children of our community is the most important thing we do and I am happy to help pay for the education of someone else's children, just as someone else helped to pay for the education of my daughters, now in their 40s.

By the time this is printed, we will know who has been elected to the Board of Selectmen. Much of the conversation has been about Andover's taxes. I have lived in Andover for more than 40 years and moved to my current home in 2009. The

tax increase since I moved has averaged 2.7 percent per year, not an overwhelming burden. I moved to a smaller home, not because of taxes, but because I needed less space. My move cut my heating bill in half and my taxes, now still well under \$7,000 per year, decreased by 18 percent. I was pleased to find that there are many modest, three-bedroom homes with less than 2,000 square feet of living space in Andover, just right for a person whose family has grown and left home. I am also pleased to contribute to the education of the town's children (including three of my grandchildren, all of whom are attending Andover schools) as well as to the preservation of open space and a town government we should all be proud of.

I believe the town has spent its money wisely and our quality of life is directly related to the wise allocation of town resources. The investments we have made in our town contribute to strong housing values. For most of us, our home is our most valuable asset. It is our

schools and our open space that attract new residents and create a strong demand for our homes when we are ready to sell.

Most seniors have paid off their mortgages. In addition, the town has provided financial relief to seniors in two ways. All senior homeowners, over 60, are welcome to volunteer in the town's SCRIPT program and earn a \$675-per-year tax abatement as they contribute their time to provide needed town services. Additional tax relief is available to assist income-eligible seniors.

As we make decisions about town budgets and projects in the coming years, I hope we will do it as wisely as our predecessors, with concern for the impact 20 to 30 years from now, not just next year's tax bill. Specifically, allocating free cash to help fund the town's unfunded pension benefits, to mitigate the tax burden on future generations of taxpayers, is a wise recommendation.

**SUSAN STOTT**  
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# TownsBeat

## In sacred color

### Tulips in bloom for Andover Garden Club

The Andover Garden Club welcomes spring next week with a membership meeting and a look at "The History of the Tulip." The club's first get-together of the season takes place Tuesday, April 1, at 10 a.m. at South Church, 41 Central St., Andover.



Ila Cox

Lecturer and tulip specialist Ila Cox will spotlight one of the true — and fairly inexpensive — signs of spring.

Yet their worth, she says, could once be compared to the value of gold, and a country's economy depended on them. She will explore the history, economics and journey of the magnificent tulip and its intersection with human culture, including a look back at the famed 17th century Tulipmania.

A noted horticulturist and flower arranger, Cox is a plant lover, gardener, garden traveler and a student of garden and plant history. She studied flower arranging with Sheila McQueen, has been an owner of The Potting Shed, is a former chairman of the Flower Committee of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts Associates, and is a member of several local garden clubs.

A social time and brief business meeting will precede Cox's presentation. Admission is free to members; a \$10 donation is requested of guests. Refreshments will be served.

Founded in 1927, the Andover Garden Club is a nonprofit, charitable organization that encourages the study and practice of horticulture, landscape design and floral design; aids in the beautification of the town of Andover and helps protect and conserve natural resources. It is a member of the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc., and National Garden Clubs, Inc.,

For more information about joining the Andover Garden Club, contact membership chairwoman Linda Carpenter at 978-475-7430 or lcarpenter1@comcast.net or Ronnie Haarmann at 978-475-4414 or rchaarmann@comcast.net.



Rev. Chris Makiej and his wife, Katerina, pose in front of The Annunciation, one of 23 new Byzantine icons painted on the walls at Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Andover. The pastor says the icons, funded by church members, enhance the spiritual experience for worshippers.

MARY SCHWALM/  
Staff photos

### Icons add spiritual dimension to Andover's Greek Orthodox church

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
jwakefield@andovertownsmen.com

They serve as spiritual beacons — visual symbols of a particular faith. The stained glass windows and religious icons that adorn the insides of houses of worship often define the sacred spaces.

At Andover's only Greek church — Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church — 23 new, 7-foot-tall Byzantine icons now grace the once white walls of the sanctuary to enhance the experience of worshippers.

The project coincides with the 25th anniversary of the church's establishment in Andover, commemorating its move from Essex Street in Lawrence to Chandler Road in 1989.

Rev. Christopher Makiej, who was assigned to the parish in 1998, said the focus the last several years has been on expanding the physical space in order to accommodate the parish's growth. Since Makiej's arrival, membership has swelled from 190 families to 500 today.

As a result, the parish worked to expand the church campus. In 2007, construction of a 20,000-square-foot Family Life Center, new classrooms and an administrative wing was completed at its nicely landscaped lot.

The parish then turned its attention to the beautification of its sanctuary in order to create a more spiritual and prayerful home for the congregation.

The iconography project was launched on the belief that one's intellect, feelings and senses all contribute to an individual's

worship experience. The initiative required the financial support of parishioners, who responded in a big way. Within one week, Makiej said the \$150,000 needed to complete the project was pledged and the installation and painting soon began.

"They wanted this, they wanted the chance to support this," Makiej said of the membership.

The icons have a style that dates to the Byzantine empire, especially in the 5th and 6th centuries when many churchgoers couldn't read and relied on the figures to understand Scripture stories.

In keeping with the goal of the project, the sanctuary's arched windows had remained uncovered so the sunlight shines through and bounces off the colorful paintings that represent several saints as well as depict scenes from Christ's life.

"In the Orthodox tradition, there is a very strong feeling that the church is the house of God and the place where His glory dwells," Makiej said in a message to parishioners announcing the initiative. "For this reason, the church is seen as a sacred space, bearing witness to God's indwelling among His people."

Makiej, and his wife, Katerina, assisted in the design, coloring and layout of the icons. The actual artistry was left to the talented hands of George and Brunilda Rizaj Papastamatiou of Byzantine Artworks in Newton.

The pastor said the overall feel of the finished project is one of "simplicity

and beauty."

"I think it looks just beautiful ... it's transformed, enhanced our worship space," said Makiej, who added his sermons are now enlivened by the vivid color he sees when he looks out from the altar over the sanctuary, which holds 350 people.

"We now have surround sight with our surround sound ... and we love light and that comes in beautifully."

The parish invites the public to view the new icons during its Divine Liturgy services on Sundays at 10 a.m.



Iconographer George Papastamatiou of Byzantine Artworks in Newton puts the final touches on the moulding around one of the 23 new Byzantine icons installed at Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Andover.



Artist Brunilda Papastamatiou adds the finish work to the Saint Spyridon icon.

## Out & About: Local duo keep Celtic beat going

Andover musicians Terri and George Kelley will treat listeners to Celtic melodies for the next free concert in their Lawrence Public Library series on Sunday, March 30, at 2 p.m. at the Lawrence library, 51 Essex St.

The Kelleys will be joined by guest performers. The concert is sponsored by The Irish Foundation and presented by the Friends of Lawrence Public Library. For more information, call 978-683-8222.

### Town artist lends talents to 'Extravaganza'

Andover artist Karla Cook joins 17 other artists and artisan this weekend for Saltbox Gallery in Topsfield's 26th Spring Art Show and Sale dubbed "Extravaganza."

Cook's works on display include a thick-haired canine named Bruno and a smooth-haired pooch named Isis. A lifelong painter, she has earned her membership in the



Courtesy image

Karla Cook's pastel "Bruno" will be among the pieces she displays this weekend for Saltbox Gallery in Topsfield's Spring Art Show and Sale.

prestigious Rockport Art Association and is jurying into Saltbox Gallery as a guest artist.

The show takes place in Coolidge Hall at Topsfield Fairgrounds on Route 1. It opens Friday, March 28, with an artists reception from 7 to 9 p.m. and continues Saturday and Sunday, March 29 and 30, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. For more, visit www.SaltboxGallery.net or call Karyl at 978-468-1028.



Courtesy Image

"Turquoise Wall," an acrylic on canvas by Susan Hunter Petree, who is one of three artists featured in the new spring show, "States of Nature," at Alpers Fine Art in downtown Andover.

### 'States of Nature' at Alpers Fine Art

Alpers Fine Art at 96 Main St. in downtown Andover is presenting "States of Nature," an exhibit of original land- and seascapes by

three New England artists — Cara Gonier of Massachusetts, Susan Hunter Petree of Rhode Island and Christopher Volpe of New Hampshire.

The show, which features 44 paintings, marks all three

artists' first full-scale exhibit in Andover, gallery owner Peter Alpers says. It runs through May 4.

An artists reception is planned for Saturday, April 5, from 5 to 8 p.m. Gallery hours are Wednesday through

Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, contact Alpers at 978-760-1829 or visit www.alpersfineartonline.com.

### Ice Cream Social to benefit Ritzer fund

Putnam Pantry Candies on Route 1 north in Danvers is hosting a Colleen Ritzer Memorial Ice Cream Social Benefit on Saturday, March 29, from noon to 4 p.m.

Half of the proceeds from the event will be donated to the Colleen Ritzer Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of the Danvers High School teacher from Andover who was murdered last fall.

In addition to the Ice Cream Social, proceeds from the sale of Putnam Pantry "Danvers Strong" chocolate coins will also be donated to the scholarship fund. The fund was established to benefit Andover and Danvers high school seniors who demonstrate a passion for teaching, academic excellence and love of family.

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# RISE-ing to the occasion

## Annual telethon may witness youth center ground-breaking

BY DUSTIN LUCA AND  
BILL KIRK  
Staff Writers

Prepare to be entertained. The annual Andover Youth Foundation Telethon is coming.

And it may just coincide with the long-awaited ground-breaking for the telethon's main cause — the Cormier Youth Center.

Weather-permitting, construction of the youth center behind Doherty Middle School on Bartlet Street will begin next week.

Andover Youth Services is hoping live remote broadcasts from the youth center site will be among the highlights of the annual telethon, slated for Thursday and Friday, April 3 and 4.

Local youths have been pulling out all the stops, polishing up their performances and producing videos to promote what they hope will be one of the last major fundraising drives for the center.

The theme of this year's telethon is "Together We Rise" — a nod to the community effort that has been behind the hard-fought campaign to create a youth center in town.

Proceeds will go toward funding the second and final phase of the project, which will include the addition of a multipurpose room,



AMY SWEENEY/Staff photo

**Andover Youth Foundation will "RISE" up to present its annual two-day telethon next week to raise money for the last leg of the Cormier Youth Center project. Officials are hopeful the telethon will coincide with the start of construction at the site of the future center, behind Doherty Middle School on Bartlet Street. Local youths are planning live remotes from the site during the telethon.**

workshop, conference room and multimedia studio. As much as \$800,000 is needed for that work.

Last year's telethon raised about \$150,000, a hefty portion of which came in the form of an anonymous donation of \$50,000.

The final price tag of the project remains at \$5.8 million, of which \$2 million is from taxpayers. The rest

was raised by the Andover Youth Foundation.

"We're at the point where the youth center is starting to get built here," Andover Youth Services Director Bill Fahey said. "Every penny we raise is going to outfit a portion of the building we didn't have the money for."

The telethon will be broadcast live on Comcast channel 8 and Verizon

channel 47. A phone bank run by volunteers will take pledges. The event is hosted by Andover youth basketball coach E.J. Perry and track coach Peter Comeau, with Superintendent Marinelle McGrath also slated to do a stint as host.

Viewers can expect an expanded "multimedia area" this year tapping into the social media audience.

Last year, multimedia efforts brought in \$25,000 for the cause.

Meanwhile, Chris Huntress, chairman of the Youth Center Building Committee, said last week that if the construction site isn't too wet or too frozen, heavy equipment will begin arriving next week.

The contractor will then begin the five- to six-week

process of installing a foundation, after which steel will be delivered some time in May. Next, cranes will be used to set the steel framework of the building onto the concrete footings, he said.

"There are actually seven pieces of the building," Huntress said. "Each piece was constructed independently."

Once the steel is up, pre-built, panelized wall pieces will be dropped into the steel building, at which point, Huntress said, "it starts to look like a traditional building."

The exterior of the building should be completed by the fall, with interior work set to be finished by Dec. 1 for a grand opening.

Regardless of whether construction is under way, the telethon will include live telecasts from the construction site featuring an excited group of local youths, Fahey said.

"The public can see where we are in the process. Their sense of excitement will build like the kids and people involved in the project," he said. "... No matter what, we'll be shooting something from that site."

For more on the telethon, visit [www.cormieryouthcenter.org](http://www.cormieryouthcenter.org). To pledge during the event, call 978-623-8241.

# Organ and choral evensong union at Christ Church

An Organ Recital and Choral Evensong highlight the next offering in the

Music at Christ Church 2013-14 series on Sunday, March 30, at 4:30 p.m. at

the church, 33 Central St., Andover.

The performance marks the renewed collaboration of composer and director Nicholas White and organ recitalist and Christ Church minister of music Barbara Bruns.

White is chairman of the arts and director of chapel music at St. Paul's School in Concord, N.H., and also music director of The

Boston Cecilia. He will bring 20 select young vocalists from St. Paul's School to join the Parish Choir at Christ Church for the performance.

White will direct the combined choir in his own "Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis" commissioned in 2013 by St. Mary's Church in Newton Lower Falls and set for choir, oboe and organ. Oboist Jane Harrison and Japanese organist Reiko

Okamoto will accompany.

The program will also include an organ recital by Bruns dedicated to the memory of her father, a United Methodist pastor and missionary to Japan, who died recently. Selections will include J.S. Bach's organ chorale with ornamented melody on the hymn "Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier" and the "Prelude and Fugue in E Minor" ("The Wedge"),

plus pieces by Jehan Alain. Bruns is also associate conductor of The Boston Cecilia.

The concert will feature the recently installed organ, Opus 137, by C. B. Fisk, Inc. of Gloucester.

The public is invited. A free will donation to support the music programs at Christ Church is welcome. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

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# Medley of gospel and more for Andover Baptist

It's a busy musical weekend ahead for Andover Baptist Church, which has two concerts planned.

First up is a unique concert collaboration with Temple Emanuel of Andover. Rabbi Robert Goldstein said in anticipation of the upcoming observance of Passover, and to honor the memories of three martyrs of the civil rights movement, the Andover Baptist Church Choir will join with members of Temple Emanuel in a "Voices of Freedom" celebration on Friday, March 28, at 7 p.m.

The free concert, to be held at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover, will feature music



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Heavenly Hits will perform as part of Saturday night's gospel concert fundraiser at Andover Baptist Church.

from both the African-American and Jewish traditions with an emphasis on

bringing together people with a shared history of oppression.

The evening will begin with a brief service led by Goldstein and Cantor Idan Irelander. Then, the baptist church's choir and musical ensemble led by music director Michael Belcher will perform. The public is invited.

Then on Saturday, March 29, Andover Baptist Church's Unity Choir presents a gospel concert fundraiser at 6 p.m. at the church, 7 Central St.

The choir will be accented by soloists Lura Smith and Anita Maldonado as well as the Rev. Dr. Gregory E. Thomas Institute Choir and a performance by Heavenly Hits.

Tickets are \$15 and will be available at the door.

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## Hometown direction for chamber players

The Essex Chamber Music Players under the artistic direction of Andover flutist Michael Finegold welcomes violinist Andrew Kohji Taylor of Brookline who will join pianist David Allan Pihl in a concert of music from the Romantic and Baroque periods on Sunday, March 30, at 2 p.m. at Northern Essex Community College, 100 Elliott St., Haverhill.

The program will feature works by Arvo Pärt, Bach, Brahms, Chopin, Liszt and Quantz. Finegold will collaborate with the pair on the Quantz piece, as will guest cellist Priscilla Bellairs, a professor emerita of English at NECC.

"The Brahms Sonata for Piano & Violin in A Major," which features the violin and piano equally, is the major work on the

program, Finegold says in a release. But the other pieces are worth a listen, too.

"The beautiful, mystical and emotionally wrenching contemporary music of Arvo Pärt, though less familiar to the general public, is a must to hear and will win you over," Finegold says. "Pärt's works are influenced by Gregorian chant, and his 'Fratres' is a virtuosic violin gem."

The Essex Chamber Music Players is devoted to the creation and presentation of new classical music along with great musical treasures of the past. The nonprofit group has been in residence at NECC since 1999.

Sunday's performance takes place in the David Hartleb Technology Center. Tickets are \$15 general admission, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students, with NECC students admitted for free. For more information, visit [www.ecmp.org](http://www.ecmp.org) or email [Finegold@ECMP314@comcast.net](mailto:Finegold@ECMP314@comcast.net).

## Comedic satire bound for Rogers Center

"Tartuffe," a comedic satire about a chronic con artist, is preparing to beguile audiences next week when it hits the stage of the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College in North Andover.

Written by Jean-Baptiste Poquelin Molière, the play follows Tartuffe, who finds his mark in Orgon, an affluent and politically connected man of unquestioned faith. Molière's play, banned after its first performance in 1664, has gone on to provoke laughter worldwide for centuries.

Merrimack College students and alumni deliver this latest production. It is directed by Kathleen Sills, Merrimack College's chairwoman of visual and performing arts, and stars alumnus Dave LeMay, class of 2002, and students Mike Semonelli, Meaghan Looney, Erin Beausoleil, Andrew Joyal, Brendan Doherty, Josh Canner,

Moriah Goldblatt, Arianna Kirby, Will Lee, Tony Rossetti, Lissette Schum and Ally Lewis.

Performances are Thursday and Friday, April 3 and 4, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 5, at 2 and 7:30 p.m. on the Merrimack campus, 315 Turnpike St. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$5 for college students and faculty. Visit [www.merrimack.edu/community/rogers](http://www.merrimack.edu/community/rogers) or call 978-837-5355.

## A dog's world at Essex Art Center

Essex Art Center at 56 Island St. in Lawrence has gone to the dogs this spring with an exhibit of canine portraits.

The show featuring work by Anna Dibble, Nancy Diessner, Sandy Flanagan, Damon Lehr, and Samuel Price runs through April 17. For more information, call 978-685-2343 or visit [www.essexartcenter.org](http://www.essexartcenter.org).

Got an item for Out & About? Email [townsmen@andovertownsmen.com](mailto:townsmen@andovertownsmen.com).



# Townspeople

## YMCA leaders take entrepreneurial trip to India

The first coalition of the new Merrimack Valley YMCA Social Entrepreneurship Institute enjoyed a 10-day trip to India this winter, where participants became immersed in communities that rely on sheer entrepreneurship and innovation to survive.

The trip was the culmination of last year's formation of the Social Entrepreneurship Institute, an initiative designed to create a space for innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship aimed at increasing the organization's impact within the communities it serves.

For nine months, the Merrimack Valley YMCA equipped the institute's first group, comprised of executives, program directors, board members, development staff and community volunteers from the organization, with the knowledge, skills, resources and connections necessary to weave social entrepreneurship into the programs and initiatives of the local YMCA.

Then in February, the group traveled to India to allow the members to gain a deeper perspective of how social entrepreneurship is working in other parts of the world.

The Merrimack Valley group toured New Delhi YMCA programs, including a community center located in a slum, a self-help group that encourages women to save and enable micro-lending to individuals in need, a counseling center and an international school and special



Participating in the Merrimack Valley YMCA Social Entrepreneurship Institute's recent 10-day trip to India were, bottom left to right, J. Shamila Doris, secretary of the Madurai YMCA, which is a partner to the local Y; Rev. S. Suyambu, general secretary of the Madurai YMCA; Stephen Ives, president and CEO of the Merrimack Valley YMCA; Deborah Hope, Merrimack Valley YMCA board member; Cathleen Landry, chief financial officer of the Merrimack Valley YMCA; Katie DesBois, director of grant management and research for the Merrimack Valley YMCA; Rosa Lopez, secretary of the Merrimack Valley YMCA board; Anne Whalen, executive director of the Methuen YMCA; Ali Beauchamp, business manager of the Lawrence YMCA; Shannon Delany, YMCA Day Camp Otter director; and Alex Turek, executive director of the Andover/North Andover YMCA

education training center that generated income for the YMCA's social service programs. The trip also included a visit to the Merrimack Valley YMCA's partner facility, the Madurai YMCA.

Ali Beauchamp, business manager for the Lawrence YMCA, said in a release that the trip was "very inspiring and empowering."

"The impact of the YMCA

projects in the communities in India opened my eyes and allowed me to look for opportunities to collaborate with others on solutions to issues that affect our communities," she said in the release. "We should look inside our community and see where there is a need and how we can contribute to the cause in a self-sustaining way."

Since returning from India, the group's members

have begun to implement their own social enterprise projects in the local communities in hopes of using the YMCA platform to create positive change within the Merrimack Valley. Anyone interested in learning more about the Social Enterprise projects can contact Stephen Ives, president and chief executive officer of the Merrimack Valley YMCA, at [sives@mvymca.org](mailto:sives@mvymca.org).

### TOWNSPEOPLE

#### New board director for Harvard Club

William J. Stearns III of Andover has been elected a board director of the Harvard Club of Andover. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in liberal arts from Harvard



William J. Stearns III

University, Extension School and a juris doctorate from Massachusetts School of Law in Andover.

A member of the Massachusetts Bar Association, Stearns is also a high-tech engineer in medical, commercial, aviation, military research and program development. He served on numerous local committees in New Hampshire before moving to Andover.

The Harvard Club welcomes new members who are graduates, faculty members or administrative staff of all Harvard University schools. The club sponsors a variety of educational events, scholarships, philanthropic projects as well as the Harvard Prize Book Award awarded at local high school graduations. To learn more, visit <http://harvardclubofandover.com/> or contact Richard Soo Hoo,

club chairman, at 978-470-2293 or [richsoohoo@aol.com](mailto:richsoohoo@aol.com).

#### Garden Club member judges Boston show

A longtime member of the Andover Garden Club was part of the Landscape Design Council's panel of judges for the 2014 Boston Flower & Garden Show this March.

Frances Wheeler, who serves on the Landscape Design Council board, contributed to the council's selection of three awards for landscape design of a naturalistic garden of less than 1,000 square feet, landscape design of a professional garden exhibit and the most effective use of garden ornaments, water features, specimen trees or topiary in creating good design.

The Landscape Design Council of Massachusetts was organized in 1963 to provide ongoing landscape-design education through speakers, workshops and tours of outstanding public and private areas. The Massachusetts chapter is the largest council in the country.

To submit an item for Townspeople, email [townsmen@andovertownsmen.com](mailto:townsmen@andovertownsmen.com).

## Knights of Columbus Fish Bake, collection drives set

The Andover Knights of Columbus 1078 is holding its last Lenten Fish Bake of the season on Friday, March 28, at St. Augustine Parish Center on Essex Street.

A fish dinner will be served, complete with clam chowder, cole slaw, rice and french fries. There will be pizza for the kids and ice cream sundaes will be made. The Knights' own Irish band will perform. Donation is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children.

The council is also collecting canned goods for Lazarus House in Lawrence Saturday and Sunday, March 29 and 30. Donations may be dropped off in the St. Augustine Church parking lot all weekend. The Lazarus House truck will be parked alongside the rectory to

accept contributions. Monetary donations are also welcome.

Next weekend, the Knights will be collecting funds for veterans at St. Augustine Church as well as helping out at the annual Run for the Troops road race downtown on Sunday, April 6. As in past years, the funds collected will support the construction of specially designed homes for disabled veterans wounded in service to the country.

Call Grand Knight Paul Dollard at 978-470-1476 for more information on any of the events or activities.



## Washington house call

Andover neurologist Dr. Shabbir Abbasi, standing, far right, was part of an American Academy of Neurology team that recently met with U.S. Rep. James McGovern, standing, second from left, in Washington, D.C., to discuss the Medicare sustainable growth rate issue. Abbasi, who is with New England Neurological Associates headquartered in Lawrence, joined with other neurologists, including two from UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester, one from Boston Medical Center and another who works at Harvard University, for the meeting.



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### Your Dental HEALTH

by Nicholas T. Papapetros, DMD, FAGD



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# Education

## Up to the challenge



Judges sport silly hats while preparing for the start of the "Dig In" challenges as Andover High School played host to the Massachusetts Destination Imagination regionals on Sunday.



Members of the "Counting Stars" team, from left, Susan Matteucci, dressed as the moon; blocked by Anna Higgins, dressed as the sun; and Sara Earl, holding a thought bubble that says, "I love me, too, but you're eclipsing me!" perform during the "Laugh Art Loud" segment of the Destination Imagination regionals Sunday at Andover High School. The team is comprised of students from Andover's Doherty Middle and West Elementary schools.



Cameron Kirn, a member of the "Warheads" team from Bancroft Elementary School in Andover, sends a hanging basket down the line as judges look on during the "Dig In" challenge.



Jessica Liao, center, talks with her "Get Ready to be Amazed" teammates from West Elementary School in Andover as they get set for their "Pande-monium" challenge during Sunday's competition.

MARY SCHWALM/  
Staff photos

## Andover wins big as Destination Imagination tourney returns to town

### STAFF REPORTS

Andover teams shined on Sunday as the Massachusetts Region 5 Destination Imagination Tournament returned to town after a five-year hiatus. Andover High School hosted the tournament that brought 92 teams of young people from 15 Essex County communities to town to compete.

The event saw the highest participation ever of Andover teams, with 27 groups boasting about 140 students from every public, and most private, schools taking part. A record eight of those local teams won first place and the right to advance to the states this Saturday at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Destination Imagination is a global organization sponsoring creative-problem solving competitions for youths in kindergarten through grade 12. The competitions help students learn creative problem-solving, teamwork, collaboration and communication skills.

Each fall, the global DI program releases new challenges in each of its seven categories — technical, fine arts, scientific, structure, improvisation, service learning and a special, noncompetitive program called "Rising Stars" for children in kindergarten through grade 2.

Sunday's tournament was the culmination of weeks of work by the students on their chosen challenges. Hundreds of spectators were on hand as the young competitors presented their diverse ideas, complete with eye-catching props and artwork, innovative technical devices, handmade costumes and more.



Sami Sylvester, left, and Katy Clancy, members of the Bun Headz team from Andover's Doherty Middle School, explain one of their props to the judges after completing their "Going to Extremes" challenge.

Andover produced winners in five of the challenges for children in grades three through 12, with 13 teams placing in the top three of their age groups. While seven teams comprised of Andover kindergarten through second-grade students showcased their solutions, that age group does not compete or move on to the states.

In the technical challenge, "Dig In," where children had to design a technical device to move objects from one place to another, Andover had three winners. Teams from Bancroft Elementary and Doherty Middle schools both won their division, while a West Elementary School team placed second.

For the scientific challenge, "Going to Extremes," where students had to research extreme environments and create a skit about adaptations that humans might make to survive there, Andover had

winners in all three age groups. Teams from West Elementary, Doherty Middle and Andover High placed first, while a Wood Hill team came in second. The Doherty team received a coveted Renaissance Award for design and engineering of their extreme environment.

The fine arts challenge, "Laugh Art Loud," required students to research a piece of art and use inspiration from it to create a live comic book story. At the Middle Level, a combined West-Wood Hill team placed first, with a Doherty team close behind in second. The West-Wood Hill team also earned a Renaissance Award for the construction of its technical device.

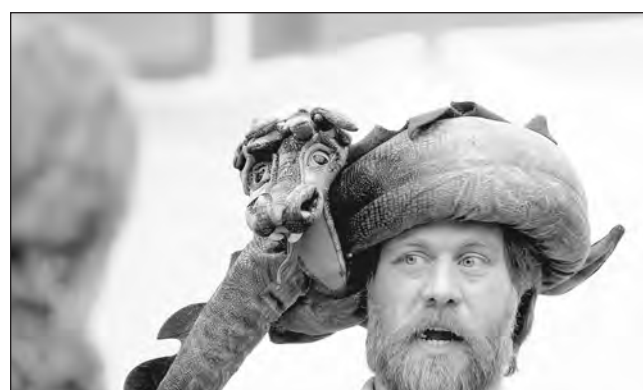
For the improvisational challenge, "Pandemonium," where students researched occupations from several time periods as well as various methods of using stage

make-up, elementary teams from Andover's High Plain and West Elementary schools rocked the competition by sweeping all three places.

A West Middle team also placed first in the structure challenge, "The Tension Builds," where the group had to build a structure out of wood, glue and fishing line that held a great deal of weight. The team's structure weighed less than 74 grams and held 135 pounds.

Stephanie Maze-Hsu, the town's Destination Imagination coordinator and an executive board member of the Massachusetts Destination Imagination, said while a sense of pride and accomplishment goes with winning, the lessons of DI go far beyond the placement at a tournament.

She said in a release that more than a dozen high and middle school students from



Joshua Farber, Destination Imagination regional challenge master, sports a dragon hat during the "Laugh Art Loud" portion of Sunday's regional Destination Imagination competition. Farber said he wears the hat so if a challenge runs behind schedule, he can say, "Sorry we're dragon."

More photos online at [andovertownsmam.com](http://andovertownsmam.com)

Andover have been participating in Destination Imagination for more than five years, and they all find ways of giving back to the DI community by coaching younger teams, helping to set up for the tournament and doing many other service activities. Several eighth-graders and the entire high school team were team managers for the younger teams this year, following a strong tradition of this type of mentorship in Andover, she added.

"The pull this activity has on these busy teenagers is the life lessons that they learn," she said in the release.

Maze-Hsu pointed to the comments of Andover High Junior Joseph Vetere, who told Principal Christopher Lord that participating in Destination Imagination has helped him get through school.

"Through DI, I have learned so many valuable life lessons

and a set of skills that 90 percent of 11th-graders don't have," he said to Lord. "The best example is that I know that not all problems are solved right away. Some take a lot of time and effort to discover the root of the problem. However, after eight years of DI, I can say with great confidence that I've learned that if I'm willing to work through a problem I'm facing, there is nothing that can't be solved."

John Vetere, president of the Andover DI organizing group, "Challenge Me, Inc.," agreed that Destination Imagination "is changing kids' lives, one challenge at a time."

"More than ever our local, national and world community needs people who can look at difficult challenges and work constructively to identify creative solutions and implement those solutions despite setbacks and changing conditions," he said in the release. "DI is an integral part of creating the very best next generation of leaders."



Parents and friends capture the moment with their cameras as members of "Aliens and Candyland" compete in the Rising Stars Circus during Sunday's Destination Imagination regionals.



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**REUNIONS**

**Andover High class of 1974 planning 40th**

The Andover High School class of 1974 is making plans for its 40th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Tewksbury Holiday Inn at 4 Highwood Drive.

Organizers are trying to put together a weekend of events, which could include a brunch, hikes and leaf-peeping outings and a round of golf in addition to the main function. Suggestions for additional activities are welcome.

The function hours, fees and activities are still being determined and will be announced in the coming weeks. Members of the 1973 and 1975 graduating classes are also welcome to attend.

To register, to see who is attending and to stay updated, visit the class website at [www.Andover74.org](http://www.Andover74.org) or contact Patty Healy-Osborne at 603 672 9092 or [heals74@gmail.com](mailto:heals74@gmail.com) or Kevin J. Burke at 781-665-1785 or [jb\\_a@verizon.net](mailto:jb_a@verizon.net).

Anyone interested in booking a room at the Holiday Inn should call the hotel directly at 978-640-9000; reduced rates for attendees are available.

**North Andover High class of '74 sets date**

The North Andover High School class of 1974 is planning its 40th class reunion on Saturday, Oct. 4, at North Andover Country Club. For more information, contact Donna Scott Breen at 978-618-7052 or [smilee.breen@gmail.com](mailto:smilee.breen@gmail.com) or Kim DiSalvo Sapienza at 508-320-9700 or [kimm.sapienza@gmail.com](mailto:kimm.sapienza@gmail.com).

**PRESENTATION OF MARY ACADEMY HONOR ROLL**

The following local students were named to the second quarter honor roll at Presentation of Mary Academy in Methuen:

- Highest Honors**  
**Grade 12:** Eun Chae (Jane) Hong, Eun Jin (Lydia) Ki, Heather Lacourse, Dongwoo Ryoo  
**Grade 11:** Seung Woo (Simon) Ro  
**High Honors**  
**Grade 11:** Mallory Frerichs  
**Honors**  
**Grade 12:** Woo Kyoung (Julie) Kim

**Furry friends**



COURTESY PHOTO

Michelle's Menagerie paid a visit to Connie Barber's kindergarten class at South School recently. The interactive live animal presentation is one of the curriculum enrichment programs South School offers its students.

**EDUCATION NOTEBOOK**

**Preschool screenings set for May**

The Andover Public Preschool Program located at Shawsheen School is currently accepting appointments for tours

and screenings for children seeking enrollment in September.

Openings are available in the full- and half-day sessions for children ages 3 to 5. Tours are being

arranged for Fridays, May 2 and 16.

Call Mary Kay Poe at 978-623-8850 to schedule a time.

More information is available online at [www.aps1.net](http://www.aps1.net).

**LOCAL SCHOLARS**

Meghan Bodette, a member of the Academic Decathlon Team at Austin Preparatory School in Reading, was awarded a silver medal in art and a bronze medal in science during a recent competition.

Bodette, a sophomore, competed at the scholastic level. The Austin Prep team scored second out of 15 competitors, racking up 19 individual medals across six of the seven categories.

Its strong showing automatically qualified the team for the state finals this month.

Sam Guttentag, a senior at Landmark School in



COURTESY IMAGE

Landmark School senior Sam Guttentag won an honorable mention for his mixed-media piece "Headdress" in the Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards.

Beverly, recently won two Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards. Guttentag received honorable mentions for his mixed-media piece titled "Headdress" and a print titled "Chasing Leaves."



COURTESY PHOTO

Andover High's Marissa Howell is presented with her award by U.S. Rep. John Tierney at this year's 6th Congressional District High School Art Show at Montserrat College of Art in Beverly.

More than 9,500 pieces were submitted in this year's competition by students in grades seven through 12 from public and private schools throughout Massachusetts. Landmark School, a boarding and

**Dream come true for 2 local LEGO fans**

Two of the world's biggest LEGO fans happen to live right here in Andover. And this spring, they'll be putting their LEGO know-how to the test when they serve on the inaugural Junior Construction Panel for the new LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston at Assembly Row in Somerville.

Ethan Kutz, 9, and Spencer Belson, 8, are among 12 junior ambassadors who were chosen out of more than 600 applicants ages 5 to 12 to help resident master model builder Ian Coffey at the new attraction set to open May 23.

Ethan and Spencer were selected by Coffey after they submitted applications with a video that answered the questions: "What makes you the biggest LEGO fan and why should you be on the Junior Construction Panel?" The applicants were judged on the creativity and enthusiasm exhibited in their submissions,

and the imagination conveyed in their LEGO models.

"I was floored by the number of entries for our Junior Construction Panel contest, and so impressed with the creativity of New England's young LEGO fans," Coffey said in a release. "I've been building with LEGO bricks since I was a child and I can't wait to meet the junior ambassadors and see their imagination and building skills first hand."

The first assignment for Ethan and Spencer will be to help Coffey at the grand opening celebration.

LEGOLAND Boston, a 44,000-square-foot indoor attraction geared toward children ages 3 to 10 and their families, is the first attraction of its kind in New England. It will feature millions of LEGO bricks as well as interactive activities, rides a 4D cinema and more. Visit [www.legolanddiscoverycenter.com/boston/](http://www.legolanddiscoverycenter.com/boston/) for information.

day school for students in grades two through 12 with language-based learning disabilities, such as dyslexia, received 37 awards overall, making it one of the highest-placing private schools in the state.

Andover High School student Marissa Howell was recognized at this year's 6th Congressional District High School Art Show. Her piece titled "My Father and His Horse" was selected Best of School at the annual competition, winning the right to be displayed at Montserrat College of Art in Beverly.

The exhibit featured 124 pieces of artwork by students at 25 high schools and one home-schooled youth. The students were honored for their artwork by U.S. Rep. John F. Tierney at an awards ceremony on March 8. The competition was open to high school students from

public and private schools and home-schooled youths within Massachusetts' 6th District.

Senior Elise Gorzela and juniors Charlotte Rogers and Anastasio Wallingford were named to the first trimester honor roll at Worcester Academy, a co-educational day and boarding school for grades 6 to 12 in Worcester.

Junior Azniv G. Nalbandian earned honors for the fall 2013 term at Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire.

Senior Jacqueline Musso earned first honors for the second quarter at Bishop Fenwick High School in Peabody.

Peter Traub was named to the honor roll at Minuteman High School in Lexington. He is a sophomore studying engineering technology.

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# Sports

## Former Andover star takes talents to Fisher College



Courtesy photo

Shawn Carlson, here pitching for San Jacinto College in Houston, has returned to Boston as a starting pitcher for Fisher College.

By BILL BURT  
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Shawn Carlson loved the thought of finally being a starting pitcher again, a role he starred in at Andover High five or so years earlier.

After having "Tommy John" surgery while a freshman at junior college powerhouse San Jacinto College in Houston, he stayed for two more years to pitch out of the bullpen, before transferring to

Fisher College in Boston to play for Scott Dulin this past year.

Dulin wanted Carlson to be a starter, too.

"I was really nervous at first," Carlson said. "It's a lot different as a starter, you know for four or five days, which I why I like it. But it's different. As a reliever you pitch one inning, maybe two. It took some time adjusting to start again."

Well, not that long. After coming in as a reliever in his first game and taking

the loss in a 1-0 game, he started the last two games, allowing three earned runs in a 4-2 loss and then, last week, pitching seven shut-out innings (he allowed five hits, struck out six and walked three batters) in a 1-0 win over Houston-Victoria in Houston.

It capped a remarkable four-game sweep and sent Fisher home with its best southern trip (11-7) in program history.

"Shawn has proven to be a huge addition to

this pitching staff and the team," Dulin said. "Don't let his quiet and unassuming nature fool you. When he steps on the mound, he is a fierce competitor who is driven to do well and win games."

"He has made a good transition to the starter role. I think he has learned a lot from being a reliever. As a reliever, he had to come in and attack hitters right away and now he

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## Oteri sets sights on state lacrosse title game

By MICHAEL MULDOON  
Staff writer

John Oteri is a physical presence on the football field and on the lacrosse field.

The Andover High senior was being recruited for both sports, but recently decided to play lacrosse at Pace University 30 miles outside of New York City.

Oteri recently spoke about future lax showdowns against his brother, meeting Denzel Washington and his favorite sports memory.

**What are your thoughts on the upcoming lacrosse season?**

"I think we have a great opportunity to do something pretty special. There is a lot of buzz around the school about what we can do."

**What goals have you set for yourself?**

"I definitely want to get all-conference again and possibly higher. The ultimate goal is to be playing at the state championship game at BU. Whatever gets us there is my goal."

**Are you healthy?**

"One hundred percent right now. Full steam ahead."

**How big are you?**

"6-3, 212 pounds."

**What are your strengths and weaknesses?**

"I've been described as a strong, downhill middle who can shoot both left and right. I feel like I'm a pretty strong defensive player as well. On defense, I can have a better understanding of some team concepts. I can work on my run shot and left hand shot."

**Do you have any college plans?**

"I just verbalized to Pace. It's a huge weight off my shoulders. The recruiting process wears you down. It's nice to have the commitment and be happy with where you are going."

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## Ivy League leader

### Cornell-bound Dean a four-year star on AHS volleyball court

By DAVID WILLIS  
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FILE PHOTO

Alec Dean, seen in action last season, is heading into his fourth season as a star player for the Andover High volleyball team. He's setting his sights on the states to cap off his volleyball career.

There was a time, not that long ago, when the idea of starting for the Andover High volleyball team terrified Alec Dean.

"I was so scared as a freshman," he remembered with a laugh. "Before my first game, I went out and started warming up about two hours too early. I was very nervous, but after a while I began to settle in."

Three years later, Dean is bursting with the well-deserved confidence of a senior captain with a pair of All-Conference seasons to his name.

The outside hitter — who earned early admission to Cornell University in New York — now hopes to turn that experience into a deep tournament run this season, which the Golden Warriors kick off tomorrow by hosting Milford.

"Alec brings tremendous skills to the court," Warriors coach E.J. Perry said. "He has great skill and lots of experience as a three-year starter and two-year captain. He is a well-respected leader and a great player."

Dean credits those skills — which allowed him to average 15 kills a night last season — to a unique start in the sport.

Growing up, he learned volleyball playing almost exclusively with girls.

"My dad got me into playing volleyball in elementary school," he said. "At both High Plain Elementary School and Wood Hill Middle School, there was an after-school volleyball program. No guys played, so I was always playing with and against girls."

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## St. Augustine scores 3 league hoops championships

St. Augustine School in Andover rocked the spirit of March Madness earlier this month as several of its teams earned championship victories to close out the season in the Merrimack Valley Catholic Basketball League.

The league, directed by veteran coach John Vitulli, showcases the talents of fifth- through eighth-graders, many of whom attend area parochial schools, including St. Augustine, St. Michael's, St. Joseph's, Sacred Heart and St. Monica's, among others.

Vitulli maintains the spirit of the league, which hosted 10 playoff games on its very own Super Sunday, March 16.

This year, five teams from St. Augustine School advanced to the final round — the grade 5 and 8 girls teams and the grade 6, 7 and 8 boys teams.

Michael O'Dea, who has coordinated and directed St. Augustine School's participation in the leagues, said the school's presence in the finals made for an exciting day of basketball.

Three teams — the Grade 6 Boys coached by Chris Falvey and Randy Farina, the Grade 8 Girls coached by Kasey O'Dea, Sister Kathleen Leary and Meghan Buggy, and the Grade 8 Boys coached by Stephen Reddy and Peter Seward — left the court as league champions.

"Earning three team victories in the finals speaks volumes about our kids' dedication to the game and the value the league continues to bring to the community," O'Dea said.

For more on the league, visit [www.mvcb.com](http://www.mvcb.com).



The St. Augustine Grade 8 Girls team won the finals behind the coaching of Kasey O'Dea, Sister Kathleen Leary and Meghan Buggy.



Courtesy photos

The St. Augustine Grade 6 Boys team was led to victory by coaches Chris Falvey and Randy Farina.



The St. Augustine Grade 8 Boys team secured the championship trophy with the help of coaches Stephen Reddy and Peter Seward.



# Gray lands big at nationals

Mackenzie Gray of Andover, a junior at The Governor's Academy in Byfield, had another successful showing at the New Balance High School Indoor Track & Field National Championships in New York City earlier this month.

Last winter, Gray qualified for Indoor Nationals in triple jump in the Emerging Elite Division, placing second.

This year, she qualified at the Elite Championship Level for triple jump, finishing fifth for juniors and 14th overall.

She also qualified this year in the long jump, finishing third in the Emerging Elite division, just 1/4 inch behind second place.

Earlier in the season, Gray won the triple jump at USA Track and Field's New England Indoor Championships at Harvard University in the open division, which included high school and collegiate competitors.



Mackenzie Gray of Andover finished 14th overall in the triple jump – fifth for high school juniors – in the Indoor Track & Field National Championships in New York. COURTESY PHOTO

# OTERI: Lacrosse player eyes state championships

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**What will it be like playing against your brother, Tim, who plays at Merrimack?**

"It will be wild. Usually he's had the upper hand. Hopefully in college I can get him."

**Do you like lacrosse better than football?**

"Most of my career I pursued lacrosse. I'm a little more of a lacrosse player, but football has place in my heart, also."

**When did you start playing lacrosse?**

"Second grade."

**What's your favorite personal athletic achievement?**

"Definitely Thanksgiving junior season. It was pretty special to get the W against Central and to play in front of like 8,000 people. It was pretty surreal."

**Do you play any other sports?**

"In the winter, I just fine-tune my skills for lacrosse season."

**Who is the best athlete you've ever played against?**

"My brother is a pretty good athlete. He's a big dude (6-4, 200), strong and



Andover's rugged midfielder John Oteri, right, a Pace University recruit, fires a shot. FILE PHOTO

fast."

**Do you work?**

"It's sports and school. I coach at Lazer Lax, Coach Pug's (Andover coach Wayne Puglisi) camps, in

the summer."

**What's something people don't know about you?**

"I can juggle, I dabble." **Do you have a nickname?** "Too many to list."

**If you were named principal, what's the first thing you'd do?**

"Oh, man! Get rid of the hall monitors and bring the school dances back to what they were."

# CARLSON: Comes back to pitching after surgery

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takes that same plan into the starting role. He's a very

coachable player with all kinds of upside."

Carlson said working with Dulin this early season has

opened his eyes.

"Coach has been incredible in giving me confidence that I can succeed," said

Carlson, who now resides in Lawrence. "I feel like a different pitcher now."

# DEAN: Makes name for himself on volleyball court

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"That is how I learned the game, and it really helped a lot. The girls game is a totally different game. It is very focused on passing, not hitting like the guys. So playing with the girls helped make me a strong passer. Once I moved to the guys game, hitting came pretty easy to me."

Dean had no trouble fitting into the men's game when he arrived at Andover High, earning a starting job as libero as a freshman. But gaining the poise to star against much older players did not immediately come.

"It was probably about three games in when I started to feel comfortable," Dean said. "During that game, our coach then (Dave Kuykendall) pulled me aside and yelled at me for being too nervous. He told me, 'You are better than most of the guys on the court. Play like it.'"

"After that, I started playing the girls game that came naturally to me, and it worked."

Dean finished his freshman campaign in impressive fashion, placing fifth on

the team with 97 digs, 178 serves received successfully and 12 aces.

But his greatest memory turned out to be a loss, when the No. 12 Golden Warriors nearly shocked top-seeded Haverhill in the Division 1 North tournament.

"We went to (the maximum) five games and it was just incredible," he said.

"Half of their team played Division 1 volleyball and it was so close. It was nearly an upset and I was just hooked. I loved it."

Dean continued to break out as a sophomore, earning All-Merrimack Valley Conference honors. Again playing libero, he led the Warriors with 281 serves received and was third in digs (163) and aces (27).

But he faced a new challenge heading into last season, as Kuykendall stepped down as coach due to work commitments and football coach E.J. Perry, a former state volleyball champion coach in Salem, N.H., took over as head man.

"We really went in not knowing what to expect," Dean said. "I had talked to my friends from Salem and they said he was very

intense. I was nervous. It was almost like going back to my freshman year and trying out again. But it soon became natural with Coach Perry."

The transition to Perry didn't slow Dean. Moving to outside hitter, he averaged 15 kills, six digs and four blocks each match, again earning All-MVC honors.

Following that season, Dean began setting his eyes on his senior season.

"I am taking this year more serious than ever, because it is my last year," said the captain. "It is my last chance and I want to be as good a player and a leader as I can for this team."

"Last year's record (9-12) was a little disappointing. I think we have the potential to have a great year. We have a lot of seniors with a lot of experience and some very talented newcomers."

One of those newcomers happens to be Dean's little brother, freshman Devin, who is drawing comparisons to a pretty talented player.

"It's a little bit weird having my brother there," Alec Dean admitted. "I try to push him, but I don't wan

to push him too hard just because he's my brother. He's exactly like me out there when I was a freshman. He grew up playing with the girls, too, so he is learning the boys game. I like having him out there. I know I can trust him."

**Star in the classroom**

The volleyball court isn't Dean's only area of excellence. He is also a superstar academically.

Dean is currently enrolled in Advanced Placement Spanish, physics C and biology and scored a 2,100 on his SATs.

For his efforts, he earned early admission to elite Cornell University, where he will study engineering.

But before his athletic career comes to an end — Cornell does not have a volleyball team — he wants to go out with a bang.

"Our first goal is to at least make the playoffs," he said. "After that, we want to at least earn a Division 1 title and we would love to play for a state title. I am expecting more from this team. We have a shot."

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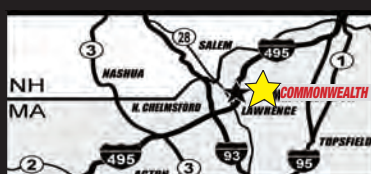


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Essex Probate and Family Court  
36 Federal Street  
Salem, MA 01970  
Docket No. ES92P0537GR2  
**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION TO EXPAND THE POWERS OF A GUARDIAN**  
In the interests of: Richard W Lally, Jr. of Andover, Ma  
**RESPONDENT Incapacitated Person/Protected Person**  
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Patricia Recesso of ANDOVER, MA  
John Recesso of ANDOVER, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court: Expand the powers of a Guardian.  
The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of the appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.  
**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 4/14/2014. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.  
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The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.  
**WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this Court.**  
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36 Federal Street  
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Docket No. ES14P0271EA  
**Estate of:**  
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**Date of Death: 12/13/2013**  
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And also requesting that: **Adrienne S Buckley of Chester, CT** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before **10:00 a.m. on 04/14/2014**.  
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.  
The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.  
**WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 07, 2014  
Patricia Recesso of Andover, MA  
Register of Probate  
AT - 3/27/14

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Essex Probate and Family Court  
36 Federal Street  
Salem, MA 01970  
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Docket No. ES14P0384EA  
**Estate of:**  
Aurore I. Demers  
**Date of Death:**  
03/07/1998  
**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**  
To all interested persons:  
A Petition has been filed by **Dorothy C. O'Brien of Meriden, CT** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before **10:00 a.m. on 04/22/2014**.  
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**WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 14, 2014  
Patricia Recesso of Andover, MA  
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AT - 3/27/14

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**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, April 3, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of ZCR Realty Trust, 20 Chatham Rd., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Art. VIII, §7.9.4.7 and for a dimensional special permit for historic preservation under Art. VIII, §7.9 to subdivide an existing lot into two and to construct a new single family dwelling on the new lot.  
Premises affected are located at 64 Summer St., Andover, MA in an SRA District and are shown on Assessor Map 21 as Lot 112. 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 - 3/20, 3/27/14

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AT - 3/20, 3/27/14

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**1 Somerset Drive:** 1 Somerset Drive LLC to Ping Li, \$872,500

**16 Spencer Court:** A&C Pimental RT and Cheryl A. Pimental to Jill M. and Jason W. Slye, \$825,000

**1 Starr Ave. East:** Peter and Lynda Belanger to Timothy and Jennifer Conroy, \$687,500

Bald Hill Compost Site set to reopen for season on April 12

The locks on the Bald Hill Compost Site on High Plain Road are about to come off for another season. The site opens to residents on Saturday, April 12, and remains in operation through November.

The site is open to residents only; no commercial dumping is allowed. Annual stickers are \$25.

The property contains rich compost, dubbed by some users as "black gold," for use on lawns and gardens. Up to two barrels can be taken per day. Officials say many lawn and garden shops charge \$35 for comparable compost.

Residents can also drop off their leaves and grass clippings at the site, either dumping them in barrels or disposing of them in paper compost bags available at hardware stores. Curbside pickup of leaves and clippings is still available in town during certain weeks of spring and fall, but the Bald Hill site accepts materials all summer and fall.

The site is open 22 hours a week and is monitored by friendly volunteers. Operating hours have recently changed. They are Wednesdays and Fridays from noon to 3 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Stickers are available in the Plant & Facilities office at the Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St. Residents must show proof of vehicle registration to obtain a sticker. Stickers may not be transferred and only vehicles registered to Andover residents and that are less than 10,000 pounds of gross vehicle weight will be admitted.

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