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Rep. Lyons aims to fight heroin 'epidemic' Proposes tougher sentencing laws, more funding for treatment By TIM LIMA

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The war against the heroin side." epidemic has been waged, and Rep. Jim Lyons, R-Andover alties for individuals convicted plan.

ing this," he said. "The enforce- which can mean sentences of ing public health crisis.

Lyons wants to increase pen- dealers.

feels he has the winning battle of heroin distribution and give ers who returned to Beacon Hill old young woman who grew to give the police and the court the costs. prosecutors the authority to last week motivated to address up in Andover. "There's two sides to fight-bring manslaughter charges — what they are saying is a grow-

"People selling this stuff to epidemic into the ground."

deaths that can be tied to wake of a reported heroin over- "People are dying, and the substance abuse programs, dose on New Year's Day that people selling the heroin know which he said are woefully He is one of several lawmak- claimed the life of an 18-year- what they're doing. We need under-funded and don't cover officials the tools to drive this

our kids should be held to a Lyons has also filed legislament side and the treatment 20 years to life — for overdose Lyons' proposals come in the tougher standard," he said. tion to spend more money on

"We need to make sure that

the money is available for

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The Dalton family (from left) dog Cami, Bob, Abrielle, 7, Michelle, and Alison, 10, sled during Ward Hill Reservation's Family Fun Day. For more photos, see Page 13.

Two new candidates in race for Selectmen

BY BILL KIRK bkirk@eagletribune.com

The race is on.

Two people have pulled nomination papers to run for a seat on the Board of

Selectmen, less than a week away from the Feb. 3 deadline for the March 24 election.

Bob Landry, 52, of 4 Seminole Circle, cofounder of a taxpayers' watchdog website, said he is running to give voters a choice between the Bob Landry status quo and someone



Neil Senior

who will ask tough questions and challenge municipal leaders to help taxpayers.

Taking on the pipeline Residents plot course of action against Kinder Morgan

BY BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

the fight.

Last Thursday night, about

western part of town.

Yachnin pointed into the power line corridor. 30 people sat in the fam- darkness beyond the large A stand of trees now ily room addition of David windows that overlook his serves as a buffer between

Yachnin's house at 5 Ells- backyard, noting that the his property and the power worth Road, nibbling on pipeline company wants to lines, comprised of large, baked goods and sipping "clear-cut" trees to make steel towers; wooden poles It might be a David and soda, looking for answers way for a 100-foot-wide and high-voltage cables. Goliath battle, but residents on the natural gas pipeline construction easement and of a couple small, Andover Kinder Morgan has pro- a 50-foot-wide permanent the power lines because neighborhoods are ready for posed building through the easement that could run of the trees," he said. along the edge of an existing "They will clear-cut the

"Right now, we can't see entire stand of trees so my

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Neil Senior, of 14 Alderbrook Road, is running primarily because he is concerned about keeping the school district at a high performance level and generally improving local government.

Two incumbents, Brian Major and Dan Kowalski, have both turned in their nomination papers. Major has been a selectman for 18 years. Kowalski is just finishing up his first term in office.

Bob Landry

Landry said he was running in part because he wants to continue providing taxpayers with the kind of information available on the website he and the late Greg Rigby started together.

"It was not my intention when I started townofandover. com two years ago to ever run for office," he said. If elected, he would abandon the web site but not the main principle it was founded upon - "transparency."

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12-year wait ends as Town Market comes to South Main Street

By JUDY WAKEFIELD jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

Like so many town residents, Tom Walsh has been driving by that laid out concrete on a cleared patch of land on South Main Street for a very long time and wondering what was being built there.

Walsh - and other wonder-ers in town - finally have the answer.

The Andover Town Market is being built at 492 South Main St. (Route 28). It's a project that has been bantered about in town for some 12 years and it's finally being built. Building Inspector Chris Clemente said it was 2003 when the and finally got a call to get and there is a website first permit was filed by a involved. developer. The site was for-

for years.

He works in commercial based in Andover. real estate as president of Facebook regularly has



COURTESY IMAGE

A rendering of the Town Market being built on South Main Street. It's fashioned after an old-time neighborhood store.

merly Lund's Service Sta- and it's going to be great progress of the market's tion and those owners sold with its neighborhood construction. It is schedthe land to a developer who feel ... we're excited," said uled to open in early wanted to build a gourmet Walsh, one of three part- summer, Walsh said. The grab-and-go type market. ners building the Andover market will be open seven Then, the recession hit, Town Market. His other days a week starting at 6 and the project was stalled partners are Matt Morello, a.m., opening at 7 a.m. on who owns and operates Sunday.

Walsh, a married father the Brasseriere 28 restauof three girls, lives on rant on Main Street with market concept," Walsh Penobscot Way and often his wife, Alison, and David said. "We want families to wondered what was going Deloury, who is president come and make memories." on at the long-vacant site. of Deloury Construction,

KSA Realty LLC of Andover construction photographs

andovermarket.com - so "I got involved in 2014 people can follow the

"It will have that town The market will sell lots of take-home goodies

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A first for lieutenant

Newly promoted Blais becomes Andover's highest-ranking female officer

By Tim Lima tlima@andovertownsman.com

Given Andover's long history, ment's history. The formal cerplishment is the first of its kind for the town.

Cecilia Blais, the newest lieutenant in the Andover Police Department, is an exception.

superior rank in the depart- workforce."

which took effect on Jan. 6.

"I'm proud of it; it's an accomplishment," Blais said

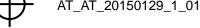
This Thursday night, Blais, last week. "I think it shows that 60, will be officially sworn in women can excel in mostly as the first female to hold the male-dominated areas in the

Blais didn't expect to make it's not often that an accom- emony for all newly promoted law enforcement a career. But and appointed offices follows after marrying her now ex-hus-Blais' official appointment, band, a former Lawrence police officer, the idea intrigued her as

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"We've already made com-

- Bill Kirk, staff writer

be pinned down."

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Feb. 17 pipeline open house appears firm

A pipeline open house week from 6 to 8 p.m. at the for our community and sur- said the meeting would not appears set in stone.

czynski and several resi- near the pipeline route. community of its plans.

planned for the Tuesday of

meeting scheduled for Feb- Wyndham Andover Hotel on rounding communities since be rescheduled because ruary school vacation week Old River Road. The meet- this open house is scheduled arrangements have already ing is part of a series of open during the Massachusetts been made with the hotel Town Manager Buzz Stap- houses for people who live February vacation week," and personnel who will be in

dents of Andover are trying Stapczynski said in a letter dance would be limited to change the Feb. 17 date to the vice president for pub- "because families plan their mitments with the facilities of the meeting set by pipe- lic affairs of Kinder Morgan winter vacation during the for holding meetings at line construction company that the proposed meeting third week in February. The those locations," Richard Kinder Morgan to answer should be rescheduled. He reason to host these meet- Wheatley of Kinder Morgan questions and inform the suggested alternative dates ings is to educate the pub- said. "Unfortunately, we are of Feb. 25 or 26 or March 4 or lic on the project and allow unable to modify the sched-

"The date of this meeting their concerns." February school vacation presents a major conflict

he said. He noted that atten- attendance. Right now, the meeting is 5 "to maximize attendance." them an opportunity to voice ules. Arrangements had to

A Kinder Morgan official

OWN MARKI

CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Town Market, located at 429 South Main St., is a new take on an old-time neighborhood store and will offer sandwiches and prepared foods made fresh on-site.

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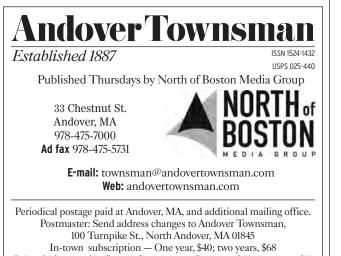
including sandwiches, an outdoor fire pit and two freshly prepared foods, wrap-around porches, he coffee, bakery sweets, said. The market will also ice cream and beer and offer catering. wine. There will be an onsite production kitchen cept is growing across the to ensure food freshness, country, Walsh said, noting Walsh said, and there will that consumers want to do be seating for those who one-stop food shopping

Plans include an indoor fireplace surrounded with seating for about 30 people,

The Town Market conwant to stay at the market. quickly and close to home.

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Tsongas argues for greater public scrutiny of pipelines

BY BILL KIRK

bkirk@andovertownsman.com U.S. Rep. Niki Tsongas

the House of Representatives last week to speak in opposition to a bill that could potentially

controversial natural gas pipelines.

who represents part of amendment to the legisla-Andover discussed how tion, which would exempt the bill has the potential to any pipeline from the arbinegatively impact the pub- trary timelines established lic review process, which in the bill if the proposed has been vital to projects route crosses federal, around the country includ- state or local land desing in the Third District of ignated for conservation Massachusetts.

federal agencies to rush blocked the amendment environmental reviews from even coming to the and assessments of energy floor for a vote. needs, according to a

are currently navigating the ronmental reviews and (Federal Energy Regulatory assessments of the need Commission, FERC) process for natural gas, also hobthat this bill purports to bling decisions regarding improve," she said. "A com- the appropriate size of the pany is proposing to build pipeline to be built. It would a new 250-mile natural gas turn FERC into a super-perpipeline that crosses three mitting agency, an authorstates, including seven com- ity that FERC neither wants munities that I represent. nor has the expertise to I have heard from hun- carry out. dreds of my constituents expressing their concerns have a long-standing hiswith the project. Construc- tory of preserving natural

some of the environmental impacts, but there are still many outstanding concerns that deserve caretook to the floor of ful scrutiny. The proposed route still passes through local farmland, parks, wildlife management areas, wetlands, near schools and across drinking water supplies. My constituents have been grateful for a process that gives them the time to provide input. This bill would short-circuit that process." Tsongas and fellow Rep.

Jim McGovern, also of Mas-The Lowell Democrat sachusetts, proposed an or recreation. However, The bill also could force the Republican majority

"This bill could force release from Tsongas' office. FERC to rush decision-"In my home district, we making, including envi-

"... In Massachusetts, we

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power lines."

Others at the meeting they were approached by his neighbors, were not. the company earlier in the week.

his front door asking to dren attend. speak with him and survey his property.

He refused.

"I called and said, 'You Even though it has been

Ghiloni of 6 Pheasant Run, in fact signed a document but it could have been." property.

to send them a letter to new route. rescind my authority to survey the property."

he had hoped for.

facts," he said after the it in Massachusetts.' right."

New route, same concerns

the meeting have been members of Congress, through this before.

When Kinder Morgan pipeline. first proposed building a was originally going to the project for "greed" line, known as a lateral, and overseas. and watershed land.

vation groups throughout customers overseas. Massachusetts put up such

existing power line and utility corridors. The new pipeline route through Andover is also shorter backyard becomes the than the original proposal by about 3 miles.

While some people were were facing similar sce- happy about the new route, narios, with some saying others, like Yachnin and

Sara Hinchey of Fossen Way said she opposed the Bill Davidson of 8 Pheas- original route because it ant Run said that on Jan. came close to the High 19, representatives of the Plain and Wood Hill company hung a notice on schools, which her chil-

> She was also concerned that the line went through the town's water supply.

are not allowed on my diverted, however, she property," Davidson said. remains a staunch oppo-His neighbor, George nent of the pipeline.

"I still care," she said. was caught off-guard, and "It's not in my backyard,

allowing Kinder Morgan She said when she heard surveyors access to his about the new route, she looked at the neighbor-"He came in and talked hoods it affected and realto me and told me where ized it was going right they were going to put the behind Yachnin's house. pipeline," Ghiloni said, not- She said she knew other ing that it would be just a people on Pheasant Run couple hundred feet from and another family on his home. "Based on what Blanchard Street. All of I heard tonight, I'm going them were affected by the

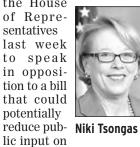
"I called them, and they didn't know anything about Yachnin said that's what it," she said. "This meeting is the first they are learn-"The invitation I sent ing about what's going out to my neighbors said, on. It's a shorter length of 'You'll be shaking your pipeline, but it's still affectheads when you hear the ing people. We don't want

meeting. "I think I was Yachnin said the goal of the meeting was to get people to begin emailing friends and family members and to urge them to A number of people at contact regulators and asking them to oppose the

"We'll get the ball rolling pipeline to bring fracked and hopefully it will snowgas from Pennsylvania to ball," he said, accusing the Northeast, the route Kinder Morgan of doing run through Massachu- and asserting it really just setts, ending in Dracut. wants to sell the natural A spur of the main pipe- gas to Canadian customers

was then set to go into Richard Wheatley, a a sliver of Methuen and spokesman for Kinder then through the heart of Morgan, said the company Andover's conservation has not disguised the fact that some of the gas may Residents and conser- be sold to Canada and to

"It's on our website," he a ruckus, however, that the said. "The primary benefipipeline company diverted ciaries are the Northeast much of the pipeline north and New England, includ-— into New Hampshire — ing local distribution combefore bringing it south panies, which we already again to Dracut, site of a have commitments from natural gas redistribution industrial users, municipalities, proposed LNG The company also export facilities, and it changed the route through could also be Canadian "We move the gas for steering it away from customers and shippers," schools and other neigh- he added. "It's the purview borhoods, and "co-locat- of customers and shippers ing" the pipeline using where they want it to go."





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tion of the pipeline could habitats and protecting jeopardize local wildlife open spaces for the puband will impact both state lic benefit, and we have and federally designated invested significant public conservation land, as well resources toward these goals. Members should have been given the opportunity "Thanks to extensive pub- to vote on whether or not

hub.

Andover, avoiding most customers. of the conservation land,







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The web site put a spotlight on town spending practices by the press and posted on his assisted living projects, spe- particularly regarding health great quality of schools and a may approve something today, posting town employees' sala- website, Landry, who owns his cial education, the proposed insurance contracts for town great quality of life." ries, health insurance contract an employee benefits broker- Kinder-Morgan pipeline, and employees. At the urging of information, and details about age firm, said "the next Board the Chandler Road neighbor- townofandover.com, the town dent, he said he has a fourth- structure problems?" pensions, OPEB (Other Post- of Selectmen will decide a hood that pushed back against manager put employee health grader and "it's important for Employment Benefits) costs number of important issues, the Town Yard proposal. and capital projects.

said, that information "would ing a solution for the mas- for leaders who listen." be coming straight from the sive unfunded liabilities for town. So people don't have to retiree health benefits, and Selectmen will have an impor- ance costs translates into more scores have been pretty good expired," he said. "There's got put in FOIA (Freedom of Infor- prioritizing a long list of capimation Act) requests to get tal projects. basic information. The town mation out."

dacy provides voters with a added. choice between two incumfor taxpayers.

"Residents of Andover are democracy. arguing and engaging like

want elected officials who are and engage on a number of taxpayers." listening to them and holding town issues including the town officials accountable."

including the selection of

"Above all else, I want Selectnew town manager. Reginald should be pushing this infor- men who ask tough questions 'Buzz' Stapczynski earlier this are 10 percent of the budget." and hold town leadership month announced his retire- he said. "It's \$16 million out of a principal who left abruptly. lington. He and his wife Ali-He also said his candi- accountable to taxpayers," he ment after nearly 30 years on a \$160 million budget." the job.

He noted that recently, bents who represent the status town residents have grown be looking for someone who from Harvard, lives with his quo and a newcomer who will more and more agitated on a has "next-generation quali- wife, Line, and their two chil- about the future of the town Meeting in a few years shake things up and look out number of issues, something ties with a clear track record dren Alex, 11, and Emma, 9, schools, particularly in light because in his previous job he Landry said is part of a health of being a strong negotiator in both of whom attend Sanborn of the fact that there are sev- traveled a lot. His new job, he

"We have seen many groups the next town manager "has up in Burlington, Mass.

never before," he said. "They of Andover residents organize to be a strong advocate for the Neil Senior

Merrimack College dorms, the been critical of Stapczynski's ing here because of "what but they have an impact on In a statement issued to Strawberry Hill and Elm Street handling of several issues, Andover had to offer, which is the town," he said. "While we "This is a good thing and I The result was a much lower the best in the state. But there about. If he were a selectman, he the next town manager, find- think it demonstrates the need bid offer, ultimately bringing are concerns, especially at the down the cost to the town. Landry said the Board of

Any savings in health insursix months, which is to hire a of the budget.

"It's (health insurance costs)

Landry, a graduate of Holy Landry said the town should Cross who also has an MBA it funding or leadership?"

Senior. 49, has lived in town increasing costs even further. In recent years, Landry has about seven years, after mov-

high school level."

tant job to do over the next money available in other parts at the elementary and middle to be a better way to manage school levels, "high school the town going forward." results have been declining over

He said he is concerned collective bargaining." He said Elementary School. He grew eral "multi-unit development said, will allow him to be in projects" that could add more the area more.

children to the school district,

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"I'm not saying they are bad, how does that impact schools, Originally a Boston resi- public safety and overall infra-

He said it's not just schools, contracts out to bid last year. me that the schools remain however, that he's concerned

"Firefighters went four years without a contract, and as soon For example, while MCAS as we get it signed, it's already

Senior is a vice president the last few years. And we had of Avid Technologies of Bur-I want to understand what's son live with their daughter going on at the high school. Is Isabel, a fourth-grader. They also have two grown children.

He said he hasn't been to

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treatment," he said. Because of the limited funding, many addicts are forced admitted for help, he said.

get treated for a broken ankle," the street who need treatment, but can't get it because we don't have the funding."

Many of the dozens of bills Lyons, have strong bipartisan support.

Rep. Linda Campbell, a Demdoses to police in a more timely juana use. manner, which she said will 'facilitate more effective targeting of narcotics trafficking."

effort to target drug gangs and leads to the next set of drugs." human traffickers.

the most restrictive in the in 2010 to 863 in 2013, accord-

phones of suspected narcotics dramatic increase. dealers. Their use of wiretaps only "organized crime."

Attorney General Maura year. to wait 30 days before getting Healey, a Democrat who was heroin addiction.

several theories. He said that heroin in her car. while the over-prescription of ocrat who represents Methuen painkillers and the very low 18-year-old Kelly Johnson, a forers to report fatalities from over- with over-acceptance of mari-

Campbell is also sponsor- traced some of the heroin over- reported heroin overdoses. ing legislation with Rep. Paul doses back and saw what their the state's wiretapping laws to was, I'd be interested to see the involved in a lengthy legal batinclude cellphones, as part of an results. I definitely believe it the with her parents, said it's a

Massachusetts has seen a which dates to 1968, is among doses in recent years, from 526 said. cials say. Unlike federal laws, it Public Health. Figures for 2014 to this report.

doesn't allow law enforcement are not yet available, though to get warrants to tap cell- anecdotal evidence suggests a

Officials in Essex County say are restricted to cases involving heroin overdose deaths more than doubled in the region last

As of last week, Andover sworn into office last Wednes- Police Department had already "Imagine waiting 30 days to day, has said she will consider administered Narcan, a drug legal action against pharma- meant to reverse the effects of he said, "We know people are on ceutical companies to prevent heroin and bring someone out the ongoing abuse of prescrip- of an overdose, on four people tion painkillers that can lead to in January alone. One 24-yearold girl was revived as she lay When asked why the heroin on the ground by the intersecfiled, including the one by epidemic has grown out of con- tion of Interstate 495 and Route trol in the first place, Lyons had 28, believed to have just used

But it was the death of and Haverhill, wants to require cost of heroin are key factors, mer Andover resident who overhospitals and medical examin- he also thinks it has a lot to do dosed while at a New Year's Eve party in town, that has brought increased attention to the grow-"A lot of our kids are using ing problem in the community. marijuana at younger and Last year, three young people in younger ages," he said. "If we their early 20s and under died of

Lyons, a former neighbor of Tucker, D-Salem, to update first involvement with drug use the Johnson family who was tragic situation.

"My thoughts and prayers go The state's wiretapping law, steady climb in fatal opioid over- out to the Johnson family," he

CNHI Statehouse reporter nation, law enforcement offi- ing to the state Department of Christian M. Wade contributed

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she raised her two children retired Sgt. Barbara Connollyin Andover. She joined the Kiley, who was not only the Andover Police Department first female in the department, in January 1986.

at Doherty and West middle ver's first female lieutenant. schools, where she worked full-time from 1996 to 2000."

In her 14 years as sergeant, leading a night shift from Blais amassed various hon- within the department. ors, including being named Officer of the Year by both having raised a daughter the Trauma Intervention and son who are now 40 and Program of Merrimack Val- 38 respectively, Blais knows ley and the Exchange Club of she's approaching the end of Lawrence.

different things in the depart- next three years. ment," she said.

when police Chief Patrick plyloves. Keefe told her she was being retired Lt. Henry Collins.

a great job as a lieutenant," indoors."

Keefe said, "She was No. 1 on the list and she deserves

it.' Having worked with now-

but also its highest-ranking In her almost 30 years on woman when she retired three the force, she started the years ago, Blais said she knew DARE (Drug Abuse Resis- immediately that the promotance Education) program tion would make her Ando-

The promotion comes with a bump in pay to a salary She then spent a year as a of \$114,464. Beginning Feb. court officer before earning 1, she'll go from her street her sergeant rank in 2001. assignment as a sergeant to

Now living in Haverhill, her career. She anticipates "Tve been lucky to do a few retiring sometime in the

But for now, she's focused Even with all her success, on doing a job that she sim-

"I like dealing with people promoted to lieutenant, Blais and helping people, assistsaid the news came as an ing them with whatever honor. She replaces recently problems they're having at the time," she said. "I "She's done a great job for enjoyed being a supervisor us as a patrolman, as a ser- from the street, and now I'm geant and I'm sure she will do looking forward to moving



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo Veteran police officer Cecilia Blais has the honor of being the first female lieutenant in the history of the Andover Police Department.

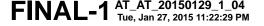
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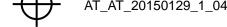
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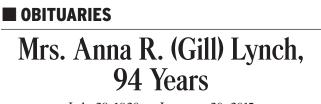
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July 29, 1920 — January 20, 2015

ANDOVER — Mrs. Anna R. (Gill) Lynch, a lifelong resident of Andover and beloved wife of the late Mal Lynch, passed away at the Steward Holy Family Hospital in Methuen on Tuesday evening, January 20, 2015. She was 94 years old.

Born in Andover on July 29, 1920, she was the beloved daughter of the late Joseph and Bridget (Schoefield) Gill. Anna was a graduate of Punchard High School in Andover. She had a very witty and engaging sense of humor and was a very devoted wife, mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother and friend. She will be dearly missed.

of Hampton, N.H., Vincent Andover, on Saturday, January 24, her husband, Michael J. Mc- Andover on Friday, January 23, mond J. Lynch and his partner, was held in St. Augustine Cem-Kelly Connor, Julie Zaremba, the Nevins Nursing & Rehabilita-Sean Darwin, Ryan Lynch, tion Center, 10 Ingalls Court, Methto her 13 great-grandchildren. family.



ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral She is survived by her lov- Mass was celebrated in St. Auing children, Judith A. Lynch gustine Church, 43 Essex Street, M. "Mickey" Lynch of Wells, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. Relatives and Maine, David F. and his wife, friends attended. Calling hours Valerie Lynch of Cape Ned- were in the Burke-Magliozzi Funerdick, Maine, Cathleen L. and al Home, 390 North Main Street, Donald of Haverhill and Ray- 2015, from 4 to 7 p.m. Interment Kristal Kaylor, both of Roch- etery in Andover. Donations in ester, N.H.; grandchildren, Anna's memory may be made to Erin Corbin, Meghan Matson, uen, MA 01844. The family would Maggie McDonald, Sarah Mc- like to sincerely thank the staff at Donald, Mark Lynch and Telia Nevins for their care and compas-Lynch and was known as "GG" sion shown to Anna and her entire

Joseph Alfred LaMontagne, 91

December 28, 1923 – January 22, 2015

ANDOVER - Al LaMon- and Jessica, Michael and Rustagne died in the Andover sell LaMontagne and eight home of his daughter, Abi- grandchildren, Rachel, Migail, on January 22, 2015, in chael and Katherine O'Hara, the company of family. He was Esther and Jethro Cohn, and born in New Bedford, Mass., Farrah, Dahlia and Opal LaMlived most of his childhood in ontagne. Weymouth, Mass., and was **ARRANGEMENTS: Visiting hours** called "Al" by friends and fam- were held at Conte Funeral Home ily his entire life. Al is survived in Andover on Saturday, January by his wife of 57 years, Sheila 24, from 3 to 6 p.m. Info and full Geary LaMontagne, and his obituary at www.contefuneralfour children, Abigail O'Hara, homes.com.

WHAT'S HAPPENING: **CENTER AT PUNCHARD**

The Center at Punchard special interest seminar, \$5. (The Center), 30 Whittier Tax Talk, Friday, Jan. 30, 9:30 Court, Andover, has several a.m. Debbie Cutrona, who upcoming programs. Here has 33 years of experience are some of the highlights: preparing tax returns and

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By Tim Lima

LeBlanc.

St. Augustine School in Andover, along with parishioners of the church, traveled to Washington, D.C. last week to participate in the largest pro-life event in the world.

The 42nd annual March for Life last Thursday, Jan. 22, brought tens of thousands of people together on the National Mall to mark the landmark 1973 Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade.

"Many different groups from St. Augustine joined this event as a visible witness of their support for the most basic right to life," Danette Morris wrote in a release.

Meghan Lovett, assistant School in Lawrence principal of St. Augustine School, and parent chaper- gious education proone Chris Falve traveled by gram at St. Augustine, bus with six seventh- and approached Youth Minster that they are prepared to

accompanied on the bus by a group of students from St. Michael School in North Andover and joined hundreds of other middle and high school students from across the Archdiocese of Boston at the rally.

It was St. Augustine School's first time participating in the March for Life. The local contingent left on the night of Jan. 20 and arrived in Washington, D.C., the next morning. They returned home last Friday.

"We were very excited to join the Archdiocese of Boston and students from around the nation in prayer and support for the dignity of life," Lovett said.

Emily Conlin, a junior at Central Catholic High and teacher in the reli-

eighth-graders. They were Katie Scanlon LeBlanc last month and voiced her interest in attending the March for Life.

"So many people have told me that it takes one person to make a difference," Conlin said. "I took the initiative to be that one person. It's amazing to see powerful is that? I'm just how so many people are so passionate about this. It really opens your eyes."

In addition, Theresa Gorey, a veteran of the March for Life who leads the Pro-Life Ministry at St. Augustine, also traveled by Shrine. They were also bus with more than 50 others from the local parish and the community.

Gorev said she's happy to see the numbers of young pro-lifers increasing each year.

"It warms the heart to see them marching, chant- ally on the eve of the ing beautiful pro-life slo-

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Emily Conlin, Jules Teichert, Megan Hartnett, Ava Nicholls, Tina Conlin, Diana Nicholls and Youth Minster Katie Scanlon

Courtesy Photo Members of the St. Augustine youth group who attended last week's March for Life in Washington, D.C., include, from left,

St. Augustine students, parishioners join March for Life

she said. LeBlanc said that the March for Life is about a culture and attitude of life.

defend life in the womb,"

"We're here because there's a real sense of dignity about the human person," she said. "How excited to attend with our small group."

The night before the march, the group attended Mass given by Archbishop of Boston Cardinal Sean O'Malley at the National able to visit a few museums before they left.

Several other people from the area traveled down for the march. Those who could not attend joined a Holy Hour for Life, which is held annumarch in almost every

days through Feb. 11, 10 to tions; free. 11 a.m. Focus on patriotism and discuss selected figures Again, Monday, Feb. 2, 1:30 such as Cato, George Wash- p.m. Do you have a special ington, Abraham Lincoln, brunch spot or a favorite bed George Patton and Theodore and breakfast destination? Roosevelt; \$6.

longtime artisan Ann Lange. two to check out; free. Participants will finish the class with at least one com- Thursdays, Feb. 5 and 12, 6:30 pleted project. This long- to 8:30 p.m. Georgia Renfroe, running crafting group is sculptor and jewelry maker, open to all; \$25, includes all teaches the basics of bead materials.

ing, Thursday, Jan. 29, 6:45 make earrings, bracelets and p.m. Julie Bernardin of The a necklace, plus talks about Executor's Assistant offers design, color and how to plan motivation and practical a "matching set" of jewelry; steps to begin the process BoomerVenture program, of shedding possessions and \$20.

discusses what delaying or avoiding downsizing can community. However, space mean for seniors and their is limited and registration is families; BoomerVenture required.

Patriotism: Life's Lessons representing clients before through Great Books, Wednes- the IRS, will answer ques-

Bright Ideas: On the Road Where do you go when the Fiber Arts, Wednesdays weather is perfect? Share through Feb. 11, 10 a.m. your ideas with others and Learn this ancient craft from perhaps find a new place or

Jewelry-Making Workshop, stringing, wire wrapping DownSizing to RightSiz- and simple jewelry design to

All events are open to the

gans, and carrying signs that clearly tell the world

parish throughout the Archdiocese, including St. Augustine.

Andover man pleads guilty to \$149K in Social Security fraud

should have stopped when 2003 to 2014, Griffith contin- died. his father died more than a ued to receive his deceased decade ago.

Graeme Griffith, 60, \$149,285. pleaded guilty to theft of public money on Thursday, part of an ongoing effort by month.

Judge Mark L. Wolf sched- the posthumous fraud of uled sentencing for April 16. Social Security benefits.

Griffith's father died in 2003, but his monthly Social family members, knowing

In many of these cases,

An Andover man has Security benefits continued they are not entitled to gov- to take the deceased perpleaded guilty to steal- to be directly deposited into ernment benefits, continue son's benefits. ing more than \$149,000 in a joint bank account in his to withdraw and spend the Social Security benefits that and Griffith's names. From funds after a relative has U.S. Attorney's Office has

> father's benefits totaling Security Administration \$1 million in stolen govern-This case was brought as through the Medicare Non- of a Newburyport man. Utilization Project, in which

Since October 2013, the prosecuted several such One of the ways the Social cases involving more than detects this kind of fraud is ment money, including that

In October 2013, John Jan. 22, after being charged the U.S. Attorney's Office in the agency investigates peo- Flaherty, of Newburyport, with a felony earlier in the partnership with the Social ple receiving benefits who was sentenced to 10 months Security Administration to are at least 90 years old and in prison and was ordered U.S. District Court Senior investigate and prosecute who have not used their to pay \$168,830 in restitu-Medicare Part B benefits tion for taking his deceased for three or more years. In mother's Social Secusome instances, the agency rity benefits, which were learns that such a person is directly deposited into a actually deceased, but a sur- joint bank account after her

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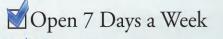
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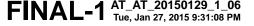
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Selectmen eye \$637K farm property on Shawsheen River

LOCAL

BY BILL KIRK bkirk@eagletribune.com

sible conservation land — ment group. Tewksbury.

owner, Jean Tisbert, who ing to Selectman Chairman has lived on the property for Dan Kowalski. more than 50 years.

the property.

erty on the Merrimack River, before it can be sold to anythe town now has its eyes one else, or assign that right 20 identified as priorities for

River that has an address in Board of Selectmen hasd approved the use of \$800,000 New Hampshire with her through Tewksbury. been scheduled to hold a originally set aside for the son and daughter-in-law, Douglas said the property sheen River frontage. The land currently public hearing this week to purchase of the Reichhold who are building a house is near two other conservaincludes a farmhouse and a determine whether to exer- property — a deal that fell there. half-dozen animals, includ- cise either of those rights, through two years ago — to ing two pigs, two cows and but the blizzard postponed buy other possible conserva- Interstate 93 was built, the Reservation owned by the land is the protection of the two horses, according to its the hearing to Feb. 2, accord- tion land.

An agricultural tax exemp- several weeks to consider the Conservation Commis- would be doing with the was access, because you tion, known as a 61A, was the property purchase. Town sion placed a bid of around land. placed on the property Tis- officials are refusing to dis- \$500,000 for the land. Phillips ANDOVER — After failing bert's late husband placed. cuss the land deal publicly instead sold the property to tion Commission agent you're in a boat. to purchase the old Phillips As a result, the town has the because negotiations have the abutting Andover Com- Bob Douglas, the land is Susan Stott, the land Academy boathouse prop- right to buy the property been behind closed doors. panies for more than \$2 "two-thirds uplands," with acquisition manager for

The property was one of million.

to buy the 8-acre Phillips She and her husband had Reservation, owned by the Monday for their regular Selectmen have been boathouse property on the seven children, all of whom Andover Village Improve- meeting in the third-floor She has a buyer who has meeting in executive ses- Merrimack River — also on went to school in Andover. ment Society, or AVIS. offered to pay \$637,000 for sion with the Conservation the list of priority properties She said she did not know He noted that the primary Town Offices. The Tisbert

the rest as wetlands along AVIS, said her group has Tisbert, 78, whose hus- the winding Shawsheen been in discussions with the

Commission over the last — failed after selectmen and what the prospective buyer concern with the property land deal is on the agenda.

have to go through Tewks-According to Conserva- bury to get to it, unless

a way to preserve the Shaw-

"AVIS is looking at it pretty tion properties, including closely," she said. "The most Tisbert said that before the 25-acre Lightning Tree important thing about this

> Selectmen meet at 7 p.m. conference room of the

Homeowner calls order to remove tanks 'harassment'

BY BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

Town officials are once owner of 2 Dufton Road, reached for comment. ordering him to remove gasoline and propane tanks from simply a case of "more his property because they harassment." could create a safety hazard to the neighborhood.

Chief Michael Mansfield sent ing assertions they have no a letter to Joe Boyer, who grounds for. I don't have illelives on the property with gal propane. It's ridiculous." his wife and two children, inspector during a tour.

Mansfield said the tanks Land Court judge. violated the safety code.

when the items have been cent to his property. notified of any changes to the regarding his mortgage. property.

court," he said. "We are in the process of trying to seek the best and most expedient way to go about this.

Building Inspector Chris again taking aim at the Clemente could not be

Boyer said the letter was

"I'm not in violation," he said. "I haven't done any-Earlier this month, Fire thing wrong. They are mak-

The fire chief's letter was ordering him to remove 20, written in response to obser-5-gallon propane tanks and vations made by Clemente, a number of gasoline tanks who toured the property in identified by the building December with several other town officials as well as a

that there would be a follow- Boyer in 2008 for storing "harassment." up inspection of the property. items in his yard under huge

US Bank foreclosed on the may include going to housing macy of the bank's claim. a 48-hour eviction notice,



FILE PHOTO

Joe Boyer stands outside his house at 2 Dufton Road last The Land Court judge was August. He has been fighting a bank foreclosure and a series He set a Jan. 16 deadline for on hand as part of a case of eviction notices for several years. He calls the town's removal of the tanks and said the town brought against latest effort to order the removal of tanks from his property

Boyer is supposed to con- tents and in a tractor-trailer He said because mortgages something that has happened tact the town and the bank parked on the sidewalk adja- were traded as commodities six times already, Boyer said. in the run-up to the Great removed, Mansfield said, Boyer also has a case pend- Recession, the ownership of to court and got authorizaadding that he has not been ing in the state Appeals Court many foreclosed properties tion to do another eviction remains clouded.

We are moving forward property in 2008, but Boyer ceeded in getting another "They pulled the wool over with legal proceedings that has challenged the legiti- authorization to send out the court's eyes."

"They (the bank) went even though the appeal However, the bank has suc- is still pending," he said.

Rose Glen Drive property condemned by health agent

BY BILL KIRK bkirk@eagletribune.com

director of public health, bathroom ceiling showrecently told the owner ing signs of water leaks. of 16 Rose Glen Drive in a Finally, he said there were letter that she must vacate problems with "impedthe property until a num- ing the means of egress ber of health violations and failing to maintain it have been resolved.

In an interview last condition.' week, Carbone said, to get her back in there as ... These conditions reprequickly as they can."

further details of the case, such it may not be occusonal matter.

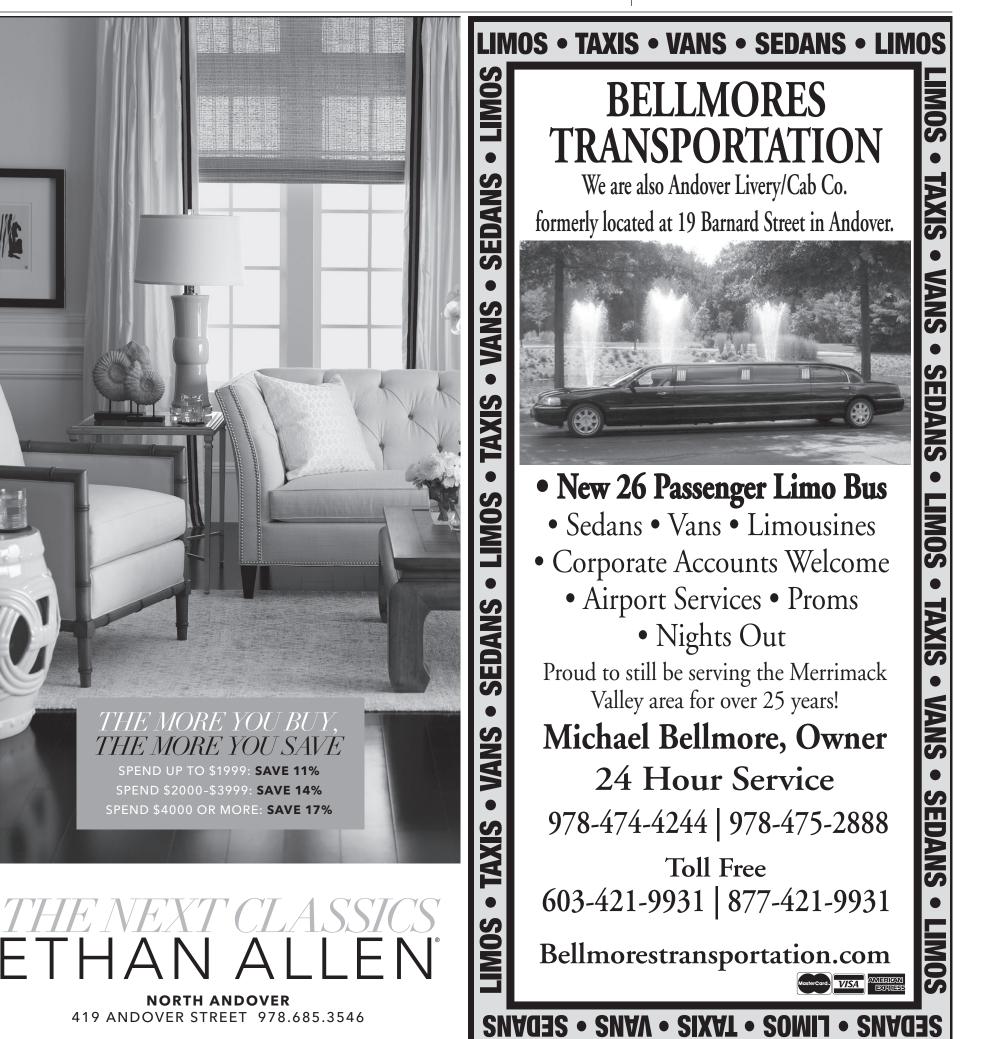
In the letter, however, he said the home was seven days to appeal the unsafe for habitation due order, but in the meantime to a number of problems, is not allowed to live there, including mold, the odor he said. of feces, broken and leaking water pipes, refuse reached for comment. throughout the house, lack

of smoke and CO detectors, lack of running water in a bathroom and unsanitary A house on Rose Glen conditions in other bath-Drive has been condemned rooms, a stovetop in nonby the town's health agent. working condition, a front Tom Carbone, the town's entrance in decay and a (the property) in a safe

The Jan. 14 letter goes "We've told her she can't on to say the "situation live there. It's for safety constitutes a violation of reasons. They are trying the State Sanitary Code. sent a threat to impair or He refused to divulge any endanger public health. As saying it was a highly per- pied until this office conducts an inspection ... "

The property owner has

The owner could not be



set on another piece of pos- to a nonprofit land manage- open space acquisition dur- band died two years ago, River. He said the property Conservation Commission ing last year's Town Meet- hopes to sell her property is only reachable by canoe about the property and is 20 acres on the Shawsheen On Monday night, the ing. Voters at that session soon so she can move to from Andover, or by going interested in it primarily as

> address for the farm was Conservation Commission Shawsheen River." Last month, an attempt Greenwood Road in Andover. and the 4-acre Sanborn

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3 NY men charged with cocaine trafficking

LOCAL

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men believed to be part of the release said. The third a major cocaine trafficking suspect who had stayed in operation are facing 15 to one of the vehicles then 20 years in jail and up to a tried to flee, but was quickly \$500,000 fine following their stopped by uniformed arrest last week in Andover. Andover officers, police said.

of a River Road gas sta- a white powdery substance tion on Jan. 21 by detec- consistent with cocaine or tives assigned to Andover another drug in plain view. Police Department's Substance Abuse Unit led police placed in custody, detectives to the three suspects and 2 located two "large packages kilograms of cocaine with of white powder wrapped in a street value of approxi- plastic," which later tested mately \$80,000, according to positive for cocaine, the a press release issued by the release said. Along with department.

men come and go from two paraphernalia.

located at 138 River Road. Detectives approached the

drivers of both vehicles as Three New York they were outside talking, The routine surveillance Officers said they observed

After the men were the 2 kilograms of cocaine, At around 9 p.m., the detec- detectives seized masks, cuttives noticed three suspicious ting agents and other drug

vehicles at the gas station, Arrested and charged the release said. While the with cocaine trafficking gas station is not identified and conspiracy to violate



Andover police detectives seized 2 kilograms of cocaine with a street value of approximately \$80,000 following the arrest of three New York men on drug trafficking charges last week.

in the release, the police controlled substance laws 350 St. Anns Ave., Apt. 7N, 49, of 2715 3rd Ave., Apt. 3A, Tejeda, 31, of 566 W 159th St., of 15 to 20 years and up to a log lists the gas station as were Hector Moquea, 31, of Bronx, N.Y.; Roberto Reyes, Bronx, N.Y.; and Edward Apt. 3, New York, N.Y.

POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY TIM LIMA tlima@andovertownsman.com

Friday, Jan. 16 Arrest

was arrested at 7:20 p.m. on change. a warrant charge.

Sunday, Jan. 18 Arrest

ment, was arrested on The bag was thrown out. Main Street at 2:30 a.m. and charged with operating without possession of a license, speeding in violaand operating under the at 4:11 p.m. and charged with influence of liquor.

Accidents

was called to transport one police that a man was drink- trolled substance laws. person to the hospital with ing in a Railroad Street parkneck pain. This was just ing lot, and put the beer in his four minutes after a differ- trunk when they saw him. ent vehicle went off River Road, where no injuries were reported.

Monday, Jan. 19 Incidents

A woman reported at 6:48 a.m. that her car was broken into overnight on Pine Street. Robert Slayton, 49, of 49 She said that nothing of value

cables running out of it. Offi- trolled substance laws. Naty Pereira, 32, of 29 cers reported that it contained Dracut St., 3rd floor apart- electric cord and old clothes.

Tuesday, Jan. 20 Arrest

tion of a special regulation arrested on Railroad Street cocaine. of liquor and having an open N.Y., was arrested on River A vehicle went off of the container of liquor in a motor Road at 9:12 p.m. and charged

Incidents

were no injuries reported.

Wednesday, Jan. 21 Arrests

Hector Moquea, 31, of 350 Wildwood Road, Andover, was taken - only some loose St. Anns Ave., Apt. 7N, Bronx, office, yelling at the manager ing a motor vehicle with no A Brook St., Andover, was N.Y., was arrested on River and his assistant. Officers inspection sticker. A caller at 11:45 a.m. Road at 8:54 p.m. and charged spoke to the man, and he left reported a backpack left with trafficking cocaine and the area. on Wild Rose Drive had conspiracy to violate con-

> Edward Tejeda, 31, of 566 W 159th St., Apt. 3, New York, N.Y., was arrested on River Gleason St., Methuen, was the roadway on Pioneer Cir-Road at 9:02 p.m. and charged arrested at 2:07 p.m. on River cle at 11:07 a.m. with unlicensed operation of Road on warrant charges. a motor vehicle, operating Chad W. Roycroft, 37, was to endanger and trafficking 72 Beach St., Haverhill, was dle of the river off of Andover an ambulance, though the

operating under the influence 3rd Ave., Apt. 3A, Bronx, rant charges. roadway on River Road at vehicle. According to police with trafficking cocaine and 4:05 p.m. An ambulance records, a caller notified conspiracy to violate con-

Incidents

Toyota Tacoma driving reck- possession of a Class A Merrimack College for assault, ing on a Sunday, a violation of lessly at 2:05 p.m., hitting the substance. A two-car crash was Route 93 guardrail a couple of reported on South Main times before getting off of the Abbott St., Lawrence, was ceny from a person.

Thursday, Jan. 22 Arrests

Friday, Jan. 23 Arrests

Michael Garafolo, 28, of 70 High St., Clinton, was

Street at 5:45 p.m. There highway. Police searched the arrested on Burnham Road area but did not find the car. at 3:59 p.m. and charged with Day Break Shelter, Lawrence, An employee of Town Hall operating a motor vehicle was arrested at Elm Square called police at 2:34 p.m. to with a suspended license, at 1:48 p.m. and charged with report that a male subject supplying a false name and disorderly conduct. was in the Town Manager's address to police and operat-

Saturday, Jan. 24 Incident

called to report that one of vehicle equipment violations. Jose Diaz Jr., 25, of 9 their plows struck a car in

access it.

Sunday, Jan. 25

Arrests Kurt James Carnaroli, 22, of arrested on River Road at 19 Maddie Way, Bellingham, Road reported at 1:58 p.m. State Police reported a red 1:16 p.m. and charged with was arrested at 4:02 a.m. at that a contractor was workbreaking and entering in the the bylaw. Officers reported Pedro Santiago, 31, of 61 nighttime for a felony, and lar- that Merrimack College han-

Tejeda was additionally charged with operating to endanger and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

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Police Chief Patrick Keefe praised the diligent work of the detectives and uniformed patrol officers.

"Drug abuse is one of the great evils in society, and we will not tolerate the trafficking of illegal drugs through our community," Keefe said in the release. "Our Andover Police detectives did an excellent job in exercising patience and diligence to take three drug traffickers off the street and remove a large quantity of cocaine from potentially hitting the streets."

The suspects were held without bail pending arraignment in Lawrence District Court. Those convicted of trafficking over 200 grams of cocaine face a jail sentence \$500,000 fine.

Mark Hutchins, 56, of the

Dana Owen Hoyt, 23, of 16 arrested on Essex Street at 9:11 p.m. and charged with operating under the influence of liquor, failure to wear a seat The Highway Department belt and miscellaneous motor

Incidents

A woman reported falling on some ice next to the Old A caller reported that there Town Hall on Park Street at Jonathan Sylvester, 26, of is a bike on the ice in the mid- 1:55 p.m. She did not request arrested at 10:50 p.m. on Street. Officers reported that officers reported the side-Roberto Reyes, 49, of 2715 North Main Street on war- the bike had been there for walk was very icy. The area a while, and they can not was blocked off with traffic cones, and the Department of Plants and Facilities was notified that it had to be salted.

> A resident of Rock Ridge dled the situation.

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Andover Community Meeting

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National Grid invites members of the Andover community to learn more about the Merrimack Valley Reliability Project

Date: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 Andover Town House, 20 Main Street Location: Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

What is the Community Meeting?

The Andover Community Meeting is an opportunity for all Andover residents, businesses and other members of the community to meet with staff and experts from National Grid to learn about the Merrimack Valley Reliability Project, a proposed transmission line that will be built along the existing rights-of-way in seven towns in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

What is the Merrimack Valley Reliability Project?

The Merrimack Valley Reliability Project (MVRP) is a proposed new 345-kV overhead transmission line stretching from Londonderry, NH, to Tewksbury, MA. The MVRP is one component of the Greater Boston and New Hampshire Solution, a response to the growing demand for electricity in the area. This project will play a critical role in updating the region's electrical transmission system to ensure increased performance and reliability, while producing substantial economic benefits in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

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Cozying up with a book



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Extremely cold weather earlier this month kept Emily Ahern, 9, of Andover inside Memorial Hall Library with a good book one recent Saturday. This was her very first visit to the library since her family moved to Andover at the start of the new year.



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Public hearing set for playground

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chance to weigh in on a pro- toric Commission Vice Chair- and a sand box. posed playground redevelop- man Diane Derby said. ment project for Ballardvale on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. components — one for 2- to although they would be sepa-

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that the playground at Bal-

the proposed improvements maneuver through. would be sure to give it a face-

the town's Deputy Director of installed.

There is little argument Plant and Facilities Ed Ataide. lardvale Park at Clark and for younger children would nice for the community," safety and other areas rusting, spiral slides and obstacles to comments.'

There would also be three lift. "This change is a pretty swing sets, including a tire The public will have the big deal for Ballardvale," His- swing designed for toddlers,

The existing ball field and The proposed new play- basketball courts would Park during a public hearing ground will be split into two remain, Townson said, The Ballardvale Historic 5-year-olds and the other for rated from the playground Commission is hosting the 5- to 12-year-olds, said Ellen by new fencing to help prohearing in the third-floor Townson, a Conservation Com- mote safety. A new parking conference room of the Town mission member who is at the area would also be built and Offices building, 36 Bartlet forefront of the effort with new park benches would be

"I don't think anybody is The playground designed going to say it wouldn't be Andover streets has seen bet- mimic a train car, with a small Derby said. "The public hearter days. With broken parts slide on its tail end. A larger ing is to make sure that people of the playground currently area for older children will are aware of the plans and removed or boarded up for include climbing ropes, big have the opportunity to make

Police revive overdose victim with Narcan

heroin." he said.

By Tim Lima tlima@andovertownsman.com

An overdose victim has Nar- Police were the first to respond overdosing. can to thank for reviving her a to the scene and were attendcouple weeks ago, police said. ing to the unconscious female. Andover from heroin overto her car by the intersection was brought to the hospital.

of Route 28 and Interstate 495, Heseltine said.

motor vehicle told officers breathing. Andover police year, according to Heseltine.

HEALTH BRIEFS

Red Cross blood drives set for next week

The American Red Cross is holding two blood drives in town next week.

On Thursday, Feb. 5, Faith Loss support group Lutheran Church at 360 South Main St. will be welcoming donors from 2 to 7 p.m.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

donating blood and to sched- accepted, be understood, and ule an appointment, download offer acceptance and underthe Red Cross Blood Donor standing to someone else in App, visit www.redcrossblood. need. org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767).

Surviving Suicide

The Samaritans of and 19. Merrimack Valley, a program The Masonic Lodge at 7 of Family Services of the Merrimack Valley is a pro-High St. will hold its blood Merrimack Valley, runs sup- gram of Family Services of the drive on Saturday, Feb. 7, from port groups for survivors of Merrimack Valley. Call 978suicide loss called Safe Place. 327-6657 or visit www.FSMV. The Red Cross says donors Safe Place is for anyone who org for more information. of all blood types are needed, has lost a loved one to suicide.

that the victim had just used officers and firefighters all are certified to carry Nar-According to Heseltine, State can to treat people who are

Four people have died in An unconscious 24-year-old Andover police then arrived doses in the last year. The latwoman believed to have over- to assist, at which point offi- est, 18-year-old Kelly Johnson, dosed on heroin on Tuesday, cer Matthew Hughes admin- a former Andover resident, Jan. 20, was revived by police istered Narcan. The woman died after overdosing on herwith Narcan as she laid next regained consciousness and oin while at a New Year's Eve party in town.

Narcan is the brand name The incident marked the police Commander Charles for the drug nalaxone, which third time the Police Departinterrupts an overdose and ment had administered Narcan "A second female in the temporarily restores regular in the first three weeks of the

The group meets the second and fourth Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Michael Parish, 196 North Main St., North Andover. Upcoming meetings are Feb. 5 and 19 and March 5

The Samaritans of

To submit an item for the



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especially those with O The confidential, free group is negative, A negative and B led by a trained suicide survi- Health Briefs column, email vor and is a safe place to talk, townsman@andovertownsnegative. To learn more about listen, cry, be silent, grieve, be man.com.





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When he [Frost] was done, the audience learned that his good friend and classmate at Phillips in 1892, Ernest Jewell of Lawrence, scotched a poem by Frost into an 1892 edition of the Academy Mirror, listing its author as "Anonymous."

Frost's poetic secret between friends a legend at Phillips



Andover Stories

Amy J.M. Morris For the Andover Historical Society

When poet Robert Frost visited Phillips Academy in the spring of 1960 to deliver the school's annual Lana Lobel lecture, no one, not even he, thought he'd use the occasion to reveal a secret he had kept for 68 years.

But when he was done. the audience learned that his good friend and classmate at Phillips in 1892, Ernest Jewell of Lawrence, scotched a poem by Frost into an 1892 edition of the Academy Mirror, listing its author as "Anonymous."

According to Steve Most, class of 1961 and editor of the Mirror at the time of the poet's visit, Frost couldn't remember the title or subject of the poem, but he knew the first line had something to do with a bird.

Based on these clues, a search conducted by the staff of the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library turned up the piece. Its title, "The Traitor."

By then, America's most preeminent living Man of Letters was 86 years old

and — save for his unpublished works and correspondence — biographers, critics and academics had analyzed, criticized and documented virtually every aspect of his words and life.

In an interview Frost gave to English instructor Dudley Fitts in 1961, the poet explained that Jewell left Lawrence High for Phillips Academy in 1892 and began heeling for PA's student literary magazine, where "he wanted to dazzle the editorial board by contributing a poem."

Frost said he forgot the matter until he visited the school as a lecturer in 1915. On that visit, he described the caper to then-Principal Al Stearns, who, according to Frost's recollection, eviscerated the already renowned poet "like a schoolboy" for the prank.

Of Frost's confessional experience, Fitts wrote that, "Dr. Stearns' indignation was so vivid, couched in terms so violent, that it was decades before Frost remembered 'The Traitor' again. A good Freudian would probably say that the whole episode buried itself in his unconscious."

As for the poem's merit, Fitts wrote that Frost had "no flattering opinion of it.'

"It's all in the first line," Frost told Fitts. "... It's pretty clear that I was reading 'Ossian' at the time," referring to a



Photo courtesy Phillips Academy archives

Robert Frost lecturing at Phillips Academy in the spring of 1960, when he revealed he was the author of a poem published anonymously in the school's student literary magazine in 1892.

collection of ancient Scots-Gaelic poems. After the academy's discovery of "The Traitor" in 1960, Frost summoned Fitts and Most to his Cambridge home, where he presented them with an old, leather-bound book. It was "Ossian."

"It's one of the oldest books I have," he told the men, "one of the five or six I brought with me from San Francisco ... 'The Traitor' comes right out of 'Ossian."

Aside from revealing the origins of the poem, Frost didn't want to spend that winter afternoon in Cambridge discussing poetry. He wanted to talk about his childhood pal, Jewell.

"He was the kind of friend you have only three or four times

in a lifetime," Frost said. "... He kept belittling poetry — 'where would it get me?' - but I always thought he had a sneaking pride in my waywardness.'

Jewell went on to become a mathematics instructor at Lawrence High School, where he remained for 40 years. According to his son, William M. Jewell, an accomplished architect and artist, his father remained close to Frost until his death. And, as lifelong friends do, they had different takes on their shared history.

According to the younger Jewell, when he told his mother how Frost had revealed the existence Frost. Mrs. Jewell clearly of "The Traitor" and how he told the school community that he did it to

THE TRAITOR

Sea-bird of the battle surf. Lorna is dead. Black on Colla's castled hill Ruin is spread. Weep for Lorna who rode forth With his king against the North. Lorna came again at morn, Riding from war. Messenger of battle won, Tidings he bore: "Quenchless was the charge he made, Low the insurgent walls were laid." And while revelry was rife Through Colla's halls, Then the lonely warder saw, Pacing the walls, Eastward in the morning's greys, Serried spears in the sunrise blaze. By an altar in a vault -Night dripping dew Lorna's muffled cry arose; Bat-like it flew: "Sacrifice for victory! Priest and victim find in me!" Sea-bird of the battle surf, Lorna is dead. Black on Colla's castled hill Ruin is spread. Royal seal upon the tomb Where he sleeps in endless gloom. - As it appeared in The Mirror at Phillips Academy in 1892. Although it was published anonymously, Robert Frost later accepted credit for it.

help Jewell get in good favor with The Mirror editors, she responded, "That scalawag!'

Mrs. Jewell insisted that if there were any favors between the two over that poem, it was her husband who had helped recalled Frost saying to her late husband, "Ernest, you submit this. I want to

see whether I can get it published."

Amy Morris graduated from Phillips Academy in 1992 and currently serves as the school's senior communication specialist. Andover Stories is a twice-monthly feature in The Andover Townsman prepared by the Andover Historical Society.

Landfill closure plan submitted to DEP

BY BILL KIRK hkirk@andovertownsman.com

While the plan takes on the problem of arsenic in the environment, it only discusses the problems associated with another toxin, something known as 1,4-dioxane. The chemical has been dubbed an "emergent contaminant" by DEP and has been found in and around numerous landfills across the state, including Andover.

site after it's cleaned up and capped. "There were a lot of good questions about the future

The town has sent the state Department of Environmental Protection a plan to close the Ledge Road landfill. If approved, the landfill could be covered and capped in the next two years, after which the do with the 22-acre lot.

ered in Memorial Hall Director Chris Cronin said about the former town spent. dump, which was closed environment.

fill. Of that, \$8.4 million action," the report said. would cover construction,

About 30 residents gath- However, Public Facilities the site.

in the 1970s, but has con- the town has appropri- properties. tinued to leak toxic mate- ated \$12.1 million for the

contingency, engineering makes up less than half said. and implementation costs. the 22-acre site, Cronin

\$3 million to the project. only be needed for part of toxin, something known as wetland. 1,4-dioxane. The chemical

Library last week to hear the cost of monitoring will the old dump, contractors gent contaminant" by DEP water couldn't be pumped a presentation from engi- go down over time, so the would have to excavate and has been found in and back into the landfill. neers and town officials full \$3 million wouldn't be arsenic that has leached around numerous landfills from buried rubbish into across the state, including proposing capping the the landfill on their prop-According to the report, wetlands on surrounding Andover.

The report identified a in aluminum containers for as well as arsenic. rials into the surrounding closure and spent \$2.3 mil- half-dozen sites that would many common household lion to date on engineering, need to be excavated. The products such as deodor- cap is installed, the water Hall Library, the health The plan, an abridged monitoring, testing and material from those exca- ants, shampoos, hair table under the capped por- division in the Town version of which is posted associated costs, leaving vations would be placed sprays, toothpastes and tion should drop, meaning Offices, and in a townon the town's website, about \$9.8 million, which is back on the landfill and mouthwashes. calls for spending about "adequate funding for the ultimately covered and Cronin said the presence will enter the environment. sion is needed to access the \$10 million to cap the land- recommended corrective capped, Cronin said. The of the material actually wetlands would be restored forced the town's engineers said, engineers have pro-The actual landfill to their original state, he to alter their approach to posed digging a trench that approves the plan, work

Another \$100,000 a explained, so the covering the problem of arsenic in pump out the arsenic-con- portion of the site. years would be spent on stone and an impermeable discusses the problems remove the chemical, and tinue about how to use the

town must decide what to monitoring, adding another plastic membrane - would associated with another then pump it back into the it into a ballfield, putting in

In addition to covering has been dubbed an "emer- tests found 1,4-dioxane, the storage yard.

landfill and monitoring for erty values. The chemical was used the release of 1,4-dioxane

If that doesn't work, he e-room.

year over the next 30 — made up of soil, crushed the environment, it only taminated water, treat it to Meanwhile, talks con-

of the site," said selectmen Chairman Dan Kowalski, who helped set up the meeting. "There are multiple options for what we could consider using it for, post-closure."

Options include turning solar panels and making it But because monitoring the site of a public works

Several residents at the meeting remained con-Instead, engineers are cerned about the impact of

Additional information about the landfill project Cronin said that after the can be found at Memorial less contaminated water controlled e-room. Permis-

Cronin said if DEP covering the landfill. Orig- would divert groundwater could begin later this year While the plan takes on inally, the town wanted to around the contaminated and be completed by later next year.

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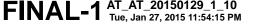
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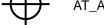
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Sunday, Feb. 8, 2:30 p.m. The

start; have tried meditating Mike Cross, instructor of chem-ley Chapter of Hadassah. or have experience with munity College, will discuss LWV @ the Library: meditation and are looking the biochemistry of chocolate; Forest Management: to expand and deepen their a chocolate tasting will accomguided meditation practice, by Northern Essex Commulecture and open discussion. nity College and the Friends of in the library's Activity

Healthy Heart

Friends of MHL Concert Series Kenneth Sassower will present will present Berklee College of the latest medical research con-Music graduate Albino Mbie necting sleep apnea, hyperten-MHL: with Senegalese drummer sion, and heart health, as well Thursday, Feb. 5, 7 p.m. Lamine Touré, saxophone as strategies for preventing David Eyerman, a licensed player Lihi Haruvi, and bass- and treating a wide range of acupuncturist and co-owner ist Chuks Okpu. Mbie won first sleep issues. A question-and- your craft supplies for a fun, password; iPad users structive advice and feedof Clear and Now Holistic place in the 2013 International answer session will follow the monthly craft night. Meet other should have their Apple ID. back on each other's works Healing Center in Andover, Songwriting Competition in the talk. Dr. Sassower is a triple crafters, and work on your own Email gdeyermond@mhl. in progress. explores the practice of category of World Music. He's board-certified neurologist, projects. Open to adults who org to indicate which device meditation, and how it can performed around the world, specializing in sleep disorders knit, crochet, scrapbook and you will be bringing. and epilepsy at Massachusetts create other portable crafts. anxiety, improve your every- ences from his native Mozam- General Hospital. This program is part of Hadassah's national Conversational English campaign initiative "Every Beat Counts: Hadassah's Heart Health Program." The program speakers of English who have 11 a.m. Register online at selection. is sponsored by Memorial Hall studied formal English and www.mhl.org/eventcalen-Thursday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m. Dr. Library and the Merrimack Val-

Nature or Nurture?

Thursday, Feb. 19, 7 p.m.

its course.

Other February events at USB cord, library card, and Writers Group

Creative Café

Mondays, Feb. 2, 9, and 23, 10 a.m. to noon. For non-native speaking and listening skills. ext. 31. New members welcome. Call 978-475-4602 to register.

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Commission, will use Andover free best-selling titles to of business contacts, forests to lead a discussion of read on your computer, share ideas, and learn the pros and cons of manage- iPhone, Android, Kindle, about effective job search Sunday, Feb. 22, 2 p.m. Dr. ment versus letting nature take or other compatible eBook strategies. reader. Bring your device,

questions for a hands-on

Discover Your Past Genealogy Club

would like to practice their dar or call 978-623-8401, held at Memorial Hall

Career Networking Group

10 to 11:30 a.m. Join this dar. For more information Tuesday, Feb. 3, 7 p.m. free group led by career or to register, visit www. Room. Kevin Porter, vice and Thursday, Feb. 19, 10 a.m. in coach Arleen Bradley mhl.org or call 978-623chairman of the Conservation Friends Alcove 2. Download to expand your network 8401, ext. 31 or 32.

Thursday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m. session with Overdrive. For writers of adult fiction, Kindle users should bring nonfiction and memoirs. Monday, Feb. 2, 7 p.m. Grab their Amazon login and This group provides con-

MHL's Monday Movie

Monday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m. Attend the movie. and enter to win the DVD. Visit www.mhl.org/monday-Thursday, Feb. 12, 10 to movies for this month's

All programs are Library, 2 North Main St., Andover, and sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library. Online registration is requested at Thursdays, Feb. 5 and 19, www.mhl.org/eventcalen-

WHAT'S HAPPENING: MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY – YOUTH EDITION

Children's Room

fun.

a.m. This story time targets register, visit dads and children ages 2 to juice and doughnuts.

Day: Saturday, Feb. 7, 10 a.m. Literacy Story Time, Fridays,

"Norbert: What Can Little Me requested. "Rumpelstiltskin," Saturday, Do?" fame; plus, Legomania,

Pajama Party, Tuesdays, Feb. Take Your Child to the Library and games, and a short film. 4 and 5 with an adult.

a pooch named Norbert and Conducted by Massachu- for a chance to win books... award-winning author Julie setts Coordinated Family and Around the World in 30 Min- 27, 3:45 p.m. Children, ages 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Freyermuth and illustra- Community Engagement; utes, Tuesday, Feb. 24, 11 a.m. 5 to 8, will investigate sci-

Players will present the clas- Author Festival, and stories Children ages 3 and up are games. For native speak- Moon" by Jane Yolen, parfamily for an afternoon of world with Grammy-nom- Friends at a small Valen- expose their children to dif- out a variety of activities that Dads and Doughnuts, Satur- Kennedy. For a complete and presents for family and tures at an early age. days, Jan. 31 and Feb. 28, 10 schedule of events and to friends. Space is limited; register online.

to 4 p.m. A full day of pro- Feb. 6 and 13, 10 a.m. For 2:30 p.m. Children ages 8 to light refreshments and a new grams for all ages, including ages 3 to 5 with an adult. 11 are invited to play Bingo book preview.

Night Readers, Wednesday, Feb. 25, 7 p.m. For ages 9 to Teen Room: Grades six Alpha-Buddies, Thursday, 12 and a favorite adult. This through 12

Find-Out Friday, Friday, Feb.

adult, are invited to explore experiments and activities, p.m.; registration requested. Junior Friends Valentine's Party, different languages through STEAM, Saturday, Feb. 28, Jan. 31, 2 p.m. Fairy Tale Wiggle Words, Children's Wednesday, Feb. 11, 3:45 p.m. songs, rhymes, stories and 2:30 p.m. After sharing "Owl Feb. 11, 3 p.m. sic story. Bring the whole and songs from around the invited to join the Junior ers and those who want to ents and children will try Feb. 12, 3 p.m. inated storyteller Sharon tine Party to make cards ferent languages and cul- involve science, engineering, 23, 3 p.m. art, and mathematics.

Who Wants to Build a Tardis,

day, Feb. 2, 3 p.m.

Movie Nights, every Tuesday,

Volunteen Advisory Board meet- mhlteenroom.

Crafternoon, Wednesday,

Make a Valentine, Thursday,

Marble Magnets, Monday, Feb.

All programs and activities are at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover. Events are sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Register online at www. Wednesday, Feb. 18, 3 p.m. mhl.org/eventcalendar or the book before the meeting. will build a life-sized Tardis; more information. Teens can also check out the blog for Felt Fortune Cookies, Mon- news, events and other fun stuff at http://mhlteenroom. tumblr.com and follow the Teen Room on Instagram @



5, although all are welcome. 3, 10, 17 and 24, 6:30 p.m. The Feb. 12, 1:30 p.m. Celebrate month's selection will be After stories, songs, rhymes 45-minute session for ages 3 a single letter of the alpha- "Eleven" by Patricia Reilly and a craft, share coffee, to 5 with an adult includes bet through stories, songs, Giff. Register online (child's bedtime stories, quiet songs games and activities; for ages name only); request and read The MHL Doctor Who Club call 978-623-8401, ext. 31, for

Book Bingo, Tuesday, Feb. 17, Come for a great discussion, all teens invited.

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Amogh Yajurvedi, Ava Horvath, Cannon, Mikie Trahan, Abhay Yajurvedi and Hannah Trahan and, back row, from left, Olivia Horvath, Claire DeMersseman, Lucy Henderson, Elan Shetty and YMCA site coordinator Kelcey O'Neil.

Visiting cartoonist draws out young artists

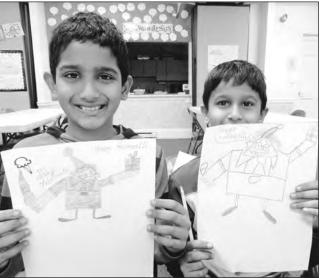
Leopold's is a popu-

The children in the YMCA's after-school satellite campus at Faith Lutheran Church in Andover put a visiting cartoonist to the test earlier this month. But he passed their "Frozen" challenge with ease.

Nick Cannon of Atkinson, N.H., who is studying illustration at Savannah College of Art and Design in Georgia, visited the Andover program to give the kids an introduction to drawing cartoon characters. The young artists had a ball following the how-to drawing steps for their favorite characters, the staff reported.

prised me and turned out Cannon. to be really talented drawers. My program is full of tor of the Andover/North has been working on includ- dren's books soon. Andover YMCA After- ing Lenny Leopold, the ice To learn more about Can-School Program, said.

The kids challenged Can- "He drew Lenny step by nickcannonillustrations. non to draw Disney char- step, and the kids followed weebly.com/. acters, including Olaf the along." snowman from the popular movie, "Frozen." lar ice cream parlor in



COURTESY PHOTO

Abhay Yajurvedi and his younger brother, Amogh, of Andover, "A lot of my kids sur- show off their drawings made with the help of artist Nick

"Nick passed their test Savannah. Cannon told the aspiring artists now," Kel- and even shared some of kids to watch out for Lenny cey O'Neil, site coordina- his own drawings that he as he may be coming to chil-

cream man," O'Neil said. non's work, visit http://

- Judy Wakefield, staff writer

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Opinion

In Chism case, judge strongly defends freedom, democracy

In denying a motion last week to seal evidence in the case against Philip Chism, Salem Superior Court Judge David Lowy issued a ringing defense of the First Amendment and the public's right to observe the machinery of the justice system in all aspects of its operation.

"The First Amendment poses challenges everyday for countless people and institutions," Lowy wrote in his decision. "... But the First Amendment was not intended to make life easy. To paraphrase Thomas Jefferson, the First Amendment is intended to allow democracy to thrive."

Chism, who just turned 16, is charged with firstdegree murder, rape and robbery in the Oct. 22, 2013, death of Danvers High School math teacher Colleen Ritzer, 24, of Andover.

The proceedings against Chism are in the pretrial phase, with prosecutors and the defense haggling over evidence and making preparations for jury selection. The judge's decision involved a defense motion to impound a transcript and videotape of Chism's statement to police on Oct. 23, 2013. In that statement, Chism allegedly confessed to killing Ritzer by slashing her throat with a box cutter.

Chism's lawyers want to bar prosecutors from using that statement as evidence against him at trial. The defense also filed a motion asking Lowy to impound the transcript, claiming its release would taint the pool of potential jurors.

The Eagle-Tribune and The Salem News, which are two of The Andover Townsman's sister daily parties, as well as The Boston Globe, filed motions objecting to the sealing of the evidence.

"The presumption is that all proceedings are open and there's a presumption that exhibits are open as well," Andover attorney Peter J. Caruso, who represents The Eagle-Tribune, said earlier outside court after filing the objection. "There should be no secret hearing, and there should be no secret documents in a courtroom."

In his ruling, Lowy agreed, noting that under our common law, the presumption is that judicial records are open to the public. Lowy quoted extensively from prior case law in supporting his ruling.

"It is desirable that [judicial proceedings] should take place under the public eye because it is of the highest moment that those who administer justice should always act under the sense of public responsibility, and that every citizen should be able to satisfy himself with his own eyes as to the mode in which the public duty is performed," Lowy quoted from a 2004 case, Republican Company vs. The Appeals Court.

Lowy noted that Chism's defense has raised important questions such as whether Chism asserted his right to remain silent, whether his statements were voluntary, whether Chism, then just 14, was denied an opportunity to consult with his mother and other matters relevant to the defense's effort to suppress evidence at trial.

Lowy said that, if he were to grant the motion to impound the videotape and Chism's statement, then these matters relevant to the motion to suppress evidence would have to be discussed by the judge and attorneys in private, at sidebar.

PATS FAN'S SPIRIT NOT DEFLATED



Courtesv photo

The Murray family on Lavender Hill Lane isn't letting "Deflategate" deflate their support for the New England Patriots and their Super Bowl quest. The Murrays showed their Patriots pride in the form of five snowmen representing each family member on their front lawn on Saturday. There's dad Todd, mom Christine; daughter, Avery, who is turning 8 this week; and sons Griffin, 5, and 2-month-old Boden, whose snowman is complete with a pacifier. The Murrays were surprised at the excitement the photo created after they posted it on social media with the caption: "Try and deflate these 'SNOWBALLS' #teammurray #GOPATS - Murrays just chillin' out waiting for the SUPER BOWL." "We have had tons of cars coming down our street to take pictures, and the picture was already on CBS Sports. ... Never thought it would get this much attention," said Todd Murray, who added all the interest has made his children proud of their creative work.

All Those Years Ago

Compiled by Susan McKelliget

Here's a look back at what was happening in town this same week at key points over the last 100 years, exactly Townsman:

75 Years Ago

The possibility of a toboggan slide as as reported in the pages of the Andover part of Andover's future winter sports program was mentioned in a statement issued by the town coordinated Recreation Committee this week. The Board of Public Works has been doing a very fine job this winter in keeping the skat-P.J. Scott entered the wool shop of the ing areas free from snow. This has been accomplished with money appropriated Associates gave the three-act drama for future winter sports activity and that Simeon LeGendre and Edmond Sullivan

> Rosy cheeks and big appetites make a good foundation for a rugged future.

made a cleanup in the blue-ribbon class. real problem here in Andover, according to Mrs. Emma Gould Carter, Punchard teacher, in a recent article she wrote for a course that she is now taking.

50 Years Ago Jan. 28, 1965

Roger W. Collins, 50 Maple Ave., a state parole agent for the Division of Youth Service, has announced that he is a candidate for re-election to the Board of Selectmen for a three-year term.

As of Wednesday morning, three resipleasing and comforting to know that so candidates for the School Committee: many children and grown-ups, too, have Mrs. Milton(Virginia) Cole, Dr. Daniel enjoyed this winter sport in absolute Frishman and Dr. Louis Gilbiati. Papers safety. We hope this is just the beginning were also taken out by Irving Newman, "Comrades." It was given under the before long possibly a toboggan slide may Jr., all prospective candidates for the

The rush is on at Amos Blanchard House where carpenters and painters The 75 percent of high school stu- are trying to finish up work on a \$25,000 was another successful exhibitor in the dents who cannot go on to the higher expansion project in time for the Andover Lawrence poultry show. Rose-combed institutions, but must immediately seek Historical Society's tea, annually planned

100 Years Ago Jan. 29, 1915

Ballard Vale Mills Co. on Jan. 13, 1870, and has since been working there, mak- at the last Town Meeting. It is certainly dents had officially declared themselves ing him one of the oldest employees of the company.

Wednesday evening in Town Hall, before a large audience, the Andover auspices of the Andover Guild and the be available to the children of Andover. same two School Committee seats. proceeds went toward the benefit of that institution

Alexander Brown of Florence Street leghorns were his specialties and he employment after graduation present the for George Washington's birthday.

Jan. 25, 1940

That would "impair a robust discussion and leave the public distrustful of the process," Lowy said.

"Whatever the Court's decision on suppression might be, the public's right to understand that decision is of constitutional dimension and central to the maintenance of our social compact."

Lowy concluded: "The exacting scrutiny of the press in those circumstances in covering the courts and providing an unobstructed view of the proceedings, therefore, remains at the core of protecting the concept of ordered liberty, the rule of law, and ultimately not just democracy, but constitutional democracy itself."

Strip away the legal language and here is what Lowy is saying: The people have a right to see and bear witness to the workings of their judicial system. And the maintenance of that right is essential to the public's confidence in the administration of justice and, indeed, the very underpinnings of democracy.

We could not agree more and applaud Lowy for his ruling. If only those in the legislative and executive branches of government showed such faith in the Constitution and the people it protects.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Two people have pulled papers to run for a seat on the Board of Selectmen. Do you think the town needs to go in a new direction?

YES. The town's profligate spending must come to an end and the only way to stop it is by getting new leadership.

NO. The incumbents are doing a great job. Taxes aren't too high and services are top-shelf.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Would you like to see Boston host the 2024 Summer Olympics? YES. It would be exciting to have the Games in our own backyard. Plus, it would mean an economic boost for the entire state. 20 percent.

NO. Boston isn't designed to accommodate such a spectacle. Plus, the construction that would be required would be a nightmare. 80 percent.

Distinction needed between assistedliving, senior housing Editor, Townsman:

cerns raised by The Towns- Andover has a real need for town that is specifically zoned man regarding the need for additional 55-plus housing, so senior housing in Andover, I'm we should consider building afraid your most recent edito- assisted living-facilities. And rial ("Seniors need a place although your editorial does to call home in Andover," Jan. 22) echoes arguments implication is that, as long as made by the town's Plan- procedural requirements are ning Department and other met, it's OK to build these needed pro-development groups in huge, unnecessary facilities in Editor, Townsman: that it appears to advocate residential areas of our town. for the construction of senior housing without making dis- of people in Andover are not tinctions between the types of opposed to senior housing. type.

months now: Assisted-living ing is actually needed and of as the article states, "they have any success at curbing facilities are a form of short- a design and scale that will just want to downsize into a usage. term, for-profit, institutional not harm the character of our smaller house ... ideally close lodging that is simply not neighborhoods. needed in Andover. Even the do not equal demand.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

housing, on the other hand, is Housing Overlay District will affordable options, not more a form of long-term housing soon be before the Planning assisted living. that is beneficial to our com- Board. munity and in huge demand.

for such a use not explicitly go this far, the

The overwhelming majority considering our options, we To recap what I and hun-should only approve proposals

To those who make the numbers cited in your edito- similarly odd argument that, currently under consider- and media and less fingerrial support this fact. Although because the town is not doing ation for assisted living could pointing and head-ducking. "one in six (Andover resi- anything to bring additional meet the needs of many dents) are age 60-plus," you 55-plus housing to town, we seniors who want to live on tive factor in preventing can walk into any assisted- should build assisted-living one floor with no steps at the substance use is extracurliving facility in and around facilities, I have good news: entrance. Assisted living is for ricular activities, exactly like Andover and find available Sources at the Planning people who need help dress- the programs AYS provides. units. Vacancy rates range as Department have told us ing, showering, etc. and there Let's support our best line of high as 25 percent, based on that Pulte Homes New Eng- are ample options both in and defense at this critical time numbers provided to us by land's proposal to build more near Andover. senior housing on the Fran- clear to developers what we

While this proposal should With that distinction in also undergo rigorous scrumind, your editorial seems to tiny, it offers a type of senior Less finger-pointing While I appreciate the con- make the following argument: housing we need in an area of in fighting heroin

Affordable senior

housing is what's

downsizing trend: Residents

to downtown."

Editor, Townsman: MARK BERNARDIN

As a licensed school coun-140 Elm St. selor and Andover Youth Services alumnus myself. I was dismayed to read Bill Kirk's recent article ("Drug counselor hiring begins," Jan. 22), which I viewed was critical of AYS hiring practices. To polit-Joe and Louise Pontis' icize the death of a young perdownsizing story ("The son like this is reprehensible.

Is Andover Youth Services learning less is more as they alone supposed to prevent housing and the need for each We simply believe that, when age, Jan. 22) illustrates what addiction in Andover? Her-Andover needs: senior hous- oin is a problem that is here ing, not assisted living. Sta- to stay, and we as a comdreds of citizens of this town for development in residential tistics show that the senior munity need a collaborative have been trying to explain for areas if the proposed hous- population is increasing and, approach if we are going to

There needs to be more leadership and action from The Elm Street property the schools, selectmen, police

> The single, most effecand not tear it down.

WILL ENGLISH, MED Licensed school counselor Wakefield, formerly of Andover

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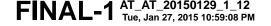
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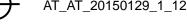
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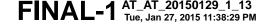
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Snow-covered Ward Hill makes for a fun day

> The Boston skyline can be seen near the sledding hill at Ward Hill Reservation's Family Fun Day, which was held Sunday.

Dozens of area residents stormed the slopes of Ward Hill on Sunday, taking on the sledding slopes, munching on roasted marshmallows by the fire, tackling the tricky trails on snowshoes, and generally enjoying the winter weather.

The Trustees of Reservations held a 'Winter Fun Day' from noon to 3 p.m. at the reservation, which is located at the end of Prospect Street off Route 125.

The event was held in partnership with the Andover Trails Committee and Friends of North Andover Trails.

Among the activities for the popular event were a guided hikes to Boston Hill, the Judy Trail, Holt Hill and the bog.

In addition, families went sledding on some of the fields.



The Ward Reservation is called an emerald quilt of fields, forests and uplands, stitched together from more than 40 distinct parcels across two Merrimack Valley communities. Trails link three major hills — Shrub, Boston and Holt. The "Solstice Stones" on Holt Hill assist in determining one's sense of place.

Some of the 14 miles of trails are also part of the Bay Circuit Trail, a regional greenway linking the North Shore and South Shore.

Admission to the property and for all Winter Fun Day activities was free.

For more on winter seasonal activities throughout the region, visit www.thetrustees.org



Annakiya Marshall, 9, of North Andover, sleds during Ward Hill Reservation's Family Fun Day.

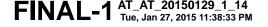
Peter and Alison Novello of North Andover snowshoe during Family Fun Day.

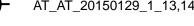


Shaylan Franceschelli, 7, toasts a marshmallow as sister Haley, 5, looks on.

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TOWNSBEAT

Organ and brass for choirmaster's 10th

Recital to mark Christ Church conductor's anniversary

organ and brass comes together Saturday night at Christ Church in Andover in celebration of its music director's 10th anniversary.

A classical evening of

The recital featuring works by Purcell, J. S. Bach, Hovhaness, Rachmaninoff, Vierne and Tomasi marks featured organist Barbara Bruns' decade in musical service to the Central Street church.

Bruns will be joined for the program by Richard Given on trumpet and Philip Swanson on trombone.



oversees a Barbara Bruns multi-choir

program and a concert series featuring a new C. B. Fisk organ, Opus 137. She is also associate conductor of The Boston Cecilia and organist for the James

An accomplished recitalist, accompanist and conductor. she has concertized extensively in the U.S., Europe and Japan and has performed as a soloist for national conventions of the Organ Historical Society, the American Guild of Organists and the Association of Anglican Musicians. She has also given solo recitals around the country and abroad. Given is among the

Thompson Brass Ensemble. busiest of Boston's professional brass players. An independent musician, he spent two decades as the principal trumpet of the Boston Classical Orchestra before assuming the same position for the Lexington Symphony. He has performed with the Boston Symphony, Boston Pops, Esplanade Orchestra, Boston Opera, Boston Ballet and numerous other orchestras throughout New England. He is also

a member of Cantabrigia Brass Quintet, which has appeared at more than 1,500 schools in concerts sponsored by Young Audiences of Massachusetts.

Swanson maintains a career as a trombonist, pianist and organist, composer, conductor and teacher. As a trombonist, Swanson has performed with the Miami Philharmonic, where he served as principal for five years, as well as the Boston

Symphony, Boston Pops, Opera Boston and numerous other orchestras and chamber ensembles. He also has written and published a variety of works for instrumental and vocal ensembles. Currently, he is professor of music at Salem State University and music director at First Congregational Church in Rockport.

Saturday's organ and brass recital starts at 7 p.m. at the church, 33 Central St. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors, with a maximum \$35 charge per family.



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The husband-and-wife duo of Tamara Volskaya and Anatoliy Trofimov will borrow from Russian folk music when they perform as part of Mistral's annual Valentine concert next weekend at West Parish Church in Andover.

Love ballads — Russian style Mistral to perform Valentine concert next weekend

Mistral is getting into a romantic mood in preparation for its annual Valentine concert, "To Russia with Love," which will fill West Parish Church in Andover next Sunday, Feb. 8.

The program will showcase a musical potpourri that takes its inspiration from love and romance.

It features the return of Russian artists Tamara Volskaya and Anatoliy Trofimov, a husband-and-wife duo who play the domra and bayan, authentic Russian instruments similar to the balaleika and accordion.

The couple has won inter-

love ballads and other poignant works, many based on Russian folk music.

Sharing the program will be an ensemble of Mistral artists, including Boston Symphony violinist Julianne Lee, New York cellist Adrian Daurov, who is originally from St. Petersburg, Russia; and award-winning pianist Ya Fei Chuang. They will perform the Arensky Piano Trio, a Russian master from the Romantic era.

In addition, Mistral artistic director and flutist Julie Scolnik, who has become known for directing her talents at transcriptions of pieces intended for the mission. She will perform a set of Russian miniatures originally for violin and

piano by composers who were biographically linked to Arensky: Rachmaninoff's "Vocalise," Tchaikovsky's "Serenade Melancholique" and Prokofiev's Waltz from the ballet "Cinderella."

"Our Valentine concert has always been one of our most popular," Scolnik, a former Andover resident, said in a release. "January can seem long and bleak after the holidays, and people crave the warmth of beautiful chamber works to get them through a cold New England winter."

The concert starts at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, at West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road. The same program will also be performed Saturday, Feb. 7, at 5 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Brookline. Tickets for both concerts are \$30. Group and student rush tickets are available. Visit www.MistralMusic. org, call 978-474-6222 or email sales@MistralMusic. org for tickets or more information.

Out & About: All about the voice for Merrimack's A Cappella Night

Merrimack College presents its 13th annual A Cappella Night starring Similar Jones and featuring Boston Jazz Voices on Saturday, Jan. 31, at 7:30 p.m. in the Rogers Center for the Arts, 315 Turnpike St. (Route 114). North Andover.

Similar Jones is a highenergy vocal band, primarily rock and soul and influenced by elements of blues, funk, and jazz. Its repertoire consists of cover songs from the 1950s, '60s, 70s and today, and includes a growing number of original tunes.

Boston Jazz Voices offers a unique combination of classic sounds plus contemporary vocal jazz idiom.

Merrimack's own Mackapella will be the evening's special guests.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door, with Merrimack College student rush tickets available for \$5. Call the box office at 978-837-5355 or visit www. merrimack.edu for reservations or more information.

Spotlight shining on young performers

Six Andover students will take the stage at Stoneham Theatre over the next 10 days as part of the young company's Winter Festival 2015

The young company offers year-round theatrical train-

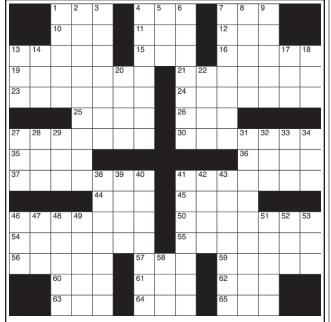


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Andover actresses Julia and Addison Moulton, bottom row, will appear in "Piggy Nation" and Emily Cross in "Carrie: The Musical" as part of Stoneham Theatre's Winter Festival 2015.



national and national competitions touring throughout violin, will continue that Russia, Europe, Canada, Australia and Japan. They will perform a selection of



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ART/GALLERIES

ADDISON GALLERY OF AMERI-CAN ART, free admission. Phillips Academy, 180 Main St., Andover; 978-749-4015, www.addisongallery.org.

GELB GALLERY, "A Sense of Place: Connecting with Nature," featuring the work of visual artists Jim Mott, Jonathon Nix and Gar Waterman, through Jan. 30. George Washington Hall, 7 Chapel Ave., Andover; free, www.andover.edu.

MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, solo show featuring the works of Sanjeev Nandan of Andover, through January, 2 North Main St., Andover; 978-623-8400, www.mhl.org. DANCE

ROCKIN' ROAD TO DUBLIN, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 20 and 21, 7:30 p.m., J. Everett Collins Center for the Performing Arts, 100 Shawsheen Road, Andover, featuring Massachusetts Irish dance world champions Scott Doherty and Ashley Smith, plus lead dancers from "Lord of the Dance," "Riverdance" and "Taptronic;" vocalists and a seven-piece band; for all ages; tickets \$30 to \$40; www.rockinroadtodublin. com.

FILMS

MONDAY MOVIE NIGHT, "Belle," Feb. 23, 7 p.m.; free, Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover; 978-623-8400, www.mhl.org.

ing and performing opportunities for children in grades one through 12, grouped by ages. The Winter Festival, one of the company's audition-only programs, runs from Jan. 30 through Feb. 8.

Addison and Julia Moulton $\ensuremath{\operatorname{will}}$ appear in "Piggy Nation" featuring students in grades one through six. The onehour musical is based on the children's book by Richard Rosser and features songs written by the author.

Nathan Elmer and Colby Stack can be seen in Roald Dahl's "Willy Wonka," performed by students in grades four through nine. It features songs from the original motion picture, as well as new songs.

Caela Flanagan is cast in 'Just So" spotlighting Rudyard Kipling's popular fables. Students in grades four through six will tell the story of "The Elephant's Child" as she journeys through the jungle to stop the tyrannical Crab.

Emily Cross will perform in 'Carrie: The Musical," an edgy adaptation of Stephen King's chilling novel staged by students in grades 10 through 12. The performance is suitable for ages 13 and up.

There will be several performances of each production at the Stoneham-based theater. Tickets for all shows are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. For the full list of show dates and times, visit www.stonheamtheatre.org or call 781-279-2200.

Dynamic Imani Winds en route to **Phillips**

The North American wind quintet Imani Winds breezes into Cochran Chapel on the Phillips Academy campus at 180 Main St., Andover, on Friday, Jan. 30, at 7:30 p.m.

The Grammy Award-nominated quintet has become a successful chamber music ensembles in the U.S. since forming in 1997. It is credited with earning a distinct presence in the classical music world with its dynamic playing, culturally poignant



Andover residents Nathan Elmer, Colby Stack and Caela Flanagan have all been cast in a series of winter productions being staged by Stoneham Theatre's young company.

programming, adventurous collaborations and inspirational outreach programs. With two member composers and a deep commitment to commissioning new work, the group is enriching the traditional wind quintet repertoire while also bridging European, American, African and Latin American traditions.

In addition to performing around the country as well as at numerous international music festivals, the group participates in residencies throughout the U.S., giving master classes to thousands of students a year. It also leads an annual Chamber Music Festival on the Juilliard campus in New York.

The quintet's appearance is made possible by the generosity of the Bernard & Mildred Kayden Fund, established by the Kayden family to bring distinguished artists to Phillips Academy. Former Kayden guest artists have included Bobby McFerrin, Wynton Marsalis and Denyse Graves.

Admission is free. The public is invited. For information, call the Music Department at Phillips at 978-749-4260 or email music@andover.edu.

Documentary for Faith Lutheran movie club

Faith Lutheran Church's movie club screens an American documentary about a cyclist's personal journey after a 2007 bicycle accident on Friday, Jan. 30, at 7 p.m. at local high schools fund their the church, 360 South Main St., (Route 28), Andover.

"I Am" was written, directed and narrated by Tom Shadyac and explores his perceptions of "the nature of humanity" and "the gmail.com. world's ever-growing addiction to materialism." It was released in 2010.

The public is invited. For

information, email Alan Thoday at athoday@comcast.net.

A musical note to the heart. courtesv of Northshoremen

Barbershop quartets from the Beverly Northshoremen Chorus will be spreading the love next month as it delivers its Singing Valentines across Essex County.

The quartets will spent two days arriving unannounced at offices, homes, schools and other venues to perform for their unsuspecting recipients who are singled out by their loved ones.

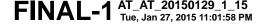
In addition to singing two love songs, the quartets also present the recipients of the Singing Valentines with a long-stemmed rose, a card and a photo of the event.

Because Valentine's Day falls on a Saturday this year, there will be two chances to send a Singing Valentine. Quartets will make their deliveries on Friday, Feb. 13, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and again Saturday, Feb. 14, from noon to 4 p.m.

The Singing Valentines represent one of the major fundraisers for the nonprofit Northshoremen, who put on shows at area assistedliving facilities and nursing homes throughout the year, perform to benefit critically important organizations such as Beverly Bootstraps and Care Dimensions, and appear for free at concerts and a cappella nights to help music programs.

To schedule a Singing Valentine, call Charlie Coogan at 978-774-7177 or 866-727-4988 or email an order to northshoremen.chorus@

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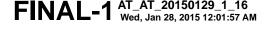
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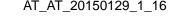


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Education

Power of music to unite 3 local high schools in concert

> By JUDY WAKEFIELD jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

Andover High School's show choirs have built a solid reputation for developing award-winning singers and dancers year after year.

Held in high regard nationally, the school choirs hit the road often to strut their stuff — and propel their voices — in competitions.

This year, Andover High's vocal music students will be performing with, competing against and getting to know vocalists from more than 45 other high schools

IF YOU GO

What: Neighboring Communities Concert featuring choirs from Andover, North Andover and Chelmsford high schools

 When: Thursday, Feb. 5, 7 to 9 p.m. ■ Where: Collins Center for the Performing Arts, Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road

■ How: Tickets \$8 adults, \$5 students; available online at http://ahsmusic.ticketleap.com/neighbor/.

Massachusetts, but from here to California, including schools in Virginia, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oklahoma. Missouri and Mississippi, AHS choir direc-

not only across

tor and music teacher Mark R. Mercer said.

In today's society, it's all about connecting to the larger world, Mercer said, and his choirs enjoy that.

But recently, Mercer realized

his students rarely had the opportunity to perform with other students in the immediate area. He emailed surrounding high schools, hoping to gauge interest in a possible joint concert.

The result is the first-ever Neighboring Communities Concert featuring the choirs of Andover, North Andover and Chelmsford high schools. Andover is hosting the concert on Thursday, Feb. 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Collins Center for the Performing Arts on Shawsheen Road. The Andover Show Choirs and Chamber Choir will be performing.

Mercer said the concert will use the power of music to bring the three schools together. He has worked with fellow music directors Sara Durkin at North Andover High and Amanda Roeder at Chelmsford High to coordinate the program.

"This concert has been something I wanted to get together for a few years now as I believe in the importance of exploring beyond our own community and teaming up with our neighbors," he said. "I think it is such a great experience to share not only our passion for music, but to support other music programs and build connections with other communities in the immediate area. What better way to do it than in person?" There's no theme for the concert. Each of the schools will be performing their own roughly 20-minute sets before coming together for a combined number directed by Mercer called "Behold, How Good" to close out the show. Mercer said each school will bring a traditional concert choir, as well as a smaller chamber choir. He estimates each concert choir has close to 100 students, while the chamber choirs have between 20 and 30 singers, meaning more than 300 voices will share the stage. He hopes the concert will be the first of many future collaborations between Merrimack Valley schools. "A lot of people really like the idea of something new and different," he said. "Personally, I'm really excited to work with the other directors, and I know my kids are excited for the concert." Staff writer Garrin Marchetti contributed to this report.

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AHS interns share their eco-minded projects

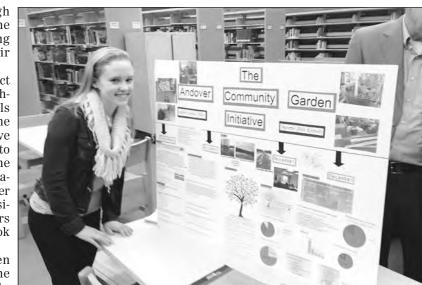
A group of Andover High School seniors have spent the past several months working to make an impact on their community.

Some have sought to redirect a proposed pipeline route. Others have developed new trails through Andover's woods. One student furthered an initiative to bring a community garden to town, while others spent time identifying inefficient refrigerators in town buildings. Another student researched what residents from all different sectors want downtown Andover to look like in the future.

Two weeks ago, the dozen or so seniors enrolled in the Environmental Sustainability Internship Course showed off their efforts at an end-of-course recap complete with a poster presentation.

The event, held midday on Jan. 16 in the high school library, was an opportunity for seniors to highlight their projects to peers, parents and staff.

"The philosophy behind the course is 'think locally, act town employees in various of students who took the course research component of it — it locally," said Melanie Cutter, the departments as well as mem- last year. The 2014 graduate of really helps me when I'm work-Andover High science teacher bers of the community, who Andover High said the course ing on my research projects in who leads the course.



Student: Sophia Allen Project name: "Andover Community Garden Initiative" Description: "We went to the Conservation Commission and asked if they'd be OK with us using part of the conservation land. Andover doesn't have a community garden right now, which is why we conducted a survey to find out if we need one. It turned out a lot of people are interested in this because they don't have a lot of room for a garden in their yards."

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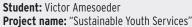
served as their mentors on their taught him skills that have college.'

ronmental issues in general, it was important for the kids to Wheaton College in Norton, then locally what they can do to practice skills such as writing a where he is majoring in history. solve issues or be more sustain- resume and interviewing for a

"We talked a lot about envi- projects. Cutler said she thought useful in his freshman vear at "The project management

skills I learned in this class This is the second year for the have helped me be more asserinternship course. Steven Kim- tive and confident when I work Students were paired with ball was among the first wave in a group," he said. "Also the





Description: Amesoeder worked alongside Bill Fahey and his staff at Andover Youth Services to find ways to make the new youth center, currently under construction, environmentally sustainable.

"Composting is one of the main things we're going to be focusing on right now. It's a big building, and there are a lot of things going on. Composting is certainly a definite. The one thing, though, is how we're going to maintain it and who's going to be working on it. We thought we'd create a club, called the Environmentally Sustainable Club. They're going to be maintaining the



Student: Julia Fraser Project name: "What is Your Perfect Downtown?" Description: "I had the opportunity to work with Paul Materazzo, the town planner. He and I basically went around to different groups of people - from

the Andover Council on Aging to the high school – to ask them what they wanted to see happen to their Andover. I don't think anything is wrong with the way downtown is now; we're fortunate to have a nice Main Street and everything. Just, looking at all the land that's not utilized, you don't realize that there's such potential for more. Also, many people leave town on Friday or Saturday nights to go do something else. There's nothing that draws people to

EDUCATION

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composting



Student: McKenzie Nash Project name: "Waste Diversion Project"

Description: "I worked with Candy Dann, who works with the Department of Environmental Protection. We worked to set up compost systems, like the ones that are currently at High Plain Elementary and Wood Hill Middle School. We wanted to do the same thing at West Middle School and at Doherty Middle School.'

Student: Beitrice Choo Project name: "Education in the Making"

stay in Andover.

Description: "My project was to create a conceptual design for innovative learning space for high school students. Most of the information I collected was from talking with educators, students and superintendents." Choo researched everything from furniture styles in classrooms to technology upgrades and even a "living wall" that lines a school's hallway, working to improve the air quality and add aesthetic appeal.

EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

'Slow-Tech Parenting' for speaker series

and consultant on topics ingful conversations. like technology, media, ent "Slow-Tech Parenting: www.andoverp2p.com. Raising Digital Families with Purpose" on Wednes- Kindergarten day, Feb. 4, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Wood Hill Middle School auditorium. The program is set sponsored by Parent to Parent Andover.

"iRules: What Every Tech- ten registration week. Healthy Family Needs to Up," Hofmann has traveled Feb. 9 until Friday, Feb. 13 all over the country to give from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There previously worked with to 6 p.m. schools, shelters, families, teens while offering private 2015 to register; no excepparent coach, business and tions will be given.

Janelle Burley Hof- readers, clients and audi-

health, relationships and and open to the public. For

registration dates

Andover Public Schools scholarships has announced dates, times The author of the book and locations for kindergar- ley will once again be award-

Know About Selfies, Sex- at each child's neighbor- Italian-American students ting, Gaming and Growing hood school from Monday, this spring. Scholarships talks. She has presented at will be extended hours on ley has provided more TEDx San Diego, and has Wednesday, Feb. 11 from 4 than \$200,000 in scholar-

The mother of five children available online at www. has worked to build strong aps1.net by clicking the link connections with a wide and under "Spotlight" or by folvaried population, engaging lowing the parent tab.

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For additional informapersonal growth, will pres- more information, visit tion, contact the assistant superintendent's office at 978-623-8506.

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UNICO of Merrimack Valing scholarships to five Registration will be open deserving, college-bound will be for \$2,500 each.

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Children's book illustrator Ralph Masiello poses with a kindergarten class at South Elementary School. Masiello stressed the importance of reading, creativity and believing in yourself on his visit last week.

ship awards, and more than distinguished, higher edu- worked so hard to foster Children must be 5 years \$800,000 to local charities cation-bound Italian-Amer- when they immigrated educators, children and old on or before Aug. 31, since its inception in 1990. icans within the Merrimack to this country," Scholar-"The intent was then, Valley and to honor the ship Committee Chairman cation Notebook? Email and still remains, to pro- success and achievement Joseph DiBlasi, Esq. said in townsman@andovertownscommunity consultations. Registration forms are vide financial assistance to that our Italian ancestors a release.

For more information or to apply, visit UNICO of Merrimack Valley at www. unicomerrimackvalley.org.

Shawsheen School Preschool enrollment

Shawsheen School at 18 Magnolia Ave. will remain open as a preschool next year, while the school's elementary students are redistricted elsewhere in town.

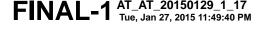
Appointments for screenings and tours for students who will be enrolled in the preschool in the half-day or full-day programs in September are now being made for Fridays, May 1 and 15.

For more information about the program and tuition rates, refer to www. aps1.net or call the Shawsheen School office at 978-623-8850.

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Music students add special note to season

The students of Andover piano and flute teacher Susan Cancro Brown returned to Edgewood Retirement Community in North Andover last month to entertain more than 100 residents, families and friends with their biannual music recital titled "Harmonies for the Holidays."

Twenty-six students ranging in age from 5 to 16 performed seasonal favorites on the piano and flute. In addition, each student presented an original composition as well.

"The students have come to love this new tradition of composing. It is an excellent way to expand their musical knowledge, and a fulfilling form of expression. You really can sense their personalities in their pieces,' Brown said in a release.

Brown said her students have been performing for Edgewood's residents for



PHOTO COURTESY DAVID MEDZORIAN OF DAVAL PRODUCTIONS Andover teacher Susan Cancro Brown's piano and flute students enjoyed a warm reception last month when they performed a holiday concert for the Edgewood Retirement **Community in North Andover.**

like a part of their commu- Music, Mount Holyoke Colnity. A light reception followed the performance.

Brown has been teaching studio is on Wild Rose music privately for more than 25 years. She trained several years and now feel at the Manhattan School of net/

lege and Tisch School for the Arts. Her private music Drive. She can be reached at susancancro@verizon.

A tree hugging moment for Andover Garden Club

Alan Snow, a horticultur- longhorn beetle mitigaist and arborist, will discuss tion and the replacement the relationship and independence between people and their community trees as Andover Garden Club's featured speaker next week.

The club will meet Tuesday, Feb. 3 at 10 a.m. at South Church, 41 Central St., Andover.

Snow's program is titled "Tree and People Hugging." He is a tree warden in Amherst, where he oversees the urban forest," according the town's green spaces. His dedication has led to Amherst earning Tree City USA status 26 times.

Snow has also been instrumental in Asian of 15,000 trees affected by the pest in Worcester. In 2013, he was voted Tree Warden of the Year by his peers in the Massachusetts Tree Wardens & Foresters Association.

"This fascinating presentation will focus on the beauty and wonder of trees, and offer a timely approach to planting and sustaining to a release from the club.

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.

The program will begin with social time, followed by a brief meeting and then Snow's presentation. A \$10 donation is requested of guests and includes light refreshments. The luncheon following the presentation is for club members only. For more information, contact Linda Linderman at 978-470-1884 or by email at linderll@ aol.com. Visit www.andovergardenclub.org for more details.

Casting one out for Fish On founder

Popular library series to be dedicated to late angler

STAFF REPORTS

Longtime Andover resident John J. Lewis was a decorated war veteran.

As a gunner's first mate in the U.S. Navy, he fought in the Asiatic Pacific during World War II and was engaged in a number of invasions, most notably at Iwo Jima. He was awarded the American Theatre Ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with 3 Stars, Philippine Liberation Ribbon, European-African Theatre Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal and the Commendation Ribbon for his exemplary service.

He and his late wife, Mary, operated Lewis Florist in Lowell for many years. When he wasn't in the shop, his family says he was working to make a difference.

Years after his discharge from the Navy in 1946, he went on to serve for more than a quarter-century as the town of Andover's veterans agent, holding the post from 1970 to 1997.

As a member of the Andover Patriotic Committee, he led the town in becoming the first of the most productive bass fisheries in the in the nation to fly flags at veterans' grave nation. sites throughout town. While he worked hard to recognize veterans for their service ing Cast" presented by Ron Powers. The and sacrifice, he also cared about the town's angler returns to the series to spotlight young people. He created the Andover Christmas Tree Lot now operated by Andover Youth Services that raised more than \$200,000 in its fluke and black sea bass to black fish. Powfirst 12 years to support youth programs.

But in his spare time, he loved to fish. And for more than a decade. talk about fishing. So much so that he founded the Fish On! series at Memorial Hall Library tunities: Cod & Carp" presented by Eric in Andover more than 15 years ago.

Lewis passed away in December at the age of 90. To honor him, the library is dedicating favorites, cod and carp. Harrison fishes both this year's installment of the popular fishing program to his memory.

The free, monthlong series of seminars will take place every Tuesday in February at 7 p.m. starting next week. Different presenters by Craig Kimberly. The Gloucester-based have been lined up to cover a variety of topics on each evening. The schedule is:

■ Feb. 3: "Targeting Bass in Local Waters" presented by Aaron Douyard. After fishing in some of the best bass lakes in the south and out west, Douyard moved to New England. He's since joined the Wachusett Bassmasters Fishing Club and the Massachusetts Bass Anglers Sportsman Society. Douyard has competed at more than 35 lakes in the region. Along the way, he's discovered that New England is home to some



FILE PHOTO

Memorial Hall Library is dedicating this year's installment of its popular Fish On! series to its founder, the late John Lewis, a longtime Andover resident and Navy veteran who served for 27 years as the town's director of veterans services. Lewis passed away in December.

■ Feb. 10: "Boston Bass and the 'Supportnot only Boston Harbor's stripers, but its "unsung heroes" as well, from flounder to ers has written for On The Water magazine

■ Feb. 17: "Unique Kayak Fishing Oppor-Harrison. The lifelong multi-species angler will review tactics for catching two of his fresh and saltwater venues year-round from a Hobie kayak and writes The Kayak Corner column for On The Water magazine.

■ Feb. 24: "Capturing the Catch" presented director and editor for several shows on the Outdoor Channel, Kimberly grew up on the Chesapeake Bay, where he learned to catch just about every species of fish around him. By 1999, he was directing, filming and editing his second fishing show for ESPN 2. He is currently creating Trev Gowdy's "Monster Fish" for the Outdoor Channel.

Each Fish On! presentation is held at the library, 2 North Main St., Andover. For more information, call the library at 978-623-8400 or visit www.mhl.org.



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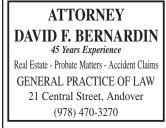
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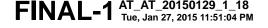
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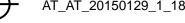
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FEARLESS COMPETITORS Seniors Carver, Allen star as leaders of girls gymnastics team

Sports

BY DAVID WILLIS Staff Writer

linging herself high into the air, using a pole as a sling shot, onto a small pad never fazed Courtney Carver when she made the decision to become a pole vaulter.

Sophia Allen, likewise, embraced the notion of plunging off a diving board, flipping with her head inches from the board, and sticking a landing as the judges scored.

When you have been a gymnast your whole life, that fearlessness becomes second nature.

"When you are 3 or 4 years old doing flips on a thin beam, after that the fearlessness just becomes part of you," said Carver. "I never thought of gymnastics as scary or dangerous, so pole vaulting doesn't worry me. For me, it is nothing but fun and thrilling."

Carver and Allen are the lone two seniors and the established leaders for the Andover High girls gymnastics team, which entered the week 5-2 heading into senior night.

"This season has been going great," said Allen. 'We have an amazing team of girls and we have had some great meets. I love it. I love the chance to fill the job as a role model for the team and perform the best I can.'

Carver, a three-time All-Scholastic, is one of the state's premier gymnasts and the Golden Warriors' go-to performer in the allaround competition, while Allen is the team's utility player, filling whatever role is necessary for the team.

"Courtney is definitely one of our most talented gymnasts who performs her best when the pressure is on," said Andover gymnastics coach Tracy Vadala. "And Sophia is a girl that is willing to do and able to do anything that is asked of her. She always comes through for the team."

CARL RUSSO/Staff photo Courtney Carver does a flip during the vault. The Andover senior is one of the top gymnastics in the state, and along with Sophia Allen leads the Golden Warriors.

strongly drawn to the floor it so much. exercise.

"I just love it because it is such a powerful event," she said. "I can smile and see the team cheering for me. It is just a fun, exciting event."

Carver's mother, former

"I fractured my heel and chin in the eighth grade. I fractured my tibia when I was a freshman in high school. But there was never anything I couldn't bounce back from. I just kept competing." Since she arrived at Andover High in 2011-12, Carver has also established herself as one of the top gymnasts in Massachusetts. As a freshman she placed second in the all-around at North Sectionals, helping lead the Golden Warriors to the



Andover senior Sophia Allen performs on the beam. Allen is the utility player for the Golden Warriors, filling any role and leading alongside fellow senior Courtney Carver.

sectional title and MVC championship. A year later me and I had to step up." she took third at the MIAA state meet and eighth at the State Coaches Individual.

Last winter was her best, winning the floor exercise at the North Sectional with a 9.5 and placing third in the all-around (37.375). Carver next hopes to

pursue either gymnastics or acrobatics in college. "She is the rock of our

team," said Vadala. "She knows that we need her to perform to be successful. She has a lot of pressure on her, but she embraces that and it gives her the confidence to do things she she needs. doesn't know if she can do."

knew that my team needed That is the job for Allen. While most of her teammates have a set role, Allen must be ready to compete wherever needed.

"She is our sixth man," said Vadala. "She is a girl that can do any event. When someone has to come out of a meet for an injury or any other reason, she is ready to do. She is so bright and so multi-talented that she can handle those tough responsibilities."

While she admits that bars and beam are her favorites, Allen is more than happy to do whatever

"I love having the chance to do something new in

Advanced Placement European history, English and Biology. She scored a 2,060 on the SATs.

"If I get to bed by midnight it is a very good day," she said with a laugh. "But there are nights I am up studying or working on projects until 3 a.m. I work hard on time management."

While she loves gymnastics, it is diving that Allen will pursue in college. She has already made plans to compete for Middlebury College starting next fall.

"I just decided to give diving a try as a freshman and it was amazing," she said. "I am so comfortable with flipping and twisting from gymnastics. I already every meet," she said. "In a felt like I had that extra edge. It also made me fearless, and gymnastics taught my goals.'

The star

An elite competitor in every event, Carver has always found herself Methuen gymnast Cheryl (Sprague) Carver, signed her daughter up for the sport at 3 years old, and Carver fell in love right away.

"I knew I loved it from the first moment," said Carver. "There have been ups and downs, but I just kept going because I loved

The super sub

Heading into each meet, Allen isn't quite sure what to expect.

"A few meets ago one of my friends got hurt in warmups so coach had to throw me into the beam at the last second," she said. "I wasn't super excited. But I

recent meet I did bars and vault and did pretty well. I love the challenges of doing me how to push to achieve everything."

Allen never runs from a challenge. A member of the National Honor Society and ranked in the top 10 percent of her class, Allen is currently enrolled in

David Willis is a sportswriter/videographer for The Andover Townsman. Reach him on twitter at @ DWillisET

Roundup **Dellatto steal and hoops** sends girls basketball to win

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Talia Dellatto picked off a pass, broke down court and sunk a contested layup to give Andover the lead with four seconds left in the game. Rachael Cormier then swished two free throws to clinch The Golden Warriors' thrilling 45-41 victory over Chelmsford last Tuesday.

"It was a great moment," said Dellatto. "Especially after not playing last year. We had been working to power Tewksbury/Methuen last week. denying the pass, so I really owe it to the girls."

winners.

Sophomore forward Jillian ton Catholic in December. Webber continued to surge with 18 points as Andover beat Tyngsboro 57-40 last Thursday. Alyssa Casey scored 17 points, Carver all-around Talia Dellatto added 10 points and Carissa Reming starred on defense for the winners.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Hughes pots four

Tewksbury/Methuen 5-3 on the vault. Friday. Abby Huntress scored the other Andover goal, Jillian Hughes had two assists and Meghan Johnson made 16 saves Warriors roll for the winners.



RYAN HUTTON/Staff photo

Jillian Hughes takes a puck to the net earlier this season. Hughes had two assists as the Golden Warriors beat Division 2

Jillian Webber scored a game- olic — the No. 1-ranked team Thomas Galligani, Eric Shi, Max high 14 points, while Colleen in Eastern Mass. — 5-2 last Blanch and Charlie Le teamed to Caveney added nine for the Wednesday. Jillian Hughes added two assists for the Golden Warriors, who had shocked Arling-

GYMNASTICS

winner

Courtney Carver won the beam (9.3), floor exercise (9.35) and all-around (35.65) to lead Caroline Hughes netted a Kaitlyn McDonald added a first in Chelmsford 81-68 last Tuesday. whopping four goals to lead the bars and was second in the **Connor Merinder** had 11 points Andover past Division 2 power all-around and Joe Aronov won and Jonathan Rodriguez added 10

SWIMMING

Thomas Dalimonte won the diving with a 167.50 and Max a goal, but the Golden War-Despite a goal each from Jojo Blanch took the 100 butterfly riors lost to Chelmsford 2-1 last Olson and Caroline Hughes, in 56.53 to help Andover top Wednesday.

Andover fell to Arlington Cath- Chelmsford 96-85 on Friday. win the 200 medley relay. **BOYS BASKETBALL**

Perry, Giribaldi heat up

David Giribaldi scored 16 points and E.J. Perry IV added a gamehigh 19 points as Andover snapped its skid by beating Methuen 63-54 on Friday. Connor Merinder had 12 points for the winners.

E.J. Perry IV erupted for 28 Andover past Chelmsford points, including four 3-point-139.45-121.8 last Wednesday. ers, but Andover lost to points for the Warriors.

BOYS HOCKEY

Silk's goal for naught

Andover's Connor Silk scored

Andover native a synchronized swimming finalist for Team U.S.A.

Andover residents Grace Alwan, 14, is a finalist for the Synchronized Swimming United States National Team after a strong trial performance in Colorado this month.

The top 75 athletes from across the country were invited to the Phase 1 Trials, with 59 participating in the two day event from Jan. 17-19. Athletes were judged on four synchronized swimming technical elements

and 23 core skills in flexibility, conditioning and swimming. The top 20 move on to the final Phase 2 Trials in April where 12 athletes will be named to the 2015 U.S. National Team.

Alwan made the cut, placing 15th overall. Her teammate, Ruby Remati, 14, of Andover, placed 25th in her first year in the 13-15 age group.

"I am so proud of both girls," said Leah Pinette, Andover-North Andover (ANA) Synchro Head Coach, who was on US National Teams for nine years. "Just to get to this



Courtesy photo

ANA Synchro athletes Ruby Remati, left, and Grace Alwan, right, traveled with their coach Leah Pinette to the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO. for the first phase of a competition that will determine the 2015 U.S. National Team for synchronized swimming.

competition is a huge accomplishment, and for both of them to finish in the top 25 shows how hard they've been training."

"I owe a huge thank you to my coaches," Alwan said. first time should contact "They helped me improve from last year to 15th and a Phase 2 finalist this year!"

Alwan will now continue training with Pinette for the meet twice a week and are final Phase 2 National Team held regularly throughout trials in California in April.

ANA Synchro is the competitive synchronized swimming team of the Andover/ North Andover YMCA. Girls wishing to join the team or try the sport for the Head Coach Leah Pinette at 978-685-3541, lpinette@ mvymca.org. Introductory "Synchro Splash" sessions the year.

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The Townsman wants to spotlight the triumphs, and tragedies, of Andover's local sports teams and athletes. We're asking coaches, players, parents and fans to send us photos as well as highlights from all the week's sporting games and events. Items can range from a shout-out for a top player or team, a spectacular play or sports milestone or even some candid shots from a game or practice.

We also want to hear ideas for stories on athletes or a big game that The Townsman should feature in its pages.

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She's the leader of the band

AHS alumnus keeps the Cornell marching unit in synch

By JUDY WAKEFIELD jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

Cornell University the only Ivy League university with a formalized marching band — boasts a former assistant drum major from Andover High School doing something similar to what Boston Pops conductor Keith Lockhart does best proudly waving the baton.

Michaela Olson was just re-elected Cornell's drum major for her second year — an honor that has the 2012 Andover High School graduate duly excited.

"I like the band community, I always have ... in Andover I did, too, so I'm pretty excited about this," said the 20-year-old Olson of Hartford Circle.

Olson got her first taste at the conductor's life at Andover High, where the trumpet player helped out with drum major duties for the school band, which had about 40 members.

Flash forward three years and she's now conducting a band more than four times that size at Cornell. At any given time, the Cornell band can have 175 to 225 members, which Olson leads at football games from atop a ladder on the field.

After completing her this past fall, she was



Michaela Olson parades down Fifth Avenue in New York after the Cornell University football team beat its New York archrival Columbia University this past season.

elected uncontested by her fellow bandmates to continue in the role next year as a senior.

Olson said the Cornell band is not only well known on the school's campus in Ithaca, N.Y., it also has a reputation among Ivy Leaguers.

The six other Ivy League universities have what they call "scattered bands," which do make appearances at the football games, but don't march, she said. Cornell's first season as drum major band is the complete package, she said.

just have a lot of fun," she said. "And, just so you know, Cornell has the most students, so our pool of kids who like band is larger than the others.'

Olson said the band alumni are fanatical at the university's football games, even though the team may not be at the top of its game.

The football squad won just one game last season, but it was against archrival Columbia University. New York is the only state that's home to two

"We play, we march and Ivy League universities, and every year, their football teams compete for a trophy. In keeping with tradition, the winning team parades down Manhattan's Fifth Avenue with the trophy, accompanied by the school band.

Cornell had that honor as the winning team this year, with Olson, dressed in her conductor's uniform, proudly leading the band's way. The procession included the obligatory stop at the Cornell Club, which is located on the famed avenue, where

they saluted even more alumni.

'Now, that was crazy ... so many band alumni go to that parade," she said.

Olson was introduced to the trumpet in sixth grade at Doherty Middle School in Andover. Up until then, she had been quietly playing the flute. "I loved the trumpet

and never played the flute again," she said. "The trumpet is loud and I like that ... it's a better fit for me."

Trumpet-playing continued at Andover High, where she earned a varsity letter for being in the band.

At Cornell, Olson, who is studying material science in the engineering program, lives in an offcampus apartment with eight of the band's other trumpet players. She also is in the pep band.

She enjoys the camaraderie of being part of the band, and has been introduced to enthusiasts from all over the world. Some Cornell band alumni who she had never met before even invited her to a holiday party, which she said shows the respect and connection that exists among the musicians.

"I just get a great feeling when I lead the band," she said. "This has helped my confidence a lot. ... I just really like the band community."



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are the subject of an ongoing that he "dragged" the box was set to resume this week.

the pending motion to sup- social compact," said Lowy. press the confession.

court. He is also being asked trial. to decide whether Chism Chism's attorneys, Denise stop, pat-frisk and questioning Lowy.

said, and potentially, to dis- challenging." Three police investigators and the lawyers would have to pool.

motion to suppress evidence cutter across her throat twice, "Whatever the court's deci- Richard Sharpe, a Gloucester sion on suppression might be, dermatologist convicted of Lowy said the details of the public's right to under-shooting and killing his wife in A Salem Superior Court Caruso, who represents The what else Chism said will stand that decision is of consti- their Wenham home in 2000. judge ruled last week that Eagle-Tribune, argued court likely ultimately be disclosed tutional dimension and central regardless of how he rules on to the maintenance of our concluded that the release of divorce papers in the case,

And even if it cannot be which included photos of Lowy said contents of the used as evidence, the judge Sharpe cross-dressing and statement must be consid- noted, it would likely be used reports of past domestic abuse ered by him in making a as the basis of defense expert of his wife, would not prevent determination of whether it opinions as to Chism's state of the selection of an impartial was made voluntarily, and mind that night, or potentially jury. That case, like the Chism any discussion of that would could be used by prosecutors case, received national coverhave to take place in open if Chism takes the stand at his age. Sharpe, convicted in 2001,

"In short, it is the court's years ago. waived his right to remain sense that the statements silent, whether his mother had would become public prior was not intended to make life whether they would ask a ing them. He cited prior court the opportunity to give him to (jury selection) regard- easy," said Lowy. meaningful advice before the less of the court's ruling on interrogation, and whether a the motion to suppress," said Jefferson, the First Amend-

> Lowy acknowledged the democracy to thrive," the All of those issues require defense's concern that the judge said. "When a court

But he also concluded the in judicial review and strikes week, is charged with first- release of the materials. Pros- during the motion to suppress First Amendment right of the down legislation, a court's degree murder, rape and rob- ecutors filed a transcript and hearing — something he'd media and the public's right decision, by its nature, is bery in the death of Danvers a copy of the video as part of have to do privately, at side- of access to court proceedings insulated from the immedi-High School math teacher Col- their response to the defense bar, if he kept the statement outweigh concerns that the ate crucible of the demosealed. In the alternative, he information will taint the jury cratic process. The exacting

> "Denial of the motion to circumstances in covering tial jury will be more chal- ceedings, therefore, remains The judge has yet to rule on lenging," Lowy said. He said, at the core of protecting the

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HAVERHILL GAZETTE

NEWS

REPORTER – The Eagle-Tribune - NH Bureau, Derry, NH

Full-time. We are looking for an energetic, enthusiastic self-starter who is comfortable working in multiple types of media; reporting and writing stories; shooting simple photos and videos to accompany their work when appropriate; and immersed in the networks of social media. You should be nimble and able to tailor your approach to stories to satisfy audiences viewing your work in print, on a desktop browser, mobile device or tablet. Candidates should be organized and tenacious, and have a passion for journalism in the digital age. You'll be expected to develop sources, generate story ideas and break news. Ideal candidates should have a bachelor's degree in journalism or a related field. Three years experience writing for a daily publication required. Candidates must have a valid driver's license with a good driving record, reliable transportation and current auto insurance. Please include clips when e-mailing your resume.

PAGE DESIGNERS - North of Boston Media Group, North Andover, MA

Full-time. We are looking for versatile, creative and deadline-oriented page designers to join our centralized design desk, which designs pages for our four daily newspapers, five weekly newspapers, seven magazines and a variety of special publications. Ideal candidates would have experience designing broadsheet pages with Adobe InDesign, but other publication design experience will be considered. An ability to meet deadlines, communicate with editors, and work at a fast pace are all musts. Editorial and/or news experience a plus. Evening hours, plus some weekends.

DIGITAL SALES SPECIALISTS – North of Boston Media Group, Beverly and North Andover, MA

Full-time. We are looking to add to our sales force to match its amazing growth of our digital products. You will engage and strategize with advertisers to demonstrate North of Boston's value and how we can assist them in meeting their marketing objectives through a variety of digital platforms. Assist our advertising executives on four-legged calls and training on digital products. Two to three years sales experience preferred. Internet savvy. Exceptional written and verbal communication skills. Strong organizational skills, ability to set priorities and meet deadlines.

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES - North of Boston Media Group - North Andover, MA

Answer inbound phone calls consisting of various customer inquiries. Previous customer service experience preferred. Must possess strong data entry skills, a clear telephone voice and the ability to work well with the public. Positions available are:

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ASSISTANT THIRD SHIFT SUPERVISOR – North of Boston Media Group - North Andover, MA (The Eagle-Tribune, The Salem News, The Gloucester Daily Times, The Daily News of Newburyport)

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Comprehensive benefits package offered to all full-time (30+ hours) employees. For consideration, please e-mail resume and cover letter, with salary requirements, to hr@northofboston.com. Resumes received without salary requirements will not be considered. Applications may also be obtained in the requirements, to hr@northofboston.com. Resumes received without salary lobby of any of our publications Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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BOARD OF APPEALS TICE OF HEARI

A public hearing will be held at Conference Room A, 3rd floor, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, MA, on Thursday, February 5, 2015, at 6:30 P.M., on the petition of Vicka Corey, 35 Kidder Ave., Somerville, MA, for special permits under Art. VIII. §3.1.3.F.6.b and §4.2.3 to allow keeping or boarding of horses, and/ or for the use of the premises for rid-ing, training, lessons, or breeding for a fee and to erect a structure that will exceed the ground floor area of the

principal structure. Premises affected are located at 55 Harold Parker Rd., Andover, MA. in an SRC District, and are shown on Assessor Map 49 as Lot 2. 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 - 1/22,1/29/15

Town of Andover **Tree Warden**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING In accordance with Massachu-setts General Laws, Chapter 87, Public Shade Tree Law, Section 3, the Town of Andover Tree Warden will hold a Public Hearing on Febru-ary 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the 3rd Floor Conference Room B, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, MA regarding removal of the following trees:

24" at DBH sugar Maple tree in front of 7 Stratford Road on Town

owned property 16" at DBH Maple tree in front of 24 Enmore Street on Town owned property

18" at DBH Linden tree in front of 16 Linda Road on Town owned property Any person interested or wishing

to be heard on these matters should appear at the time and place designated. Paul Sanborn

Tree Warden Date of Issue: Friday, January 16, 2015

AT - 1/22, 1/29/15

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Essex Probate and Family Court 45 Congress Street Salem, MA 01970 (978) 744-1020 Docket No. ES14C0326CA NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

In the matter of: David Scott Purdy Of: Andover. MÁ To all persons interested in peti-

tion described: A petition has been presented by David S. Purdy requesting that

David Scott Purdy be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:

David Aaron Grey IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR AT-TORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: Salem

ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON: 02/10/2015

WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this Court. Date: January 9, 2015

AT -

Pamela Casey O'Brien Register of Probate 1/29/15

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Essex Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE Docket No. ES14P3524EA Estate of: James Laurence Higgins Also Known As: Larry Higgins, James L. Higgins Date of Death: 11/24/2014 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition

AT – 1/29, 2/5/15

of or Petitioner Nancy E. Higgins of Charlestown MA; Petitioner Patrick M. Higgins of North Andover, MA a Will has been admitted to infor-

mal probate. Nancy E. Higgins of Charles-town, MA; Patrick M. Higgins of North Andover, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve

without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal 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 interested parties 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. Interest ed parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Peti-tion and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. - 1/29/15

followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you. WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sahagian, First Justice of this Court. Date: January 9, 2015 Pamela Casey O'Brien Register of Probate AT - 1/29/15

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Essex Probate and Family Court 45 Congress Street 45 Congress Street Ste. 170 Salem, MA 01970 (978) 744-1020 CITATION ON PETITION FOR ALLOWANCE OF ACCOUNT Docket No. ES336803 In the Estate of: Carolyn M. Evans To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Nancy E. Machuzak of Albu-

uerque, NM requesting allowance of the substituted first and second through ninth accounts

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 02/17/15.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and ob-jection if you object to this pro-ceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objec-tions within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Mary Anne Sa-hagian, First Justice of this Court. Date: January 9, 2015 Pamela Casey O'Brien

Register of Probate AT - 1/29/15

BID OPENING

March 12, 2015 11:00 AM

ADVERTISEMENT **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

Sealed proposals for furnishing the following will be received at the Of-fice of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, Massachusetts 01810 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. The time received will be stamped on each bid and for a consistency of time, the time stamp clock in the Purchas-

ing Office will be the determining time. ITEM Proposal No. RFP 038/01-15/185 Acquisition of Real Estate for Town Facilities & Yard, Andover, MA

Bid Documents and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, MA, or on the Central Purchasing Department webpage located at http://andoverma. vt-s.net/Pages/AndoverMA Procurement/index.

A Pre-Proposal informational meeting will be held on Friday, Feburary 13, 2015, at 10:00 AM at the Andover Town Offices, Selectman's Confer-ence Room, Third Floor, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, MA 01810.

The Town of Andover is seeking proposals for the purchase of real estate suitable for the Town Facilities and Yard that will meet the requirements stated in the Request for Proposal. The Town will consider proposals for either land with an existing building or buildings or for vacant land. Proposers may submit proposals for either vacant land or land with a building or buildings, or may submit a proposal for each option. This Request for Proposal is issued subject to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30B, Section 16. The award of this contract is contingent upon Annual Town Meeting ap-

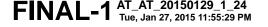
proval of funds and debt exclusion votes anticipated by June 30, 2015. The selected proposer will be required to hold the proposal until no later than June 30, 2015. There is no security required for this proposal. Andover is an affirmative action/equal opportunity purchaser. The Town

reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all propos-als or take whatever action may be deemed necessary to be in the best interest of the Town.

Thomas P. Watkins Purchasing Agent

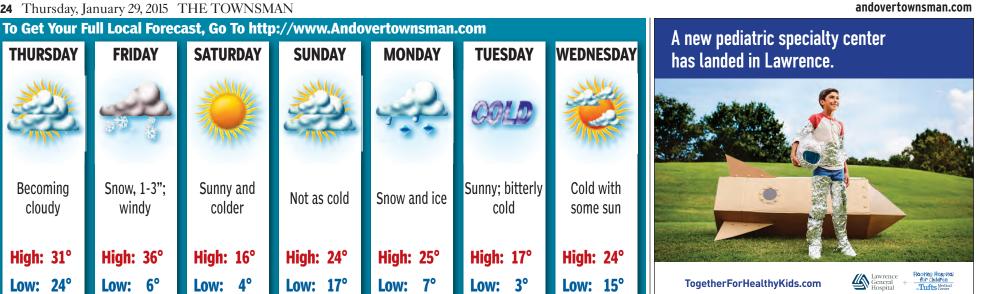
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