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Donald Danforth steals a kiss from his wife, Emily Lou. After almost 71 years of marriage, the couple, who live at Atria Marland Place senior living center, still make sure to show each other affection.

Two couples reflect on 70-plus years of Valentine's Days

By Judy Wakefield jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

valentines.

tic symbol of a valentine never in Salem, N.H. grows old for two very longland Place.

Ackroyds and the Danforths prove love knows no age.

When they talk about their favorite memories over the past seven decades, it's evine hundred and dent the spark is still there for forty-two years of Ted and Ethyl Ackroyd, who marriage is a lot of will celebrate their 71st anniversary next month. The cou-Yet, the roman- ple met at Canobie Lake Park

We met roller-skating married couples still sharing there," said Ted Ackroyd, who smiles at Andover's Atria Mar- looks much younger than the 95 years old he just turned Now in their 90s with almost last Sunday. "I asked her if she

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Ted and Ethyl Ackroyd hold their wedding portrait last week at their home in Atria Marland Place senior living center. The 71 years of marriage apiece, the wanted to roller-skate with me couple, who exchanged vows March 25, 1944, say compromise is one of the keys to a long marriage.

Bob and Fran **Zielsdorf** on their wedding day in **Andover** on June 19, 1965. They are celebrating their 50th anniversary this year.

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A marriage quite literally 'Sealed With a Kiss'

By Terry Date Staff Writer

What started as two eighth-graders pressing lips together behind alities, jostled over bumpy teen years. an Andover pine became, almost a decade later, marriage — followed by a parade of baby carriages.

The lips belonged to Bob and Fran received from one another. Zielsdorf, who together have welcomed five children and enjoyed about a half century of wedlock.

Bob Zielsdorf's book, "Sealed with a Kiss: An American love story in let-their separated lives, with Jordan in ters," tells the tale of the eight years Andover and later, during college, in the spouses-to-be were mostly apart, between 1957 and 1965.

Much of that time, they were separated by a mountain range and hundreds of miles, pursuing dreams and ambitions, developing their person-

The bridge that connected Bob Zielsdorf and Fran Jordan was the almost 500 letters they wrote and

Each of them kept the letters. He stashed his in desk drawers; she kept hers in her room.

Their correspondence connected

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Snow days piling up

Latest storm extends school year to late June

By Tim Lima tlima@andovertownsman.com

The winter of 2015 is certainly putting a crimp in the summer of 2015.

As the latest snowstorm forced the closure of Andover schools for another two days at the start of the week, the town's education leaders have begun fielding questions from parents and staff about what it all means for the last day of school.

Foremost on the minds of students, parents and teachers is will they have to pay the price for all this snow — and when.

Superintendent Marinel McGrath told the School Committee last week that the district wasn't in the position to start thinking yet about scheduling make-up days on Saturdays, holidays or during vacation weeks.

But that could change if the harsh weather

As of Tuesday, there were four remaining days available on the school calendar for use as snow days that would still allow the school year to end by June 30 for students.

The last day for students is now set at June 24 and teachers' last day is June 25. Four more snow days would take students to June 30.

"Unlike a couple years ago, we still have a good number of days that we can use at this stage," McGrath told the School Committee last week, before this week's two additional snow days.

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Historic Mill District aims for 'sense of place'

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

For the third time in four years, an effort to rezone the property around the town yard is heading back to Town Meeting voters this May.

The new proposal retools the formerly dubbed Transit-Oriented Development District focused heavily on the town yard into a larger Historic Mill District encompassing about 100 acres that includes the public works facility.

Two past attempts to rezone the town yard property at Lewis, Pearson and Railroad streets were defeated by slim margins. They were narrowly focused on the town vard site.

The proposed Historic Mill District, which includes a mix of commercial and municipal properties, open space as well as the banks of the Shawsheen River, would incorporate a variety of current zoning and land uses, from single-family residential and mixeduse to industrial and general business.

Planning Director Paul Materazzo said the new overlay district would trump

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Andover Pediatric Dentistry Maritza Morell, D.M.D., M.S., M.P.H.

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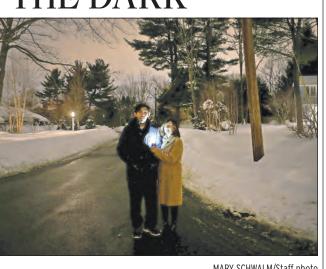
Streetlight request stymies residents

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

Robyn Grant of Timothy Drive is tired of being left in the dark.

Grant worries that when her 29-year-old disabled son, Ryan Dowling, walks home from work at Stop & Shop, he's going to get hit by a car turned off.

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because all the streetlights in Robyn Grant and her son, Ryan Dowling, stand in the street her neighborhood have been on Timothy Drive, illuminated by a smartphone, below a streetlight that was turned off by the town several years ago Since the fall, Grant and her to save money. Grant has been fighting for months to get the light turned back on for the safety of her disabled son.

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husband, Marshall, have been writing letters and going to selectmen's meetings seeking information about why the lights can't be turned back on.

Until last week — when selectmen more or less ordered the town manager to reactivate her streetlights - she said her pleas have not been answered,

"I'm starting to get the sense that nothing can be done," said Grant, a recent transplant from Brookline. "We may sell our house. This is a beautiful place, but this town is poorly run. They are penny-wise and dollar foolish. Nothing is done well. I just don't understand

Grant moved to town two

They became concerned for the safety of their son as he process, including sending in on some/all of the lights.... We the lights to be turned back walks back and forth to work the pole numbers and loca- do need to know where they on," he said. "When I heard at Stop & Shop on North Main tions of the four streetlights will cut to fund the added O'Donoghue make that pro-Street. When he comes home she wants back on. However, expense. This job can be chalposal and Major second it, late, Robyn Grant said he's town officials rejected her lenging.... But it certainly is I said to myself, 'I've got to usually walking in the dark. request. She argued that the The recent snowstorms have process didn't work. made the journey even more becoming narrower, so that Board of Selectmen." now her son must get a ride to and from work.

'A process'

In October, Grant explained, process.

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A streetlight on Timothy Drive is one of more than 500 throughout town that were turned off in 2009 in an effort to save money and reduce the town's carbon footprint.

years ago with her husband to the town," Town Manager Kowalski explained one of the safety." and their son. Last Septem- Buzz Stapczynski said. "We delays by saying his board ber, they bought their house send the request to police likes to have all five selectmen St., however, countered that on Timothy Lane. By October, and public works and the present when a decision is to the town shouldn't just turn as it started getting darker electric company. And then be made on "a sensitive topic." on 568 lights because one earlier, they noticed that the it becomes an agenda item to streetlights weren't coming turn the light on. We get very perspectives that stir additurned back on. few requests."

perilous, what with plows that process," she said. "The erations to come." rushing by and the streets requests never made it to the

> selectmen Chairman Dan truth. I feel like I'm wasting my for lack of a second. Kowalski, who put her on the board's agenda.

With Kowalski's help, the she sent a request to the town Grants' request was heard by to have the streetlights in her the full board, although even neighborhood turned back then she said answers were O'Donoghue made a motion at on. She was told there was a hard to come by as hearings were delayed.

"Residents make a request In an email in late January,

tional deliberation," he wrote. personally rewarding to know stand up." that you are helping guide the

time. This is safety, not aesthetic. I'm just demoralized."

A move toward light

Last week, Selectman Mary lights in town. \$80,000 to \$100,000 a year.

budget," O'Donoghue said. "I think we can afford \$100,000. her streetlight turned back ... I'm all for turning them on, she should speak with back on."

Her motion was seconded by Selectman Brian Major.

But Stapczynski said that Town Meeting recently turn all the lights back on and on," he said. that the vote against it at the time was "very substantial."

But even local cost-cutting arbitrary and capricious." advocate Bob Pokress, who ent a petition to hold the line request again?" on higher taxes, said the town Kowalski answered: "Then should turn the lights back come back to the board, but

'People say they want 'no.' the lights on because it's a Stapczynski said Monday safety. This is about public a high priority.

on.

Brad Weeden of 5 Summer "All five of us bring unique family wants some lights

"The selectmen were on Grant said she followed that "If the decision is made to turn the verge of authorizing all

Following Weeden's "Our request got denied by direction of the town for gen- argument against turning all the lights back on, After that email, Grant said Major recanted his second. she told Kowalski, "If you guys O'Donoghue refused to with-So she took her case to don't want to do it, just tell the draw her motion, but it died

Kowalski then said the board should not even be in the position of deciding whether to turn on individual

"We have to focus on a board meeting to turn on all important stuff. Not what 568 streetlights in town that light should or shouldn't get had been turned off since 2009, turned on," he said, noting a decision that saves the town that the board was a policymaking body. "We shouldn't "We have a \$165 million deal with streetlights."

He said if Grant wanted the town manager and Public Works Director Chris Cronin.

Selectman Alex Vispoli agreed. "We are saying, if someone

rejected a citizen's request to wants them on, turn them

But Stapczynski countered, "I don't want to appear

Grant then asked selectwas in the audience to pres- men: "What if he denies our

we don't expect him to say

public safety issue," Pokress that he would put the request said. "It's cost and environ- to restore the streetlights in mental issues versus public the Grants' neighborhood on

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The town has spent more of Selectmen last week.

that the town pays National not they are turned on. Grid \$21,000 a year to lease the

on their street back on. See town. related story.

streetlights. "I don't think anyone on the board was aware of

Cronin said that when the than \$100,000 paying for street- town decided to turn the lights that were turned off five streetlights off in 2009 as a years ago, Public Works Direc-result of budget cuts, the goal tor Chris Cronin told the Board was to save about \$100,000 a year. While the savings have During a presentation on the been realized, the town is still cost of the town's streetlights, paying to lease the streetlights Cronin informed selectmen from Nation Grid, whether or

Of the town's 1,701 streetdarkened fixtures mounted on lights, 1,133 are functioning utility poles throughout town. and cost the town \$186,000 The revelation came dur- to lease and power. In addiing discussion of a request tion, the town pays \$21,000 to by a Timothy Lane family lease the darkened lights that to turn four darkened lights remain in place throughout

If the town were to turn all "Why would you do that?" the lights back on, it would Selectman Mary O'Donoghue cost a total of about \$320,000, asked Cronin regarding the Cronin reported, a difference town paying to lease darkened of about \$113,000 a year.

SNOW DAYS ■ Continued from Page 1

But, she said, if the pattern couple years ago when stu- worry about these (snow) days dents had to attend school on at this stage," she said. Good Friday and high-schoolers had to report on a Saturday volunteer to have Andover pilot to make up for snow days.

that type of thing," she said, framework through its ASPEN but added, "Right now, there portal software, which allows isn't the need to have that type educators to administer teachof discussion." McGrath last week also advo-

vided 80 percent of the district's learning process." students complete their assigncount as a school day.

of Education.

application," Tenney said. "It's town administration. meant to be a rigorous day of academic work."

restricted from instituting some tion they have had," she said. type of "blizzard bag" program on-learning requirements.

But she told School Commiting and support. tee member David Birnbach, sition team, that the concept cess," she said.

of blizzard bags is something she'd like to see the legislative delegation lobby the state Board of Education to consider.

"Maybe in time Massachucontinues, officials may have setts will come up to speed and to start thinking about alterna- allow us to do a similar type of tives to avoid the scenario of a thing so we're not having to

Further, she said she would such a program. McGrath said "Already people are worried the school district is already about camps, summer jobs, equipped with the technical ing assignments online.

'My colleagues and I are cated for following in the snowy very, very interested in being footsteps of neighboring New able to do that," she said. "It's Hampshire and its "blizzard a good discipline. It helps chilbag" initiative. Under the Grandren learn ... they see their parite State's program, students ents work at home ... to know in some districts are assigned you still have work to do and school work on snow days. Pro- have to continue with your

With more snow in the ments, the snow day can then forecast for the coming days, McGrath also took time to The New Hampshire Depart- commend what she referred to ment of Education allows a as the "Andover storm team" district to record up to five for working effectively the past "blizzard bag" days during the few weeks. She particularly school year. Currently, nine of applauded the custodians who New Hampshire's 96 School have worked double shifts to Administrative Units use clear snow from the schools, blizzard bags, according to the town's municipal services Roberta Tenney, an adminis- department including Chris trator in the state Department Cronin and Mark Fournier, police and fire chiefs and their "It's a complicated, rigorous departments, as well as the

"Without the support of that team, I couldn't give great infor-McGrath said that Massachu- mation to parents to help them setts public schools are currently to be able to plan for the disrup-

The superintendent also recbecause of state-mandated, time- ognized the district's parents and staff for their understand-

"This is disruptive to peowho recently served on Gov. ple's lives every day and very Charlie Baker's education tran- disruptive to our learning pro-





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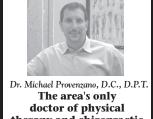
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New Ballardvale playground wins go-ahead

By Tim Lima

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Plans for a new play-

Last week, the Ballardmission gave the green playing this spring. light to redo the decadesand Andover streets.

as a basketball court.

The new playground

with ropes to climb, big relief." spiral slides and obstacles to maneuver through.

ground at Ballardvale Park swing sets, including a tire ground is tremendous. She have cleared their final swing designed for tod-said she received more dlers, and a sand box.

old, deteriorating play tion totaling \$300,000 were Commission's approval last facility at the park at Clark approved by Town Meet- Wednesday night. ing in both 2012 and 2014. A fundraising committee The much-needed face- After \$200,000 was appro- is being launched to help lift will replace the cur- priated in 2012, another pay for additional elements rently rusted and broken \$100,000 was sought to to the park, including more equipment that now bring the playground into area for parking, a permaan area of pavement used as well as to make other for which all won the OK forward. improvements.

"We are very excited," younger children will have Ed Ataide. "We worked raise the final \$150,000."

older children, complete come to fruition was a big

Townson said the amount of excitement already sur-There will also be three rounding the new playthan 200 positive comments The final product is on the popular Andover vale Historic District Com- expected to be open for Mums Facebook page after posting news of the Bal-Funds for its construc- lardvale Historical District

of the historic commission.

ponents — one for 2- to town's Conservation Com- Town Meeting to fund the Townson said. "I can't work he put in." 5-year-olds and the other mission, who has led the project in its entirety, but for 5- to 12-year-olds. The effort with deputy direc- the funding was cut short, playground designed for tor of plants and facilities leaving the community to

equipment that mimics a so hard. So many differ- The installation portrain car, with a small slide ent pieces had to come tion of the project was put on its tail end. A larger together and line up at the out to bid by Ataide last area will be created for the right times, so for this to Thursday, Feb. 5. Once



MARY SCHWALM/Staff photo

Owen Townson, 41/2, son of Ellen Townson, will soon have new swings and a play structure to enjoy with the approval of a new playground at Ballardvale Park. Owen's mother has been a driving force in bringing the new play area to fruition.

sits between a Little compliance with the Ameri- nent shade canopy and a contractor is selected, believe how much he went League baseball field and cans with Disabilities Act, additional fencing, plans construction can move above and beyond what was

required of him to get this

Working with (Ataide) playground done. He did a Ataide had originally through this has been great job with this and as a will be split into two com- said Ellen Townson of the requested \$450,000 from a fantastic experience," mother, I'm grateful for the Follow us on:

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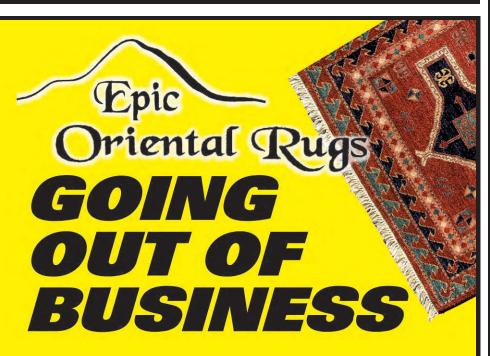
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ence of liquor.

David Chomicz, 31, of 14 Pheasant Run, Andover, was accident on River Road at arrested at his home at 1:30 2:43 p.m. No injuries except p.m. on a warrant charge.

Maplewood Ave., Tyngs- reported. borough, was arrested on Shaw Drive at 3:49 p.m. and charged with operating under the influence of

Incident

A 911 call from Longwood 12:14 p.m. and charged with Drive at 10:06 a.m. reported possession of a Class A that a 67-year-old male substance. had overdosed on Oxycotreated the individual.

Wednesday, Feb. 4

Marcus Roncole, 20, of 332 Chester Hill Road, Roches- of 5 South State, Apt. 4, ter, N.H., and Paul Skaltsis, Concord, was arrested at 24, of 135 North Main St., 1:18 p.m. on River Road and Apt. A, Rochester, N.H., charged with being a fugiwere both arrested on River tive from justice on a court Road just after 11 a.m. and warrant. charged with possession of a Class B substance. Roncole was also charged with a dog on Dascomb Road unlicensed operation of a was hit by a car, which did motor vehicle.

Street at 9:15 a.m. reported Road, where its owner that cars were parked on reported it was injured and both sides of the road, would be checked out.

making it difficult to pass by. Officers reported that there were no signs prohibiting parking in the area.

Police received several Brian Townson, 22, of 125 calls about a car accident Argilla Road, Andover, was on North Main Street at arrested on Prides Circle at 11:49 a.m. Four patrolmen 1:44 a.m. and charged with responded. Cars were towed operating under the influ- from the scene, but no injuries were reported.

A 911 caller reported a car a 17-year-old female with Kyle Spaulding, 25, of 30 a cut to her left hand were

Thursday, Feb. 5

Arrests Matthew Robie, 29, of 32 Moses Ave., Hill, N.H., was arrested on River Road at

Gerald Reis, 48, of 24 Vine done. The Fire Department St., Melrose, was arrested on River Road at 12:42 p.m. and charged with possession of a Class A substance with intent to distribute.

Krista Wojtkiewicz, 29,

Incident

A motorist reported that not stop, at 6 p.m. Officers reported that the dog arrived A caller from Central to its home at 120 Dascomb

Chism attorneys appeal to keep confession secret

By Julie Manganis Staff Writer

accused killer Philip Chism at the Danvers police station would create a "lurid spec- in the early morning hours tacle" that would "eviscer- of Oct. 23, 2013. ate" his right to a fair trial, lawyers for the Danvers teen interview, including much are appealing to the state's of the details of exactly highest court to keep that what Chism said and how confession secret.

Supreme Judicial Court late rior Court Judge David last week, Chism's attor- Lowy said he has viewed neys also contend that any the recording several times release of the interrogation and intends to rely on it in video or a transcript would reaching a decision. "turn his trial into a hollow formality because, for any-denied the motion by the one who views it, the juve- defense to impound the nile's videotaped confession materials, said he agrees to the police in a very real with lawyers for The sense will be the trial," they Andover Townsman's sis-

with first-degree murder, well as The Boston Globe rape and robbery in the that the recordings are a slaving of Andover native part of the record of the case Colleen Ritzer, 24, a Danvers on which he'll make a deci-High School math teacher, sion, and should be public. on the afternoon of Oct. 22, 2013.

ing that police violated his impoundment request. rights when he was stopped while walking on Route 1 in allowed delays in the release Topsfield, that they failed of the confession in order to give him his "Miranda" to give the defense time to warnings before question- appeal. ing him and that he was not capable of voluntarily waiv- allowed another delay in ing those rights.

In rebuttal to the defense until this Friday, Feb. 13.

request, prosecutors have filed both a transcript and Saying the release of a video recording of Chism's videotaped confession by interview with investigators

The entire contents of the he said it, are being kept In an appeal filed with the secret, even as Salem Supe-

Lowy, who last month ter newspapers The Eagle-Chism, now 16, is charged Tribune and Salem News as

Chism's lawyers appealed and lost again last Thurs-His lawyers are asking day, when Appeals Court a judge to throw out the Justice Peter Agnes found confession and other evi- that Lowy did not abuse his dence in the case, argu- discretion in denying the

But both judges have

Last Friday, the SJC the release of the confession

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House after a long illness. William was the son of Roland and Clarina (Boucher) Denoncourt. He was a life-long resident of Andover and attended the Andover schools, graduating from Punchard High

Bentley College in 1952 and lian and Abigail Denoncourt of Newton Highlands and was Northeastern University in Bradford, MA. 1963. Bill retired from Lucent Technologies, formerly West- friends were kindly invited to at- 1938. A veteran of 5 and a half ern Electric in 1989 as a man-tend his Funeral Service on Mon-years service with the U.S. cy Morrisroe and her husband, ager after working there for 30 day, February 2nd at 12 NOON in Army during World War II, he Mark Slater of Boston. He is years. He served his country the Conte Funeral Home, 28 Flor- used his eligibility under the also survived by two adoring in the Korean Conflict in Ja- ence Street, Andover. Interment G.I. bill to enter Merrimack grandchildren, Allegra Tenenpan and Korea in the Finance with Military Honors followed in College in North Andover with baum and Isabel Slater. The dening and his greenhouse. service from 10 to Noon. For those in economics. After pecially at Christmas, was a through donations to The St. Jude years as a field examlover of all animals especially Children's Research Hospital, 501 iner with the Federal his birds and dogs, and a fan of St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN. 38105 Home Loan Banking New England sports especially OR MSPCA, 400 Broadway, Meth- System, he was hired by the sion. They would also like the Patriots.

dover. His son. William of Mer-tefuneralhomes.com rimack, N.H., daughter, Suzanne and James Cameron of Sandown, N.H. and son, James of Salem, N.H. He is also survived by his sister, Margaret (Carleton) Blake of Andover and his mother-in-law, Rita

ANDOVER, MA. (Omer) Moreau, also Diane William R. Denon- Denoncourt of Manchester, court, 83, passed away N.H. He is also survived by on January 29, 2015 at grand-daughters, Melissa Dethe Sawtelle Family Hospice noncourt and Patricia Denon-

MA., Emma Denon-Courtney Blanchard was 93-years-old. of Auburn, N.H. His

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in 1950. Bill graduated from His great-grandchildren Ju- ceived his early education in

Corps and was honorably dis- Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover. the first class where charged in 1954. Bill loved gar- Visitation was held prior to his he earned a degree He loved to make cookies, ex- who wish, Bill may be remembered spending several Constance (Moreau) of An- guestbook, please visit www.con-



Barbara Baker

IPSWICH — Barbara Bak- Tenney. er, formerly of Andover and

ARRANGEMENTS: In lieu of flow-Methuen, died peacefully at ers, please make donations to House of Peace in Ipswich on House of Peace, 1 High St., Ipswich, January 30, 2015. She is the MA 01938. To send a condolence sister of Suetta Tenney, aunt to her family, please visit www. of Angela, T.A. and Amberly whittier-porter.com.

Mr. Lawrence P. Morrisroe, 93 Years

May 1, 1921 — February 8, 2015

ANDOVER — Mr. Lawrence P. Morrisroe, a lifelong resident of Andover and beloved

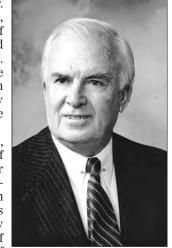
court of Bradford, husband of the late Eileen M. (Flynn), passed away at the court of Salem, N.H., Meadows Nursing Home in a grand-son, Thomas North Andover on Sunday Burns and his fiancé morning, February 8, 2015. He

Born in Boston on May 1, step-grandchildren 1921, Larry was the son of Matthew, Brianna, the late Joseph Jr. and Esther and Kellie Cameron. (Ballem) Morrisroe. He regraduated from North Quincy ARRANGEMENTS: Relatives and High School with the class of

uen, MA. 01844. For funeral home Arlington Trust Company of to acknowledge with many He is survived by his wife directions or to sign the family Lawrence in 1959 where he thanks, the devoted friends spent the next three decades that remained in his life until as a bank vice-president chief- the end. ly in the mortgage depart-

tral Catholic High School and Andover. St. John's Prep as well as on Health Care Services.

baum and her husband, Victor www.burkemagliozzi.com. also of New York City and Nan-



family would like to thank the wonderful and kind staff at The Meadow Nursing Home in North Andover for their care and compas-

ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral

Mass will be celebrated in St. Au-Larry was a life member of gustine Church, 43 Essex Street, the Andover Knights of Co- Andover, on Friday, February 13, lumbus and a longtime mem- 2015, at 10:30 a.m. Relatives and ber of the Friends of Merri- friends are most welcome to atmack College and the Men's tend. Visitation will be held in the Guild of Caritas Holy Family church, prior to the Mass, from Hospital. He served for many 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Interment will years on the boards of Cen- be held in St. Augustine Cemetery, Donations can be made in his

the board of Mary Immaculate name to St. Augustine's Church, 43 Essex Street, Andover, MA He is survived by his loving 01810. Arrangements have been children, Patricia Morrisroe entrusted to the Burke-Magliozzi and her husband, Lee Stern of Funeral Home of Andover. For ad-New York City, Marise Tenen- ditional information, please visit,

L'Italien wins nine Senate committee assignments

By Christian M. Wade CNHI State Reporter

Newly elected state Sen. Barbara L'Italien — the freshman Democrat from Andover whose district also includes Lawrence, Tewksbury and Dracut - racked up nine committee assignments, including a post as chairwoman of the Senate Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

She was one of four of the area's Democratic senators to land committee chairmanships for the two-year session under Senate President key appointments to comgovernment, elderly affairs, owners and the state. substance abuse, finance, healthcare and other issues.

tal Affairs committees, as well state," she said. as of a special panel that is tiveness of charter schools.

She expects the heroin

Carried The state has figured mittees as well. out how to cover people — we have 97 percent coverage — but the challenge is now how do we do this in a meaningful way that doesn't break the bank for individuals

or the state." State Sen. Barbara L'Italien

"The state has figured out

Meanwhile, Sen. Joan Lovely, expected to review the effec- a Salem Democrat entering get negotiations. her second term, was tapped meetings laws.

She will also serve as vice finance to dominate much of Health and Substance Abuse; the new legislative session. and Children, Families and

will belong to two other com- North Shore will have a big

Sen. Tom McGee, who committees.

And Sen. Kathleen this session." O'Connor-Ives, a Newburyport Stanley Rosenberg. The area Health Care Financing Com- Administration Commit- to have more clout with the delegation also picked up mittee, L'talien will wrestle tee. O'Connor-Ives, who is state's new Republican govwith proposals to curb costs entering her second term, ernor, Charlie Baker. mittees that deal with local for the insured, small business will also serve on four other committees.

tremendous influence in bud- lead committees.

epidemic, economic develop- chairwoman of the joint com- Creem, D-Newton; Sen. Mark DeLeo steps down. ment, transportation, early mittees on Municipalities and Montigny, D-New Bedford; education and healthcare Regional Government, Mental and Sen. Brian Joyce, D-Mil- Speliotis, D-Danvers, is seekton, as assistant majority inganother term as chairman leaders. All three were tapped of the Committee on Bills in As a member of the Senate Persons with Disabilities. She for committee chairmanships, the Third Reading, which as well.

berg said despite the top Housefloor. leadership posts going to the Merrimack Valley and cnhi.com.

voice.

"Each senator has signifirepresents Lynn, Lynnfield, cant responsibilities running Marblehead, Nahant, Saugus their respective committees and Swampscott, was tapped in their subject areas," Pete to lead the Joint Committee Wilson said. "Their knowlon Transportation and will edge and expertise in these serve on three other Senate areas will be invaluable to the business of the Senate

Sen. Bruce Tarr, R-Glouces-Democrat, will lead the Joint ter, has retained his position Committee on Community as leader of the Senate's GOP Development and Small minority. While Republicans Business, in addition to her remain vastly outnumbered role as vice chairwoman of in the Democrat-controlled the Personal Personnel and Legislature, they are expected

House Speaker Robert DeLeo was expected to Rosenberg, however, over- announce leadership and how to cover people — we looked the Merrimack Valley committee assignments on In addition to her Municipal have 97 percent coverage — and North Shore for many Wednesday after The Andover and Regional Government but the challenge is now how other top leadership posts. He Townsman went to press. The post, L'Italien will serve as do we do this in a meaningful named Sen. Karen Spilka, Winthrop Democrat has relied vice chairwoman of the Elder way that doesn't break the D-Ashland, as chairwoman of heavily on the North of Boston Affairs and Intergovernmen- bank for individuals or the the Senate Ways and Means region's lawmakers in previ-Committee, which gives her ous sessions — particularly to

Rep. Brian Dempsey, for Sen. Harriette Chandler, one, is widely expected to L'talien is no stranger to by Rosenberg to lead the Joint D-Worcester, is the Senate retain his post as chairman of Beacon Hill. She served eight Committee on State Adminis- majority leader, a post that the House Ways and Means years as a state representa- tration and Regulatory Over- Rosenberg held before he Committee, which controls tive, including a stint as vice sight, which oversees public was elected by Democrats the purse strings on the chairwoman of the power- projects and contracts, as well last month to succeed former state's \$36 billion budget. The ful House Ways and Means as state regulations and open Senate President Therese Haverhill Democrat is viewed as a contender for the House He also named Sen. Cynthia speaker's post if and when

Meanwhile, Rep. Ted has the final word on legisla-A spokesman for Rosen- tion headed for a vote on the

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ticks to remove plague and debris from between their teeth, it wasn't intil the early 1800s that a New Orleans dentist advised his patients to use silk thread for flossing. By the 1940s, nylon became widely accepted as the material of choice for dental flossing. It was preferable o silk because it didn't shred and had a more consistent texture. Today, there are flosses of all types, ncluding waxed and flavored floss. Regardless of which floss a person uses, it's best to use an 18-inch ength of floss wrapped around the fingers. At the gum line, the floss should be wrapped around the sides of each tooth in a c-shape and scraped up and down.

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Andover Town Meeting double take

Duplicate Mill District, AHS media center articles seek May action

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

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vu for warrant articles at the related story. May Town Meeting.

around the town yard. Two more articles — one Council. sponsored by the School Comlibrary into a media center.

in case the Board of Select- want to see happen or not." men opts against bringing warrant cannot be removed.

Charlie Kendrick of Forbes zens that submitted the pri-thing to do with the fact that near any residential areas.

This may be the year of deja Development District. See to limit spending on major ... that degrades or dimin-

Two identical articles—one cal warrant submission was check. sponsored by the town and proposed as a "defensive another sponsored by a group move" in case selectmen or acres of land in the center version of the article submit-

taxpayer money to transform it's just a straightforward way the Andover High School to make sure the residents

the town-sponsored articles taken with the high school and Greenwood roads. to Town Meeting. Private media center proposal, which warrant articles submitted by has been submitted by a Jose Albuquerque of Green- for changes in how the zoning citizens that meet the requiregroup of citizens led by Shanwood Road, have taken mat-bylaw treats assisted-living ments for inclusion on the non Scull in addition to the ters into their own hands by projects, long-term care facil-School Committee.

The reason for the dupli-Lane leads the group of citicate articles may have somevate rezoning proposal for the the Board of Selectmen, supdowntown that would create ported in most cases by the the town from developing the Planning Board.

the Historic Mill District — an pecuniary-minded Finance land "in or around a residenexpansion of the previously Committee, have for the tial neighborhood ... for the proposed Transit-Oriented last couple years attempted purpose of creating a facility projects, particularly at the ishes the quality of life ... or Kendrick said the identi- schools, to keep spending in adversely affects" property

yard, past rezoning propos- not limited to, so-called town of residents — aim to create someone else in town tries to als have been tied to efforts yard buildings, storage areas, a new zoning district on 100 remove the town-sponsored by Town Manager Reginald dump sites and related and "Buzz" Stapczynski to move associated activities." of town located more or less ted by the Planning Board and the public works facility from the Economic Development its current home on Lewis article is not the only private Street elsewhere in town at warrant article targeting "I have no reason to believe an estimated cost of up to \$30 mittee and another by a group selectmen will reject the pubmillion. The high price tag decide on a new location.

Residents there, led by

FROM PAGE ONE

values. The article goes on to In the case of the town state that "this includes, but is

Albuquerque's town yard development.

Three warrant articles have of residents — have been sub- lic article," Kendrick said. for relocating the town yard been submitted in response to mitted to spend \$2 million in "There is no subterfuge here; has left selectmen unable to assisted living facilities like those proposed for Elm Street Efforts to select a new loca- and the old Strawberry Hill and voters of the town get tion have also faced neighbor- Farm on Lowell Street. Resi-The citizen-sponsored to decide in the end whether hood opposition, including dents surrounding both proarticles are being proposed this overlay is something they from residents of a proposed posals are fighting the plans, site behind West Andover fire saying they don't fit in with A similar approach is being station in the area of Chandler the residential feel of their respective neighborhoods.

The zoning proposals call proposing a separate warrant ities and congregate living article that would prohibit the developments. It is unclear placement of a new town yard if the zoning articles would affect the two proposed proj-The article seeks to prevent ects that are currently before

Kendrick agreed. The Historic Mill District, Council and the other by pridiscussions, were held start- he said, "should be a place vate citizens led by Charlie ing in the fall, during which where people can stop. It's people shared their ideas for a nice place to have restauthe future of the area of town rants and a park at the Shaw-

> He and Materazzo both We asked, 'What would said the overlay district could

Materazzo noted that the grants, but that Andover has He said the overlay district to first decide what it wants

Kendrick added that the property around the train "By having an overlay, we station and town yard is "sit-

State officials urge postponement of pipeline open house

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

weighed in on a request to now." change the date of an open pipeline that's been sched-February vacation week.

"We are concerned that not going to change." many of our constituents Reps. James Lyons, R-Ando- region. ver, and Rep. Frank Moran, legislators from neighboring districts.

asks the pipeline company to postpone its open house Wright, N.Y., to Dracut. to either Wednesdays, Feb. current vacation conflict."

Feb. 17, from 6 to 8 p.m. at ending in Dracut. the Wyndham Andover Hotel on Old River Road.

similar requests.

ski sent a letter on Jan. 13 day, March 4; or Thursday, answered. March 5 "in order to maximize the attendance."

ing dates it has planned answered. across the region would had already been booked.

week if the company would consider changing the date, Kinder Morgan spokesman Richard Wheatley said, State legislators have "There is no change as of

Stapczynski said that after forum on the Kinder Morgan he sent his letter, the company sent a "blanket email uled for next Tuesday during saying, in effect, the dates are the dates and they are

All of the open houses will not be able to attend include a chance for affected this important open house landowners to ask questions as a result of conflicts asso- about the project. Residents ciated with February vaca- should have received notice tion," said the letter signed in the mail and advertiseby state Sen. Barbara ments have been placed in L'Italien, D-Andover; state newspapers throughout the

Kinder Morgan and its D-Lawrence; and two other subsidiary Tennessee Gas has proposed building a pipeline from the fracked-Their letter, dated Feb. 5, gas fields of Troy, Penn., to Wright, N.Y., and from

Currently, the company's 25 or March 4 to "avoid the preferred route carries it through parts of Western The open house is cur- Massachusetts and Southrently planned for Tuesday, ern New Hampshire before

From Dracut, smaller lines would distribute the natural Andover and Tewksbury gas throughout New Engtown officials have made land and into Canada. One of those smaller lines would Andover Town Manager run through Andover, mostly Reginald "Buzz" Stapczyn- along the Tewksbury border.

The company is required asking that the date for by federal regulatory authorthe open house be moved ities to hold workshops durto Wednesday, Feb. 25; ing which specific questions Thursday, Feb. 26; Wednes- from property owners can be

During a recent open house in Greenfield, Mass., Kinder Morgan officials, about 400 people showed when reached by the Towns- up, according to one news man last month, said none report, although not everyof the 13 open house meet- one had their questions

According to the website be changed. They said the for WWLP-22 News, Caroforum scheduled for Feb. 17 lyn Ness, chairwoman of in Andover would go off as the Deerfield Board of planned because the confer- Health, said, "The answers ence room at the Wyndham were not any more detailed than we had already gotten When asked again this for some of our questions."

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variety of uses on property related story. currently pigeonholed by outmoded zoning regulations.

Uses allowed in the new district would include reli- both say the new Historic you like to see here?" Mater- also leverage public financing gious or educational projects, Mill zoning overlay district azzo said. "What we heard to fix the train station and the private clubs, banks, retail has nothing to do with the from people is that it's a frag- odd intersection of Pearson and convenience stores, future of the town yard. medical centers, laundry or fast-food and sit-down res- yard has no bearing on this," taurants, custom-manufacrecreational businesses, it moves, great." offices, hotels and motels, commercial parking lots and rezoning proposal, unlike garages, and open space.

— one by the Planning Board and Economic Development "charettes," or public design current zoning and allow a Kendrick of Forbes Lane. See

'Not the town yard'

Materazzo and Kendrick

dry-cleaning establishments, doesn't do with the town sets of rules on opposite sides state has infrastructure Materazzo said. "If (the town turing, indoor commercial yard) decides to stay, great. If would allow property own- to do with the property.

Materazzo said the latest

He said a series of so-called around the train station, sheen River." Dundee Park and the river.

mented area with multiple and Essex streets. "What the town does or zoning districts and different of the same street."

> ers and developers to get the most out of their sites.

past proposals that have are providing landowners a ting there as an unorganized Two separate warrant failed at Town Meeting, chance to redevelop land at no-man's land. It has no a higher value — higher and sense of place. The overlay





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Patience thins as Andover hit by latest storm

By Tim Lima tlima@andovertownsman.com

Marc Fournier, Ando- elevated. ver's new deputy direc-

tered the region with professionalism." in the forecast over the walks and fire hydrants.

of residents is wearing thin to ensure your safety," he get this much bad weather, and their frustration with wrote. "Many of our staff everyone wants salt and

tor of municipal services us," Fournier wrote in a for long periods of time. It's the suppliers to get it out to and highway superinten- letter to the community as a significant responsibility customers." dent, normally loves snow. more snow fell on Monday. that we take seriously." But this year might be an "We're not perfect. But it's a

day, dropping more than public's assistance, saying his department had enough straight day on Tuesday, a foot of additional snow his crews would appreciate of a supply for the time Fournier said one of his Conor Moses, 11, and his 7-year-old brother, Dylan, have been mounds, With more snow to remove snow from side- the near future.

snow removal efforts has work nights and extended needs salt. There's a huge "It's easy to second guess and don't see their families delivery equipment from

complex task which we feel concern over a diminishing Fournier said, and another As Mother Nature bat- we handle with the utmost road salt supply was grow- 1,000 tons of salt on order. ing almost as quickly as As school in Andover was another winter storm Mon- Fournier asked for the snow totals. Fournier said called off for the second

acknowledged the patience we are doing all we can the weather does. When you schools.

shifts in harsh conditions, demand, but a shortage of

As of Monday, Andover On Monday afternoon, a had 750 tons of salt,



onto already towering if residents could pitch in being, and was hopeful for department's main pri- making full use of this winter's avalanche of snow. After one orities is the parking lots, recent storm, the boys built an igloo in the yard of their Fossen "I hope we have enough," side streets and sidewalks Way home. The igloo eventually became a "snow volcano," next several days, Fournier "It is a trying time and he said. "It depends on what surrounding the town's pictured, following last week's blizzard.

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Their letters were a bridge ter, D-sooner, D-better." - and a springboard.

wondered, inquired coyly and grade graduation party. otherwise found out who they were and what they wanted.

hurt and joy, confusion and it belonged. clarity — that they wanted each other.

Forged in writing

from Zielsdorf, as prom-variety. ised. These were the days before zip codes.

Frances;" the date, Aug. 20, him. 1957; and his closing, "Love, Bob.'

He streamed short code on ters SWSSTKTDTS and the coed at Lake Erie College, more familiar SWAK, meaning another medal, his Notre girl. sealed with a kiss.

"To make sure she was properly impressed, I covered the who wanted to commit himself tic letters intended to amuse a pre-engagement rite, Zielsand mystify her," he says in dorf said.

ter two days later.

Her salutation was "Dear graduations. Bob," and her closing was "Love ya lots, Fran."

Painesville, Ohio; and Zielsdorf the envelope with code and pen pals. in York, Penn., and ther Mid-jokes, too, including, "To

The words and lines was visiting a friend, Tony rible crash. sprouted avenues for the cou- Beck, who had moved away ple to explore their formative from York, Penn, to Andover.

The highlight was a kissing game. Each boy threw a postal dialogue of thoughts then dove into the pile to get an departing on a summer trip to still be loving you.' dancing on paper, expressing item and kiss the boy to whom

> ing a religious item, a scapular in Danvers. medal, into the pile.

In any event, she elbowed between the two. out another girl to claim his His salutation was "Dear scapular and won the kiss with

Another medal

the back of the envelope below junior year of college at Notre dorf, however, had miscalcu- 1960s before the Vietnam War the flap, writing the capital let- Dame, he would give her, a lated the time of their arrival and free love emerged in the Dame pin.

back of the envelope with cryp- to a young lady would pin her, repair the emotional damage

married following their romantic track.

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But in those years between the first kiss and the pinning, June 19, 1965 in Andover. She covered the back of they were mostly puppy-love

age angst. He battled academic of Never." The two had met while he doubts and she endured a ter-

Zielsdorf was 13 at the time high school. She had started to the lyrics: In those letters, they joked, and attending Beck's eighth- her first summer job working restaurant in Lawrence.

France, he learned that Jordan

Jordan recalls it as a scaputime together during this dif-The first letter came lar, too, but the wool-cloth ficult time. It also seems to celebrate their golden anniver-

Before long, the book also gets into a cooling of the intended to give readers enjoyrelationship that took place ment on several levels. when Jordan and her parents Many years later, in his to Zielsdorf's house. Ziels-— and he was out with another national consciousness.

"It was a huge mistake,"

What followed was a time to relative age of innocence. from the incident. What also pretty good love story," he followed was the two of them said. As college seniors, they moving away from their pen-Jordan wrote her return let- became engaged. They got pal mode and on to a more their lives and their story, visit

A vow of love

The couple got married

As newlyweds, they went on their first vacation together They dated other people and to the Bahamas, where they west locations before he went prevent strain open before necked at secluded parking heard a Johnny Mathis imperto college in South Bend, Ind. reading!" and "D-liver, D-let-spots and struggled with teen-sonator sing the song "Twelfth

In the 1950s, young dates would kiss to the music of sing-The two were to meet the ers like Mathis. They decided summer of their junior year in it was their song, connecting

"You asked how much I need as a waitress at Cedar Crest you, must I explain? I need you, Oh my darling like roses When Zielsdorf arrived in need rain. You asked how long It turned out, they came to personal item into a pile — a Massachusetts, ostensibly to I'll love you, I'll tell you true ... realize — largely through a shoe, belt or such. The girls visit his friend Beck, before until the Twelfth of Never, I'll

But the nearly 500 letters had broken her neck in a car they wrote and received were Zielsdorf remembers throw- accident and was hospitalized the real road to their love, which spawned five children The book chronicles their and 10 grandchildren.

Today, the couple, who will indicate a closer connections sary in June, live most of the year in Vero Beach, Fla.

Zielsdorf said the book is

For one, it highlights the arrived for a pre-arranged visit era that young people lived in during the late 1950s and early

He said the book looks at the undercurrents, the changing In those days, a young man Zielsdorf said in an interview. times, some of the forces in a

> "The other part of it is a For more information about

> www.bobzielsdorf.com.

VALENTINE'S

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and she pushed me onto the

rink. "I figured that was a 'yes," he said, as his 92-year-old bride, Ethyl, quietly giggled at the memory.

Aided by a walker decorated with glitzy garland and her husband's loving guidance, Ethyl Ackroyd said married couples must compromise at times as that keeps a marriage strong. For example, her husband liked to travel, while she was much more of a homebody.

"But, I went on some trips. .. He loved to go, so I went,"

Donald and Emily Lou Danforth can also boast of almost 71 years of wedded bliss. The couple grew up in Maine and when he asked her to move to Texas, where he was training to be a World War II pilot, she happily agreed.

They soon married in the Lone Star State and their commitment to each other was cemented that June 1944 day.

The Danforths, who are both 91, spent 58 years on Green- a home economics teacher wood Road in Andover before in Andover at both Doherty moving to Atria Marland Place Middle School and the former last November. They agreed East Junior High School. that a successful marriage requires compromise.

band went on a mission. A straightforward, yet telling. woman from the service told wives that, so, I always for her ... that's important in a remembered that," said Emily marriage," he said, smiling at Lou Danforth, who worked as his wife.

HAPPY LIFE

There have been numerous studies done on the divorce rate nationally. U.S. census data out the breakup rate of first marriages in America at 41 to 50 percent.

With a combined 142 years of marriage between Ted and Ethyl Ackroyd and Donald and Emily Lou Danforth, residents of Atria Marland Place in Andover, it seemed appropriate as Valentine's Day approaches to ask for their advice on what makes a successful marriage.

Here's what they had to say. ■ LOVE your spouse with all you've got and truly care for

■ **SACRIFICE** for each other and don't complain about it. It's part of marriage - period.

■ **RESPECT** your spouse, so don't be rude. ■ SHARE INTERESTS, like

dancing. It was square dancing for the Ackroyds, who formerly lived in Methuen and Dracut, and ballroom for the Danforths, who have spent almost 60 years in Andover. Find something that you both like to do. **■ MARRIAGE IS A PRIVI-**

LEGE. Don't ever forget that.

Donald Danforth's take on what has allowed the couple "I remember learning to to celebrate more than seven never fight before your hus- decades of marriage was

"I still have so much respect



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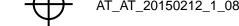
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Opinion

Methadone coverage is good step in heroin fight

The decision by private health insurers across Massachusetts to begin covering methadone treatment for those recovering from opiate addiction represents a significant step in addressing the state's and our region's overdose crisis on a number of fronts.

At its most basic level, the coverage — announced through an agreement between the Massachusetts Association of Health Plans and the state's Division of Insurance — will offer relief beginning this summer to recovering addicts who have not had realistic access to the care they need.

But beyond that, the deal represents yet another step toward tackling the issue of opiate addiction and our ongoing overdose crisis with a medical-based approach to the problem. And that's an approach that deserves a greater focus from private concerns and government agencies alike.

On the private side, Lora Pellegrini, chief executive officer and president of the Massachusetts Association of Health Plans, said that health plans came to decisions individually after talks with officials at the state's Division of Insurance. Until now, methadone treatment has been covered by only a few private plans and by Medicaid plans.

The reason, she said, is basic. "We are really trying to be part of the solution to a very serious problem,' Pellegrini told the State House News Service. "It is one tool in a toolbox of things that are shown to be clinically effective to treat opiate addiction," she added, noting that insurers do not favor one treatment option over another.

Now, it's up to the state to continue beefing up the treatment side of its approach as well.

After state health officials and former Gov. Deval Patrick declared the opioid epidemic a public health emergency last year, the Legislature passed a major substance abuse bill advanced by Cape Ann state Rep. Ann-Margaret Ferrante, D-Gloucester, and others that provides individuals fighting addiction improved access to treatment and recovery services. That measure also requires insurers to cover up to 14 days in an in-patient treatment facility.

A number of state lawmakers are right in pushing for longer prison terms for traffickers and beefed up police powers to address the swell of heroin and opiate-related deaths. Make no mistake, this is a crisis, with more than 130 suspected heroin overdose deaths across Essex County in 2014.

New Attorney General Maura Healey is also calling for a task force to investigate a soaring increase in the price of Narcan, the drug that can temporarily reverse the effects of an opiate overdose and which is carried by a growing number of emergency response crews. She's also challenging the pharmaceutical industry over its distribution of drugs such as Oxycontin, which has proven a first step for far too many down the path toward heroin.

It is in that vein that an insurance agreement to cover methadone — a primary treatment of opiate addiction — stands as another good step down the right track toward addressing our state's greatest current public health crisis. We can only hope more steps along that path, and toward treatment accessibility, are to come.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

The town shut off nearly 600 street lights in 2009 to save money. Now that the economy has improved, should the town turn all the lights back on?

YES: It is dangerous to have dark streets. NO: We still need to save money and we also need to reduce our carbon footprint.

MAYBE: If someone wants a specific streetlight turned back on, then the town should turn it back on for them.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

The outdoor skating rink at The Park has had a rough go since being introduced last year, plagued by vandalism and imperfect conditions. Should the town consider making an investment in installing a permanent, fully conceived rink that could become a popular winter attraction for the community? The answers

NO. The cost to install and maintain an outdoor skating rink is not a priority expense for the town considering the other pressing needs that exist. 31 votes, 58 percent.

YES. An outdoor skating rink would be a great addition to the town's recreational offerings and bring families together through the winter months. 22 votes, 42 percent.

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A student trudges through the snow last week at Phillips Academy in Andover.

Oscar contenders offer big-screen nod for respite care

Emily Kearns

It's Oscar time again and some of this year's top picks are potentially raising awareness about the need for respite.

While technically not respite movies, these three Oscar films could be categorized as nominees for Best Film Making the Case for Respite: "A Theory about Everything," "Still Alice" and "American Sniper."

The three films all depict families deeply affected by their efforts to understand and to support loved ones living with disabilities caused by chronic illness: Jane Hawking, Stephen Hawking's wife; John Howland, Alice Howland's husband; Chris Kyle's family and the parents of Eddie Ray Routh, Kyle's alleged murderer.

While the main characters in the films suffer from different illnesses (Hawking lives with ALS, Howland with Alzheimer's, and Kyle and Routh with posttraumatic stress disorder), the strain experienced by

their caregivers is clear and — increasingly permeates our could be relieved with appropriate respite services.

What is respite? Respite is often thought of as a break from the stress and strain

- physical and emotional that often accompanies longterm caregiving required to support someone living with chronic illness and disabilities. Another way of thinking about respite care is this. It offers services that provide relief and support for caregivers or anyone providing care support.

The mid-13th century Old French definition of respite includes respect and the term's Latin roots, respectus, means consideration and regard. These Oscar nominations depict care supporters with the best of intentions, trying to honor their loved ones with respect, consideration and regard. However, in all cases, they grow exhausted and seem to lack appropriate respite resources to help them.

Beyond Hollywood

The journey of caregivers is not only the stuff of good film. Unfortunately, it families, workplaces and faith communities.

According to statistics gathered by the Family Caregiver Alliance, the 65.7 million caregivers make up 29 percent of the U.S. adult population providing care to someone who is ill, disabled or aged. There are 52 million caregivers providing care to adults ages 18 and up with a disability or illness, while 43.5 million adult family caregivers aid individuals who are ages 50and up. Of those, 14.9 million care for someone who has Alzheimer's disease or other dementia.

Even beyond the cost of the physical and mental strain on the loved ones and families, as depicted in these Oscar movies, is the cost in lost wages and career massrespite.org/ or email opportunities.

According to a study performed by MetLife, the total cost impact of caregiving on the individual female caregiver in terms of lost wages and Social Security benefits equals \$324,044, with the total impact for men equaling \$283,716, for an average

of \$303,880 for male and female caregivers ages 50 and up combined who care for a parent.

Each of these movies is tough because there are no Disney-like happy endings. However, they are hopeful in not only opening a dialogue about caregiving stress, but potentially about how we can leverage our precious community resources to support family members, colleagues, neighbors and friends with innovative respite options.

As members of the Massachusetts Lifespan Respite Coalition, we are doing iust that — identifying and coordinating respite resources for our communities throughout the state. If you need respite or want to join us, please visit http:// ekearns@massrespite.org.

Together we can join these Oscar nominees in not only increasing awareness about the need for respite, but creating real respite solutions.

Emily Kearns of Andover is a member of the Massachusetts Lifespan Respite Coalition.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

McCready is committed to strengthening schools

Editor, Townsman:

We have been following the upcoming School Committee election with great interest. With three seats open, March's election seems critical to the future direction of the Andover public school system. Given that, we are excited that Susan McCready has chosen to run for one of those seats. We believe that Susan's experience, skills and mind-set would make her a valuable addition to Andover's School Committee.

As parents with children at Sanborn Elementary School, we have gotten to know Susan these past few years as a fellow parent,

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tireless volunteer and engaged and conscientious PTO president. She has seen firsthand the challenges our schools face in trying to provide a high-level education to each and every child in an environment where there is mind-set for a School Comnever enough money to do everything and priorities have to be set. We believe that Susan is a great choice as a champion for a public school system that provides a top-notch education while also maximizing every taxpayer dollar spent on it.

We have been impressed

by how Susan is always ready to listen to any concern and do whatever she can to address it. She strives to balance the needs of everyone (students, parents, educators, staff and general community members). There have been times when we have had different opinions about an issue faced by the schools. But Susan embraces different opinions, taking the opportunity to better educate herself on all perspectives and then make a fully informed decision. We think this is an important

mittee member to have. Susan is committed to continuously strengthening our public schools as she is both a graduate of the Andover public schools and a parent of a current student. Andover is a large town with different constituencies and different opinions about what our schools' priorities should be and how money should be spent. We are confident that Susan will keep the School Committee's focus on providing an excellent education to everyone while incorporating the diverse needs and opinions of Andover residents. Please consider Susan McCready for election and vote on March 24.

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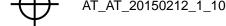
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Gracie, a Pembroke Welsh corgi, emerges from a tunnel at last year's Westminster Kennel Club

Show agility competition as her owner, Jo Ann Carleton, awaits.



Courtesy photos Nick Carleton leads his black Labrador Sophie through the agility course at Westminster Kennel Club Show last year. The pair are returning to the famed dog show for this weekend's competition.

Andover pups headed to top agility show at Westminster

Nick Carleton says his 12-year-old Labrador Sophie possesses the attitude of a welltrained track athlete. She made the finals of last year's Westminster **Kennel Club** Show agility competition.





Gracie, Jo Ann Carleton's speedster Pembroke Welsh corgi, is ranked fourth in the country for agility.

By Judy Wakefield wakefield@andovertownsman.com

Soaring over a 4-inch-high bar, Gracie, a Pembroke Welsh corgi from Andover with small, white paws, looks like a skilled gymnast as she lands and scampers off to her next obstacle on the course.

Gracie's superbly agile moves, combined with her beautiful strut, allow her to quickly maneuver any canine obstacle course.

They have also earned her a return trip to this weekend's popular Westminster Kennel Club Show at Madison Square Garden in New York.

Some 2,000 dogs will take the stage Saturday for the famed beauty pageant that sets tails wagging.

But a little known fact is that the Westminster Kennel Club also began hosting an Agility Show as part of the competition. And both Gracie and pal Sophie, a black Labrador retriever also from town, are headed back after participating in the premiere of the event last year.

Gracie and Sophie belong to Jo Ann Carleton, 53, of County Road in Andover and her son, Nick Carleton, 27, who grew up in town and now lives in North Andover.

The Carletons are dog people. Just like parents teams, they drive all over New England and even across country to show their prized pooches.

66 It's a lot of fun to see my dog compete. The dogs love it ... they love what they do and we have met so many nice people who are just like us and love to be with their dogs. ??

Jo Ann Carleton

for the Carletons and their dogs, who undergo rigorous training, Gracie in New Hampshire and Sophie with a trainer in Rhode Island.

Gracie and Sophie aren't the typical house pets. Nick Carleton said it takes two years to properly train dogs for an agility show. The regiment requires daily reenforcement of agility skills as well as lots of running to stay in shape and a strict diet heavy on protein — no table scraps allowed.

They are athletes. And we treat them like athletes,' he said of the dogs who get massages just like professional athletes and even see chiropractors for cramps or muscle woes.

The Careltons have been living their dogdominating lives for years and simply love it. They're part of a family of devoted trained dog owners that includes Olympic gold medal diver Greg Louganis of California, who they have met at shows.

"It's a lot of fun to see my dog compete. The dogs love with kids on traveling sports it ... they love what they do and we have met so many nice people who are just like who possesses the attitude us and love to be with their dogs," said Jo Ann Carleton,

It's a serious commitment who works as a CVS pharmacist in Haverhill.

More than good looks

Breed grooming has always been the focus of the Westminster Kennel Club's annual show, which has seen more than 300,000 dogs compete for titles since 1877. Every contestant meets high standards and is judged based on their general appearance, movement, temperament and specific physical traits, including height, weight, coat, color, eye color/shape, ear shape/ placement, feet and tail.

When the kennel club branched out with its agility show last year, the Carletons and their circle of dog friends were ecstatic. They believe there is so much more to the show than just breeding pretty dogs and a dog's agility is well worth

noticing. "We were on cloud nine. We always wanted this and our dogs were ready," said Nick Carleton, who works at Charmed Sciences in Lawrence.

Gracie and Sophie are fans of the obstacle course. Twelve-year-old Sophie,

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Little visitor, big lesson

Norbert a highlight of Take Your Child to Library Day

STAFF REPORTS

Memorial Hall Library enjoyed a special visit Saturday from Norbert, the lovable pooch from "Norbert: What Can Little Me Do?" fame, who was the star attraction of Take Your Child to the Library Day.

Author Julie Freyermuth and her illustrator mother Virginia Freyermuth stopped by to talk about their book, read an excerpt and demonstrate some illustration work.

But the guest of honor was undoubtedly 3-pound Norbert bustling with other activities himself, who charmed the 40 or so people in attendance with his tricks and adorable ways. Julie Freyermuth and her 7-inch tall, mixed breed Norbie or Norbs, as

he's affectionately come to be known, are a registered therapy animal team with Pet Partners. Norbert also shows children in his picture books that you don't have to be big to make a difference.

Take Your Child to Library Day featured a full lineup of programs centered around the library's youngest patrons and their families, including Wiggle Words for infants to 2-year-olds and a Legomania story event for ages 5 and up. The children's room at Memorial Hall was all day as well.

To cap things off, Grammynominated storyteller Sharon Kennedy shared her Stories, Songs and Chants from Around the World.







TOP: Norbert, held by author and owner Julie Freyermuth, gets acquainted with some of his youngest fans at Memorial Hall Library on Saturday.

AT LEFT: Norbert smiles up at his owner, Julie Freyermuth, who brought the 3-pound therapy dog to fame in the popular "Norbert: What Can Little Me Do?" children's picture book.

FAR LEFT: Memorial Hall Library children's librarian Kim Bears poses with Norbert, who paid a visit on Saturday as part of Take Your Child to Library Day.

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AMERICAN ART, Winter shows include "Light/Dark, White/ Black" through July 31; "Collection Intervention: Ellen Gallagher's DeLuxe" through lery.org. May 17; and "Heaven and Earth, through April 5; gallery talk for "Heaven and Earth" with Judith F. Dolkart, Addison director and exhibition curator, Sunday, Feb. 15, 2 p.m.; family vacation week events for children of all ages Feb. 17 through 20; lecture on Ellen Gallagher's "DeLuxe" with printmaker David Lasry of Two Palms press and Sarah Suzuki, associate curator of Department of Drawings

and Prints, Museum of Mod- the Performing Arts, 100 ern Art, New York, Sunday, Feb. 22, 2 p.m.; free admission to gallery and all programs; Phillips Academy, 180 Main St., Andover; 978-749-4015, www.addisongal-

DANCE

"ROCKIN' ROAD TO DUB-

LIN," all-ages production featuring Massachusetts Irish dance world champions Scott Doherty and Ashley Smith, plus lead dancers from "Lord of the Dance," "Riverdance" and "Taptronic;" accompanied by vocalists and a seven-piece band, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 20 and 21, 7:30 p.m., J. **Everett Collins Center for**

Shawsheen Road, Andover; tickets \$30 to \$40; www. rockinroadtodublin.com.

FILMS

MONDAY MOVIE

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

SILENT FILM SERIES, "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" (1921), featuring live musical accompaniment by silent film composer Jeff Rapsis, Wednesday, Feb. 18, 7 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 North Turnpike St., North Andover; free; 978-837-5355.

MUSIC

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PHILLIPS ACADEMY CON-**CERTS, Chamber Music**

Society, comprised of faculty and students, in concert Saturday, Feb. 14, 6:30 p.m., Timken Room at Graves Hall; Academy Jazz Band and ensembles in concert Sunday, Feb. 15, 3 p.m., Cochran Chapel; String Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra in concert Friday, Feb. 20, 7:30 p.m., Cochran Chapel; all events free; Phillips Academy, 180 Main St., Andover; 978-749-4260, email music@andover.edu.

PALMERS RESTAURANT, Live music, Fridays and Saturdays, 9 p.m. to midnight; Friday, Feb. 13, The Groove

Cats; Saturday, Feb. 14, Jah Spirit Reggae: Friday, Feb. 20, Jumpstreet Band; Saturday, Feb. 21, Hal Holiday and the No Tones; Friday, Feb. 27, White Lightning Band; Saturday, Feb. 28, Marybeth Maes Band; no cover charge; 18 Elm St., Andover; 978-470-1606, www.

palmers-restaurant.com. THEATER

tic comedy presented by the Merrimack College Department of Visual and Performing Arts, Thursday and Friday, Feb. 12 and 13, 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, Feb. 14, 2 and 7:30 p.m.; Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St.,

North Andover; \$10 at the door: www.merrimack.edu.

"ANNIE GET YOUR GUN," presented by Acting Out! Theater Company Friday, Feb. 27, 7 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 28, 1:30 and 7 p.m.; and Sunday, March 1, 3 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; general admission tickets \$15 in advance, \$18 "RED HERRING," Dark roman- at the door; reserved seating \$20 in advance, \$23 at the door; group rates available; www.actingouttheater.com, 978-807-1191.

> To submit an item for the entertainment calendar, email townsman@andovertownsman.com.



Nick Carleton's Labrador, Sophie, made the finals of last year's Westminster Kennel Club Show agility competition. She's hoping to repeat the feat this weekend.

DOGS

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of a well-trained track athlete, made the finals last year. She was timed by judges as she precisely hurdled over 20 separate bars that were 24 inches off the ground. The dogs are categorized by height, with Sophie competing against other Labradors.

While Gracie is considered more of a couch potato at home, she has made a name for herself as an agile speedster at competitions. She is ranked fourth in the country for her agility.

Dogs get just one trial run of the obstacle course before Ann Carleton said. "It's

"You knock one bar over and you're out ... disqualified, it's over," Nick Carleton said, a somber tone to his voice indicative of the stress and potential disappointment that a dog and trainer who have invested so much time preparing for competition can experience.

But the Carletons aren't thinking about that this week. They're gathering all of their essentials and readying Gracie and Sophie for their trip back to Westminster. There's a great deal of anticipation among both the two-legged and fourlegged travelers who will stay together at the hotel.

"We just can't wait," Jo exciting for all of us.'

Tennessee Gas Pipeline



The "Rockin" Road to Dublin" will fill the stage for two shows next weekend at the J. Everett **Collins Center** for the Performing Arts at **Andover High** School. The group is led by 2009 world champion Irish dancer **Scott Doherty** of Lawrence.

Courtesy photo

Out & About: Dance show to kick up an early dose of Dublin

The focus this weekend might be on Valentine's Day. But St. Patrick's Day is right around the corner. Next weekend, two world

champion Irish dancers step to the stage at the J. **Everett Collins Center for** the Performing Arts at Andover High School to present "Rockin' Road to Dublin.'

The program will feature Lawrence's Scott the 2009 men's world champion of Irish dance, as well as Ashley Smith of Boston, who holds the world champion title on

the women's side for that same year.

Created by Doherty, "Rockin Road to Dublin" takes a traditional Irish dance production and adds The music plays on a unique, modern twist to it. The two-hour show will feature almost one dozen Doherty, who was crowned dance numbers and a cast weekends are ahead on the and crew of about 27.

Performances are Friday emy at 180 Main St. and Saturday, Feb. 20 and 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the arts center at 100 Shawsheen

Road. Tickets range from \$30 to \$40, and are available at www.RockinRoadtoDublin.com.

at Phillips Academy

A busy couple of musical campus of Phillips Acad

This Saturday, the school celebrates Valentine's Day with a performance by the Phillips Academy **Chamber Music Society** comprised of faculty and students at 6:30 p.m. in the Timken Room of Graves Hall. The program will include movements of chamber music by Ravel, Tchaikovsky, Schumann, Beethoven, Tailleferre, Wesley, Kuhlau, Martinu,

Bozza and Arnold. On Sunday, it's time for the Academy Jazz Band and ensembles to take center stage with a show at 3 p.m. in Cochran Chapel. Works by Thad Jones, Duke Ellington, Red Garland and George Gershwin will be featured.

Next weekend, the Academy String Ensemble and Academy Chamber Orchestra will present a concert on Friday, Feb. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in Cochran Chapel. The program will include "Voyage for String Orchestra" by John Corigliano, directed by Christina Landolt; "Chadwick's Serenade for String Orchestra in F Major" under the direction of Elizabeth Aureden, Bernstein's "West Side Story,' Copland's "Four Dances from Rodeo," and "Friendship Medley" arranged by Derek Jacoby, all under the direction of James Orent.

Then on Sunday, Feb. 22, the Academy Concert Bands and ensembles under the direction of Vincent Monaco and Derek Jacoby command the spotlight at 3 p.m. in Cochran Chapel. The music of Nehlybel, Holst, King and others will be performed.

All of the concerts are free and open to the public. For more information, call the Phillips Academy Music Department at 978-749-4260 or email music@ andover.edu.

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Community Open House Andover, MA

Company, L.L.C.

a Kinder Morgan company

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (TGP), is planning an informal community open house on Tuesday, February 17th, in Andover, MA. The open house will be held in regard to Tennessee Gas Pipeline's planned Northeast Energy Direct Project (NED).

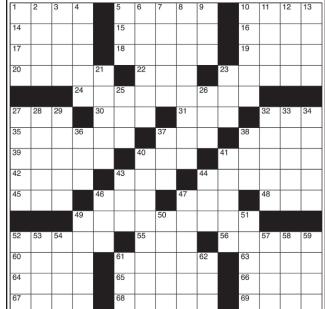
In order to meet growing market demand for natural gas in the northeastern United States, Kinder Morgan is proposing the NED Project to expand and upgrade its existing pipeline system in New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Hampshire Connecticut.

The project involves the construction of 32 miles of looping of the existing TGP 300 Line in Pennsylvania, 135 miles of new pipeline from the TGP 300 Line to Wright, New York, 53 miles of new pipeline co-located with the existing TGP 200 Line and utility corridors in New York, 64 miles of new pipeline in Massachusetts, approximately 71 miles of new pipeline in New Hampshire generally co-located with existing utility corridors, approximately 75 miles of new pipeline laterals and modification of existing laterals in Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Hampshire, and modifications to existing and construction of new compressor stations and meter stations. The target in service date for the project is November

6-8 p.m., Tuesday, February 17, 2015

Wyndham Hotel 123 Old River Rd. Andover, MA 01810

Refreshments will be served



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Glasgow inhabitant
- 5. Dangerous tidal bore 10. Prevents harm to creatures 14. Upper class
- 17. Am. Nat'l. Standards Inst.
- 18. Muse of lyric poetry and mime 19. He fiddled 20. Afrikaans
- 22. Don't know when yet 23. Mottled cat
- 24. 1803 USA purchase 27. Engine additive 30. Reciprocal of a sine
- _ King Cole, musician 32. Time in the central U.S.
- 35. Insect pupa sheaths
- 37. Prefix denoting "in a" 38. Okinawa port city 39. Capital of Pais-de-Calais
- **CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Spawn of an oyster
- 2. Town near Venice 3. Bone (pl.)
- 4. Pair of harness shafts
- 5. Midway between E and SE 6. Of a main artery Catches
- 8. Maintained possession 9. Old Tokyo
- 10. Yemen capital 11. Commoner

- 13. Old Xiamen
- 21. Soul and calypso songs 23. Explosive
- 25. Put into service 26. Swiss river
- 27. Territorial division 28. Pulse
- 29. Hair curling treatments 32. Small group of intriguers

Solution in Classified Section

- 40. Small amount 41. Fictional elephant
- 43. 12th month (abbr.)
- 44. Knights' garment 45. One point S of due E 46. Lender Sallie
- 47. Express pleasure 48. Grassland, meadow
- 49. Vikings state 52. Deck for divination 55. Mountain
- 56. Cavalry sword 60. Largest known toad species 61. Once more
- 63. Cavity 64. Paper this tin plate
- 65. Slang for backward 66. James ___, American steam engineer
- 67. Sea eagles 68. Wooded
- 69. Expression of annoyance
- 33. Portion 34. Slightly late 36. Taxi
- 37. Political action committee 38. Grab 40. Between 13 & 19
- 41. Tai currency 43. Newsman Rather 44. Great school in Mass.
- 46. Technology school 47. Have a great ambition
- 49. Groans 50. Fill with high spirits
- 51. Expressed pleasure 52. Modern London gallery
- 53. A gelling agent in foods
- 54. Dilapidation

61. Creative activity

62. Slight head motion

57. Swine 58 Footwear museum city 59. Respite

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Education

School Committee seeks to quell principal questions

High school leadership not the 'revolving door' it appears, they say

acknowledged last week that Marinel McGrath. many Andover residents are at the high school's top spot.

School Committee meeting. on Friday. "I have found, in my own conwhen people ask me about disclose," she added. it, that it's very helpful when

Since the Education Reform

School Principal Christopher certain legal parameters sur- just because you're not satis- an interim basis. Sharkey, of address concerns surround- he said.

some of the questions raised ber followed by his departure we're not satisfied." by his abrupt departure late in early December represent

"I think, obviously, peo- School Committee is com- understanding. ple have had a lot of ques- pletely satisfied that Dr. tions since the time (Lord) McGrath is making decisions as principal before retiring. resigned up until now," Gil- in the best interest of the He was replaced by Jonathan prior to the 2012 school year, expected to offer some for students in grades six bert said at last Thursday's school district," Gilbert said Harris, who was hired by for-serving for 2 1/2 years until comments on the state of through 12.

versations here and there that she's legally allowed to 2009-10 school year before Middle School Principal Ste- principal this Wednesday Academy community at a

people understand what the School Committee openly was previously based. roles are of the superinten- defended McGrath in the face dent and School Committee." of one resident's questions.

mittee is working to answer from Andover High in Novem- purview, that doesn't mean school years.

Anderson spent 10 years principal then."

As former Andover High addition, she said there are by resident Bob Pokress. "So, Thomas Sharkey to step in on various school officials and beat through this transition," Lord awaits a decision on a rounding personnel matters. fied with the answers you've Andover, originally intended ing leadership at the high new leadership position at As a result, the circum-been getting or not satisfied to serve only the remainder school in recent years. a charter school in Marlbor- stances surrounding Lord's that some things are not in of the 2010-11 school year, but ough, the town's School Com-two-to three-week absence your purview, or even our ended up staying on for two

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Gilbert said that on paper, there were long, drawn-out people might want, it would appointing Murray or she a private personnel matter the turnover of principals and highly contentious nego-Chairman Annie Gilbert handled by Superintendent at Andover High since the tiations happening between the history of the school's search for the position. retirement of Peter Ander- the School Committee and principals. "I think that everybody on son in 2009 might appear the teachers union," Gilbert

> Lord was eventually hired school principal.

had already begun, officials surrounding Lord's depar-students' teachers. "I think if it shows any- held off on conducting a ture, the School Committhe School Committee. In response to frustration voiced High School Headmaster roles and responsibilities of

who will put together the plan for next year is expected initial draft, said that while it to be determined soon. She "During Sharkey's tenure, may contain less than some said McGrath might favor work to put into perspective could opt to conduct a public

confused about the specific the board certainly under- alarming. But she said once said. "Sharkey had planned to door that some people make early this week on whether he roles of school officials and stands the curiosity factor, the sequence of events is stay for one year, but stayed it seem," he said. "There are would be chosen as the new the perceived rapid turnover and the desire to know more explained to residents, another because it was such a certain personnel issues, as principal for the Advanced information, but I think the they tend to have a better tumultuous time. It wouldn't anyone who has worked in an Math and Science Academy have made sense to hire a organization knows, that will in Marlborough. He is one of

mer Superintendent Claudia his departure was announced Andover High School dur-

Act in the early 1990s, Gil-thing, it's the faith we have traditional search for a per-tee decided last week to daughter's assessment, enrollment of nearly 1,000 bert said, personnel issues in Dr. McGrath and with this manent principal. Instead, a create a "Frequently Asked Blumstein said he believes students. Its focus is on the now fall under the purview administration," member newly hired McGrath hired Questions" sheet to pro-things are going "very well" so-called STEM areas of eduof the superintendent, not Paula Colby-Clements said in recently retired Lawrence vide an explanation on the since Murray has taken over. cation — science, math, engi-

"They haven't skipped a neering and technology.

As for naming a permanent principal for the high school, Member Joel Blumstein, Gilbert said the leadership

Regarding Lord's future, he "It isn't quite the revolving was awaiting a decision as of have to be kept confidential." two finalists for principal of Meanwhile, Murray was the regional charter school

Lord was introduced to the "She's disclosed everything Bach. Harris served for the on Dec. 5. Since then, West ing his first open house as Advanced Math and Science resigning in October 2010 to phen Murray has stepped in night. The high school holds Meet the Candidate night last At its Jan. 15 meeting, the return to Texas, where he to fill the role of interim high an open house at the start of Friday. The public charter each new semester to allow school, which opened in 2005, Because the school year In light of the questions parents to meet with their draws from Marlborough as well as neighboring Hudson, Based on his sophomore Maynard and Clinton for its

AHS Robotics Club joins 'Winning Alliance' en route to states

The Andover High School Robotics Club has advanced to the First Tech Challenge state championship later this month after its successful outing at the FIRST Robotics Technical Challenge's League Championships on Feb. 1.

The Andover club instructed by Minda Reidy finished as part of the "Winning Alliance," cementing its appearance at the states on Feb. 28.

The local team also received the THINK award, which recognizes excellence in documenting the journey, including the design process, with the Engineering Notebook.

The group's accomplishments were praised by Superintendent Marinel McGrath at last Thursday night's School Committee meeting. The team is expected to make a brief this Thursday night.



presentation to the School Members of the Andover High School Robotics Club pose with their trophy after finishing Committee at its meeting in the "Winning Alliance" as part of the FIRST Robotics Technical Challenge's League Championships. The showing qualifies the club for the state tournament on Feb. 28.

Robb tapped for interim School Committee seat

By Tim Lima tlima@andovertownsman.com

mittee last week after being regular meeting. unanimously endorsed to fill a temporary seat.

School Committee to fill a perfectly. short-term vacancy created by the resignation of newly interest in finishing out

School Committee member usual. to serve out the remaining

He has said he has no away."

"The reason that I put brought up to speed. While hour one."

one year of L'Italien's term. my name in for this is that Robb was originally one Immediately after being I realize that this is a tre- of five candidates for the chosen, Robb was sworn mendously important time position, his only competi-With less than two in to his new role by Town of the year for the School tion in the end was Diane months to serve, Don Robb Clerk Larry Murphy. Then, Committee, finalizing the McCarron. John Hess was wasted no time getting to he took a seat with the com- budget and bringing that disqualified because his letwork on the School Com- mittee to participate in its forward to work with the ter of interest was submitselectmen and the Finance ted after the deadline. And With 10 years past expe- Committee," Robb said. "I Ted Teichert, who is among rience on both the School thought that with my back- the candidates for School Robb, of York Street, was Committee and Finance ground, I'd be able to do Committee in March, and appointed by a joint vote of Committee, Robb felt the things that were helpful Joanne Gantz Bendetson the Board of Selectmen and temporary position fit him to the committee that I'd withdrew their names from be able to start doing right consideration prior to last Thursday's vote.

The School Committee Eventually, it was Robb's elected state Sen. Barbara L'Italien's term over the had said that a candidate decades of board expericoming year and sought with prior board experience ence that won him the posi-A former School Com- the interim position simply was preferred for the role tion. Board of Selectmen mittee member, Robb will to round out the committee since the member would Chairman Dan Kowalski serve until March 24, when until the town election so serve such a short time said it's something that voters will elect a new business could carry on as and it would be difficult for "really enables him to step a newcomer to be quickly in to participate right from

New high school schedule set to launch in 2016-17

Officials to use year to prepare for 'transformation'

By Tim Lima tlima@andovertownsman.com

Andover High School stu-result." dents will have to wait a year

Marinel McGrath announced faculty and others. last week that a consensus September.

was approved, officials were thing," McGrath said. unsure whether they would mately the decision.

told the School Committee about through hard work. at its meeting last Thursday. climate at the high school."

school day.

less than the current man-there ... is no easy feat.' date, and will include an pursue specialized areas of

see it done well than done quickly," he said. "I think it will be more successful as a

McGrath said the decision before they test out a new to wait another year before class schedule approved this rolling out the new schedule was a unified decision, To give students and fac-reached through a consensus ulty more time to better of members of a committee prepare, Superintendent made up of school officials,

"This was truly a decision has been reached to hold off that came about through implementing the new sched- consensus. ... It was another ule until September 2016, milestone in our evolution as opposed to this coming and how we all work together at the high school and that When the new schedule was another really neat

Kerry Costello, president of seek to introduce it for the the Andover Education Asso-2015-16 school year or hold ciation who was part of that off one year, which was ulti- committee, echoed McGrath's thoughts, saying the consen-"This is not just a technical sus on both the schedule itself schedule change," McGrath and its implementation came

"For some people, I will "This is really about a trans- say myself included, it took formation of a culture and a awhile to learn what consensus really means," Costello Officials say the new said. "The fact that the "7-Plus-H" schedule will (teachers) association in conoffer course continuity, junction with the administraallow students more time to tion and the superintendent's absorb material and create a leadership and School Commore personalized feel to the mittee's support were able to achieve not only that con-The new schedule will sensus with the high school require students to enroll in schedule ... but also the work seven credits, a half point today on how shall we get

Costello added there is still "H-Block" period meant to considerable work ahead to give students allotted time to put the schedule into action.

"We're going to need interest, seek extra help or the support of the town as work on individual projects. well," she said. "When you School Committee member transform your education Joel Blumstein said while he at a high school, it's not just supports the new schedule, he about a schedule and a techis glad it's not being rushed. nical piece; there are pieces "I'm a big fan of the new that belong to that, not all of schedule, but I'd much rather which cost money."

EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

COMPILED BY TIM LIMA

Crowning evening

for Mr. AHS

soon earn his crown. be chosen during the annual wraps up with contestants Musical storyteller at

BLACKITA

The event will be hosted by creativity and effort. Henry Duerr and Caroline

The new king of Andover contestant. Then, they will the event's sponsor, and has of which rhymed. High School for 2015 will each perform a talent, before provided participants with oon earn his crown. acting out their "dream tuxedos. Mr. AHS is scheduled to date." The competition event on Thursday, Feb. 12 at answering a series of random South Elementary 7 p.m. in the school's Collins questions.

Each segment of the compe-This year's student-contes- tition is usually high comedy, at South Elementary School tants are Angelo Cerbone, according to Duerr. A panel were paid a visit on Feb. 4 Jesse Girrell, Abhimanyu of judges, who remain confiby Tim Stetson, a musical application cycle Bishnu, Raymond Gorzela, dential until the show begins, storyteller who has created baldi and Brendan Mokler. on several factors, including about a variety of characters, year award five \$2,000 tion deadline is March 31.

door. The event is a student

The kindergarten students Andona Society

including children, animals scholarships to high school Tickets are \$10 at the and sea creatures.

Stetson used his guitar as 2015. The show will be divided government fundraiser, with well as puppets and other

engaged for a full hour.

opens scholarship

The Andona Society of and achieve since 1952. Parth Valecha, Kevin Giri- will select the winner based original stories and songs Andover will again this

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graduates of the class of online at www.andona.org.

into four parts, beginning all proceeds benefiting the props to share his imagina- be ranked in the upper 50 recommendation; personal with introductions by each junior class. Russo Tux is tive stories and songs — all percent of their class and recommendation from a The kindergarteners did education after gradua- employer, coach, club adviser an impressive job of figuring tion. Once again, one of the or other non-relative; and a out the rhyming words in the five scholarships will be high school transcript. stories as Stetson kept them awarded to a senior who receives special education should be submitted to services.

> organization of mothers who St., Andover 01810. have been helping the youth of Andover to learn, grow

Applications are available They must include a college Eligible applicants must application essay, teacher have plans to continue their community service director, Completed applications

Andona Scholarships, c/o Andona is a charitable Renee Poor, 4 Arundel

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Education

Literary magazines plant seeds for young writers, artists

By Paul Tennant

joined hundreds of chil- and Dan Gillette.

Stories, poems and pictures by the group of third-, ... It's a glow in your heart fourth- and fifth-graders ... It's a handshake after are featured in the new edi- a fight," read a few of its tion of AppleSeed, a literary lines. She is the daughter magazine produced under of Andrew Long and Maria the direction of CREST Ventullo. (Collaborative for Regional In addition to students Educational Services and from Andover, children Training), formerly the from Lawrence, Methuen, Greater Lawrence Educa- North Andover, Haverhill, tional Collaborative.

The contributors along part of the initiative. with their parents, grandparents, siblings and teach- AppleSauce highlighting ers gathered at South the works of students in Lawrence East Elementary grades six through eight School recently to enjoy and ApplePi — the ratio of each other's creativity at the circumference of a circle the Primary Launch Night to its diameter, not the desfor the winter edition of sert — showcasing the tal-AppleSeed.

With the assistance of a The initiative seeks to couple boxes, many of the bolster creative writing and ers stood before the crowd students. The collaborain the school cafeteria and tive works with 22 elemenshared their work.

Gillette, a fourth-grader at organization. West Elementary School Andover's contributors of his peers were difficult Hall Library in town on to hear, Oscar was quite March 26. audible.

lover,

night,

He'll practice day or light."

poem was his 16-year-old brother, Cedric, who can throw an 83-mph fast ball. Andover youngsters They are the sons of Dawn

dren from around the area Sarah Long, a fifth-grader in celebrating their turn at South Elementary School as published writers and in Andover, also presented a poem, titled "Peace."

"It's the ending of war

Boxford and Middleton are

CREST also publishes ent of high-schoolers.

budding artists and writ- artistic expression among tary and middle schools in Among them was Oscar the region served by the

in Andover, who recited to AppleSeed and Applehis poem, "My Baseball Sauce will be honored at a Brother." While several literary night at Memorial

Kristen Hollenbeck, "My brother is a baseball enrichment partnership director for CREST, said He practices day and the magazines stand out because they are the prod-My brother is a baseball ucts of multiple school systems.

"It's a very unique pro-The inspiration for the gram," she said.

Biking for a cause

Sixth-grader pedals his way to helping people with MS

By BILL KIRK bkirk@andovertownsman.com

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At just 11 years old, Alfonso Morell has taken on more challenges than some people take on their whole lives.

And to top it off, he does it for charity.

The sixth-grader at West Middle School was recently recognized by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's Greater New England Chapter for riding 30 miles to raise money for MS-Fit programs.

He did it because MS has affected so many people in

pretty much knows at least one person who has it." Morell completed the

ber alongside his mother, battled MS. Monica Morell, with thousands of other cyclists.

western New York in a town from his mother's hometown that contained a geographical of Lockport, N.Y. pocket of MS. She said every affected by the disease. For



"I know people who have MS," he said. "Everybody Alfonso Morell, 11, takes a break to enjoy the sights during his charity fundraising ride through Boston in September to support a wellness program for individuals with multiple sclerosis.

30-mile course in Septem- Morell, it was an aunt who on North Main Street, don't 2.3 million people world-

Monica Morell grew up in so's fundraising efforts are with his mother.

family in the area had a relassaid. "It's in the family and in land," she said. tive, a coworker or a friend the community I grew up in."

The majority of friends and Alfonso was 8 years old, he nosed between the ages of family who donated to Alfon- climbed five 4,000-foot peaks 20 and 50, with at least two

my goal of climbing all 67 of

Mother and son, who live Alfonso called "interesting. information.

Hiking is not my favorite thing. I would rather be biking."

The money Alfonso raised will support the Greater New England Chapter of the national organization's B.Fit program, which promotes wellness through physical activity for people with progressive MS.

Multiple sclerosis, an unpredictable, often disabling disease of the central nervous system, interrupts the flow of information within the brain, and between the brain and body. Symptoms range from numbness and tingling to blindness and paralysis. The progress, severity and specific symptoms of MS cannot yet be predicted.

MS affects more than just bike together. When wide. Most people are diagto three times more women "He was helping me obtain than men facing the disease.

Multiple Sclerosis Aware-"For me, it's personal," she the 4,000 footers in New Eng-ness Week is March 2 through 8. Visit www. It was an experience MSnewengland.org for more

■ PIKE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

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HIGH HONORS ■ Grade 9

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Amolina Bhat, Zenia Bhathena, Amanda Brooks, Emma Brown, Cathy Cheng, Jack Curtin, Samantha Davidson, Lauren Fanning, Sabrina Gribbel, Ava Harrington, Abigail Johnson, Anna Lang, Tristan Latham, Amy Liu, Emily Michaels, Mari Nakamura, Meredith Newton, Joshua Quirk, Clay Rabold, Sarika Rao, Lily Rauh, Alice Ren, Nicholas Rice, Cade Rose, Nick Tilson, Katie Tsai, Ria Vieira

■ Grade 7

Kaela Aalto, Katie Brooks, David Chatson, Sophie Green, Olivia Hodge, Nikki Iamonaco,

The following students were Olivia Lai, Samantha Lee, Emily Sanchorawala, Jerry Shu, Chen- Elena Ranalli, Jordan Richard, Ser-McGoldrick, Jonathan Mei, Jennifer Mills, Ishaan Mundra, Charlie Murphy, Aidan O'Brien, Katelyn O'Brien, Jack Palfrey, Therese Pelletier, Prem Prabhakar, Sophia Ranalli, Wil Rinaldi, Lindi Schroeder, Vanessa Shipley, Maddy Silveira, Carly Tilson, Rachel Tucker, Abigail Vieira, Emma Willard, Charles Yang, Estelle Zhu ■ Grade 6

Pratik Alladi, Jessica Andrews, Lizzy Chai, Emily Chen, Amelia Bella Borek, Mia Borek, Clayton O'Neill, Matthew Onofrio, Cath-Cheng, Tyler Corsi, Max Fan, Grace Flanagan, Alex Fung, Logan Gauthier, Ethan Gerakaris, Emily Huang, Kathryn Hylton, Talia Jachimowicz, Avinaash Janarthanan, Graeleigh Jones, Tanay Kommareddi, Meera Kumar, Alexandra Mastrangelo, Teddy Mautz, Kate McCullom, Kendall McCullom, David Ronit Gupta, Grace Hennessy, O'Brien, Elizabeth Packard, Ben-

chen Song, Isabel Torio, Leah ena Santiago, Abby Zerbey Towler, Aria Uva, Alicia Wang, Sarah Wang, Ethan Weissman, Stephanie Yang, Emily Zhao

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Madison Abraham, Charlie Addesa, Tommy Aitken, Ian Aulbach, Brian Barker-Morrill, Eric Bishop, Cameron Bulens, Rachel Burba, Taylor Charpentier, Chloe Colby, Thano Danas, Gonzalez, Chris Mellen, Jack Elisa DiGiammo, Chloe Ginsberg, Douglas Hazel, Zoe Katz, Jacob Lapp, Myles McIntyre, Isabela Miller, Brooke Murphy, Claire Max Alibrandi, Jack Anthony, Nagahiro, Liam Nestor, Casey erine Payne, Cameron Riley, Katy Riley, James Rogus, Taylor Willis

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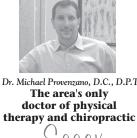
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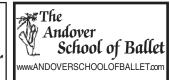
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Sports

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GLUE OF THE GOLDEN WARRIORS

O'Connell the unsung hero of Andover boys basketball

By David Willis dwillis@andovertownsman.com

Ryan O'Connell rarely finds his name in the headlines.

Taking the court each game alongside an All-Scholastic, a three-sport superstar and a scholarship big man leaves little room in the spotlight.

But that's just fine for O'Connell.

"I don't worry about the attention," he said. "I don't let it bother me. I love playing with Giri (Dave Giribaldi), E.J. (Perry IV) and Connor (Merinder). I can't believe what they can do, and they make me a better player. All that matters is wins. That's what I worry about."

O'Connell may not draw the attention of his star teammates, but Andover coach David Fazio said the junior is one of the main reasons the Golden Warriors are a state championship contender.

"Ryan is the glue of this program," Fazio said. "He is as hard a worker as we have ever had at Andover basketball. He's a dynamic rebounder, a great defender, he is a great finisher and he has a terrific feel for the game. He does whatever the team needs."

O'Connell is averaging 6.7 points a game as the go-to defender for the Golden Warriors, who stand 13-3 and on Friday clinched at least a share of the Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 title.

He was also a starter on last year's Andover squad that advanced to the Division 1 North title game for the first time since the 1999-2000

"I think this season is going really well," O'Connell said. "We hit a few bumps, but we've been doing a better job. It's such an honor to be out there for the big games, playing against great teams and being ranked so high. We are excited for the postseason."

O'Connell grew up surrounded by basketball, a love he shares with his father and his brother, former Phillips Academy standout and current Sarah Lawrence guard Brendan O'Connell. He also dreamed of playing for the Golden Warriors.

"I remember watching all the games at the Dunn Gym when I was a kid," he said. "Watching great players like Chris Vetrano was amazing. I was something very special.'

But O'Connell had no idea how quickly he would find himself in the starting lineup for the Golden Warriors, stepping into a major role last season as a sophomore.

"I started the season as the sixth or seventh man," he



Ryan O'Connell drives to the basket against Central Catholic. On a team of stars, O'Connell is the glue for the surging Golden Warriors, according to coach David Fazio.

said. "We had so many great players. Guys like Ben Brown, who did a great job. But coach Faz decided he wanted to make a change one game and put me into the starting lineup. After that, it just kind of stuck.

"One play that sticks out is in the Christmas Tournament against Lawrence last year. I came in with about a minute left and I hit a three-pointer that sealed the win. That was so exciting."

There was plenty in store for O'Connell and the Golden Warriors in 2014.

The sophomore proved a key contributor for the Warriors. The team went 19-5 knew playing at Andover High with its best tournament run in 14 years, falling just short in a thrilling Division 1 North title game to archrival Central Catholic.

"Last year was an amazing year," he said. "It was just crazy. Knowing how big the games were and that we were making history with the

longest run for the team in years was very special."

But O'Connell and the Golden Warriors have their eyes set even higher this

Now an established member of the Andover starting lineup, he has already helped the Warriors win their second straight Commonwealth Motors Christmas Tournament title. He has twice scored a season-high 13 points. But points are far from his sole focus.

"I try to do a little bit of everything," said the 6-foot-2

"I pass the ball, rebound, play defense. I like playing tough. But when the chance is there, I try to score when they need me. Most of my points come on second-chance shots.'

Fazio loves what O'Connell brings to the team on and off the court.

"He does the little things you don't see in the box

scores," the coach said. "He knows when he has to take the shot and when he needs to make the extra pass. He makes everyone around him better.

"He's a player every coach would love to have on his team. We have a sign on the locker room door that says, 'If you aren't prepared to put the team first, then turn around.' He puts the team ahead of everything else."

O'Connell now hopes to help lead the Golden Warriors even further this season.

"We are trying to make the state title game," he said.

"That's been our goal the whole season. Winning the MVC title is great, but we want to accomplish even more than last season."

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

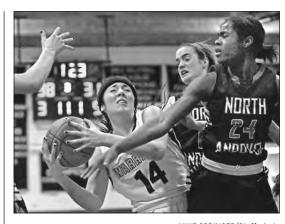
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MIKE SPRINGER/Staff photo

Talia Dellatto makes contact as she drives to the basket against North Andover last week. The Golden Warriors earned revenge for their only loss of the season by beating the Scarlet Knights on Friday.

► Andover High Roundup

Girls hoops avenges only loss with clutch win over Knights

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Andover held off a late rally, and Carissa Reming's three-pointer offered the finishing touch as the Golden Warriors avenged their lone loss of the season by beating North Andover 57-50 last Friday. Alyssa Casey scored a game-high 16 points while Jillian Webber added 12 points and Colleen Caveney had 11 points and starred on defense for the winners.

GYMNASTICS

Carver takes gold

Courtney Carver won the floor exercise with a 9.55 as Andover placed second as a team at the MVC Championship with 137.7 points, just off the pace of winner Central Catholic (141.45) last Wednesday, Feb. 4. Carver also took third in the vault, while teammate Joe Aranov was second in the event.

BOYS HOCKEY

Schuhwerk nets two

Steve Schuhwerk scored two goals to send Andover to a 4-1 win over Wakefield last Thursday, Feb. 5. Will Sauerbrunn (two assists) and Patrick Hughes each added a goal and Brian Sargent had three assists for the winners.

 $\label{eq:will Sauerbrunn} \ {\bf and} \ {\bf Brian} \ {\bf Sargent} \ {\bf each} \ {\bf scored} \ {\bf one} \ {\bf goal}$ and assisted on another as Andover beat Waltham 3-1 last Wednesday. Andrew Soucy scored the first goal of his career, while Steven Schuhwerk had two assists.

WRESTLING

Meagher, Marcotte star

Matt Meagher (120 pounds) and Matt Marcotte (126 pounds) each finished 3-1 on the day as Andover beat Xaverian (42-36), but fell to Franklin (52-14) and Lincoln-Sudbury (53-11) at the Dual Meet State Tournament on Saturday. Tyler Ferris and Patrick Meagher added 2-2 finishes for the Warriors.

Tyler Ferris (132 pounds), Patrick Meagher (182 pounds) and Matt Stamas (182 pounds) each scored wins for Andover, but the Golden Warriors fell to Shawsheen 53-15 last Thursday, Feb. 5.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Perry huge in clutch

With Andover holding a one-point lead, E.J. Perry IV drove to the basket and sunk a layup with 18 seconds left in the game to give the Golden Warriors a 49-46 victory over North Andover on Friday.

The victory locked up at least a share of the MVC Division 1 title for the Golden Warriors.

"I just got it up to the rim and I was hoping Connor (Merinder) could come up with another offensive rebound because he has been doing it all year," Perry IV said. "But I just happened to roll it in."

Jonathan Rodriguez led the Warriors with 12 points, while Ryan O'Connell, David Giribaldi and Merinder each added nine points.

GIRLS SKIING

Faigel dominates

Sara Faigel continued her huge season by taking first overall in 23.08 to help Andover down Masconomet 77-53 last Wednesday, Feb. 4. Cayley Denoncourt took third overall, Olivia Ler was eighth and Meaghan Farrell placed ninth to lead the winners.

BOYS SKIING

Warriors roll

Andover defeated Austin Prep 120-15.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Flu can't slow Hughes

Despite battling the flu, Caroline Hughes set up Hannah Littlewood for the go-ahead goal, then added the insurance goal herself on an empty-netter as Andover beat Billerica 2-0 on Saturday. Meghan Johnson made 15 saves for the shutout.

SEND US YOUR TOWN SPORTS NEWS

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.

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man@andovertownsman.com or call 978-475-7000, ext. 8733. We look forward to hearing from you.

■ COMMUNITY SCOREBOARD

Bronze medals for junior marksman

sophomore at Greater Lawrence Technical High School, placed third in both air and sport pistol shooting last month at the Sam Gens State Junior Olympics at



Massachusetts Institute of

Colo., in April.

pistol program between will be chosen. the ages of 12 and 18 who

participated in the states in Reilly a force for Tabor captain for Tabor, which is 18-1 the two disciplines, 10-meter Academy wrestling air pistol and 25-meter sport Andover's Sam Gens, a pistol. The oldest continually active gun club in the ing a strong season on the mat Reilly is hoping to continue U.S., the Massachusetts Rifle Association formed a junior pistol program several years ago and its members, coached by an assistant national junior coach with the Olympic Training Center, are now emerging as some of the best pistol shooters in the country. Gens has been training

Technology in Cambridge. weekly with the Massachu-His scores were high setts Junior Pistol Team for enough to qualify to advance a little more than a year. champ Aiden Conroy and the mation, visit www.sportsmanto the National Junior Olym- His scores at states were other two against Pennsylvania ager.us/AndoverLittleLeague. pics at the Olympic Training his personal best and he is powers Malvern Prep and Wyo- htm. Center in Colorado Springs, excited to be making the trip ming Seminary. to Colorado for the nation-Gens was among 14 mem- als, where the members since transferring from bers of the Massachusetts of Team USA for the 2016 Andover High School, Reilly Community Scoreboard, email Rifle Association's junior Olympics in Rio De Janeiro has built a record of 50-10 as of townsman@andovertowns-

Jack Reilly of Andover is enjoy- Andover. for Tabor wrestling in college.



pin at Phillips Academy League season recently, he stood at 25-4 Andover Little League's 2015

on the year spring season is set to end on with two of Sunday, Feb. 15. his losses Jack Reilly coming to Sunday will be subject to a \$35 two-time New late fee.

England prep In his two years at Tabor

earlier this month. The defend- man.com. ing Class A champion is also a

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LOCAL

■ HEALTH BRIEFS

Senior Mini Health Clinics on tap

Wednesday with the excep- information. tion of holidays from 2 to 3 p.m. at The Center at Home Health VNA Punchard (senior center), receives 2014 30 Whittier Court.

In addition, clinics are Innovations Award held monthly on Monday afternoons at Andover Com- recipient of the 2014 Innovamons and Frye Circle.

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Andover Commons: March 9, New England. April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Nov. 9, ognition of the agency's and Dec. 14, all from 2 to 3 leadership in the developp.m.

Nov. 23, and Dec. 28, all from 1 to 2 p.m.

sary. For more information, laborative members using call the Health Department the Massachusetts Health at 978-623-8295.

Survivors of suicide loss support groups

Merrimack Valley, a pro- meeting. gram of Family Services of the Merrimack Valley, runs ley Health Information support groups for survivors Exchange Collaborative conof suicide loss called Safe sists of Home Health VNA, Place. Safe Place is for any- Lawrence General Hospital, one who has lost a loved one Pentucket Medical Associto suicide. The confidential, ates and Greater Lawrence free group is led by a trained Family Health Center and suicide survivor and is a safe is under the leadership of place to talk, listen, cry, be Peg Doherty, vice president silent, grieve, be accepted, of operations for the Home be understood, and offer Health Foundation. acceptance and understand-

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Main St., North Andover. Upcoming meetings are Feb. 19 and March 5 and 19.

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Home Health VNA is the tions Award from the Visiting Nurse Association of

The award is in recment of the Merrimack Frye Circle: Feb. 23, March Valley Health Information 23, April 27, May 18, June Exchange Collaborative 22, July 27, Aug. 24, Sept. 28, and the development of a process to electronically exchange information on No appointment is neces- mutual patients with col-Care Information Exchange known as Mass HIway. The award was presented to Home Health VNA at the Visiting Nurse Association The Samaritans of of New England's annual

The Merrimack Val-

Working for more than a ing to someone else in need. year, the collaborative suc-The group meets the sec-cessfully implemented the sion of patient care information across all collaborative members. Next step in the initiative will be to expand it to share data on shared patients to improve care. For more information, visit www.homehealthfoundation.org.

> To submit an item for the Health Briefs column, email townsman@andovertownsman.com.

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 as reported in the pages of the Andover Townsman:

100 Years Ago Feb. 12, 1915

A number of young ladies from the offices of the Tyer Rubber Co. and Smith & Dove Co. enjoyed a sleigh ride to Baldpate Inn last Saturday afternoon, where they were served with a

fine chicken supper. Peter Cairnie of Abbott Village appeared before Trial Justice Stone on Thursday afternoon, charged with creating a disturbance on the street car last Saturday night. Thomas Barrett, the conductor on the car, testified that Cairnie and a fellow by the name of Hugh Armour went through a window; whether it was Cairnie's

fault or not he did not know. take regarding collection Gen. Wm. F. Bartlett Relief Corps held a regular meeting Tuesday evening. Twenty-four members were present. A novel feature of the evening was the appearance of "Big Injin" and his wife from Tewksbury dressed in Indian costumes, who delighted the members with several Indian dances. Selections from a Victrola were also enjoyed.

75 Years Ago Feb. 8, 1940

Andover's town warrant will probably again this year contain around 50 articles. Filed this week were the following: Closing of the present public dump; purchase of a brush fire truck, a police car (\$589) and police motorcycle (\$462); Hussey's Pond (\$1,500), skating areas (\$500), Boutwell and Haggetts Pond Road water extensions (\$7,100), Brundrett Avenue extension (\$2,350), and retaining wall and sidewalk on south side of Walnut Avenue below Maple Avenue (\$950). See what action the town will

and disposal of garbage, rubbish and ashes, too.

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50 Years Ago Feb. 11, 1965

It is considered virtually a certainty that the Board of Selectmen will re-open the warrant for Town Meeting this week to insert an article to appropriate funds for immediate construction of a new Town Hall. There is good reason for such a conclusion. Members now have in their hands a study committee report that labels the Town Hall situation as urgent. Observers consider it doubtful that in the face of such a blunt statement the board will take a position favoring still

further study. Some West Andover residents are for and some are against Harry Axelrod's proposal to develop a shopping center near his Rolling Green Motor Inn on Lowell Street. Residents are also taking split attitudes about his plans for a recreation area on additional acreage located adjacent to his motor hotel.

25 Years Ago Feb. 8, 1990

Four years ago, real estate agent John McCusker sold a house in Andover that had been on the market just six hours. Between 1984 and 1987, Andover homes were selling twice as quickly as homes in the rest of the country, brokers said. The day of the quick real estate sale in town is now over, according to McCusker. A front-page photo shows an "antique on Abbot Street, listed at \$339,000, (with) nine rooms, five bedrooms, two baths, fireplaces, an English garden and a carriage house."

Thieves pulled an automatic teller bank machine completely out of a wall at Shawsheen Plaza early Tuesday morning in an effort to steal the machine and its contents, police reported. The would-be bank robbers fled empty handed, apparently when a police cruiser came by.

All Those Years Ago is compiled by Susan McKelliget with support from the Andover Historical Society.

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Here's what's in store:

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Feb. 19, 7 p.m. Kevin Porter, board-certified neurologist, 2015 series.

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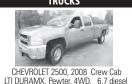
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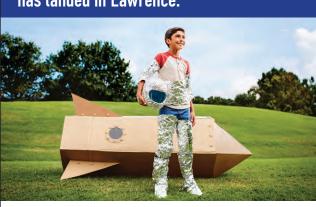
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