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Beating a path to Lightning Tree



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Madison Davis, an environmental studies senior at Merrimack College, has come up with a forestry management plan for Lightning Tree Reservation, the town's latest land acquisition.

Merrimack College senior helps build attention for conservation land

By BILL KIRK
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It's a little hard to get to. In fact, you have to drive through Tewksbury to reach it.

It's in kind of a tough neighborhood — cars can be

heard whizzing by on Interstate 93 and it's sandwiched between a barren corridor of high-tension power lines and an industrial-sized solar panel field.

But once there, it's easy to see why the town wanted to preserve it and why a

Merrimack College student took on a spring project to help manage it.

Lightning Tree Reservation, a 25-acre tract of land, was given to the Conservation Commission as part of a land swap with the company building a 40-acre

solar array. It is named for an enormous, blackened tree that was toppled to the ground next to a bend in the Shawsheen River.

The otherwise-beleaguered property is home to

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Public records release OK'd

Town begins posting documents to website

By BILL KIRK
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In what public records advocates are calling a "good first step," Town Manager Buzz Stapeczynski announced last week that his office will post documents related to Board of Selectmen's meetings on the town website for public review.

The so-called "weekly packets" contain dozens of documents that come from the town manager's office and are usually placed in a private "Dropbox" for each selectmen. Dropbox is a computer program that allows for the sharing of documents through the use of a password system.

Until last week, those documents were not available to the public.

The Andover Townsman has made numerous requests for those documents over the past couple of years, and Stapeczynski's office had started sending the packet to the newspaper.

At a meeting earlier this month, resident Keith Saxon requested that the public be given access to the Dropbox, which not only has recent documents but also archives of past

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Berman selected as interim superintendent of schools

Wins unanimous support of School Committee

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Sheldon Berman, the outgoing superintendent of the Eugene School District in Eugene, Ore., will be charged with leading the Andover Public Schools forward and restoring faith in the district



Sheldon Berman

over the next year.

Citing his strong communication skills, experience in special education and ability to foster collaboration throughout the educational community in Andover, the School Committee unanimously voted last Thursday night to select Berman as its transitional leader, pending contract negotiations.

"I'm thrilled," Berman said when reached in Oregon early

this week. "This is an exciting appointment, and I'm very much looking forward to it.

"I thought that while it was an interview (he attended) last week, it was more of a conversation with the School Committee. I found them to be thoughtful, deeply engaged and committed to Andover's district. They're a wonderful group of people to talk with."

Berman said that contract

negotiations with Andover would commence this week, via email or phone. School Committee Vice Chairman Joel Blumstein and member Paula Colby-Clements, both of whom are lawyers, will serve on the subcommittee team for negotiations.

For Berman, who spent 14 years as superintendent in Hudson, Mass., before leading school districts in first

Kentucky and then Oregon, the appointment means he will be returning to his home state, which has been a strong desire of his.

"Massachusetts is home for us," he said. "My son, who is a rising senior, is thrilled. He's very much looking forward to being in Andover."

The 66-year-old married father of three sons was chosen over co-finalist Paul Ash, retiring superintendent of the Lexington Public Schools,

in a decision School Committee members said was an extremely difficult one.

Chairwoman Annie Gilbert said that the decision was "one of the toughest" she has ever had to make.

"I had to go back and watch again the videos of their public interviews," member Susan McCready added. "It wasn't an easy choice, but we're very lucky to have that problem."

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BILL KIRK PHOTO

Peter Kekedi stands in front of the window of what is slowly becoming Mr. Gelato Cafe, which will be opening later this summer. He will be selling gelato along with crepes, espresso and other delicacies.

Andover Village Square staging a major comeback

2 new businesses to join recent arrivals — with more to come

By BILL KIRK
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A transformation is on the doorstep of Andover Village Square.

The shopping center on the south end of Main Street that's been on the verge of expansion and redevelopment for months will soon boast a gelato shop and a popular burger joint

franchise built on fresh food. They will join two relative newcomers — a high-end liquor store and Italian delicatessen — plus an expanded Dunkin' Donuts.

Put those together with an icon of local dining — the Lantern Brunch — and another icon of the local literature — the Andover (Hugo) Bookstore — and the mixed-use center will soon become

a go-to for many needs.

Top it off with an outdoor courtyard, with a central, granite fire pit surrounded by artistically paved pavers, that will offer patrons of the various establishments a place to sit outside and enjoy a gelato or a pastry or to peruse one of the thousands of tomes sold in the

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A taste for something brewed

Oak & Iron sets sights on Andover

By BILL KIRK
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It might end up being the place where "everybody knows your name," as the old TV bar "Cheers" was known.

The Oak & Iron Brewery, originally proposed to be built in part of the Yang's Fitness building in Dundee Park, would be a place that people could go, hang out, have a few beers, socialize and connect with their

neighbors.

"In Germany, communities come together in beer gardens," said Jim Cass, a former Mars Candy executive who recently matriculated from brewmaster school in Germany. "Parents, grandparents, kids — they are there for three or four hours a day to connect with friends and family. It's how they

enhance their social life. That's what we are looking to do here."

Cass, of New Jersey, and one of his business partners, John Helderich of Rockport, also a former Mars candy executive, approached the Board of Selectmen this month to gauge the

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Community-wide Drug Awareness Week set for October

Forums for students, public being planned to address growing problem

STAFF REPORTS

A substance abuse task force of Andover law enforcement, school, health and youth services officials are finalizing plans for an awareness week in October devoted to concerns over the rise of heroin overdoses and other substance abuse issues in town.

The week of Oct. 20 will be set aside for community programs as well as activities at Andover's middle and high schools aimed at education and uniting as a town around the problem, Superintendent Marinel McGrath announced last week.

McGrath said the local task force has been meeting once or twice a month to put together a plan for how to respond as a community to the growing issue of opioid use, especially among young people.

Her announcement at last week's School Committee meeting came on the heels

of a student-produced documentary on heroin use in Andover that has generated considerable attention.

School Committee Vice Chairman Joel Blumstein said that he found the documentary, "The Other Side of Andover, Mass.," produced by recent Andover High graduate Kaegan Casey, "very, very powerful."

Blumstein said Casey deserves credit for doing the documentary, in which he interviewed several current and former Andover High students, asking them to share their personal experiences and struggles with addiction. He and other school board members said they hope the video will help fuel measures of change already in the works.

"I think anybody who has a teenager should encourage them to watch it," Blumstein said. "... I thought it was very well done. I hope the school

will find a way to incorporate it somehow."

McGrath said Casey's documentary is already being brought into discussions, adding it has access to a number of people.

In addition to McGrath, the local substance abuse task force includes Police Chief Patrick Keefe together with a couple of his police detectives in the drug unit, Fire Chief Mike Mansfield, Health Director Tom Carbone and Andover Youth Services Director Bill Fahey. Several Andover school administrators are also involved, including outgoing Andover High School Principal Steve Murray; Rita Casper, director of nurses; Joseph Yardi, director of social work; and Brian McNally, director of health and physical education.

Keefe said this week that the group is hoping to build on the drug awareness night that was held in town more



The Townsman's sister paper, The Eagle-Tribune, has been publishing a three-day series on The Heroin Crisis. The series includes stories, videos, multimedia elements and more, and is available in print and online. Check it out and learn more at www.eagletribune.com.

speakers are still being finalized, but that the series will involve events during the day for students, followed by evening events for the general public. He added a tentative schedule will hopefully be set following the group's

next meeting on July 9.

"We're working with ... those things that we need to do for community education and outreach," McGrath said, adding any initiative must also include the private schools and technical school in Andover. "The work is continuing."

Also, McGrath said Keefe, police detectives, school staff and local parents participated in a focus group two weeks ago as part of a regional consortium of communities that's been established in the Merrimack Valley to deal with the epidemic. The consortium is looking at seeking potential state grant funds available to help address the problem.

McGrath, who will retire in July, noted that the town's interim superintendent, Sheldon Berman, will be tasked with taking over her efforts as summer progresses into fall.

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documents going back years related to a host of public issues — from the landfill and the Berberian sludge dumping case to union negotiation issues and personnel matters.

Some of the items in the Dropbox are considered confidential and under public records law can be withheld from public view.

However, the bulk of the material deal with routine matters and should be available to the public.

This week, for example, the town manager included a copy of an invitation to the West Elementary first-grade class of Carolyn Murphy to attend the selectmen's meeting to lead the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Other documents, however,

contained more serious materials, such as a request for approval to borrow \$7.1 million to fund a list of projects that were adopted at the May Town Meeting.

The documents may be accessed by going to <http://andoverma.gov/agendas/>.

Saxon said the release of the public documents has already had a positive effect and was a "great start."

"There are a lot of people going to the meeting (this past Monday night) because of the information in the packet that I forwarded them via email," he said.

When Stapczynski announced the new policy of posting the records on the website, he sent an email to all of the selectmen and the Andover Townsman. That email was forwarded by one of the selectmen to Saxon, who then sent it along to many of

his supporters.

"I don't want it to stop with what they did, but it's a start," he said. "I'm still a proponent of getting access to the Dropbox, knowing they have historical files there."

He said one of the issues that many people are interested in is the "net-metering" agreement that was placed on the selectmen's agenda for this past week. Net metering is part of a solar energy deal the town may enter into to gain a reduction in its electricity rates. A presentation from the town's consultant was placed on the website before the selectmen's meeting, which Saxon said he had a chance to read to formulate questions.

"Some of the people involved in that issue didn't even know it was on the agenda until I sent it to them," he said. "I put together a lot of good questions because I have seen the presentation rather than just sitting there while selectmen talked about it."

Selectman Alex Vispoli, who has pushed for the release of public documents over the years, said he hoped the posting of the weekly packet would lead to more transparency in all of the town's departments.

"This is a good first step," he said. "The second step will be for every department in town to post their own documents."

He said the town is working on creating a new, more dynamic website that will allow employees from any department to post public documents.

"This is just the beginning," he said.

BERMAN

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All of the members agreed the district could not go wrong with hiring either Berman or Ash. But in the end, they said they believed Berman possessed what the district needs for the next year to fill the void with next month's retirement of Superintendent Marinel McGrath.

McGrath is stepping down to spend more time with her family in the wake of a recent diagnosis involving her husband. Her last day is July 17.

Berman is expected to serve one year while the search for McGrath's permanent replacement continues.

He will be charged with continuing to advance the district while restoring confidence in areas where it's been shaken, particularly surrounding the leadership of Andover High School and with special education services.

contacted the school board chairman in Eugene.

"When I talked to the chairman of that School Committee (Jim Torrey), he said that 'every person on the board helped write and edit that,'" Gilbert said. "They all, 100 percent, believe that the years prior were bumpy, but that this year was outstanding."

Gilbert said she was most impressed by Berman's drive to continue moving that district forward, despite challenges and knowing that he'd soon be leaving.

"He could have just sat back because he was leaving, but (the Eugene School Board) talked about how he did such an exemplary job changing course in response of what needed to be done in that transitional year," she said.

Blumstein said this week that each School Committee member was aware of negative reports with each finalist, and fielded emails and calls about them. But in the end, he said, due diligence with reference checks made him confident in both candidates.

"I thought they were both experienced and successful," Blumstein said of Berman and Ash this week. "They weren't without some critics, but I certainly didn't find anything even remotely disqualifying about any of them. In the end, we felt Berman would be the right person for what we need right now."

is often integration into general education classrooms.

School Committee member Ted Teichert said Berman's communication abilities, and his talent for listening and talking through challenges, versus arguing about them, was what swayed him.

McCready agreed. "He spent a lot of time talking about listening to people ... (he believes) that there is a kernel of truth in every concern that people air," she said.

Berman earned his Doctor of Education and Master of Education from Harvard Graduate School of Education, his Master of Education from the University of Maine and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin.

He serves on the boards of directors of the Educators for Social Responsibility, the Education Commission of the States' National Center for Learning and Citizenship, the Leadership Team of the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning; as well as the board of directors for the Center for Applied Special Technology.

Among the awards he has received, Berman was named Massachusetts Superintendent of the Year by the American Association of School Administrators in 2003.

In his interview, Berman said that over his career, he has grown fond of attending local sporting events. He used to enjoy watching his children play youth soccer, he said, and would find that it helped his ability to communicate with the school community.

Next year, Berman said that he anticipates taking in some Andover High School hockey games, hopefully with his youngest son, Dale, 17, who will be a senior next year, on the team. His son currently plays for the Okanagan Hockey Academy in Canada, and has longed to return to Massachusetts. Berman and his wife, Sarah, have a third son, Eric, 21.

"I get the sense with Dr. Berman that he'd be around here, in this community, even after his year is up," Teichert said.

From east to west and back again

After Hudson, where his career as a superintendent began, Berman moved west to face challenges awaiting him in the Jefferson County Public Schools in Louisville, Ky., one of the largest school systems in the country, where he spent four years.

In 2011, he moved to the West Coast to lead the Eugene School District in Oregon.

Ultimately, Gilbert said she favored Berman after receiving a glowing recommendation written by the Eugene School District's School Committee based on the superintendent's past year on the job.

Last week, the Register Guard newspaper in Oregon reported that the attorney for the Eugene school board recommended that it have Berman prepare his own recommendation letter for each board member to sign.

Gilbert, however, said last Thursday that she was told a different story when she

Keying into his strengths

Among Berman's strengths, committee members said, is his record with special education. Berman, whose oldest son, 23-year-old Russell, has Down syndrome, told the School Committee during his public interview last week that while complying with state mandates is a must, he'd rather look at special education in a different way.

Instead of focusing on what a district is required to do for a special education student, Berman said he tries to look at what's best for them, which

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Salute to small business

Andover Townsman among those honored by MV Chamber of Commerce

STAFF REPORTS

The Andover Townsman joined several local businesses in earning recognition last week at the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce's annual Small Business Awards Program.

The breakfast program, held last Friday, June 12, at DiBurro's Function Hall in the Ward Hill section of Haverhill, focused on the economic impact of local commerce.

Businesses and individuals were recognized in 19 different categories, from their longevity to their innovation.

The Andover Townsman was honored as a "Media Advocate," alongside Rumbo, a local bilingual publication.

The event especially saluted family-owned businesses, with Selectman Paul Salafia and his wife, Margaret, who own the 42-year business Advertising Management Services, Inc. in Andover, picking up one of five awards applauding family companies.

Challenge Unlimited at Ironstone Farm, a therapeutic horse-riding program in Andover, and Pentucket Medical Associates, which has recently established a new location in the Andover

Medical Center on Lowell Street in a collaboration with Lawrence General Hospital, earned the two Healthcare Awards.

Melmark New England, based in Andover, which provides education to children with autism-spectrum disorders as well as residential programs and outreach services for young adults, won one of two Discovery/Education Awards.

Burtons Grill, which has its corporate office in Andover, won one of two retail awards, and Lupoli Companies, which developed the new Andover Medical Center on Lowell Street that's already undergoing an expansion as well as Sal's restaurant in town, garnered a special Job Creation Award.

Robert Nelson, Massachusetts director of the U.S. Small Business Administration, was the event's keynote speaker. He highlighted the significance of small businesses in Massachusetts and the nation.

"Small businesses are so important to the Massachusetts and national economy. They have been responsible for two-thirds of the jobs in the last decade and one-half of Americans own or work for a small business," he

said. He also said small businesses have led the way to economic recovery.

"It's been 63 consecutive months of private-sector job growth ... 12.6 million jobs have been created," he said.

Nelson touted the success of a new program launched earlier this year called LINC — Leveraging Information and Network to access Capital, an online portal that he likened to Match.com aimed at matching businesses with a lender.

He also highlighted a new Startup In A Day competition that was unveiled last week on the state level. It encourages municipalities to come up with creative ways to streamline the process for obtaining all the licenses and permits they need to operate in a 24-hour window. A number of awards will be presented to the most innovative and successful initiatives. Andover has been working to revamp its procedures for new businesses to aid them in moving forward with their plans under the mantra "Getting to Yes."

Joseph Bevilacqua, president and CEO of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, presented Nelson with a copy of The Eagle-Tribune's



AMY SWEENEY/Staff photos

Sonia Vartabedian, editor of the Andover Townsman, accepts one of two awards given to Media Advocates from Joe Bevilacqua, president and CEO of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, at its Small Business Recognition Program last week.



Carolyn Burt, director of operations for Challenge Unlimited at Ironstone Farm in Andover, thanks the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce for its Small Business Award presented in the Healthcare category.



Ellen Kallman, director of advancement for the Andover-based Melmark New England, accepts the award for her organization in the Discovery/Education category.

"Merrimack Valley Memo-

ries" book to thank him for speaking.

of economic policy development for the Massachusetts speakers.

Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development,

The event was sponsored by Align Credit Union.

Morris to lead Andover Chamber of Commerce

Michael Morris Jr., a local attorney with Morris, Rossi & Hayes, has been selected to lead the Andover Chamber of Commerce as chairman of the board for the 2015-2016 year.

Morris replaces outgoing board chairman and local attorney Robert Lavoie of Johnson & Borenstein, LLC.

The other officers for the 2015-2016 year are Maureen

Pollard of Northmark Bank, vice chairman, and Elaine Clements, executive director of the Andover Historical Society, secretary/clerk.

The board of directors includes Therese Leone of Enterprise Bank, Peter Johnston of The Savings Bank; Deedee O'Brien of Challenge

Unlimited at Ironstone Farm; Salvatore Lupoli of Lupoli

Companies; Selectman Paul Salafia; John Sarro of Pentucket Medical Associates; Stephen Stapinski of Merrimack Engineering; and Lavoie.

Joseph L. Bevilacqua serves as president and CEO of the Andover Chamber, which is a division of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce.

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Evangeline (Angie) S. Luceri, 88

ANDOVER, MA — Evangeline (Angie) S. Luceri of Andover, Mass., passed away peacefully on June 11, 2015.

Angie was born on August 1, 1926, and grew up in El Paso, Texas, where she attended Loretto Academy. After working briefly for the U.S. Customs Service, she went to Loretto Heights College in Denver, Colo., where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in music. Angie met and fell in love with Joseph Luceri while he was in the Army and stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso. After getting married, Angie and Joe eventually moved to Andover where they had resided for over 45 years, and made many lifelong friends, especially their beloved Poker Club, Bridge Club and Suncrest Road neighborhood friends.

Angie was one of the first bilingual Spanish-speaking teachers in the Lawrence, Mass., educational system. For many years, she was a Head Start teacher there, helping underprivileged children prepare for their primary school years. She was also very active in the St. Augustine's School community, serving as PTO president and volunteering for numerous activities and events while her three children attended school there.

Angie was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, who always put her family first. She was a vibrant, beautiful woman, who enjoyed herself most by being with and caring for family and friends. A devout Catholic, she was a daily communicant at St. Augustine's Parish. Throughout her life and professional work, she always did her best to help impoverished children and their families, and



would collect used clothing and furniture from friends and neighbors to distribute them to those in need, especially Spanish-speaking immigrants.

She was an accomplished seamstress and pianist, who gave piano lessons and delighted everyone with her exceptional musical talent at the keyboard. She was also known for her impeccable manners and sense of style and fashion.

Angie was a caring and devoted daughter, sister, aunt, grand-aunt, and godmother to her many relatives. As the eldest of eight siblings, she held a special place in the hearts of them all. She was predeceased by her husband, Joe; her parents, Belem and Angelo Saucedo; and her sisters, Stella Gonzalez and Minnie Lizarraga. She is survived by her three children and their spouses, Loretta and Brian Gallagher of Newburyport, Mass., Lisa and Peter Breen of Groton, Mass., Tom and Diane Luceri of Neshanic Station, N.J.; nine grandchildren and their spouses; three great-grandchildren; as well as siblings, nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Friends of the Jardin (a home for poor girls in Bogota, Colombia, which she supported), c/o 36 Virginia Lane, Newburyport, MA 01950 or Alzheimer's Association Massachusetts Chapter, 480 Pleasant St., Watertown, MA 02472.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, June 20, at 10 a.m., at St. Joseph Church, 20 High Vale Lane, Andover. Fr. Peter DeFazio of Haverhill will be the celebrant. Family and friends are invited to gather at the church in remembrance, at 9:30 a.m., prior to the Mass. Interment will be in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover immediately following.

Mr. John J. "Jack" Meli, 79

April 8, 1936 — June 10, 2015

ATKINSON, NH, FORMERLY OF ANDOVER — Mr. John J. "Jack" Meli, a resident of Atkinson, N.H. since 2000, formerly of Andover and beloved husband of Isabel V. (Correa) Meli, passed away at the Lawrence General Hospital in Lawrence on Wednesday morning, June 10, 2015. He was 79-years-old.

Born in Medford, Mass., on April 8, 1936, he was the beloved son of the late Joseph P. and Flora I. (Glorioso) Meli. John was a Korean Army veteran, entering the military at Boston on October 10, 1955 and receiving his honorable discharge from Fort Devens on October 9, 1958. Mr. Meli attained the rank of PVT-1 and was awarded the Good Conduct Medal for his service. In civilian life, Mr. Meli graduated from North Eastern University and worked as an Electronic Designer and founded his own company P.L.E. (Product Line Engineering). He also had been employed as a realtor for Century 21 and Better Homes and Gardens for many years. In his spare time, John was an avid golfer and had played softball in the City of Medford. Above all, he enjoyed watching his grandchildren playing sports and spending time with his family. He will be dearly missed.

Besides his beloved wife, Isabel, John is survived by his loving children, Victoria L. and her husband, Scott J. Perkins of Whitman, Michelle M.

TOWN BRIEFS

'Shabbat on the Road' stops Friday night in North Andover

Congregation Beth Israel in Andover marks the return of its "Shabbat on the Road" series on Friday, June 19, at a home in North Andover.

The series is open to non-members contemplating affiliation with the synagogue, considered the only conservative congregation serving the Andover, Lowell, Chelmsford, Westford and Reading areas.

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Ruhmann of Chelmsford and John A. and his wife, Stephanie M. Meli of Burlington, Vt.; sister, Ann and her husband, Arnold Marrocco of Woburn; brother, Joseph and his wife, Dolores Meli of North Reading, grandchildren, Zachary, Nathan, Samantha, Madison, Erik, Harper and Alena and many nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: His funeral was celebrated in St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex Street, Andover, on Monday, June 15, 2015, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends attended. Calling hours were held in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main Street, Andover, on Sunday, June 14, 2015, from 3 to 7 p.m. Interment was privately held. Donations in John's memory may be made to the charity of ones choice. For additional information, please visit, www.burkemagliozi.com.

Charles E. Burns

ANDOVER — Charles E. Burns, 89, of Andover and Dennis, Mass., passed away peacefully at home with family

on Thursday morning, June 11, 2015. Beloved husband of Julia M. (Foley) Burns of Andover for 50 years, devoted father of Patrick Burns, father-in-law of Tracy, and grandfather of Evelyn Charlotte of Santa Monica, Calif. Proud uncle of 25 nieces and nephews. Predeceased by two older brothers, Edward Jr. and Robert Burns. Born in Bangor, Maine, to Edward Sr. and Ada Burns. Attended Hampden Academy and a three-sport athlete in baseball, basketball, football, and was a lifelong



fan. Graduated high school in 1944, and enlisted in the US Navy, serving as a Radioman during WWII in the Pacific Theater. Completed a bachelor's degree from University of Maine, Orono, and an accounting certificate from Bentley College. He enjoyed a long career with the Arlington Trust Co. in the Merrimack Valley.

ARRANGEMENTS: A funeral Mass will be held Thursday, June 18th, at 12:30 p.m., at St. Augustine's Church, 43 Essex St., Andover, MA 01810. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Andover Fire Fighters Local 1658 (IAFF), 32 North Main St., Andover, MA 01810.

POLICE LOG

Tuesday, June 9 Incidents

A caller from Blanchard Street reported at 3:24 p.m. that debris was falling from the Route 28 overpass and that a vehicle was struck. The Massachusetts Highway Department was notified.

A caller from Blanchard Street reported at 4:37 p.m. that a snapping turtle was in the road and was causing a hazard. Officers checked the area, but did not find the animal.

A walk-in from Green Meadow Lane reported at 4:38 p.m. that "his girlfriend took his cellphone and will not give it back."

motor vehicle with a suspended license, operating a motor vehicle that was not inspected and on warrant charges.

Joseph Primeau, 30, of 156 University Ave., Lowell, was arrested on Rasmussen Circle and charged with possession of a Class A substance and possession of a Class B substance.

Incident

A caller from Lowell Street reported that her 18-month-old daughter was locked in the car at 8:15 a.m. and could not get the door unlocked. Officers were able to unlock the door.

Sunday, June 14 Arrest

John Farley, 45, of 110 Lakeview Ave., Apt. 2, Lowell, was arrested on River Road at 8:16 p.m. and charged with possession of a Class B substance and distribution of a Class B substance.

Incidents

A 911 caller from Lowell Street reported at 1:05 a.m. that two people were "breaking into the construction site." Officers were able to find four people inside the property, and issued a summons to them for trespassing.

A Cutler Road resident called 911 at 6:41 p.m. to report that he arrived home and found a female "in his backyard taking pictures." After confronting the woman, "she refused to identify herself, but told him she was looking for houses to rent or buy."

A resident of Rock O'Dundee Road reported at 7:23 p.m. that he "just witnessed his neighbor inject heroin into his foot." Officers spoke to the neighbor who seemed fine, and also spoke to his mother.

A 911 caller from Rock O'Dundee Road reported that "three youths are walking up the street confronting neighbors about somebody calling the police for suspected heroin use." Officers spoke to the neighbors involved.

Wednesday, June 10 Arrests

Three people were arrested on River Road at 12:13 p.m. and charge with drug offenses. Larissa McCarthy, 24, of 55 Azalea Circle, Reading, and Frederick MacKinnon, 27, of 8 Line Road, Wakefield, were charged with possession of a Class A substance. Sergio Alberto Caceres, 24, listed as homeless, was charged with knowingly being present where heroin was kept.

Ryan Michael Asoian, 25, of 107 Chestnut St., Andover, was arrested on River Road at 1:25 p.m. and charged with possession of a Class A substance.

Incidents

A resident of Crescent Drive reported at 12:28 a.m. that "his neighbor is intoxicated and keeps knocking on his door."

A resident of Reservation Road reported at 5:28 p.m. that she was out walking and "found a box of bullets." An officer picked up the items and brought them to the Police Department.

Thursday, June 11 Arrests

Rochelle Rodriguez-Vilchez, 27, of 4 Nesmith St., Lawrence, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with operating a

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Faith Lutheran Church, 360 South Main St., is holding an American Red Cross blood drive on Saturday, June 27, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Eligible donors are needed to help ensure blood is available for patients

during the busy summer season. All blood types are needed, but especially those types O negative, A negative and B negative.

To make an appointment to give blood, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit www.redcrossblood.org

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Round 2 of elderly housing project review to begin

By TIM LIMA
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The second round of public hearings on a senior housing project proposed for the former Strawberry Hill Farm — already shot down once by the Planning Board and remanded back to the town by the court for further review — is scheduled to begin this Thursday night.

The topic is the lone item on the Planning Board's June 18 agenda. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in the selectmen's conference room, located on the third floor of the Town Offices building on Bartlett Street.

The first part of the two-phase proposed project at 254 Lowell St. calls for a 63-unit, assisted-living complex for people in need of memory-care services. The one-story building would be called Bridges at Andover.

The second phase would be a 55-and-older community with 70 congregate, or independent, living apartments. The three-story facility would be sponsored by B'nai B'rith Housing and be called Andover Senior Residences.

On Feb. 26 — after months of discussion and review, and a rigorous opposition campaign by neighbors — National Development's bid for a special permit to build the project on the 9.2-acre former home of Strawberry Hill Farm fell one vote shy of approval by the Planning Board.

The plans required a two-thirds majority vote of the

board. Members Steve Pouliot and Jay Doherty voted against it, resulting in a 3-2 vote in favor, but less than the required majority.

Soon after, National Development appealed the board's decision to Land Court. Before the case was heard, however, a joint motion for remand was approved by both Town Counsel Thomas Urbelis and the developer's attorney, Mark Johnson. That action brings the project back to the Planning Board for further review and another vote.

Opponents to the project, who have adamantly defended their stance that the proposed development doesn't fit with the aesthetic of their residential neighborhood, balked at the decision to reopen the case.

"The town has given the developer every bite at the apple it could, and has bent over backward to make sure that they get approval," local attorney and neighbor Heather Lauten of 243 Lowell St. has said.

In an email sent this week to opponents and copied to the Andover Townsman by neighbor John Boness, the group is urging residents to attend Thursday's meeting and "demonstrate your continued support to deny this ill-conceived building development..."

If the project is rejected by the Planning Board again, it could then proceed on appeal in Land Court.

No substitute: Look-alike brick crosswalks fall short

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
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They looked good for a while. But now the pseudo-brick crosswalks around the downtown have worn in a way they're causing safety concerns and they're being replaced.

Marc Fournier, deputy director of public works/highway for the town, said asphalt combined with the brick look-alike covering has not been as smooth a design as officials had hoped.

As a result, water has built up in the crosswalks, causing serious cracking, he said.

The crosswalks were installed about seven years ago, primarily along Chestnut, Whittier and Bartlett streets in areas around Doherty Middle School and The Center at Punchard. They were seen as an aesthetic enhancement that would also clearly delineate the crosswalks.

Fournier said the town has now made the decision to dig up those crosswalks because the cracks pose a safety risk to pedestrians. The work does not affect the authentic brick and cobblestone crosswalks and roadway features in the downtown, which are remaining in place.

"Water got in there," Fournier said. "... The process of making the crosswalks look like they were brick, which they weren't,

just didn't work."

The brick-like crosswalks on Chestnut, Whittier, Bartlett and Locke streets have all been removed over the last couple weeks. Each crosswalk has been refilled with asphalt and paved over. Crosswalk striping was scheduled to occur this week, Fournier said.

Digging up the crosswalks cost \$49,000 and the money came from the town's paving account, Fournier said.

Fournier wasn't working for the town when the crosswalks first went in. It was during a \$3 million makeover for Main Street in the downtown, which was led by town Planner Lisa Schwarz.

"I remember it was a less expensive alternative ...," she said. "It looked like brick."

Digging up the crosswalks cost \$49,000 and the money came from the town's paving account.



Courtesy file photo

The pseudo-brick crosswalks in the downtown, like this one at Chestnut and Whittier streets, have been removed because of safety concerns.

Pool safety tips for an accident-free summer

The Andover Police Department has issued several pool-related safety guidelines for the season.

According to the American Red Cross, more than 200 children drown in backyard swimming pools each year. Two children in New England have already died in pool drownings this season.

To avoid these preventable accidents, the Police Department suggests that residents:

- Per state law, install at least a 4-foot-high barrier that encloses the pool and an access gate that self-closes, locks and opens outward from the swimming area, even if there are no children in the household.
- Fasten a safety cover over the pool when it is not in use, and remove ladders to further prevent access into the pool. For added safety, install a pool alarm that will sound if anyone enters the water.
- Never leave children unattended while they are near or in a pool, and make sure they have an adult to accompany them into the water. Young or inexperienced swimmers should always wear a life jacket or inflatable arm floats.
- Make sure children stay away from pool drains, pipes or any other openings to avoid getting trapped or hurt.
- If a child is missing, always check the pool first.
- Set safety instructions and share them with family, friends, neighbors or anyone else who is near or uses the pool. Advise children to stay away from the deep ends of pools and to always walk, never run near the pool.
- Take a CPR course for adults and children to be prepared if an emergency situation occurs. Update skills regularly.

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temperature of elected officials on the idea.

The response they got was pretty positive.

"I think it's cool as hell," Selectman Paul Salafia said at the end of a presentation outlining their plans.

"I would say thumbs up," Selectman Alex Vispoli agreed.

"We encourage this endeavor," selectmen Chairwoman Mary O'Donoghue said.

State, local approvals

Cass, Helferich and their third partner, Todd Reily, a Cambridge design consultant, still need official approval from the state Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission for a farmer-brewer's

license, Town Clerk Larry Murphy said. They recently explained that their deal to take over part of Yang's fell through but they are continuing to look into other, local options, including possibly locating at the Andover Village Square. (See related story.)

Farmer-brewer licenses, according to state law, are for businesses that are primarily brewing beer to sell wholesale. But they may also open up a retail segment of the business, according to the law.

Murphy said the state license, if granted, would allow them to "brew, sell wholesale and sell retail without local approval."

In Massachusetts, businesses that sell alcoholic beverages need a license from the local licensing board. In Andover, selectmen also

serve as the licensing board. However, businesses that have farmer-brewer licenses don't need local licensing board approval.

They may, however, need other kinds of approval. In particular, selectmen were asked if they would require the Oak & Iron to serve food. "For John and I, this is a critical question," Cass said. "We don't want to be in the food business. If that's a requirement, that would be a deterrent for us."

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said his staff, working with Health Director Tom Carbone, would put together some regulations to discuss and possibly vote on at a future meeting.

"Our operating plan is that this is not a bar, it's a brewery," Cass said. "We are going to manufacture and distribute beer. The tasting

room will be good, but it will be an adjunct to our regular business."

He said people could order take-out from any place that delivers, and food trucks could also be brought in.

Cass said he has already talked with the owner of Mess Haul, one of the food trucks that drives around Andover most days serving hot meals and sandwiches.

"Food trucks are a growing food solution to breweries in Massachusetts and all over the country," he said.

Finally, people could bring in their own food, he said.

If selectmen require a food pairing, he said, the partners could provide heated, pre-cooked pretzels or other kinds of easy, simple food that can be prepared on-site without an elaborate kitchen.

The retail hours for the brewery would be 3 to 9

p.m. during the week, noon to 9 p.m. on Saturdays, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays, which Cass said is "typical of breweries."

He also hoped to have an outdoor seating area, which could serve as a place for festivals, shows, meetings and even yoga classes as well.

A growing trend

Helferich noted that their brewery would be modeled off the Newburyport Brewery, located in an industrial park in Newburyport, which has become a destination for visitors.

He said he recently went to the Newburyport Brewery when it was hosting an outdoor music and family festival. About 300 people were there, many of them young families, enjoying the music while quaffing a few beers, he said.

One of the benefits of being in the industrial park is that rent is cheaper than being in a more central, downtown location, he added.

"This is a unique business, half of it is manufacturing, half is retail," Cass said. "The cost structure is that it needs to be affordable for manufacturing and you need to have enough people around to have a retail business."

There are similar businesses in Everett and Hudson, the partners added.

"This is good for Andover and good for us," Cass said. "It would be a good amenity for the residents and add a layer of progressiveness to the town. Most towns we talk to think bringing in a brewery is a cool thing to do. This would be a cool thing to have in town. It's not going to create lots of jobs, but it will create a few."

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bookstore.

John Fenton, one of the owners of the mixed-used center, believes all the elements combined will soon make the center a place to see and be seen.

Gelato, crepes and more

Mr. Gelato is due to open in the courtyard area of the building later this month or the first week in July, according to owner Peter Kedidi of Methuen.

Kedidi, 55, has been in the hospitality industry for 35 years, including working as a server at the Four Seasons in Boston. This is his second business, as he had a Thai restaurant in New York City years ago.

Mr. Gelato will be located in the space formerly occupied by Pink Tree Sweets, which closed in recent months.

Originally from Hungary, Kedidi said his cafe will be a "sophisticated" version of a coffee and pastry shop.

He said there is currently no place to get good, old-fashioned gelato in town, and he thinks the Italian ice cream will do especially well in the summer.

"I did my research and

I thought this would be a nice addition to Andover," he said. "They are doing the courtyard over now and going to put the fireplace outside. I will be putting some couches inside and will have high-speed Internet and Wi-Fi."

He hopes to also serve traditional Hungarian crepes along with Italian pastries and other treats, both homemade and from Boston Gourmet, as well as espresso, cappuccino and other types of coffee shop fare.

Kedidi said he may end up leaving his job at the Four Seasons, but that he still has to decide.

"I might have to flip a coin and take my chances," he said.

UBURGER moving north

For its first restaurant outside the Beantown boundaries, UBURGER, a Boston-based burger chain, has set its sights on the corner of the building near the municipal parking lot.

The burger franchise came onto the scene in 2006 when co-founders Nick Kesaris and Spiro Kouvlis, who were fed up with the lack of fresh fast food in the Boston area, opened their flagship Kenmore Square location, its website says. UBURGER

immediately became a neighborhood fixture among students, locals and Red Sox fans.

Jim Chen will own the local UBURGER. He has been meeting with architects and builders and plans a Sept. 1 opening, coinciding with Phillips students' return to



The D'Agostino men stand behind the counter of their new deli at the corner of the Andover Village Square complex on Main Street. They are, from left, Paul Jr., Paul Sr. and Nick D'Agostino.

BILL KIRK PHOTO

classes just up the street.

"I thought Andover was a great location," he said. "There are a lot of students, and I like the demographics."

In addition to being the first UBURGER outside Boston, Chen, who owns another location, said his restaurant will be the first to serve beer and wine. On Monday night, the Board of Selectmen approved a beer and wine license for the eatery.

The restaurant will also benefit from a recent vote by Town Meeting to allow an outdoor patio at the site, where patrons can sit and enjoy their burgers, homemade fries and milkshakes, among other menu fare. The outdoor seating will be between the building and the parking lot.

Authentic deli

Another new face on the block is D'Agostino's Deli, located on the opposite corner of the building from UBURGER's location and facing out onto Main Street.

The Italian-style eatery has limited indoor and some outdoor seating, but the real magic happens behind the counter. There, two generations of the D'Agostino family, using skills handed down to them by patriarch Samuel R. D'Agostino, put together sandwiches and hot dishes, slice cold cuts and cheese, and offer good-natured ribbing to any and all.

Paul D'Agostino Sr. and his sons, Nick and Paul Jr., all residents of Andover,

opened the deli on Jan. 30 and it has been mostly smooth sailing ever since.

"We've had a great experience," said Nick D'Agostino, 28, who was in Hollywood acting in films and writing screenplays when he decided to return home and help out with the family business. "People were happy to find us."

They said the location on the corner of the building gives them great visibility for people driving or walking by on Main Street.

"We really wanted to be on Main Street," said Paul D'Agostino Jr., 31, a former Minor League Hockey player who played for the Providence Bruins for a couple years before deciding to open the deli with his father, brother and mother, Lisa. (Other branches of the D'Agostino family own delis by the same name in greater Boston.)

Patrons have been thrilled with their arrival.

"My wife grew up in Boston so she was familiar with the great sandwiches," said local Realtor Jay Doherty. "They have a great product and this is a great deli. Plus, they're all real gentlemen."

Pouring something different

Another new arrival is Redstone Liquors, the second of two shops operated by proprietor Kamal Ganglani, 35, who decided to skip out on cubicle life after getting laid off from his IT job eight years ago.

After the layoff, he and his wife had a life-altering discussion. They purchased a Stoneham liquor store, brought it back from the dead and are on the verge of a huge expansion there.

They're also now focused on growing the new branch in Andover.

The UMass Lowell graduate who now lives in North Reading said he spends most of his time in Andover so he can meet customers, build relationships and "get an idea of what they want to drink."

"We like to take a hands-on approach," he said. "It makes it more fun. That's why I gave up on cubicle life a long time ago."

That's not to say Ganglani doesn't use the latest in social networking to bring customers to his store.

The high-end whiskey and craft beer shop offers exclusive deals to followers on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and the shops' websites.

"We have a big following on social media," he said. "We post online every time we get new products in, so our customers know. Today, we got some shipments in and the sites will get updated with what just came off the truck."

One recent weekend, for example, he announced the arrival of Fiddlehead beer, an IPA that is craved by many beer lovers but is very hard to find.

"We have exclusive access," he said. "We've been doing this a long time — before it became popular — and we have a strong relationship with the brewers."

It also comes in handy for whiskey, where his relationship with one distillery in Vermont enables the company to buy entire barrels of whiskey that are then poured into bottles with special Redstone labels.

"We have WhistlePig, out of Vermont, a 10-year old rye whiskey," he said. "It's pretty popular. We have a single barrel and each bottle has our logo etched into the glass, letting people know it's a Redstone barrel."

Looking ahead

While the new tenants prepare their spaces, Fenton is working on building 14 single-level apartments on the second floor of the building.

The first seven rentals, both one- and two-bedroom units, are expected to be ready by late August or early September.

"We actually have some pre-leasing," he said. "There's been a lot of interest."

Fenton noted that the apartments have high ceilings and many details from their Victorian ancestry. The entire mall, in fact, was originally comprised of two Victorian houses and a barn, which were all separate buildings.

Over the years, the two houses were connected and buildings were added on to the back and sides, creating space for more businesses and residences.

"It's a mishmash," he said. "But now it has all new electrical — all new systems."

Fenton said the growth of Andover Village Square shows that business on Main Street is actually doing pretty well.

"People are talking about how retail space in Andover is dormant," he said. "But it's a pretty tight market right now."

He himself is negotiating with another, major retail outlet, but he couldn't say which one.

"There's more to come," he said.

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Selectmen reach water deal with North Reading

By BILL KIRK

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After nearly two years of negotiations, the town has tentatively agreed to a six-year water contract with North Reading that will require a one-time payment of less than \$50,000 and an increase in water rates over the next several years that mirrors what residents are paying.

Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski announced Monday night

that the North Reading Board of Selectmen, meeting simultaneously, had agreed to the terms hammered out through a series of meetings between selectmen from both communities.

North Reading, however, has made several minor modifications to the pact so it remains a "draft" agreement, Stapczynski said. But the basis of the agreement — a past payment and a new rate structure — will remain intact, he said.

According to the document

released by the town manager Monday, North Reading will be charged \$2.95 per 100 cubic feet of water (about 750 gallons or approximately the amount used in a typical, 10-minute shower) in fiscal year 2014. For two months of that year, Stapczynski said, North Reading has been charged \$3. As a result, Andover owes North Reading a small amount of money.

During fiscal year 2015, however, North Reading paid \$3 while the new, residential rate was \$3.10. North

Reading owes the town about \$50,000 in back pay for the discrepancy. The town had refused to pay the new water rate until after a final agreement was reached.

For fiscal year 2016, meanwhile, North Reading will continue to pay a rate of \$3.10 per 100 cubic feet of water, which is what residents and businesses now pay as a flat rate.

For fiscal year 2017 and going forward, the North Reading rate will mirror Andover's residential rate.

For fiscal year 2016, which starts this July 1, North Reading made out well because selectmen rejected a water rate increase. The town manager had proposed increasing water rates 5 percent, to \$3.26 per 100 cubic feet. By a vote of 3-2, selectmen rejected that figure. Sewer rates went up 5 percent, however.

North Reading will purchase a maximum of 1.568 million gallons per day under the deal. The town is Andover's largest water customer and is responsible for

a significant portion of the water revenues.

Selectman Dan Kowalski said Monday night that North Reading has every intention of switching its water supplier to the Mass. Water Resources Authority in less than 10 years. North Reading may in fact be with the MWRA by the time the current agreement expires.

Andover selectmen are expected to take a final vote on the pact at its next meeting on June 29.

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four state-listed and endangered species, including turtles, moths and a specific kind of shrub the moths feed on.

Madison Davis, 21, a senior at Merrimack College who is graduating in December, was casting about for another class to fill her spring semester when a teacher suggested she call Conservation Agent Bob Douglas.

Douglas had just the project for the environmental studies and sustainability major: Come up with a management plan for the town's latest land acquisition.

It wasn't as simple as putting up picnic tables, though.

Davis met on numerous occasions with local and state wildlife officials, hiked the property several times and developed a comprehensive series of action items, some of which will be undertaken by the town this summer.

By the time Davis, a resident of San Jose, Calif., returns for classes in the fall, she should be able to see some of the fruits of her labor.

"We have a 'to-do' list for the area," Douglas said. "We hope to have benches, signs delineating where people can walk, and some protections for native species of plants. Plus, we hope to plant more of them, since they have been heavily grazed by deer."

Among the native species is the New Jersey tea shrub, which attracts the New Jersey tea inchworm. Davis said the shrub is extremely rare, existing in just a few communities in Massachusetts and just a handful more places across the rest of the world.

During a recent tour of the reservation, Davis pointed out some of the enclosures the town has built to protect the shrub from overgrazing by deer. The thin netting tacked to four posts is just enough to dissuade the abundant deer in the area from grazing on the shrub, which is critical food for the inchworm when it hatches in the spring.

Davis also pointed out small bits of eggshell littering the ground, evidence of a recent hatching of painted turtles. She explained that in the spring, the turtles emerge from the nearby Shawsheen River, bury their eggs in the sand and return to the river. The eggs typically hatch in May and June.

The sandy soil, she said, is perfect for the painted turtles and should be protected. Unfortunately, evidence of ATVs are also obvious at the reservation, with tracks criss-crossing open fields and wide trails cutting through the more heavily wooded areas.

"We want to keep this for passive recreation," she said, pointing out a couple of bluffs overlooking the Shawsheen River that could also serve as locations for picnic benches.

Another possibility is for the town to build canoe launches, so that boaters can either take off or land on shore without disrupting any sensitive plants or other flora or fauna along the riverbanks.

Other jobs on the to-do list include removing invasive plant species and erecting signs, Douglas said.

Davis hoped that one day, state or federal highway money could be

STRIKING LIGHTNING

To get to Lightning Tree Reservation requires a car, or a canoe.

By canoe, simply put your craft in at a canoe launch somewhere in Andover and paddle upstream, toward Tewksbury, go under Interstate 93 and look for the property on the left. The tree that was struck by lightning sits on a bluff overlooking a bend in the river.

By car, take Dascomb Road to Shawsheen Street, and go left. Follow Shawsheen Street to Bridge Street, take another left. Follow Bridge Street to South Street, take another left. Follow South Street all the way to the very end. Park in the circle and hike across the power line right-of-way. At the fence surrounding the solar array, go left, bushwhacking through the trees.

Eventually, visitors will reach a dirt road, which is more or less the entrance to Lightning Tree Reservation. Walk through the open field down to the Shawsheen River and keep your eyes open for a pair of snowy egrets.



BILL KIRK/Staff photo

Madison Davis stands next to the enormous, blackened tree that was toppled to the ground next to a bend in the Shawsheen River for which Lightning Tree Reservations is named.

used to build a sound wall along I-93 to keep the constant noise from the highway from interrupting the peaceful quiet of the reservation.

She said that volunteer groups, such as members of the Andover Village Improvement Society or local Boy Scouts, could also be involved in cutting trails or building bridges over wetlands while public works employees may help with some of the larger tasks.

Davis' work on the site went beyond just looking at the land and its wild inhabitants. She also did some research on the Native Americans who may have lived on or near the site, which they probably would have found to be good for fishing and hunting.

She even got a Native American translation of lightning tree through the Wopanaak Language Reclamation Project.

"Ukuchamunuhtuqut" — pronounced "aka chana nata kwat" — is Wopanaak for lightning tree, she said.

Lightning Tree Reservation is actually part of a

larger group of properties protected either by the Conservation Commission or AVIS that will, one day, create an uninterrupted path from the Tewksbury line into Andover, Davis said. The trail would start at what is now a farm owned by Jean Tisbert, but which AVIS has an agreement to purchase.

According to Susan Stott, land acquisition manager for nonprofit AVIS, the group has a purchase-and-sale agreement with Tisbert to buy about 10 acres of land along the river. The upper portion of the 20-acre farm property, which includes a farmhouse, is set to be purchased by another buyer.

Once those purchases are complete, a trail could run from the farm, across the power line right-of-way, into Lightning Tree Reservation, and then over to Sanborn Reservation, which is up against I-93.

Douglas said Davis had the opportunity to look at all the properties together "in a comprehensive way," adding, "I'm sure AVIS will look at her plan as well."

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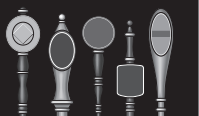
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Trail work



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Nine volunteers rolled up their sleeves last month to clear brush and invasive species from a trail within Andover Village Improvement Society's Deer Jump Reservation. The team included Rob Butler, David Dargie, Susan Hegarty, Dave Doub, Carl Hayssen and Peter Wuehrmann, shown, who worked well into the middle of the day on the trail that goes from Inwood Lane to the Merrimack River. Deer Jump is part of a network of trails throughout Andover maintained by AVIS for the enjoyment of all. The all-volunteer organization relies on work parties to help provide safe and convenient access to its 1,100 acres of forests, meadows and waterfront properties.

On the legendary greens; Lazarus House raffling VIP trip to Masters

The owners of Black Diamond Networks in Andover can attest to the experience of soaking in the majesty of the legendary Masters Golf Tournament at Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia.

Mike Sklar, president of Black Diamond Networks, and his business partner, Greg Quercia, bid on and won a VIP experience to the 2015 Masters in an auction that was part of last year's annual Lazarus House golf tournament.

The Masters was on Quercia's bucket list for how he wanted to celebrate his 50th birthday.

"I have been a lifetime follower of the Masters. I watch it religiously every year and always dreamed of attending it in person," Quercia, Black Diamond's treasurer and Andover resident, said in a release.

The experience they enjoyed at the tournament this past April did not disappoint either man. "The first day, as you walk through the front gate and think about all the golf legends who

have played here, along with all the memorable tournaments we've all watched on TV, you realize that you are now a part of history," Sklar said.

Lazarus House is once again offering two tickets to the 2016 Masters for one round of the winner's choosing, either April 8, 9 or 10. The raffle package includes a luxury hotel room for two nights, transportation, complete access to the VIP Lodge on Heath with fully stocked bars, outdoor patios and verandas featuring televised play, chef-prepared meals, massages, hand-rolled cigars and more. Tickets are \$100; only 200 will be sold.

The drawing takes place Monday, June 29, during Lazarus House's 20th annual "Drive for Dignity" Golf Tournament at Andover Country Club.

For tickets or dinner registration, visit www.lazarushouse.org, masters-golf-affle.org, email events@lazarushouse.org or call 978-269-5222.



COURTESY PHOTO

Mike Sklar, right, president of Black Diamond Networks, and Greg Quercia, business partner and friend, enjoy the VIP Lodge at the 2015 Masters Golf Tournament. They won a trip to the legendary event at Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia at an auction during last year's Lazarus House golf tournament. Another VIP trip to the Masters is being raffled off this year.

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Officer Nicholas Hodgen of the Hillsboro, N.H., Police Department watches over K-9 Fanto as he maneuvers through a makeshift tunnel as part of the agility trials.



Lt. Corey Lewis and K-9 Jax of the Suffolk County Sheriff Department complete the obedience portion of the Region 4 trials on Saturday as a judge looks on.



Chelmsford police officer David Leo runs alongside K-9 Flacko as they complete the agility course.

Loyal partners

Police canines put through the paces at K-9 trials

K-9 teams from across the region demonstrated their skills and showed off their prowess over the weekend at the U.S. Police Canine Association Region 4 trials at Greater Lawrence Technical School on River Road in Andover.

The two-day event on Saturday and Sunday was co-hosted by Andover police officer Mickey Connor and K-9 Grim together with the Essex County Sheriff's Office.

Teams competed in agility, obedience, evidence recovery, criminal apprehension complete with "gun-fire" and more.



Fanto climbs to the top of a platform under the watchful eye of his partner, Hillsboro, N.H., police officer Nicholas Hodgen, during last weekend's K-9 trials at Greater Lawrence Technical School in Andover.

TIM JEAN/Staff photos

Regional police agency settles with ACLU; agrees to disclose records

By DOUG MOSER
Staff Writer

The Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council, the local regional police force, announced this week that it is subject to the state public records law, a shift from its earlier position that it was a nonprofit organization exempt from disclosure requirements.

The consortium, comprised of 61 member law enforcement agencies including police departments in Andover, North Andover, Lawrence, Methuen and Haverhill, reached an agreement with the American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts that settled a yearlong lawsuit over

whether it had to release information, including its policies, its training materials and its financial documents.

NEMLEC agreed that the organization "should be subject to public records disclosure and should comply with public records requests under Massachusetts law, the organization said in a statement.

As part of the agreement, NEMLEC released more than 900 pages of documents to the ACLU, which the group requested of it and several other regional police councils in the state about three years ago.

The ACLU of Massachusetts called the agreement a "victory for public records."

"The public deserves to know what law enforcement

agencies are doing in their name," said Jessie Rossman, a staff attorney for the ACLU of Massachusetts. "We're pleased that NEMLEC came to this agreement, but we shouldn't have had to file a lawsuit to get them. That's why we need public records law reform. The law is so weak, the only way to enforce it is to go to court."

Carl Valvo, a partner at the law firm Cosgrove, Eisenberg & Kiley who represented NEMLEC, and Carlisle Police Chief John Fisher, who is president of NEMLEC, did not return phone messages seeking comment.

The consortium members share public resources and employees to allow for

services and capabilities that the individual departments could not muster on their own.

NEMLEC includes the sheriff's departments in Essex and Middlesex counties along with their city and town departments. It operates a Special Weapons and Tactics team, also known as a SWAT team, as well as a School Threat Assessment Team, a Computer Crime Unit, a regional communications operation and other services.

Member employees acting under NEMLEC can arrest people, execute warrants and use lethal force, and have armored vehicles and automatic weapons at their disposal.

In 2012, the ACLU of Massachusetts submitted requests to NEMLEC seeking information on the militarization of police forces, Rossman said. It submitted similar requests to the other four regional police councils.

"NEMLEC refused to allow access to those records, claiming that its records were outside the reach of the public records law," the ACLU said in a statement.

The ACLU sued in Suffolk Superior Court in June 2014 to get NEMLEC to release the documents, saying the group is subject to public records laws because it used public money and public officials to perform law enforcement actions.

This week's agreement is only between the ACLU and NEMLEC, and does not apply to the other regional councils. The ACLU did not sue any of the others, but Rossman said she hopes NEMLEC's decision sends a signal to the others.

"We believe the law is already clear on this point, but we hope this strong statement is something the other (law enforcement councils) follow," Rossman said.

The ACLU is reviewing the documents and plans to release them to the public, she said. It also plans to send follow-up letters to the other regional councils inquiring about those agencies' documents.

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A return to market

Weekly Saturday date with the farmers back on calendar



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Adonijah Lozano of Lawrence picks up some organically grown onions and scallions from Gaouette Farm's booth during last year's Andover Farmers Market.

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD
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With 27 vendors signed on, the Andover Farmers Market hosted by the Andover Historical Society begins its ninth season on Saturday, June 20, and runs every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Oct. 31.

The market is slightly altering its location this year, setting up behind the historical society at 97 Main St., in an area adjacent to Andover Village Square.

"It's a very popular community event," said Carrie

Midura, programs and public relations manager for the historical society. "Several people have called asking when the market opens. They are so excited."

Since its establishment in 2007, the Andover Farmers Market's mission has been to promote healthy eating and sustainability. Local businesses also take part, "fostering community involvement alongside Andover's support for the farming tradition," Midura said.

This year's vendors are: Andover Images, Della

Cucina, Emmett's Edibles, Farmer Dave's, Foxboro Cheese, Gaouette Farm, GP Homestay, Honey Pot Farm, Karley's Just Bee-Cause, Kit-tredge Candles, Konjoian's Greenhouse & Landscaping, Laughing Tree Organics, Lauren Alana Jewelry, Next Step Living, Nugent's Creations, Pawprints on My Pots, Pipe Dream Cupcakes, Rejuvelate, Rose and Raspberry, Solar City, Sondarya Health n Spa, Sweet Lydia's, Swiss Bakers, Tom's Tubes LLC, Tselios Whole Florist, Turtle Creek Winery and White Gates

Farm. A new attraction this year will be a square-foot demonstration garden that's currently being primed and planted.

Musical entertainment will be in store for future weeks, with the acoustic folk and rock act Stellwagen booked to perform June 27.

While the market aims to be a weekly date on the calendar for people, it will take July 4 off in observance of Independence Day. For more information, visit <http://andoverhistorical.org/market/>.

► **Town Talk:**

Twinning page-turner from across the pond

Judy Wakefield



The British author of a new book, "Policeman," sent an email as the plot in his book is set in Andover, Hampshire, England. The local newspaper, the Andover Advertiser, has done a two-part story on author Richard Ramsay and his new book.

"I thought that your readers in a town of the same name might be interested in my story," Ramsay wrote.

A few years ago, the British Army built its new headquarters at Andover, he wrote, and he did a lot of research there. Andover gets a lot of notice in the book, which is about British policing.

Ramsay certainly welcomes stateside readers. "Policeman," published by AuthorHouse UK, is available in both paperback and hardcover via Amazon, Barnes & Noble and other booksellers.

Andover Day, Art in the Park set plans for 2015 events

Andover's September calendar is filling up. Andover Day 2015 is set for Saturday, Sept. 12. Registration has

started and runs through Aug. 31, and prime booth locations are already filling up.

The annual event is hosted by the Andover Business Community Association. Highlights for Andover Day 2015 include honoring the Andover Senior Center during the opening ceremonies and lots of entertainment. The lineup of bands will be announced soon.

Community entertainment acts will once again be featured in the Andover Village Square area of Main Street and carnival rides will return to the parking lot next to Andover Village Square.

Online registration and more information for Andover Day is available at www.andoverday.com.

One week later, Art in the Park returns to The Park at Chestnut and Bartlet streets. The Andover Artists Guild hosts the event on Saturday, Sept. 19.

This year marks the guild's 40th anniversary. Visit www.andoverartistsguild.com for more information.

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A village in Andover Mums



COURTESY PHOTOS

Quelsi Jimenez, Marleny's older sister, and her classmates from West Middle School in Andover volunteer at last week's bone marrow drive. Marleny, 7, has sickle cell disease and is in need of a bone marrow donation.

Campaign for family in need unites community

STAFF REPORTS

A "flash fundraising campaign" by the Andover Mums community culminated last week with a bone marrow drive and the presentation of more than \$15,000 to a local family in need.

It all began a few weeks ago when Andover mother Melissa Giuliano saw a Facebook post. It was

from a fellow local mother looking to sell her van so she could send two of her children to Florida for the summer while caring for her third child, a 7-year-old daughter with sickle cell disease.

Claudia Jimenez, the mother of three, had moved to Andover less than a year ago after losing everything in a fire while living in North Andover. She knew few people in town, she said, and had few places to turn.

Giuliano did not Jimenez, but she was touched by her plight. She took it upon herself to appeal to fellow members of the Andover Mums Facebook community. Saying, "No mom should have to sell her car," she started a GoFundMe page.

Word spread like wildfire through the community, according to the drive organizers, and in less than two weeks, \$15,250 was raised to support Jimenez and her family.

The Andover Mums took it one step further, organizing a bone marrow drive last Friday, June 12, at Andover Country Club in hopes of finding a match for young Marleny Jimenez.

More than 40 people stepped forward at the drive to see if they are a potential match for the girl or others needing bone marrow transplants. Claudia Jimenez will continue the effort by leading a few more drives in the coming months at local churches and community events as well.

Also at the drive, Giuliano together with Johanna Buoncontri, the founder of the Andover Mums community, and Gina Murray,



Claudia Jimenez, second from right, accepts a check for more than \$15,000 from Andover Mums' Johanna Buoncontri, left, founder of the local online community; Melissa Giuliano, who led the fundraising campaign; and Gina Murray, fellow organizer, at last week's bone marrow drive at Andover Country Club.



Seven-year-old Marleny Jimenez smiles with appreciation during the bone marrow drive in her honor last week.

a fellow mother and drive organizer, presented Claudia Jimenez with the funds the group raised during the GoFundMe campaign.

"It was so inspiring to see so many local community members and businesses quickly donate to this cause, Buoncontri said in an email.

Giuliano likened the success of the campaign to the "stone soup" story. She thanked the community "not only for your support, but for offering my husband and me the opportunity to raise our children in such an amazing 'village.'"

For Jimenez, she said the support she has received from total strangers has been overwhelming. "This is healing and so comforting to know a group such as this one actually exists," she told supporters online.

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Opinion

Easing access to public documents the right move

The subject line of an email sent to members of the Board of Selectmen and the Andover Townsman last week by Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said, in all caps: "BIG NEWS!"

In the body of the email was a single line that read: "The Andover BOS agendas and related meeting packages are now on line. Check it out on <http://andoverma.gov/agendas>."

It is not clear if Stapczynski, known for his sometimes wry and occasionally ironic sense of humor, was being completely serious about this being "big news." But Stapczynski knows that the Andover Townsman, for the last two years, has made a concerted effort to gain access to town documents that for many years had not been available to the public.

The "meeting packages," as he called them, are filled with documents gathered during the week by the town manager's staff and which are often related to an upcoming selectmen's meeting. Years ago, before the advent of the digital age, paper copies of all the documents were made for selectmen and the media and distributed by hand every Friday by an Andover police officer.

But in the ensuing years, as more and more office functions moved from paper to computer-based documents, the custom of sending those documents out more or less ended. The "packages" were turned into electronic documents that were then quietly placed in computer files for selectmen and other town officials to see. As a result, the media — and hence the public — were unable to gain access to these documents.

More recently, selectmen have turned to the use of Dropbox, an online computer program that allows documents to be "dropped" into files on users' computer desktops. The documents can be organized into folders for ease of access. In essence, these Dropbox files become historical treasure troves of information about everything going on in town.

Stapczynski remains reluctant to grant access to Dropbox to the Townsman or the public, saying it is a "proprietary" program that can only be accessed by certain people with the use of a password. He has explained in the past that there may be documents passed out during the week that should be withheld from the public for certain reasons.

The public records law does allow for certain exemptions, but in most cases, those exemptions do not apply to the material that Stapczynski was placing in selectmen's Dropboxes every week.

This week is a perfect example. Contained in the "weekly package" that is now available on the town's website is an invitation to an elementary school class to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at this past Monday's Board of Selectmen meeting. Hardly something that would need national security clearance to view.

Another document touts the town's AAA bond rating and how it has created low borrowing rates on capital purchases and projects. A Powerpoint presentation by the town's Division of Elder Services about a recent survey it conducted on the needs of the local elderly population is also included, as is a presentation by the town's solar power consultant on a proposed net-metering agreement that could save the town millions of dollars.

The mystifying thing about all of this is that the documents are often filled with good news, so it's hard to understand why the town manager wouldn't want them out for all to see. But even if the documents contained bad news, or inconvenient information, they should be made available to the public.

It is not the town manager's role to decide what is and isn't public. It's not the town counsel's job to withhold information from the public. It is not the selectmen's job to keep documents away from voters. Quite the opposite.

It is their job to make that information public to create a robust and informed debate about the issues. Government in a democracy is "of the people, for the people, by the people."

When everyone knows everything, you have an informed electorate. And that is a good thing.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski recently announced he would be placing his "weekly packet" of documents for the Board of Selectmen on the town website. Until now, the information was unavailable to the public. What do you think about making these documents more available?

It's 'BIG NEWS.' I'm excited because I can find out what selectmen are going to be talking about the Friday before their meetings.

TMI (Too Much Information). I rely on Facebook and the Townsman for my news. I don't need to go on the town's website to find out about all the other stuff going on in Andover.

A good first step. It's great to make these documents available, but the public should be allowed the same access to information that selectmen have via Dropbox.

More should be made available. Taxpayers should have access to all town and school documents, employees' emails and more. These people are paid by tax dollars, and we should know what they are doing.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Town Meeting in May narrowly defeated a \$1.9 million funding proposal to revamp the media center at Andover High School. A few weeks later, newly elected state Sen. Barbara L'Italien inserted \$200,000 to pay for an engineering study for the project. How do you feel about her gift?

THRILLED. This funding will merely allow the School Department to better define the cost and scope of the project, which will then be brought back to Town Meeting for reconsideration. **21 votes, or 50 percent.**

UNHAPPY. Town Meeting said "no" to the project and its vote should be honored. The gift disregards Town Meeting's intentions and allows the first phase of the project to proceed without approval. **20 votes, or 50 percent.**



AMY SWEENEY/Staff photo

Parents, friends and students gather outside South Elementary School last week for one of the year's highlights — the annual Float Parade. More photos, page 17.

MARCHING ON

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

June 18, 1915
The Smith & Dove Manufacturing Company has been awarded a bronze medal for its exhibition of yarn at the Panama-Pacific Exhibition. The exhibit is combined with those of the Lawrence manufacturers.

N.E. Bartlett sailed last week on his annual business trip to London, taking the Rotterdam of the Holland-American line. Hearty wishes for a safe passage, and congratulations that he did not sail on the Lusitania, as he has sometimes done.

So far the subscriptions for the celebration of the Fourth of July have been satisfactory, but there is need for more money from those interested. The committee is working hard to make the event a success and wishes to have cooperation of all businessmen. The chairman

of the committee is Alfred L. Lundgren.

75 Years Ago

June 13, 1940
A front-page photo depicts a car accident with the caption, "Knocking down a guardrail on the west side of South Main Street, then cutting across the street some 80 yards, this car turned over after knocking a telephone pole some 8 feet off its base last Friday morning. A youth who left the machine in a hurry was arrested later for stealing the car."

Hear ye, hear ye, all Punchard alumni. It's time to plan now to attend the annual reunion banquet, which is only one week away. At 6:30, all classes from 1940 way back to 1880, with special emphasis on the 50-year class, will gather in the Punchard corridor to form the parade to the cafeteria, where will await a most delicious supper that alone is worth the price of admission.

An Andover Committee to be part of the "Committee to defend America by Aiding the Allies" is now being formed, and its first meeting will be held Monday evening, June 24, at 7:30 in the Lower Town Hall.

50 Years Ago

June 17, 1965
The jury in the trial of George H. Nassar, accused of the September murder of the Andover service station operator Irvin Hilton, visited the scene of the slaying Tuesday. Hilton was shot and stabbed at the Route 125 station.

Contracts Awarded: Milk, Brox Dairy, bids of .0555 and .0549 for elementary and school milk; three-year bus contracts, new, William Watson, \$5,235, and Sarkis Sarkisian, \$5,360; renewals, Joseph Connor, Gordon Hall, Charles West and Joseph Brouillard, all \$5,900.

Curious sightseers crawled over the wreckage this week of the mud-splattered B&M engine and freight cars derailed here Sunday, taking the life of the engineer. The official investigation of the accident, which caused the 103-car train to crash to a halt adjacent to the Raytheon Co. parking lot is still underway. Dead of his injuries was John Ginepra, 66, 135 Main St., Winthrop. Other railroad employees riding the freight escaped serious injury.

25 Years Ago

June 14, 1990
Voters at Andover's Town

Meeting didn't face a Proposition 2 1/2 override as planned Monday night. Article 5, asking for \$1.1 million for schools, was withdrawn on an agreement among the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee and the School Committee, after a previous vote raised the town's budget by \$500,000, giving the school system the entire amount for its operating budget.

Officials are working on a theory that an Andover High School student jumped out a third-floor classroom window Tuesday to illustrate a presentation on non-conformity. But the student, David Livingstone, 16, reached by telephone Wednesday, denied the classroom discussion was the motivation for the jump. "I wouldn't relate it to that too much," Mr. Livingstone said. Mr. Livingstone and another student were making a presentation. "While the other student was answering a question, he for some unexplained reason, went to the window, didn't hesitate, never stopped and went," Mr. Hixon said.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Town must investigate School Committee's email

Editor, Townsman:

Andover Town Meeting voters recently approved an increase in the school budget over the opposition of the town manager and Board of Selectmen in a contentious vote. Only days prior to the vote, the School Committee sent an email using town resources to "Parents, Students, Faculty, and Staff" advocating for the increase and offering free child-care courtesy of the teachers union. Disturbingly, the email was knowingly not sent to households without enrolled students or employees in the school system.

As those attending the meeting will recall, the auditorium was stuffed with voters who ensured approval of the increase and then walked out immediately after the final tally was read prompting a scolding by the moderator and later on by Andover Townsman editorial writers (*Editorial: Town Meeting needs another look, Townsman, May 14*).

Massachusetts State Ethics Commission advisory 11-1 states: "... Public resources may not be used to notify only a subset of voters in order to influence the outcome of the vote or meeting. For example, notifying only the parents of school children of a ballot question whether to fund a new public school,

and not notifying childless homeowners, would be prohibited, because it would not be neutral."

Simply put, the School Committee used town resources to selectively lobby sympathetic voters and exclude potential critics. This is a flagrant abuse of the voting process and a violation of the state ethics code.

Ironically, the School Committee is guilty of exactly what they and Superintendent Marinell McGrath fired teacher Jennifer Meagher for during contract negotiations — sending an email to a select group to affect the outcome of a contentious vote. The courts found the School Committee violated Ms. Meagher's right to free speech because the offending email was sent privately and not publicly. This likely cost Andover citizens far more than \$423,000 (the amount of the budget increase) in legal fees, back pay and any awards for damages.

If the School Committee's intent was merely to inform and not influence the vote as members claim, they would have addressed their email to the public at large and not consulted the State Ethics Commission prior to sending the email. At the end of the day, they decided to ignore the wisdom of the courts and the guidance provided by the State Ethics Commission to prevail at Town Meeting.

I believe the School Committee's actions have set a

dangerous precedent for future votes. Contentious issues will continue to be decided by the voters and voters must expect the process is fair. Therefore, I call on town officials to formally investigate this alleged corrupting of our voting process and hold any individuals found responsible accountable. Our vote is all we have and its sanctity must be preserved.

RON RIEDER
Rattlesnake Hill Road

Consider known leaders for top school vacancies

Editor, Townsman:

This is an open letter to the Andover School Committee: It is unfortunate that you chose to pass over noted Andover educator Dr. Eileen Woods to lead our school district as interim superintendent.

You had a wonderful opportunity to hire an elite, world-class administrator and leader who intimately knows our district (its strengths and weaknesses). What a huge lost opportunity for our schools.

Dr. Woods was an inspirational principal for 20 years at Sanborn and South, and an assistant superintendent in our district. She is a dynamic academic leader, is highly respected by parents and staff and would have immediate impact in advancing teaching and learning

throughout our schools. She hired and mentored many of our best teachers and has a close professional relationship with Andover High School Principal Steven Murray. Had you hired Dr. Woods, I strongly believe Steve would have stayed in Andover.

Last point: With the vacuum of leadership at Andover High, I hope you pursue E.J. Perry for the principal position. With four principals in five years, AHS needs a high dose of leadership. E.J. Perry has the leadership skills, passion and mindset to lead Andover High and get it back to being a top 10 high school. E.J. is committed to Andover, he's respected throughout the community, and parents and students would be behind him. And you can hire an outside mentor like Dr. Eileen Woods (former Massachusetts principal of the year) to help E.J. while he ramps up.

While E.J. doesn't have his principal's license, the district can apply for a temporary waiver — and E.J. could get his license within the next couple of years. E.J. Perry would provide the spirit, energy and drive needed to get Andover High back on track — and help restore parents' faith in the district.

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Editor's Note: David Birnbach is a former member of the Andover School Committee.

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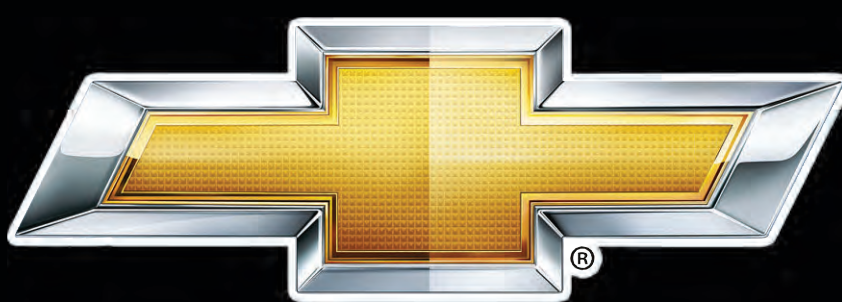


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TownsBeat

2015 Java Jam: Bringing the community together

Alex Bensley

Andover High School Youth Council

The 2015 Java Jam was one for the ages. On May 29, more than 100 young people gathered in the Andover Skatepark to be part of something special — the Java Jam. The annual event, which included performances, food and art, is designed to unite the community and raise money for the Cormier Youth Center.

With 20-plus acts of gorgeous musical talent, intense spoken word/slam poetry and sweet rapping, the night rocked its socks off. The performances were amazing, and it really is cool to think that Andover has so much talent.

But the beauty of this event was that it wasn't strictly performance based. People could get up, buy some delicious food, purchase some neat tie-dye shirts, look at some lovely art, and have one heck of a time. The night even featured a jaw-dropping sunset, captured on countless cell-phones and shared on Instagram. It was a heart-warming moment.

Andover Youth Council member Drea Grieco, who graduated from Andover High last week, said, her favorite part about the Java Jam was the way that the Andover youth reacted toward every performer.

"The Java Jam introduces the change of culture in the Andover community by allowing the youth to come together and support each other in a way that brings people together in a fun way," she said.

She added, "There was so much love and respect in the crowd that it truly made this night remarkable."

Last year, the event took place downtown at Old Town Hall on Main Street, but the location was changed this year to allow for better sound and simply because change was needed. The new location, at the park adjacent to Andover High School, worked out excellent.

Recent graduate Connor Dwyer, who performed some outstanding slam poetry, said, "The location being at the skatepark helped differentiate the event from everything else going on in town, so I felt it made it more special."

Dwyer speaks the truth. The Java Jam was like its own little village. The warm, simply happy feeling spread across the skatepark, putting smiles on people's faces. People were free souls. College kids came back to not only watch, but perform. A few performers even took selfies with the crowd.

This event could not have happened without Andover Youth Council member Maria Cortner, who led the planning. She set out to plan the event much earlier in the year than in the past, and spent an insane amount of time pulling it together. The week leading up to the Java Jam, she could be found at the skatepark cleaning and setting it up. Cortner's hard work paid off very well.

"I loved planning it," she said. "I think with any job, if you're doing something you're passionate about, you're going to enjoy every point of the process."

Cortner was thrilled with the new location. "The outside venue freed the event. People were able to roam around, look at the art, try the food and look at the T-shirts," she said.

Added emcee Michael Weber, another recent graduate who also performed some unbelievable rap music, "I think overall it was a more laid-back and user-friendly experience for the performers and the crowd and I think that brought everyone together in a new way."

Together. That is exactly how the community felt.

The youth community of Andover hopes to use the Java Jam as momentum going forward. The Cormier Youth Center will be opening soon, and the Java Jam should create even more excitement for its arrival. The Youth Center will have plenty more community gatherings, similar to the Java Jam.

So, what did the 2015 Java Jam lack besides bathrooms? That is a question that few people, if any, can answer.

Thank you, Andover, for making this event so great. Looking back, it will never be forgotten that the Java Jam successfully brought the youth community of Andover together.

Let's keep the momentum rolling.

Alex Bensley graduated from Andover High School last week. He was a member of the Andover Youth Council at the high school.



ALEX COLE/Courtesy photos

The Andover Skatepark adjacent to Andover High School was packed for last month's Java Jam. Organizers say moving the event from its previous venue at Old Town Hall in downtown Andover proved a success.



Jesse Mattison accompanies himself on the keys during Java Jam 2015.



A display of student artwork provided an added attraction at this year's Java Jam.



Students queue up at the entrance to the 2015 Java Jam at Andover Skatepark.



Java Jam emcee Michael Weber added some rap music to the lineup, which included more than 20 acts.

Phillips Academy crew teams make history

Prep school sends boys and girls boats to compete in Henley Regatta

By BILL BURT
Sports Editor

For the first time in Phillips Academy history, both boys and girls crew will be sending boats to England to compete in two of the world's most prestigious rowing events — the Henley Women's Regatta this weekend and the Henley Royal Regatta the first week in July.

The two events, which are held annually in the small town of Henley-on-Thames, attract some of the most accomplished teams from clubs, universities and high schools across the globe.

The Henley Regatta was first held in 1839, and was renamed the Henley Royal Regatta in 1951 when Prince Albert became the event's

first royal patron.

Today, the five-day event, which runs from July 1 through 5, attracts thousands of spectators, and features 200 races. The Henley Women's Regatta, which was established in 1988, is a three-day event that starts this Friday, June 19.

In order to be accepted into Henley, boats must be judged to be fast enough to be competitive.

The last time Phillips sent a boat to Henley was in 2007, when a girls team went to compete. The last boys boat that qualified to race in the HRR was in 2006.

This year, Phillips will be able to send a boat to both races as, for the first time, both the boys and girls boats proved to be the fastest eligible crews in New England.

Phillips girls won the New England Interscholastic Rowing Championship this year, while the boys took second, losing by 0.25 of a second to a Kent boat. The Kent boat, however, included post-graduate students, thereby precluding them from entering the schoolboy event at Henley.

"I am very excited about this opportunity, especially because we will be able to bring both the boys and girls teams together as one program," Dale Hurley, coach of Phillips girls crew team, said. "It's very unusual for both teams to achieve such a high degree of success in the same year."

"So this is very special, and in many ways we are really blazing a new trail for the sport."



COURTESY PHOTO

The local Phillips Academy boys and girls crew team members, already over in England in preparation for the Henley Regatta, are, from left, Evelyn Mesler of North Andover, Gabrielle Blanchard of Andover, Jacob Kozol of North Andover, Dylan Norris of Andover and Cara Cavanaugh of North Andover.

Local students making the trip are Gabrielle Blanchard and Dylan Norris, both of Andover;

Jacob Kozol, Evelyn Mesler and Cara Cavanaugh, all of North Andover; and Zicong Liu of Tewksbury.

While it remains to be seen how Andover will do in the competition, Phillips teams in the past have acquitted themselves admirably.

In 2006, the Phillips boys boat made it to the semifinal of the Princess Cup. In 2007, the girls boat made it all the way to the finals, as did the boys boat that raced at Henley in 1965. This year, Andover will be sending two eight-man boats and two four-man boats to the event.

In addition to Hurley, Phillips coaches Stewart MacDonald and Richard Kennelly are with the team of 28 students in the United Kingdom. The teams competed in a local amateur regatta in Reading last Saturday. The boys also will race in the Marlowe Regatta while the girls are racing at HWR.

Welcome to the 21st century library

Phillips head of school explores how age-old institution thrives in digital age

By BILL KIRK
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Biblio: Books, noun.
Tech: Short for technical.
Bibliotech: The title of Phillips Academy Head of School John Palfrey's new book.

While not exactly the most sexiest-sounding book in the world — certainly no “Fifty Shades of Grey” — “Bibliotech” is nonetheless a revealing book about a place that holds lots of them: libraries. Palfrey combines his love of technology with his passion for books and libraries in a single place with his newest effort.



John Palfrey

The 280-page tome, published this year by Basic Books, a member of the Perseus Books Group, delves into the nexus of libraries and technology with authority and an air of alarm.

Smartphone vs. library

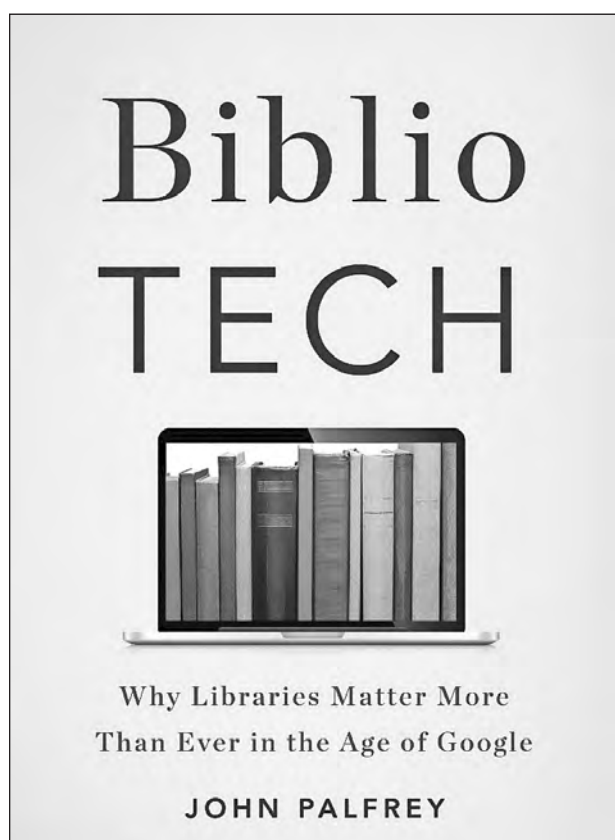
What will happen to libraries in the future if everyone gets their information from a smartphone?

Palfrey goes beneath the obvious answer and reveals something we've always known about libraries — that they are portals into worlds of knowledge. But throw in technology, and they become portals to vast reservoirs of knowledge that many people don't even know exist.

The so-called “Darknet,” where documents linger outside the reach of a Google search, are only available to people who know what they are doing and how to find them: librarians.

He even credits Aaron Swartz — the renowned computer genius who committed suicide after being charged in federal court with stealing Massachusetts Institute of Technology documents and posting them online — as being an early pioneer in the dissemination of information.

“The role of librarian has been changing over the last



COURTESY IMAGE

The cover of Phillips Academy Head of School John Palfrey's new book about libraries in the modern era.

several years,” Palfrey said in a recent interview. “Some have already made that shift. That shift is on.”

“My experience as a principal at a high school is that I think the library is the beating heart of our community. I think librarians are some of the best teachers on campus. How they play that role is shifting. They are guides to new information and knowledge.”

He said as good as young people are nowadays at finding stuff online, they aren't as good as they think they are.

“People can look up lots of things on their smartphones, so what is the role of the librarian?” he asks, rhetorically. “Kids perceive they are better than they are at getting information. They are good at turning on the devices, but the best people in most environments to teach that, to play a key role in teaching how to get information, are librarians.”

Librarians are now learning — and teaching — information science and media literacy.

“Increasingly, library schools are calling

themselves iSchools,” he said, while existing library staff are being re-trained to do the digital work on top of the more traditional work that is expected of them.

Why the book?

“Bibliotech,” he said, was written in response to the evolving role of libraries in cities, towns and schools all over the world.

“This is a work based on a passion for libraries,” said Palfrey who, before taking the job as head of school at Phillips, founded the Digital Public Library of America while also overseeing the reorganization of the Harvard Law School Library.

“There are ongoing arguments at every level of government — at the municipal, state and federal levels — about funding for libraries.” He noted that last month at Andover's Town Meeting, a request to revamp the media center in Andover High School's library failed while a proposal for an addition at the town's Memorial Hall Library was approved. He sees that rejection of the high school library/media center project by just six votes as a potentially missed opportunity.

“I think it would be a huge advantage,” he said, referring to the Andover High media center plan. “There is a strong correlation between excellent libraries and school performance. Whether it's a media center, or a library, it can play an essential role in teaching and learning at schools.”

He said Memorial Hall Library, on the other hand, continues to be highly successful in doing many of the things that a community library should be doing: serving as a meeting space for the public, while also offering that window into knowledge that libraries are known for.

“They are a great example,” he said of the Memorial Hall Library and its dedicated staff.

The library at Phillips Academy is another example, he added.

“They do the traditional functions while finding ways of staying relevant,”

he said. “Those kinds of institutions — we need to back them. In communities, small towns like Andover, having a library at the core is an essential element of a strong community.”

Funding the movement to digital

How those institutions get supported, however, is another problem.

“It's a tricky matter,” he said. “There are many demands on a town's or a school's resources. Libraries are a very inexpensive investment and a very high return on that investment. Citizens who care about the future of knowledge should invest in them.”

The challenge is that “they are expected to do everything — provide books and space and digital things on top of that, without having more money.”

He said philanthropy can play a big role in helping libraries and other, local knowledge centers like the Andover Historical Society or the Lawrence History Center, where a vast treasure trove of historical material is available to the public.

Other regional libraries, like the Phillips library at the Peabody Essex Museum, may limit entry to the general public, but recently put 250,000 documents online as part of a \$20 million project to digitize its holdings.

“Any library can participate in that,” he said. “The more we can digitize materials, including old newspaper articles ... it will be less important what you have locally and more important how well you are able to access this larger network.”

Libraries will always play a role in that. “There is more information available now than in the history of humankind,” he said. “Increasingly, information will be created in a digital environment first, and then in a physical manifestation afterward.”

However, a still unsolved problem is how to save the digital-only information so it is not lost to posterity.

“One of the great paradoxes is that we are creating more information, but we are not that great at storing it,” he said. “You have a bunch of floppy disks and thumb drives, but you won't be able to play them anymore.”

“For the preservation of knowledge, librarians are the right people to insure that digital information is preserved in the long run.”

■■■■ *“Bibliotech, Why Libraries Matter More Than Ever in the Age of Google,” by Phillips Academy Head of School John Palfrey, is available at bookstores for \$26.99 or on Amazon for \$19.88. A Kindle edition is available for download from Amazon for \$14.57.*

Other books by Palfrey include *“Born Digital: Understanding the First Generation of Digital Natives,”* with Urs Gasser, 2010; *“Interop: The Promise and Perils of Highly Interconnected Systems,”* with Urs Gasser, 2012; and, *“Intellectual Property Strategy,”* 2011.



COURTESY PHOTO

Children's book author Jeff Nathan of Andover aims to make reading fun. He incorporates humor into all of his books.

Making it personal

Children's author adapts to wired world for the sake of reading

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
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Your child was a great reader of books until video games or a cellphone or an electronic tablet lured the youngster away.

Sound familiar? Local children's author Jeff Nathan says you're not alone.

“I see it all the time ... parents wish their kids would read actual books beyond third grade,” Nathan said.

Nathan, who lives in West Andover, was once among the breed of authors who produced books with hard covers and pages to turn.

But now Nathan, too, has embraced technology for his latest book — all in the hopes of keeping children on a life path of reading.

He is using a new digital tool that personalizes books and lets young readers choose how a story unfolds.

What's more, the reader actually becomes the main character and hero in this tale.

The book is titled “(Child's Name) Solves the Mystery of the Dangerous Sandwich at (School Name),” and each reader may take a different path through the book and decide how he or she wants to proceed to find out why the sandwich is dangerous.

Nathan said he had to form a company to demonstrate a new technology that allows young readers to make choices in books.

“Young readers like to have choices,” he said.

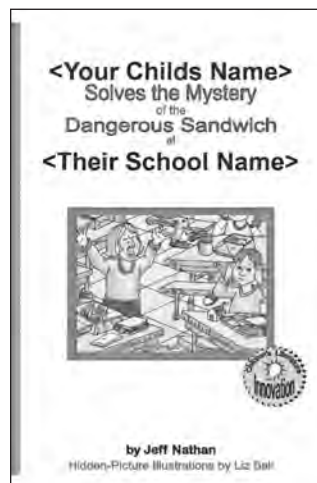
He teamed with software developer Mike Salem of West Newbury on the concept, and they worked with the technology for two years, test-marketing the book in five states before formally launching it last month.

The book, geared to students at the elementary school level, has already been nominated for two digital book awards “because it combines so many elements to get kids excited about reading,” Nathan said.

One parent praised the book in an online review, saying it has “many ingredients to help get kids excited about reading.”

“My fifth-grade son loved this book,” the parent wrote. “It gives readers a choice within reading. As he made incorrect choices, he wasn't disappointed. Rather, he was very excited to continue figuring out what the right one would be from what he learned.”

Nathan, who left an engineering career several years ago to write children's books, continues with his funny, quirky writing style in “The Mystery of the Dangerous Sandwich.” He said new software has not changed his belief that humor is a very important element in his books.



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Jeff Nathan has added an interactive element to his latest children's book, allowing each reader to choose the arc of the story as it unfolds.

Early in his writing career, he penned funny books based on what he overheard kids talking about while he waited for his daughter, Jillian, at an audition or rehearsal with Merrimack Junior Theatre in Andover.

Eavesdropping proved worthwhile for his first book, “There's a Hippo in My Locker.” Published in 2000, it is filled with funny poems geared toward young readers. Teachers liked his use of puns and innuendo while young readers reported getting stomachaches from laughing so hard.

Nathan still visits schools around the country, impersonating characters that are funny to kids while encouraging reading. Dressing as Sherlock Holmes for a unique pro-poem lesson is a particular favorite.

His knack for fun word play is alive and well in his new book. Characters include Jim Nasium (gymnasium), Joe Kerr (joker) and Miss Keeto (mosquito).

“The way to help kids learn to love reading is to give them something they'll love reading,” he said. “That's all I want ... to get kids to read.”

Now he's taken that humor to the digital platform. But he hasn't turned his back completely on print. The “Mystery of the Dangerous Sandwich” is also available in paperback.

Nathan has paired with Kickstarter, an online fundraising site, on the endeavor. He said one copy of the book will be donated to a needy child each time a book is sold.

■■■■ *“(Child's Name) Solves the Mystery of the Dangerous Sandwich at (School Name),” published by Active Literature, is available as an e-book for \$14.99. Add in the paperback version for a total cost of \$17. Visit www.amazon.com/Childs-Solves-Mystery-Dangerous-Sandwich/dp/0970273053 or www.SherlockAndMe.com/kickstart to learn more.*

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Escape the Ordinary for adult summer reading program

You've got your kids all on task with their summer reading lists. But how about you? What will you be reading this summer?

Memorial Hall Library is hoping to get adult readers turning pages this summer, too.

The Andover library is launching an Escape the Ordinary Adult Summer Reading Program.

Memorial Hall staff say summer is a perfect time for adults to catch up on their reading and they're hoping to help encourage some book time through this year's contest.

To participate, adults simply must read or listen to a book — yes, audio books count, too. For doing that, they will be eligible for the contest's grand prize drawing at the end

of the summer. The more participants read, the more chances they have to win.

The theme challenges readers to deviate from the ordinary with their choice of authors and genres. The adult contest also dovetails with the library's summer reading programs for toddlers through teens. Part of the idea is that parents who participate will stand to motivate their children to read, too.

The Escape the Ordinary adult summer reading program begins June 29 and runs through Aug. 21. Participants must be 18 or older.

To register, visit <http://mhl.org/summerread-ingadults>, then click the "Adults 2015" tab and "Sign Me Up." Once registered, go online to log each book read

or listened to. Participants will receive one prize entry for each book logged. Those looking for a book to read will find staff recommendations, best-seller lists and book reviews online as well.

Grand prize winners will be selected at random on Aug. 24 and contacted by phone or email.

Prizes are being provided by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library, Andolini's restaurant, Metamorphosis, Quiet Pleasures Jewelry, Sauce, Sense of Wonder, Whole Foods Market Andover and Yella Restaurant, all in Andover.

Escape the Ordinary is sponsored by Memorial Hall Library together with the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

The last word until fall for Conversational English group

Memorial Hall Library's Conversational English group wrapped up another successful year last month. The group, organized by library trustee Carolyn Fantini, meets Monday mornings from September to May. Volunteer tutors provide instruction for people who have studied English and want to brush up on their conversational skills.

Regular participants this year included Alanna McKee, Ida Berditchevskaja, Sally Littlefield, Louise Tomlinson, Marilyn Santagati, Eileen Shannon, Zhenhai Ca, Carol O'Handley, Tanya Likhonova, Suman Tiwari, Lan Yu, Zunkui Zhang, Rong Ying, Helen Sellers, Taisiya Tkacheva, Kem Cao, Phiru Patu, Kitty Han, Alla Suajumder and Ishwar Chaand.

Conversational English will resume this fall on Monday, Sept. 28, from 10 a.m. to noon. Over the summer, interested students may contact Stefani Traina, Memorial Hall



COURTESY PHOTO

Regular participants in the weekly Conversational English group at Memorial Hall Library pose for a group photo last month at their final session of the year. The group led by Memorial Hall Library trustee Carolyn Fantini will resume in September.

Library's community services 978-623-8401, ext. 49. librarian.straina@mhl.org

'Enlightened Living,' with help from a master

Andover resident Irina Dobrina introduces a new group this summer focused on the teachings and philosophy of Sai Maa, a world-regarded spiritual master and healer, at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover.

Maa is said to embrace a unique fusion of Eastern spiritual wisdom, Western therapeutic knowledge and energetic mastery. She shares teachings to uplift and empower others to master their lives and to live enlightened lives.

The Enlightened Living Group hopes to provide access to a life transformation that includes living every day as an expression of the divine, as well as a continuing expansion of awareness and knowledge and a conversation that builds connection and

community with others.

The group will meet Mondays, July 13 and 20 and Aug. 3 and 24, all at 7 p.m. in the Trustees Room of the library. Space is limited. To learn more, visit www.sai-maa.com or contact Dobrina at SaiMaa-MeditationAndover@gmail.com.

Other upcoming events at Memorial Hall Library include:

Discover Your Past Genealogy Club, Thursday, June 11, 10 to 11 a.m.

MHL's Monday Movie, Monday, June 22, 6:30 p.m. Free monthly movie in Memorial Hall. Attend the movie and enter to win the DVD.

The Beehive: eBook How-To Session, Thursday, June 25, 10 a.m. Learn how to download free, best-selling titles to read on the computer, iPhone, Android,

Kindle or other compatible eBook reader. Bring device and login or ID, USB cord, library card and questions for the hands-on session with Overdrive. Register at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar; indicate personal device used.

"Summer Under the Stars" Movie Series, Thursday, July 9, 6 p.m., "Monty Python and the Holy Grail," to be shown in Memorial Hall. The series continues Aug. 6 with "Howl's Moving Castle" and Aug. 20 with "Sunset Boulevard."

All events are sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library and registration is requested.

For more information or to sign up, visit www.mhl.org, or call 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.

Mind games



RYAN HUTTON/Staff photos

Mentalist Rory Raven proves to the audience his prediction that the last card he would be handed by a volunteer from the audience would be the Seven of Diamonds.

Mentalist entertains Memorial Hall Library Friends

Rory Raven calls himself a mentalist and mind-bender.

And for a night last month, he treated the Friends of Memorial Hall Library to a sampling of his brainstorming show in which he read minds, bent spoons and got volunteers to test their own mental powers.

Raven has been entertaining audiences throughout the Northeast and beyond with his adult-oriented act, which incorporates humor, wit and amazement.

His appearance in Andover was the featured event for the Friends of Memorial Hall Library's annual meeting.



Mentalist Rory Raven attempts to bend a stainless steel fork with his mind during his performance at Memorial Hall Library.

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Class of 2015

4 Andover High graduates receive Ritzer scholarships

Tapped to carry on teacher's legacy as educator

STAFF REPORTS

Four Andover High School graduates who will be pursuing teaching degrees in college are among this year's recipients of Colleen E. Ritzer Memorial Scholarships.

Casey Flanigan, Meghan Johnson, Katherine Rex and Sarah Rothmann were all selected for scholarships aimed at supporting students hoping to carry out the slain teacher from Andover's legacy as a caring and compassionate educator.

Ritzer's family last week announced the awarding of a total of \$30,000 in 2015 college scholarships, including \$12,000 second-year gifts for last year's recipients, to students pursuing education as a major in college.

Flanigan will attend Saint Anselm College in Manchester, N.H., where she will pursue a degree in secondary education with a concentration in math.

Johnson will attend Smith College in Northampton, where she will pursue a dual degree in education and math.

Rex will attend the University of New Hampshire

in Durham, where she has declared majors in elementary and special education with aspirations to become a kindergarten teacher.

Rothmann will attend Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, this fall, where she will pursue a degree in education.

The Ritzer family also awarded scholarships to four 2015 graduates of Danvers High School, where Ritzer was teaching when she was found slain in 2013.

This year, the Ritzer family also awarded a scholarship to graduating Nashoba Regional High School senior Clara Greszczuk, in memory of Michelle Farnsworth, a Nashoba High student who lost her battle with cancer earlier in 2015.

A graduate of Andover High School, Colleen Ritzer taught at Hale Middle School in Stow after college before joining the faculty at Danvers High School. The students she taught there are now at Nashoba Regional High School.

The scholarship fund is a permanent tribute to Ritzer and builds upon her legacy by helping future teachers



COURTESY PHOTO

The four 2015 Andover High School graduates receiving this year's Colleen E. Ritzer Memorial Scholarships are, from left, Sarah Rothmann, Katherine Rex, Casey Flanigan and Meghan Johnson.

obtain a college degree so that they too can share their passion for teaching with future students, her parents, Tom and Peggie, and siblings, Dan and Laura, said in a release.

It is supported by individual donations that were made in the wake of Colleen Ritzer's passing in October 2013 as well as the Step Up for Colleen Ritzer 5K and other tribute events held to honor the young teacher's memory.

"Our family continues to be touched and strengthened by

the many stories friends and strangers have shared about the difference Colleen made in their lives, and the lives of her students," the Ritzer family said in a statement. "This scholarship fund enables Colleen's spirit to continue to make a difference as a new generation of teachers is provided financial assistance so that they, too, can pursue their passion for teaching."

"We are grateful to the many individuals and organizations who continue to support the scholarship fund as they provide critical

resources to help form a new generation of caring and compassionate teachers who will be dedicated to their students' personal and academic success."

Flanigan was a member of Phoenix Swimming and the Andover High School swim and dive team during her four years in high school. She spent time as a volunteer with Birthday Wishes, Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Merrimack Valley, Frost School and Special Olympics.

During high school, Johnson was a volunteer or intern

for Andover High School Sustainable Garden Project, Camp Runels, Girl Scouts and New Horizons for Youth. She played on the girls varsity ice hockey and ultimate Frisbee teams.

Rex has volunteered as a cheerleading coach, peer mentor, with Lazarus House, St. Augustine School and Warrior Way. She also received the Deidre Ann Didio Memorial Spirit Award. Rothmann was a star athlete on the cross-country and indoor and outdoor track teams. Her volunteer service includes the EXCEL Program, Healthy Kids Running Organization and as a student-resident mentor, religious education teacher and Warrior Way leader.

Applications that met eligibility requirements were reviewed by a selection committee comprised of family members and educators, including Ritzer's parents; her aunt, Susan Craig; Danvers High math teachers Todd Butterworth and Sarah Giaquinta, Andover High School guidance counselor Kimberly Bergey, and Nashoba Regional High School English teacher Kimberly Rocha.

The Colleen E. Ritzer Memorial Scholarship Fund is held at the Essex County Community Foundation.

ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Many Andover High School seniors were awarded scholarships at the Graduation Brunch Ceremony on Monday, June 8, that preceded the graduation ceremony.

The scholarship recipients are:

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

■ **Andover Sportsmen's Club Scholarship**, for scholarship to student involved in outdoor sports, ecology, and conservation: Jacqueline Dean

■ **Shawsheen Village Women's Club Scholarship**, for high academic standards: Alexandra Crowley, Molly Manuel

■ **Katherine E. Kloss Memorial Scholarship**, to student who emulates spirit of former AHS volunteer mentor in the engineering field for exemplary achievement in academics, leadership, work ethic and commitment to the community: Vivian Steinbaugh

■ **Ed Wright Memorial Fund Scholarship**, first time awarded in remembrance of impact he had on many, for academic excellence, good character and a strong work ethic: Kristin Pettini

■ **Andover Educational Secretaries Association Scholarship**, to senior pursuing four-year degree program: Jacqueline Polanco

■ **Andover Educational Association Scholarship**, for academic merit and community involvement: Victoria Giguere: Matthew Nussbaum

■ **Briggs Greenfield Scholarship Fund**, to seniors planning careers in medicine or business for exceptional community service, most improved, leadership and academic excellence: Colleen Caveney, Adam Co, Bridget Collins, Connie, Cung, Courtney Grygiel, Ruth Hovor, McKenzie Nash, Sarah Rothman, Thanisha Santana, Mitchell Stevens

■ **Reading Cooperative Bank, Andover Branch Scholarship**, to seniors planning to major in finance or a business-oriented study: Justine DiPasquale, Julia Manty

■ **Peter Afarian Memorial Scholarship**, to varsity ice hockey team members for excellent character and good academic record: Dylan Gale, William Sauerbrunn

■ **Andover Business Community Association Scholarship**, to students planning a career in business for community service: Rebecca Adler, Meaghan Murtagh

■ **Barbara Fowler Pennick Band Scholarship**, in celebration of mother who led the All Girl Band at Pynchard High School in 1950, for Music Department member with deep love of music,

school spirit and strong work ethic: Samuel Tankel

■ **Andover High School Chapter of the National Honor Society Scholarship**, to seniors who emulate the characteristics of the society: scholarship, leadership, character and service: Amanda Hornick, Caroline Murtagh

■ **Miriam Putnam Scholarship**, given by Trustees of Memorial Hall Library, to seniors who have worked as library pages: Jeremy Brownholtz, Rosalie Schwaeble, Michael Trainor, Nicholas Wackowski

■ **Andover Band Association Scholarship**, for exemplary participation in the band program: Elizabeth Carmichael, Jacob Doskocil, Samuel Tankel

■ **Alfio Graceffa Memorial Scholarship**, to senior band member for excellence and leadership: Robert Crockett

■ **Andover High School Ski Team Boosters Club Scholarships**: Jenna Kosinski, Jason Grosz

■ **Andover High School Women's Swim and Dive Boosters Association Scholarship**: Caroline Brosnan, Shannon Fitzsimmons, Diana Hansen, Caroline Murtagh

■ **Matthew Biles Scholarship**, to Andover High School Men's Swim and Dive Team member for outstanding sportsmanship and character: Nathan Hamer

■ **Katya Yerozolimsky Memorial Scholarship**, to AHS Swim Team member for team spirit and support of fellow swimmers: Diana Hansen

■ **Krit Kearins Memorial Scholarship**, to student athletes for superior sportsmanship and team spirit in the sports of swimming or diving and gymnastics: Sophia Allen, Maggie Verrette

■ **AHS Women's Volleyball Team Scholarship**: Azita Bakhtyari, Julia Fraser

■ **Andover High School Football Boosters Association Scholarship**, for outstanding sportsmanship and character: Brian Duffy, Terence Norton, Brendan Slatery, Timothy Sorota

■ **Andover Junior Football Association Scholarship**, to player and cheerleader for participation during middle school: Taylor Burns, Christopher Nicholas

■ **Andover High School Women's Gymnastics Boosters Scholarship**: Sophia Allen, Courtney Carver

■ **Andover High School Women's Soccer Team Boosters Scholarship**, Hannah Ameen, Kailey Cullen, Jillian Gamache, Michelle Gencorelli, Courtney Grygiel, Emily Hespellet, Jenna Kosinski, Julia Manty, Caitlin Patten, Lillian Puccia, Carissa Reming

■ **Andover High School Women's Lacrosse Team**



PAUL BILODEAU/Staff photos

Andover High School graduates show off their decorative mortarboards to the crowd gathered for last week's commencement ceremony at the Paul E. Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell.



Andover High School graduating seniors listen to speeches during last week's graduation ceremony.

■ **Boosters Scholarship**: Colleen Caveney, Nikki Christopoulos, Talia Dellatto, Courtney Grygiel, Jessica Leone, Julia Manty, Laura Morissette, Grace Perigaut, Carissa Reming

■ **Peter Arthur Scholarship**, from AHS Men's Varsity Soccer Boosters Association: Sebastian Silveira, Victor Guery

■ **Andover High School Field Hockey Boosters Club Scholarship**: Georgina Christopoulos, Sara Faigel, Meghan Gemmell, Emma Ingram, Jessica Leone, Anne Lyons, Kathryn Vieira

■ **AHS Women's Ice Hockey Boosters Association Scholarship**: Julianna Acheson, Emma Bilazarian, Brianna Deloury, Meghan Gemmell, Courtney Grygiel, Caroline Hughes, Meghan Johnson, Jessica Leone, Laura Morissette, Joanna Olson

■ **Andover Ultimate Frisbee Team Scholarship**: Julian Amiraull, Cecilia Root

■ **Al Neuharth Free Spirit Scholarship**: Alison Murtagh

■ **Andover Rotary Club Scholarships**, for outstanding community service, scholastic history and future goals: Shannon Manuel, Rotary Club Scholarship; Molly Manuel, Barbara Doran Scholarship; Julia Torres, Phil Mason Scholarship

■ **Andona Society**, for academic excellence, leadership qualities and community service: Jacqueline Dean, Daniel Harvey, Julia Mancini, Morgan Starkweather

■ **Andona Society Resiliency & Character Scholarship**, for diligence, motivation and enthusiasm in embracing challenges: Jacqueline Polanco

■ **Corinne Morris Johnson Memorial Scholarship**: Rachel Cormier, Mitchell Stevens

■ **College Club of Greater Lawrence Scholarship**, for academics, leadership and community service: Casey Flanigan, Fatouma Kone, Jaclyn Long, Molly Manuel, Shannon Manuel

■ **Lawrence Vietnam Memorial Scholarship**, in honor of

18 Lawrence men killed in Vietnam: Julianna Acheson, Victor Amesoeder

■ **UNICO Merrimack Valley Scholarship**, for dedication to community service: Shannon Manuel

■ **Merrimack Valley Partners In Service**, for community service, academic achievement and strength of character: Paige Hartnett

■ **Greater Lawrence Italian Women's Club Scholarship**, to student with commitment to academics, community involvement and extra-curricular activity: Julia Mancini

■ **USMC Capt. Jennifer J. Harris Memorial Scholarship**, in tribute to Harris' commitment and dedication to higher education and the U.S. Marine Corps, for leadership, academics and patriotism: Shannon Manuel

■ **DCU Memorial Scholarship**: Shannon Manuel

■ **Richard J. Collins Memorial Scholarship Award**: Caroline Brosnan, Meghan Johnson, Andrew Matteucci, Katherine Rex, Sarah Rothman

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

Funds for these scholarships are managed by the various organizations.

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■ **Amy and Albert Trow Education Fund**: Sean Caveney, Laurie-Maude Chenard, Diana Hansen, McKenzie Nash

■ **Thomas Black Scholarship Fund**: Kimberly Feng

■ **Nathan Hamblin Scholarship**: Hope Flynn

■ **Trustees of Pynchard Free School Scholarship**: Carolyn Murtagh

■ **Fred W. Doyle Scholarship Fund**: Jaclyn Long

■ **Barnard, Bell, Chapin, Draper, Goldsmith, Guttererson and Andover Grange Scholarship Fund**: Paige Hartnett

■ **Margaret F. Hinchcliffe Scholarship Fund**: Sophia Allen, Colleen Caveney

■ **Donald Dunn Scholarship**: Sarah Rothman

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ANDOVER CHAPTER OF DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

■ **Dr. James and May Shorten-Bell Scholarship**: Victor Amesoeder, Alexandra Crowley, Brian Duffy, Ruth Hovor

■ **Margaret M. Collins Trust Scholarship**: Sasha Schwartz

■ **Amy Hopkins Larson Scholarship Fund**: Shannon Manuel

■ **Edward Erickson Scholarship**: Karena Yan

■ **Keith Gould Scholarship**: Janak Shah

■ **Eileen Woods Scholarship**: Macia Letsky

■ **Ann Royal Scholarship, by Spade and Trowel Garden Club**, to a student who will study conservation, environmental science, horticulture, forestry, landscaping or floriculture in college: Jacqueline Dean

■ **A.J. Leno Scholarship**: given by Andover High graduate and TV personality Jay Leno for achievement in television production: Jacob Doskocil, Alison Murtagh

■ **Jo-Ann Samra Scholarship**: given by Jay Leno, for achievement in marketing: Victoria Giguere

■ **Andover Little League Scholarship**: Andrew Matteucci

■ **Virginia H. Cole Scholarship, by Andover/North Andover League of Women Voters**, to a female student demonstrating the league's ideals to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government: Tarushi Sharma

Let the good times roll

South School delights with year-end Float Parade

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It's been a South Elementary School tradition for more than a quarter-century. But it never seems to grow old.

South students once again displayed their creative sides for the school's annual Float Parade last Friday that's a perennial favorite for participants and spectators alike.

Participating students picked their own themes, with approval from their teachers, and then put their designing skills to the test.

This year, South was visited by a pair of Parisian dog walkers, a trio of future Olympians, everybody's lovable wizards from Hogwarts and more.

Judging by the smiles of family, friends and classmates who lined the school grounds to greet them last Friday, they succeeded in delivering another crowd-pleaser.



Lila Magenheim, left, Chloe Todisco, Ella Seymour and Addy Mittelman are ready for a safari as they lead their "Jungle Animals" float for the parade.



Maggie Jacques, left, Ava Horvath and Tommy Schwaeble, all 9, channel Harry Potter and Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry for their parade entry.



Future Olympians, from left, Zain Durrani, Davis Nelson and Spencer Belson, all 9, prepare to show off their 2016 Summer Olympic float to the awaiting crowd.



There were plenty of smiles at last Friday's Float Parade, which is an annual favorite at South Elementary School.

In support of the proven benefits of recess

Ariel Kim

Editor's Note: *The Andover Townsman is highlighting some of the argument-writing pieces penned by a group of sixth-graders at West Middle School for a class assignment. Teacher Shannon Witman encouraged her students to choose subjects of local concern that interested them and to address their pieces to a particular audience.*

Dear School Committee,

"How can a bird that is born for joy, sit in a cage and sing?" According to the character, Mina, (who likes to quote William Blake) from the book "Skellig," that is just one of the problems of schooling. School is like

a cage, and the students are the birds.

School is an environment for learning, but who says we shouldn't get a longer break? In fact, research dating back to the late 1800s indicates that people learn better and faster when their efforts are distributed, rather than concentrated. That is, work that includes breaks proves more effective than in long stretches of time. You may think that this may affect our learning negatively, but it might just prove to be the exact opposite.

Kids need to burn off energy. With the calories consumed from lunch and not enough time to burn it off, kids tend to be more fidgety and off task. Also, the extra

WHY I CHOSE THIS TOPIC

"I have been learning about the problem of obesity in our community in health class. I think kids need more opportunity to exercise within the school day."



calories left behind in their bodies every day may build up and lead to obesity, which affects one out of every three Americans today. But even children at healthy weight levels benefit from physical activity, and in fact require it for optimal health.

The outdoors is the best place for children to burn calories, practice emerging physical skills and experience the pure joy of movement, but without enough

time they cannot accomplish anything.

Research has even shown that children who are physically active in school are more likely to be physically active at home, and children who don't have the opportunity to be active during the school day don't usually compensate during after-school hours.

Recess reduces stress. The National Association for the Education of Young Children

recommends unstructured physical play as a developmentally appropriate means of reducing stress — a benefit given that stress has a negative impact on learning and health. Especially now, with the harsh transition from elementary to middle school, including the waking time and increased amount of homework, this may be our best chance.

I agree that extra recess time might make the school day longer and some children may not even want a longer recess. But if you think that we should have a shorter recess because it doesn't improve our academic performance, you are wrong.

It is true that school is meant for learning and we

need to spend as much time as possible improving students' grades. But how can that happen without focus, when children are just staring at the clocks, desperately waiting for the class period to pass by? How can children embrace learning without a decent amount of rest?

I confidently think that a longer recess will improve our learning experience at schools as well as give teachers an easier time managing us students.

We might as well have a positive impact on the "epidemic" of obesity that has spread across the world. After all, a bird cannot be caged for long.

Ariel Kim
West Middle School

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Problem solved; Unexpected turn leads NECC grad to computer science field

STAFF REPORTS

Andover's Maryann O'Connell didn't set out on a career path toward computer science.

But somewhere between her biology and lab science classes she found herself in an introductory computer science course and quickly discovered it was where she belonged.

"I loved it. I didn't realize what it was to love something until I took that computer science course," she said in a release.

O'Connell was among the 26 Andover residents to graduate from Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill this spring.

She earned an Associate of Science degree with high honors in general studies with a focus on computer science. With a near-perfect grade point average, she also received the Excellence Award in General Studies during NECC's Awards Convocation.

The 23-year-old O'Connell was raised in Andover, but graduated from the New England Academy in Beverly in 2011. Following graduation, she took time off, working a variety of odd jobs and volunteer positions.

In spring 2013, she enrolled



Courtesy photo

Maryann O'Connell of Andover received her Associate of Science degree from Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill this spring. But to her surprise, it was focused on computer science, not what she intended when she enrolled there two years ago.

at Northern Essex and focused on biology and general studies courses. The computer science elective she took changed all that. She found the problem solving and analysis involved resonated with

her, she said in the release.

She also took classes at UMass Lowell through NEC-CUM, a program that allows NECC students to study at both schools while paying NECC tuition.

"Maryann is a great example of why we make students take electives outside of their degree," Michael Penta, O'Connell's computer science teacher and adviser, said in the release. "She loved bio

and thought that would be her career path ... until she took 'Intro to Computer Science' with me last summer. One class changed her trajectory."

Penta nominated O'Connell to participate in the elite,

four-day "hackademy" sponsored by Manchester, N.H., computer firm Dyn. The seminar's participants developed software apps to help teach math to middle school students with the goal of making mathematics and the technology fields more engaging for them.

O'Connell currently teaches coding at the Youth Development Organization in Lawrence and assists at Learning Leaps, an after-school program at High Plain Elementary School in Andover.

At NECC, she was treasurer of the Student Senate, participated in the NECC Student Leadership Development Program, and was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of two-year colleges. She also served as a student member on the Strategic Web Action Committee.

She is weighing her options for the fall, with offers in hand from Worcester Polytechnic Institute as well as other four-year colleges.

"I had a great experience at Northern Essex," she said in the release. "Because of my involvement with extracurricular activities, the small class sizes and the strong relationships I developed with faculty, it really helped me develop a clear goal of what I wanted to do with my life."



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Brendan Hudak of Andover takes a selfie during Northern Essex Community College's graduation ceremony in Haverhill last month. Hudak received an Associate in Arts in general studies with a multimedia option. He was one of 26 from town awarded degrees or certificates from NECC this spring.

NECC'S ANDOVER GRADS

Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill handed out more than 1,300 associate degrees and certificates last month. Andover residents receiving degrees or certificates were:

- **Alicia R. Bursey**, Associate in Science, human services, high honors; Certificate in Community Support, human service practitioner with high honors
- **Sarah C. Carroll**, Associate in Science, early childhood education, high honors
- **Jessica A. Davenport**, Associate in Arts, general studies: medical laboratory technology, honors
- **Tyler R. Dearborn**, Associate in Arts, general studies: multimedia option, high honors
- **Noemi DeLaCruz**, Certificate in Medical Coding, high honors
- **Zule M. Fabre**, Associate in Science, nursing, honors
- **Suzette M. Feliz**, Certificate

in Healthcare Technician, honors

- **Corey H. Gerrior**, Associate in Science, business transfer, honors
- **Brendan S. Hudak**, Associate in Arts, general studies: multimedia option
- **Graeme W. Johnson**, Associate in Arts, general studies
- **Reda V. Jovellas**, Associate in Science, business transfer, high honors
- **Matthew D. Julian**, Associate in Arts, general studies, honors
- **Troy S. Lamontagne**, Associate in Arts, general studies
- **Stephen P. Longo**, Certificate in Paralegal Studies, high honors
- **Austin J. Marocco**, Associate in Arts, general studies
- **Colin S. Norris**, Associate in Science, business transfer
- **Maryann O'Connell**, Associate of Science, general studies: computer science, high honors

■ **Caroline J. O'Farrell**, Associate in Arts, liberal arts: psychology option, honors

- **Carolyn J. Porter**, Certificate in Healthcare Technician, high honors
- **Christina A. Prussman**, Associate in Science, nursing, high honors
- **Jessica A. Quinn**, Associate in Science, business transfer
- **Robin Reid**, Certificate in Alcohol/Drug Abuse Counseling, high honors
- **Erica P. Ricci**, Associate in Science, executive secretarial
- **Arianna J. Scott**, Associate in Science, business management: healthcare practice option
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Sports

DEFENDING THEIR CROWN

Unbeaten girls tennis advances to state semifinals

By MAC CERULLO
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With the opportunity to defend its state title just a few wins away, the Andover girls tennis team continued its perfect season in dominant fashion last week.

The defending Division 1 champion Andover girls beat Newton South 4-1 on Friday to advance to Tuesday's state semifinal against Brookline. The match-up was set to be played at Newton North High School as The Townsman was going to press.

"Just a tremendous effort out of them, their consistency was outstanding and I couldn't be prouder of them," Golden Warriors head coach Alan Hibino said after the win against Newton South.

The undefeated boys team lost a tough 3-2 decision to Acton-Boxborough to end its tournament hopes. The boys finished the season 18-1.

The 21-0 girls team quickly seized control of the court against Newton South, with Courtney Nash and Pooja Mukund winning in straight sets at first and third singles to give the Golden Warriors a big lead.

The Warriors clinched the match soon after, as the second doubles team of Sydney Ferry and Julia Spagnuolo eked out a tough first set and then pulled away to win 6-4, 6-1, drawing wild applause from the Andover fans who made the trip.

Hibino said afterward that Ferry and Spagnuolo's performance was critical and he was especially impressed with the way they were able to come back after falling behind.

"It was a great win, and their first year as a doubles team together," Hibino said. "You never know how they're going to respond, but they're experienced, they were relaxed today and their communication was just off the charts."

Ferry and Spagnuolo echoed that sentiment.

"The first set was harder, we had to get into our groove, but once we did, we were pretty much on fire," Spagnuolo said.

The team of Paige Webster and Laurie-Maude Chenard followed them with a 7-6 (7-3), 6-3 win at first doubles.

Then, after losing the first set 7-5, second singles player Karena Yan battled back to win the second set 6-1, forcing a super tiebreaker that she would eventually drop. But the team's victory had already been assured.

Boys fall short

While the girls quickly gained the upper hand, the boys found themselves in a hole early on. Acton-Boxborough won both doubles matches in



Andover's second doubles Sydney Ferry, left, and Julia Spagnuolo celebrate their win over Newton South in the Division 1 North Finals last week. The girls were scheduled to play Brookline in the state semifinals on Tuesday as The Townsman was going to press.

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Andover's first doubles Paige Webster, right, and Laurie-Maude Chenard congratulate each other following their win over Newton South in the Division 1 North Finals. They advanced to play in this week's state semifinals.

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straight sets.

A convincing win at second singles by Andrew Imrie (6-2, 6-2) began a Warrior rally, but it was not to be. A-B's Sam Maffa pulled away from Drew Rooks at third singles to win 6-4, 6-1, clinching the victory for the Colonials.

"Acton-Boxborough is a really strong team, they're well coached and the kids played tough," Andover

boys coach Mike Wartman said after the match. "Everybody should hold their heads high, the kids went out there and battled, we had an awesome season."

GIRLS TENNIS

Andover 4, Newton South 1

Division 1 North Final
Andover (21-0) winners:
Singles: 1. Courtney Nash 6-1, 6-0; 3. Pooja Mukund 6-0, 6-1
Doubles: 1. Paige Webster-Laurie-Maude Chenard 7-6 (7-3), 6-3; 2.

Sydney Ferry-Julia Spagnuolo 6-4, 6-1
Records: Newton South 13-7, Andover 21-0

BOYS TENNIS

Acton-Boxborough 3, Andover 2

Division 1 North Final
Winners:
Singles: 1. Ryan Fu (A) Retired; 2. Andrew Imrie (A) 6-2, 6-2; 3. Sam Maffa (AB) 6-4, 6-1
Doubles: 1. Curtis Guba-Jeff Zhao (AB) 6-4, 6-1; 2. Leon Fridrikh-Luke Rogers (AB) 6-4, 6-1
Records: Acton-Boxborough 17-0, Andover 18-1

► Andover High Roundup

Girls lacrosse rallies back, but falls in North semifinals

GIRLS LACROSSE

In the Division 1 North semifinals last Tuesday, June 9, Andover overcame a five-goal deficit midway through the second half to tie the score 8-8.

But the furious rally would go for naught, as Billerica retook the lead and fought off another comeback to down the Golden Warriors 10-9.

The Warriors trailed 8-3 before **Caroline Curtin** scored to tie the score with 11:55 left in the game. **Veronica Alois** scored three goals, including the final tally that cut the deficit to one in the final moments.

"We really floored it for a while and carried the game," coach **Cat Gross** said. "But we couldn't carry it far enough. I just hope the girls know their season isn't defined by one game."

BOYS TENNIS

Rooks overcomes pain

Drew Rooks battled through a nearly debilitating bout of cramps to win a battle at No. 3 singles 5-7, 7-5, 6-3 and clinch Andover's 3-2 victory over Newton South in the Division 1 North semifinals last Wednesday, June 10.

"He was tough, determined and played really smart," coach **Mike Wartman** said. "He won the second set and in the third set there was a break in between, so he had a chance to collect himself."

Top singles player **Ryan Fu** (6-1, 6-1) and No. 2 singles **Andrew Imrie** (6-1, 6-1) cruised to victory for the 18-0 Golden Warriors.

GIRLS TENNIS

Ferry, Wang lead the way

Sydney Ferry and **Lynn Wang** rallied back to win No. 2 doubles 2-6, 6-1, 7-5 and help Andover stay perfect by beating Acton-Boxboro 4-1 in the Division 1 North semifinals last Wednesday.

Courtney Nash and **Pooja Mukund** each took singles victories while **Paige Webster** and **Laurie-Maude Chenard** won No. 1 doubles for the 20-0 Warriors.

SOFTBALL

Memorable run ends

The Golden Warriors couldn't keep the momentum of their two tournament upsets going, as they fell to Methuen 11-2 in the Division 1 North quarterfinals last Tuesday, June 9. **Amy Bordo-gna** had two of Andover's five hits and scored a run while sisters **Paige** and **Meg Hartnett** each chipped in RBI.

BOYS LACROSSE

Biddle hat trick not enough

Michael Biddle scored three goals, but Andover fell to Billerica 14-5 in the Division 1 North semifinals last Tuesday, June 9. **Jake Lakos** and **Zach Walker** added one goal each in their final high school game, while **Andrew Soucy** had two assists.

Record day

Caveney shatters Comeau's 22-year-old hurdles record

By DAVID WILLIS
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The record had been in Sean Caveney's sights all season, with only a trip over a hurdle preventing him from breaking it months ago. Over the weekend, there was no slip, and the record fell.

Caveney broke Andover High coach Peter Comeau's 22-year-old 300 intermediate hurdles record on the way to placing second on the New England track meet on Saturday in Saco, Maine.

"It was amazing," Caveney said. "I have definitely wanted this record for a long time, and it is definitely a special feeling to break coach Comeau's record."

No one was more thrilled to see Comeau's record broken than Caveney's mentor and the previous holder of the record.

"Well, 22 years was a good run," Comeau joked on Twitter after Caveney broke the

mark. Andover usually runs the 400 hurdles — which has become the standard in Massachusetts in recent seasons — but Caveney made the transition to 300 with a 38.64 to place second.

"I got off to a bad start, but my final 200 was much better," Caveney said. "To place second with that amazing group of athletes was also an honor."

That's considered faster than former New England champ Comeau's hand-timed 38.6 and the automatic time of 39:05 by AHS' Steve Shepard in 1992.

"People think I'm crazy for saying this, but I'd rather be the coach of the guy who breaks it. That was awesome. It was very exciting," Comeau said. "Him breaking that record was the goal for both of us for a long time."

It was the culmination of a season-long friendly rivalry between Caveney — a former skier who began hurdling



Sean Caveney, here at practice, set a new school record in the 300 hurdles at New England's over the weekend, breaking the 22-year-old mark held by his coach, Peter Comeau. He now goes on to compete in the Nationals this weekend.

CARL RUSSO/Staff file photo

seriously last year — and the ever-competitive Comeau, whose daughter, Courtney, was also a star hurdler for Andover High and now runs for UMass Amherst.

"It's been a fun rivalry between us all season," said Caveney, who will be competing at Nationals this weekend. "It's an honor for me to know that I am competing at the same level as he was when he was in high school."

"Breaking the record kind

of validates my season, and it shows coach Comeau's legacy lives on through his athletes."

Relay takes crown

Andover's 4x400 team brought home the gold with anchor **Hamza Naveed** running a 48.8 split to make up a 10-yard deficit.

The quartet of Naveed, Caveney, **Raymond Gorzela** and **Jeremy Travaglini** ran a speedy 3:19.61 to move up to second

in the all-time standings for the area.

"Hamza ran an amazing leg," Caveney said. "I was just watching the video again and it was awesome. I really couldn't ask for a better group of runners to be competing with."

Ace high hurdler **Sebastian Silveira** was just off his school record with a 14.24 for fourth.

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From fastballs to fast cars

Amidon's keen focus shifts between baseball and mechanics

By BILL BURT
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But baseball is only a small part of who he is. really enjoyed this because you could make 3-D objects and sculptures out of copper wire."

Automotive whiz

Inside his garage, with tools, compressors and anything else mechanical meticulously placed, is a window-less, headlight-less 1957 Volkswagen Beetle.

To Amidon, it's a thing of beauty.

"My love affair with cars started when I got my first bike, then going go-karting on local tracks, always wanting to go faster," recalled the 18-year-old, who is headed to UMass Dartmouth in the fall.

"When I was younger if something had wheels, it was always on the top of my list for my birthday."

But this is more than loving cars. He builds them ... from scratch.

"I've always had a knack for that. Anything that was broken or could work a little better, whether it be a tool or lawn mower, I would want to fix it," Amidon said. "I would take it apart if something was broken and sometimes be able to fix the problem. Other times I couldn't. But stuff like that sparked my interest in mechanics and tools."

That's not all. Amidon, unbeknownst to a lot of his friends, is also a sculptor, having crafted roses out of copper.

"My art hobby hasn't always been there," he said. "When I was in art class in elementary and middle school, I hated everything about it. My teachers always wanted to curb my creativity and make me do exactly as they wanted. I was never good at taking a three-dimensional object, such as a car for example, and making it into a two-dimensional drawing or even drawing the simplest things."

"This is where my uncle (Eric Englehardt) came into play during a winter vacation when I was 10. He showed me how to solder copper together to make sculptures and I

A near tragedy

There was a hurdle Amidon had to jump before his love of cars, art and baseball would even be part of his life. As an 11-year-old, he fell off his bike and banged his head hard off the pavement, knocking him unconscious.

He was flown by medical helicopter to Boston Children's Hospital. He was in intensive care for three days after being in a medically induced coma to allow his brain to bleed and the swelling to go down.

Doctors weren't sure if brain damage would be permanent.

"Recovery was hard," he said. "I first tried to walk but I couldn't keep my balance, and that really scared me. But those feelings eventually went away."

He ultimately missed two months of school and his family decided to keep him back.

"It still effects me sometimes, affecting my memory," he said. "If I get hit in the head, it sometimes triggers, almost a PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder)-type of reaction, which for me is really hard to deal with."

Amidon said he never again would take his mind for granted.

When he was 13, he built a go-kart, from scratch, with help from Uncle Eric, the mechanical engineer.

"I got banned using it in Andover," said Amidon, smiling. "It went pretty fast, about 30 MPH. My friend crashed it and I was told not to use it any more."

Amidon turned his attention to Volkswagen Beetles. It meant scouring online and making frequent visits to area junk yards.

"They were easy to find, easy to work on and the parts are relatively inexpensive," he said. "I really love all the



DAVID LE/Staff photo

Most recent Andover High School graduate Daniel Amidon as a standout on the pitcher's mound. But he also is an accomplished artist and car lover. The UMass Dartmouth-bound lefty has built his own car from the ground up, working from the garage in his backyard.



RYAN HUTTON/Staff photo

Daniel Amidon, 18, sits in the driver's seat of the 1957 Volkswagen Beetle he spent more than 500 hours building for his senior engineering externship project at Andover High. While he expects to play baseball at UMass Dartmouth next year, his long-term career goals involve the car design field or mechanical engineering.

classics, both domestics and foreign."

Amidon estimates he has spent more than 500 hours working with his uncle on this particular Beetle in his garage. And most of the hours were on weekends while his buddies were hanging out.

The project was the focus of his senior engineering

externship at Andover High, and he was hoping to finish it in time for graduation last week.

"I need windows, headlights and I have to get the engine to run more reliably," he said a couple weeks ago. "I've really worked hard and stressed a lot about it. I can't wait to finish and ride it around town. Then

And usually very well, too.

I'll probably sell it and build another one."

Next on his creative docket is a Datsun 240Z.

"I like how it is designed and the way the body of the car flows," he said. "You can also swap out engines in this body. I am looking forward to building it."

Amidon's passion and personality can both be traced to his parents.

His dad, Ron, was a very good, two-sport athlete — football and baseball — at Union College in New York, while his mom, Holly Dickinson Amidon, makes a living as a poet and artist.

They are proud that their son is not your average jock.

While Amidon expects to play baseball at UMass Dartmouth next year, his long-term goals are working as a car designer or even as a mechanical engineer like his uncle.

"He's definitely got an eclectic personality," his mother said. "When he sets his mind to something, he usually does it."

And usually very well, too.



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5 locals graduate from Lawrence Academy

Five Andover students were among the 104 who graduated from Lawrence Academy in Groton this spring. They are:

■ **Brian Burns** earned Independent School League honorable mention during his two seasons on the varsity baseball team and also assisted the school as a campus tour guide. He will attend Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania, where he will play baseball for the Bullets.

■ **Hannah Currie**, who maintained high honors throughout her junior and senior years, was a member of the Cum Laude Society for academic excellence. She will attend New York University.

■ **Gabriella DiVincenzo** participated in theatrical performances every term of her four-year career and directed one-act plays this spring and last as a member of the Honors Theatre ensemble. As a senior, she was awarded The Eleanor



This year's Lawrence Academy graduates from Andover are, from left, Hannah Currie, Alex Munick, Madeleine Thero, Brian Burns and Gabby DiVincenzo.

Courtesy photo

and Cameron Smith Poetry Prize, the Class of 1965 Prize for Theatre and The David Thomas Kinsley Prize for Public Speaking. She also participated in the

dance troupe's 2013 performance at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. A high honors student, she will attend the University of Cincinnati in Ohio.

■ **Alex Munick** consistently appeared on the academic honor roll and was a member of the varsity baseball and cross-country teams during his two-year career. At graduation, he was selected by the faculty to receive The Howard W. Glaser '55 Award, recognizing his enthusiasm and dedication in generating school spirit. He will attend Northeastern University in Boston.

■ **Madeleine Thero** frequently earned honors and high honors during her four-year career. She served as a class representative, a peer counselor and a member of the Judiciary Committee. She was also a member of the varsity track and cross-country teams. She will attend the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester.

Morse Flag flies for Gray



Mackenzie Gray

Mackenzie Leigh Gray of Andover was awarded one of The Governor's Academy in Byfield's highest honors at the private

school's senior awards ceremony this spring.

Gray, who graduated with her class earlier this month, was presented with The Morse Flag, which has been awarded annually since 1913 to a graduating senior at The Governor's Academy whose record in all respects has met with the highest approval of the faculty.

Called a highly motivated, hard-working student, Gray excelled both academically and athletically. During her junior and senior years, she completed eight AP courses and two honors courses with an unweighted first-semester senior year GPA of more than 4.06, which accounts for A-plus grades.

One of the top scholars in the class of 2015, she was inducted into The Governor's Academy Chapter of the Cum Laude Society. In her junior year, she was also recognized with the Harvard Book Prize for her outstanding scholarship and character.

In addition, she earned varsity letters in 10 of 12

Gray was also awarded the Thorndike Hilton Cup given to the highest-ranking scholar of the graduating class.

seasons as a member of the indoor and outdoor track and field teams at Governor's.

On the indoor team, she was named team MVP four times, holds the school record in 10 events, and qualified three times for the National Indoor Championship Meet. On the outdoor team, she was also named team MVP four times, holds the school record in four events, won nine league championships and five New England championships, and qualified three times for the National Outdoor Championship Meet. She is an All-Independent School League, All-New England, and All-American track and field star.

Gray was also awarded the Thorndike Hilton Cup given to the highest-ranking scholar of the graduating class.

Recruited by several top schools, Gray has chosen to continue her education at Harvard, where she plans to study mechanical engineering and perhaps minor in computer science.

ON CAMPUS: 2015 GRADUATES

Five local students received bachelor's degrees at Providence College's spring commencement. They were **Hayley Finn**, **Katherine Gillis**, **Kaitlin Mara**, magna cum laude; **Anna Vecchi**, cum laude; and **Tyler Webster**.

■ ■ ■ **Anne Thompson** graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in Spanish from the University of San Diego in May.

■ ■ ■ Seven Andover students were among the 483 graduates of Colby College in Waterville, Maine, this May. Receiving Bachelor of Arts degrees were: **Connor P. Clancy**, economics major, Andover High School graduate, son of Paul and Ellen Clancy

Elisabeth W. Ekman, English major, Andover High School graduate, daughter of Anders and Susan Ekman

John R. Hartigan, government and global studies major, Brooks School graduate, son of John and Debra Hartigan

Daniel H. Hyszcak, economics

and English major, St. John's Preparatory School graduate, son of Kenneth Hyszcak and Maura Hartly

Sara D. Miller, environmental policy major, Andover High School graduate, daughter of Bradley and Mary Miller

■ ■ ■ **Andrew J. Newcomb**, environmental science and biology major, Andover High School graduate, son of James and Jessica Newcomb

Kellie E. Walsh, environmental policy major, Phillips Academy graduate, daughter of James and Jean Walsh

■ ■ ■ **Seth Bilazarian** and **Glen Martin** were among 1,861 graduates from Wake Forest University in North Carolina in May.

■ ■ ■ **David Lyle** earned a Bachelor of Science, summa cum laude, in computer science from Tufts University School of Engineering in May. He was a member of the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society.

■ ■ ■ **Colin M. Rivet** graduated

summa cum laude from Springfield College, where he attained a four-year GPA of 3.95 as a pre-med major.

Rivet was chosen to receive the college's highest honor of Distinguished Senior Award for biology/chemistry. He was also recognized for academic excellence at the college's annual awards ceremony as the highest-ranking senior in the Biology/Chemistry Department. He was a member of Beta Beta Beta, the national honor society for biology and was inducted into The National Society of Leadership and Success. He was also a four-year member of the Springfield College men's national champion volleyball team.

■ ■ ■ **Samantha Okun** graduated with a degree in kinesiology, cum laude, from San Diego State University. She is a graduate of Andover High School.

■ ■ ■ **Anna Clark** graduated in May from Colby-Sawyer College in New London, N.H., with a

Bachelor of Arts in sociology.

■ ■ ■ The following local residents recently graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute:

Margaret McDonough, Bachelor of Science, biomedical engineering

Sean Smith, Bachelor of Science, chemical engineering

Manik Chaudhari, Master of Science, computer science

David DiStefano, Bachelor of Science, electrical and computer engineering, with distinction

Goran Mgorovic, Master of Science, electrical and computer engineering

Robert Medaglio, Bachelor of Science, environmental engineering

Nysa Casha, Bachelor of Science, management, with distinction

Alexander Kafantis, Bachelor of Science degree, management engineering, distinction

Alex Rutfield, Bachelor of Science, robotics engineering, distinction

Andover students earn Austin Prep diplomas

Five Andover students were among the 113-member graduating class at Austin Preparatory School in Reading this month. They are:

■ **Emily Cross**, who will attend Skidmore College in New York. She received the John V. Aliberti '70 Memorial Scholarship.

■ **Ryan McDonough**, who

will attend the University of New Hampshire.

■ **Mary Margaret Sullivan**, who is headed to Pepperdine University in California.

■ **Casey Williams**, who will be studying at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland.

■ **Meagan Wolfe**, who is enrolling at Rollins College in Florida.

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Legals

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING A public hearing will be held at Conference Room A, 3rd floor, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, MA on Thursday, July 2, 2015 at 6:30 PM. on the petition of Scott Ian Redfern, 11 Oak St., Andover, MA for a variance from Art. VIII, §4.1.2 &/or for a special permit under Art. VIII, §3.3.5 to construct an enclosed front porch that will not meet the minimum front yard depth requirement. Premises affected are located at 11 Oak St., Andover, MA in an SRA District and are shown on Assessor Map 138 as Lot 38. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIR BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 6/18, 6/25/15

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OFFICE OF THE PRESERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING A Public Hearing will be held in the Town Office Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. on the application of Tim and Ann Swan for a family room and garage addition and the removal / relocation of carriage house. Premise affected is located at 47 Abbot Street, and shown on Assessors Map 74 as Lot 16. The application is available for inspection in the Office of the Inspector of Buildings during business hours, Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Premises affected are located at 99 Chestnut St., Andover, MA in an SRA District and are shown on Assessor Map 39 as Lot 154. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIR BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 6/18/15

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at Conference Room A, 3rd floor, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, MA on Thursday, July 2, 2015 at 6:30 PM. on the petition of Thomas & Alithson Cody, 99 Chestnut St., Andover, MA for variances from the requirements of Art. VIII, §4.1.2 &/or 4.2.2 to construct a detached garage that will not meet the side yard setback. Premises affected are located at 99 Chestnut St., Andover, MA in an SRA District and are shown on Assessor Map 39 as Lot 154. The application may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 8:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. DAVID W. BROWN, CHAIR BOARD OF APPEALS AT - 6/18, 6/25/15

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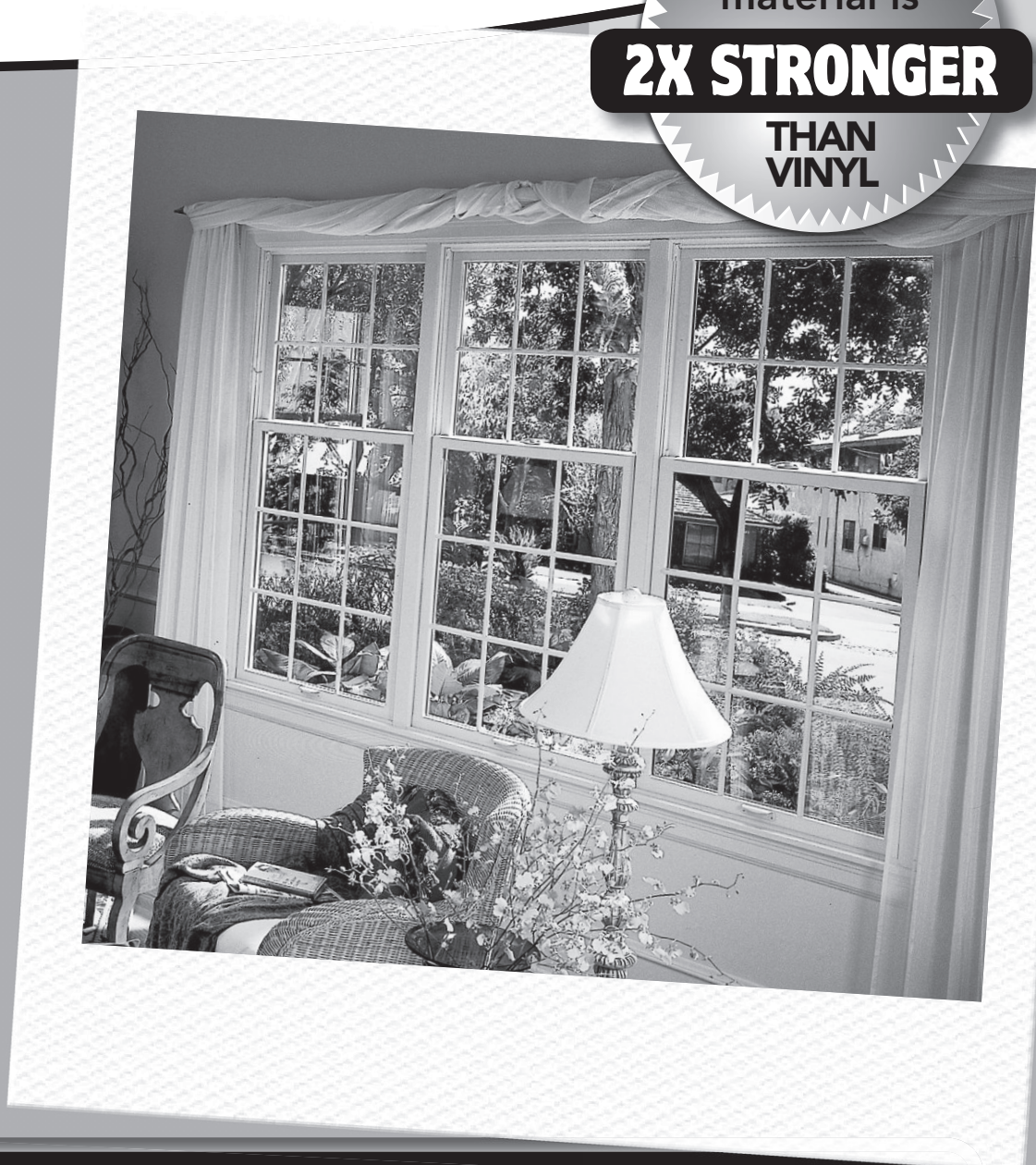
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- **600 Federal St., Unit 1:** LMP GF3 600 Federal LLC to GCP Andover LLC, \$12,975,000
- **25 Florence St.:** Willard D. Perkins to Benjamin and Brittany A. Perkins, \$392,000
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- **18 Harding St.:** Nathan and Johanna Chesley to Kenneth P. Walsh and Jeanie M. Havens, \$442,000
- **1 Leah Way, Unit 1:** Andover Lincoln Woods LLC to Nina L. Levine, \$795,000
- **98 Lowell St.:** Rita M. Therrien to Michael J. and Kelly A. McCarthy, \$342,000
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- **97 North St.:** 97 North Street RT and Kristen E. Costa to Jocelyn D. and Chia-Te Pan, \$829,000
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