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A LEGACY OF INTEGRITY



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Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski sits behind his desk at the Town Offices in his final days on the job last week, surrounded by his trademark piles of paper secured by binder clips. He retires this week as Andover's longest-serving manager.

Stapczynski closes out 25 years of hard work, team building

By BILL KIRK
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When Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski started as town manager in Andover in 1990, the "paperless office" was iPads and iPhones didn't exist, fax machines were still being used regularly

to transmit documents, and some offices still had IBM Selectrics. While prognosticators were predicting the age of the "paperless office" was upon us, many people, Stapczynski included, still relied on reams of copy paper to

keep track of the comings and goings of town affairs. Even though times have changed, Buzz hasn't. Now, most town officials carry around iPads to view the documents that once filled manila envelopes and were held together

by heavy-duty staples or extra-strength paper clips. Smartphones from Apple or Samsung are essentially mobile offices, doing all the work that fax machines, typewriters and desktops

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Challenges, successes and plenty of memories

By BILL KIRK
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He's got an English Civil War cannonball from Andover, Hampshire, given as a gift by the town's sister city from across the Atlantic Ocean. It weighs about 8 pounds. There's a decorative fan given to Andover as a gift by a busload of Japanese tourists. And two flags marking a visit from a delegation of dignitaries from Pakistan. The many articles of

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memorabilia that decorated Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski's office represented just a sliver of his 25 years in office, but they are memorable nonetheless. He's got two baseballs signed by the members of Andover High School's

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CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Tax Collector and Treasurer David Reilly, who dressed as a bee to serve as master of ceremonies for Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski's retirement party, draws a laugh from his outgoing boss. The party last Friday at Old Town Hall was hosted by town staff.

New leader for Andover High School Outgoing Rockport Middle/High principal chosen for top spot

STAFF REPORTS

There's a new sheriff in town at Andover High School. Philip Conrad, the outgoing principal of Rockport Middle/High School where he spent the last five years, has been chosen as the school's new principal, effective July 15.

Described as a problem-solver who is not afraid to tackle challenges, Conrad will become the fifth principal at the helm of Andover High since 2010. Superintendent Marinell McGrath announced Conrad's appointment late Sunday afternoon, selecting him over co-finalist Raymond Dewar, principal of

Quabbin Regional High School in Barre, and 22 other applicants for the position. Conrad, 52, has been hired to a three-year contract, replacing Steve Murray, the former principal of West Middle School who is leaving this week after just months in the position to become principal of his hometown high

school in Chelmsford. "After a thorough and inclusive search process, it was clear to me, and those who participated in the search process, that Phil has the leadership qualities, the talent and the vision to assume this key position in our

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Saturday Morning Coffee a strong tradition

Weekly gathering serves up sense of community

By BILL KIRK
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If you are ever wandering around downtown on a Saturday morning, looking for something to do — and something to eat — a good place to go may be the first floor at Old Town Hall, 20 Main St. There, a small cadre of volunteers puts out a spread donated by area businesses that would rival any coffee shop in the land. And best of all, it's free. The Saturday Morning

Coffee, which runs from 9 to 11 a.m., is a chance for residents to gather and exchange pleasantries, information and gossip. "If you want to know what's really going on in Andover, go to the Saturday Morning Coffee," said Selectman Alex Vispoli, one of the people who worked to get the coffee up and running years ago. "You get great ideas and you hear complaints, but it's truly one of the things that makes



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Selectman Alex Vispoli tells a funny story to Tim Jean, wife of retired Andover Fire Chief and former selectman Bill Downs, during the Saturday Morning Coffee this past weekend at Old Town Hall.

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limited by a judge's ruling, which sent the proposal back to the Planning Board after it previously rejected it. The judge returned the plan to the board with several proposed changes centered around roof lines, traffic studies, artistic renderings, the lighting plan and hours of operation.

National Development group has proposed a two-phase project at 254 Lowell St. that 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 Poulot 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.

But sign-carrying neighbors and residents from other parts of town didn't seem to care so much about the details of the process at last week's meeting.

"Your decision goes beyond this neighborhood," said Al French 17 Moreland Ave., who lives 2 miles from the old farm. "This will affect other single-family zones in town."

He was cut off by Bergeron, who said speakers at the meeting needed to stick to the issues at hand as determined by the court. But many found that directive difficult.

"I know the roof line and building size is permitted to be like that," Regina Kelly of 4 Mason Drive said. "That's the maximum. But are you in a position to reduce it?"

Bergeron explained that the board was limited in its power and had to adhere to the guidelines from the judge.

Jerry Crowley of 2 Cricket



BILL KIRK/staff photo

About 70 people packed into the third-floor conference room at the Town Offices last week for a public hearing on the proposed assisted-living center on the old Strawberry Hill Farm on Lowell Street.

Circle asked why the renderings the developer was flashing on the wall during the hearing showed only one building.

"This development is made up of two, gigantic buildings," he said. "Why not show a rendering with two buildings?"

Town Planner Paul Materazzo said that under the judge's order, the board could only review one of the buildings and couldn't show the other building. "We are trying to stay on point," he said.

Several other people questioned the traffic safety study, asking when it was done and if all factors, such

as the angle of the sun and time of day were taken into consideration.

Materazzo said there was a traffic study by the developer, which was "peer-reviewed."

"The public safety officer didn't see any safety issues with the site," he said.

The petition signed by 266 residents also contained 40 or 50 comments from people, with many complaining about the process.

"The very integrity of our town and the importance of promoting a town atmosphere is in jeopardy," Misti O'Connell of 6 Robinswood Way said. "Not to mention the very manner in which decisions are made. I believe

that following the process that was laid out before us only hurt us as the rules were changed to meet the needs of development and the planning manager."

Lyons wrote in his comments that the town attorney should have defended the Planning Board's original rejection of the proposal rather than find a way to work around it.

"The second chance quietly handed to the developer is an insult to the rights and good will of Andover's citizens," he wrote.

Paul Lapsa of 30 Wild Rose Drive agreed, saying "town officials should be supporting the concerns of the

residents."

Judith Berger of 26 Hemlock Road wrote that the "integrity and appeal of this town is being decimated by a lack of regard to the taxpayers' wishes and kowtowing to big business. At what point will Andover's leadership hear our collective call to stop this overdevelopment and save what remains of the allure that brought us to move here?"

Eve Larochelle Faucher of 51 Duffon Road agreed, asking, "Haven't the big developers done enough to damage our beautiful town? Can we please get back to the suburban development that is small in scale and attractive?"

Others said the town was "caving in" to developers, and that the "massive project" shouldn't be in the residential neighborhood.

One person called it "absurdly large."

Selectman Salafia was present at last week's Planning Board hearing to listen to the testimony, but did not testify himself.

The Planning Board will take the issue up again at its July 14 meeting. Opponents are likely to show up in force again, as they have mounted a significant social media outreach effort, using Facebook and Twitter to speak out against the project and rally others to join them every meeting.

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PRINCIPAL

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community," McGrath said in a letter to the Andover school community.

McGrath said Conrad's references spoke of his "collaborative, collegial style of leadership" and his deep respect and regard for students, teachers and parents which, in turn, earned him the respect of his constituents.

"They spoke of his energy and passion for learning. They shared that he is thoughtful, reflective and ... I am confident that Mr. Conrad will bring his vibrant, warm, energetic spirit to our high school for many years to

come," she said.

School Committee member Ted Teichert said on Monday that he thinks Conrad is the right man for the job.

"I think he's a great fit," Teichert said. "He's someone who I think can relate with parents and students. From what I saw the night he met the community, parents were very comfortable talking to him. I like how he will be out in front, and out in the community and school system."

"He has said that during his time in Rockport, kids would drive by and see him and say hello to him. He was recognized and approachable."

When contacted earlier this month, Conrad, who lives in Georgetown with his wife, Tammy, and his



COURTESY PHOTO

Philip Conrad, principal of Rockport Middle/High School, has been named the new principal of Andover High School, becoming its fifth leader since 2010.

9-year-old black Labrador

retriever, Angus, said he would plan to finish out his career in Andover if chosen for the position. He said he hoped to restore stability to the school leadership.

"I have eight to 10 years left in my career, and can see myself staying in Andover, working through the issues and the challenges to make things better, while continuing to expand on the great initiatives already in place," he said.

This is Conrad's second time seeking Andover High's top spot. Five years ago, he was one of three finalists for the post that eventually went to Jonathan Harris, who departed a little more than a year later. Conrad, meanwhile, ended up at Rockport Middle/High School.

Before going to Rockport, Conrad spent four years as an associate principal and assistant principal for the Hamilton-Wenham Regional High School, in a district where McGrath previously worked. Prior to that, he served as chairman of Hamilton-Wenham's Fine Arts Department from 1997 to 2006. He began his career at Timberlane Regional High School in New Hampshire, working as an art teacher for one year before serving as its arts/humanities coordinator for 10 years.

His teaching experience also includes one international assignment at the American International School in Salzburg, Austria, where he taught advanced placement art history and photography.

Conrad graduated from UMass Amherst, cum laude, with a bachelor's degree in sculpture and art education. He holds two master's degrees — a master of science in management from Lesley College in Cambridge and a master of education in educational leadership from Endicott College in Beverly.

McGrath said Conrad has already begun to gain an understanding of the needs of students and expectations of parents on his visits to Andover. Over the last month, he has visited town to tour the high school, meet with staff, participate in interviews and attend a reception with parents and the school community. He intends to schedule meetings with staff, students and parents to learn more about the high school upon his arrival in town in two weeks.

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Neighbors in Need garners \$100K grant

Funds will support fight against hunger in region

Neighbors In Need — a nonprofit organization led by two Andover residents that serves families in Greater Lawrence — has been selected as one of 100 local nonprofits to receive grants of \$100,000 each through Cummings Foundation's "100K for 100" program.

The Lawrence-based organization was chosen for the grant from more than 350 applicants during a competitive review process.

Neighbors In Need operates 11 food pantries, bringing healthy food to more than 600 families every week in the neighborhoods of Lawrence and Methuen.

Executive Director Linda Zimmerman and board president Rob Thomas, both of Andover, joined about 300 guests last month at a reception at TradeCenter 128 in Woburn that honored the grant recipients and celebrated the infusion of \$10 million into the nonprofit sector.

In a press release, Zimmerman expressed her gratefulness to the Cummings Foundation for

its commitment to helping small organizations like Neighbors in Need, saying the "gift makes a significant difference in our ability to serve hungry families in Lawrence."

Founded in 1983, Neighbors In Need distributes nonperishable food, meat, dairy and locally grown produce every week. Last year, the organization provided more than 392,000 pounds of food to more than 600 low-income families a week, with more than 8,000 individuals served. It has given out more than 7 million pounds since it began.

The \$100K for 100 program supports nonprofits that are not only based in but also primarily serve Middlesex, Essex and Suffolk counties. This year, the program benefited 41 different communities within the commonwealth.

Lawrence-based Bellesini Academy, Merrimack Valley Habitat For Humanity and YDO were also among this year's diverse group of grant recipients, which represented a wide variety of



Neighbors in Need Executive Director Linda Zimmerman, second from left, and the group's board president, Rob Thomas, third from left, pose with Joy Cummings of the Cummings Foundation, right, and Joel Swets, Cummings Foundation's executive director, at the reception for the "100K for 100" program last month. Neighbors in Need was among this year's 100 grant recipients.

COURTESY PHOTO

TOWN BRIEFS

Red Cross blood drive set for July 7

Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St., is holding an American Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, July 7, from 2 to 7 p.m.

Eligible donors are sought to help ensure blood is available for patients during the busy summer season. All blood types are needed, but especially O negative, A negative and B negative blood.

To make an appointment to give blood, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767). Those unable to give blood can also support blood donations and invite others to make a life-saving donation by creating a SleevesUp virtual blood drive at www.redcrossblood.org/SleevesUp.

MSPCA waiving older cat adoption fee for July

With dozens of senior cats waiting for new homes, the three MSPCA Adoption Centers run by Nevins Farm in Methuen is waiving the adoption fee for cats 9 years and older through the month of July.

Staff members say the personalities of senior cats are already well-defined, so it is easier to find the perfect match for one's family.

The adoption center is open Tuesday through Friday from noon to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. To learn more, visit www.mspca.org/nevins.

Conservation land camping opportunities

The Andover Conservation Commission offers periodic camping opportunities on conservation land along the scenic Shawsheen River from April through October. There are fire pits, picnic tables and a good "put-in" for canoes and kayaks.

Interested campers are required to register with the town conservation office. A donation of \$8 per person to cover the cost of the site's portable toilet is requested.

A conservation representative accompanies each event. There is no open public camping allowed other than on specific dates.

For more information, contact the conservation office by email at conservation@andoverma.gov or call 978-623-8311.

Sen. L'Italien monthly office hours

Sen. Barbara L'Italien, D-Andover, and her staff are holding monthly office hours in town on the second

Tuesday of every month from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at The Center at Punchard (Andover Senior Center), 30 Whittier Court.

L'Italien or a member of her staff will be on hand to hear about issues of concern, answer questions and discuss state legislative matters.

Drop-ins are welcome or call the senator's constituent aide, Joseph Thibodeau, at 617-722-1612 to set up an appointment.

causes, including mental health, STEM education, veterans' services, health-care and homelessness prevention. Most of the grants will be paid over two to five years.

For more information on the program, visit www.CummingsFoundation.org.

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Marcia E. (Peterson) Kiley, 92 Years

July 15, 1922 — June 28, 2015

SALEM, NH, FORMERLY OF LAWRENCE AND ANDOVER — Marcia E. Kiley passed away on Sunday June 28, 2015, following a brief illness. She was born in 1922, in Peabody, Mass., to Marcus and Bridget Ellen (Dowd) Peterson.

Formerly of Lawrence and Andover, Marcia was the beloved wife of Attorney and former Lawrence Mayor Daniel P. Kiley Jr. As the First Lady of the City of Lawrence, she was active in political, civic and charitable activities. Marcia was raised in Peabody as the youngest of seven siblings.

Marcia attended Peabody schools and graduated from Mary Frances Rooney School of Elocution in Boston. After graduation, she taught at Eleanor Noonan School, Salem Mass.

In 1943, she married her husband, Daniel, a marriage that lasted 72 years. She and Dan had seven children, 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Marcia was a volunteer for the March of Dimes, the Greater Lawrence YMCA, and an active participant at Saint Augustine's Church in Lawrence where her children attended school. She served for many years as an aide in the Andover School System working with special needs students.

She was predeceased by her husband, Daniel; her son Daniel P. Kiley III; her daughter, Hannah; and five of her siblings, Geraldine McManus, Wilbur Peterson, Lester Peterson, Donald Peterson, and



Arlene Mogavero.

She is survived by her children, Attorney Thomas and his wife, Linda, Ellen Kiley Morrow and her husband, Keith, Marcia Kiley-LeMay and her husband, Donald, Mark P. and his wife, Monica, Robert P. and daughter-in-law, Barbara Connelly-Kiley; grandchildren, Colleene, Erin, Mark, April, Tory, Jessica, Tom, Hilary, Bill, Lauren, Lindsey, and Dan; her sister, Helen James; and many nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., Andover, Thursday, July 2, at 9:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are most welcome to attend. Calling hours in the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home, 390 North Main St., Andover were Wednesday, July 1, from 5 to 8 p.m. Interment will be in Bellevue Cemetery in Lawrence.

Donations may be made in Marcia's memory to March of Dimes, 112 Turnpike Road, Suite 300, Westboro, MA 01581.

Jerome George Russem, 96

ANDOVER — Jerome George Russem, 96, of Andover, died on Tuesday June 23, 2015.

Born in Lawrence, on June 17, 1919, he was the beloved husband of Margery Asher Russem. They celebrated 62 years of marriage on February 22. Jerry will be missed dearly by his wife, his son Andy and daughter-in-law Marianne, his daughters Julie and Jackie, his five grandchildren whom he adored, Zach, Jake, Nina, Asher and Dora; his sister, Norma Cohen and brother-in-law, Lester and his sister-in-law, Lenore Asher and many nieces, nephews and close relatives. Jerry was the son of the late Benjamin and Esther Russem. He was predeceased by his brother, Theodore Russem and sister-in-law, Florence and his brother-in-law, Norman Asher. Jerry attended the University of Michigan and Boston University Law School, which was interrupted by his service during WWII in the Army Air Corps. He spent over 50 years working in the family business, Russem's, a well-known women's clothing department store in Lawrence, Methuen and Andover. Jerry bought sportswear, trimmed displays inside and out including the huge Essex Street windows and designed newspaper ads by hand. He spent many productive hours in his office in the crowded 3rd floor stock room. Jerry was very active in the life of Temple Emanuel. He was a longtime Board Member, served as President and was co-chair of the committee that raised the funds to build the Temple building on Hag-



getts Pond Road in Andover when the congregation moved from Tower Hill in Lawrence. He was Vice President of The Greater Lawrence Chamber of Commerce and President of Intown. He was also an incorporator of Lawrence Savings Bank, a Mason and served on the board of a community mental health organization. Jerry enjoyed skiing with his family, golfing, tennis and playing show tunes on the piano and singing with his daughters. Later in life, he was a regular at the Cedardale pool and then the YMCA. Jerry was an incredibly sweet man; kind, thoughtful, philanthropic, hardworking and very loving. The end of his long life will leave a void in the heart of everyone who knew and loved him including family, friends, neighbors, employees and many, many former customers of Russem's as well as the compassionate staff of Academy Manor in Andover and Life Choice Hospice.

ARRANGEMENTS: Services were held at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, (off Route 133), Andover Thursday, June 25, at 2 p.m. Interment in Lawrence. Memorial observance was at the Russem residence in Andover on Thursday until 9 p.m. and Friday from 2 to 5 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Benjamin and Esther Russem Family Education Fund at Temple Emanuel, the Academy Manor Resident Council Fund 89 Morton Street, Andover, MA 01810 or a charity of your choice. For online directions and condolences go to www.goldmanfc.com. 1-800-982-3717, Goldman Funeral, Chapel, Malden.

Agnes Gove, 91

01/03/1924 — 06/23/2015

KENNEBUNK, ME — Agnes I. (Lyons) Gove age 91, of Kennebunk, Maine, died on June 23, 2015, in South Portland, Maine.

She was born January 3, 1924, in Lawrence to the late Richard and Mary (Walsh) Lyons. Agnes graduated from Lawrence High School in Massachusetts in 1942. The next year, 1943, she married her high school sweetheart, Arthur J. Margerison, a U.S. Army Sergeant, in Greenville, Miss. They settled down in Andover, Massachusetts soon after and began to raise their family. Sadly, Agnes was widowed in 1965.

Seven years later, on April 14, 1972, Agnes was remarried, this time to Robert O. Gove. She moved with Robert to join his family in Wells, Maine and stayed there for the balance of her days. Regrettably, Robert predeceased Agnes in May, 2005.

Agnes worked for Raytheon in Andover as an Inventory Control Specialist for twenty years. She was a former member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Andover, Massachusetts and the "Golden Girls"

in Kennebunk, Maine. She and Robert enjoyed traveling, particularly the Downeast Coast and France.

Agnes was the cherished mother of two surviving children, Joan Lewis and her husband, Clark Lewis of Bridgton, Maine, and, Arthur (Jack) Margerison of Hawaii. She was a loving step-mother to Linda Koch of Southport Island, Maine, Debra MacDonald of Utah, John Gove of Sanford, Maine, Lee Gove of Portsmouth, N.H., and, Scott Gove of Pennacook, N.H. Agnes was the loving grandmother of 14 and dotting great-grandmother to many more. She was the last survivor of her five siblings and had several nieces and nephews.

ARRANGEMENTS: A graveside service was held on Monday, June 29, 2015 at 10 a.m. at Hope Cemetery, Route 1, Kennebunk, Maine. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children—Boston, Attn: Development, 51 Blossom St., Boston, MA, 02114.

Arrangements are in care of Bibber Memorial Chapel, 67 Summer Street, Kennebunk, ME 04043. www.bibberfuneral.com.



■ POLICE LOG

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Monday, June 22 Incidents

A caller from Park Street reported at 12:08 a.m. that "his face was slapped by another patron." Officers reported that everything was fine.

Callers from County Road reported around 3:30 p.m. that a tractor-trailer truck was stuck in the area and did some damage, including to street signs, telephone poles and a rock wall.

Tuesday, June 23 Incident

A caller from West Parish

Drive reported at 8:02 a.m. that her house was just broken into. She was returning from a run and noticed her back door kicked in, and someone running from the home. The man got into an older Chevy Suburban and drove off, the caller said.

Wednesday, June 24 Arrest

Michael Forster, 35, of 93 Berkely St., Billerica, was arrested on Jenkins Road at 4:58 p.m. and charged with larceny under \$250 and a warrant charge.

Thursday, June 25 Accidents

A caller from Balmoral Street reported that a car hit a bicyclist at 8:13 a.m. A 26-year-old woman was brought to the hospital via ambulance with cuts.

A caller from Dascomb Road reported a car fire at 8:32 p.m. Nobody was hurt, and the Fire Department responded.

Incidents

A caller from the second-floor doctors office at Elm Square reported that a person was sleeping on the third floor around 8:43 a.m. A minor was arrested for trespassing.

A Town Offices employee, working on Bartlet Street, reported at 2:11 p.m. that "he had medications stolen from his office."

Friday, June 26 Arrest

Shane Reitano, 28, of 56 Pleasant St., Methuen, was arrested on North Main Street at 8:07 a.m. and charged with breaking and entering in the nighttime for a felony, and malicious destruction of property in excess of \$250.

Incident

A caller from Arthur Road reported at 4:47 a.m. that "there was a male going through people's trash. (He) was wearing a green poncho and had white hair." Officers checked the area, but did not find the man.

Saturday, June 27 Incident

A caller from Red Spring Road reported some fireworks going off in the area

around 8:53 p.m. Officers reported that there were no fireworks, but an outside fire. The Fire Department was called to put the fire out.

Sunday, June 28 Incidents

A woman walked into the police station at 1:55 a.m. to report that her car was just stolen by her boyfriend. A call was made to the boyfriend, who later returned the car and spoke to officers.

A caller from High Street requested to speak to an officer at 9:12 a.m. "regarding a tree limb falling on his car last night."

A 911 caller from Sheridan Road reported at 2:50 p.m. that a tree came down and took a telephone wire with it. National Grid and Verizon were notified.

A 911 caller from Powder Mill Square reported at 7:22 p.m. that there were "people doing drugs, possibly marijuana" in a car. Officers reported that it was a few friends hanging out behind their home, and there were no issues.



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19-year-old Andover man dead of apparent heroin OD

Case is 6th suspected opiate-related death in town this year

BY TIM LIMA
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A 19-year-old Andover man died after suffering an apparent heroin overdose at a home on Rock O'Dundee Road on Monday afternoon.

According to police Lt. Ed Guy, officers responded to a home in the residential neighborhood shortly after noon Monday and found the teen unresponsive.

Police gave him CPR and administered a dose of naloxone, the drug commonly known as Narcan, but neither were successful, Guy said.

THE HEROIN CRISIS

he "just witnessed his neighbor inject heroin into his foot." When officers arrived, the subject and his mother were spoken to, but he "seemed fine," the police log reported.

Moments after leaving the street June 14, police were again called to Rock O'Dundee Road by a resident who reported that "three youths are walking up the street confronting neighbors about somebody calling the police for suspected heroin use," records show.

It remains unclear if the events from Rock O'Dundee Road are related to Monday's overdose death.

Just hours later on Tuesday morning, Andover police responded to a second apparent overdose in 24 hours.

This time, a 35-year-old Burlington man was found unconscious in the bathroom of a home on Atlantic Avenue around 5:50 a.m. The man received a dose of Narcan from police and survived, Guy said.

"Within several seconds, the subject became alert and was speaking," Guy said. "He was subsequently brought to Lawrence General Hospital by the Andover Fire Department."

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Some of the people who volunteer to run the Saturday Morning Coffee at Old Town Hall include, from left, Stu McNeil, Gail Renaud, Mary Barry, Ann Grecoe, Vishvesh Kaul and Mike Roli.

COFFEE

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Andover special.” Before stepping off into retirement, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski honored a group of volunteers who keep the tradition going, including Ann Grecoe, Stu McNeil, Dan Murphy, Mike Roli, Mary McGivern, Gail Renaud, Vishvesh and Ananya Kaul, Mary Barry and John Tierney. “The Saturday Morning Coffee started as an experiment, but after three or four months became an overwhelming success,” Stapczynski said as he handed certificates to the volunteers who attended a recent Board of Selectmen meeting. “Over the last six years, this has been a terrific success.”

He said that 40 to 60 people (some estimate 100 on a good day) go through the first level of Old Town Hall on any given Saturday, snacking on donated bakery items and sipping donated hot coffee or tea.

“It’s become an institution in town,” the retiring town manager said, as the

“The Saturday Morning Coffee started as an experiment, but after three or four months became an overwhelming success.”

Retiring Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski

audience applauded. Vispoli said that for years, the Saturday Morning Coffee was held in the lobby of what is now TD Bank. He said the gatherings became so popular the bank had to discontinue the practice.

About a year went by before he and other selectmen, working with the town manager and the Council on Aging, were able to start the program up again.

That was 2009 and it has been going strong ever since, thanks to the volunteer efforts of the Council on Aging and others.

Vispoli said one of the sticking points was whether a custodian would be needed to clean up after each coffee. Instead, the Council on Aging and other volunteers agreed to do all the set-up, starting around 7:30 a.m., and all the clean-up.

“I didn’t want any additional cost,” he said. “We partnered with the Council on Aging and once we got that in place, it’s been continued.”

“It’s a tradition in its own now. I try to go every Saturday. It’s a great place to go.”

He noted that different groups of people come throughout the two-hour span. Vispoli added the food is donated by Stop & Shop and Whole Foods and leftovers are taken to local food pantries.

“For certain people, it’s the time of week they socialize, get together with their friends,” he said. “Whatever they read in the Townsman, you hear about it on Saturday. If you did something they like, you hear about it, or if you did something they don’t like, you hear about it.”



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Mary McGivern, left, talks with Dora Dyer over the selection of breakfast pastries and other offerings at this past Saturday’s coffee at Old Town Hall. Stop & Shop and Whole Foods donate the food every week, and the leftovers are taken to local food pantries.

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It's official: Murphy in place as interim town manager

By BILL KIRK
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Selectmen to seek update from Search Committee

Thursday at 7 p.m. to get an update.

Town Clerk Larry Murphy was officially approved to be interim town manager at Monday night's Board of Selectmen meeting.

He was to be administered the oath of office Wednesday morning as

The Townsman was going to press.

With little fanfare, the Board of Selectmen voted 4-0 to approve an interim town manager memorandum of understanding with Murphy.

His salary will increase from about \$112,000 to \$150,000 a year and he will continue working as the town clerk, although the assistant town clerk will assume many of his duties. "Thanks for the faith you

have shown in me," Murphy said.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski's last day was Tuesday.

Murphy will stay on as town manager until the new town manager is hired.

Selectmen have said a new town manager could start by September if the process goes smoothly.

The Board of Selectmen has scheduled a meeting with the Town Manager Search Committee for

The committee has been interviewing candidates for the job and will be forwarding the names of three to five finalists to selectmen for final interviews, at which point the names of the candidates will become public.

GOODBYE

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championship baseball teams. And no, AHS alumnus Ryan Hanigan, who was traded to the Red Sox this year as catcher, is not one of the signers.

"They are interesting mementoes," he said last week as he prepared to pack up his office and begin retirement.

An old call box — those red boxes that used to be around town that people would pull in case of emergency — was converted into a lamp after the town discontinued the system. It enjoyed a second life on a table in his office.

"I thought it would make a nice lamp," he said. It does.

A model of a locomotive train harkens to the early Andover and Wilmington Rail line.

More items were displayed on the walls of his third-floor Town Hall office. Among them was a picture from a past Fourth of July Horribles Parade when the Andover Historical Society did a "Salute Buzz" float that consisted of people holding images of the town manager's face over their own.

The piece de resistance, however, had to be a framed newspaper headline that read "It's Bush" over some paper ballots that had been used during the contested Florida election of 2000. The frame is signed by Katherine Harris, former Florida secretary of state who oversaw the controversial election.

Stapczynski, clearly a political wonk, rifled through a closet adjacent to his office last week and pulled out a large, silver suitcase that actually folds out into a voting booth. It's one of the booths that was used in that Florida election.

The person he got it from even went through the effort

of saving, in a plastic baggie, bits of papers that became famously known as "hanging chads."

Democratic candidate Al Gore's lawyers attempted to prove that if the small bit of paper hadn't fallen all the way off the ballot, then the vote didn't count. Stapczynski said he got the piece of American history from a friend in Palm Beach County, Fla.

The 25 years of Stapczynski's career as town manager in Andover have been relatively calm by comparison, although they had their share of ups and downs.

"There have been some challenging projects," he said. "Projects that didn't go as well as people thought and that the manager was to blame. I never played the blame game."

One project in particular was the 1995-97 renovation of Andover High School. "It was a total renovation done with students in the school," he said. "The notion that you could do a project like that with 1,600 students and faculty was a huge challenge."

One of the first things they did was to hire a project manager for the \$30 million project. Nonetheless, 20 years later, people are complaining again that the school is too small and needs to be renovated again. It was built for 1,200 students, but now has 1,800.

Stapczynski said expansion was planned for, the building being designed in such a way that it could be easily added onto. The field house could be duplicated in space adjacent to the current building and classrooms could be added to the back near the science wing.

Eventually, the town will have to apply to the Massachusetts School Building Authority for funds to expand the school. "I think it would qualify and



Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski looks over his mementos, including two baseballs signed by championship Andover High teams, an old Andover fire box converted into a lamp and American and Pakistani flags from a visit by officials from Pakistan.



Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski shows off one of his prized possessions from his 25 years on the job, an actual Palm Beach County, Fla., voting machine — largely blamed for the troubles with the 2000 presidential election.

the need is evident," he said.

He said the town, in the mid-1990s, had the political will to pull off the much-needed renovation, like it has taken on

other projects over the years.

"It goes in cycles," he said. "You have to ask, 'What's the honest need for the community?' Not, 'What's the political need for the individual.'"

Stapczynski said he is sorry he couldn't see through the construction of a new public works facility, also known as the town yard, and also has concerns about the future of the Ballardvale fire station, another project that got

bogged down in local, political troubles.

He said the town's Capital Improvements Plan, or CIP, is a good tool for putting those large projects before the public. It was something started by former town manager Richard Bowen and which Stapczynski continued.

As good a planning tool as it was, there was never any guarantee that all projects would win approval.

Stapczynski said the biggest governing challenge he had was figuring out how to sell projects to Town Meeting so that they would get the funding.

"That was our challenge," he said. "Selling it and convincing voters."

He said a representative Town Meeting — in which residents are elected to represent their precinct as voters — would be a lot easier for the town staff because then they would know who to lobby.

The success of the Historic Mill District is a case in point.

"They had to work to form a huge group of support, from businesses, voters, parents — to enlist their support," he said.

"If I just had 200 people, it would be a lot easier. The

beauty of Andover's government is also its challenge. As difficult as it is, there is no purer democracy."

He noted that the town charter was "elegant in its simplicity" in that it "doesn't attempt to cover everything."

One thing the charter doesn't cover, for example, is the ability — or inability — for the town manager to hire good people in important positions.

That, as much as anything, is what Stapczynski is proud of.

He said the fire and police chiefs, director of public works and his finance team are all "highly skilled professionals."

He added, "I feel like the town is in great shape. We have good levels of free cash. New growth is strong. We are the envy of the Merrimack Valley with industrial, commercial and residential growth. We have high cash reserves and a AAA bond rating. The next town manager is stepping into a good situation."

For Stapczynski, 67, the future is wide open. He said he plans on spending some time traveling with his wife, Sandy, and doing chores around his Phaeton Circle home.

They may take a trip to visit their oldest son, Stephen, 26, who lives in Tokyo where he works for Bloomberg News as an energy expert. His other son, Niko, 24, currently works as a bike messenger in Boston while living at home.

After the six months of rest-and-relaxation are over, he's not sure what he's going to do.

He noted that a lot of retired town managers take on short-term gigs as interim town managers, something he might consider. But for now, he's happy volunteering at his church.

When asked to summarize his feelings upon his retirement, Stapczynski said:

"I don't think there's any career more challenging than being the town manager of a community like Andover, with high expectations and in return, high satisfaction for meeting the challenges a community like Andover presents."

For a look back at Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski's 25-year career in photos, see www.andovertownsmen.com.

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BUZZ

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once did. Email, once the preferred choice of communication, has been replaced with text messaging.

Nobody actually talks on their phones anymore.

Well, almost nobody. Stapczynski, when he's not too busy, does answer his phone. He likes talking to people. He enjoys carrying around stacks of paper held together with enormous binder clips. He's not always staring down at his phone, texting like a teenager, but he has been seen rifling through piles of documents to find one, particular piece of paper. He usually finds it, too.

Last Friday, before Stapczynski wrapped up his quarter-century of service to the town, his staff took the opportunity to rib him, giving him some of those jumbo-sized paper clips as a gift.

In an even nicer gesture, they had pooled their money together and bought the now-retired town manager an iPad. He was genuinely impressed, telling them that he had already signed up for classes at the Apple store to learn how to use his new iPhone. Now, he said, he can take classes to learn how to use the iPad.

"You know they teach classes at those stores?" he said in wonderment. Everyone laughed, either because they thought he was joking, or wasn't. Either way, it didn't matter.

On one of Stapczynski's last days in office before closing out his career on Tuesday, everyone, even the union officials he locked horns with over the years, was being nice to him.

"Buzz was always more gracious than I was during negotiations," said Barbara Morash, former president of the town employees union who is now retired. "Whether he was being a professional or a gentleman, probably both."

She added to Stapczynski, "Remember the good times and the good people and forget all the rest."

High praise

Call him old-school, old-fashioned, even a little old, at 67, Stapczynski is certainly no technophile. What he does understand, his friends and colleagues say, is people.

His legacy, they say, will be the team he put together who will continue the work they started under his guidance.

"It will be the people he brought in," said Assistant Town Manager Steve Bucuzzo, who was hired by Stapczynski 14 years ago. "I chose this town because I knew Buzz's reputation and had a lot of respect for him."

Police Chief Patrick Keefe, appointed a patrolman by Stapczynski in 1998 and promoted to chief just a couple years ago, said Stapczynski's most important trait was that he was "inclusive."

"Among all the department heads, communication is pretty wide open," he said, adding that the town manager trusted all of them to do their jobs and talk with each other when they needed to solve problems.

"I can call them directly. I don't have to go through Buzz. It makes things run smoother."

It's that kind of trust in his team that impressed Chris Cronin, the plant and facilities director who worked his way up through the ranks of the Highway Department to take over the top position in the town's public works departments.

"He's a very special person," Cronin said. "He pushed me to be the best I could be. I learned an awful lot from him. I'm lucky to have worked for him."

He agreed that Stapczynski was an excellent manager as well as an excellent town manager.

"His team-building and

professionalism more than anything else is what will be remembered," Cronin said. "He instilled pride in the community."

Even one of his occasional community critics, Mary Carbone of Cyr Circle, had mostly nice things to say about Stapczynski.

"When you are in politics that long, you drag a lot of baggage around," she said. "You can't please all the people, especially the employees. He's not a big mouth or anything like that. He's lackadaisical sometimes — he just does what he does."

Carbone noted that "he's taken a lot of stuff. He may be wrong lots of times, but to sit there for that many years and know the people you are serving are wrong, like the selectmen, and not be able to say anything, takes a lot."

She added, "He's kind of low key, but he has an agenda, too, I think. He's going to be around. I don't think he's leaving town. But I'm going to be here, too."

During the town employees' roast on Friday afternoon, Morash pointed out that Stapczynski was interested in serving as a retiree representative on the town insurance committee, which she also serves on.

She marveled at the notion that for once, she and Stapczynski could be on the same side of the bargaining table.

The combative union fights that Stapczynski apparently became known for prompted the emcee for Friday's event, Tax Collector David Reilly, to give him a gag gift of a pinata, because over the years the town manager had taken so many beatings.

A man of integrity

While the town manager profusely thanked members of the Board of Selectmen, in recent years Stapczynski has locked horns with board members over a myriad of matters, from appointment authority and budget policy to town charter and bylaw questions.

Nonetheless, selectmen interviewed for this story felt that the town manager was the "consummate professional" who helped move the town in the right direction over the last 25 years, despite his technical inabilities.

Selectman Alex Vispoli, an 11-year member of the Board of Selectmen and occasional critical of Stapczynski, called him an "honest, hard-working professional who really, as someone who lives in Andover, has the best interests of the town in mind."

Vispoli said while selectmen challenged Stapczynski on a number of issues, including most recently how to fund the growing cost of long-term liabilities such as pensions and retiree health care, both the board and the town manager have simply been "trying to do the right thing for the taxpayer."

"Our role of selectmen, representing the citizens, is to look for ways to deliver services the most efficient way possible," said Vispoli, adding there is "a natural back and forth between the town manager and selectmen."

"We're always trying to insure that point of view is taken," he said.

As such, Vispoli said he and other members of the board have worked closely with Stapczynski to keep down employee head count and to change benefits in such a way that the long-term impact is lessened.

Selectman Paul Salafia said the proof is in the pudding.

When asked if he thought Stapczynski had done a good job as town manager, Salafia replied, "Look at the town. What do you not like about this town? It's got great schools, a great downtown, a good tax base

Tribute roast for Stapczynski July 9

The farewell to Town Manager Reginald Stapczynski from his 25-year career in town continues next week with a gala Retirement Party and Roast on Thursday, July 9, at Andover Country Club, 60 Canterbury St.

The evening will begin at 6 with cocktails, followed by dinner at 6:30 and the program and roast at 7.

Selectman Brian Major and former selectman and state Sen. Barry Finegold will be the emcees in conjunction with representatives of the Andover Youth Foundation, which is hosting the event.

The night will be a celebration of Stapczynski's tenure as Andover town manager. Major will honor Stapczynski with a tribute and other speakers and roasters will be

Town Moderator Sheila Doherty, Selectman Paul Salafia and former Superintendent of Schools Claudia Bach.

Tickets are \$60 and proceeds will benefit the Andover Youth Foundation in support of the new Cormier Youth Center building project in town. The event is open to the public.

For tickets, visit www.andoveryouthfoundation.org. For more information, email Diane Costagliola at dcostag@hotmail.com.

Anyone who cannot attend, but who would like to make a contribution to support the youth center in Stapczynski's honor can mail a donation to Andover Youth Foundation, P.O. Box 5051, Andover 01810.



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Retiring Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski was interrupted during his speech at Friday's party at Old Town Hall and presented with a "parking ticket."



LEFT: Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski reacts to the humorous gifts he receives and comments made about him by staff members during Friday's retirement party. RIGHT: Police Chief Patrick Keefe presents the town manager with an old town parking meter and a police hat.



and a thriving business community. You can't isolate the town manager and say he had nothing to do with that. He had a lot to do with that."

Salafia has served on and off with Stapczynski for 24 of the last 25 years the town manager has held office, including 17 years on the Planning Board, four years as a selectman, and another three or four years on various boards and commissions.

"What amazes me most about Buzz's 25 years is that when you look at public officials and you watch the news, all you see is improprieties and scandals. He hasn't had a hint of that in 25 years. His integrity is

Salafia added, "Through skills are unique. If we can find a town manager just like Buzz, I'd be thrilled."

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Andover and North Reading officials met at the town line last Friday morning to sign a long-term water rate agreement. From Andover were, from left, selectmen Paul Salafia, Alex Vispoli, Chairwoman Mary O'Donoghue and retiring Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski. On the North Reading side of the border were, from left, Town Administrator Michael Gilleberto and selectmen Bob Mauceri, Stephen O'Leary, Jeffrey Yull and Kathryn Manupelli.

Water deal back on tap

Andover, North Reading leaders sign pact at town line

By BILL KIRK
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Officials from Andover and North Reading gathered at the town line last Friday in the spirit of cooperation to finally settle a contentious, two-year battle over water rates.

Retiring Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski and his counterpart from North Reading, Town Administrator Michael Gilleberto, signed the new water agreement along with selectmen from each town.

Representing the Andover Board of Selectmen were Chairwoman Mary O'Donoghue, Alex Vispoli and Paul Salafia. From North Reading, selectmen Bob Mauceri, Stephen O'Leary, Jeffrey Yull and Kathryn Manupelli were on hand for the event.

Andover sells 300 million gallons of water a year to North Reading worth more than \$1 million in annual

revenue to the town. Vispoli said the signing ceremony was "very nice. Everybody was just glad to get it done."

He said the plan, which he helped negotiate, was a "fair proposal for both communities. At the end of the day, that's what was important."

Vispoli said he, Salafia and O'Donoghue first met at the Andover Town Offices on Friday morning to sign the agreement, and then they all went together to the town line, where Stapczynski and Gilleberto signed the deal, which extends through fiscal year 2019, on the hood of Vispoli's white BMW.

"We could have done it at either one of our town halls, but doing it at the line was good symbolism as well as getting something done," Vispoli said. "It's important for communities to work together."

The water agreement is important because, going forward, it looks like North

Reading will start buying its water from the Mass. Water Resources Authority, or MWRA. Once that deal is finalized, Andover will lose a significant amount of revenue.

The deal signed with North Reading should help alleviate some of the loss of that revenue.

"At some point, they are going to go to another source of water, which is a loss of water revenues," Vispoli said. "This gives us opportunity to plan for that revenue stoppage. Whether we put some of that money into a stabilization fund for water rates, to insure the finances of the water system are sound so it doesn't affect rates"

The town is also in the midst of a water rate study, which could change the way the town charges residents and businesses by implementing a tiered rate system — charging more to large users and less to low-water users.



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Retiring Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski signs the long-negotiated water agreement while North Reading Town Administrator Michael Gilleberto looks on. The long-term pact will cover North Reading's purchase of water from Andover for several years.



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Plea made to save Franciscan Center

Preservationists oppose monastery demolition for senior housing

By BILL KIRK

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The would-be developers of the 70-acre Franciscan property on River Road into senior housing got a chilly reception at the Planning Board last week, with open space advocates seeking assurances that wetlands would be protected near the Merrimack River and historic preservation essentially demanding that the St. Francis monastery be saved.

About 30 people attended the public hearing, with many also interested in two other senior housing projects before the board — the Elm Street and Strawberry Hill assisted living projects. (See related stories.)

Planning Board members will be touring the Franciscan property on Tuesday, July 14, to get a look at the whole site, including the Franciscan Friars school at 459 River Road. The public hearing will continue immediately after the tour. But if last week's hearing was any indication, the project may be in for a rough ride.

'Cost-prohibitive'

Karen Herman, chairwoman of the town's Preservation Commission, said the Franciscan Center is "truly a landmark historic building" and "deserves to be preserved."

As such, developers Pulte Homes should not be allowed to tear it down to make way for their proposed, 200-unit apartment building and housing project.

Last year, the Preservation Commission imposed a one-year demolition delay on the property, which expires on Sept. 9.

"We urge the Planning Board to encourage Pulte Homes to do what is in the best interest of our community and preserve the Franciscan Center or reject their application for Andover Woods," said Herman, reading from one of two letters that were submitted opposing the demolition of the 85-year-old structure.

Pulte Homes, working with the adjacent Melmark School, wants to utilize the recently

enacted Senior Overlay District and develop a portion of the 70-acre Franciscan property into a development for residents over age 62. The rest of the property would go to Melmark for development of parking, group homes and other possible structures.

Pulte Land Project Manager Mark Mastroianni told the board that the Franciscan building needed to be demolished because it wasn't conducive to modern-day developments like Andover Woods.

"We considered an adaptive reuse," he said. "But for many reasons, the current building doesn't meet building codes and would require significant upgrades that would be cost-prohibitive. It contains hazardous materials, including asbestos, and has had numerous leaks over the years, creating a mold problem. It also has lead paint."

Originally built as a school, he said the building is "very narrow" without enough space for residential uses. He said it would have to be gutted, which was also "cost-prohibitive."

"It looks like a school," he said. "It's got tile floors, concrete walls."

He said it also wouldn't meet modern, energy-efficiency codes or provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

'For the ages'

The Preservation Commission toured the monastery building last fall and took photos. During the tour, Herman said, a representative of the developer "made it clear to us ... that historic preservation 'is not what we do.'"

She went on to say the building was in "fair to good condition." She said Pulte hasn't provided any documentation of hazardous materials in the building, "nor did we observe it during our walk-through."

She said any building that dates to 1930 "would clearly not meet current energy codes" or ADA codes. But she said a significant number of historic buildings in town have been successfully renovated and transformed into modern-era buildings, including Atria Marland Place,

Andover Commons, Balmoral Condominiums, Draper Hall at Phillips Academy and Aberdeen Condominiums.

"In the case of all these important structures, the developer determined that in the long term, historic preservation made sense," she said. "The benefits of adaptive reuse would outweigh the costs associated with rehabilitation. Buildings like the Franciscan Center were built for the ages. This building's future should not be as part of a landfill."

In a letter sent in May to the Planning Board, Herman said that based on historic research done by commission member Jim Batchelder, the center is a classical revival-style building erected in 1930 "for the education of young men training for the Roman Catholic priesthood."

Batchelder noted there are many important architectural details of the structure, including a "portico along the entire front of the building, a roof supported by 50 Doric columns, windows and doors decorated with Italian columns, and a main entrance reaching the entire height of the building that included another six large Doric columns and significant sculptural work."

A large number of Tuscan columns were imported to ornament the interior, especially the main entrance and the chapel, he added.

Batchelder also wrote about how residents of the Merrimack Valley would flock to River Road every Christmas to view the 30,000 lights strung up on the outside of the building.

"It took three months to put (them) up and three weeks to take down," he wrote, adding that traffic was backed up on River Road for miles both ways so people could see the annual spectacle, which ended in the mid-1960s.

Open space

Mastroianni said the other reason the old school needs to be demolished is that it sits on a flat portion of the property that would require less earth removal.

As proposed, Andover Woods would be comprised of four, large condo buildings



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Mark Mastroianni, project manager for Pulte Homes, discusses the proposed Andover Woods development on River Road before the Planning Board last week. The developer is seeking to demolish the historic St. Francis monastery to make way for the project.



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Planning Board members Ann Knowles and Jay Doherty review the over-62 housing development proposed for a portion of the 70-acre Franciscan property.

and 14, single-family dwellings. Three of the condo buildings would have 50 units in each, while the fourth would have 36. The four, larger buildings would be four stories high and situated on the back portion of the lot, away from River Road.

The single-family, detached homes would be on the front part of the lot, closer to River Road, Mastroianni said. In addition to the residential buildings, Pulte is proposing a clubhouse along one side of the property. In all, there would be 329,626 square feet of living area, Mastroianni

said. The 70-acre lot currently owned by the Franciscans would be broken up into a couple of odd shapes, with a smaller portion of 25 or 30 acres to be developed by Pulte on River Road and the larger portion, 40 or 50 acres, to be retained by Melmark School.

Susan Stott of the land preservation group Andover Village Improvement Society, or AVIS, asked the board not to rule on the project until after all of the open space possibilities had been thoroughly explored.

She said that the proposal

includes a 46-acre parcel at the back end of Pulte's property, which AVIS may want to take over. In addition, she said that under the Senior Overlay District, 30 percent of the land related to any development had to be set aside for open space.

"Don't make any decisions until the open space issues for the whole parcel are resolved," she said. "There are steep slopes and wetlands along the Merrimack River."

Stott said she would be speaking with Peter Troy, vice president of Melmark, and other stakeholders about how to protect the fragile land at the back end of the property.

Troy, who was also at the hearing, said that while he has had many conversations with AVIS over protection of the Franciscan property, the key to it all is the Pulte project.

"The agreement between us and the Franciscans is contingent upon approval for this project," he said. "This is what drives the project. If this doesn't happen, the whole deal falls apart."

He added, however, "We are committed to open space on the property."

More pushback for Elm Street assisted-living project

Neighbors implore planners to consider their opinions

By BILL KIRK

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Neighbors of a proposed assisted-living center off Elm Street continue to challenge the necessity and wisdom of the project.

But Planning Board members, the town's planning staff and the developers — Capitol Seniors Housing of Washington, D.C. — pushed back at a recent meeting, saying the 103-unit senior housing facility has met the requirements of the town's zoning bylaws.

The proposed 88,126-square-foot, assisted-living residence is being eyed for the hill at 139-143 Elm St., which is currently occupied by a single-family home surrounded by about 10 acres of open fields, woodlands and wetlands.

Neighbors to the project have said that the planned 35-foot-tall building would be too imposing for a residential neighborhood, altering its character. Hundreds of people have signed a petition opposing the project.

During a Planning Board public hearing on the project last Tuesday night, several of the 20 people gathered in the third-floor conference room in the town offices on Bartlet Street said they didn't understand why it was still being considered when there was so much neighborhood opposition.

"I've been here 60 years and I can't believe this is happening," Bunny Downs

of 147 Elm St. said. "These people (developers) don't care about Andover. We do. Traffic, drainage, fire trucks and ambulances coming through our neighborhood. It's terrible what you are trying to do."

Chuck Papalia, 64 Summer St., agreed.

"The narrative we have been told is that the people in Andover want this facility," he said. "Does anyone in this room want this?"

A couple of hands were raised.

"If the majority of people don't want it, you should vote against it," he told the Planning Board. "There is no dire need for this kind of housing."

Planning Board Chairman Zack Bergeron replied, "We've already talked about the need for this at a prior meeting."

Another resident wanted to see a drawing of the project that was "to scale," saying the drawing he was given didn't show the true size of the building relative to people walking by.

"That is to scale," Bergeron said. "The board is not looking at that now."

The Planning Board did not take a vote on the project at its June 23 meeting, but is expected to continue the public hearing at its next meeting on Tuesday, July 14.

During last week's discussion, a representative for the developer explained that the project needed five waivers, including approval

to subdivide the lot, erect nonstandard street signs and use PVC instead of clay sewer pipes. In addition, the developer needed the OK to have a steeper and longer driveway than normally allowed by the bylaws.

The developer said blasting would probably not be required and that the project had received approval from the Board of Health, but was still waiting the OK from the Conservation Commission and the Department of Public Works.

Louis Poulo of 23 Johnson Road challenged the planning staff on several issues.

"There's no discussion on whether you should approve this," he said. "It's like it's a done deal."

Planner Jacki Byerley responded that the board has to "look at specifics" during its deliberations and "review all the material" before making a decision to deny, approve or approve with conditions.

Poulo countered, "What about the opinion of the residents?"

Byerley said it was up to the "opinion and vote of the board."

Poulo kept pushing, asking whether the "opinion of the neighbors" mattered or not.

Byerley responded that the board would consider "all of the letters and information from residents and applicants."



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Opinion

A history-making 25 years for Stapczynski

Over the last 25 years, Andover has seen extraordinary change. School enrollment has gone up. Where there were once farms and forests, there are now homes and businesses. New schools have been built — and old ones renovated.

There are new roads, new subdivisions and lots of new people. Businesses large and small have sprouted up throughout town, from the Interstate-93 corridor to Main Street.

Through all the changes, however, there has been one constant: Town Manager Reginald “Buzz” Stapczynski.

Buzz, as everyone calls him, moved to Andover in 1990 and still lives in the same house he and his wife, Sandy, bought in the first cluster subdivision in town. They raised their two sons in Andover. It’s likely that after he takes a few months hiatus following his retirement as town manager this week, he’ll be involved in one way or another in town affairs. He already volunteers at his church.

During a series of going-away parties over the last couple weeks, a lot of nice things have been said about Stapczynski, whose last day in office was Tuesday. And more will likely be said at a big retirement party at the Andover Country Club next week.

Stapczynski is rightfully proud of what he has done to manage the town over the last quarter-century. He has kept a firm hand on the helm, guiding the town through recessions and various crises — both financial and political.

The town has a AAA bond rating, which is good because it decreases the cost of borrowing, saving money for taxpayers. He was a tough negotiator, which is good because he was looking out for taxpayers by trying to save money on employee union contracts.

People have said he was always cool under fire — unflappable and focused.

Above all else, Stapczynski said, he liked the people he worked with and hired and always felt they were like his family. They celebrated the good times and bad together, he said during a party last week at Old Town Hall and again Monday night at his last selectmen’s meeting.

“Selectmen, employees, managers — we were all one family,” he said. “It was a labor of love being here. Finding a town manager is a daunting task. Finding one with the right chemistry is even harder.”

He got a standing ovation from selectmen and the folks gathered for Monday night’s meeting.

Town Clerk Larry Murphy, who will be sitting in as interim town manager until selectmen hire someone permanently, said he enjoyed working with Stapczynski, especially appreciating the energy he brought to the job.

Selectman Paul Salafia said it was a “privilege” to work with Stapczynski and that he admired the town manager’s “integrity and leadership.”

Selectman Alex Vispoli echoed those comments, praising the retiring manager for his energy and commitment to the job.

Selectman Dan Kowalski said it was an “absolute pleasure” to work with Stapczynski and that “this town is what it is because of your leadership.”

Dave Brown, chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, said in an interview during last week’s party put on by employees that Stapczynski, “by virtue of his tenure, brought stability to Town Hall. ... I don’t think we’ll ever see anyone who will stay as long.”

Selectmen unveiled a plaque this week at their meeting that lists the names of all the town managers who have ever served in Andover. Stapczynski’s name is last — but his tenure of 25 years is longer than all the others’ combined, chairwoman Mary O’Donoghue pointed out.

“I hope the next one stays for 30 years,” Stapczynski said.

That seems unlikely, given the nature of business today, where nobody stays in one job for too long. The days when someone would work for the same company their entire life are over. And the days of municipal leaders staying in place for 2 1/2 decades are probably over, too.

In all likelihood, Stapczynski will go down in history as Andover’s longest-serving town manager. That too, has been good for the town.

WEB QUESTION

THIS WEEK’S QUESTION

Some communities have banned the use of plastic bags by retailers and others amid environmental concerns. Should Andover follow suit?

Yes. Plastic bags are wasteful and a serious environmental hazard. They need to be outlawed.

Not Completely. A complete ban seems excessive. But retailers should encourage the use of biodegradable, reusable and recycled paper bags.

No. Plastic bags are convenient and get reused. Ban plastic bottles, containers and other non-biodegradable items that serve no further purpose instead.

Absolutely Not. Where will it end? The dangers of plastic bags are greatly exaggerated. I’m tired of government trying to legislate what I eat and how I carry my groceries.

LAST WEEK’S QUESTION

Phillips Academy has agreed to voluntarily pay Andover more than \$3 million over eight years in lieu of property taxes. Do you think other nonprofit entities should do the same?

YES. While the law exempts nonprofits from being taxed on their property, they should contribute funds to compensate for the town services they receive. **85 percent.**

NO. Nonprofits serve a public good. Andover should not be asking schools, health care facilities, churches and other nonprofits to contribute to town operations. **15 percent.**

PASSING THE BATON



Town Manager Reginald “Buzz” Stapczynski, right, presented some fun parting gifts of his own during a retirement party last Friday at Old Town Hall. Town Clerk Larry Murphy, who is taking over as interim town manager, received a hard hat and the 1978 selectmen’s policy manual.

CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

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 July 2, 1915

Plans for the Fourth of July celebration have been completed, and although there will not be as many attractions as in former years, a good time is assured by the committee in charge of events. At 6 a.m., the church and mill bells will ring to usher in the day. There will be no Horribles Parade as the committee was not assured of enough entrants to make this feature successful. The next event of the day will be the 5-mile road race. The race will start on Main Street to Salem, to Highland Road, to the Salem Turnpike, to Wilson’s Corner on Elm Street, then Elm Street to the square. For this race, three fine prizes will be awarded, the first a large cup, the second a Waltham watch, and the third a fob.

Thomas F. Morrissey and son are remodeling a large

barn at the rear of their stable on Park Street, and when complete, it will be used as a garage for storing automobiles. It will accommodate between 30 and 35 cars.

75 Years Ago June 27, 1940

“Good Citizenship and Patriotism” will be the theme of the Town of Andover summer playground season, which will start next Monday at 2. In accordance with the summer’s theme, Miss Margaret Davis, now starting her 13th year as general supervisor, has recommended to the Ballardvale and Central Playground associations that they purchase flags and flagpoles. The Shawsheen playground is already equipped.

A program to aid the allies by shipping all available material, speeding up production of war materials, refusing aid to the Axis powers, extending credit to the Allies, and permitting U.S. citizens to volunteer in the Allied service was endorsed Monday night at the first meeting of the newly formed Andover brand of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.

Phillips Academy has offered all its facilities during the summer for the use of

the National Guard, Headmaster Dr. Claude M. Fuess announced this week.

50 Years Ago July 1, 1965

Sgt. Inspector Robert Deyermund and patrolman William Tammany of the Andover Police Department have been given a commendation for the “superior and meritorious manner in which they participated in the investigation, arrest, prosecution and conviction” of George Nassar for the September slaying of Andover gas station operator Irvin Hilton.

A photo accompanying an ad for dairy products at Wild Rose Farms shows Wild Rose Judy and Wild Rose Bonnie along with a 9-week-old bull calf, Wild Rose Gallant, new stars who recently appeared by invitation on the Rex Trailer TV show “Boom Town” in Boston. Their appearance was part of the National June Dairy Month festivities. Advertised were quarts of “Our Old-Fashioned Butter Milk,” 25 cents a quart; “milk produced entirely by our own certified grade A herd,” 20 cents a quart; and 26 varieties of homemade Rose Glen Ice Cream.

25 Years Ago June 28, 1990

A photo showing lifeguards at Poms Pond on opening day demonstrating a technique for alerting swimmers includes Mike Hartley, Amy Heislne, Lyn Fitzgibbons, Dede Sullivan and Marge Haggerty. Resident stickers are \$10 for the first family car, and \$2 for additional cars.

The Massachusetts Civil Liberties Union Foundation and the Massachusetts Library Association have become involved in the controversy over children’s access at Andover’s Memorial Hall Library. And both the Civil Liberties Union and the state’s Library Foundation have expressed concern about the policy.

The soccer fields at upper Shawsheen off Burnham Road may get the nod from the Board of Selectmen Monday night as the new location for the Penguin Park tot lot. Selectman Gail Ralston said Tuesday that there is “an informal agreement” among board members on that site.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Excessive development is ruining town

Editor, Townsman:

Someone needs to study the traffic impact on Route 133 as the traffic from the IRS, expanding apartment complex and the new medical center makes driving in this area a nightmare. Now we are considering adding a 133-unit, assisted-living complex?

It now takes me 20 to 30 minutes depending on the time of day to get from Baron’s to town because of the traffic. Plus forget it if there’s a problem on interstates 93 or 495. Route 133 is a highway shortcut when traffic is bad, which makes it impossible to get anywhere. The off-ramp from Interstate 93 north backs up onto the highway due to the excessive traffic on Route 133.

Enough. All this building is ruining our town. Do we have to build on every open

piece of land? Schools are crowded, traffic a nightmare and our quaint town where I’ve lived for 50-plus years is bursting at the seams. Stop, study traffic and school impact with all this building before it’s too late.

It’s a shame that we are allowing this to happen. Put a moratorium on building for a couple years and do your due diligence as the building is out of control. You don’t see Concord, North Andover, Lexington and other similar towns allowing huge apartment complexes, office parks and more to be built on every open lot. You are sadly ruining our town — it needs to stop now.

TAMMY JOHNSTON
Haggetts Pond Road

Kindness, support in time of loss truly appreciated

Editor, Townsman:

As my husband, Steven, and I were looking for a town in which to start a family back in 1994, we were drawn to Andover by its charm and reputation as a great place to raise a family. We eventually settled into the Sanborn community and went on to have seven children. We immersed ourselves in the community and developed many wonderful friendships.

Two years ago, Steven was diagnosed with terminal stomach cancer. We were obviously devastated as we began the endless treks into Dana-Farber. Within a matter of days, however, it became apparent that we were not in this alone. Immediately, offers for rides, meals, housekeeping, yard work and donations from our neighbors

and friends began to flood in and never let up during his two-year battle.

Steve lost his heartbreaking fight against cancer on June 3. Although I did not think it was possible for the people of this wonderful town to be more supportive than they already were, I was wrong. Since June 3, the outpouring of love, support and generosity of our friends, neighbors, clergy, teachers, classmates, coaches and local businesses has been truly touching.

We obviously made the right decision back in 1994. My family and I would like to thank the incredibly kind and generous people of Andover and the Merrimack Valley for making an unbearable tragedy bearable.

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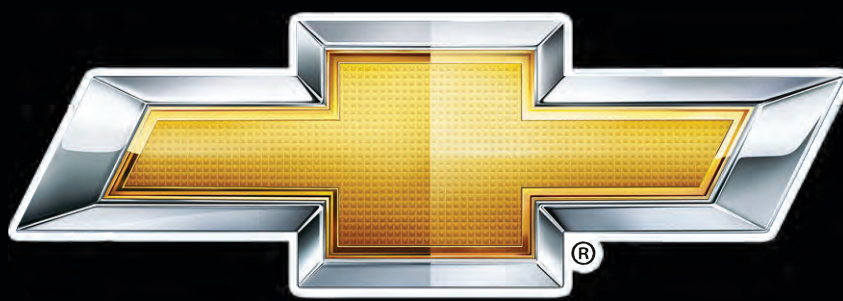


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TownsBeat

Concerts in The Park hit a high note for 2015



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Beyond the Pale's powerhouse fiddler Charles Landry performs at Andover's 2014 Summer Concert Series. Landry and his band return to town next week to open the 2015 series.

LISTEN IN

JULY 8

BEYOND THE PALE

The Irish/Celtic rock band has quickly become a fan favorite after making its series debut last year. The five-piece, Merrimack Valley-based band plays an array of music, from traditional Irish and contemporary Celtic tunes to classic rock selections and just about everything in between, including some original works. It features a veteran rhythm section of Lawrence native Glenn Arlequeeu on drums and Ken Bechard on electric bass, frontman Sean Buckley as lead singer, powerhouse fiddler Charles Landry and Joe F. Hanley on mandolin.

JULY 15

MYSTIC RIVER BAND

Formed in 2001 by lead guitarist/vocalist Ed Antonelli, the band plays a mix of classic rock, contemporary covers, blues, jazz and original music. Antonelli has been performing since the 1970s and also owns North Andover Music Academy. Jacques Raymond, otherwise known as Cadillac Jack, also shares the vocal responsibilities and plays bass guitar. Drummer Aaron Robertson rounds out the trio.

JULY 22

PEKING & THE MYSTICS

Formed in 1973 by a few Tufts University graduates over lunch at a local Chinese eatery, the a cappella group still features three of those original members together with another two Tufts alumni. Among them are

Andover residents Gene Blake, tenor 2, and Tim Vaill, baritone, a founding member of Tufts' Beelzebubs who helped launch Peking & the Mystics. The quintet's eclectic a cappella repertoire incorporates swing, jazz, doo-wop, and pop music of every decade from the 1890s to the 2000s.

JULY 29

WINDHAM COMMUNITY BAND

Established in 1997, the community band quickly increased from its original eight members to now consist of about 80 musicians of all ages performing in three groups — a concert band, swing band and flute ensemble. Members hail from throughout southern New Hampshire.

AUG. 5

4EverFab

The Beatles tribute band walks listeners down that popular memory lane of songs. For an evening, the audience will reconnect with John, Paul, George and Ringo. Who doesn't like a little "Strawberry Fields Forever" and "Here Comes the Sun" in their summer?

AUG. 12

RICO BARR & THE JUMP 'N' JIVE REVUE

The contemporary and classic swing, jump, blues, Latin and pop and rock band features dance-worthy tunes from the 1950s to the present. The band was nominated as Swing Band of The Year by the National Swing Awards, but its repertoire includes the history of dance music from the jazz and rock decades. It's a perfect finale to what is expected to be one of the strongest concert series yet.

Beyond the Pale to open series to Celtic rock beat

SFAFF REPORTS

A summer tradition that's been a community favorite for more than 50 years returns to The Park downtown next month with the first beats of the annual Concerts in The Park.

This year's series will offer six free concerts on consecutive Wednesday nights starting July 8 through Aug. 12.

And if you want variety, then the Department of Community Services, which organizes the annual concerts, has definitely put together the lineup for you.

The 2015 list of performers features a mix of returning favorites, familiar faces and some new sounds to broaden listeners' musical horizons and appeal to all ages.

Like the Beatles? Check.

How about some Irish/Celtic rock? No problem.

More into the old-time notes of a cappella? The series has got that, too.

The family-friendly concerts go from 6 to 8 p.m., with the acts performing in front of the bandstand in The Park at Chestnut and Bartlet streets.

Organizers suggest packing a bite to eat from home or picking up dinner downtown, bringing along some chairs or a blanket and making a night of it. Both residents and visitors to town are welcome to attend.

To support the series, the Department of Community Services has received sponsorships from Tim Sullivan and AndoverLaw, P.C.; GP Homestay, Andover TV, and Peggy Patenaude, Realtor with William Raveis. More sponsors are being sought as well.

In the event of inclement weather, cancellations will be announced by 2 p.m. on the day of the concert and shows will be rescheduled. Updates can be found on www.



FILE PHOTO

The Concerts in the Park series is always a summertime favorite in Andover. This year's lineup features six free shows on consecutive Wednesday nights.



FILE PHOTO

Friends, left, Louise Ann Bistany, Christine Kattar and Donna Kattar, clap to the music of a past summer concert in The Park. The series draws audience-goers from throughout the area.

AndoverDCS.com or on the and will also be announced by Concerts in The Park series, Andover DCS social media The Townsman. visit www.AndoverDCS.com. sites (Facebook and Twitter) For more information on the

Get your FOURTH on

Andover, region to celebrate in patriotic style

The griddles are being warmed and the pyrotechnics are being readied. The Fourth is upon us.

In Andover, the fun begins Friday, with the town's annual fireworks show at dusk, shot off from Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road. Viewers typically bring lawn chairs or blankets, and plenty of bug repellent.

The celebration continues on Independence Day Saturday with a "family fun" theme that will take over The Park at Chestnut and Bartlet streets, from 8 a.m. to noon.

The Andover Fire Department's Relief Association will once again be assisting the griddles for the organization's popular pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. The cost is \$5 per person.

Children will roll out their tricycles, bicycles and wagons — decorated in patriotic red, white and blue fashion — for

the annual Horribles Parade around downtown starting at 9:30 a.m. Line-up begins at 9 on Bartlet Street.

Children's games will follow in The Park from 10 to 11:30 a.m., with a beanbag toss game, face painting and more on tap.

All throughout the morning, music will fill The Park, first with jazz from 8 to 10 a.m. and then the Middlesex Concert Band taking the spotlight from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

JULY 4: AROUND THE REGION

Still looking for more festivities to enjoy? Here's where to catch some other fireworks shows and events:

NORTH ANDOVER

Fireworks will be held Friday at the North Andover Town Common, with

activities going from 5 to 10 p.m.

On Saturday, the North Andover Fourth of July Road Race kicks off at 8 a.m. at Old Town Hall Center, 800 Massachusetts Ave. There will be three races — a children's Fun Run, a 5K and a 10K, as well as other family activities.

LAWRENCE

The city will celebrate the Fourth of July with a family fun day and fireworks on Friday. Light Up Lawrence, sponsored by the Lawrence Rotary Club, will be held from 2 to 10 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Stadium, 240 Osgood St., with a rain date of Sunday.

Activities include two bounce houses for children from 2 to 6 p.m., crafts and more from 2 to 8 p.m., an antique and classic automobile show from 3 to 7 p.m., patriotic costume contest at 4 p.m. with check-in at 3 p.m., a

Bingo session and domino tournament from 4 to 6 p.m., Battle of the DJs at 4:30 p.m., and dance and theater performances from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Food vendors will be serving from 2 to 10 p.m.

METHUEN

The annual fireworks display will be held on Sunday, with entertainment beginning at 7 p.m. at Riverside Park (note new location). The fireworks show, which is set to music, will start at 9:15 p.m., shot off from a barge in the Merrimack River. The rain date is Monday, July 6.

HAVERHILL

The festival is Friday at Riverside Park behind Trinity Stadium. Festivities begin at 5 p.m., with fireworks starting at 9:15 p.m. Rain date is Monday, July 6. Visitors are invited to bring lawn chairs,



FILE PHOTO

Bring on the fireworks. Andover will hold its annual display Friday at dusk from Andover High School. Several area communities are hosting their own displays this weekend as well.

blankets and picnic food; vendors will sell food as well. No pets, bicycles or alcohol are allowed.

SALEM, N.H.

The celebration begins behind Salem High School, 44 Geremonty Drive, at 5 p.m. on

Saturday. Games and other activities will go from 6 to 8 p.m., with concessions available until 10 p.m. DJ Sean Reardon will be on hand from 6 to 9:30 p.m., when the fireworks are set to begin.

A big assist from No. 2 NHL draft pick

Eichel's kindness proves special moment for Andover twin brothers, friends

BY BILL BURT
SPORTS EDITOR

Jack Eichel, the second overall pick in last week's NHL Draft, is noted for his incredible skill, his ability to see the ice and his ability to get the big assist.

In the case of Andover 10-year-old Luca Beltrandi, the big assist is what mattered most.

Luca needed a pick-me-up this past winter. After a collision with a goalie while playing town hockey for Andover, he found himself at the hospital. After baffling a few doctors, he was found to have suffered nerve damage to his leg.

The prognosis was not good. They didn't know if the recovery period was three months, six months or even longer.

"You never know with that kind of injury," Damian Beltrandi, Luca's dad, said. "It's not like a ligament or a broken bone. You have an idea when that's going to heal and be 100 percent. This is a murky injury."

Now comes the real tough part. His twin brother, Rocco, was on the same hockey team, which was also coached by their dad.

"We were playing in the Mike Eruzione Tournament in Winthrop and Luca was helping me on the bench, which he had done since the injury," the boys' father recalled. "Well, we end up winning the tournament and Rocco flies over the bench to jump on the pile of kids. I start climbing over (the boards) and I look



COURTESY PHOTO

Former Boston University hockey star Jack Eichel, who became the second overall pick in last week's NHL draft, poses with his Andover "posse" after a game this past winter. The group included Luca Beltrandi, Jonathan Lynch, Ryan Wagner, Rocco Beltrandi and Tyler Parker. Eichel met the boys to cheer up 10-year-old Luca Beltrandi, who suffered a leg injury during his youth hockey season. The now Buffalo Sabre draft pick gave Luca his hockey stick from the game.

back at Luca and he's crying. It hit me how hard this has been on him."

Enter Eichel, of Chelmsford, ranked the second best amateur hockey player in the world.

The twins and their father, together with a few of their buddies, had planned to attend a Boston University

hockey game soon after the tournament to watch Eichel play. The fact that Eichel had played youth hockey in the area and was probably the best player in college hockey piqued their interest.

What Luca didn't know was that his father called the secretary of BU coach Mike Quinn to see if a meeting

could be set up with Eichel and Luca after the game.

They went to the game, which BU won, and then dad quietly shuttled the twins and their friends unknowingly along to meet Eichel just outside the locker room.

"Well, that's what we thought, that it would be a quick 'hi' and 'goodbye,'"

Damian Beltrandi said. "But Jack comes out and spends about 10 minutes talking to Luca, taking pictures and signing autographs."

But then came the best part. Eichel went back to the locker room and brought Luca the stick he used in the game.

"Luca was speechless," his father said. "It was one of those

real expensive sticks, that cost about \$400. He couldn't believe it. Luca was a like a rock star with his friends and brother there. I can't explain how special that was.

"Come on, it's Jack Eichel," he said. "If he had just said 'hi' and posed for pictures, that would've been nice. But he took the time to talk to Luca and the boys, and then the stick ..."

That stick — now even more significant since it was once used by the second pick in the 2015 NHL Draft — is by Luca's bed, about 2 feet away from where he sleeps. Luca basically guards it when he's around it.

Luca, by the way, was able to return to the town team the last week of the season, still not 100 percent, but close enough.

"It was a goal to get back and he did," Damian Beltrandi said. "And that last game he one-timed a goal on a pass from his brother. Honestly, it couldn't have ended any better."

The Beltrandis are big Bruins fans and Luca's favorite player has been Milan Lucic, who saw himself traded to the Los Angeles Kings just hours before the draft.

But now that the Buffalo Sabres selected Eichel in last week's draft, dad headed to the mall in search of Luca's new Eichel/Sabres jersey.

"I know (Eichel) probably didn't think it was a big deal, but we did," Damian Beltrandi said. "He really helped my son when he needed it. We will forever be grateful."

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Tiki tot fun

Luau Day limbo to open 2015 Preschool Park Events

Everybody loves a luau and young boys and girls are no exception. So the Andover Department of Community Services staff is pulling out its leis and limbo poles for a Hawaiian-themed morning to launch its summer 2015 Preschool Park Events next week.

The four-week series for ages 1 to 6 plays out on consecutive Thursday mornings starting July 9 through 30 in The Park at Chestnut and

Bartlet streets. Each event goes from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Janice Coppolino, the town's recreation coordinator, says the series is always popular among the town's littlest residents and there's plenty of reasons why.

For Luau Day next Thursday, July 9, youngsters will have the chance to try their luck at the limbo, practice their Hawaiian dance moves, play some games and enjoy some arts and

crafts projects.

The fun continues July 16 with the popular Fire Engine Day featuring a visit from the local firefighters and Smokey the Bear.

Truck Day follows on July 23 with an array of Andover police and public works vehicles, a demonstration by the Essex County Sheriff's Department K-9 Division and McGruff the Crime Dog.

Then, for the season finale on July 30, boys and girls

will settle in for a Teddy Bear Picnic complete with a Teddy Bear Parade.

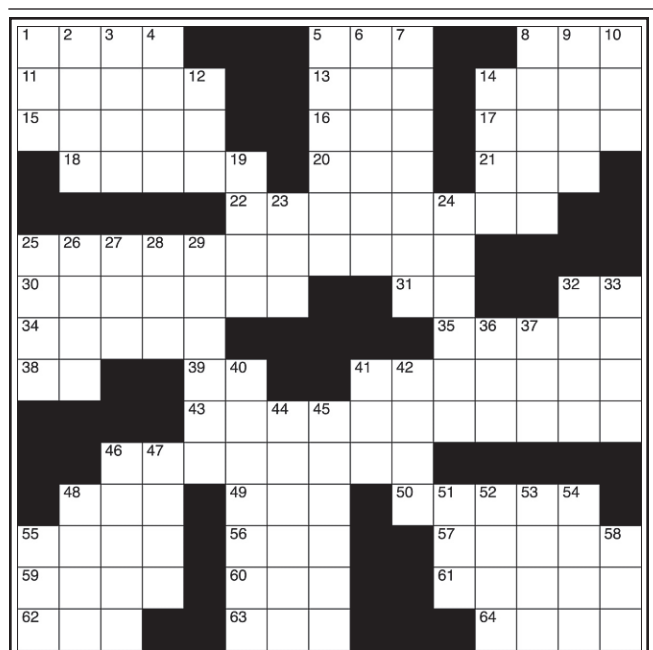
The cost for each outing is \$5 per child in advance, \$7 on event day at The Park. Advance registration is encouraged, but not required. In case of rain, the events will be rescheduled to the following Friday.

To sign up or for more information, call the DCS office at 978-623-8274 or visit www.AndoverDCS.com.



FILE PHOTO

Twin sisters Maddie, left, and Catie Gorecki, 3, of Andover, enjoy a snack after taking part in last year's Luau Day in The Park. The summer series for preschoolers once again begins with a Hawaiian theme July 9.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Swedish rock group
5. Founder of Babism
8. 2 stripe Army rank (abbr.)
11. Of Salian Franks
13. Indicates near
14. Swiss river
15. Golden pothos
16. Runs PCs
17. E. Tunisian seaport
18. Cyprinid fishes
20. Genus Ulmus
21. Stitched garment border
22. Takes in as a part
25. Pierre is the capital
30. Brush upward
31. Moby's author's initials
32. Belgian franc
34. Mongolian capital Ulan ___

CLUES DOWN

1. Singing
2. Spoken in the Dali region of Yunnan
3. Worthless drivell
4. Aboriginal race of Japan
5. Adorn
6. Greek god of light
7. Atomic #83
8. Eating houses
9. Baby buggy
10. Supervillain Luther
12. Hansom
14. Tennis champion Arthur
19. Flank
23. Sleep
24. Richly patterned weave
25. Hoagies
26. Moonfish
27. University of Santo Tomas
28. Duo indicates

Solution in Classified Section

35. Computer code for letters & numbers
38. Initials of Watson's detective
39. Spanish be
41. Jauntier
43. Cormoran Strike's 2nd novel
46. Wasted material
48. Bleat sound
49. Excess body weight
50. Oral polio vaccine
55. Rigs
56. Drawingstring
57. Baltic flat-bottomed boat (alt. sp.)
59. Double curve
60. Point midway between NE and E
61. Mackerel shark genus
62. Used to be United ___
63. Animal nest
64. Abba __, Israeli politician

29. Regarding this point
32. Stand for coffin
33. Not yielding
36. Point midway between S and SW
37. Data executive
40. Changed gears
41. ___ Sauer: Weapons co.
42. Brews
44. ___ May, actress
45. Shiny cotton textile
46. Cavalry-sword
47. Bullfighting maneuver
48. Shopping containers
51. "Puppy Bowl" network listing
52. Hillside
53. Metrical foot
54. Dog in Peter Pan
55. Romaine lettuce
58. Irish Sea Isle

7/2/15

And the award goes to ...

Middle-schoolers win state theater prize

Two local middle-schoolers garnered the equivalent of the Tony Award for student theater last month for their supporting roles in the Andover High School Drama Guild's fall musical, "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang."

Zoe Saum, who is going into the seventh grade, and Somin Virmani, who is going into the sixth grade, won the coveted Best Specialty Ensemble Award from the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild. The award was presented before a sold-out crowd at Emerson College's Cutler Majestic Theater in Boston.

The MET Musical Awards is an educational program sponsored by Broadway in Boston that recognizes outstanding performance and production values in high and middle school theater arts productions in the commonwealth during the course of the theater season.

While Saum and Virmani are both in middle school, they auditioned for the roles of siblings Jeremy



COURTESY PHOTO

Somin Virmani, left, and Zoe Saum pose for a photo in Cutler Majestic Theater at Emerson College in Boston during last month's Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild Awards. The Andover middle-schoolers were honored before a sold-out crowd for their roles as Jeremy and Jemima Potts in Andover High School Drama Guild's fall musical "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang."

and Jemima Potts in the Andover High production since the parts called for younger performers.

They joined the cast of more than 40 students for

Andover High's rendition of the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical adaptation of the 1968 film starring Dick Van Dyke. The show, under the direction of Andover High theater arts coordinator Susan Choquette, was staged last November.

The winners of the MET Musical Awards are chosen by theater veterans who

serve as traveling judges and take in school musicals throughout the year and select the nominees in various award categories, including performance, design and production.

Virmani is the son of Aashu and Sonia Virmani and Saum is the daughter of Eric and Erica Saum.

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Green groups push state to bag plastic bags

By CHRISTIAN M. WADE
CNHI State Reporter

By-products of a trip to the market and convenience store, plastic bags get a bad rap from environmentalists as wasteful consumables that litter oceans, parks and beaches and take hundreds of years to break down.

Voters in at least 14 cities and towns in Massachusetts — including Newburyport, Manchester and Marblehead — have banned the bags or restricted their use.

Others are considering limits — including lawmakers on Beacon Hill who are pushing for a statewide ban. Several bills seek to phase out plastic bags. If approved, Massachusetts would become the second state, behind California, to prohibit their use.

“The time has come for a statewide ban, which would put all communities on a level playing field,” Sen. Jamie Eldridge, D-Acton,

told a legislative committee last week. “Plastic bags are everywhere, and they do not decompose. They are getting into our oceans, rivers and streams.”

Legislation filed by Rep. Lori Ehrlich, D-Marblehead, phases out single-use bags by July 1, 2017 and allows retailers to charge a 10-cent fee for biodegradable and reusable bags, as well as recycled paper bags.

Ehrlich worked with officials in her hometown to ban plastic bags and has tried unsuccessfully in recent years for a statewide ban. The problem is not just environmental but economic, she said, because plastic bags drive up waste disposal costs for local governments.

“They’re clogging storm sewers, and they’re causing houses to flood,” she added. “It’s not just marine life.”

But a bag ban is largely opposed by retail groups, who call it unnecessary and costly.

Jon Hurst, president

of the Retailers Association of Massachusetts, said most consumers respond to environmental concerns by switching to the reusable bags sold by most supermarkets. As for plastic bags, he said, many people reuse them as trash can liners or to clean up after their pets.

“Bags wouldn’t be there if consumers didn’t want them,” he said. “A ban is not the way to deal with it.”

Surprisingly, some supermarket industry groups say they are willing — albeit grudgingly — to accept statewide restrictions since they would provide some clarity and uniformity.

“Right now, we have a patchwork of local regulations, which tends to be confusing to consumers and creates obvious competition issues,” said Chris Flynn, president of the Massachusetts Food Association. “But we understand the concern, and we’re willing to work with the Legislature on a long-term solution.”



FILE PHOTO

Plastic bags have been banned in Marblehead, Newburyport and some other communities. Now, lawmakers are considering a statewide ban.

Flynn said many of the state’s largest grocers — including Stop & Shop and Market Basket — are working with the state Department of Environmental Protection to reduce plastic

bag usage. Their efforts include accepting used plastic bags and bottles from customers.

Several major U.S. cities — including New York, Denver and Los Angeles — charge fees for plastic bags.

Last year, California became the first state to ban plastic bags. But its law, set to go in effect next month, was put on hold when an industry group, American Progressive Bag Alliance, filed a petition with more than 800,000 signatures to put the question to voters next year.

Meanwhile, some lawmakers there are seeking to repeal the ban.

Other states are sticking by their bags. In Georgia, lawmakers in March approved a ban on bag bans, effectively preventing communities from regulating “auxiliary containers,” which include bags, takeout packages and throwaway

bags. Arizona lawmakers in May passed a similar ban on bag bans.

Americans throw away an estimated 100 billion plastic bags a year, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, which says the average bag takes up to 1,000 years to break down.

Most bags are used an average of 12 minutes.

Environmental groups say plastic bags create mountains of trash, which becomes difficult to recycle.

“There’s a lot of plastic products in our lives that would be difficult to replace, but plastic bags are not one of them,” said Emily Norton, executive director of the Massachusetts chapter of the Sierra Club. “It’s a 12-minute convenience that lasts forever.”

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■ BUSINESS BRIEF CASE

Bernardin promoted to resident life director at Brooksby Village

Melanie Bernardin of Andover has been promoted to director of resident life at Brooksby Village in Peabody.

In her new role, she will manage several departments, including community resources, trips, fitness/wellness, pastoral, TV/AV, philanthropy, visiting nurse services, home support services, outpatient rehab and social work at Brooksby Village.

Bernardin first joined Brooksby Village in 2007 as a senior social work manager. Previously, she worked in various hospitals and outpatient medical settings.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia College in Minnesota and a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Hawaii, Manoa. The married mother of two lives in town.

Brooksby Village is one of 18 continuing care retirement communities developed and managed by Erickson Living. The Peabody campus is home to more than 1,700 residents.

Realtor Carpenito recognized with Top Producer awards

Ron Carpenito of Andover, a local Realtor for more than 10 years, was recognized as one of the top producers and real estate industry leaders in town and the surrounding area by the Northeast Association of Realtors and Keller Williams Realty, National.

Carpenito was honored in the Bronze Top Producer category. He received the individual 2014 Volume Top Producer Award from both the Northeast Association and Keller Williams National. He was also presented the Top ALC Member Award by the Keller Williams board of directors. The awards are based

on the number of transactions closed and the level of dollar volume sold in 2014.

The Annual Breakfast Awards Ceremony was held at the Chateau Restaurant in Andover and the Northeast Association of Realtors 2015 Annual Recognition Gala took place at Andover Country Club.

Carpenito has been on the Keller Williams Andover board of directors since 2007 and is one of 115 real estate agents in the local office. He previously won Best Partner and Focus awards from Keller Williams. To contact him, call 978-494-0346 or visit www.PrimePropertyTeam.com.

Shareholder, board member appointments at Wright-Pierce

Wright-Pierce, an award-winning, multidisciplinary engineering consulting firm serving the Northeast, has announced some recent appointments.

Jon W. Hume, project manager for the Wright-Pierce office based in Andover, was elected as a new shareholder at the firm’s annual board of directors meeting.



Jon W. Hume

Hume has nearly 20 years of experience in the planning, engineering design, startup and construction administration of water and wastewater treatment facility projects, including recent ones in Leominster and Middleborough.

Christopher N. Pierce, PE, a senior project manager in the company’s wastewater group, was appointed to the board of directors also at the annual meeting. He has more than 25 years of experience in the evaluation, design and construction of wastewater engineering

projects and is a member of the New England Water Environment Association, Water Environment Federation and New York Water Environment Association.

Pierce replaces William E. Brown on the board. Brown served as president and CEO of Wright-Pierce from 2002 until 2014, when John W. Braccio, PE, took over the leadership position.

In addition, Michael A. Stein, PE, has recently joined the firm’s wastewater practice group as a senior project manager.

Stein has nearly 30 years of experience as a wastewater and utility infrastructure engineer, serving as project manager for municipal wastewater collection and treatment projects throughout New England. He previously worked for communities throughout Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine.

Founded in 1947, the employee-owned Wright-Pierce, which focuses on water, wastewater and infrastructure engineering, has been named one of Engineering News Record’s “Top 500” design firms in the country for six consecutive years. The firm has a staff of more than 200 engineers and support professionals in seven offices, including one in Andover.

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Contract OK'd for interim superintendent

By **SONYA VARTABEDIAN**
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Base salary for Berman set at \$206K

With a contract in place, Sheldon Berman will begin his one-year commitment to Andover as its interim superintendent on Monday, July 6.

The School Committee last week unanimously approved a contract with Berman, outgoing superintendent of the Eugene School District in Eugene, Ore. He will take over leadership of Andover schools following the retirement of Superintendent Marinel McGrath on July 17.

Berman will overlap with McGrath for almost two weeks as the superintendent designee, before fully assuming the role on July 18.

The School Committee reached an agreement with Berman that falls in line with the value of McGrath's compensation package, committee members said before taking their vote.

"One of the overarching

premises in negotiating with Dr. Berman was that any compensation package, the overall salary and benefits, not exceed the current superintendent's contract," said committee member Paula Colby-Clements, who served with Vice Chairman Joel Blumstein on the subcommittee that negotiated the pact.

The total value of Berman's compensation will essentially mirror McGrath's contract, members said.

Berman will be paid a base annual salary of \$206,000 — \$1,981 less than McGrath's salary this fiscal year.

Because Berman is foregoing disability insurance currently paid to McGrath at a cost of \$8,000, the School Committee agreed to his request for a moving allowance, which was set at \$10,000. His base salary was reduced \$2,000 from McGrath's to compensate for

the remainder of the added expense.

Colby-Clements said Berman was "very amenable" to working within the confines of McGrath's contract.

"He was a pleasure to work with," she said, adding that Berman understands the intention is for him "to be here and present and help us in this transitional year."

Berman did request the committee cover the nominal cost of membership in an additional professional organization than McGrath has been involved with. Colby-Clements said that membership fee was less than \$100 and could potentially be free since Berman will be considered a retiree.

In addition, Berman, who has a 98-year-old father, requested five bereavement days in the event they should be needed in the year ahead.

The contract does not include a performance evaluation clause. Blumstein said that given Berman will serve a one-year, interim position, an evaluation did not seem necessary. He added the committee could always opt to conduct one if it chooses.

Chairman Annie Gilbert noted that both Berman and the other finalist for the job, Paul Ash, retiring superintendent for the Lexington public schools, were making higher salaries than McGrath before applying for the Andover job. But she said the School Committee was committed to not only staying within the value of McGrath's current contract, but consistent with Andover's overall approach with existing contracts.

For example, she said, the committee did not consider providing a car allowance.



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Sheldon Berman

Such allowances are not standard practice in town.

School Committee members cited the 66-year-old Berman's strong communication skills, experience in special education and ability to foster collaboration throughout the educational community in Andover as deciding factors in choosing him to fill the interim superintendent's role. He will be charged with

carrying the district forward while the search for a permanent superintendent continues.

The Andover job brings Berman back to Massachusetts after he spent the last several years working as a superintendent in Kentucky and then Oregon.

He served 14 years as superintendent of the Hudson, Mass., public schools before heading west.

While Berman's family still owns a home in Hudson, Gilbert said last week that he was investigating housing options in Andover and is making plans for his youngest son to attend Andover High School in the fall for his senior year. Berman also has two older sons.

"He is extremely excited to begin his work here, and we feel very fortunate to have such a talented and experienced educator joining us next month," Gilbert wrote in a letter to the school community.

Happy trails to you ...

Shawsheen School's chorus sings its final notes

In one of their final assignments before the end of the school year — and the end of Shawsheen Elementary as a primary school, almost 50 first- and second-graders lent their voices to the chorus for a performance at Atria Marland Place.

Building on the theme of "community" for Shawsheen's final year, the Children's Choir at the school demonstrated how to be involved in their community by performing for the residents of the assisted-living facility on Stevens Street.

Under the direction of music specialist Lori Smolinski, the chorus offered a bit of a stroll down memory lane for the crowd.

The students performed such popular throwbacks as "Shortnin' Bread," "Edelweiss" and "The Happy Wanderer." They showed off a little bit of their dance moves with a rendition of the "Charleston" and offered a "Tribute to the Armed Services" medley as well.

Smolinski orchestrated the program, and even contributed some accordion music for a polka, too. Katie Simko, the middle school chorus director for Andover, provided accompaniment on keys.

The chorus held weekly rehearsals on Thursday mornings in preparation for the program.

"I think this concert was important for our students to show them the true meaning of performing in a choir; to bring joy to others through song," Smolinski said in an email.

The finale featured Dale Evans' "Happy Trails," from the popular bygone TV program, "The Roy Rogers Show."

"The choir sang it as a farewell to their school to remind them to always look at the bright side, no matter what paths they take," Smolinski said.

All that practice paid off, as the students enjoyed widespread praise from the residents, who clapped along to the music. Mary Mazza, Engage Life director for Atria Marland Place, thanked the choir on behalf of the residents and staff, who delivered a rousing round of applause in gratitude.



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Members of Shawsheen School Children's Choir show off their best Charleston moves during a rendition of the song at Atria Marland Place.



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Will Desmarais, front, and Brynn McMillan perform the "Happy Trails" finale.



KRISTEN WALSH/Courtesy photo

Shawsheen Children's Choir caps off its concert with Dale Evans' "Happy Trails," intended as a farewell to their school.

A lesson in supply economics

Sanborn students gift leftover materials to classrooms in need

The start of the school year in Andover brings with it new markers, crayons, pencils and pens. By the hundreds.

Families send their students off to class with book bags full of supplies outlined on their classroom checklists.

All year long, the notebooks, dry erasers, highlighters and scissors get put to use on class assignments and projects.

Fast-forward to June and a pile of slightly used school supplies — and even some items that didn't get used — are returned to students to take home.

Last year, Carina Schusterman, the mother of three Sanborn Elementary School students, had an idea. Why not collect up the unwanted leftovers and donate them to schools that could really use them?

"Most of the parents already have crayons, markers and pencils at home and don't really have a need for more," Schusterman wrote in an email. "Some of them even throw them away."

She spread the word and last year, Sanborn's first- through fifth-graders put together a large box of supplies that was donated to a grateful teacher in the Lawrence Public School system.

The initial drive was so successful, Schusterman repeated it this year — to even greater results. She collected 1,600 colored markers, 1,525 whole crayons, hundreds of colored and lead pencils and more.

Last week, she was still working out the beneficiaries for the donated supplies, saying this year teachers from not only Lawrence, but also from Haverhill had expressed interest in receiving some of the items.

She hopes to inspire other schools in Andover to offer similar collections next year.

"There is a big need in other towns for school supplies," she said, adding it's a great way for Andover to help make a tangible difference for students elsewhere.



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Thousands of leftover pencils, crayons, markers and more are being donated by Sanborn Elementary to area classrooms in need.

DONATION CHECKLIST

Here's what Sanborn Elementary collected in its end-of-year school supply drive:

- 1,600 colored markers
- 1,525 crayons (whole pieces only)
- 1,035 colored pencils
- 180 No. 2 pencils
- 67 rubber erasers
- 65 dry erase markers
- 58 glue sticks (almost full)
- 50 highlighters
- 32 pens
- 26 Sharpies
- 24 dry board erasers
- 13 rulers
- 8 sharpeners
- 8 scissors

West Middle student honored as advanced learner

Ethan Coyle, a student at West Middle School, was recognized for academic excellence recently at a regional award ceremony for advanced young learners sponsored by the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth in Baltimore.

Coyle, a participant in the center's Talent Search, was lauded for his exceptional performance on an above-grade-level test

given to academically talented second- through eighth-graders.

CTY aims to identify academic talent in the world's brightest kindergarten through grade 12 learners and supports their growth with accredited summer, online and family programs, services and resources, according to a release.

As part of the CTY Talent Search, students take

above-grade-level tests that evaluate their academics and reveal gaps in their education programs. Seventh- and eighth-graders take the SAT or ACT — the same tests used for college admissions. They along with second- through sixth-graders can also take the School and College Ability Test or the Spatial Test Battery, which measures spatial ability.

Coyle was one of more than 33,000 students from 60-plus countries who participated in the CTY Talent Search over the past year. Only about 30 percent earned an invitation to a CTY Awards Ceremony, where they were individually honored. Most students honored also qualified for CTY's summer courses and online classes.



A bridge to success for Eagle Scout

Woodbridge Cemetery project scores top award

STAFF REPORTS

Thanks to Jeffrey Page, those buried in a tiny historic graveyard that sat almost hidden from view in a residential neighborhood in town gained some attention last fall.

Now, Page is gaining some attention and praise in return.

Page, who led the construction of a footbridge to provide access to Woodbridge Cemetery on Douglass Lane for his Eagle Scout project, was honored by the National Eagle Scout Association as the recipient of the Yankee Clipper Council Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Project of the Year award.

A member of Boy Scout Troop 73 in Andover, Page keyed in on the graveyard, which sat across the street from his home on Douglass Lane as the focus of his Eagle Scout service

project. His goal was to open up the graveyard, which had become overgrown, to visitors again.

Working with a team of Scouts and other volunteers, he removed part of a fence, cleared brush and created a new trail route to access the cemetery. Finally, a 22-foot arched footbridge was constructed to create safe access over a culvert. The bridge was built in stages and then moved and assembled on site.

Adopted by the town in 2002, the burial ground was created in the late 18th century as the original resting place of direct descendants of the Rev. John Woodbridge, the first minister in Andover, as well as the Jenkins family.

According to the theories of Charlotte Lyons, the historian at South Church in Andover, some 17 people are believed to have once been buried there, including Revolutionary War veteran Col. Benjamin Jenkins. Today,

nine remain, including three Jenkins children.

"My family had gotten the history of the cemetery when we originally moved in," Page told The Townsman last fall. "I found it really interesting and we see people coming through all the time."

"They were wondering how to get back there though, because they didn't want to walk through someone's yard or go around into that big overgrown mess that used to be the path to get into the cemetery."

The project took more than 400 hours to complete and was chosen out of 189 Eagle projects for the annual award.

Established in 2009, the award recognizes valuable service of an exceptional nature by a Scout for his leadership during his Eagle project.

Page, who will be a senior in the fall at Lawrence Academy in Groton, is the son of Phillip and Carolyn Page.



TIM LIMA/Staff file photo

Jeffrey Page, 16, stands at the edge of the footbridge to the historic Woodbridge Cemetery. He built the bridge for his Eagle Scout project to improve access to the neighborhood graveyard for visitors.



Jeffrey Page, right, receives the Yankee Clipper Council Glenn A. and Melina W. Adams National Eagle Scout Project of the Year award from National Eagle Scout representatives Gordon Forrest and Steve Burrill.

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DCS SUPERSTARS: PRESCHOOL CHEERLEADERS

Editor's Note: The Townsman this summer is teaming with the town's Department of Community Services to spotlight its Superstars of the Week. We will be publishing each week's superstars together with their photos throughout the summer.

The Preschool Cheerleaders get the nod as the summer's first Department of Community Services' Superstars of the Week. The Department of Community Services opted to recognize the entire group of young cheerleaders who participated in last week's program taught by instructor Ashley Baldwin.

Baldwin said she could not pick just one superstar from her enthusiastic, cheerful and eager group of 3- to 5-year-olds for the honor.

This year's cheerleading group included seven Andover residents and one youngster from Reading who got a primer in the fundamentals of the sport. Throughout the week, the girls learned motions, cheers, dance steps and basic tumbling moves before staging a culminating performance for their families last Friday morning.

The cheerleading Superstars include Sara Damon, Julia Black, Addison Murray, Noor Berty, Alyson Gordon, Lily Zacher, Chloe Almeida and Anastasia Kosiavelon.

For a video and more photographs of this week's DCS cheerleader Superstars, visit www.AndoverDCS.com.



PHOTO BY JANICE COPPOLINO

The DCS Superstar preschool cheerleaders are, front row, from left, Alyson Gordon, Lily Zacher, Chloe Almeida and Anastasia Kosiavelon and, back row, from left, Sara Damon, Julia Black, Addison Murray and Noor Berty.

GOVERNOR'S ACADEMY HONOR ROLL

The following Andover students were named to the second semester honor roll at The Governor's Academy in Byfield:

HIGH HONORS

Grade 9: Rohan Chaturvedi
Grade 10: Jackson Curran, Alexander Eliassen, Matthew Galvin, Courtney Pierre, Heather Skinnier
Grade 11: Mark Gimbel, Cassidy Poole
Grade 12: Mackenzie Gray

HONORS

Grade 9: Lauren Kramer
Grade 11: Liam McDonough
Grade 12: Lucas Glancy

AUSTIN PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPRING HONOR ROLL

The following local students were named to the third-quarter honor roll at Austin Preparatory School in Reading:

DISTINCTION

Meghan Bodette, Logan Bravo, William Hamilton, Eric Kim, Sana Nadkarni, Sofia Saltamartini, Patrick Szekely, Casey Williams

HONORS

Caroline Benson, Maria Bernal, Hyunjae Cho, Emily Cross, Peter Giangrande, Alexander Gorman, Niamh Green, Alexis Horan, Arianna Karafilidis, Andrew Kazmer, Ryan McDonough, Irina Noonan, Mercedes Pare, Maggie Pelletier, Luke Poirier, Nicole Poirier, Olivia Raza, Stephen Reddy, Shiyu Wu

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Sports

Title take 2: Chenard, Webster team for state individual doubles championship

By DAVID WILLIS
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Just when it seemed the Andover High girls tennis season couldn't be any more perfect, seniors Laurie-Maude Chenard and Paige Webster delivered an unbeatable finish.

The doubles pair overcame an early deficit to claim the Massachusetts state individual doubles championship two weekends ago.

"It was really just amazing," Webster said. "We were nervous, but we had worked so hard and it felt like our time. We were ready to win the title."

The duo battled Wachusett Regional High School in Holden to a 2-6, 6-1, 6-0 victory, Andover's first state doubles title since Rikki Sartor and Kristina Black secured the title in 2007.

"It was just a matter of being more consistent and putting more into their shots," coach Alan Hibino

said. "The more their confidence went up, Wachusett's went down. Like it's been all year, by the third set, they're unbeatable."

The individual title came just days after Chenard and Webster helped the Golden Warriors take home their second straight Division 1 state team title, finishing a perfect season.

"It was so spectacular to end our careers on such a high note," Chenard said. "We had just won states as a team for the second straight season, and we just wanted to keep the momentum going. Winning individual states was the icing on the cake. I couldn't be more happy with the way the season went."

This was the first season Chenard and Webster competed together for the Golden Warriors, but the pairing was a long time coming.

"We had been playing together in the off-season for years," said Webster,

who played singles for two seasons before teaming with Pooja Mukund last spring. "So we already knew each other on the court."

"Early in the season, it still felt kind of new. But as the season went on, we grew closer and the chemistry grew. I knew where she would be on the court and she could read me. It was like we could read each other's minds."

Chenard and Webster cruised through the regular season undefeated as the Warriors' primary No. 1 doubles team, and continued that dominance right into the postseason, including a 6-3, 6-1 victory in the team state title victory over Shrewsbury.

The two gained even more confidence in the state individual semifinals, rolling over Minnechaug Regional High School in Wilbraham, 6-0, 6-0.

But the finals would not be so simple, as Wachusett took the first set 2-6.

"We definitely got off to a slow start," Webster said. "But we could not dwell on the negative. If the shot wasn't going where we wanted, we just had to focus on the next one and play our game."

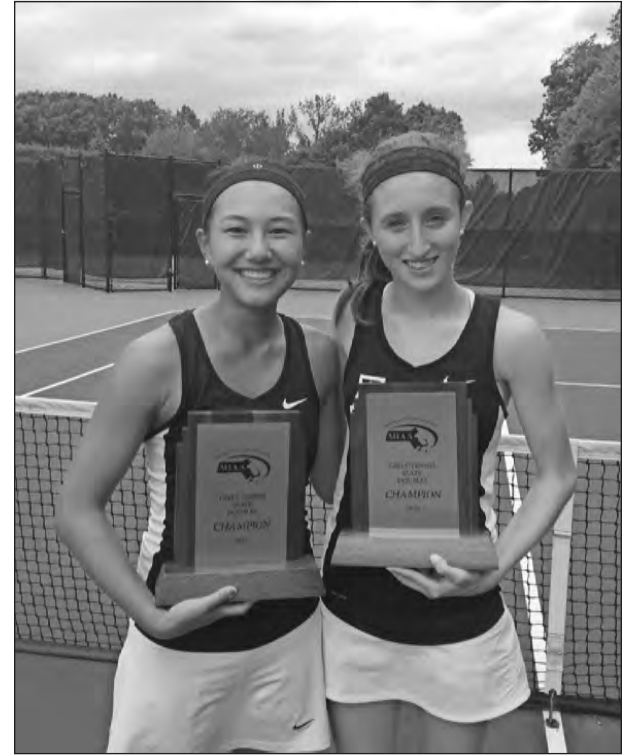
"Once we became more positive, it made all the difference, and we turned it around."

The two regained their dominant form in set No. 2 with a 6-1 victory, then closed it out 6-0 in the third and decisive set.

"We did have a rough start," the Georgetown University-bound Chenard said. "But we fought through it. It was our positivity and our ability to communicate that helped us turn it around. We did a complete 180 and finished it off."

Webster was happy to play alongside Chenard, who has excelled in pressure-packed situations, including the clinching

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The Andover High twosome of Laurie-Maude Chenard, left, and Paige Webster pose for a photo after capturing the Massachusetts individual state doubles title to cap off two incredible years of play before heading off to college in the fall.

OPPENHEIM'S PGA DREAM WITHIN REACH

Andover native wins on Web.com tour, on track for 2016 card

By HECTOR LONGO
Staff Writer

After six full seasons — 129 starts — out here at golf's Triple-A level, the Web.com Tour, Andover's Rob Oppenheim finally had the putt he's dreamed about for probably 30 years.

An 8-footer for par to win the Air Capital Classic. Splash.

Oppenheim, now 35, drained the putt of his life for the title last weekend, claimed the \$108,000 first-place prize, and took a huge jump up the Web.com Tour money leaders to No. 13. The top 25 at season's end earn PGA Tour player's cards for 2016.

"You get to 35 years old and you never know if you're going to get the chance to win out here," he said on Sunday. "It's something I've worked so hard at for so long."

Oppenheim, who was tied for ninth, six shots off the lead when the final round began, finished with a closing 6-under-par 64 to win the event by one shot. The key — other

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Andover native Rob Oppenheim shot 64 on Sunday to win the Air Capital Classic in Kansas and land closer to his dream of a PGA Tour card.



KELLY GLASSCOCK/The Wichita Eagle

Rob Oppenheim hits the biggest shot of his life out of the rough on Sunday to lock down the Air Capital Classic victory with a par on the 18th.



Andover's Rob Oppenheim poses with his "Propeller" trophy for winning the Air Capital Classic on the Web.com Tour on Sunday. At 35, the former Andover High golfer is on target to make the 2016 PGA tour.

Local sports roundup

Warrior Track Club stars at Nationals

TRACK

The Andover High track team, running under the name Andover Warrior Track Club, made quite a name for itself at the New Balance Nationals.

The Warriors captured first in the 4x200 emerging elite relay with a 1:28.70, and its 4x110 shuttle hurdles team placed second in a New England record time of 58.31, bettering the foursome's own previous mark of 59.17 set last month.

"We were killing it down there," coach Peter Comeau said.

The 4x200 team of Jeremy Travaglini, Andrew Lucia, Ray Gorzela and Hamza Naveed handily beat runner-up 5-Star (1:29.18) and came close to the school record of 1:28.23. Lucia, a sophomore, ran well as a replacement for usual member Sean Caveney, who was preparing for hurdles competition.

The members of the shuttle hurdle unit were Andrew Matteucci, sophomore Justin Mantrana, Caveney and Sebastian Silveira.

The Warriors took eighth overall in the 800 meter sprint medley relay, finishing in 1:33.05. Caveney competed in the 400 meter hurdles and took 21st overall with a 55.47 clocking.

LEGION BASEBALL

Woods pitches a gem

Andover Legion Post 8 got its second straight strong pitching performance last Wednesday, June 24, defeating Lynn Post 6 7-2 to remain unbeaten (then 6-0).

This time it was Matt Woods who was effective on the mound, going the distance for the win, allowing just three hits and a walk while striking out six. He retired the first nine batters and the last eight of the game, surrendering two of the three hits and

both runs in the fourth.

Matt Hosman led the offense, going four-for-four and scoring three runs, while Alex Brickman and Tim Kalantzakos each had two hits and two RBIs. Brian Cavanaugh also chipped in with a pair of hits.

Middle infielders Mike Calabro and Gabe Hernandez were outstanding defensively for Andover.

Earlier in the season, it was Daniel Amidon who was unhittable, striking out a stunning 15 batters in six no-hit innings as the Legion downed Swampscott 5-1 on June 18.

"He was lights out," Post 8 coach Joe Iarrobino said.

Amidon, a recent Andover High graduate, could have gone for the no-hitter, but was relieved after six innings.

Matt Hosman led the Post 8 offense in that game, going two for two, with a run and an RBI and Alex Brickman had two hits and two RBIs. Evan

Christopoulos gave up an inside-park homer in the seventh, but fanned two batters.

On June 19, Matt Hosman was four-for-four with a double, four RBIs and three runs and pitched a perfect inning of relief to help Andover roll over Beverly 9-0. Tim Kalantzakos added two hits and three RBIs and pitched two no-hit innings of relief and Cedric Gillette was the winning pitcher, allowing one hit in four innings. Mike Calabro added three hits, two runs and an RBI for the winners.

On June 12, Andover Legion recorded another shut-out against Saugus, 9-0. Daniel Amidon was the story again with 11 strikeouts in 4.1 innings of no-hit ball. He helped his cause, too, with three hits. Matt Woods was similarly dominant, fanning four Saugus batters in 1.2



CHUCK MARTIN/MileSplitMass courtesy photo

Relay ace Hamza Naveed finished off his high school career in style, leading the 4x200 relay team to victory in the emerging elite division of the recent New Balance Nationals.

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than playing a bogey-free 18 holes — was a closing eagle on the par-5 14th hole.

He finished at 67-67-69-64 — 267, -13 for the tournament, which was held in Wichita, Kan.

“A bogey-free 64 on Sunday, you can’t ask for much better,” he said. “Best finish I’ve ever had.”

Oppenheim had 10 previous top-10 finishes on the Web.com Tour, but had never once finished in the top three spots. His best finish this season was a tie for 16th, back in mid-May.

The former Andover High great and standout at Rollins College in Florida has taken the hard, long route in meandering through a sea of mini-tours before landing spots on the Canadian Tour and then the Web.com Tour.

He was twice on the cusp of making the PGA Tour through Q-School,

only to come up just short.

And now, the ultimate prize of a PGA Tour card looks to be in reach. The top 25 on the money leaders during the regular Web.com season automatically get their cards for 2016.

“That’s the ultimate goal here, and I think maybe this wraps it up,” he said.

There are eight events remaining in the regular season. Oppenheim will now need to protect his position in 13th overall and attempt to stay in the top 25 to earn his card. As long as he continues to make cuts — he’s played 13 events this year and made the cut 11 times — and cash checks, Oppenheim is in great shape to achieve the PGA dream.

He will also advance to the new September round of championship play-offs, where a mix of PGA Tour players (needing to re-qualify) and Web.com players in the top 75 will compete for 25 more spots for 2016.



Andover High's No. 1 doubles team of Laurie-Maude Chenard, left, and Paige Webster were simply unstoppable to the end this season. After helping the Golden Warriors to the team state title, the duo went on to capture the Massachusetts individual doubles title.
TIM JEAN/Staff Photo

TENNIS

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match of the 2014 state title.

“I love playing with her,” said Webster, who will play tennis at Union College in New York. “We are super close off the court, too. We are very good friends. She has played with four different partners in four years, and always seems to be able

to bring out the best in her partner. She is super calm and awesome on the court.”

While both partners noted it was bittersweet that their high school careers were over, they agreed it could not have ended in more perfect fashion.

“It really was a dream,” Webster said. “Winning the (team) title felt the same as last year, but also very different.

“Once we all did it, we kind of thought, ‘Oh my God, we went undefeated two straight years and we are champions again. Then to take the individual title made it even a little better.’”

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innings. Mike Calabro ripped three hits and Brian Cavanaugh and James Hill added two apiece.

GIRLS HOOPS FOR HOPE

Webber, Casey red hot

Junior-to-be Jillian Webber scored a team-high 20 points as Andover edged Bishop Fenwick 44-43 last Wednesday, June 24, in Hoops for Hope action.

BOYS HOOPS FOR HOPE

O’Connell leads the way

Ryan O’Connell scored 14 points as Andover defeated Pelham 63-60 in Hoops for Hope action last Thursday, June 25.

E.J. Perry IV scored 28 points

as Andover rolled past Nashua South on Thursday, June 18.

Despite 22 points from Brandon Witten, the Golden Warriors fell to Westford 61-58 on the same night.

COMMUNITY SCOREBOARD

Local lacrosse All-American tapped for 2015 National Classic

Spencer Jenkins of Andover, who will be a senior at St. John’s Preparatory School in Danvers in the fall, has been named a 2015 Brine National High School All-America lacrosse athlete.

The distinction means Jenkins is representing the New England Region at the 2015 Brine National Lacrosse Classic at the River City Sportsplex in Virginia this week.

The Brine National Lacrosse Classic brings the top high school lacrosse players in the nation to one venue, where regional teams compete for national recognition in front of NCAA lacrosse coaches.

Jenkins is the son of Susan and Charles Jenkins of Andover.

Casha earns WPI varsity swimming, diving award

Nysa Casha of Andover was one of 29 student-athletes to earn a major award at Worcester Polytechnic Institute’s annual Athletics Banquet this spring.

The WPI Athletic Department honored all of its 20 varsity teams, encompassing nearly 600 student-athletes, at its annual awards banquet.

Casha received the Ray Cherenzia ‘73 Award for women’s swimming and diving. The award is presented to a member of each varsity team who exemplifies the spirit of an “Unsung Hero” by working hard every day, putting their team first over their personal goals, yet are vital to their team’s success in competition, in the classroom and in the community.

Have some sports news to share? Send it to townsman@andovertownsmen.com.

Andover Gold takes 14U Quad Town season



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The Andover Gold 14U Softball team won the regular season Quad Town League title with a 9-2 record. Quad Town is a 12-team spring travel league involving teams from Andover, North Andover, Haverhill and Lawrence. Andover Gold players included, front row, from left, Sam Biederwolf, Alexis Horan and Allison DeAngelis, and, back row, from left, Grace Wright, Caroline Condon, Katie Lemons, Ally Keenan, Sydney Bergan, Anna Zdunczyk and Scarlett Gillette. Missing from the photo are Sara Beth Boese, Katy Clancy and Anneliese Ziegenbein. For more information on Andover Softball spring, summer and winter programs, visit www.andovergirlssoftball.org.

So long, Miami; Hello, Ann Arbor
Andover’s Doherty now Michigan football recruiting coordinator

BY MIKE MULDOON
Staff Writer

Editor’s Note: Matt Doherty of Andover left the University of Miami in balmy Coral Gables, Fla., where he was the football team’s director of player personnel, for a promotion and a job at another football superpower, the University of Michigan. Mike Muldoon, sports writer for our sister paper, The Eagle-Tribune, interviewed him earlier this year on the heels of his decision.

Why, one wonders, would a 29-year-old like Matt Doherty want to leave Miami to become recruiting coordinator for Michigan?

It seems, however, that he went seeking the job.

“I went to Miami. That was my dream job,” Doherty said. “Cut me open and I bleed Orange and Green. It was just an opportunity to branch out ... bigger and better things. It was the right move at the right time. It was a chance to work for a coach (new Wolverines coach Jim Harbaugh) who has accomplished so much at both levels (first with Stanford, then with the NFL’s 49ers).

“I just couldn’t turn it down. So I’m willing to brave the elements!”

Doherty brings a history of recruiting success from “The U” and extensive ties to the ultra-fertile Florida high school football programs.

“We’re really building the recruiting department from the ground up,” said Doherty, whose brother, Tripp, is an administrative

assistant with the Harvard basketball program, and whose sister, Caitlin, was a three-time Eagle-Tribune MVP swimmer at Andover High.

“It’s daunting and exciting,” he said. “We’re building the blueprint position by position from the ground up. Then identifying those players.”

The lifeblood of any college program is recruiting. Alabama’s Nick Saban might be brilliant, Ohio State’s Urban Meyer might be brilliant, but ultimately they win because they have the talent.

So it’s Doherty’s job to insure the Maize and Blue have similar talent to the Crimson Tide and the reviled Buckeyes.

Putting together that Maize and Blue-print for recruiting success is a major undertaking.

Laying the foundation

“The hours are pretty extensive when you are trying to implement a new philosophy,” Doherty said. “It’s a new program, a new way of thinking. It’s 6:45 every morning to 8 to 9 every night. I’m not saying it will be like that all the time, but it is when you lay the foundation.”

It’s a long road from Andover to Ann Arbor, but it’s been a particularly unusual trip for Doherty, who was a swimmer and water polo player at St. John’s Prep in Danvers, but didn’t play football.

“I sort of beat the odds,” he admitted. “I identified this is



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Matt Doherty of Andover is a football coach for the University of Michigan.

what I want to do, on the personnel side of the game, as a sophomore in high school. Even in grade school, I was obsessed with the NFL draft. I’d sit there and watch for 12 hours. Everyone, my dad included, would say, ‘I can’t believe he’s still watching.’”

So heading to Miami for his college education seemed a perfect move, but his plan to volunteer with the Hurricanes football program never materialized.

“Miami was killing people,” Doherty said. “I didn’t apply to any other school. I wanted to go to a great school and be around a great football program.”

But he said with head coach Larry Coker, “I got the runaround,” and then his replacement, Randy Shannon, was “not big on

volunteers at all.”

The dream didn’t die after graduating. Young Florida International head coach Mario Cristobal, who is now the offensive line coach at Alabama, gave him a job as a volunteer recruiting assistant.

Patriot pressure cooker

Then he got a dream position, which turned out to be part dream and part nightmare.

He got an internship with the hometown New England Patriots.

“I was hired as a training camp scouting intern,” said Doherty, whose family owns Doherty Insurance in Andover. “I got my information to Bill O’Brien (an Andover native who was a Pats assistant and is now head coach of the Texans). He got it to the right people.”

Working for the Bill Belichick’s Patriots is a challenge, as he soon found out.

The tasks varied from endless hours of breaking down tape of collegians and NFL players to picking up players at the airport.

He even had perhaps the toughest job in football. He was “the Turk.” That’s the guy who tells players they’ve been cut.

He said working with the Patriots in 2009-10 “was like getting a Ph.D. in football.”

But getting the Ph.D. at Patriot U. may have been more grueling than getting one in astrophysics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

“I wasn’t sure if it was for me,” he said. “It was 6 a.m. to

10 p.m. seven days a week. It was pretty arduous.”

Then Doherty interned as an athletic events coordinator at Merrimack College in North Andover, but it became apparent football was in his blood.

His detailed proposal to new Miami coach Al Golden “on why he needed a personnel guy” quickly gained attention. He was hired at his alma mater, where he worked for four years.

“I’ll always be an Al Golden guy,” Doherty said. “This was just a great situation and I couldn’t say no to it.”

Now, with the maniacally driven Harbaugh on board, the Wolverines are aiming to dethrone the Buckeyes and Crimson Tides of the world.

“This is Michigan, the winningest program in college history,” Doherty said. “We should be able to compete with whoever. With this coach and this staff, I think you’ll see a truly special caliber of student-athlete brought here.”

And how do you get those special student-athletes?

“The stuff from 20 to 30 years ago doesn’t work anymore,” he said. “You have to understand whatever social media each recruit can be reached through. That’s the primary means of communication, even more than the phone call. For 16- to 17-year-olds, the phone is sort of a foreign concept.

“To communicate with them on their level is huge. It’s all about relationship building.”

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CHILD CARE ATTENTION CAREGIVERS! If you are a PCA, CNA, Nurse or offer personal care services please go to the business and service directory and check out the category for Adult Care. Your services are needed!

DRIVERS CLASS A CDL DRIVER Dependable Dump/Trailer driver wanted North Shore Area. Experience in moving heavy equipment. Some knowledge of paving helpful. Call 978-356-0637 Email bhpaving@verizon.net

DRIVER Come join the leading supplier of fresh and frozen seafood. We're looking for the right individual to deliver our products. Candidates must have a safe driving record and a strong willingness to grow within our company. Seafood experience a plus. EOE Please send resume to or apply in person Ipswich Shellfish Company 8 Hayward St. Ipswich, MA 01938 email: dpulisifer@ipswichshellfish.com

GENERAL HELP WANTED

Counter Help / Cafe / Market Chrissi's Cafe/Ipswich Shellfish Fish Market is an upscale cafe & fish market in Ipswich, MA offering healthy food and great work environment. We are currently seeking an individual to work (Tues. thru Sat) doing customer service/counter help. We offer great benefits to all full time employees, including health, dental and life insurance, 401k, paid vacation time, etc. Candidate needs to be energetic, well groomed, and reliable with great customer service skills. If you love food and want to be part of a dynamic organization, stop by and fill out an application or send your resume via email to: Natasha@ipswichshellfish.com No phone calls please. Equal Opportunity Employer

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY LEADER South Essex Sewerage District 50 Fort Avenue, Salem, MA seeks qualified applicants for the position of Environmental Health and Safety Leader. To obtain the application information and submit the requirements package for this position, contact Anita Runne' at 978-744-4550 ext. 158. Submittal deadline is July 23, 2015. EOE

First Run Exp. ROUNDS COOK Long term. Nights. Inquire within 10am-3pm Butch's Uptown 63 Locke St, Haverhill MA

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Warehouse Associates

F/T. Must be dependable; high school diploma or GED required; various warehouse duties. Apply in person: CARPARTS 95A Plaistow Rd., Plaistow NH 03865

ADMINISTRATIVE

First Run

AUTO TECHNICIAN - Exp., with own tools Family owned business. We offer benefits and a good work environment. Call Chuck, 603-235-2369

PARISH SECRETARY, Bradford MA

F/T position (36.5 hours), includes benefits. FAX: 978-374-3043. No phone calls please hroche@sacredheartparish.com

JOB WANTED

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Newburyport Podiatric Medical Office seeking

Medical Assistant

Knowledge of eclirical works preferred but not required.

Please fax resumes to 978-465-0450 or email: james@newburyportpodiatrist.com

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LIVING ASSISTANCE SERVICES

10 YEARS OF QUALITY HOME CARE! CNA's, HHA's, PCA's Competitive pay, health insurance, weekend pay differential and mileage. Join a great team! Call today 978-462-6161

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Opportunity Works Inc.

in Newburyport and Haverhill are growing and we want to add you to our family. Opportunity Works, Inc. provides services to adults with developmental disabilities. We have the following positions

- Program Manager Newburyport
- Behavior Associate Haverhill
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- Development Specialist Haverhill
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- Janitor Part Time Newburyport
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SALES

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Part-Time Hours, Full-Time Pay!

Salern NH Call Center - Morning & Afternoon Hrs Average employee earns \$12 - \$25 /hr. Training provided, great job for students, mothers & others. We are open year round! Call Kevin @ 508.364.9228

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This is a FREE service!

Simply create your profile by phone or online and, for the next 180-days, our professionals will match your profile to employers who are hiring right now!

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Call the automated phone profiling system or use our convenient Online form today so our professionals can get started matching you with employers that are hiring - NOW!

Choose from one of the following positions to enter your information:

Electrician Carpenter Plumber: Pipefitter & Steamfitter HVAC & Refrigeration Mason

TRADES/INDUSTRIAL

EXPERIENCED PAINTER & TOUCH UP Punch List person needed. Must have own transportation. Please call Mike 508-509-8278

First Run

PROGRESSIVE ROOFING, INC.

is looking for experienced commercial Roofers & Laborers To join our team. Stop by 261 River Street, Haverhill, MA to fill out an application.

SERVICE TECHNICIAN

Come work with the largest commercial truck tire dealer on the East Coast. Valid drivers license required, previous experience a plus but willing to train. Pre employment drug screen required. Competitive wage and top benefit package. Medical, prescription, dental, vision, Life, 401K, PTO, uniforms & more. Signing bonus for experienced Service Technicians.

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ANTIQUA OAK BUREAU WITH MIRROR Beautiful antique bureau with original mirror.....asking \$300.00 please call 978 587-3242

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CEMETERY LOTS

CEMETERY LOT - PURITAN LAWN This is a 2-person cemetery lot in lovely Section V. It retails for \$3950. Yours for \$3500. Call Lucy at (617) 794-2971

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FIREARMS

BRRRI TONAS FIREWOOD (128 c.f.) 2 Seasoned Firewood available. Cut, split. Free local delivery. Fuel Assistance accepted. 603-679-9211

FIREWOOD FOR SALE

ADS in this category If the ad shows a price it must show it by cu. ft. Half a cord is 64 cu. ft. and a cord is 128 cu. ft.

Cut & Split Firewood half cord \$147.00 and 3 cords (128 cu. ft) \$295 each cord. FIRM Call (978) 469-0988 (Haverhill)

FREE ITEMS

FREE HP Printer for Mac or Windows AC adapter, CD from software, good condition Call Mike 978-376-5170 Newburyport close to downtown

16MM FILM EDITING EQUIPMENT Hollywood re-winds with short and long spindles. Minette viewer, two-gang sync block with mag reader, 4 ten-inch reels, 1 split reel, B&W leader. (603) 772-7267 (speak slowly, hard of hearing)

FUEL

ATTENTION FUEL CONSUMERS:

All ads in this classification run in our 10 paper "Classified Connection" that covers the North Shore, Merrimack Valley and Southern New Hampshire.

Ads appearing in this section may or may not deliver to this entire market. Prices may reflect a "Local" delivery area only and may be higher for an extended delivery area.

FURNITURE

First Run

BRUNO CHAIR LIFTS Easy to ride electric chairs 1 lifts up 7 stairs, 1 lifts up 8 stairs. 300lb. capacity. Used 2 years. \$400/ea or \$700/both. Treadmill, Pro-Form T25, \$150. 978-332-3642

COFFEE TABLE, Elegant Rosewood in very good condition for sale, size is 48" x48" -15" high manufacturer is Richardson asking \$250 978-388-4088

Couch All Leather Burgundy (3 seat) with nail head decoration, 80" long, removable cushions very good condition \$200 Call (978) 390-0839

KITCHEN CABINETS All Solid Wood, cinnamon maple glaze! Never installed. Can add or subtract to fit kitchen. Cost \$7,227. Sell \$2,200 603-512-2808

MOVING SALE - HIGH END FURNITURE at Very Low Prices:

6pc king size Bernhard bedroom set, beautiful Bernhard 3 pc sectional Sofa & End Tables was \$6000 new, like brand new selling @ \$800!, china cabinet, coffee table, office furniture, lateral files, 2 executive desks with returns, leather sofa & chair, gorgeous 3 pc. entertainment unit, outdoor furniture, garden tools. 978-887-7416

TABLES for Living Room/Sun Room

Like new quality built wood and rattan. MUST SEE! Coffee table size-48L x 28D x 18H \$139 Side table size-26L x 20D x 26H \$99 Call 978-463-0793

2 RECLINERS- excellent condition -\$100 for the pair 978-821-6029

GARAGE SALE

LAWRENCE - Sat. July 4th, 8am-4pm. 89 Oak St. Furniture, clothing, more

HEALTH & BEAUTY

First Run

BOWFLEX TREAD CLIMBER PC5000 Hardly used. Paid \$2,499, sacrifice \$995. Call 978-358-7332

CLASSIFIED MARKETPLACE

HEALTH & BEAUTY

First Run

MOBILITY SCOOTER - used 6 months, Royal Blue 4 wheeler new battery & charger. Weight capacity 275 lbs \$550 or best offer. Call (978) 768-3578

HEAVY EQUIPMENT

Bob Cat for Sale, November 1988 Model 642B. Decent condition, will run but needs work. Runs on gas fuel and needs a carburetor for more information or to make an appointment to look at the machine, please call Jim Carmine at 978-815-6567. Best offer accepted. Send sealed offer via US Mail to: North Andover Housing Authority One Moreski Way, North Andover, MA 01845 Sealed offers must be received by July 18, 2015

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

AIR CONDITIONERS (2) Sharp Portable Units. white, 33"x18"x19", 11,500 BTUs, 1 yr old. \$350. And black 32" x15"x18" 2 yrs old 10,000 BTUs \$300. Call 978-821-8668, W. Newbury

First Run

ELECTROLUX CANNISTER VACUUM with all the attachments, like new \$175 978-914-3528

First Run

Moving SALE

FURNITURE 5 piece white wicker patio set: settee, chair, 2 tables and plant stand \$125.00 and 3 wood bar stools, \$10.00 each.

First Run

HOOPER VAC New still in box \$60. BISTRO PATIO SET, 3pc wrought iron/brown wicker \$40. 2 BAR STOOLS chrome/black leather saddle seats, adj hgt \$65 ea. Vinyl BUREAU, 4 lrg drawers 22x24x15, \$20. (978) 536-2821

LOUNGE Chair Recliner Leather, good shape \$75 Grandfather Clock Westminster Chimes \$75 Air Hockey Game \$100. (978) 685-7236

First Run

MOVING: BATTERY CHARGER 12v \$60. ROOMBA Robot Vac \$100. Sterling SILVERWARE \$100. KINDLE Fire \$50. LUMINARY \$40. Williams Sonoma SS POTS / PANS \$400. HUTCH \$100. Call 978-208-8300

First Run

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Whirlpool Cabrio Washer & Whirlpool gas Dryer, white excellent condition 3 1/2 yrs old paid \$1500 asking \$800 for the set 978-474-1944

First Run

MOVING - QUICK SALE!

Kitchen, Living Room & Dining Room furniture. ALL MUST GO! Salem N.H. 603-893-4203

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Newfoundland/ Pyrenees Pup, has shots, mature to 100 pounds, socialized, 9 weeks old, past pups have been used for therapy too \$500 603-778-9988

First Run

PUREBRED POMERANIAN PUPPIES 2 males born 24 March 2015. Vet checked, shots, parents on site. Now available. \$575.00. Please call 978-463-0710 leave message.

MISC ITEMS WANTED

ANTIQUES

Furniture, glass, china, silver, jewelry, clocks. WILLIAM GRAHAM, 420 Water St., Haverhill 978 374-8031, cell 978-835-2042

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NAME YOUR PRICE - Most Countries, Rev War through Vietnam. Call Peter (781) 631-1718

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AKC Registered, Health Certificates. Parents on premise. Great family companions, very entertaining. Ready for new families, 6/23, \$800 Call (603) 446-4310

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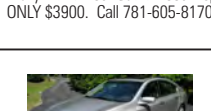
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Warmer	Partly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Partly sunny	Mostly sunny	Showers and t-storms
High: 80° Low: 57°	High: 77° Low: 55°	High: 82° Low: 60°	High: 82° Low: 60°	High: 83° Low: 59°	High: 82° Low: 63°	High: 81° Low: 62°

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- 122 Andover St.: Phyllis A. Jardine to Michael and Corin P. Comtois, \$350,000
- 84 Argilla Road: Steven W. and Julie C. Previte to Alyson L. and John M. Dubzinski, \$575,000
- 16 Balmoral St., Unit 309: John W. Flood to Gail and Kristyn L. Melanson, \$335,000
- 16 Balmoral St., Unit 310: Layne Leah Cargill RET and Layne L. Cargill to Gregory F. Ventura, \$183,000
- 20 Bobby Jones Drive, Unit 20: Traub RT and Craig D. Traub to James G. and Elizabeth Angelakis, \$830,000
- 66 Central St.: Ralph K. and Susan K. Carlton to Erickson Cakir FT and Selcuk C. Cakir, \$1,700,000
- 7 Homestead Circle: Joseph and Beth A. Benson to Steven W. and Julie C. Previte, \$760,000
- 437 North Main St., Unit E: Jaime C. Quinn to Charles F. Hunt, \$212,000
- 238 South Main St.: Michael J. Sullivan to Yeechin K. and Michael D. Harvey, \$745,000
- 358 Salem St.: Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. to Roger Bourk and Anita Santos, \$630,000
- 32 Stirling St.: Jinmei Yu to Robert A. and Amy D. Pratt, \$860,000
- 4 Tally Ho Lane: Rising Tides LLC to Christopher L. and Catherine S. Fuller, \$716,500
- 16 Balmoral St., Unit 312: Hebron Homes Inc. to John W. Flood, \$165,000
- 5 Downing St.: Carmelina G. Hennessy to Robert A. and Lesley D. Scully, \$460,000
- 6 Fulton Road: Fulton Road NT and Diane L. Gwynne to Joshua and Allison Osgood, \$560,000
- 28 Karlton Circle: Ruth E. White to Matthew and Rebecca Rogers, \$665,999
- 14 Korinthian Way: Marilyn M. Lane to Robert and Leah Klein, \$615,000
- 1 Launching Road: Robert E. and Freya R. Winters to RMC Holdings LLC, \$246,000
- 39 Martingale Lane, Unit 39: Lu-Ann V. Harris to Beatriz D. Schinness, \$595,000
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