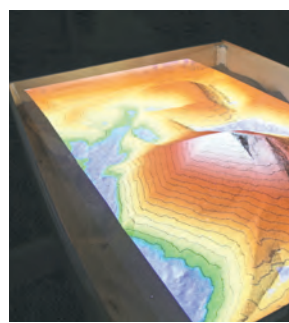




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## Pfizer seeks tax break for jobs

By TERRY DATE  
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Maker of Viagra, Advil on verge of \$200 million Burt Road expansion

hundreds (100-200) of additional people," said Mary O'Donoghue, chairwoman of the Board of Selectmen. "Even if 10 or 15 of them end up living in Andover, there are economic benefits of employees. "You are talking about See PFIZER, Page 3

Tax breaks could pave the way for a \$200 million building project and lead to hundreds of new jobs at Pfizer, an international biopharmaceutical company with local roots.

Incentives for the Burt Road firm's expansion would emerge in a proposed Tax-Increment Financing (tax-cut) plan. Its details are being hammered out between the town and the company and would be placed in a warrant article to be decided in May at Town Meeting.

This would be the town's second TIF created in recent years, the first accommodating Schneider Electric's North American headquarters and a research and development lab in 2014. The Schneider project brought

hundreds of jobs to town. The Pfizer project would boost employment, too, adding to its more than 1,000 current employees.

## Work and play on snow days



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

A large tree was uprooted by the heavy wet snow and fell onto a pickup truck and blocked North Main Street in Andover during the first major snowstorm of the season last Friday. See page 5 for more coverage of the storms.

## Meagher gets \$183K in attorney fees

By GABRIELLA CRUZ  
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A Massachusetts U.S. District Court judge ruled last month that Jen Meagher, an Andover High School English teacher who won a successful lawsuit against the school district for violating her civil rights, be awarded roughly \$183,000 in attorney fees.



Jen Meagher

Meagher was terminated by the Andover School Department in late June 2012 for "conduct unbecoming a teacher" after she urged colleagues not to cooperate with the high school's re-accreditation process through emails sent from a personal computer at home.

The Massachusetts Department of Labor Relations determined that Meagher was unjustly terminated and that her First Amendment right to free speech had been violated. The town of Andover, as ordered by the hearing officer, reinstated Meagher's

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## Proper preparation prevents poor plowing performance

By TERRY DATE  
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The general approach to the main attraction, an impending snowstorm, is always the same, and the setting remains constant — Andover, in all its many-sided splendor.

But the script changes from storm to storm depending on the forecast and how the weather and conditions play out.

It comes down to planning and execution, says Marc Fournier, Andover's superintendent of highways. He was in the Town Yard's main office before Monday's

snowfall. For this week's storm, on Monday, Feb. 8, like for others, the department got ready by talking with its forecasting consultants, one of which is Precision Weather Forecast. They predicted six to 10 inches of snow. DPW brought in 15 crew

members to the yard, on Lewis Street, at 5 a.m., two hours earlier than their regular 7 a.m. start.

They loaded dump trucks with rock salt, which is sprayed with calcium chloride from a tank mounted above

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## Monday's snowfall calls for scenic, wintry outings

By TERRY DATE  
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Monday's powdery blanket laid the groundwork for family fun in The Park.

Two Andover mother and son pairs celebrated the snow: Annemarie and Sean McCormick cross-country skiing; and Paula and Matthew Dennett playing with their dogs, the noble Cyrus and pesky Merlin.

The storm's cancellations made the skiing possible for the McCormicks. Mom had the day off from her job with the Tewksbury school system

and her son had the day off from his studies at Suffolk University.

The McCormicks circled the gazebo, strode and slid over a trail matted down by earlier cross-country skiers and, in spots, blazed their own path through the fluffy landscape.

Minutes earlier, at the Chestnut Street end of The Park, Paula and Matthew Dennett hopped around in the calf-deep snow as their two family dogs ran, jumped and rolled. Fine grains of



TERRY DATE STAFF PHOTO

Son and mom Sean and Annmarie McCormick went cross-country skiing in The Park on Monday. Both had the day off and found fun in the snow.

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## Media Center study money - on the way? State says it has released the \$200K; town still waiting

By GABRIELLA CRUZ  
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After a seven-month game of cat-and-mouse between Andover and the state over funding for a study of a proposed high school media center, it appears the mouse may have finally been caught.



State Sen. Barbara L'Italien, D-Andover,

according to school officials, \$200,000 is on its way to town from the state to pay for a study that will determine

how much it would cost and what it would take to convert the Andover High School library into a media center.

The media center concept has become popular in schools as a place for students to collaborate on projects and make use of modern technology in their studies. While the idea isn't to completely replace the stacks of books used by generations of high school students as part of their education, the media center would presumably complement traditional learning and likely enhance it.

What looks good on paper, however, doesn't necessarily

translate to bricks and mortar.

**Long, winding road**

In fact, the original proposal for both a study and construction of the media center, floated at last year's Town Meeting for \$1.95 million, was shot down by voters by a narrow, 6-vote margin. Ironically, the plan received the majority of votes from Town Meeting, but the six nay votes left it six votes shy of the two-thirds vote it needed for a spending proposal.

Shortly after the defeat at the May Town Meeting, Sen. Barbara L'Italien, D-Andover, who had recently come into her Statehouse job after

leaving her post on the School Committee, put in a budget rider for \$200,000 to fund a study of the media center.

Thinking it would be welcomed with open arms, L'Italien was taken aback when she learned that several town officials were critical of what they saw as an end-run around the will of Town Meeting.

Whether town officials wanted it or not, the \$200,000, along with \$35,000 for the high school baseball diamond that was attached to it, became victims to Gov. Charlie Baker's veto pen, when he announced

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DPW crews get ready to clear roads on Monday morning before the latest snowstorm hits. The general approach to snow removal and de-icing is the same but the script changes depending on how storms play out.



DPW's Highway Superintendent Marc Fournier stands by a new shed with salt and sand mix free to residents. The shed keeps the mix out of the elements.



TERRY DATE STAFF PHOTOS

DPW crews hang plows on trucks as the department gets ready to clear roads on Monday morning before the latest snowstorm hits. The general approach to snow removal and de-icing is the same but the script changes depending on how storms play out.

## PLOWING

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the sander, enabling the salt to melt ice at lower temperatures. The trucks rolled out to spread their magic potion on roads and around water grates.

The trucks then returned and reloaded with salt at the yard's two salt sheds out back, each of which holds about 1,500 tons of salt. (DPW no longer uses salt and sand mix, just salt, reducing the mess on the roadway.)

Workers will spread about 500 tons of salt on the town's 200 miles of roads during this storm. At least that is what the expectation was. Amounts change depending on how the storm unfolds.

By the way, there is always a small shed of sand and salt for home use. Residents are welcome to help themselves. Years past the mix was heaped on the ground, exposed to the rain and snow. Fournier had the shed built new for this season.

It's open 24/7 but it's best not to come in the hours leading up to the storm

when the yard is a beehive of activity.

At 8 a.m., in the back garage, mechanics were drilling holes in one of the new plows, adding bolts to the ends where they have discovered the 11-foot blade needs more support.

This is a rubber covered carbide blade with multi-sections that allow it to adjust to the shape of the road.

"Basically, it's a scraper blade for slush," says mechanic David Van Dooren.

At 9 a.m., the convoy of 14 trucks pulled in and out of the garage where mechanics bolted on plow blades and the drivers exited with their newly mounted orange

snowplows.

"It's like a little dance," says Fournier.

It was a late arriving storm in this late arriving winter. Forecasters had it arriving hours earlier than its 10:30 a.m. start

At 12:30 p.m., with almost an inch of snow on the ground, DPW had four road rangers deployed in four zones in town.

The rangers, DPW employees in 3/4-ton pickup trucks, check road conditions and report them to Fournier and foreman Stephen Surette. Fournier and Surette will hit the road after the plowing starts to take over the ranger

responsibilities.

Andover is notorious for having different conditions in town during the same storm, Fournier said, so it is important to see what those conditions are on the ground before determining the response.

"Sometimes it snows in western Andover and in the part of town we call The Forest, (the south) which is near Harold Parker, it might be raining," Fournier said. "It'll be snowing everywhere today."

After two inches fall, the town calls in its contractors to help with the snow removal, that's about 200 trucks.

Fournier expected a lot of his crew members would working through the night, clearing the entrances to town buildings and schools, sidewalks, parking lots, and downtown.

They were to treat the cleared roads with salt and, in the morning, push back snow drifts.

The storm creates its own expectant atmosphere among the town crews. It has everyone on their toes, they are keyed in and ready to pull long hours and get the job done.

"There is camaraderie, teamwork and they all know they have to pitch in," Fournier said.

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Son and mom Sean and Annmarie McCormick cross-country skiing in The Park on Monday. Both had the day off and found fun in the snow.

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snow lifted from the ground like smoke.

Cyrus, an affable and docile golden retriever, buried his face in the snow and chewed at his paws to remove the snow. Merlin, a poodle/beagle mix, ran in circles and hopped on Cyrus's back.

Paula Dennett said she wished Cyrus would at least throw an occasional growl Merlin's way to keep him in line but the golden retriever is far too good-natured to chastise his little buddy.

Matthew is a junior at Andover High School, and has been documenting the family fun in the snow with photographs as well as taking pictures of the light reflecting off the snow.

Nearby, many of the passing vehicles on Chestnut Street were trucks with plows scraping over the icy pavement.

Winter fun and winter snow removal have finally lurched into seasonal mode in February, another late blooming winter, but without the umphh of last year's big-time storms.

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## MEAGHER

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employment and compensated her for lost wages.

Meagher also filed a federal civil suit seeking additional damages from the Andover Public Schools for abridging her right to free speech. The judge in the civil case agreed with the Massachusetts Department of Labor Relations and ordered the Andover Public Schools to further compensate Meagher.

In September of last year, the School Committee voted to authorize a negotiated settlement of \$100,000 to Meagher. The settlement was paid by the town's insurance carrier and did not affect town or school operating budgets, according to school officials.

Superintendent Sheldon Berman said the town's insurance policy covers legal fees.

Following the settlement negotiations, the court was left with the issue of reasonable attorney's fees. Mark Stern, Meagher's attorney, asked the court to award attorney fees and costs of just under \$505,000.

For half of the time spent working on Meagher's case, Stern submitted an hourly rate of \$800 and for the other half of his work, \$400 per hour. Stern explained that the higher hourly rate was for work done that required a higher level of knowledge and experience. The lower hourly rate was for work done that a lower-level

lawyer or paralegal could have completed.

According to the presiding judge, the time records Stern submitted for his work on Meagher's case were not justified. The judge said that "Mr. Stern had very frequent communications with his client. While there is no question that some communication is appropriate, this virtual daily contact should not be paid for by the defendants."

She went on to say that "a review of the time records indicates that the time could have been spent more efficiently," and that "the docket indicates a great deal of repetitive work."

For these reasons, the judge ruled that Meagher be awarded a little over one-third of her attorney's original request.

Stern, however, believed his submissions were justified and that the presiding judge did not rule fairly.

"(The ruling) was neither fair nor did it comply with many of the U.S. Supreme Court requirements for a judge," Stern said. "(The judge) violated the Supreme Court mandate in five different places, but these are not things you're likely to successfully appeal. In this case, (the judge) ignored five mandates of the U.S. Supreme Court and did what one would describe as 'rough justice.'"

Jen Meagher did not return phone calls seeking comment and her attorney said she most likely would not comment.

## BREAK-IN

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and entering in the daytime with a person in fear and malicious destruction of property valued over \$250.

The young girl who called described the subject as a male wearing all black.

Detectives are investigating whether Castro can be linked to a rash of housebreaks that have plagued West Andover the last couple of years. So far, no link has been made,

according to Andover police spokesman Charles Heseltine. "They are still reviewing all the cases for similarities," he said.

Avalon Andover is a 115-unit Chapter 40B affordable housing complex. Under the Chapter 40B law, such developments must provide at least 10 percent of the units - in this case it would be 11 or 12 - as affordable under federal housing standards.

## PFIZER

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people trading and people coming into town on a daily basis."

O'Donoghue is one of several town officials — among them the director of planning, the assessor, a representative from the Finance Committee — who have been meeting with Pfizer since the late fall to hash out the plan's details.

The details center on what Pfizer is proposing, what the proposal would do for the town and what the company wants in incentives.

Town Manager Andrew Flanagan's role is in the negotiations are growing as they approach the critical stage.

The general consensus is to move ahead with the TIF, he said.

A TIF agreement gives a company property tax exemptions based on its increased value for up to 20 years. TIFs are designed to create jobs, provide higher property values and improve economic development.

Already selectmen have placed an article on the town warrant to establish the TIF. It's a bare bones proposal now but will be fleshed out

**PFIZER FACT SHEETS**

**Local impact:**

- 1,300 employees at Burt Road facility
- 400 live in the Merrimack Valley
- 100 live in Andover
- In last five years, Pfizer has hosted 50 interns and coop students
- Hosts 10 Andover special education students three days a week in Learn to Work program.
- Over 25 years, hosted 50 Andover and Lawrence fifth graders for Bacteria Around You program.
- Tutors 22 Lawrence High students in chemistry one day a week.
- The site donated \$50,000 to local charities between 2014-15.
- Employees donated \$1 million, matched by \$600,000 by the the company.

**International profile:**

- Corporate HQ: NYC
- Listed on the New York Stock Exchange as PFE - opening stock price Monday: \$28.68
- Major brands: Advil, Nexium, Robitussin, Centrum, Chapstick, Viagra and many others.
- 2014 revenue: \$49 billion
- Number of employees: 78,000 (2013)

with particulars in the coming weeks and months so long as the two sides agree to the contents.

"We are always looking to promote economic development, however, it has to make financial sense to the town, and those are the considerations we are currently (working on)," Flanagan said.

Recently, Flanagan and Andover planning, inspection, conservation and

health officials visited Pfizer to learn more about the location and plans for the expansion.

Pfizer is located in Ballardvale near Interstate 93.

The pharmaceutical company is considering two other locations for expansion, one in Grange Castle, Ireland, the other in Chesterfield, Missouri.

Their choice is expected to hinge on a variety of factors.

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cuts due to ongoing budget imbalances left over from former Gov. Deval Patrick.

Those vetoes were promptly overridden, leaving many in town to believe, wrongly, it turned out, that overrides trump vetoes.

Then the waiting game started.

Paul Szymanski, the school district's superintendent of finance and administration, contacted the state in August and requested that the funding be given to the town no later than Sept. 15 in order for the town to award a contract to the design firm to begin the study.

By the end of October, the money still had not come.

### Local reaction

The School Committee made an assumption, again, wrongly, that the money would never come and voted to increase its capital improvements plan (CIP) request to \$1.95 million, which included \$200,000 for the study, the rest for construction.

But then Town Manager Andrew Flanagan stepped in. He recommended the project be put off until fiscal year 2018, and he cut the money out of the town budget.

So in early December, the committee adjusted its request back to \$200,000, anticipating that the town would have to fund the study. The committee planned to follow the town manager's recommendation and put off the media center renovations until the following fiscal year.

The study saga may have finally come to an end, though. On Jan. 13, Szymanski told the School Committee that he received an email from the state saying the \$200,000 for Andover had been released. Once the state received the necessary account information to transfer the money to, Szymanski said, the town would finally see the study funding.

"I would expect probably within the next week, that's my assumption, we will have that deposited to be used expressly for the design phase of the library media center," Szymanski said during the committee's Jan. 13 meeting.

### Still no money

As of February, however, the money had not yet made its way to Andover. During

the committee's Feb. 4 meeting, chairwoman Annie Gilbert asked Szymanski how certain he was that the money was actually coming this time.

"There was nothing to indicate that there was any further discussion on where the governor might be trying to balance the budget," Szymanski said to Gilbert. "It was, 'Send us this information and we will make arrangements to send it ASAP.'"

Szymanski and the committee remain confident that the

money will arrive. According to Superintendent Sheldon Berman, Flanagan has been in contact with Sen. L'Italien, who has also confirmed that the funds she added to the budget seven months ago will be on their way to Andover soon.

Until then, a warrant article for the media center will remain on the Town Meeting agenda just in case the state money never comes.

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OBITUARIES

## Herbert E. Kempton, 73

ANDOVER — Herbert E. Kempton 73, of Andover, died of natural causes at his residence in Andover.

Mr. Kempton was born in Boston on April 11, 1942 to the late Albert E. and Helen (Strmic) Kempton.

Mr. Kempton was a 1960 graduate of Andover High School and attended UMass Lowell with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He was employed at AVCO Corporation, Data General, Digital Equipment Corporation and Raytheon. He was most recently retired.

Herb was a lifelong resident of Andover, and longtime summer resident of Wolfeboro, N.H.

His knowledge and continued admiration of science and technology were celebrated in his family. He loved fishing, boating and spending time with family and friends on Lake Winnepesaukee.

Herb is survived by his son, Paul A. Kempton and his wife, Eliza of Des Moines, Iowa, as well as one cherished granddaughter, Alanna S. Kempton.



Also among his survivors are his sister, Peggy K. Mulliken and her husband, Peter of Franklin, as well as several nieces and nephews and long-time friend, Christine M. Wheeler.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** A funeral service will be held on February 13, at 1 p.m. at the Dewhurst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence Street, Andover. Family and friends may call prior to the service from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

In honor of Herb's extraordinary love of New Hampshire's lakes region, donations can be made to the Lake Winnepesaukee Association, P.O. Box 1624, Meredith, NH 03253 [www.winnepesaukee.org](http://www.winnepesaukee.org) or to the American Heart Association American Heart Association 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75231 [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org). For directions or to offer online condolences please visit [www.confetfuneralhomes.com](http://www.confetfuneralhomes.com).



## Blankets of snow



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Winter wonderland along Argyle Street in Andover during the first major snowstorm of the season last Friday.

## Solar advocates impatient over stalled incentives

By CHRISTIAN M. WADE  
CNHI State Reporter

BOSTON — Clean-energy supporters are pushing lawmakers to break loose a stalled effort to lift a cap on solar-power incentives, saying that inaction will cost jobs and strangle a fledgling market for renewable energy.

Both the state House of Representatives and Senate have voted to lift the net-metering limit, allowing businesses and communities that create solar power to sell unused energy to the regional grid at retail rates. But differences between the House and Senate proposals must be worked out by a legislative committee that, since November, has only met once.

"We want to make certain that the industry has an opportunity to grow, that consumers have an opportunity to make choices, and that we expand the net metering caps," Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr, R-Gloucester, wrote to committee members. "People from every corner of the commonwealth are waiting for us to get this bill to Gov. Baker."

The state limits the number of credits that can be distributed through regional electric utilities.

Solar companies say at least 171 communities in National Grid's service territory in eastern Massachusetts -- including the Merrimack Valley and North Shore -- have hit the cap on net-metering. Andover is one of those communities. It even has a project that is shovel-ready. The paperwork has been signed, a site has been identified and a company is ready to build a solar array in Western Massachusetts

that would sell electricity into the grid in a way that would benefit Andover's taxpayers by providing a cheaper rate for electricity to run some of its municipal buildings. Under the contract, the town would save about \$300,000 a year.

The biggest sticking point at the state level, however, appears to be the rate at which net-metering is reimbursed. The Senate has approved reimbursing solar projects at 17 cents per kilowatt hour, while the House would lower that to the wholesale rate of 5 cents per kilowatt hour.

Gov. Charlie Baker, a first-term Republican, has proposed raising the net-metering cap over several years to 1,600 megawatts from the current 875 megawatts.

The Baker administration argues that the solar industry has matured, and it wants to wean companies from the net-metering subsidies, which it says are supported by taxpayers even if they don't use solar power.

Baker wants to lower the subsidies to about \$1 billion a year by 2020.

Environmental groups have criticized his proposal, saying the industry still needs incentives to encourage growth and help the state hit benchmarks to substantially lower carbon emissions over the next decade.

"Solar is helping to clean up our air and water and reduce global warming," said Ben Hellerstein, state director for Environment Massachusetts. "The bottom line is that we should not be making arbitrary cuts to the credit for solar power provided to the grid, when study after study has



Anil Navkal of Rock'O'Dundee Road has pushed hard for the town to develop its solar potential. He spearheaded Solarize Andover and helped forge the agreement to purchase energy credits from a company waiting to build a solar array in Western Massachusetts. Navkal says he is frustrated by the slow pace of the Legislature in lifting the cap on net metering.

full-time jobs in more than 370 businesses that include contractors, photovoltaic cell manufacturers and others, according to the Solar Energies Industry Association.

Dozens of projects in the Merrimack Valley and North Shore are in limbo, awaiting action by the Legislature.

SunEdison, one of the nation's largest solar companies, has a dozen projects on hold in Massachusetts including a 14 1/2-acre, 3.7-megawatt array on the site of the former Titcomb Pit landfill in Amesbury.

Rep. Linda Campbell, D-Methuen, said she hopes the conference committee comes up with a solution quickly.

"At some point we're going to have to come back and take a look at the subsidies, but for now we need to keep the solar industry moving forward," said Campbell, who voted in support of lifting the cap. "We can't wait any longer."

Congress recently approved a multi-year extension of the federal tax credits for wind and solar power.

Sean Garren, northeast director of Vote Solar, a clean-energy lobbying group, said if Massachusetts fails to increase net-metering caps to keep pace with federal-level incentives, it will "leave hundreds of solar projects withering on the vine."

"We have to keep solar working in Massachusetts," Garren said. "We need action now."

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POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY GABRIELLA CRUZ

TUESDAY, FEB. 2

At 6:12 p.m., Phillips Academy public safety reported that a student at the health center said he had been hit by a car about 5:45 p.m. The student went to Lawrence General Hospital with a leg cut. An officer went to the hospital to talk to the patient. The officer said that after following up with the Academy's public safety there was no indication that a motor vehicle was involved in the incident. The student was unable to recall the details of what happened.

Officers arrested Corey M. Bourque, 26, of 164 Barron Road., Bristol, N.H., at 7:47 p.m. in North Andover on a warrant for identity fraud.

At 8:08 p.m., officers responded to a 911 call from Gould Road when the homeowner reported that someone broke the window next to their front door. Officers reported that the resident's child broke the window and didn't want to tell his parents.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 3

At 5:31 a.m., police assisted the fire department with an oven fire on Cheever Circle.

A man requested to speak with an officer at the police station at 1:41 p.m., to report that his Ballardvale Road home had been broken into.

At 3:25 p.m., a caller reported that the back windshield of her vehicle was smashed while it was parked on Cross Street.

THURSDAY, FEB. 4

At 3 a.m., an off-duty officer reported a "heavy-set male party wearing dark gray clothing with white shoes" going through vehicles in the area of Howell Drive with an LED flashlight. State Police responded with a K-9 unit to conduct a track from one of the vehicles that was entered.

An officer attempted to stop a vehicle on Lovejoy

Road at 8:27 a.m., for speeding in a school zone. While attempting to pull the car over, the vehicle fled. A brief chase ensued, but was terminated. Lawrence and Lowell police were notified about the pursuit and Lowell police officers checked the vehicle's registration address for the operator.

An assistant principal from a school on Shawsheen Road requested to speak with an officer at 9:50 a.m., regarding a suspicious female that had been seen on school property during the lunch hour. The administrator was given advice by the responding officer.

Police received multiple calls around 7:15 p.m., reporting a car crash on the Andover bypass. Responding officers reported that both drivers were taken to Lawrence General Hospital for injuries.

FRIDAY, FEB. 5

Police received several calls around noon reporting a tow-truck on its side on River Street. Officers reported no injuries.

At 9:26 p.m., a Chestnut Street resident called 911 to report a parking dispute they were having with their neighbor. The caller stated that the neighbor was using a snowblower to cover their car.

SATURDAY, FEB. 6

Around 8:45 p.m., police received several calls reporting that a group of kids were fighting in the high school parking lot on Shawsheen Road. Callers reported that the vehicles had left the parking lot and some of the kids might have been intoxicated. Detectives stopped one of the vehicles involved, but did not find anything suspicious.

MONDAY, FEB. 8

At 1:13 p.m., police received a 911 call reporting a rollover on Lowell Street in front of the Andover Animal Hospital.

## Andover Choral woos high school singers

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
Townsmen Staff

Show choirs are very popular in Andover as student singers and dancers are numerous. Now, talented high school juniors and seniors who would like to sing with an adult community chorus are encouraged to apply to the new Choral Scholars program. High school students selected as Choral Scholars will rehearse and perform with the Andover Choral Society.

The Society has received grants from the Andover Cultural Council and the Lawrence Cultural Council to fund the program. The Society is now accepting applications for this Choral Scholars program. Students selected as Choral Scholars will rehearse and perform with the Andover Choral Society in their May 14 concert, featuring Mozart's Coronation Mass and Schubert's Mass in B-flat. Both works will be accompanied by a professional orchestra and soloists.

The Choral Scholars program is designed to enhance the high school choral experience. Students in grades 11 and 12 who are in good



Andover Choral Society Music Director Michael Driscoll

standing in their high school choral program are encouraged to apply. The application process includes a recommendation from the student's high school choral director and a short audition with Andover Choral Society music director Michael

Driscoll. Rehearsals will be held on Monday evenings from 7:20-9:30 at Christ Church in Andover.

Founded in 1929, the Andover Choral Society is an adult community chorus in Andover that specializes in choral-orchestral master

works. The group sings two concerts a year — in late January and in May.

For more information, email [info@andoverchoral-society.org](mailto:info@andoverchoral-society.org). Auditions will take place on Feb. 8 and 15 at Christ Church, 25 Central St., Andover.



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# Double-storms give schoolkids a four-day weekend

By GABRIELLA CRUZ AND TERRY DATE  
Staff reporters

Just two days after the winter's first snow storm, which dropped 6-8 inches of the white stuff, another round of snow fell over Andover throughout the day on Monday and into the night, accumulating another 5-6 inches of fluffy white powder.

DPW crews began preparing for Monday's storm at 5 a.m., loading dump trucks with salt, treating hills, intersections and water main grates, and hanging plow blades on dump trucks. (See related story, page A1).

All of the prep work, however, doesn't eliminate the dangers heavy snowfall brings. Combined with the continuous snowfall, strong winds contributed to downed wires across town and countless trees blocking roadways and causing damage.

In many cases, the falling trees took wires down with them and caused Andover police to block off roads for periods of time to clear the streets and allow wires to be rehung.

While crews tried to keep up with the snow, driving conditions around town were slippery. Around noon on Monday, a driver on Haverhill Street called police reporting a vehicle that was unable to make it up a snow-covered hill. The driver was forced to pull into a driveway until a family member could help her car through the snow.

Officers responded to calls throughout the day for vehicles off the road, minor accidents, and trees obstructing roadways. Andover Police also assisted State Police on South Main Street after a vehicle veered off the road and into a patch of woods. Officers reported no damage to the vehicle or surrounding area, and a tow truck was able to pull the car back onto the road.

On Lowell Street, a roll over was reported in front of the Andover Animal Hospital around 1 p.m. --waiting for more info from Heseltine on this.

Town and school offices were closed for the day, meetings were cancelled and Andover schools added another snow day to the year, meaning the last day of school will now fall on June 21 instead of June 17 as originally planned.

### Friday blast

Last Friday's snow storm made its mark around town, bringing down tree limbs and wires, and causing accidents on slippery roads.

School was canceled, and the annual Valentine's Day dance for moms and sons at Old Town Hall was postponed until next Friday night. High school basketball games between Andover and North Andover were also postponed.

As of 2:45 p.m. Friday, Andover Police Executive Officer Charles Heseltine reported 13 snow-related accidents, none causing major injuries.

One incident apparently involved a police cruiser which sustained damage when it was involved in an accident at the intersection of Andover Street and Hall Avenue.

"The roads are still snow covered and slippery at this time," Heseltine said. "There have been numerous cars off the roads and trees down in areas that



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Alexis Alicea clears snow away from his driveway on Lowell Street, Andover during the first major snowstorm of the season last Friday.

needed to be cleared by the town's tree department. There have been wires down across town, mostly cable and phone. No injuries have been reported with any of these events."

Deputy Director of Public Works Marc Fournier said the entire department had been working non-stop since the snow started falling mid-morning, and said the snow's consistency was to blame for the fallen tree branches and broken

limbs.

"The snow is very wet and heavy and sticks to the trees easily," Fournier said. "We've also had some strong winds, so we've been responding to fallen trees all day. It's going to snow for another couple of

hours probably, and we're going to continue scraping and plowing snow around town. Once the snow stops, we'll start salting the roads and we'll be in pretty good shape later today."

Some roads around town were blocked off as

crews tried to clear fallen branches and accidents, and respond to hanging wires. Fournier said that North Main Street was blocked off for some time today after a large tree limb fell on a truck.

Greenwood Road was blocked off around 3 p.m. due to a fallen tree at 23 Greenwood.

Wires were ripped from homes at Rattlesnake Hill Road, Woburn and Andover streets, and 16 Argyle St., among others.

Ballardvale Road was reported closed at around 3:40 p.m. due to a low-hanging wire. National Grid had been notified.

Although there were numerous individual outages, National Grid was reporting no widespread outages, according to their Web site.

One elderly woman was stuck in her home without heat for part of Friday until a neighbor intervened and sought help from police and the woman's daughter. (See letter to the editor, Page 11.)

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The 2016 MHL Reading Challenge is on. Memorial Hall Library challenges the community to read 16 books in 2016. It's just like summer reading, but for the whole year, and there are chances to win every month. A prize will be awarded on the 16th of each month, with the final grand prize drawing in December. Readers can choose the books and formats (paper, electronic, or audio), and log their reading online. To register, visit [www.mhl.org/16in16](http://www.mhl.org/16in16) or call 978-623-8401, ext. 32. Stop at the Reference Desk each time a book is logged and pick up a raffle ticket. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.

**The Andover Seed Library takes root**

Patrons can borrow books, movies, and seeds for their garden from Memorial Hall Library. The Andover Seed Library

opened recently thanks to the generous donations of several seed companies. Patrons can pick up packets of vegetable, herb and flower seeds to plant in their gardens. By providing free seeds, the hope is to encourage gardeners to grow plants from seed, save the seeds of plants that don't cross pollinate, and perhaps donate back to the Seed Library. MHL is offering a series of free lectures and workshops on the beauty of seeds, growing plants from seed, the importance of native and heirloom varieties, herb gardens, organic vegetable gardening, and seed saving. All programs are sponsored by the Friends of MHL. Visit [www.mhl.org/green-thumb/andover-seed-library](http://www.mhl.org/green-thumb/andover-seed-library) for more information.

All events take place at the library, 2 North Main St., Andover, and are sponsored in conjunction with the Friends of Memorial Hall Library. Registration is requested. For more information or to sign up, visit [www.mhl.org/eventcalendar](http://www.mhl.org/eventcalendar), or call 978-623-8401, ext. 31 or 32.



TERRY DATE/Staff photo

Andover Spa, a longtime convenience store in downtown Andover, wants to expand its Elm Street operation to include alcohol sales. Selectmen want more information before considering the business's request for a liquor license.

# Andover Spa wants liquor license

By TERRY DATE  
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A proposal to add a package store to a longtime downtown convenience store/Subway sandwich shop drew hard questions from selectmen last week. Andover Spa is slated to return to the board on Feb.

8 with answers to the concerns. Most revolve around kids being in close contact with alcohol. "Subway draws a lot of young people, young kids," said Selectman Paul Salashop drew hard questions from selectmen last week. Niki Patel, who would

manage the package store, said the part of the store with liquor would be partitioned and security cameras would monitor activity. Patel said she is a pharmacist and is used to regulating spaces, and that she would be at the Elm Street store 35 hours a week.

Timothy Perry, the lawyer representing Andover Spa's owner, the Prayosha108 Corporation, was seeking an All-Alcoholic Package Store Alcohol Beverage License for the store.

Board members honed in on the logistics of the 916-square-foot single-level store, wanting to know specifically where the liquor would be kept and how it would be safeguarded from theft by kids.

The board also wants to know what percentage of the store's space would be devoted to alcohol.

Young people routinely walk through the store to order sandwiches from Subway at the back of the store, they said.

Andover Town Manager Andrew Flanagan suggested that he and Perry meet before the next selectmen's meeting, gathering a plan for the store layout, security measures and plans to get employees trained with the security and sale of alcohol.

Perry said Andover Spa wants to expand its business to serve existing customers.

Perry said the store would not lead a major uptick to traffic.

Selectman Dan Kowalski said package store employees would need TIPS certification before he'd vote yes for the store's license.

TIPS, short for Training for Intervention ProcedureS, is an online course to help servers and sellers prevent intoxication, underage drinking and drunken driving.



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# Illuminating the darkness

Helen Keller makes big impression on Abbot Academy students in 1891



## Andover Stories

Amy J.M. Morris  
Andover Historical Society

When Abbot Academy Principal Philena McKeen announced in 1891 that Helen Keller, already world-famous at 10 years old, would visit campus on May 15, a number of students were reluctant to meet her.

"The thought came that it would be very difficult to talk with her, and also a pitiful and rather trying experience to see a person in such a sad condition," student Adeline Perry later wrote.

It had already been an exciting year for the Abbot girls. The long-awaited Draper Hall was finally open, providing spacious accommodations—no longer did the girls have to sleep two to a bed—and modern amenities such as electric lights and central heating. The Bay State Monthly called the imposing Romanesque structure "the most artistic building in America."

In what the newspaper called its "sumptuous" oak-paneled parlor, McKeen proudly welcomed Keller and her teachers, Anne Sullivan and Fannie Marrett, an 1885 Abbot grad. Having learned beforehand about the majestic new hall, Keller wanted to know "the story of the rooms."

McKeen recalled, "and with permission examined the walls with her hands."

Keller later met with the students in the Drawing



Helen Keller, left, and Annie Sullivan, her instructor and companion. Keller, at the age of 10, visited the Abbot Academy in Andover in 1891 to speak with the students.

Room, where she "held quite a reception," the Abbot Courant (Abbot's literary magazine) reported.

"She seemed utterly unconscious that girls were crowded around her on all sides—behind the sofa where she sat in state, on the floor in front of her, and in a big circle all around her—and seemed to enjoy the talk as much as we did."

She explored each girl's face with her fingers and, through palm signing with Sullivan, chatted with an erudition that stunned everyone. She spoke about the American Revolution: "Was it not so dreadful

for men to kill each other so?" she asked. And on her visit to the home of the author of Little Women:

"It is not beautiful, but I love it for the sake of brave, loving Miss Alcott." And on meeting PA Professor Edgar G. Coy: "I have heard of coy maidens, but not of coy professors!"

"It is pink, it's the Catherine Mermet," said Keller upon being given a rose. When given a tulip, she quoted a poem by Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes (Class of 1825): "See the proud tulip's flaunting cup." And finally, handed a Jack-in-the-pulpit, she joked, "All the other flowers ought to

come and hear Jack preach!"

Before Keller took leave to return to Boston, the students gathered to hear Fannie Marrett describe the work of the Perkins School, where Keller studied. Keller then asked Sullivan if she could speak. Sullivan agreed, but was surprised by the young girl's initiative: she'd spoken publicly only once before.

"Dear friends of Andover," she began. "I shall never forget this visit, and it will make my mother very happy that you have all been so kind to me. It seems to me the world is full of goodness, beauty, and love and how grateful we must be to our heavenly Father who has given us so much to enjoy."

"As she said these words with her sightless eyes lifted toward heaven, the eyes of all others were nearly blind with tears," one of them would write.

The principal of the Perkins School recalled, "The effect of this simple little speech upon the audience was so overwhelming that ... sobs could be heard in all parts of the assembly room."

As Keller received goodbye kisses from the girls, she further astounded them by remembering the name of each of the students she met. An overwrought girl was heard crying, "Think of her being so grateful for what she has, and see what a pig I am!" Another ate dinner that night with her eyes closed "so as to be in sympathy" with Keller.

McKeen remembered the event as "the day of days."

Note: Amy Morris graduated from Phillips Academy in 1992 and currently serves as the school's Senior Communication Specialist.

# BoomerVenture is gearing up for spring

BoomerVenture has a variety of programs designed to meet the needs of the broadest possible range of Andover's 50-plus residents. Here are some of the offerings in store for the campus at The Center at Punchard, 30 Whittier Court, Andover:

## Exercise and Wellness

**Energize with Exercise:** Mondays, Feb. 22 through May 9, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Take part in a rousing aerobics and weight training workout with instructor, Denise Boucher; \$60.50.

**Zumba Toning:** Thursdays, Feb. 25 through May 12, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Combine weight training and cardio-fitness while dancing; Nancy Ryan is the instructor; \$66.

**Serenity Yoga:** Thursdays, Feb. 25 through May 12, 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. Practice flowing postures with 15 minutes of meditation; Sheila Wescott is the instructor; \$72.

**Everyday Mindfulness with Chip Carter:** Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Connect mindfulness with one's "everyday life" in a very real and practical way; \$5.

**Reflexology with Uli Kapp:** Thursdays, 6 p.m. By advance appointment only; \$1 per minute, in 15-minute intervals.

**Belly Dancing:** Thursdays, Feb. 25 through May 12, 6 to 7 p.m. Learn basic moves

from fast and fiery to slow and smooth; improve flexibility and increase self-confidence while working all muscles; dance off calories; suitable for women of all body types and fitness levels; \$72.

**In-town dwellings for seniors:** New Possibilities: Thursday, March 10, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Join an informational session that will explore downsized ownership options for those 50 and up. This could become a reality if the new proposed bylaw is voted in at May's Town Meeting.

**Rightsizing:** Thursday, March 17, 6:30 p.m. Learn practical steps to begin the shedding of possessions. Discover the peace and inner richness of creating space in one's home; \$5 donation.

**Films**  
**Screening Room:** Award-winning, independent films are shown every Thursday starting at 6:30 p.m.

All events are held at The Center at Punchard and are open to the community. Space is limited and registration is required.

The Center is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 978-623-8321 for information or visit [www.andoverseniorcenter.org](http://www.andoverseniorcenter.org) for complete listings. Registration can now be completed online as well.

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# An outdoor tradition: Breakfast in the woods



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Andover Village Improvement Society Land Manager Dave Dargie discusses the flora and fauna of the Harold Rafton Reservation during a recent hike he led.

Andover Village Improvement Society Land Manager Dave Dargie, center, holds a carved wooden sign with the AVIS initials with a group he led on a hike through Harold Rafton Reservation recently.

## Hike leader Dave Dargie follows in his father's footsteps

BY JUDY WAKEFIELD  
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A 47-year town tradition continues this winter as the Andover son of a hiking enthusiast, a hiker himself, makes sure local residents get a chance to enjoy the outdoors. The annual Harold R. Rafton Reservation Ski and Snowshoe Trek was started on the last Sunday of January in 1970 and has been held on the same last Sunday in January ever since. The trek was held Sunday, Jan. 31 this year.

Even though snow was scarce that weekend, a dozen folks showed up and valiantly trudged into the woods.

"It was started by my father Phil Dargie, who was the AVIS (Andover Village Improvement Society) warden of the Reservation," David Dargie wrote in a sort-of historical

report about the popular trek. "The highest attendance was 70 skiers in the early '80's and the fewest I think was four people when it was raining out."

Rain, snow or freezing cold never cancel the event as participants have always warmed up with hearty, hot treats on the trail. This year, there were marshmallows and hot dogs with the hot chocolate by the fire while the first 10 years included a full breakfast.

"The first 10 years there was a full breakfast out in the woods cooked on a Coleman stove for all that attended the event, consisting of scrambled eggs, sausage, home fries, donuts, coffee, and milk," Dargie said.

Dargie has been to all 47 events and said if anyone is ever looking for him on the

last Sunday in January, they know where to find him. He has lived in town since he was a third grader at the Sanborn School in 1964.

A strong supporter of maintaining green space in town - like all AVIS members - he looks back respectfully on this town tradition as opportunities to connect with the winter environment around us are important to him and many others.

He said Andover is fortunate that "people with future sight have been involved and could see how different our lives would be if we didn't protect a large percentage of Andover's land from development."

He treasures his early trek memories with breakfast-in-the-woods leading that memory list.

"The trek's many enjoyable years for me were cooking the

breakfast out in the woods, then over time seeing it morphed into hot drinks and cookies," Dargie said.

Dargie also fondly remembers the early year ski races.

"The winner of the two-and-a-half-mile loop on Helen's Trail and the longer Harold's Trail was awarded the Selectmen's Plate, a silver plate with appropriate words engraved that was awarded by past selectmen Alan French," he recalled "The race gave way to a ski/snowshoe/hiking trek depending upon the snow cover and weather conditions."

Trek leadership has also changed over the years as Phil Dargie granted the wardenship of the Harold R. Rafton Reservation along with directing the Ski Trek to his son in 1980. Currently, AVIS Ranger Ken Doran is the co-leader.

Another change he's seen in hiking since 1970 is the introduction of high-tech

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**The Andover Village Improvement Society (AVIS) is hosting:**  
**WHAT:** Goldsmith hike, Family Moonlight Snowshoe and Cross-country Ski Trek, at Goldsmith Woodlands  
**WHEN:** Sunday, Feb. 14, from 5:45 to 8 p.m.  
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**CONTACT:** The Trek is led by AVIS Land Manager David Dargie and AVIS Ranger Ken Doran. For more information contact David Dargie at 978-996-4475 or david@dargie.com.

clothing and equipment.

"The days of cotton, wood, rawhide, and the huge D batteries for headlamps and flashlights are gone," Dargie said.

But one thing remains the same: The experience of getting out into the woods and seeing what's there.

The winter woods comes alive for Dargie and other Trek enthusiasts and that's what has kept it going all these years.

"Focusing on plants, animals, and all that surrounds us provides a connection with our environment," he said. "Looking deliberately

at what is around us and the background makes the woods come alive with what is often unseen. What might be a blur of greens and browns will present itself with clarity once you recognize the subtle differences in shape, structure, color, and sound."

He said he loves all the trails in Andover "as each has its own specific elements to examine and enjoy. Although, I'm a little partial to the Goldsmith Woodlands and the Peggy Keck Reservation as both are within walking distance of where I live."

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# Phillips alum donates \$15M for \$34M athletic complex

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
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A former varsity track captain at Phillips Academy has pledged almost half of the money needed for the private high school's planned \$34 million new athletic center.

The school has announced that Steve Snyder, class of 1956, has pledged \$15 million toward the project. The 90,000-square-foot facility will be built near the school's tennis courts and feature a 200-meter track, 12 international size squash courts and multipurpose rooms. The convertible infield will be used for basketball, tennis, and indoor practice space for field sports. The center also will house events such as reunions and serve as a site for commencement activities.



Artist's rendering of new Phillips-Andover athletic complex.

The gift was made in honor of Snyder's 60th reunion this June. Snyder and his wife, Jamie, have lived in Florida for more than 40 years, where he

works at Chester Partners, a private investment firm that he founded.

A Long Island native, Snyder said in a press release from the school that he

enjoyed his track years at PA. He credits the sport with instilling in him a steadfast commitment to sportsmanship and hard work.

"One of my Rockwell

House proctors was captain of the track team, and he asked a group of us to race him for fun," he said in the school's press release.

Snyder outran the captain and immediately was recruited onto the team. His first year, he won the New England Interscholastic 40-yard dash, at age 14. At his commencement, Snyder was awarded the Sorota Track Trophy for exhibiting outstanding character and the will to win. He would go to be an 8-letter varsity track star at Andover.

"I gained confidence through track," he said. "If you applied yourself, you could win - not only for yourself but for your team."

Following Andover, Snyder competed at Yale University and on the Special Services

team of the U.S. Navy, setting numerous records.

"Our facility will transform team experiences and enhance life sports for students, coaches, and fans of Big Blue," said Head of School John Palfrey, who expressed tremendous gratitude for Snyder's commitment to a critical campus need.

Athletic Director Leon Modeste said this gift preserves a bright future for students and all who celebrate athletics and believe in the importance of health and wellness.

"Our student-athletes are dedicated to competition and sportsmanship, and our facilities will soon match the level of passion and excellence they display each and every day."

## ON CAMPUS

**Nicholas Flannery**, the son of Brian and Paula Flannery, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Providence College. Flannery, a junior, is majoring in accounting.

**Scott MacMillan** was named to the dean's list at Dean College in Franklin, Mass., for the fall 2015 semester.

**Emily Hespeler** earned a spot on the fall 2015 dean's list at Keene State College. Hespeler was among 1,355 students who were recognized for their academic excellence.

More than 1,300 undergraduate students from around the world began their first year at Tufts University in Medford/Somerville in the fall. Several local residents now enrolled at Tufts include: **Griffin Andersen, Courtney Grygiel, Thomas Johst, Daniel MacDonald, and Heather Mei.**

**Evan Gaj** was named to the dean's list at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., for the fall 2015 semester.

**Jaymi Cohen** earned dean's list honors for the fall 2015 semester at Tufts University. Cohen is a senior at the university.

Westfield State University (WSU) recognized eight students for their leadership and service to both the university and the community. Each

student was recognized with the President's Award for Excellence in Leadership in a ceremony held on Friday, Dec. 4,

in Scanlon Banquet Hall. One of the students recognized with this honor was English and education double major **Lauren Nastari** of Andover.

The President's Award of Excellence in Leadership was created in 2007 and can be awarded to any eligible student. A committee comprised of 12 faculty and peers review all applications. To be eligible for the award, students must complete an application process including an essay about the community service they have done and how it has impacted their future goals.

Nastari serves as editor-in-chief of Persona and is a member of the Sigma Tau Delta and Kappa Delta Pi National Honor Societies. She serves on the Student Honors Advisory Council, the Student National Education Association (SNEA) and is a member of Positive Inclusion of Everyone Creates Academic Success (PIECES). She represents the English and education departments at Westfield State open houses, volunteers at Run Stanley, and works with students in the Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment (ICE) Program as a peer mentor.

"Through my experience of leading Persona, I am learning how to share strategies for improving writing and reading skills and strategies for including and listening to many advisors and club members," Nastari said in a release. "These skills are helping me grow into a better teacher and a better person."

The students were awarded at a dinner banquet and were presented with plaques designating their honor.

## Special music program for special students

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
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"Everyone get up and dance around the room!"

These lyrics capture a fraction of what recently happened at The Real School of Music's adaptive music program showcase.

The school's Reach 4 Real Adaptive Music Program featured 82 students ages 8 to 82 from all over Massachusetts. They worked together to write original pieces that were staged, choreographed and sung live for an audience of more than 100 people.

Reach 4 Real Adaptive Music Programs provide group music and theater classes for those with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Students collaborate to write original musical pieces all the while learning life skills of self-confidence, creativity and community through the performing arts.

Working together with Fidelity House, a nonprofit human services organization located in Lawrence that cares for people with developmental disabilities

and their families, Reach 4 Real supported the performers who were living out their dream of not only performing on stage, but singing about subjects that were meaningful to them.

The elementary school-aged group sang "School's Great" in which they talked about all of the things they love about their education. Fidelity House Children and Family Services Group got the crowd dancing with "Get Up and Dance."

The Adult Group sang about things they like to do on their "Friday Night Out" which included "going to IHOP to eat some pancakes, singing karaoke to Susan Boyle, and going to Friendly's with friends."

The most meaningful moment was when all the groups sang "Beautiful Music" together. Organizers said there was not a dry eye in the house.

The unique Reach 4 Real curriculum is designed specifically for those with needs, including those that are nonverbal and use iPad devices for communication. One student participated in his group's song through

the direct use of his iPad. He expressed his lyric: "It's Friday night what's on TV? It's my favorite Harry Potter will you watch with me?" by finding it on his iPad and pressing it when his part arrived in the music.

Reach 4 Real was also able to provide a working scholarship for the fall session. The recipient was an enthusiastic gentleman from Fidelity House who worked very hard setting up the room for class, greeting students at the door, and helping out with the final performance. He received two drum lessons at the Real School last night for his efforts, a dream, he told staff members, that he's had since he was a child.

In his speech of the evening, he shared these special words: "Thank you for teaching us to sing. Please, don't ever stop teaching people like me to sing."

Reach 4 Real Adaptive Music Programs are held at Real School Andover, located in Dundee Park. Reach 4 Real's website is [www.therealschoolofmusic/reach4real](http://www.therealschoolofmusic/reach4real) for more information.



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Employees at the Real School of Music pose for a quick photo after directing a Student Showcase at the school's Dundee Park facility. They are, left to right, Olivia Stiling, Kelly Surette and Nicole Berke.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Town must change pension, retiree health care eligibility

Editor, Townsman:

The Town of Andover is heading toward a financial tsunami due to unfunded pension and healthcare liabilities for its retirees currently estimated at well over \$300 million. This is my assessment as a current member of the town's Retirement Board. In order to prevent future large-scale cuts to staffing and town services, as well as significant tax increases, we need meaningful reforms that more closely align employees' benefits packages with current industry standards. If not, the likelihood the town will be able to remain solvent at current funding levels and continue to keep its pension and healthcare promises to retired employees is really quite low.

Blame for getting us in this situation is shared by many. Poor incentive structures, inadequate regulations and bad management allowed the problem to develop. Town management, while aware of the unfunded liabilities, didn't address the problem so they could avoid tax increases and spending cuts necessary to fund pension and healthcare plans.

The town has set up an advisory committee to evaluate and make recommendations on how to address the healthcare component of retirees' benefits, so my remarks below only pertain to the town's unfunded pension

liabilities. Here are a few of my recommendations:

— The Retirement Board has used unrealistic return assumptions about future pension assets and liabilities. It is using 7.75 percent today and used an average expected rate of return of 8 percent over the past 15 years. Over those 15 years we earned 4 percent, resulting in our unfunded pension liabilities increasing from \$17 million in 2000 to \$107 million today. If we use 4 percent in projecting future returns instead of the 7.75 percent the Board is using today, our unfunded pension liabilities would be valued at \$200-plus million, a number I feel more accurately reflects the true unfunded pension liability.

— An assessment of sustainability can't be performed without accurate information. A committee of "experts" should be created by the town which will take an unbiased view in evaluating and recommending to the Retirement Board all rates and assumptions used in actuarial reports.

— The Retirement Board should develop investment policies and select an investment strategy balancing risks and returns appropriately for plan members. Because the Retirement Board assumes a high return on its investments, they've invested in riskier assets for which actual returns were markedly different (4 percent over the last 15 years) from

expected returns (8 percent). If the plan's investments do not achieve its investment returns, taxpayers are liable to make up the difference, which is the primary cause of our unfunded liability. A perfect illustration is that pension plan assets earned less than 1 percent in 2015 and taxpayers will now owe an additional \$8 million.

— The town's average workforce age is 49. It's important to institute eligibility reform today so future employees hired fall under the new rules. The retiree healthcare advisory committee is considering my eligibility recommendations and will make their recommendations to the Selectmen. The final authority to make eligibility changes rest with the Retirement Board.

An example of one of the eligibility changes I have proposed is that for future hires, in order to participate in the pension plan, you need to be a full-time employee. Currently, you only need to work 20 hours a week for 10 years to participate in the plan. Changing the eligibility for the pension plan would also affect eligibility for retiree healthcare, as an employee needs to be in the pension plan to be eligible for retiree healthcare.

— Annual cost of living increases should be frozen until the pension plan is fully funded. This freeze is necessary given the town's serious financial condition and to ensure basic retiree benefits are protected. The savings for freezing the cost of living increase for just one year would reduce unfunded pension liabilities by \$2.8 million

and reduce the town's payments toward the pension plan over the years by \$9.6 million.

— Members of the Retirement Board should possess the necessary skills in finance, risk management, investment management and actuarial practices to carry out its duties and responsibilities. A committee should be jointly set up by the employees (2 Board members are selected by the employees) and the Board of Selectmen to develop a matrix of skills through which they identify the most important capabilities a Board member should possess that will contribute to the successful performance of the plan. Board members should be evaluated against this matrix. If current Board members do not have the required skills and these skills can't be gained through additional training, they should be asked to resign and new board members appointed.

The above recommendations will not completely solve our pension problems. They will, however, start us down the path toward fiscal stability. The power to institute reforms to eligibility rules, investment policies and rate setting as well as other reforms rests mostly with the Retirement Board, not the town. The town should actively encourage and work with the Retirement Board to address these reforms as we need to take action now as every day reform is delayed, liabilities mount and the journey toward meaningful change becomes harder.

THOMAS HARTWELL  
Hemlock Road  
Andover



FILE PHOTO

Residents of the old Strawberry Hill Farm on Lowell Street protested development of the property during several Planning Board hearings last year.

Honor hard-working farmer by saving the farm

Editor, Townsman:

I found Ms. Loosigian's article (Townsman, Letter to the Editor, Feb. 4) about her family farm sad, enjoyable, confusing and disingenuous.

She does a wonderful job of painting a portrait of a man (her father) who gave his life to his passion, running a farm, raising his family, and how he withstood the desire to profit from a situation that would have turned his farm to "acres of pavement sealing the ground beneath, allowing neither growing things nor the pervasive rocks to break the surface" during his lifetime.

Yet, his family turns around and dishonors him by doing exactly what he spent his life not wanting to do. They are turning his farm into a tarred, commercial complex.

Yes, they know they have options that could honor their father's wishes, and name, to prevent "acres of pavement..." The best option would be a Farm

Trust Conservation Organization and, I bet, they would probably "honor" their father by using his name in some way, shape or form.

Or, they could have a single-family home development, called the Loosigian Estates. Both of these would honor his name and would prevent the "acres of pavement" she speaks of.

However, being the realist I am, both of these would probably mean a little less profit for the family, something their father spent his life resisting just to prevent his farm from being turned into "acres of pavement."

So the Loosigian family has all the power to honor their father, and the farmers of Andover, any way they want. They don't need the town, they don't need anyone. They just need to look, introspectively, to see whose values they want to honor, theirs, or their fathers.

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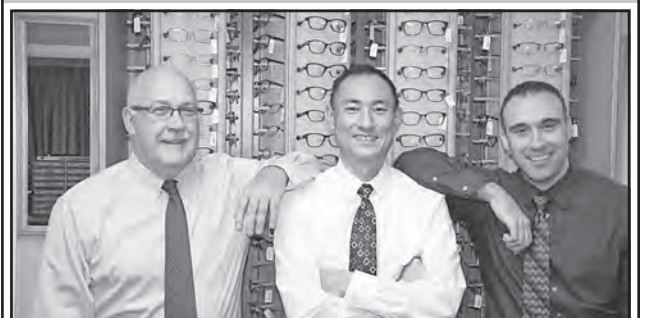
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# Opinion

## SCENIC SNOWFALL

## Senate public records bill much stronger

Critics of the state's antiquated public records law were no doubt cheered by the state Senate's unanimous passage of legislation aimed at making more public information available to the public in a timely, affordable manner.

The bill passed 35-0 by the Senate last week is a marked improvement over an earlier measure adopted by the House. The two branches of the state Legislature must now come together to negotiate a compromise package to send to Gov. Charlie Baker's desk.

The Senate bill has plenty to like:

- State agencies and local municipalities would be required to appoint at least one employee as a "public records access officer," a point person for all public records requests.

- Access to information would be less expensive. Copying costs would be limited to 5 cents per page, down from 20 to 50 cents per page under current law. State agencies would also be required to provide four free hours of work time before being allowed to charge for searches. Municipalities would offer two hours. Time beyond that could not be charged at a rate above \$25 an hour.

There would be no charge at all if the agency fails to provide the requested records within 15 days or doesn't respond to the request in 10.

The provision would remove a play often used by state and local governments often use to deny access to public records, making it too expensive for taxpayers and other organizations by cynically jacking up administrative costs.

- The bill also puts some teeth into the law by allowing for punitive damages up to \$5,000 if a court finds an agency acted in bad faith. Current law allows for nothing more than a tepid tongue lashing. The proposal would bring Massachusetts in line with 47 other states and the federal government in allowing attorney's fees to be awarded to plaintiffs who are victorious in court when denied records.

"This bill brings Massachusetts' outdated public records law into the 21st century," said Democratic state Sen. Joan Lovely of Salem, who chairs the Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, which handles public records issues.

Lovely was one of two local senators who secured key amendments to the bill. Lovely's measure would require that any document submitted to a public agency be provided electronically.

"Since most documents subject to public record today are drafted electronically, there shouldn't be a need to waste time and resources scanning documents," Lovely said. "It's easier and more efficient to simply have those very same documents emailed or shared electronically at the time of submission and that's what the amendment aims to do."

State Sen. Bruce Tarr, meanwhile, was successful in adding a measure that would open MBTA pension records to the public records law. The workings of the pension system at the long-mismanaged MBTA have been kept from taxpayers for decades. It is long past time that changed.

"The value and significance of a fund such as this, with \$2.5 billion in liabilities, has a significant impact on the lives of T employees and has major cost implications for the MBTA," said Tarr, a Gloucester Republican. "Disclosures about the stability of the MBTA pension fund are paramount and deserve to be subject to this records reform law and transparency."

We agree.

All told, the Senate measure is much stronger than the one passed last year in the House. That effort started strong but was essentially neutered by lawmakers after complaints from law enforcement and the Massachusetts Municipal Association, which lobbies on behalf of cities and towns.

The Senate, meanwhile, remembered its true constituency -- the citizens of Massachusetts, who have a right to complete, prompt access the reams of documents and other information produced by their state and local governments, agencies and law enforcement.

Here's hoping the final version of the law maintains that spirit.

## WEB QUESTION

### This week's question:

In just one week, Valentine's Day will be here. Many will celebrate while others will treat the romantic holiday like any other day. Will you be keeping with the Valentine's Day tradition?

Yes. Just like everyone else, I love my significant other every day of the year, but Valentine's Day is an opportunity to set aside time for one another to make the other feel special.

No. It's just another "Hallmark holiday" created to make money, and I don't feed into the commercial marketing strategy.

Yes. I'll be getting together with all of my single friends to celebrate the single life. There should be a day to celebrate how much you love yourself anyway!

No. I choose to make random days special for my significant other. Valentine's Day comes with too many expectations and surprising someone when they don't expect it means much more.

### Last week's question:

Do you think Punxsutawney Phil's "prediction" that winter is almost over is accurate?

No. Statistically, the groundhog has been wrong more often than it has been right. I'll tune in to local weather announcers for my Groundhog Day predictions. 50 percent

Yes. I'll put faith in anything that promises winter's end! 25 percent

No. This is just a silly tradition, weather can't be predicted by a rodent. 25 percent

Yes. There's a reason Groundhog Day exists. We've anxiously awaited the groundhog's emergence every February for more than a century. If it didn't have merit, no one would care. 0 percent



BILL KIRK/ Staff photo

The dark-colored branches of this tree in The Park near the corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets were highlighted in white after last Friday's 6-8 inch storm. Mother Nature took another shot at the Merrimack Valley on Monday and more snow is possible this weekend and early next week.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Town Yard is a neighborhood issue

Editor, Townsman:

The Lewis Street Town Yard property is situated in a small, densely populated, working-class neighborhood marked with children and seniors.

The Town is our neighborhood bully. There is a general sense that there is a type of classism afloat. I was tacitly told by a town official that me, my family, and my neighborhood were collateral damage for the greater good of the town. The examples are countless, the history is long. It is sad. Their use of our neighborhood is without limit nor regard. And while we can argue ad nauseum whether to move the Town Yard out or not, this is not that. I want to be clear that Town Yard location is an issue separate from Town Yard operations. We do not know when (or if) the Town Yard will ever leave it's present location so while it is here, the issue needs to be addressed head on.

To the three candidates for two seats on the Board of Selectmen, Annie Gilbert, Alex Vispoli and Paul Salafia:

Please think about how you would position yourself on this issue. It is a very important one as it strikes at the heart of the community in which you want to serve.

How would you advocate for the residents of the neighborhood? What is your position on this issue? Can you suggest solutions?

Thank you all. Please contact me for discussion, if you wish.

MONICA MORELL  
North Main Street  
Andover

### Police commended for tragedy averted

Editor, Townsman:

I want to thank the Andover Police, specifically Communicator Gary Barnaby and Officer Mike Anderson, for their responding to my call about a friend who lost power last Friday night.

The electrical outage caused her to have no heat, no hot water, no ability to cook and no lights. I encouraged her to come to our house, but she is extremely independent and insisted she was wrapped up in many layers of sweaters, coats, and with lap robes on

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her legs, and would be fine.

I was very worried and talked with another friend about the situation. We decided to call the police and enlist their help with this highly independent 97-year-old.

Communicator Gary Barnaby called New England Grid to see if there was any idea of when power would be restored and learned it would be at least 24 hours and there was no way they could go to a specific location to address one incident.

Officer Anderson then went to the address and was shocked at how cold it was in the house. He learned my friend has a daughter living in the Boston area, whom he contacted and told of the situation. The daughter responded to her mother's need.

I was very grateful to the Andover Police for their response. They were proactive with National Grid, kept me informed, and were decisive, kind, and compassionate with my friend, convincing her she could not stay in her home. The Police averted a situation that could have been much worse.

DEBBERA DRAKE  
22 Smithshire  
Andover

### Shannon Scully for School Committee

Editor, Townsman:

Shannon Scully is an active parent supporting all our schools. She is a thoughtful listener and a team player. She digs for the facts and then offers creative solutions.

She has demonstrated these skills with the Bancroft PTO, the Townwide PTO (which includes all our schools), and ACE/Andover Coalition for Education.

Last year before Town Meeting, Shannon attended numerous Board of Selectmen meetings, bringing important comparative data to their attention that she knew would add to their discussion about the school budget.

As a member of the Board of Directors of ACE/Andover Coalition for Education she is helping their efforts to fund curricula-enhancing projects K-12. Her enthusiasm for quality education for all our children is invaluable.

The Andover School Committee will be strengthened by her presence. She brings skill, knowledge, and dedication. Please join me in supporting Shannon for one of the two seats on the School Committee.

Learn more about Shannon on her website [scullyforandover.org](http://scullyforandover.org).

Your vote for Shannon on March 22 is critical if Andover is to stay strong.

TINA GIRDWOOD  
Former School Committee member,  
ACE Board of Directors  
Tucker Road  
Andover

### Remembering one of Andover's best, all-time volunteers

Editor, Townsman:

I received the news of Peggy's death only a day or two after reading the first of your series honoring Andover's volunteers -- which is why this letter.

Andover volunteerism -- past, present, and hopefully future -- is a vital part of our community, especially as the continued growth of our population renders it inevitably more impersonal and bureaucratic. The volunteer contributions of Margaret R. Keck need to be remembered as an outstanding example not just of her formal service to the town as member and chairperson of Andover's Planning Board -- also not just for her participation in private groups like the League of Women Voters and Andover Village Improvement Society, and not just because she was a committed conservationist.

We also need to remember and honor her keen analytic skills and determined advocacy for her beliefs, always put forward with good humor, decency, and respect for other opinions.

ALAN FRENCH  
Moreland Avenue  
Andover

### Scully wants "best education" for Andover children

Editor, Townsman:

I am pleased to support Shannon Scully for School Committee.

I have had the opportunity to work with Shannon on several school-related boards and initiatives. What has always impressed me about Shannon is her interest in and commitment to understanding the issues at hand and her efforts to educate herself so she can make an informed and meaningful decision. She has spent countless hours researching and working to understand school-related data to help create practical and critical solutions for our schools. She is fair, open, and most importantly, uses data to guide her decisions on important initiatives.

Shannon is a strong communicator and believes in sharing information and being transparent. I know when she speaks that she has something meaningful to share and I appreciate her viewpoints and perspective. She is a true collaborator and is interested in the same goal that we all have, which is to provide the best education to our children. With two children in the public schools, Shannon's agenda is simple -- to help make the school system better.

There has been a positive shift in the Andover Public Schools. With stability in the district's leadership, I know Shannon will work tirelessly to ensure that our schools have the tools they need to continue to provide innovative and critical learning to our students for years to come. She is committed to working for our children and our schools to help make Andover the best place for education.

Please join me in supporting Shannon Scully for School Committee.

JENNIFER SRIVASTAVA  
Endicott Road

See more letters to the editor, page 10

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# TownsBeat

## Innovation Lab bears fruit: A virtual sandbox

Team of 7 presented project to School Committee, then Harvard

By GABRIELLA CRUZ  
geruz@andovertownsmen.com

For one group of Andover High School students, playing in the sandbox ain't what it used to be.

No more battles over the last Tonka truck or arguments over who made the best tunnel.

Now, the discussions center around topographic lines transmitted onto the surface of the sandbox from a projector connected to a computer built by the seven students working in the school's Innovation Lab.

Playing in the sandbox means using open-source software from the University of California-Davis to design a program that enables students to see, in real time, the impact of rain on a hillside, or how a river overflows a riverbank.

Yep, the sandbox has come a long way, baby. And while the one built by the students is called a virtual sandbox, it's very, very real.

### Dream Team

A team of students, comprised of Bryce Corbitt, 17, Eli Gukovsky, 18, Ian Lloyd, 17, C.J. Morse, 17, William Owen, 18, Taha Vasowalla, 18, and Lake Yin, 14, began work in November 2015.

Stephen Chinosi, the district's Director of Strategic Innovation, has been waiting to find a group of students that could successfully turn the idea of a virtual sandbox into a reality.

"I've been excited to do this for a long time, but have been looking for a group of students that could handle it," Chinosi said. "When I met this group, I knew we could do it."

They met every other day during their scheduled class time to work on the virtual sandbox. Playing on their individual strengths, the students decided to split off into two "teams."

Morse and Vasowalla were in charge of planning and building, while the rest of the group focused on the software and technology needed to create the sandbox.

While the planning pair made lists of materials they needed and planned out the schedule of work, the others studied and experimented with the open-source software put out by U.C. Davis. Open-source software is computer software made available to the public by the copyright holder, which in this case was UC Davis.

Open-source software allows anyone to study, change and distribute the software to anyone else, for any purpose. Although the initial programming for the virtual sandbox was already done, the team had to make countless adjustments in order to make the program operate flawlessly.

"Basically, the program was already written, so we didn't have to write a program of our own," Gukovsky said. "But debugging the software issues that came up took a lot of time and required us to really work together."

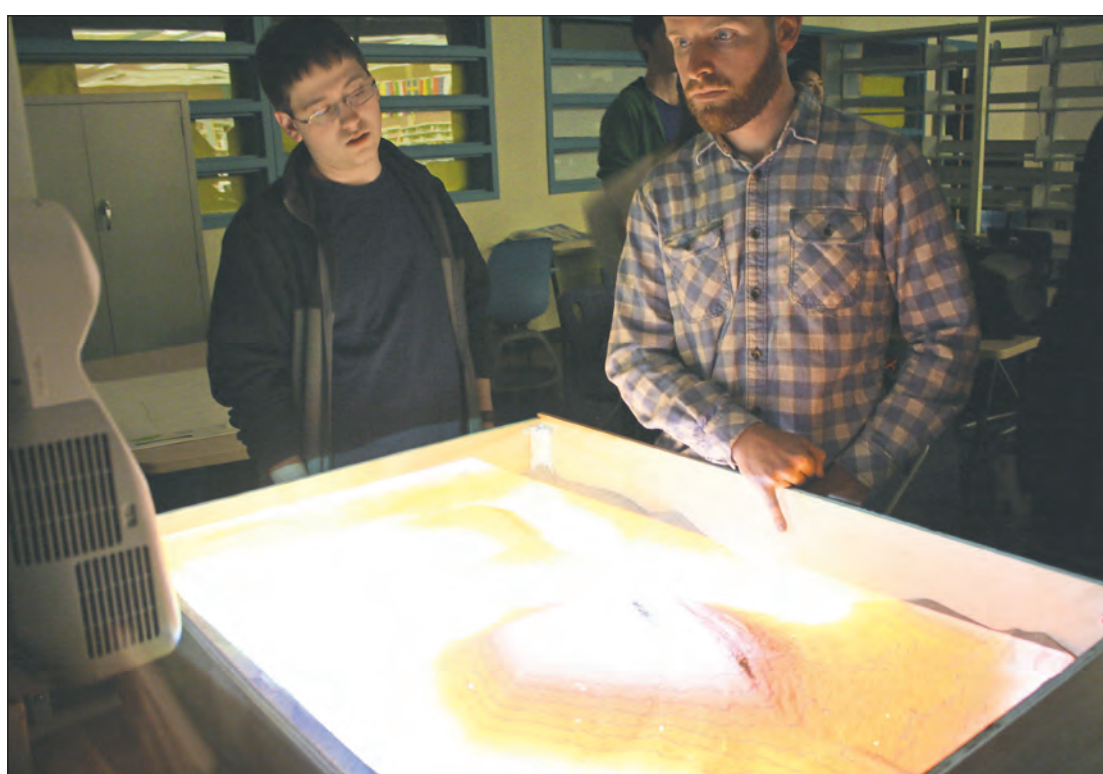
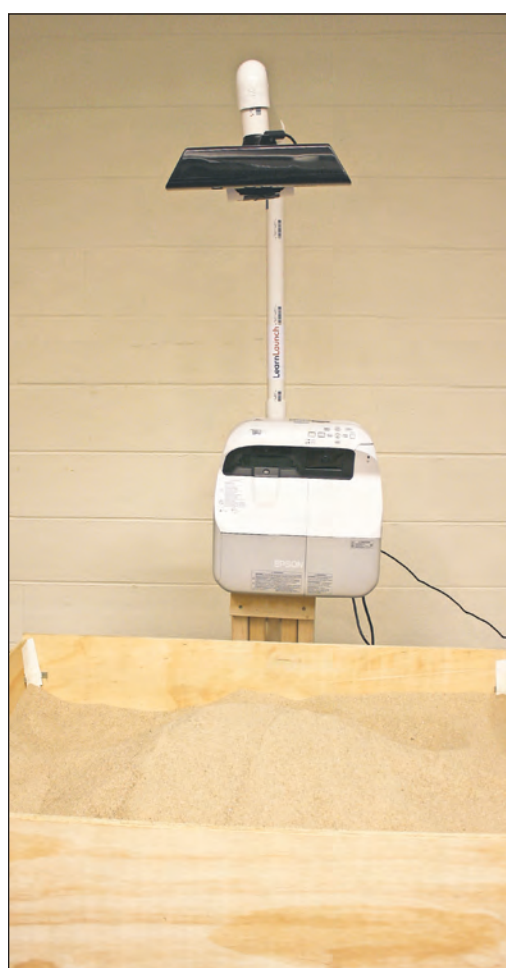
### 'Worked well'

Over the course of six weeks, the virtual sandbox was built from the ground up, and from the inside out. In order to create a virtual sandbox on wheels, the team had to build their own computer, specifically designed to project the topographical map onto the sand. Precise measurements had to be followed to match the box's size to the image coming from the overhead projector.

The Innovation Lab students presented their virtual sandbox to the Andover School Committee on Thursday, Jan. 21. That same day was the first time the group ever turned on the virtual sandbox.

"The first time it worked, the first time we had anything even close to working, was that morning," Gukovsky said. "But it worked. And it worked well."

Students manipulated the sand, and the image — the topographic lines and depictions of snow and water — changed as the sand was



ABOVE: Daniel Brennan, an Innovation Lab adviser and teacher at the high school, points out a spot on the projected topographical map to senior Eli Gukovsky.  
AT LEFT: When the projector is turned off, the apparatus is just a box of sand on wheels with a mounted projector.  
BELOW: Bryce Corbitt, 17, demonstrates how a shadow over the sand's highest peak tells the program to create virtual rainfall through the mounted projector.

GABRIELLA CRUZ/Staff photos

### HOW IT WORKS

At first glance, the virtual sandbox doesn't look like much. It's a rectangular wooden box sitting atop a table on wheels. The box is filled with sand. Attached to the back side of the box is a mounted projector with an overhead lamp.

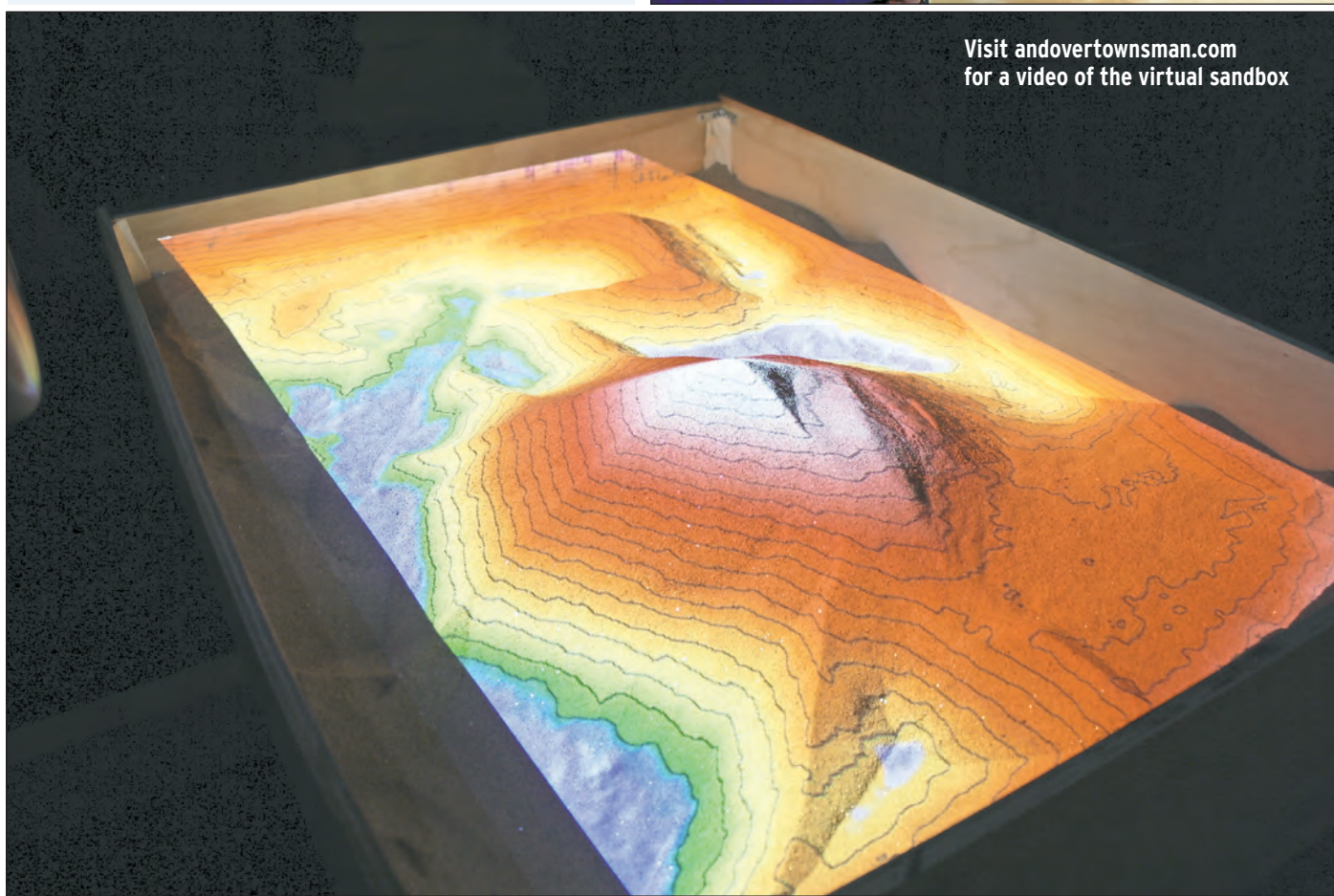
Once powered up, however, the virtual part of the sandbox becomes clear, creating a colorful, interactive and inviting environment. The projection that is cast down over the sand looks just like a topographical map. The software allows the projection to react when the sand is moved or when "clouds" appear overhead.

When the sand is formed into a mound, the mound's tallest point is considered the peak of a mountain. When the sand falls below a certain line in the box, the projector registers that as land below sea level. If a shadow is placed over any spot in the sand, the program responds by creating water, or precipitation, under the shadow, which it interprets as a cloud.

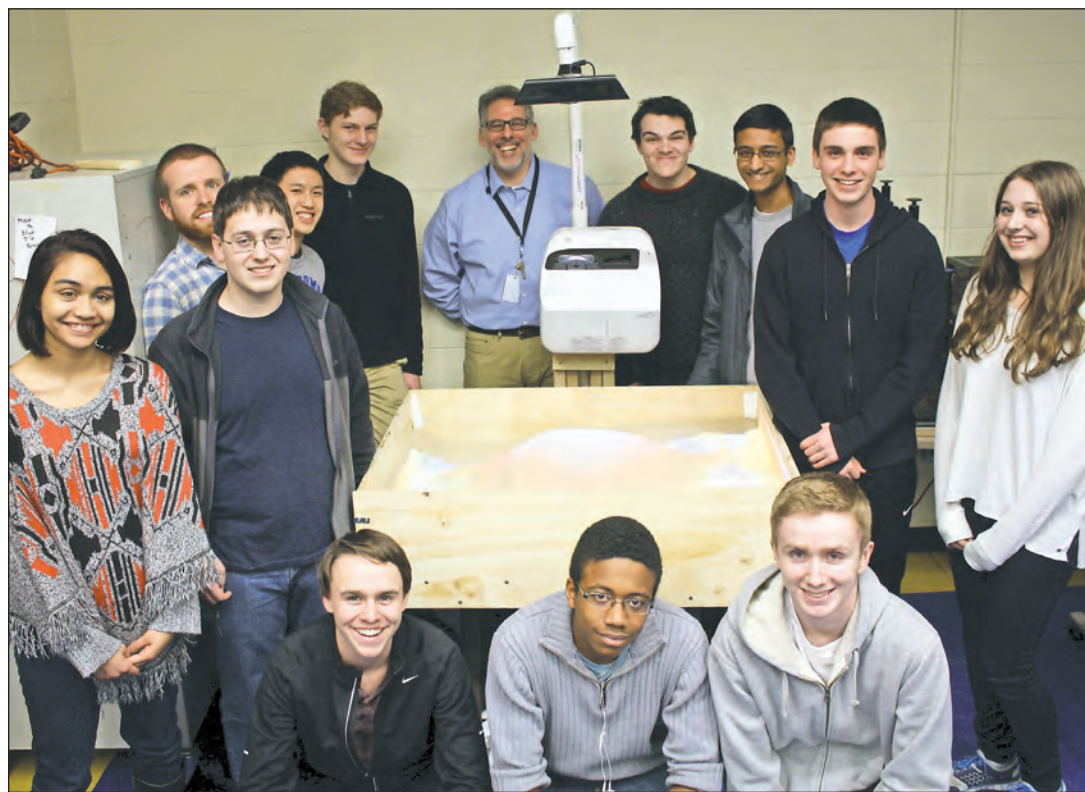
If a hand is placed a few inches above a "peak" in the sandbox, the color of the peak changes to white to illustrate snow, and water begins to accumulate farther down the "mountain." When the sand is rearranged, or a valley is formed in the sand, the projection responds to the changes by adjusting the projected image to show water forming and illustrate changes in land levels.



Visit [andovertownsmen.com](http://andovertownsmen.com) for a video of the virtual sandbox



AT LEFT: With the lights in the room turned off, the colors of the projected topographical map are even more vibrant, showing elevation lines, snow on the "peak" of a "mountain," a blue-colored body of water to the left of the mountain, a green shoreline, and more.



Steve Chinosi, (at left with blue shirt and glasses) the district's Director of Innovation and Technology, and teacher Daniel Brennan (red beard) stand with Innovation Lab students around the virtual sandbox.

### WHAT IS THE INNOVATION LAB?

The high school's Innovation Lab follows a shift in education toward project-based learning. For the students who created the virtual sandbox, continuing to offer classes that require hands-on work is beneficial to everyone involved.

"For me this was a huge learning experience," Corbitt said. "I didn't know how a computer worked. I wanted to, but I never had the chance. And now I've built a computer with my friends. Something like that is just huge because I want to major in computer security or computer science, so I'm going to need to know the parts of a computer. This is knowledge that I can now take and use in my everyday life in the future."

The Innovation Lab projects don't just inspire the students who participate in the course, though. Olinah Hassan, 17, is new to the course and said that the pressure to achieve academically has affected students' ability to explore more creative ideas.

"I feel like what's going on in our school right now is that we're so focused on academic grades that we kind of lose our creativity," Hassan said. "I feel like this class allows us to express, and kind of get in-tune with, our imagination more than we can in other classes. I think if you are willing to collaborate with others, it kind of shows the best parts of everyone involved."

moved around.

After their first public presentation in Andover, they carted their project to Harvard to present their findings to a very impressed group of students, principals, entrepreneurs, investors and policy makers during a Classroom of the Future event.

"We got a lot of compliments and the director of the program came to us and said that he really loved our project," Morse said.

"We met with a lot of principals, too," Vasowalla added. "They wanted to know how they could use this in their own schools and how they could get their

students to build one for their classrooms."

### Practical applications

"The first realistic application that we thought about is for geography classrooms," Morse said. "You'd be able to illustrate a lot of geological formations. You can show an isthmus, or a peninsula and

really show that to students visually. It's such a mobile, easily set up such that it wouldn't be difficult for teachers and students to use."

With the virtual sandbox, teachers now have the opportunity to cover topics in ways textbooks and videos cannot. With a projection on the sand that illustrates only

grass and water, for example, historic battlefields could be constructed in the sand and figurines placed in certain areas to visually explain how battles were fought.

"History teachers would be able to illustrate battlefields and show, for instance Custer's last stand," Morse said.

# A tempting offer for school vacation week

## Townsmen, local restaurants serve up Vacation Eats incentive

STAFF REPORT

It's February school vacation week in Massachusetts and we want to help you celebrate.

The Andover Townsman is teaming with a dozen area restaurants on our new "2016 Vacation Eats" promotion.

Starting Monday and continuing through school vacation week, families who are staying local will have a chance to enjoy a great meal out together or

with friends at a discount — while also supporting local restaurants.

Inside this week's Andover Townsman, readers will find a full page of coupons worth \$10 off \$40 dining tabs, excluding alcohol, to 12 participating restaurants. Just clip out the coupons, head to one of the restaurants and save \$10 off your bill — it's as simple as that.

The ready-to-be-clipped coupons will be published again in next week's

Andover Townsman as well. "Since on school vacation week, many families take the opportunity to go out to eat, we decided to create a way to make it a little more affordable and to drive some customers to restaurants who wanted to participate in the program," said Mark Zappala, vice president of advertising for The Andover Townsman's parent company, Community Newspaper Holdings, Inc.

"The Vacation Eats program runs from Feb. 15

through 21, so families can go to several different restaurants throughout that time, or go to their favorite restaurant several times," Zappala added.

The participating restaurants are:

- Andolini's — Andover
- Palmer's — Andover
- Salvatore's — Andover and Lawrence
- Eggie's — Atkinson
- Lobster Tail — North Andover
- Mi Mexico Lindo — Salem, N.H.

- Plaza Azteca — Methuen
- Prelude — Methuen
- Shadi's — North Andover
- The Irish Cottage — Methuen
- The Sweetheart Inn — Methuen
- Tomo Steakhouse — Salem, N.H.

"Families can eat out every night next week or just one night if they choose, but each time they can be sure to cut \$10 off their bill," North of Boston Marketing Manager Laura Perreault said. In addition to the school



vacation week discounts on dining, families can also enter raffles for a chance to win \$25 gift cards to each of the participating restaurants. The gift cards can be used on future visits to the restaurants.

Go to andovertownsmen.com/vacationeats to enter the raffle online. The raffle winners will be announced March 17.

## All Those Years Ago

By SUSAN MCKELLIGET

### 100 Years Ago

February 11, 1916

An alarm from Box 66, located at the corner of Poor

and Main streets, at 1:48 p.m. on Sunday, called the local fire department to a blaze in the house occupied by the Jackson family on the old Riding Academy property in Frye

village. The fire was started according to the occupant by an accident while he was thawing out frozen pipes in the cellar.

The Boston and Main railroad bridge on North Main street is being rebuilt by the railroad authorities and at the present time it is necessary for everyone using the thoroughfare to pass over the bridge owned by the Bay State Street Railway Company.

The work of the Board of Health for the year 1915 has been considerably increased, according to its records for the previous three years. The cases were divided as follows: Chicken pox 40, diphtheria 27, measles 63, ophthalmia 2, typhoid fever 2, scarlet fever 39, tuberculosis 19, mumps 5, German measles 106, spinal meningitis 3, whooping cough 12, total 319.

### 75 Years Ago

February 13, 1941

If it were in Germany, some official would say: "Close up those grades" and they'd be closed. But this is America.

Last Thursday night Superintendent Kenneth L. Sherman went to a meeting of the Ballardvale P.T.A. and put to the parents a problem: "Next year your fifth and sixth grades will be very small, probably not totaling over 7 pupils. What should we do about it?"

The preliminary organization of the committee planning to raise funds to help Andover England buy a Spitfire plane is getting underway. For the next two weeks it is hoped that voluntary contributions will be sent in, following which there will be an intensive canvass. It is hoped to raise \$4,000 in Andover and \$2,000 in North Andover.

If you hear of anything social going on in Andover these days, the chances are about two to one that it's for the Chinese, and if it's for the Chinese, the chances are a hundred to one that Cornelius Wood is behind it. For over a year Mr. Wood has been quietly working in behalf of the Bureau for Medical Aid to China, but recently his efforts have expanded into a series of

parties held by Andover and North Andover folk to aid the cause.

### 50 Years Ago

February 10, 1966

A front page photo caption reads "Tuesday's 67-46 win over Burlington qualified Andover's Warriors for completions in the Eastern Mass (Tech) Basketball Tournament." The team now holds second place in the Merrimack Valley Conference. Here Marshall Petrie (50) jumps for a basket.

The League of Women Voters will put into the mail this weekend their customary collection of candidate information data, including the first public statements on selection issues by those seats on the Board of Selectmen and School Committee. The four candidates for selectmen were asked by the League to comment on their recommendations for meeting Andover's long-range needs in water supply, conservation and downtown parking.

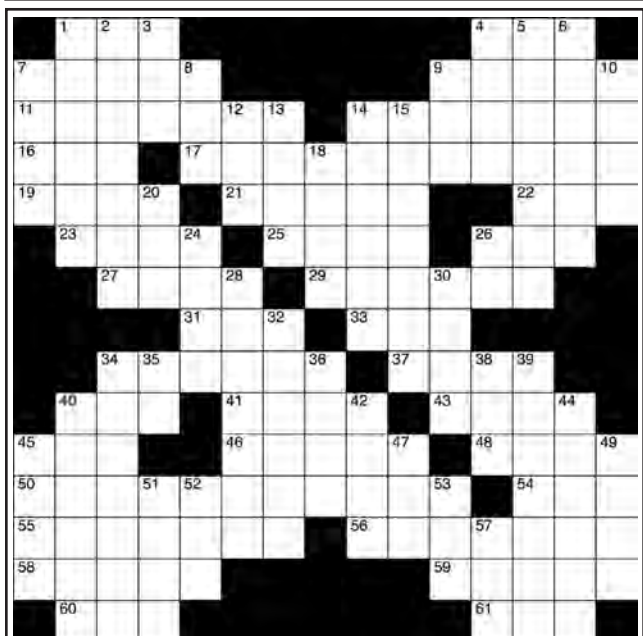
### 25 Years Ago

February 14, 1991

President George Bush and first lady Barbara Bush will visit Andover tomorrow, Friday, to tour Raytheon Co. plant on Lowell street, home of the Patriot missile, but no plans are scheduled for public appearances.

The Selectmen Monday night approved a request by Ron Abraham to let him put a huge yellow ribbon on the balcony of Old Town Hall to honor troops fighting in the Middle East. The roughly 4 by 5 foot bow, made of yellow ribbon 3 feet wide, will cost about \$250 and will be paid for by Mr. Abraham but installed by town workers. Turning Shawsheen School into a kindergarten through grade five school are options the School Committee is considering to keep the school open next year. The building now houses kindergarten and readiness (an in-between year before grade one) programs.

McKelliget is Board President of the Andover Historical Society.



### CLUES ACROSS

1. Basics
4. Paper container
7. Diving ducks of N America having a bluish-gray bill
9. Spruce
11. Sacred choral composition
14. Ear lobe decoration
16. S Am. wood sorrel cultivated for its edible tubers
17. Wolf drama series
19. Straight, bowling or bobby
21. Cotton growing region in W. Central India
22. Tax saving retirement account
23. Expresses pleasure
25. Synoptical
26. Peseta
27. Oceans
29. Weekday

### CLUES DOWN

1. Gum arabic
2. Crazy, loco, wacky
3. Unconnected
4. Whirring sound
5. Tartness
6. A group of individuals
7. Bard
8. Buddy
9. Not an amateur
10. North-central Indian city
12. Chit
13. Reverences
14. Inspire with love
15. Endocrine gland
18. Biblical name for Syria
20. The woman
24. Heroic tale
26. Daddy

### Solution in Classified Section

31. Octagonal motif in rugs
33. Beam out
34. Escargots
37. Mother of Apollo in ancient mythology
40. Fed
41. A sleeveless garment like cloak but shorter
43. Yugoslavian River
45. Patti Hearst's captors
46. Representational likeness
48. Plundered
50. Clothier
54. \_\_\_ de Janeiro
55. Peaceful relations
56. Replaced union workers
58. African people of Senegambia
59. Every 24 hours
60. 1/100 yen
61. Summate

28. Killing yourself
30. In a way, discolors
32. Artiodactyls
34. Resistant to change
35. Northeast
36. Watering places
38. A way to pave
39. Value excessively
40. Poplar trees (Spanish)
42. Elk Grove High School
44. Abroad
45. Author George Bernard
47. Old world, new
49. Tiny insectivorous W. Indian bird
51. British School
52. Moroccan coastal region
53. Radioactivity unit
57. Sheep sound

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## ANDOVER COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 11

**BOOK READING, 7 p.m.** at the Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St., Andover. Ames Sheldon will read from "Eleanor's Wars." Sheldon is a former journalist, an author and editor of Women's History Sources; 978-475-0143.

#### FRIDAY, FEB. 12

**AN EVENING OF SPIRITUALS, 8 p.m.**, Parish of Christ Church, 33 Central St., Andover. Enjoy the music of Terry Morgan, soprano and Leonardo Ciampa, piano in celebration of Black History Month; a reception will follow the recital in the parish hall; admission is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students, \$25 for families; www.christchurchandover.org.

#### SATURDAY, FEB. 13

**CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT, 6:30 p.m.**, Timken Room at Graves Hall, Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover. The Phillips Academy Chamber Music Society, comprised of faculty and students, will perform chamber music by Beethoven, Boling, Schubert, Schumann, Mozart, Dvořák, Prokofiev, Shostakovich, and others; admission is free and open to the public; the venue is handicapped accessible; 978-749-4260, email music@andover.edu.

**"UNVEILED" A ONE-WOMAN PLAY, 7:30 p.m.**, Tang Theater, 7 Chapel Ave., a play written and performed by Rohina Malik, about racism, hate crimes, love, Islam, culture, language and life. Five Muslim women in a post-9/11 world serve tea and uncover what lies beneath the veil. Myths, stereotypes,

and intolerance are revealed and examined. Malik is a Chicago-based playwright, actress, and solo performance artist of South Asian heritage. "Unveiled" has been performed in theatres nationwide. Tea and desserts follow the performance.

#### SUNDAY, FEB. 14

**ACADEMY CONCERT BANDS IN CONCERT, 3 p.m.**, Cochran Chapel, Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover. Presented by the Phillips Academy Music Department, under the direction of Vincent Monaco and Derek Jacoby; the program will feature the music of Copland, Texidor, Respighi, Beethoven, Jacob, and Mackey; free; 978-749-4260, email music@andover.edu.

#### MONDAY, FEB. 15

**ANDOVER CHORAL SOCIETY AUDITIONS, Christ Church, 25 Central St., Andover. The**

Andover Choral Society is now accepting applications for its Choral Scholars program. High school students selected as Choral Scholars will rehearse and perform with the Andover Choral Society in their May 14 concert, featuring Mozart's Coronation Mass and Schubert's Mass in B-flat. Both works will be accompanied by a professional orchestra and soloists. The program is designed to enhance the high school choral experience. Students in grades 11 and 12 who are in good standing in their high school choral program are encouraged to apply. The application process includes a recommendation from the student's high school choral director and a short audition with Andover Choral Society music director, Michael Driscoll. The group sings two concerts a year, one in late January and one in May. Rehearsals are held on Mondays at Christ Church. High school students who are accepted into the Choral Scholars program are given their music and membership in the Andover Choral Society for free; email info@andoverchoralsociety.org, www.andoverchoralsociety.org.

**ANDOVER CHORAL SOCIETY'S OPEN REHEARSALS, 7:20 to 9:30 p.m.**, Christ Church, 25 Central St., Andover. The Andover Choral Society, directed by Michael Driscoll, invites those who enjoy singing choral music, to attend open rehearsals. The chorus will perform Mozart's "Coronation Mass" and Schubert's "Mass No. 3 in B-Flat Major" with professional orchestra and soloists on Saturday, May 14, 7:30 p.m. at St. Augustine's Church in Andover. The chorus performs two concerts per year, singing a repertoire that focuses on fine choral and choral-orchestral works from the baroque to the 21st century. Since 1929, membership has been open to anyone with a love for choral music and a desire to share that love with others; www.andoverchoralsociety.org.

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 18

**MOVIE SCREENING, 10:30 a.m.**, Faith Lutheran Church, 360 South Main St., Andover. "The Ghost and Mrs. Muir," starring Gene Tierney and Rex Harrison, will be shown; www.faith-andover.org, 978-475-4059.

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# Sports

## A PERFECT FIT



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Andover High senior Joe Aronov practices vaulting, which is his specialty for the Warriors. The fearless Aronov stars in the event while competing for the Golden Warrior girls team.

### Aronov happy to compete on Andover girls gymnastics squad

By DAVE DYER  
Staff Writer

It's been a case of all's well that ends well for Andover senior Joe Aronov.

A little over a year ago, Aronov was weighted down in doubt. The Andover boys gymnastics team had been terminated because of low interest and Aronov was not certain that he should join the Golden Warriors' girls program. "I was quite hesitant at first," admits Aronov. "I wasn't sure how I would fit in as the only guy on the team ... but I finally decided to do what I enjoy doing."

That turned out to be a wise decision for both Aronov and the Warriors, who have benefited mightily by his presence, especially in the vault, which is his specialty. His scores count in all meets prior to the sectional and state meets.

"We didn't really have someone who was good at the vault, so he has really helped us," said Andover coach Tracy Vadala. "He places first in every meet for us."

The week before last, Aronov set a school record in the vault with an impressive 9.575 score. He has also been a consistent scorer in the floor and bars.

Still, while Aronov knew that he would score well in the vault, he wasn't sure how comfortable he would feel being the lone boy on an all-girls squad. But that wasn't

a problem for long.

"It was a little awkward for me in the beginning, but it didn't last long," he said. "The girls welcomed me. I didn't know this before, but they all wanted me to join the team. They knew I could help them."

"Now I definitely enjoy it. I'm totally used to being around them and I'm happy I'm still competing."

In fact, when he was a freshman with the boys team, Aronov was quite shy. No longer.

"He's come out of his shell," said Vadala. "The girls all love him. He's nice to everyone."

Aronov has definitely helped Andover remain one of the top gymnastics programs in the region, and without any negative reactions from opposing teams that don't have boys.

"I haven't heard any comments or heard people get upset about it," said Vadala. "I think it helps that when we get to the sectional and individual state meet, the boys compete separately."

Last year, for example, Aronov won the vault in the boys state meet.

"It's only fair, but I looked it up and I would have finished second including girls," he said.

This year, Aronov didn't compete at individual states for boys. He was away on a vacation. So the MVC meet in Dracut could be his last gymnastics competition as a



As the only boy on the Andover girls gymnastics team, Joe Aronov is one popular teammate. He is also a superstar in the vault, even after the boys team was discontinued.

Golden Warrior.

"We'll definitely miss him," said Vadala. "We'll find out how much next year."

Aronov's competitive days will not be over, however. After a year's hesitation, he took up pole vaulting his sophomore year. He improved three feet to a best clear of 12 feet last year and is now passionate about the sport.

"It's great and I'm going up in

height quickly," said Aronov. "I've been going to Patriot Pole Vault (workouts in Shirley) and I really want to do it in college."

Aronov plans on majoring in mechanical or computer engineering in college and has Wentworth and New Jersey Institute of Technology as his current top destinations.

Wherever he lands, Aronov will be back competing with the boys.

### ★ Andover-Punchard Athletic Hall of Fame ★

## Vetrano's skills were unmatched, Connors' size terrifying

By DAVE NICHOLS  
Special to the Andover Townsman

*NOTE: The Andover-Punchard Hall of Fame has selected its first class since 2006. Leading up to the April 8 induction, each week the Andover Townsman will take a look at the legends that are being added to the legendary class.*

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**CHRIS VETRANO**  
Basketball  
Class of 2004

Chris Vetrano is the most prolific scorer in the history of Andover Boys Basketball.

Also the all-time leading scorer for boys in

Merrimack Valley Conference history, Chris registered 2,090 points for Andover High. As a sophomore Chris once netted 40



Chris Vetrano

points in back-to-back games. He is the all-time Greater Lawrence Christmas Tournament scoring leader including most 3-pointers in a single tournament and for a career in the tourney.

His teams won two MVC Championships and he took home three Merrimack Valley Conference MVP's.

Chris was a three-time Herald All-Scholastic, a

four-time member of the MVC Super Team and the 2004 Massachusetts Basketball Coaches Association Player of the Year. He was selected as a McDonald's All-American Honorable Mention.

"Chris was the ultimate team player and competitor," said his coach, David Fazio. "He made everyone around himself better and played his best when the lights were on. His skills are unmatched for a 5-foot-8, 160-pound point guard. He played against the best in the state of Massachusetts and earned the respect of all his opponents. I love him like a son."

Upon graduation Chris earned a full scholarship to the University of New Hampshire where he started for the Wildcats for two years before transferring to St. Anselm College where he also starred for two years. He netted 1,300 points as a collegian.

**BARRY CONNORS SR.**  
Football/Basketball  
Class of 1963



Barry Connors Sr.

At 6-foot-3 and 230 pounds, Barry Connors Sr. was truly "a man among



Staff File Photo

**Chris Vetrano was a master with the ball in his hands, scoring an Andover High boys record 2,090 points. That earns him Andover/Punchard Hall of Fame induction.**

boys" in high school.

Elected co-captain of the 1962 Andover High football team after starting three years, he became an Eagle-Tribune All-Star, All-Northeast Conference, Bay State Tourney All-Star, and Boston Globe Honorable Mention. Barry's size and strength dominated opponents.

At home as an offensive tackle he opened gaping holes on the offensive line for Andover High running back and fellow Hall of

Famer Jim Brent.

Just as commanding in basketball Barry again was named an Eagle-Tribune All-Star, All Northeast Conference, and Boston Herald Second Team All-Star.

Legendary Andover High basketball coach Wil Hixon stated that "Barry was one of the pillars that turned our basketball program around."

He was named team MVP in both basketball and football.

Upon graduation Barry received a full football scholarship to West Texas State University where seven future NFL players were his teammates.

Disenchanted with academics he left the school. However, encouraged by legendary Oakland Raiders coach Al Davis he returned to Parson's College. Upon graduation a then 6-4, 260 pound defensive tackle, Connors was signed as a free agent by the Cleveland Browns.

Released, the following year he had tryouts with the Buffalo Bills and Boston Patriots.

Fellow Punchard/Andover High Hall of Famer and former UConn star Paul Whitley offered Barry a job as a line coach at Billerica and there he taught physical education, coached, and officiated in the Merrimack Valley for 33 years.

### ► Local Sports Roundup

## Arifovic, swimming surge to MVC Meet title

### SWIMMING

Adi Arifovic won the 500 freestyle (4:48.33) and 200 freestyle (1:59.17) as Andover rolled to the title in the MVC Championship Meet on Friday with 401 points, topping No. 2 Central Catholic (341 points).

"Very impressed, very proud of the boys," said Andover coach Mark Taffe, still sopping wet after jumping into the pool to celebrate with his swimmers. "They all swam really well, I'm looking forward to the rest of the season with them, it's been a great season, 9-0 and now the MVC championship."

Sean Bradshaw won the diving (225.70) and Eric Shi claimed the other individual win, taking the 100 backstroke (1:00.54).

Zach Grover added third-place finishes in the 200 IM and 100 backstroke, Zach Beucler was third in the 200 freestyle and 500 freestyle and adding single thirds were Max Blanch (100 butterfly), David Lee (diving) and Thomas Galligani (50 freestyle).

Andover also starred in the relays as the 200 freestyle (Beucler, Blanch, Galligani, Arifovic), 200 medley (Grover, Shi, Blanch, Galligani) and 400 freestyle (Beucler, Grover, Shi, Arifovic) were all runner-up.

### WRESTLING

#### Surehan, Warriors dominate

Ryan Surehan went 3-0 at 138 pounds to help Andover beat Hampshire Regional (30-15), Franklin Tech (47-30), Pioneer Regional (15-9) and Southwick Regional (37-21) in a dual meet tournament on Saturday. Matt Stamas (182 pounds), Kevin Kiely (120) and Nate Dykstra (126) were each unbeaten on the day, while Matt Donahue scored victories at 113 pounds and 106 pounds and Matt Marcotte had two wins at 132.

Matt Marcotte won by pin at 132 pounds in 1:17 and Josh Paige scored a pin at 113 pounds in 3:36 as Andover tied Whittier 34-34 last Wednesday. Andover dominated the lower weights with Matt Donahue (106), Kevin Kiely (120) and Nate Dykstra (126) each also taking wins. Peyton Keidtko (220) and Pat Meagher (152) added victories.

### BOYS BASKETBALL

#### Rodriguez leads the way

Jonathan Rodriguez tallied a game-high 18 points, hitting four 3-pointers, to help Andover edge North Andover 61-56 on Saturday. Devon Beasley added 13 points and Max Beati had eight points for the winners.

### BOYS SKIING

#### Denoncourt stars

Behind a fourth-place finish overall by Jason Denoncourt (21.89), Andover beat Austin Prep 131-4 on Friday to close out the regular season 8-4.

Jason Denoncourt took seventh overall in 21.00 as Andover beat North Andover (65-43) and North Andover (87-70) but fell to powerhouse St. John's Prep (117-18) last Tuesday.

### GIRLS SKIING

#### Warriors sweep

Cailey Denoncourt was second (21.79), Olivia Lawler was fourth (21.94) and Ann Souter took fifth (21.12) as Andover beat Manchester Essex 68-67 and Haverhill 131-4 last Monday. Meaghan Farrell added a ninth overall for the winners.

### BOYS HOCKEY

#### Rally falls short

Andover cut the deficit to a single goal in the final minute of play on a Nate O'Neil tally, but could not get the tying score and fell to archrival Central Catholic 3-2 last Wednesday. Jeff Hunt scored the other Golden Warrior goal while Zach Laramie made 21 saves.

Scoring the go-ahead goal for Central was Andover resident Joe Biddle.

### BOYS TRACK

#### Mosher takes two

Owen Mosher won the 55 hurdles (8.27) and high jump (5-6) to highlight Andover's performance at the MVC Freshman/Sophomore Meet last Wednesday.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

#### Landry's effort for naught

Despite 15 points for Taylor Landry, Andover fell to North Andover 54-48 on Sunday. Jillian Webber scored a game-high 22 points for the Warriors.



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# Townspeople

## ANDOVER SCORES WITH CHINESE HOCKEY PLAYERS



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Hockey players from China and Andover gathered with Blades the Bruins Mascot for a team photo at the conclusion of the game.

### Program exposes Chinese players to U.S. hockey in advance of 2022 Olympics

By JUDY WAKEFIELD  
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As China gets ready to host the Winter Olympics in 2022, young hockey players from Andover are among the skaters showing their Beijing counterparts how the game is played. Except during a goodwill game late last month, it was the Chinese PeeWee skaters showing Andover how it's done.

On Jan. 30, a youth hockey team from China, made up of 11- and 12-year-olds, squared off against a PeeWee 3 team from the Andover Hockey Association at the rink in Malden.

China took the game, 3-1. "It was a good match and they had several good skaters," said head coach Steve Neal, a long-time youth hockey coach and a sergeant on the Andover Police Department. "It was a great experience for our boys who were thrilled to be part of this."

He said the Chinese players knew about breakaways as they scored two goals in 15 seconds.

"They had a good goalie," he said. "They played two lines and it was just a good experience to skate with them."

The game was just one in a series of games played by the Chinese team against Massachusetts youth hockey teams. Neal explained that as China gets ready for the 2022 Olympics, they are exposing more and more kids to hockey and other winter sports, in hopes that if they don't become top-level players, at least they will have an appreciation for the game.

And it's not just PeeWee hockey where Chinese players are making their mark.

Two members of the Phillips Academy hockey team, Misha Song and Tora Liu, are both from China and playing at an elite level.

In a New York Times sports story published Jan. 31, they talked about the hockey rage back home, saying they "... played on small rinks, like the one inside the China World Mall or a crude sheet built in a decommissioned war bunker. The boys used discounted hockey gear that their parents had collected during business trips abroad. With no one to teach them how to suit up, the boys at first wore their hockey socks inside kneepads to keep their legs warm."

Now, The Times reports, those boys have graduated to New England preparatory



China's Oinxiao Yang and Andover's Stevie Williams and Chinese goalie Zemeng Zhou do not realize that the puck has popped out of the scrum, leaving Andover's Tyler Ferro a wide open net for the goal.



Andover's Jack Walsh, left, chases China's YouYou Zeng as they vie for the puck during the game at the Malden rink.



Chinese player Vincent Zhang holds up some of the Bruins memorabilia that he was about to give to his Andover counterpart.



Chinese and Andover Peewee 3s exchanged gifts at the end of the game.

programs around Boston, including Andover, Stoneham and Malden. They also got to play a game at Boston Garden between periods of a Bruins home game.

Andover skater Matt Haney said he "liked playing a new team from a different country and they were better than I expected to be."

"I enjoyed it because I can see how good kids from the other side of the world are," added Arnab Bhakta of Andover, while his teammate Danny Saunders said, "I liked that they came to play us because they have a good team and we have a good team, too."

Neal explained that he got a call from the Valley League, which runs most of the youth hockey programs in the region, asking his team to take part.

"They sent me a two-minute clip of the Chinese skaters so we could gauge their ability," he said. "They were the same level as us and it was a good match."

A seven-minute opening drill allowed the two teams to interact before the puck dropped. The Chinese players quietly struggled to say "hello" in English while the Andover team attempted to do the same in Chinese, which they had practiced for days, Neal said.

"I liked interacting with the Chinese players during the pre-game warm up drill and helping them learn the drill we designed," said Andover player Will Moriarty.

Neal stressed that the life-lesson learned because of this game is much more rewarding than a goal scored or a good defensive play. His son, Tyler Neal, summed it up best.

"It was a great experience that we will never forget ... we got to play a team from China," Tyler said.

The team playing in Massachusetts got red-carpet treatment.

The Chinese team took part in clinics set up by the Boston Bruins organization, playing five games with youth hockey

# ANA Synchro athletes earn six first place ribbons at meet

ANA Synchro athletes earned first place ribbons in Junior Team, Senior Duet, Senior Tech Duet, 13-15 Solo, 13-15 Duet, and 13-15 Figures at the recent New England North and South 13-15 Age Group and Junior/Senior Championships.

The meet included over 70 athletes from 6 Massachusetts and New Hampshire teams. ANA Synchro also won 5 second place ribbons and 6 additional top-5 ribbons.

The Junior and Senior competition classes are for athletes age 15 and older. ANA Synchro athletes winning awards in the New England North Junior/Senior Championships were:

Junior Team (1st): Grace Alwan, Gates Bryan, Sophia Ju, and Naomi Turner of Andover; Laila Cross and Maxie Zimmerman of North Andover.

Combination Team, New England Synchro (2nd): Alwan, Bryan, Ju, and Reverie Nedde of Andover; Zimmerman of North Andover.

Junior Duet: Alwan and Ju (2nd), Kyra Donahue of Methuen and Lakshita Motwani of Andover (5th).

Junior Solo: Zimmerman (2nd), Cross (3rd).

Senior Tech Duet: Alwan and Zimmerman (1st).

Senior Free Duet: Alwan and Ju (1st).

Figures (the technical elements of synchronized swimming): Alwan (3rd), Zimmerman (4th), Ju (5th).

ANA Synchro athletes winning awards in the New England North 13-15 Age Group Championships were:

Team (2nd): Olivia Liera, Noa Margolin, Lakshita Motwani, Reverie Nedde, and Ruby Remati, of Andover; Kyra Donahue of Methuen; Olivia Freund of North Andover, and Olivia Yang of Acton.

Solo: Remati (1st).

Duet: Nedde and Remati (1st), Donahue and Motwani (4th).

Figures: Nedde (1st), Remati (2nd).

This was the first meet of the season where athletes perform choreographed routines for competition. Next up for the team will be the 13-15 East Zone Championships next month in Hamden, CT. Synchronized swimming combines music, dance and swimming into "the ultimate team sport". Through the artistry and athletics of synchronized swimming and team competition, girls build lifelong friendships and skills while developing the confidence to dream big and pursue their goals. The team is open to girls ages 6 to 19.

ANA Synchro is the competitive synchronized swimming team of the Andover/North Andover YMCA. Girls wishing to join the team or try the sport for the first time should contact Head Coach Leah Pinette at 978-685-3541, lpinette@mvmca.org.



Andover Hockey Association players greet their heroes - members of the Andover High School varsity hockey team, at center ice during the traditional clinic put on by the older skaters for the younger ones.

# High school hockey players run clinic for kids

STAFF REPORT

It was all sticks and smiles at the Phillips Academy rink last month, as skaters from the Andover High School varsity team took part in its annual tradition of working out with the younger kids from the Andover Hockey Association.

According to Chris Kuchar, coach of the varsity team, the Warriors ran a clinic with 125 skaters from the age of 3 to 8.

They practiced skills and skating technique and then the Warriors stuck around to autograph sticks and jerseys.

Also, that night, each player from Andover youth hockey who wore their AHA game jerseys got into the varsity game for free.

"We had a sellout crowd for the 4-0 game over Waltham and the majority was AHA players," Kuchar said.

Between the first and second periods of the game, two Andover Mite teams played a 6-minute mini-game called "6 Minutes of Fame," similar to a custom at the Boston Garden when youth teams play between periods at Bruins' home games.



Here, goalie Andrew Santos signs the back of the jersey of one of the girls who plays for the Andover Hockey Association.



ANA Synchro athletes recently competed at the New England North and South 13-15 Age Group and Junior/Senior Championships. Members include, standing, left to right: Grace Alwan, Reverie Nedde, Kyra Donahue, Maxie Zimmerman, Gates Bryan, Olivia Freund, Laila Cross and Naomi Turner; kneeling left to right: Nina Robbe, Olivia Liera, Sophia Ju, Ruby Remati, Lakshita Motwani, Olivia Yang and Noa Margolin.

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**LOST & FOUND**

CAT Multi-color torti, MISSING since Dec from Sadler St, Gloucester. Any info at all please call 978-282-1837. Feline Rescue of Cape Ann

FOUND CAT - Brown Tabby, Coolidge Ave / Highland Ave area of Lynn. (978) 777-0028

FOUND DOG in the area of Island Pond Road in Atkinson. If anyone is missing their dog or for more information call the Atkinson Police Department 603-362-4001

**LOST & FOUND**  
FOUND young black cat, green eyes. Super friendly. Found near Schooners Market in Essex MA. Call 978-675-8633



LOST GREY/WHITE INDOOR CAT. REWARD FOR HIS SAFE RETURN. NO QUESTIONS ASKED. PEABODY/SALEM LINE.

Mini Max is shy and may be hiding. He may be limping or injured. He fell out my window in August. Please check your yards, garages, sheds & under porches.

Are you or one of your neighbors feeding a new stray cat? Does the cat look like Mini Max? If so, please call or text me. Please send a photo if possible. Thank you. 339-201-1491

REWARD \$10 for copy of a lost article I wrote years ago in the Gloucester Times "Lure of the Track" about dog racing. 978-546-5805

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NEWBURY - Stunning new renovation river-side on the tidal Parker River! Two bedrooms, two huge stone fireplaces, two levels, two baths. Amazing marsh views. All new windows, roof, septic system, new kitchen. This is a unique and fabulous home that needs to be seen - lovely setting, comfortable living!  
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**HOMES**  
"UNDER AGREEMENT"

NEWTON, NH ~ Extraordinarily sunny and bright, this feature-filled 3 bedroom home has been totally renovated down to the finest detail. Metabolous and fastidious. From roof to period exterior trim, from foundation to heating system, from electrical to new paints, all has been done beautifully, tastefully and thoroughly. One acre site with perennials and "patio" in the stone walls of the barn site. Workshop unheated attached to the house with direct interior access. This is a beauty. \$240,000

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**TOWNHOMES/CONDOS**

Marblehead - OPEN HOUSE! Sunday, January 31st, 12:00-1:30pm, 54 Brackett Pl. Enjoy beautiful views of Marblehead harbor in this updated 2 bedroom, townhouse at Glover Landing. Modernized kitchen features granite counters and stainless steel appliances. \$498,000

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**TOWNHOMES/CONDOS**  
Salem- OPEN HOUSE! Sunday, January 31st, 12:00-2:00pm, 23 Beach Ave, #3. 2 bedroom, ocean front condo in Salem Willows Neighborhood. Features include a gourmet kitchen, exclusive ocean front deck, private beach and more. \$439,900

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Salem- OPEN HOUSE! Sunday, January 31st, 12:00-1:30pm, 2 Naples Rd, #3. Large & updated 3 bedroom penthouse condo in Osgood Park. Updated kitchen with granite counters and stainless appliances. Spacious rooms and use of private beach and park. \$279,900

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**LAND/ACREAGE**

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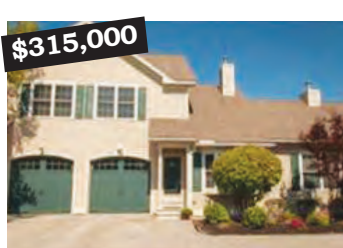
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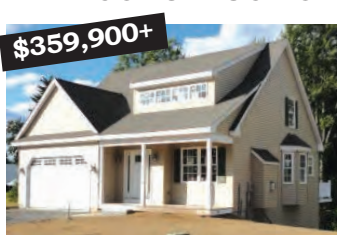
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**LAND/ACREAGE**

Gloucester- NEW PRICE! Good Harbor Beach Neighborhood. Build your year round or summer home on this .30 acre parcel within very close proximity to Good Harbor Beach. Natural gas, water and electric on street. Super location. Offered at \$320,000

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**Rentals**

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**Legals**

**TOWN OF ANDOVER MASSACHUSETTS ADVERTISEMENT**  
Sealed bids for furnishing the following will be received at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, Massachusetts 01810 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. The time received will be stamped on each bid and for a consistency of time, the time stamp clock in the Purchasing Office will be the determining time.  
**ITEM**  
IBF No. 022/02-16/185  
Public Safety Center Video Surveillance Replacement Project, Andover, MA  
**BID OPENING**  
February 26, 2016  
11:00 AM  
Bid Documents and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, MA, or on the Central Purchasing Department webpage located at http://andoverma.vt-s.net/Pages/AndoverMA\_Procurement/index.  
**A Pre-Bid Site Visit will be held for all interested parties on February 17, 2016, at 10:00 AM, at the Public Safety Center, 32 N. Main St., Andover, MA, 01810.**  
**A bid security in the amount of 5% of the total bid will be required.**  
Andover is an affirmative action/equal opportunity purchaser. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all bids or take whatever other action may be deemed necessary to be in the best interest of the Town.  
Thomas P. Watkins  
Purchasing Agent  
AT - 2/11/16

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**Legals**

**TOWN OF ANDOVER MASSACHUSETTS ADVERTISEMENT COOPERATIVE BID**  
Towns of Andover, Chelmsford, Dracut, Haverhill, Lawrence, Lowell, Methuen, Newburyport, North Andover, North Reading, Reading, Tewksbury, Wakefield, and Wilmington  
Sealed bids for furnishing Vehicle Gasoline & Premium Diesel Fuel to the above listed municipalities will be received at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, Massachusetts 01810, until the time specified below, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. The time received will be stamped on each bid and for a consistency of time, the time stamp clock in the Purchasing Office will be the determining time.  
**ITEM**  
IBF No. 025/02-16/185  
Vehicle Gasoline & Premium Diesel Fuel  
**BID OPENING**  
February 26, 2016  
12:00 PM  
Bid Documents and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, MA, or on the Central Purchasing Department webpage located at http://andoverma.vt-s.net/Pages/AndoverMA\_Procurement/index.  
**NO SECURITY IS REQUIRED ON THIS BID.**  
Andover is an affirmative action/equal opportunity purchaser.  
Each Municipality reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all bids, or take whatever other action it may deem necessary to be in the best interest of the municipality to do so.  
Thomas P. Watkins  
Purchasing Agent  
AT - 2/11/16

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**Legals**

**TOWN OF ANDOVER MASSACHUSETTS ADVERTISEMENT**  
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**ITEM**  
IBF No. 024/02-16/185  
Water Treatment Plant Window Replacement Project, Andover, MA  
**BID OPENING**  
February 26, 2016  
3:00 PM  
**DCAM Certification for Doors and Windows and an Update Statement are required on this bid.**  
Bid Documents and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, MA, or on the Central Purchasing Department webpage located at http://andoverma.vt-s.net/Pages/AndoverMA\_Procurement/index.  
**A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held for all interested parties on February 18, 2016, at 10:00 A.M. at the DPW Water Treatment Plant, 397 Lowell St., Andover, MA 01810.**  
**A bid security in the amount of 5% of the total bid will be required.**  
Andover is an affirmative action/equal opportunity purchaser. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all bids or take whatever other action may be deemed necessary to be in the best interest of the Town.  
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**ORDER OF NOTICE**

TO:  
Lawrence Pettoruto  
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. § 501 et. Seq.; Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of the Home Equity Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Trust Series INABS 2006-E, Home Equity Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates Series INABS 2006-E under the Pooling and Servicing agreement dated Dec 1, 2006 claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Andover, Unit No. 102A, of the Powder Mill Square Condominiums, numbered 1-2 Powder Mill Square, given by Lawrence M. Pettoruto to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for IndyMac Bank, F.S.B., a Federally Chartered Savings Bank, dated November 9, 2006, and recorded at Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10484, Page 155, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/ have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before March 14, 2016 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.  
Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER  
Chief Justice of said Court on January 29, 2016.  
Attest: Deborah J. Patterson  
Recorder  
15-024304 / Pettoruto, Lawrence M.  
AT - 2/11/16

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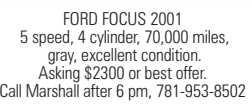


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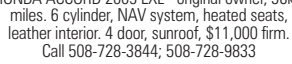


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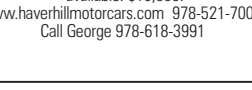
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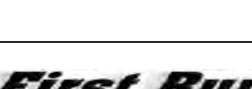


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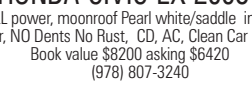
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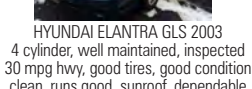
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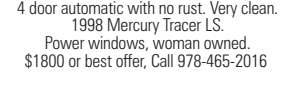
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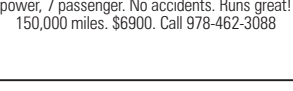


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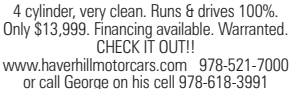
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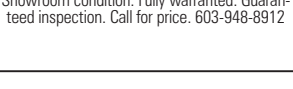
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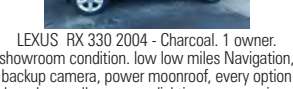
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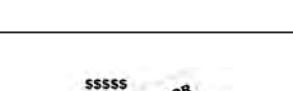


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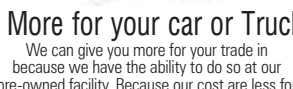
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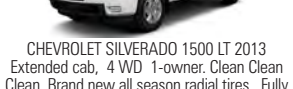
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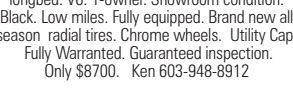
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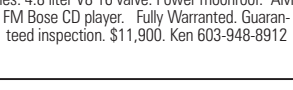
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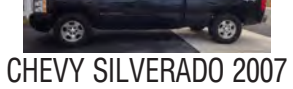
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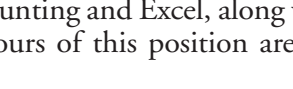
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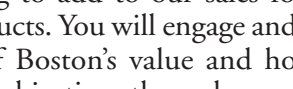
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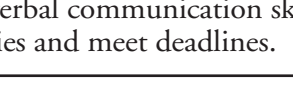
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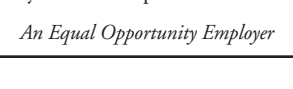
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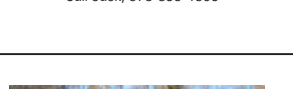


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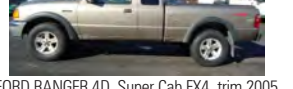
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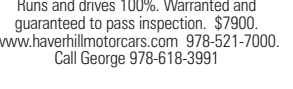
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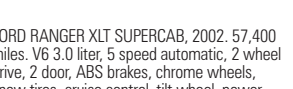
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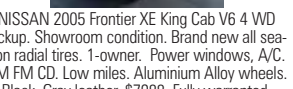
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Upcoming events for teens at the library include:

**Movie Nights**, Tuesdays, Feb. 16 and 23, 6:30 p.m. Movies are selected the day of the movie night.

**Make a Memory Box**, Thursday, Feb. 11, 7 p.m. Transform a humble shoebox into a great place to keep one's things.

**Eat edible insects**, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 3 p.m. Impress friends by eating real bugs.

**Tabletop Games Tournament**, Thursday, Feb. 18, 3 p.m. Find out who will win Ultimate Tabletop Gamer.

**Sushi Candle DIY**, Monday, Feb. 22, 3 p.m. Make candles that look like sushi rolls. Registration is required.

**Super Smash Bros Tournament**, Friday, Feb. 26, 2:30 p.m. Go head-to-head in the ultimate Mario battle.

**Once in a Leap year Party**, Monday, Feb. 29, 3 p.m. Take part in activities that can only be done once every four

years. All programs and activities are at Memorial Hall Library, 2 North Main St., Andover. MHL events are for teens in grades six through 12. Register online at [www.mhl.org/eventcalendar](http://www.mhl.org/eventcalendar) or

call 978-623-8401, ext. 31, for more information. Teens can also check out the blog for news, events and other fun stuff at <http://mhlteenroom.tumblr.com> and follow the Teen Room on Instagram @mhlteenroom.

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