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Andover pharmacy probed for opioid pill handling

BY MADELINE HUGHES
Staff writer
ANDOVER — Attorney General Maura Healey is investigating an Andover workers compensation pharmacy that handled the most opioid pills in the state during the height of the opioid epidemic, according to data from the Drug Enforcement

Administration. Injured Workers Pharmacy, a national mail-order company, received more than 34.2 million oxycodone and hydrocodone pills between 2006 and 2012, according to the DEA. “We are investigating whether Injured Workers Pharmacy properly dispensed controlled

substances to its customers,” a Healey spokesperson said in an email. The data about the number of pills handled by the pharmacy was released by The Washington Post last week, after a lawsuit seeking data about the DEA’s pain pill database. Injured Workers Pharmacy handled more than 2.5

times more opioid pills than any other pharmacy in the state, according to the DEA. “The DEA data regarding opioids received by Massachusetts pharmacies presents a misleading comparison because the quantities received by IWP are dispensed to patients across the country, whereas at least the next seven largest

recipients of opioids are retail pharmacies which dispensed in small areas within the state,” said Greg Saikin, a partner in the law firm of BakerHostetler who is representing the pharmacy. “IWP is fully cooperating with an inquiry by the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office—and is

aware that attorneys general across the country are likewise looking into all aspects of companies in the pharmacy value chain,” he said. “IWP prides itself on compliance with federal and state laws, and goes above and beyond what the laws require in its commitment to patient and public safety.”



Chloe Adie, 18, manages to enjoy the waters of Poms Pond with the help of head lifeguard Sager Florio and Andover’s new floating wheelchair on Monday.

Poms Pond gets floating wheelchair

BY JESSICA VALERIANI
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Chloe Adie got to swim in the water at Poms Pond for her first time Monday morning. Her mother, Katie Adie, said the Haverhill family had never bothered to visit the pond prior because there was no floating wheelchair, which would have allowed for Chloe to splash around in the water alongside her two sisters. That finally changed on Monday, as SMILE Mass donated the first floating wheelchair to Poms Pond — marking their 135th wheelchair donation. Chloe, 18, strapped into the chair with help from her mother and those at the Recreation Department, and was wheeled into the water, where she was pushed around and splashed by her sisters Gabby, 12, and Avrey, 7. “It feels awesome,” Chloe said about being in the water. “I love to swim and use the squirt gun.” And that is exactly what she did, as she was guided through the water and sprayed by her two younger



Chloe Adie, 18, is all smiles as she tries out a new floating wheelchair at Poms Pond in Andover on Monday.

siblings. She said it felt good to be able to cool off at a place she was never able to before. The wheelchair donation was just as exciting for Gabby and Avrey. Gabby said they typically spend their beach days playing in the sand if

Brown water continues to haunt homes Town working on system improvements

BY JESSICA VALERIANI
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Residents are continuing to see brown, murky water flow out of their taps at home, and while the long-term solution of water main replacement is expected to take years to complete, the town is working to address the issue short-term. Town Manager Andrew Flanagan said the hot weather in recent weeks has increased water usage in town, ultimately leading to more complaints of brown water because the old pipes can’t handle the influx. Flanagan said the town used roughly 11 million gallons of water on Saturday, July 27. On an average summer day, when temperatures aren’t creeping into the upper-90s, he said the town uses roughly 9 million gallons. “It’s hot and people are using more water,” he said. “The demand is high.” Last week, frustrated residents took to social media sites like Facebook to express frustrations over the brown water flowing out of their taps at home. People expressed concerns over the

Debate emerges over benefits for school workers

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The School Committee has proposed a set of benefits for new, independent employees — benefits that present a number of differences from those received by current independent employees. The proposal was drafted by committee Chair Joel Blumstein and Director of Human Resources Candace Hall. The benefits would apply to non-union school employees hired on or after July 1 of this year. “What we are trying to balance in benefits for new employees is being fiscally responsible on one hand, but (we’re) also having a benefits package that will allow us to recruit and retain top-quality employees,” Blumstein said. The proposal for new employees does not include longevity pay, a benefit enjoyed by current independent employees. Blumstein said current employees essentially receive a bonus after a certain number of years of tenure through longevity. “I think the omission of longevity is very much in keeping contracts that are being offered to new town and school non-union employees,” Hall said. “Unionized employees have been very used to longevity schedules in their contracts, but for non-union I think the

Committee to vote on Berman’s contract extension Superintendent has been target of parents’ protests

BY JESSICA VALERIANI
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The School Committee will vote on an extension of Superintendent Sheldon Berman’s contract this week. Berman’s four-year contract, which was unanimously approved by the committee in 2015, goes through June 30, 2020. The contract was an extension of his one-year pact as interim superintendent. The meeting Thursday, Aug. 1, will begin after a closed-door executive session at 6 p.m. At Berman’s annual review last month, the committee gave him a “proficient” rating with a “high” impact on student learning, accompanied by a 2% raise. The review shortly followed protests against Berman, accompanied by vocal parents who wanted him ousted from the superintendent’s job.

At the end of his review, Berman said he needs to continue to learn and grow, like everyone else. His four years in the district have not been flawless, but the only committee member to touch upon past controversies was Paul Murphy. He noted there were clearly fewer bad public relations moments for Berman in

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WATER

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safety of drinking the water and using it to wash dishes.

Flanagan said the town has mapped out the areas experiencing brown water and is flushing them out when needed. He said the areas that have been flushed have no more brown water.

"We also confirmed that the water leaving the plant is clear," Flanagan said. "It's picking up sediments as it travels through the system because of the increased demand and the age of the water mains."

Town officials said the brown water residents saw last summer was also due to iron and manganese sediment in the water system that was stirred up by heavy demand on the water supply.

In December 2018, the town engaged consulting company Woodard and Curran to address the water quality issue and formulate a solution to fix it. The consultants conducted raw and in-plant sampling, and evaluated the effectiveness of the town's flushing program.

The long-term solution to the problem, however, is the replacement of the unlined cast-iron water mains, which Flanagan said is going to take years. There are more than 80 miles of water main that need to be replaced in town, with a goal of that work being completed in 15 years.

Roughly 11.9 miles of the unlined cast-iron water main that must be replaced is under the roads impacted by last year's natural gas disaster. That work will be done during the four years of road restoration, officials said.

The town will spend \$6 million on water main replacement the first four years of work, and \$5 million per year the following 11 years. Since 2014, the town has replaced 8.5 miles of pipe at a cost of \$7 million.

What to do if you experience discolored water

According to the town's website, these are the steps residents should take if they see discolored water in their homes:

- Run cold water to help flush the system. Running an outside spigot, basement sink, or bath tub can help clear the water lines surrounding your home.
- Determine if the discoloration is isolated to cold or hot water.

- Take note of the time and date that the discoloration was noticed.
- If you have experienced discoloration while washing



CRISTIANA ANJO PHOTO

Cristiana Anjo of Andover posted this photo on Facebook last summer of brown water flowing out of her tap.

clothing, the Water Department supplies a product that will help remove any

discoloration. This product can be picked up at 5 Campanelli Drive from 8 a.m. to 4

p.m. Monday through Friday. If discoloration is still evident, call the Department of

Public Works Water Division at 978-623-8860.

Residents can also report discolored water at <https://andoverma.gov/607/Public-Works-Request>

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this year than in the past. The most recent controversy came in May, when parents outraged over the recent firing of boys varsity hockey coach Chris Kuchar protested across the street from Andover High School with signs saying "Shelley Must Go!"

Parents have also flooded social media sites like Facebook with comments

about their feelings toward the superintendent, and their views that his contract should not be extended.

"I'm struggling and I continue to struggle with the disconnect between what I see and perceive and what other parents and other people in the community see and perceive," Murphy said at the meeting last month.

The Aug. 1 meeting will be at 7 p.m. in the School Committee room on the second floor of the school administration building.



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover School Superintendent Sheldon Berman

BENEFITS

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trend really is to eliminate longevity."

The number of sick days an employee can "buy back" upon retirement is also proposed to be significantly reduced for new employees.

Employees who retire from the school system at 55 or older would receive retirement benefits in the form of sick leave buy-back. Upon retirement, the district will

"buy back" up to a certain amount of the employee's unused sick leave, based on the employee's years of service in Andover.

Blumstein said current employees can have the school system buy back up to 120 days of sick time after 25 years of employment. Under the proposal, new school employees would match what town employees receive for buy-backs, which is up to 25 days after 24-plus years of employment in Andover public schools.

Blumstein said current employees receive a floating holiday in lieu of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Good Friday being paid holidays. That is not being proposed for new employees. Similarly, current

employees receive a holiday for the Friday following a Thursday holiday when school is not in session, which is also not being extended to new employees in the proposal.

The proposal has left members of the committee seeking an explanation items, and even questioning the legality of some.

One of the items that will undergo further review is whether new, non-union employees will be able to join the sick bank. The sick bank allows union employees to donate some of their sick leave, assisting other employees who expect to be out for an extended period of time but have used up all of their sick leave. Those employees could make a

request to the sick leave bank.

"Because the employees are not part of the union, the provision in there talks about them joining the sick bank formed by the administrators union," Blumstein said. "We are looking into whether we can do that, and if we think it's an appropriate thing to do."

School Committee member Susan McCready questioned if there were any legal ramifications with having a non-collective bargaining employee in a collective bargaining sick bank. She said labor counsel has indicated in the past that such a practice is illegal.

"We shouldn't be passing anything that's illegal," said committee member Tracey Spruce.

Another question Blumstein said will undergo further review is whether new employees who work extra hours will receive overtime pay, or have the option to receive compensatory time. Blumstein said revisions to the proposal will be made based on comments from the committee, and a new draft will be presented with the hope of a vote of approval at a committee meeting in early September.

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Chloe Adie, 18, manages to enjoy the waters of Poms Pond with the help of head lifeguard Sager Florio and Andover's new floating wheelchair on Monday.



Andover Recreation Coordinator Chris Dempsey helps Chloe Adie, 18, try out the town's new floating wheelchair at Poms Pond on Monday.



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WHEELCHAIR

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there isn't a wheelchair for Chloe to use, not wanting to leave out their oldest sister if they head into the water. "This makes the summers better," said Katie, as she stood by closely watching her girls.

The wheelchair allows users to lounge and float comfortably in the water, and has three different inclined positions, said Lotte Diomedede, co-founder of SMILE Mass. Diomedede founded the nonprofit organization with her friend Susan Brown.

The wheelchair can roll on hard surfaces, like the sand at Poms Pond, and gradually make its way into the water with guidance from another person.

One of the three chair inclines allows the person to be fully laid back in the case of a medical emergency, enabling them to be taken care of right in the chair, or wheeled out to an EMT if needed.

Diomedede said the wheelchairs cost from \$2,000 to \$2,800 each, and are fully funded through fundraisers and grants. She said the organization's success is mainly credited to people sponsoring them.

"We want to create an environment that's normal," Diomedede said. "These kids don't want to

be different, they want to fit in."

According to their website, SMILE Mass strives to become the leading resource for handicap accessibility in vacation and recreation experiences. Coming up on 10 years of service, the duo that founded it said their inspiration came from raising their own children with disabilities.

The idea for the floating wheelchairs came when Diomedede was at a beach in Yarmouth with her son. She described the only wheelchair at the beach for her son to use as an "old, dingy beach wheelchair."

Worried about the safety of the chair, and wishing her son had a means to enjoy a day at the beach, an idea sparked in her mind.

"I said, 'I got it. We're going to build beach wheelchairs,'" she said.

Over the past decade, the organization has provided much more than that. Diomedede said they have donated bikes, strollers, running strollers, and even opened the first fully-handicap accessible playground in the MetroWest. They also opened a fully-accessible beach home rental in Truro last year.

Through their loaner program, families are able to pick up wheelchairs when they go on vacation, free of charge, so their disabled children can enjoy

beach vacations the way they deserve. Diomedede said the program offsets the heavy demand, and eases any financial stress on families.

With a goal of donating 10 to 20 floating wheelchairs each summer, Diomedede and Brown have made an impact on communities all around New England, and continue to boost their contributions year after year.

"We both want to make the world accessible to them (children with disabilities)," Brown said.

Chloe will be participating in the Falmouth Road Race next month, and is sponsoring SMILE Mass. Donations can be made at crowdrise.com/chloes-crusade1.

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Bike rodeo

Two best friends, Kyra Prengel, left and Liliya Bakhti, both 8 of Andover won new bikes and helmets at this year's safety bike rodeo and wellness fair in June sponsored by Andover Board of Health and Andover Public Safety. The annual Bike rodeo focused on fun and safety. Lawrence General Hospital staff volunteered to assist the children; Pedalin' Fools, a mobile bike service company that covers Southern New Hampshire helped tune up bicycles to make sure they could operate safely, helmet fittings, wellness resources, food, a bounce house, a DJ; and prizes were available for the kids. Andover Board of Health and Andover Public Safety sponsored the event.

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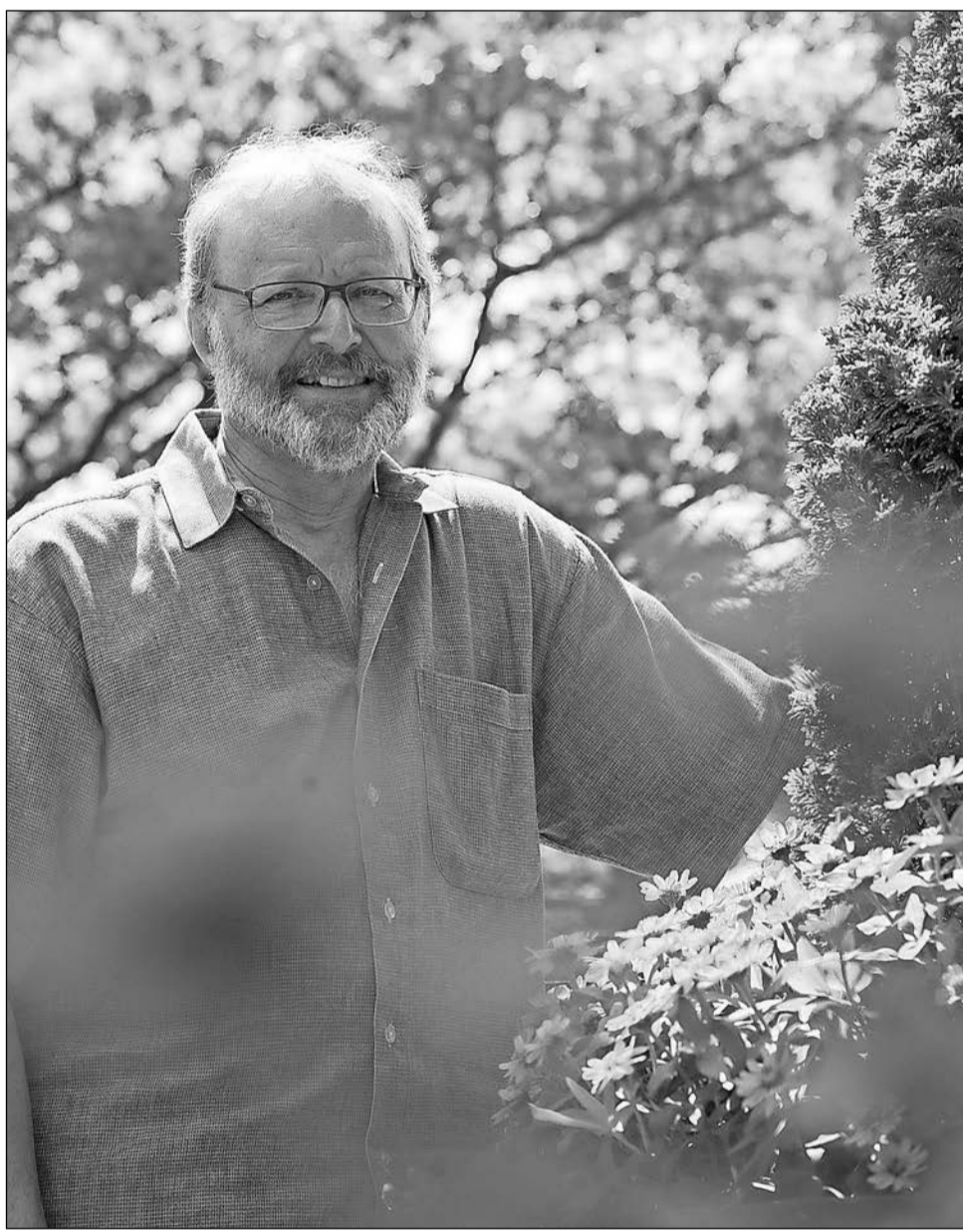
Local company celebrates 25th anniversary

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storage challenges in all verticals," said company president Marc DiZoglio. "We have achieved this milestone through the hard work and dedication of our employees and, of course, our many loyal customers," he said. "We believe that our support-centric model and our ability to listen to customers have led to our long-term success, which is why our corporate model remains the same today. "We are proud that over the past 25 years we have been able to design, develop, implement and support

custom high-performance storage solutions that help our customers accelerate time to productivity and innovation," he said. While RAID Incorporated has continually delivered custom storage solutions to its customers, it has expanded its solution offerings in recent years to include high-performance data storage innovations that specifically address the digital transformation occurring in HPC, big data and AI. Looking ahead, DiZoglio said, "As data volumes continue to explode, we continue to invest in leading-edge technologies to bring you storage solutions that offer extreme scalability and maximum flexibility. No matter how challenging, our team will continue to create systems that meet your environment's unique performance, capacity and customer requirements as we've done in the past. We're truly excited about adding new capabilities, all while remaining vendor neutral."

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Richard Davis hosts the popular event Death Cafe at the Memorial Hall Library.

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nor a venue for bereavement, a Death Cafe seeks to provide an unscripted, non-judgmental platform for those wishing to explore the many facets of death. Come with an open mind, a healthy curiosity, and a willingness to share your thoughts, feelings, and questions with other like-minded individuals. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the event at 7 p.m. Seating is limited. Sign up at <https://www.mhl.org/calendar>.

Adult board games
On Sunday, Aug. 4, at 1:15 p.m., enjoy board games with other adults in the library activity room. Bring your own games or play one of ours.

Maker Morning
On Tuesdays, Aug. 6, 13, 20 and 27, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., learn how to use the 3D printer, vinyl cutters, poster printer and other devices at the library.

Pub trivia
On Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library will host trivia at Andolini's. Test your knowledge and try to win a cash prize of \$50.

Device Advice
On Tuesdays, Aug. 6 and 20, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., bring your technology questions to the library reference desk. Get help with the basics for iPads, cellphones, laptops, Kindles and other e-readers. Bring your chargers, usernames and passwords. If you're unable to attend, stop by the reference desk anytime for device assistance.

Computer Users Group on Monday, Aug. 12, at 1:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall - Topic: Selling on eBay & Craigslist. Facilitated by librarians - a collaboration of the library and the Center at Pynchard. Discover Your Past Genealogy Club on Thursday, Aug. 8, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Memorial Hall.

■ POLICE LOG

COMPILED BY
JESSICA VALERIANI

The following information was taken from reports on file at the Andover Police Department:

TUESDAY, JULY 23

A snapping turtle was seen outside of a Sheridan Road home at 11:13 a.m.

A man reported someone broke into the tool box in the bed of his truck on Frontage

Road.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

A blue Jeep Wrangler was vandalized with graffiti on Shattuck Road at 8:11 a.m.

An injured squirrel was attacking people on Maple Avenue at 2:22 p.m. It was taken to the River Road animal clinic.

Kurt N. Levasseur, 38, of Lowell was arrested on Dascomb Road at 11:54 p.m. and charged with trespassing.

A man was bitten by a dog on Random Lane.

THURSDAY, JULY 25

A Haggets Pond Road home was reported broken into at 11:39 a.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 26

About 6:08 p.m., a cone covering a water pipe defect on Railroad Street sunk into the road, causing a hazard. The Highway Department was notified.

SATURDAY, JULY 27

A car crashed into a tree on South Main Street at 2:44 a.m. The Fire Department and a medical helicopter responded. Devone T. Debenedictis, 30, of North Billerica was arrested on Frontage Road at 7:43 p.m. and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

SUNDAY, JULY 28

Jameal H. Gouay, 19, of 7 Tower

St., Methuen, was arrested on Shattuck Road at 12:21 a.m. and charged with larceny.

Harold E. Luciano Tavarez, 47, of Nashua, New Hampshire, was arrested on North Main Street at 7:26 p.m. and charged with operating under the influence of liquor.

A contractor doing electrical work at a home on Haggets Pond Road ordered three young people who were trespassing to leave the property.

MONDAY, JULY 29

Cort Pfister, 59, of 81 Greenwood Road, Andover, was arrested on Candlewood Drive at 2:18 p.m. and charged with unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and speeding.

Robert O. Menery, 32, of Newburyport was arrested on Canterbury Street at 5:23 p.m. and charged with disorderly conduct.

A caller reported his car was keyed on Oak Street overnight.

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16 Balmoral St., Unit 208: Keith Yen to Yuhao Qian, \$245,000

450 Brookside Drive, Unit C: Edward A. Williams to Elizabeth K. Weatherwax, \$335,000

79 Chestnut St., Unit 79: James E. and Esther E. Blaskovich to Marina Melnikova, \$475,000

2 Colonial Drive, Unit 7a: Nichols Shirley L Est and Virginia E. Bramante to Soghra Walsh, \$235,000

45 County Road: Lauren C. Rossi to Ryan J. and Kathleen Bacharach, \$485,000

3 Courtney Lane: Jason E. and Amy B. Rothstein to Deepak K. Pandey and Anita Ghosh, \$525,000

8 Dufton Road: George J. Cooke and Jenifer Mclean-Cooke to Mikaela M. Ferguson, \$440,000

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13 Wildwood Road: Thomas S. Mcgrane and Alexandra C. Rhode to Michael and Gillian Mulcahy, \$570,000

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Seven local people charged in federal benefits sweep

BY JILL HARMACINSKI
Staff Writer

BOSTON — An “order of removal” for Domingo Garcia Suero was issued 20 years ago.

But Suero wasn’t in his native country, the Dominican Republic. He was most recently living in a basement apartment at 23 Hamilton Ave., Haverhill, was illegally selling opioids, including fentanyl, and using as many as three aliases; Jose Garcia, Marcelino Perez Canales and Marcelo Perez, according to federal court records.

Suero was one of seven people with ties to Lawrence, Haverhill and Salem, Massachusetts, charged last week in a federal document and benefit fraud sweep, the Department of Justice announced.

A total of 25 people were charged in U.S. District Court in Boston and many have criminal histories, according to a statement released by the DOJ.

A task force investigated “suspected aliens, predominantly from the Dominican Republic, who are believed to have obtained stolen identities of United States citizens living in Puerto Rico and who have used those identities to

obtain documents and public benefits that they would not otherwise be eligible to receive,” according to the statement.

The benefits include driver’s licenses, Social Security numbers, Medicaid, unemployment and public housing subsidies.

Of the 25 charged, 21 are in the country illegally, the Justice Department said.

Officials said the following local people were among those charged:

Garcia Suero, 54, a Dominican national formerly living in Haverhill, was indicted in May 2018 on five counts of distribution and possession with intent to distribute fentanyl, one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm, two counts of false representation of a Social Security number, and one count of aggravated identity theft. Garcia Suero was in federal custody before the charges were brought last week.

Alejandra Eulalia Baez Arias, 40, a Dominican national living in Lawrence, was charged with one count of aggravated identity theft and one count of false representation of a Social Security number.

Luis Alberto Fernandez Fernandez, 27, a Dominican national

living in Salem, Massachusetts, with legal permanent resident status, was charged with one count of false representation of a Social Security number.

Santo Jesus Gonzalez Villar, 48, a Dominican national living in Lawrence, was charged with one count of aggravated identity theft and one count of false representation of a Social Security number.

Viterbo Enrique Minaya Melo, a Dominican national living in Lawrence, was charged with one count of aggravated identity theft and one count of false representation of a Social Security number. Minaya Melo was in federal custody before the charges were brought last week.

Ulises Francisco Mota Carmona, 35, a Dominican national living in Lawrence, was charged with one count of aggravated identity theft and one count of false representation of a Social Security number.

Ramona Maribel Perez Peguero, 38, a Dominican national living in Lawrence, was charged with one count of false representation of a Social Security number.

Three people charged who were living in Roxbury, Lynn and Revere were listed as a John Does because their true identity remains unknown,

according to the DOJ.

Another man charged, Jose Lopez Rosado, 53, who previously lived in Worcester County, was charged with one count of identity theft and one count of false representation of a Social Security number. According to the DOJ, Rosado escaped from prison in Puerto Rico in 1994 while serving a 40-year sentence for second-degree murder.

Rosado is currently in state prison on unrelated charges. “His true identity was not known until now,” according to the statement.

Dubbed “Double Trouble,” the investigation was conducted by the Department of Homeland Security’s Document and Benefit Fraud Task Force. The task force is comprised of local, state and federal agencies that have expertise in detecting various types of document, identity and benefit fraud schemes, according to the DOJ.

Assistant U.S. Attorneys Karen Burzycki, Christine Wichers, Patrick Callahan and Rachel Hemani are prosecuting the cases.

The U.S. Marshals Service Puerto Rico Violent Offender Task Force assisted with the investigation.

State issues warning about Spring Hill Farm spring water

List of water brands affected released

BY MIKE LABELLA
Staff Writer

The state Department of Public Health has issued an advisory earlier for women who are pregnant or breastfeeding not to use spring water from Spring Hill Farm Dairy in Bradford, which officials said was shown to contain PFAS chemicals at a higher than recommended levels.

Only water produced before July 24 is included in the advisory, according to the DPH. Container sizes range from 1 to 2.5 gallons.

Health officials noted that Spring Hill has been working cooperatively with DPH and planned to install a filtration process to remove PFAS compounds. That filtration system was to be operational July 24, according to the DPH.

Officials also noted that Spring Hill’s spring water has not exceeded the applicable regulatory standard and that the company’s permit in Massachusetts is valid and in good standing, according to the advisory.

The Massachusetts DPH issued the advisory after notification from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, which had tested various bottled waters in the Granite State and found PFAS chemicals in Spring Hill’s spring water.

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) are chemicals used extensively in industry and consumer products, such as carpets, fabrics, food packaging, and other materials that are resistant to water, grease, or stains. They have also been used in some firefighting foam and cookware.

Because these chemicals have so many uses, most people have been exposed to them, according to the advisory.

Massachusetts health officials said the affected Spring Hill products are those that list the source as



RYAN HUTTON/Staff photo

Rogers Spring Hill Farm recently installed a new filtration system for its spring water bottling business after it was found that the water contained higher than recommended levels of PFAS chemicals, according to state health officials.

“spring” water on the label. Not all Spring Hill brands list spring water as the source and that Spring Hill brand water that is labeled as distilled, purified, or fluorinated has not been found to include PFAS.

The state advisory noted that Spring Hill Farm spring

water is sold under a variety of different labels, by different vendors.

Spring Hill Spring water is sold under the following labels, according to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health:

365 Spring Water, Whole Foods

Acadia Spring Water, Stop and Shop
Best Yet Spring Water, convenience stores
Cumberland Farms Spring Water
IGA Spring Water, various markets
Ice Canyon Spring Water, CVS

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A new, 17,800-square-foot building, constructed by Erland Construction, is now open at the New England Business Center office park.

New building adds fitness center, café to office park

By JESSICA VALERIANI
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A new building located in the New England Business Center office park features a modern café and state-of-the-art fitness center.

The 17,800-square-foot building, built by Erland Construction, offers a vibrant environment for

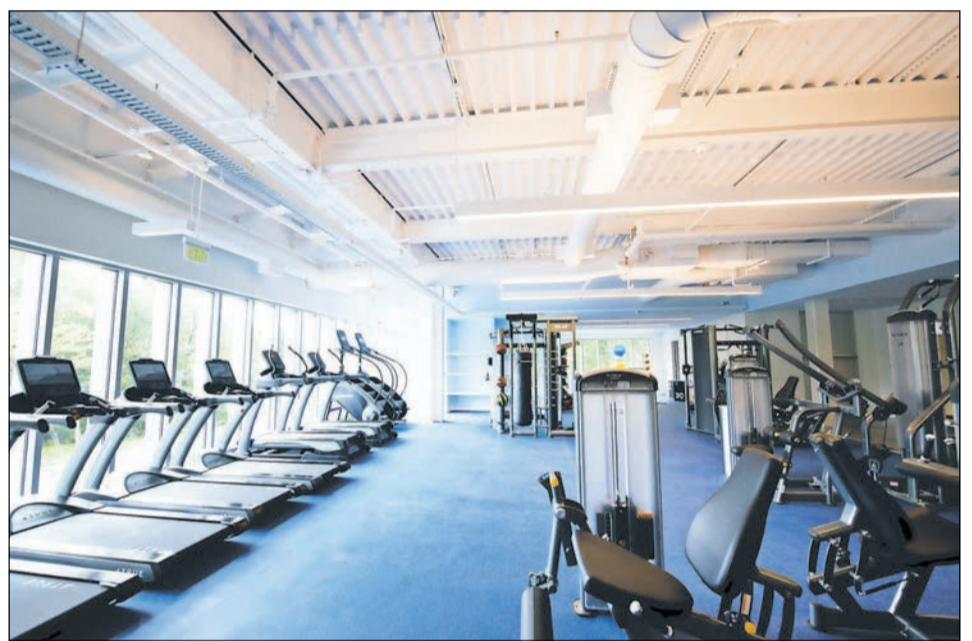
companies and employees in the office park. The building opened its doors July 22.

The café, called Corporate Café, includes both indoor and outdoor seating and meeting areas, and the fitness center includes locker rooms.

The five-building, 262,469-square-foot office park is located at the

junction of Interstate 93 and River Road, a short distance from Interstate 495 and Route 128.

"By improving the tenant experience with these exceptional amenities, we're able to increase New England Business Center's occupancy, retention, and long-term value," said project manager Bob Bowen.



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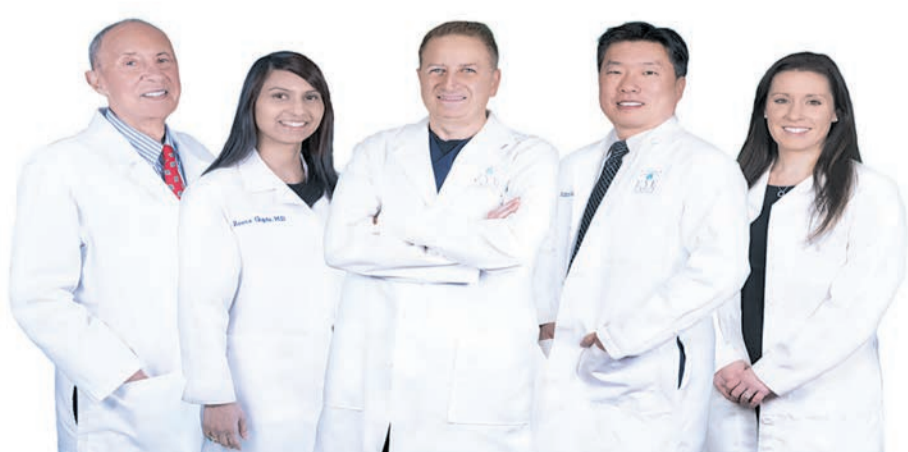
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Opinion

Lawmakers' questions get priority in RMV review

It's hard to imagine the cold shoulders and acts of defiance between the White House and Congress as some kind of model for comity and cooperation in government. But the D.C. parlor games were on full display on Beacon Hill recently when key officials from the Registry of Motor Vehicles were no-shows for a hearing by the Joint Committee on Transportation.

Instead of a session spent clearing up the mystery of how Volodymyr Zhukovskyy could manage to keep his Massachusetts driver's license even after Connecticut officials flagged his arrest for drunken driving — or why hundreds of similar referrals piled up, without action, in an office at the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles — Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack delivered an excuse. The Baker administration has ordered its own audit, she reported, and did not want hearing testimony to muddle the process. The committee's leaders closed their meeting after a half-hour with what we'll assume was disgust.

The affair felt a little bit like White House counselor Kellyanne Conway stiffing the House Oversight Committee, or Attorney General William Barr refusing to appear before the House Judiciary Committee, in Congress. You'd be right to wonder how it's possible that a government official, drawing a government paycheck, refuses to face questions from the entity whose job it is to hold those officials accountable.

On Beacon Hill, much like Capitol Hill, that oversight rests with the people's representatives, elected members of the Legislature. Refusing to appear before them is a stunning act of disrespect — to both its members and voters who sent them there.

The transportation committee's questions are a matter of pressing public safety. Zhukovskyy, 23, was driving a pickup truck and towing a trailer involved in a horrific June 21 crash that killed seven motorcyclists on a two-lane road in Randolph, New Hampshire. He pleaded not guilty to charges of negligent homicide. Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey has opened an investigation into his employer, Westfield Transportation of Springfield, whose truck he was driving. It's now clear, in retrospect, that based on his arrest in Connecticut, Zhukovskyy's Massachusetts license should have been suspended.

That it wasn't, and that hundreds more were similarly shielded by bureaucratic indifference, is without question a deadly serious matter. What topic could be more urgent to receive the Legislature's time and attention? Who better to give an explanation than those who run the offices charged with following up on such notices from other states, and with keeping track of driving records?

"We do want to get some answers," said Sen. Joseph Boncore, D-Winthrop, Transportation Committee co-chairman, according to a WBUR account of the abbreviated hearing. "And it's frustrating that we won't be able to seemingly get to some of the answers of how the registry conducted itself and the systems in place and the failure ... of those systems in place today."

Rep. Paul Tucker, former Salem police chief, said the Legislature's questions are just as important as those of some outside auditor. He moved to postpone the hearing until the committee gets all of the relevant information — not just some of it. The Baker administration should see to it that those details are delivered immediately.

More likely is that lawmakers, and the rest of us, will be made to wait for the results of a Grant Thornton audit, underway for about three weeks now. Pollack said state officials will be "happy" to return once the review is complete and answer everyone's questions. Until then, they don't want public testimony on Beacon Hill to somehow cloud the auditing process.

The Baker administration's opportunity to get in front of this calamity, by ordering up an audit and crafting statements about its results, is long past. The Legislature and citizens of Massachusetts deserve timely answers about what happened at the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The Transportation Department should absolutely proceed with an outside review — but the Legislature's questions take priority.

WEB QUESTION

Due to technical reasons, last week's web question was not posted online. The question will be available online this week.

This week's web question:

Officials in Andover, Lawrence and North Andover recently announced a new marketing campaign called "Rock the Register," aimed at bringing more attention to small businesses. The plan encourages people to shop locally, then go on social media and mention the store they shopped in, to become eligible for a \$500 gift card. **Do you think this is an effective plan to help Andover businesses still struggling from the Sept. 13 gas disaster?**

Yes - This is a great way to spread awareness and bring shoppers into small businesses.

No - Officials should have come up with a different plan.

Cutting food stamps will yield little benefit

Karl W. Smith

The Department of Agriculture's four-paragraph announcement in the Federal Register of a "revision of categorical eligibility in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program" didn't fool anyone: The government is proposing to kick 3.1 million people off food stamps.

And while the proposal is being attacked for its cruelty, the better argument is that it's unnecessary.

One of America's oldest social-welfare programs is not really a social-welfare program at all. The government's food stamp program began in 1939, and its original goal was to alleviate agricultural surpluses.

During the Great Depression it seemed ludicrous that farmers were stuck with produce that they could not sell while the urban poor were going hungry. The Department of Agriculture thus created stamps that could be bought for \$1 and used to buy \$1.50 worth of agricultural surplus.

Over time, the program increased its emphasis

on alleviating poverty. The requirement that food stamps be used to purchase surplus food, for example, was dropped in 1964. In 1977, food stamps became a direct benefit — participants no longer had to buy them.

Yet the tension between the program's two goals, helping farmers and addressing poverty, remained.

In its current form, the program (now called SNAP) is designed to provide families below and just above the poverty line with enough income to purchase a basic healthy diet. Both the farm lobby and poverty activists have pushed to expand those limits, and in response Congress has given significant leeway to states to determine eligibility.

Some 40 states have adopted broad-based categorical eligibility standards, which means that any household receiving any type of welfare service can qualify for food stamps.

The Department of Agriculture's proposal would tighten those guidelines, for example, by preventing people earning more than 130% of the poverty

line from receiving SNAP benefits (in the District of Columbia, the limit is 200%). In total, these and other restrictions would save \$2.5 billion, or approximately 10% of the department's discretionary budget.

It's understandable that the USDA is concerned about so much of its budget being spent on households that are not technically in poverty. Most of those 3.1 million households, however, are working-class families that are only now experiencing their first increases in real wages since the 1990s. As the economy improves, the number of people in this category will decline naturally.

Indeed, since 2013 the number of people receiving food stamps has fallen from 47.6 million to 39.7 million.

More important, there is no need to cut spending now, especially on such a vulnerable population. The federal government can borrow money for 10 years at just over 2%.

After accounting for inflation, that's nearly free. Meanwhile, the U.S. is engaged in a trade war that is wreaking havoc on

farm families.

Public opposition to austere policies that seek to trim the federal budget or increase economic efficiency without regard to the effects on working people helped fuel Trump's rise. Blind adherence to this kind of ideology is why some conservatives prefer Trump, with all his flaws, to the Republican establishment.

It's worth pointing out that Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue has long been a member of that establishment.

It would be suicidal for Republicans to cut SNAP funding now, especially after 2017's huge corporate tax cut and the expansion in military spending. It would also be economically reckless.

The U.S. is not yet at full employment, and this type of cash-like spending boosts economic output. In short, there is little to be gained from this austerity plan.

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African American athletes have good reason to protest

Editor, Townsman:

I would like to respond to the op ed by Jay Ambrose on Colin Kaepernick, specifically the statement by Mr. Ambrose that Kaepernick's actions were "not just an insult to the military, as some say, but to a brilliantly formed republic, the country's remarkable history, its amazing people, its energy and unity." My father, Sol Sanfield, was awarded a Bronze Star for bravery in a battle with German soldiers in WWII. I served six years myself in the Army Reserve Medical Core, during the Vietnam war. My father believed, as do I, that he fought for all of the great qualities you mentioned about America, but also for American constitutional rights. It is that document from which all of those enduring great aspects do spring.

I understand the strong negative reaction that you and others feel witnessing Kaepernick's actions and statements. However, I would encourage you to at least consider his reasons, and that of many other African American athletes, for expressing themselves in this way. As a native of Chicago, I observed early in life the pervasive discrimination and even racism of the justice system as applied to these young men. Thanks to cell phone videos, now we all can see examples of this. I have the greatest admiration for the work and the honor of the great majority of local and state police. But there are too many exceptions and worse, the treatment and prosecution of these men once they are in the "system" is often abhorrent and far different than would be afforded a white defendant from an upscale suburb such as Andover.

Finally, I will remind you that Justice Antonin Scalia, the iconic conservative hero, cast the deciding

vote in the 1989 case of Texas v Johnson. In that controversial case, the Court voted 5-4 in favor of Gregory Johnson, the protester who had burned the flag. Johnson's actions, the majority argued, were "symbolic in nature, and could be expressed even at the expense of our national symbol and to the affront of those who disagreed with him."

RONALD D. SANFIELD
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Non-violent protest is appealing

Editor, Townsman:

Colin Kaepernick's decision to "take the knee" during the national anthem is viewed as unpatriotic to many, and certainly to Jay Ambrose ("Ex-NFL star ignores American achievements," July 11, 2019). I take a completely opposite view from Mr. Ambrose. First, while I sympathize with those who want to keep politics out of sports, it seems to be impossible to do so. Examples abound in the NFL, particularly during and after the Trump presidential campaign of 2016.

When the Black Lives Matter movement brought the plight of black youths to the forefront of the national spotlight, Mr. Kaepernick used his platform as a football player to protest the treatment of persons of color. This was, and continues to be, a non-violent approach to present his point of view.

As one who was young during the race riots of the past century, the idea of non-violence to effect change is not just appealing, but has also been effective. And, contrary to Mr. Ambrose's opinion, the fact that a football star used his position to try and bring about change in a non-violent manner, is, in my opinion, very patriotic. Colin Kaepernick not only risked his football career, to highlight injustice, but lost it. The fact that he found a

new career as an advertising brand for Nike is beside the point.

I hope that Jay Ambrose can see a more positive side of Kaepernick's protest. Mr. Ambrose used President Obama's speech to the 2016 graduating class at Howard University about how far African Americans have come since slavery to justify his criticism of Kaepernick's protest. It is true that there have been many positive changes since slavery was abolished, but that doesn't mean that on the Fourth of July, and every other day, we shouldn't be working to continue the cause of social justice. Colin Kaepernick did his job, now we need to do ours, and stand (or kneel) with him — continuing, each day, the fight for human rights.

LOUISE VALLEAU
Andover

U.S. government tried to interfere with election

Editor, Townsman:

After the latest Mueller testimony, one thing has become very clear ... there was a coordinated government backed effort to interfere with the 2016 U.S. Presidential election. The corrupt effort began around 2014 and the government was our own, orchestrated by members of the Obama administration, Obama FBI, Obama Department of Justice, members of the Clinton campaign and others. Russian attempts to interfere have been going on since

the Cold War era and continue to today. Russian interference has always aimed at creating chaos to undermine faith in the American Constitution, representative form of government and our unique "rule of law," all of which are the envy of freedom loving the world over.

This most recent election interference was designed initially to insert Hillary Clinton into the presidency. When that shockingly failed, it quickly morphed into a two pronged frantic attempt to: 1. reverse the election results and remove Donald Trump; and 2. to cover up the corrupt actions of many Obama administration officials, Clinton campaign members, Clinton Foundation activity and Hillary Clinton herself.

Never before in American history has there been such a pervasive and coordinated attempt to deceive the American people. The awesome powers entrusted to many of our government agencies and officials were used to deceive and corrupt our election processes. Thankfully there are investigations ongoing to uncover all of these abuses of power, bring the offenders to justice and insure that this type of governmental tyranny can never happen again.

What Russian operatives may have tried to do pales in comparison to the audacious fraud directed at the American people and our precious way of life.

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People from Japan hold photos of the aftermath of the 1945 bombing of their nation at a demonstration in New York.

Vigil to remember victims of nuclear war

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A silent vigil will be held Aug. 6 to remember all

people lost to nuclear war. The Merrimack Valley People for Peace will host the vigil, which will take place in front of Old Town Hall from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The vigil will remember the victims killed in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, as well as those killed in Afghanistan, Bosnia and Iraq, according to a

press release on the event. The vigil is open to the public. Participants will receive an origami crane, which is the symbol of the Hiroshima

survivors. The Merrimack Valley People for Peace is a nonprofit educational organization which advocates for peace,

justice, and the environment. Membership includes residents from across the Merrimack Valley and neighboring communities.

SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES

Here are notes of interest for Andover senior citizens:
Registration for the fall session: Begins Aug. 5. You can register for programs at the Senior Center at Punchard or on line at MyActiveCenter.com Help is available by calling 978-623-8320.
Council on Aging Board meeting: All are welcome to attend the Council on Aging meeting Aug. 8 at 8:30 a.m.

The Council on Aging meets on the second Thursday of each month.
Intro to Medicare: On Aug. 15 from 6 to 7:30 p.m., you can learn about the structure of Medicare, when to enroll, and helpful tips to choose plans that suit you, your lifestyle and your Medicare insurance needs.
This session will be presented by a certified SHINE

counselor who provides free unbiased, Medicare health insurance information and will help guide you through your options so you will be an empowered, educated consumer.
Free registration is required by calling 978-623-8320.
Brain health workshop: Sponsored by Cogniciti on Aug. 12, 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Participants will learn about memory and brain function. How to keep you brain healthy and improve your recall and memory. You must register by calling 978-623-8320, but the program is free.
Coffee with Mark, veterans services officer: Aug. 5, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. You can stop by to meet Mark Comeiro and learn more about veterans services provided on a local, state and federal level.
Mindful Meditation: On Thursdays at 10 a.m., you can explore meditation with Chip Carter.
Class begins with a short discussion on meditation techniques and the

second half is a period of meditation practice. Mindfulness is a way of increasing clarity, calmness, happiness and health. Registration is by calling 978-623-8320.
Wellness clinics: Blood pressure and weight check with the senior center's trained nurses is from 2 to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays. They help senior citizens manage day-to-day health needs.
Reserve a foot care appointment from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesdays. This service is for Andover residents only. For homebound residents, call Kristine Arakalian at the senior center

at 978-623-8320. This program is subsidized by The Andover Home for Aged.
Andover Senior Community FRIENDS – Join the Friends as they support many of the center's free programs, at the next meeting at 10:30 a.m. on Aug. 16. Visit the Friends website at andoverscf.org.
Happy Birthday to You – April birthdays will be celebrated at 11:45 p.m. on April 16. The event is open to everyone, with entertainment provided courtesy of the Andover Senior Community FRIENDS Inc. Please call the senior center at 978-623-8320 to reserve your meal.

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CALL TO ARTISTS
Natural State
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Improvement Society properties and trails

COURTESY PHOTO

This announcement, against the backdrop of Baker's Meadow, welcomes artists to participate in the exhibit.

Celebrating nature's art Aug. 5 is deadline for submissions to exhibit

By JUDY WAKEFIELD
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The anniversary celebration for the group that promotes Andover's trails and conservation areas continues — and the party is now moving indoors.

AVIS — Andover Village Improvement Society — is celebrating its 125th anniversary this year. The group's summertime celebration was an outdoor trail exhibition along a few of the 38 properties and trails which AVIS owns in Andover. AVIS teamed with the Andover Arts and Culture group for the exhibit called "Art on the Trails."

The exhibit is billed as a

great way to blend art and nature. Residents can enjoy the exhibit until Sept. 15.

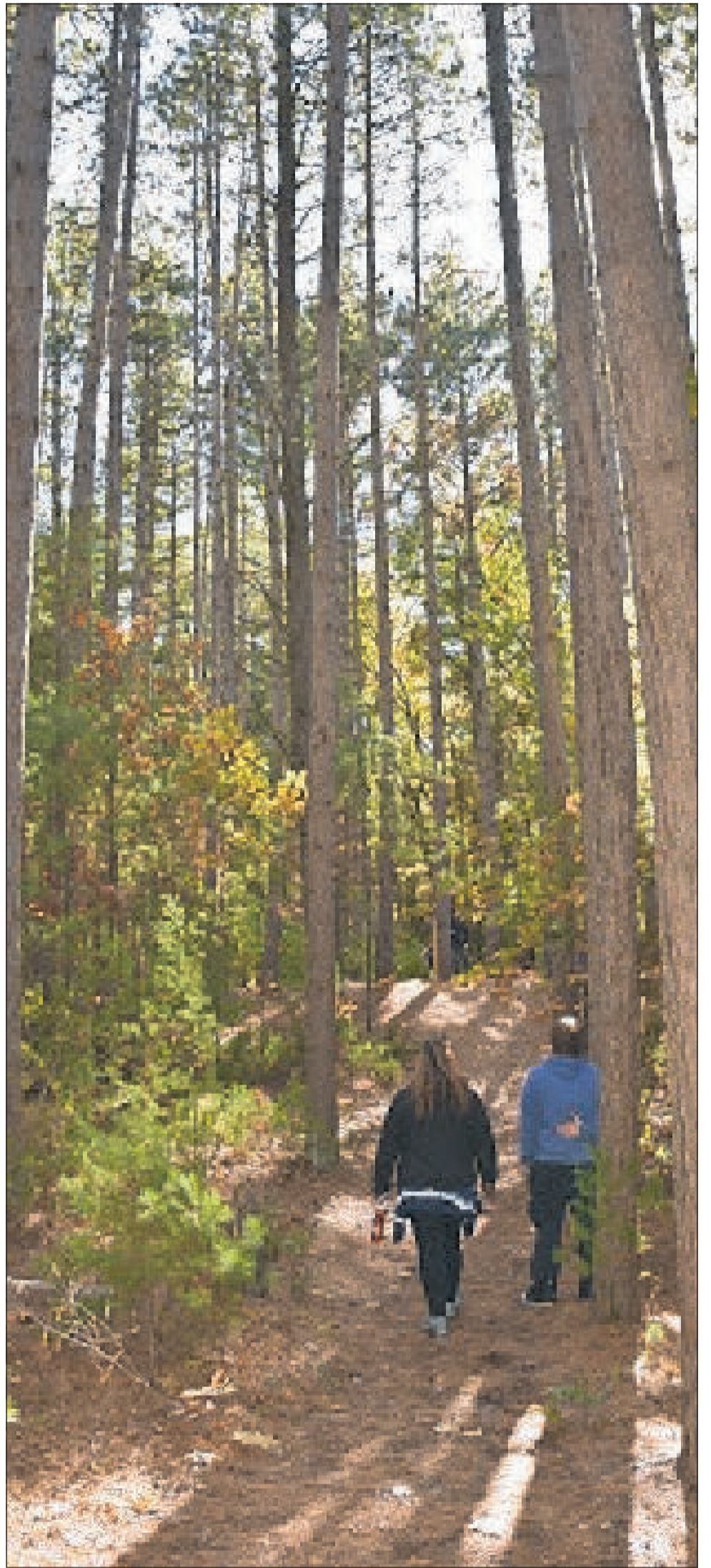
Residents can also plan to enjoy a juried exhibit that will open in September at AACA at 97 Main St. "Natural State" is another joint exhibit involving AVIS and AACA, in celebration of the AVIS anniversary.

The indoor exhibit will feature works by individual artists, collaborative artists, students and community groups. Participants are encouraged to consider how the natural world affects their art and how their art compliments the natural world.

The application deadline for "Natural Site" is Aug. 5.

"We have received some submissions for the Natural Site exhibit and welcome more pieces from local artists," said Lauren Kosky-Stamm, director of programs and social media.

"For 125 years, AVIS has helped to preserve land in Andover for the enjoyment of the community," she said. "We look forward to showcasing the artwork of local artists that reflect the physical beauty of AVIS properties, as well as the creativity inspired by spending time outdoors. The Natural Site exhibit is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the artistic talent within our community and the land AVIS has preserved in its natural state."



COURTESY PHOTO

People hike in the Goldsmith Reservation.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

EXHIBITIONS THROUGH AUG. 31

Award-Winning Paintings of Robert Alan Eastman, at Kingston Community Library, 2 Library Lane, through the end of August. Paintings include fantasy art works as well as scenes from local locations in Haverhill and Southern New Hampshire. Each piece was created by hand, using stencils and a grid system designed by the artist. A canvas print of Eastman's painting of the former Nichols Memorial Library (now Kingston Museum), will be raffled; prints are also available from the artist, call 603-382-4407. Library hours: Monday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information: 603-642-3521.

AUG. 1 TO AUG. 4

Original pen-and-ink sketches by Jack Frost (1915-1997) as part of the fourth annual Yankee Homecoming Inn Street Artisans Revival, at Sweet-haven Gallery, 25L Inn St. (July 27 to Aug. 1) and at Nauti Pearl, 18 State St. (Aug. 2-4), Newburyport. Born in Maine, Frost moved to Boston, where he worked for the Herald, and the Boston Post and taught art at Boston College and Boston Museum of Fine Arts, among other venues. In 1958, Newburyport was one of 29 cities to adopt "Yankee Homecoming," which was Frost's vision, with the intention of restoring pride and interest in old cities like Newburyport that were the "historic homesteads where their ancestors had once

lived" and the "roots" of their own national identity." Newburyport is the only surviving participant of this original vision. The original works are made possible by the collaboration of his daughter Jillson Frost, and Inn Street Artisans Revival coordinator John Brown. Information: 978-465-7656, sweethavengallery.com, artisansrevival.org.

ONGOING

Classic, antique, muscle cars needed for Plaistow car show on Saturday, Sept. 7, to raise money for Boston Children's Hospital. Car registration is free, although organizers are asking for a small donation for BCH. Vendor spaces are \$20 each. Information: Stella, stellamakesithappen@gmail.com.

The Haverhill COA knitting group needs clean yarn for the volunteer projects, including items made for schools, daycares, hospitals, veterans homes, nursing homes, etc. Donations can be brought to the Citizens Center, 10 Welcome St.

Volunteers needed at the Haverhill Public Library Friends Gift Shop, 99 Main St. The Friends are seeking volunteers for 2-hour shifts. Call 978-373-1586, ext. 601.

Tickets on sale for NECC fundraiser EagleMania, to take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, at the Collins Center, 100 Shawsheen Road, Andover. Proceeds support the NECC Foundation Endowment. Cost: \$50; available by calling Lori Smerdon, 978-556-3789 or lsmerdon@necc.mass.edu or online at mvarts.info. Information: necc.mass.edu/engage/community-events/signature-event,



AMANDA SABGA/Staff photo

Kids dance during a performance by Matt Heaton and the Outside Toys at the first ever kids Concerts in the Park.

eaglemaniaband.com.

EVENTS AUG. 4, 11

Overeaters Anonymous, 7 p.m. at Ballard Vale United Church, 23 Clark Road, Andover. Is food a problem for you? Overeaters Anonymous can help. Information: oambi.org.

AUG. 6, 13

Maker Morning @MHL for Adults, 10 to 11 a.m. at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. on Tuesdays. Come and learn to use MHL's 3D printer, vinyl cutters, poster printer and

more. Meet at the Reference Desk. Register at mhl.org/calendar. Information: 978-623-8430, mhl.org.

Make It Take It Tuesdays for Ages 3 & Up With Adult, 5:45-6:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. Drop-in craft program. Pick up a token in the Children's Room. Information: 978-623-8440, mhl.org.

AUG. 20

Reading with Annie for Children Able to Read on Their Own, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. Annie is a therapy dog who loves to be read to. The sessions

are 15 minutes long, and only the child who is reading is allowed in the room with Annie and her handler. Register at mhl.org/calendar. Information: 978-623-8440, mhl.org.

AUG. 2, 9, 16

Yoga in the Garden, 9 a.m. at The Stevens-Coolidge Place gardens (inside in case of inclement weather), 137 Andover St., North Andover. Learn breathing techniques to calm your mind, postures to balance and stretch your body, and relaxation to soothe your soul with instructor Molly Gring. No prior experience

necessary. Bring a large towel or yoga mat. Cost: Trustees member, \$5; non-member, \$10, nonmember. Pre-registration encouraged, at thetrustees.org/things-to-do/. Membership information: kbibeau@the-trustees.org.

AUG. 10, 24

Dads and Donuts, Ages 2 to 5 at 10 a.m., at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. A story time for preschoolers and their families. After stories and a craft, share coffee, juice, and donuts. Pick up a token in the Children's Room. See CALENDAR, Page 10



COURTESY PHOTO

Counselor of the week John Metzemaeker



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Counselor of the week Gabby Vaccaro

Meet the town's 'Superstars' of the week



COURTESY PHOTO

Camper of the week TJ Martin



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Camper of the week Miriam Aronson

Summer campers, counselors are saluted

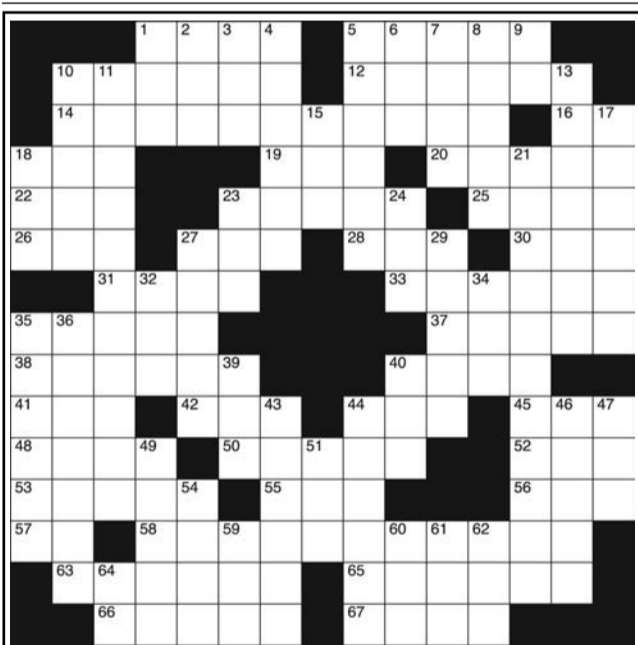
Andover Recreation Department's Superstars for the week of July 15 are both counselors and campers.

Everyone selected is from the Rec Park playground program.

The counselors of the week are John Metzemaeker and Gabby Vaccaro.

Campers of the week are TJ Martin and Miriam Aronson.

They participate in the All Day Discovery summer camp program and bring a great attitude and enthusiasm to the program every day, according to staffers at the Recreation Department.



Solution in Classified Section

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Crackle & Pop's friend
- 5. Having wings
- 10. Small, rounded fruit
- 12. Cobb and tossed are two
- 14. Not sensible
- 16. One of the six noble gases
- 18. Helps little firms
- 19. A way to approve
- 20. Triangular bones
- 22. Plead
- 23. Longs
- 25. Covers with turf
- 26. Peyton's little brother
- 27. Partner to cheese
- 28. Famed patriot Adams
- 30. Tear
- 31. One-billionth of a second (abbr.)
- 33. Dog
- 35. Electronic communication
- 37. Marketed
- 38. Informed upon (slang)
- 40. Actor Damon
- 41. Black, long-tailed cuckoo
- 42. A type of corrosion (abbr.)
- 44. Sportscaster Patrick
- 45. Witch
- 48. Neatly, carefully store
- 50. Indicates silence
- 52. Computer giant
- 53. Sea eagles
- 55. Moved quickly
- 56. Small island (British)
- 57. Prosecutor
- 58. A type of monk
- 63. Pictures or sculptures of the Virgin Mary
- 65. Area of muddy ground
- 66. Saddle horses
- 67. Fasting in Islam

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Engine additive
- 2. ATM company
- 3. Satisfaction
- 4. Park lunch
- 5. Remarks to the audience
- 6. Resinous substance
- 7. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 8. Rhythmic patterns
- 9. "Westworld" actress Harris
- 10. Published false statement
- 11. Ability to be resourceful
- 13. Small, herringlike fish
- 15. 2,000 lbs.
- 17. Scraped
- 18. One point east of due south
- 21. Books of the New Testament
- 23. Political action committee
- 24. Resembles a pouch
- 27. Genus of badgers
- 29. Daniel Francois __, South African P.M.
- 32. Pull up a chair
- 34. Egg of a louse
- 35. Removed
- 36. Catches poachers
- 39. Fall back
- 40. Sports equipment
- 43. Stroke gently
- 44. Jeans and jackets
- 46. Firs genus
- 47. Greenwich Time
- 49. "Wings" actor
- 51. Dishonorable man
- 54. Stiff, hairlike structure
- 59. Snag
- 60. Portuguese river
- 61. Defunct aerospace company
- 62. 007's creator
- 64. Farm state

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Memorial Hall Library

CALENDAR

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Information: 978-623-8440, mhl.org.

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

Discover Your Past Genealogy Club, 10 to 11 a.m. at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. Novices to advanced researchers are welcome. Most meetings will have a predetermined topic to discuss. Participants will learn from and help each other. Information: Stephanie Aude, 978-623-8436, saude@mhl.org.

Family-Friendly Off-Beat Andover Tour — Historic Mill District, 5:45 p.m., behind Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. This walking tour

will highlight architecture, history, and fun facts about Andover's Historic Mill District in a fast-paced and highly participatory way including interactive games and humorous challenges. Space is limited. Cost: members, \$7; nonmembers, \$15. Registration required. Information: 978-475-2236, andoverhistoryandculture.org/off-beat-andover-tour.

MONDAY, AUG. 12

Computer Users Group: "Selling on eBay & Craigslist, 1:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. Topic: Strategies for backing up your data. Facilitated by MHL librarians. A collaboration of MHL and the Center at Punchard. Information: Reference Desk, 978-623-8430, rdesk@mhl.org.

TUESDAY, AUG. 13

Memorial Public Library Pub Trivia, 7 p.m. at Andolini's, 19 Essex St., Andover. Bring a team and all of your favorite facts. Hosted by MHL librarians. \$50 cash prize to the winning team, courtesy of the Friends of MHL. Information: 978-623-8430, rdesk@mhl.org

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

Free Concerts in The Park, 6 to 8 p.m. at The Park, Chestnut and Bartlett streets, Andover (rain date, Aug. 21). Mystic River Band will perform a mix of classic rock, contemporary covers, blues, jazz and original music. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. FInformation: andoverrec.com/events/concerts_in_the_park_2019.

Andover's 15th Death Cafe, 6:30 p.m. (socializing and refreshments), 7 p.m. (event) at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. An evening of open, lively, and insightful discussion about death, for adults. While not a support group nor a venue for bereavement, a Death Cafe seeks to provide an unscripted, nonjudgmental platform for those wishing to explore the many facets of this often taboo subject. Come with an open mind, a healthy curiosity, and a willingness to share your thoughts, feelings, and questions with other like-minded individuals. Hosted by Andover resident Richard Davis. Register at mhl.org/calendar. Information: Stefani Traina, 978-623-8451, straina@mhl.org, deathcafe.com.

Townspeople



Joseph Magaldi, 6, of North Andover and his sister Madelyn, 9, take turns behind the wheel of a fire engine.

TIM JEAN/Staff photos

Keeping their cool

Firefighters use engine's hose to spray kids

Andover firefighters started the month of July flipping pancakes at the town's annual Fourth of July celebration and closed the month with their annual Fire Engine Day at The Park last Thursday. Toddlers climbed, beeped and explored a fire engine while meeting real firefighters. Most toddlers wore a bathing suit as they were hosed down by the fire engine's hose, while squealing in delight, under a hot sun. The next Park event for toddlers is Aug. 1, when the town hosts Truck Day and the police and public works departments will park their vehicles to view and explore. That event will be from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and costs \$7 per child. An arts and crafts project is also planned.



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Amelia Mysliwy, 2, of Andover plays in the water as firefighters spray water onto the crowd.



Parents and children cool off as the Fire Department's ladder truck sprays water down on them.



Stephanie Sannella of Andover and her son Cam, 2, ring a bell on the front bumper of a fire truck.

TIM JEAN/Staff photos



Travis Weber, 2, of Andover plays as the Fire Department's ladder truck sprays water on him and other kids.



Pat Annese of Andover and his son Tyler, 3, sit on the front bumper of a fire truck.



Landon Armata, 2, of Middleton shows off his golf ball after hitting a hole in one in the kids game play area during Fire Engine Day in the Park in Andover.

Harold Parker State Forest hosts events in August

All programs are free and open to the public. Bring water, wear sun-screen/bug spray, dress in layers, and wear good footwear. An adult must accompany children. Rain cancels events.

For more information call 978-475-7972 or visit: <https://www.mass.gov/locations/harold-parker-state-forest>.

Harold Parker State Forest campground is at 133 Jenkins Road, Andover.

Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Birding For Beginners
Sundays, Aug. 4, 18 and 25; 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Meet at Campground Nature Center at 133 Jenkins Road. Learn about the local bird population from our park interpreter while enjoying some amateur bird watching. Bring binoculars if you have them. Appropriate for children 6 and older.

Creature Catch

Fridays, Aug. 2, 16 and 30; 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Meet at Frye Pond Beach in the campground at 133 Jenkins Road. Fish, frogs, snakes and salamanders — let's discover what lives in our tranquil New England ponds. Nets and buckets are provided.

This activity can be wet and muddy. It is recommended that participants bringing water, insect repellent, sun screen, binoculars and a camera. This is appropriate for all ages.

Gone Fishin'

Saturdays, Aug. 3, 17, 24 and 31; 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Meet at Frye Pond Beach at 133 Jenkins Road. It's great family fun for everyone interested in learning the basics of pond fishing in New England.

Learn the different species of fish that live here and gain a new skill. Rods and bait are provided, or bring your own. All ages are welcome.

We Walk the Woods

Wednesdays, Aug. 7, 14, 21 and 28; 10 a.m. to noon

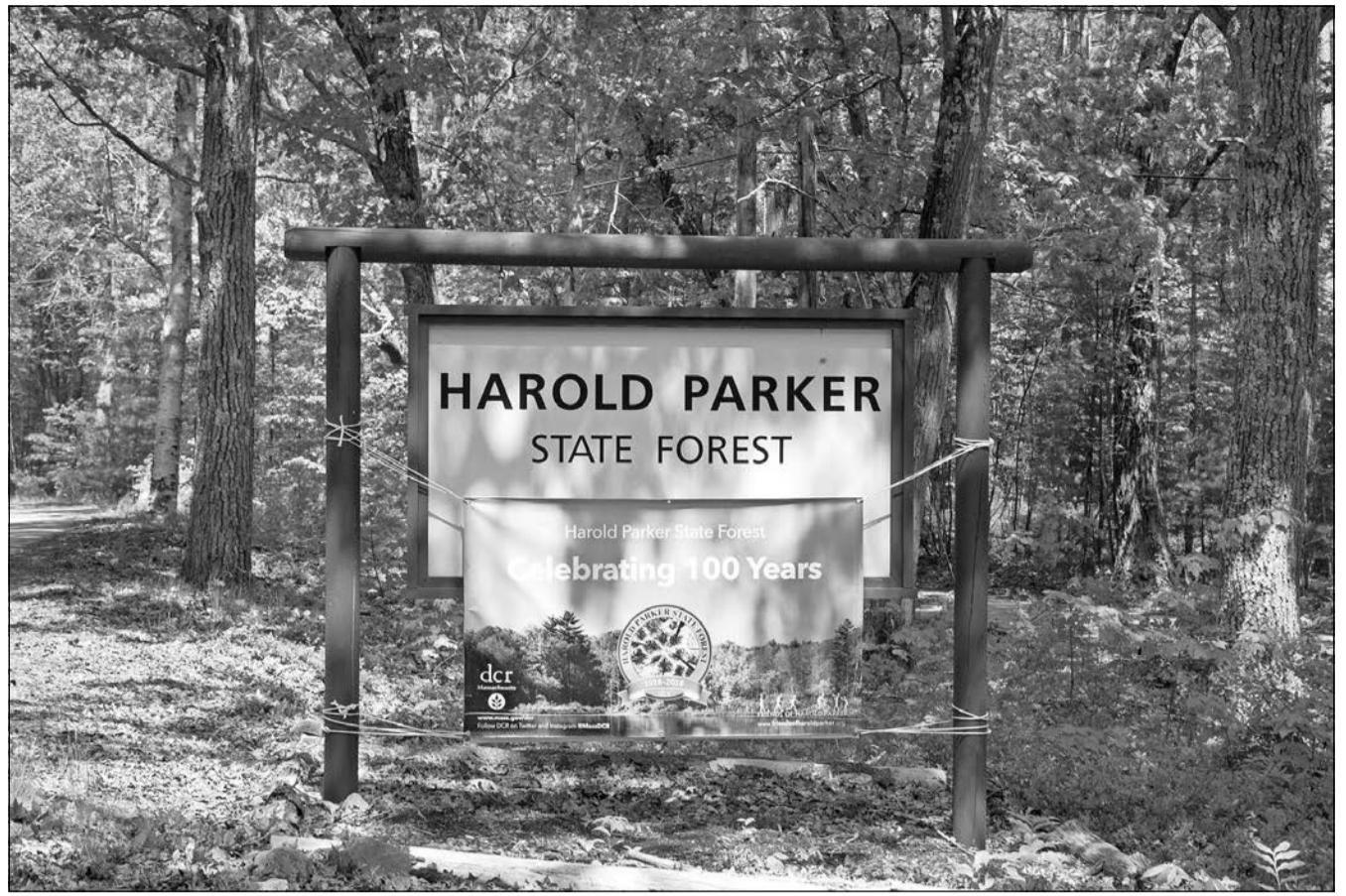
Meet at Park Headquarters. Join the park interpreter and the Friends of Harold Parker for a slow-paced walk through the forest while enjoying nature at its finest. Each week participants hike to a different part of the forest in a series of 12 hikes.

It is recommended that hikers bring water, insect repellent, sun screen, binoculars and camera. Park Headquarters is at 305 Middleton Road, North Andover. Appropriate for children 6 and older.

Soapstone Quarry Hike

Sundays, Aug. 18 and 25; 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Meet at Campground Nature Center at 133 Jenkins Road. For ages 6 and older. A moderate guided hike to the remnants of the Jenkins family blue soapstone quarry. This is a great way to learn about the park's history and resources while getting some exercise.



Harold Parker State Forest

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People participate in a past Creature Catch event at Frye Pond Beach at Harold Parker State Forest.

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John Ingalls placed this sign on his Palmers Restaurant & Tavern in Andover to explain why his business wasn't open after the gas disaster.

Columbia Gas to pay \$143M to disaster victims

By JESSICA VALERIANI
jvaleriani@andovertownsm.com

Ten months after the Sept. 13 gas disaster rocked the Merrimack Valley, killing one 18-year-old man from Lawrence and displacing thousands of others, lawyers reached a \$143 million agreement this week to compensate residents and businesses for the disruption that was caused in their lives.

A statement released Monday by a Columbia Gas spokesperson reported the proposed class-action settlement will give money to those who suffered hardships in Lawrence, Andover and North Andover after the sudden blasts and fires caused by over-pressurized gas lines 10 months ago.

This week's settlement, which is subject to court approval, is separate from the money paid to the towns to cover infrastructure repairs and other expenses, the statement says, as well as from the individual claims involving personal injuries and wrongful death.

After its approval, residents and businesses will be able to submit claims, according to the statement.

John Roddy, an attorney from Bailey & Glasser, the firm representing the plaintiffs, said every impacted person is entitled to claim from the \$143 million fund.

An allocation plan is being put in place to determine where the most damage was done in the three communities, Roddy said. The main goal of the settlement is that business owners who had their income streams most disturbed will get the largest measure of recovery.

"I think there are people whose claims may be very substantial, and there are others who are the furthest from the impacted zone who may not have very substantial claims," said Roddy. "They can submit a claim and will receive compensation no matter what."

Roddy said he hopes for a judge's approval to send a notice to everyone in the next couple weeks. From there, he said it normally takes 75 to 90 days from the time the notices go out to the time the court holds a final approval hearing.

If the settlement is determined fair and reasonable at the final approval hearing, Roddy said checks are estimated to go out within 35 to 40 days afterward, assuming no one appeals the decision and there are no delays.

"We feel that it's extremely fair," Roddy said of the money. "In a situation like this, I don't think it's ever possible to make someone 100% whole, but this is a step in the right direction."

"This settlement, reached in an unprecedented 10 months after the incident, will provide a full measure of compensation to thousands of residents and businesses in a transparent and expeditious manner, under rigorous judicial oversight," said plaintiffs' co-lead counsel



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

A worker compacts the fill around a new gas line installed on Locke Street in Andover after the gas disaster.



AMANDA SABGA/Staff photo

A firefighter enters a house on Brookfield Street in South Lawrence during the gas disaster that caused several fires and explosions.

Frank Petosa of Morgan and Morgan.

The Columbia Gas-managed claims process, overseen by a court-supervised mediator, will continue until the court gives preliminary approval to the settlement.

Then an independent claims administrator will take over the process, the statement reports.

"The claims process will be simple, straightforward and tailored to correspond to the event's impact on the claimant," said co-liaison counsel Brad Henry of Meehan, Boyle, Black & Bogdanow.

Though the announcement leaves business owners hopeful, they are also left wondering how much money they will receive and if it will make up for the lost revenue they've endured.

Throughout the months that followed the gas disaster, businesses have filed claims, received new appliances, and opened their doors back up to customers. But as people and employees have started to slowly return to normalcy, one problem remains: Businesses are not getting clientele as they did before the disaster.

"I want to get my business back to normal, but it's

just not," said John Ingalls, owner of Palmer's Restaurant in Andover.

Ingalls wasn't able to open his doors until nearly two months after the disaster. After the weeks crawled by and he finally propped open the door to welcome people back to tables and bar stools, he said business was booming.

But it didn't last.

"When we first got back and open it was great, but then it trickled off. There was great support in November and December, and we did very well. But since the beginning of the year it has been way off, and I think we are better than we've ever been. I mean that. We got better after it happened," Ingalls said.

As the spring and summer months arrived, the owner of the popular restaurant in the heart of downtown said a lot of once-loyal customers have not returned. And though he is back to operating his restaurant as he did prior to the disaster, there remains a big concern as business has been consistently off for the last four months.

Similar to Ingalls, Maria Lopez, owner of the South

Broadway business Curiosity in Lawrence, said she learned of the \$143 million settlement Monday morning when it was announced in the media.

"Nobody knows anything about it," she said, referring to other businesses in Lawrence that have been seeking assistance from both Columbia Gas and the city. "Nobody has any information about it."

Lopez said that prior to the gas disaster she was earning \$1,000 to \$1,400 a week. Now, she says she is lucky if she makes \$500 a month.

Lawrence Mayor Daniel Rivera, who has been the most vocal community leader in his feelings toward Columbia Gas, said a settlement like this is good for the utility company, because it gets to close out all of the claims in the lawsuit.

"The question is: After the attorneys take their cut, how much are residents and businesses really left with? My hope is that the people and businesses in these class-action lawsuits are truly being made whole and not being victimized yet again," he said.

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PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as amended, that aCR USS LLC, d/b/a Andiamo Restaurant & Bar, 32 Maplewood Avenue, Methuen, MA, has applied for an All Alcohol Restaurant Alcoholic Beverage License at 1 Minuteman Road, Andover, MA. Patricia Collins, 32 Maplewood Avenue, Methuen, MA is the proposed Designated manager.

The premises to be described as follows: A 1-floor restaurant with storage and preparation area with a total sq. footage of 4,000; 1 entrance and 4 exits; and proposed seating capacity of 110 and a proposed occupancy of 140. Also to include patio dining with 10 tables and approx. 40 outdoor seats.

The public hearing will be held on Monday, August 12, 2019, in Conference Room A on the third floor of the Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, Massachusetts at 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the General Laws relating thereto.

TOWN OF ANDOVER MASSACHUSETTS ADVERTISEMENT

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

ITEM IFB No. 054/06-19/301 (Re-Bid) RE-BID Rental of Construction Equipment, Operators, and Laborers for Columbia Gas Restoration Projects, Andover, MA BID OPENING August 15, 2019 12:00 PM

Bid Documents and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, MA, or on the Central Purchasing Department webpage located at www.andoverma.gov/bids

A Bid Security will be required of 5% of the total bid will be amount. 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.

Theresa Peznola Purchasing Agent AT - 8/1/19

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ITEM IFB No. 005/07-19/301 Sewer Drain and Catch Basin Structures BID OPENING August 15, 2019 11:00 AM

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained on the Central Purchasing Department webpage located at www.andoverma.gov/bids. A bid deposit in the amount of 5% of the bid total will be required in the form of cash, a bid bond, or a cashiers check.

The bidding and award of this contract will be under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30B. 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. Theresa Peznola Purchasing Agent AT - 8/1/19

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ITEM IFB No. 002/07-19/650 Furnish & Deliver Bala ry Items (Cooperative Bid) BID OPENING August 19, 2019 11:00 AM

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‘Everybody loves Arvin’

Andover won't forget Nunez's arm and personality anytime soon

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Arvin Nunez was persistence personified. Case in point, after the left-handed pitcher constantly hounded longtime Andover Legion coach Joe Iarrobino to let him hit, the skipper finally relented during a game late in this summer's Legion season against Lawrence.

The result, Nunez went 2 for 4 and scored a run while tossing five scoreless innings in a 2-0 win.

“He'd been begging me, ‘Let me hit, let me hit,’” said Iarrobino. “We get to the Lawrence game and we only have 10 kids, so I figured that was the perfect opportunity to put him in the lineup. His first at-bat he lines a single right over the shortstop's head and he ends up scoring a run.

“The place absolutely erupted when it happened. Everybody, his teammates and all the parents that were there, they all went crazy. ‘Everybody loves Arvin.’”

Ask anyone involved with Andover baseball, and they'll say the same thing.

What's not to love? The recently-graduated Warrior always displays his emotions and wears his heart on his sleeve when he pitches, and his story is one of hard work and dedication.

After transferring to Andover from Central Catholic following his freshman year, Nunez spent the next two playing JV.

For many high school athletes, being on a JV roster as a junior is

not “Plan A.”

But Nunez took it as an opportunity to get better.

This spring for Andover High, Nunez didn't quite know what his role was going to be. But when fellow senior Andrew Theriault was forced to miss time due to injury, a massive hole opened in the rotation behind ace Josh Gruenberg.

When they needed him most, Nunez stepped up big time.

He finished the season with a deceiving 2-4 record — having a handful of tough-luck losses — but pitched against the best-of-the-best in the MVC and finished among our area leaders with a 2.83 ERA. You may remember his heroics in the Division 1 North semifinals, when he tossed all eight innings in a 3-1 win over Lawrence.

And his other win of the season came against Super 8-participant Lowell.

“I just try to always work hard,” said Nunez. “Andrew getting injured really hurt the team, but we all had to step up and do our part. ... I wasn't necessarily surprised with how well I pitched. I mean, I thought I had the ability to do it, but I guess I was still a little shocked with how everything turned out.”

The success didn't stop this summer in Legion, either. Nunez pitched 21.0 innings and had an ERA south of 2.00.

“He didn't throw a bad game for us all year,” said Andover High coach Dan Grams. “He arguably could have been the most effective pitcher we had in the state tournament. The other thing, too, is he basically reinvented himself as a pitcher. His junior year I told



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Whenever Andover needed Arvin Nunez most, the lefty stepped up big time.

him that I was putting him on JV because he had to get better control.

“He worked extremely hard and you saw how important he was for us this year.”

HE'S GOT CHARACTER

When Grams and Iarrobino weren't talking about Nunez's stuff on the mound, they always came back to the young man underneath the jersey.

“He's the greatest team player I've ever coached,” said Grams. “There's nothing he wouldn't do for you. He's not the typical kid.”

When he wasn't pitching, Nunez would always volunteer to keep the stat book for Grams during the season.

Nunez has also become a fixture at Grams' youth clinics. If activities start at 9 a.m., he's there an hour early to make sure the field is ready to go.

One time, when the Andover High baseball team was running a canned food drive, Nunez took it upon himself to provide a huge donation from Market Basket — where he works around 25 hours a week.

“I just love baseball a lot,” said



Arvin Nunez, far right jumping, had plenty to celebrate during his senior season at Andover High and with the Andover Legion team.

Nunez. “I know I came in early (to a clinic) to do a little pitching lesson with the kids and it was so much fun. You feel like an all-star, like a little pro. But that's how the game works. Baseball is all about knowledge and passing the game down, and I just want to share what I know.”

College baseball doesn't seem too likely, as Nunez will be attending UMass Lowell to study

mechanical engineering.

But he's certainly made his mark on an Andover community that will remember not only his ferocity on the mound, but the huge smile stretching from ear-to-ear whenever he's on a baseball field.

“I've been coaching Andover Legion since 1987,” said Iarrobino. “You'll always remember a kid like Arvin. They're unforgettable.”



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Andover's Michael Feeny, here during the high school season, impressed for the North Shore squad in the Hockey Night in Boston tournament.

Locals shine in Hockey Night in Boston

The North Shore team beat the Connecticut/New York team at the Hockey Night in Boston Showcase last Wednesday, thanks to strong contributions by players from Andover.

Michael Feeny, Sam Murray and Anthony Previte, all Andover High players, each supplied one assist in the North Shore's 3-0 win. Jake Brezner (Andover High) and Cole Chingris (Andover/Proctor Academy) combined for the shutout.

Last Thursday, the North Shore squad, coached by former Andover head coach and current Malden Catholic coach Chris Kuchar, played eventual Hockey Night in Boston champ Middlesex to a 2-2 tie.

Andover's Jake Brezner and Cole Chingris combined on the effort in net.

GIRLS TRACK

Parrott sets record

Andover's Jodi Parrott won the triple jump with a 38-10.5 at the USATF New England Open and Masters Championship over the weekend at Holy Cross.

The jump broke the Andover High record of 38-5.75 set by Kassie Brink in 2018.

Heading into her sophomore year for the Golden Warriors, Parrott was an All-MVC selection in the spring after setting the area record in the long jump (20-3).

BOYS TRACK

Dalton takes third

Recently-graduated Andover High star Jake Dalton took third in the 17-to-18-year-old division at the USATF Hershey National

Junior Olympic Track and Field Championships over the weekend.

Dalton, who will next compete for Dartmouth, threw 210-4, just over eight inches off the winning throw. Dalton threw his best throw in his second attempt of the day.

GIRLS HOOPS FOR HOPE

Pena shines

Yaribel Pena scored a game-high 14 points, but Andover lost to Cape Ann League foe Newburyport 31-30 in Hoops for Hope summer league play last Wednesday.

BASEBALL

Yaz keeps rolling

Andover's Mike Yastrzemski continued his breakout rookie season in major league baseball with four hits in the San Francisco Giants' victory on Sunday.

It was Yastrzemski's second four-hit game. His first was July 15 at Colorado. He made his big league debut on May 25.

Yastrzemski singled off Luis Perdomo (1-3) opening the sixth, advanced on ace Madison Bumgarner's sacrifice and scored the go-ahead run on Donovan Solano's single to center.

Yastrzemski hit a two-run double in the second and doubled and scored in the fourth.

He also leaped to make a great catch of Franmil Reyes' smash to the top of the wall in right in the sixth.

Yastrzemski is now hitting .275 with 31 RBIs for the season.

Youth baseball champs



Courtesy photo

The Andover-Lawrence All-Star team won the Cal Ripken 12U Bay State Tournament of Champions Trophy recently. Andover ended with an 8-2 record, having to play Chelmsford, Billerica, Stoneham, Westford, and Reading. The players are, front row from left, Will Entner, Darren Rodriguez, Davian Medina, Roniel Gonzalez, Luis Arias, Brody Harris and Adan Jiminian; Back row from left, coach Josh Entner, coach Bobby Harris, manager Adam Beck, Morgan Beck, Eddie Kristiansen and Zach Faro.

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ScienceTellers: Aliens!

Be part of an adventure from outer space on Thursday, Aug. 15, at 2:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall.

During a midnight meteor shower, something mysterious falls from the sky toward Earth — but it's not a shooting star. Two curious kids venture into the forest to investigate and find themselves mixed up with a family of visitors from another

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attending the program.

Kindergarten kickoff

Is your child heading off to kindergarten this fall?

On Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 10 a.m., join staff from the Children's Room for an hour of fun activities and friendship as they give you and your child a little taste of what kindergarten will be like. There will be activities centered around kindergarten readiness, including a

raffle for a backpack full of goodies. Children may also meet their new school librarian and principal. Register online at <https://mhl.org/calendar> to join in the fun.

August events in the Children's Room

Book Bingo on Thursday, Aug. 1, from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for children ages 8 to 11. Play four to five rounds of bingo to win books. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Make It Take It Tuesdays

for kids 3 and older with an adult. On Tuesday, Aug. 6, from 5:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., join us for a drop-in craft program. Pick up a token in the Children's Room.

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