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Angry teachers rally Protest 'hostile work environment'

at South Elementary School BY PAUL TENNANT Andover Education Associa- problems are at the school.

Staff Writer

plaints about a "hostile work the survey, he said. environment."

"Teachers have been try- severe response." intimidation," said Mat- was not to intimidate any- ing to the superintendent.

they Back president of the one but to find out what the See RALLY, Page 2 thew Bach, president of the one, but to find out what the

tion, the teachers union.

uncomfortable working con- how they feel about the South Elementary School,"

Bach called this "a very colleagues."

"The administration

Several teachers at the received allegations from Dozens of teachers say school wanted to survey teachers and staff of a hosthey are tired of facing their colleagues to find out tile work environment at ditions at South Elementary working conditions, Bach Berman said. "These allegasaid. The administration tions involve conduct during The teachers and their responded by having an the contractual workday at supporters had a rally out- attorney for the school dis- South and include allegaside the school last week trict, Wendy Chu, interro-tions by educators and staff to make public their com- gate those who organized that they have been mistreated by some of their

The allegations of a hostile ing to improve the building Superintendent Sheldon work environment were not climate and the response of Berman, however, said the directed at the school's printhe administration has been purpose of the investigation cipal, Tracy Crowley, accord-



A group of teachers led by union representatives, from left, Renee Theodorou and Lydia Wise, along with Massachusetts Teachers Association organizer Kevin Tierney, emerge from South Elementary School in Andover after classes were over last Wednesday to join demonstrators who turned out to show their support for the teachers.

Annual project raises money for Andover's young people



Marin Gang of Andover Youth Services delivers a Christmas tree to a pickup truck for a customer at the Andover Youth Services tree lot behind West Middle School.

From evergreen to cash green

By Paul Tennant Staff Writer

Nearly 20 years ago, Andover Youth Services Director Bill Fahey was thinking hard about how he and his staff could raise extra money for their programs.

in much cash and begging for dona- wreaths and centerpieces. tions isn't terribly effective either.

cer John J. Lewis, gave him an idea. advice.

Why not set up a Christmas tree lot? See more

Fahey wasn't sure if that would on customers. His friend and fellow town bring in much money, but he

employee, Veterans Services Offi- respected Lewis and followed his

Fast forward to today and the Lewis and his Andover Youth Services Christmas wife, Mary, ran a tree lot, located in the skateboard photos. Page 9. florist shop in Low- park behind West Middle School, ell for many years has become a local institution. and knew a thing or Fahey, other staffers and dozens of He knew bake sales don't bring two about selling Christmas trees, young people unload the trees from flatbed trucks, stack them and wait

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Full-day kindergarten now free in Andover

next school year, parents out tuition. will not have to pay to send their children to kindergar-dergarten is now \$3,575 ten for a full day.

voted unanimously Thurs- Andover charged \$4,650 for day evening to stop charging full-day kindergarten – the tuition for full-day kinder- second-highest cost in the garten. Tuition-free, half- state. day kindergarten has been

available for several years. stone for our community and cost, he noted. comes after years of collab-

stein said. according to Blumstein and half day, he said. other school officials. Addipossible, Blumstein said.

mittee member Shannon so without additional cost," Scully told the Select Board Blumstein said.

earlier this month that the increase in state aid will cover the cost of providing ANDOVER — Starting full-day kindergarten with-

Tuition for full-day kinper year. Berman pointed The School Committee out that several years ago,

The school district is legally obligated to provide "This is a significant mile- half-day kindergarten at no

"This year, Andover is orative work between the among a relatively small School Committee, adminis- number of Massachusetts tration, Andover educators communities that charge and parents," School Com- for full-day kindergarten," mittee Chairman Joel Blum- Blumstein said. About 93% of the town's kindergarten This expanded opportunity students are enrolled for a will not cost local taxpay- full day while fewer than 25 ers any additional money, children attend for only a

"It is in the educational tional financial assistance best interest of our students from the state will make this to provide a full day of kindergarten and it is in the Superintendent Sheldon best interest of our fami-Berman and School Com- lies and community to do



COURTESY PHOTO

It's not too cold for crafters

Crafts in the Park organizers already gearing up for event scheduled this spring

The online application must

and photos of the crafts' dis-

Also, participants must

By Judy Wakefield jwakefield@andovertownsman.com

It's cold outside and there's be filed immediately for crafts snow on the ground, but local to be included in the initial jury crafters have spring on their process. All application subminds. Crafts in the Park is missions, due Jan. 31, require coming in May — and orga- digital photos of the craft, a nizers are already looking for website address, if available, crafters to sign up.

Event organizer Karen Van play. Notification of partici-Welden Herman of Andover pation will be confirmed by said craft submissions must mid-March. be submitted by Jan. 31.

Amateur and professional send a \$100 booth fee (which crafts people are invited apply includes a \$25 non-refundable to display and sell their origi- jury fee) and a self-addressed nal craft work at the popular stamped envelope to: Andover event being held, as always, on Crafts in The Park, P.O. Box the day before Mother's Day in May.

The event's hours will be fee, will be sent to crafters not 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in The Park, accepted into the show. No

corner of Chestnut and Bartlet additional sales commissions streets in downtown Andover. are charged beyond the booth There is no admission fee.

A refund, less the \$25 jury

fee. Food vendors require addi-"It's our 45th event and tional permits from the Town

685, Andover, MA 01810.

always popular, especially if of Andover. the weather is good," Herman For more information, email

said. "People look forward to jury@craftsinthepark.com or visit craftsinthepark.com. Crafts in the Park is a

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People enjoy the last Crafts in the Park event in May.

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Police officer's firing stands

Civil Service Commission says there was 'just cause for discipline'

By JILL HARMACINSKI Staff Writer

Commission has upheld the fir- for: ing of former Lawrence police officer and more

2005, argued his termination replacement. was the "result of political ted he was "outspoken" having 2016. criticized the Police Department at local government being insubordinate to a supemeetings and ran for mayor rior officer. against Mayor Daniel Rivera, according to the commission's telling a superior officer he

our public statements have tion into him. issued on Dec. 19.

for disabled people.

under the protection of civil media.' service laws by ensuring that receive fair and impartial treat- LPD rules. ment, according to information posted on the commission's for comment for this story. website.

Service Commission over court. his firing a month prior. A his appeal were later held on this story.

July 10, 2017, according to the documents.

According to the decision, The state's Civil Service Green was specifically fired

- Arriving late and failing officer William Green, who was to wear a proper uniform for terminated in 2017 for failing to a detail on Nov. 2, 2016 and show up for work, abandoning expressing anger when told a security detail, insubordina- to write a memo explaining tion, conduct unbecoming an his tardiness. Then, leaving the detail 20 minutes later Green, who was hired in after he was told to wait for a

- Being absent without leave bias against him" and admit- from the LPD on eight days in

- Intimidating a witness and

- Lying to the police chief and 'may become 'collateral dam-"While we enjoy free speech, age" regarding the investiga-

consequences. That said, I The decision also includes find no evidence of bias here. prior discipline against Green Rather, unfortunately (Green) which included a one day sushas provided the (city) with pension for being absent withmultiple reasons to provide out leave and insubordination just cause for discipline," for using sick leave when he wrote Cynthia Ittleman, com- did not have any time availmissioner, in the decision able, a 90-day suspension for "misappropriating" city funds Green, 44, this fall ran unsuc-from outside club details that cessfully for District C City paid officers in cash, a two-day Councilor, losing to incumbent suspension for "leaving an Kendrys Vasquez. At the time, arrested prisoner unguarded Green told the Eagle-Tribune and allowing him to escape," he was working as a van driver a reprimand for failing to provide police reports in a timely The state's Civil Service manner and a two-day suspen-Commission hears and decides sion "for putting LPD internal appeals of public employees personnel matters on social

The commission, in a deciemployment decisions are sion issued last week, said based on the relative abil-city officials "established by a ity, knowledge and skills of preponderance of the evidence the public employee, and to that it had just cause to disciensure that all individuals pline" Green for violation of

Green could not be reached

The decision indicated he On April 22, 2017, Green has 30 days to appeal the comfiled an appeal with the Civil mission's findings to superior

Police Chief Roy Vasque and conference and hearing on Rivera declined comment for

CRAFTS

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fundraiser sponsored by tat for Humanity, Esperanza open to the public.

Academy, Bread and Roses, Neighbors in Need, Lazarus House, and the Merrimack Valley Project.

The church also sponsors Christ Church Andover. Pro- The Christ Church Children's ceeds from the fair are used Center preschool program and to support the church's mis- the Andover Thrift Shop, and sion and outreach to the local provides a diverse music procommunity, including Habi- gram with scheduled events

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Valley woman indicted for stealing \$530K from Berkeley Home

Was business manager at retirement home

By JILL HARMACINSKI Staff Writer

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than \$530,000, authorities Healey.

Methuen is facing arraign- rior Court. ment in Salem Superior announced on Monday.

ued over \$1,200 by a single as the business manager

ness manager at the Berkeley three counts of forgery, ey's statement. Retirement Home and Nurs- three counts of uttering and

Sherry Verdick, 43, of uled for Jan. 7 in Salem Supe-

"Staff at the Berkeley ney General Maura Healey investigation," Healey noted in her statement.

Verdick was indicted From January 2016 reduce her health insurance Sallyann Nelligan, Victim Monday for five counts of through September 2018, contribution to zero, accord- Witness Advocate Amber larceny of property val- Verdict, while working ing to Healey.

larceny over \$250 by a single sophisticated scheme to estate of a deceased resischeme, two counts of mak-steal money from several dent by misleading another A Merrimack Valley ingfalse entries in corporate accounts operated by the employee into signing a woman who worked as a busi-books with intent to defraud, facility," according to Heal-check which Verdick then

charged with stealing more false pretenses, according to checks to herself from vari-Healey's statement. ous accounts affiliated with Her arraignment is sched- the retirement center, alleg- that Verdick stole \$536,556 natures of other Berkeley ciated with Berkeley. employees to steal money

Verdick is also accused of chusetts State Police.

scheme, larceny over \$1,200, at Berkeley, "operated a stealing money "from the deposited into a Berkelev Prosecutors allege that account for which she was ing Center in Lawrence is obtaining a signature under she wrote several hundred a signatory," according to

In total, prosecutors believe edly forged various sig- from various accounts asso-

The case is being prose-Court early next year on mul- Retirement Home fully com- from Berkeley accounts, cuted by Assistant Attorney tiple larceny charges related plied and provided extremely improperly used a corpo- General Gretchen Brodigan to the Berkeley Home, Attor- valuable assistance to the rate credit card for personal of Healey's White Collar and purchases, and altered the Public Integrity Division, company's payroll system to Chief Financial Investigator Anderson, and the Massa-

RALLY

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Aside from what he called the "severe response," Bach, speaking at the rally in front of the school on Wednesday of last week, did not provide any specific examples of teachers or other employees being subjected to hostile behavior.

Berman did not offer any specific examples, either.

"This is a personnel issue," he pointed out.

The Andover Education Association filed a request for an injunction against the investigation in Essex Superior Court in Salem last Wednesday, according to Kevin Tierney, an organizer for the Massachusetts Teachers Associasaid they expect there will School in Andover. be a ruling on that motion Friday.

The Andover Education Association has also filed a grievance with the state Department of Labor Relations, Bach said. Participants in the rally

referred questions to Bach, an Andover High School history teacher who became the association's president in June. "Teachers have raised

concerns," Tierney said. Ordinarily, he said, the issues would have been resolved with "some kind of conversation."

Instead, the administration responded by investigating the teachers who called for the survey, he

Berman said he was "surprised and disappointed"

with the union's actions. actions they have taken," he said.

tion by Chu, Berman said school." the school district has an environment.

under the rug," he said.

having recently received The complaints and the ings. The investigation of the investigation."



MIKE SPRINGER/Staff photos

tion. Tierney and Berman Demonstrators listen to a speech during a rally in support of teachers at South Elementary



Andover Education Association President Matthew Bach speaks during last week's rally.

"It is disheartening when

recognition for its students' ongoing investigation con-relates to alleged conflicts "I'm confused by the strong academic achieve- cern allegations by employ- among the employees in ment. The superintendent ees represented by the AEA the workplace; therefore, said he is confident "we can about other employees who it is the administration's Regarding the investiga- bring healing back to the are also represented by the responsibility to investigate and, if warranted, "While the AEA appears take appropriate action. obligation to look into alle-people take sides before an to be portraying this situ- No adverse action has been gations of a hostile work investigation has been com- ation as a union issue, taken against any employee pleted and without knowing such is not the case," he based on these allegations 'We cannot sweep this all the facts," Berman said. added. "The investigation and none will be taken 'To clarify, this investiga- is not looking into mat- until the investigation is Berman said South Ele- tion stems from allegations ters that occurred within complete – and then only if mentary is a good school, by multiple staff members. the context of union meet- warranted by the findings

TREES

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"This is our 17th year," Fahey said in the days leading up to Christmas.

They start selling the trees until all of them have been and Davida Scott's farm in she said. purchased.

sold a few days before nearly 2,000 balsam firs. Christmas, Fahey said.

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Nurturing a strong work ethic, learning entrepreneurial skills and putting others above self are also recently. part of this annual endeavor, according to Fahey.

the Saturday after Thanks- Veterans Day, Fahey and Fredericton, New Bruns-The last tree is usually wick, where they cut down

There is much more to this onto flatbed trucks, which operation than a bunch of transport the evergreen for the youth center at 40 bring the trees down from Canada, Fahey said.

> down hundreds of wreaths 14, he said. ranging in size from 12 to 72

coordinator for Andover high-schoolers. Youth Services, pointed out Scotts' farm is hard labor, son, he said. he noted, and they work 12-hour days.

ated from Andover High said. School last June and is now

English.

She has participated in for a supplier. Andover Youth Services pro-

Then they load the trees nity here," she said.

graduated from Clark Uni- interview. young people selling Christ- cargo to Andover. It usually versity with a degree in psymas trees and raising money takes three or four trucks to chology. He is now studying how the young people from Besides all those trees, has benefited from Andover trees and loading them onto the Scotts' farm also sends Youth Services since he was trucks with enthusiasm.

Tony Lombardi, a program with several middle- and

Working at the Christmas

and other staffers) have many years. "They feel good about helped me develop in a way what they're doing," he said. that I wouldn't have been World War II and served as Megan Zalanskas gradu- able to do on my own," he a gunner's mate. He partici-

University of Vermont. She challenge, Fahey said. He hopes to teach middle school reached out to his friend, Andover High's legendary She was working at the lot track coach Peter Comeau, who did an internet search

Comeau's research led Each year, shortly after grams, including the Christ- to the head of a worldwide mas tree enterprise, since association of Christmas giving and stay on the job company head for Donald she was in the eighth grade, tree growers, he said. In Fredericton, Fahey met the Now that she's in college, tree mogul, who referred why is she back on the lot? him to Scott. From there, the "It's an awesome commu-relationship has flourished.

"I'm just awestruck," Ben Levine, 23, recently Scott said in a telephone

He is impressed with toward a master's degree in Andover approach the hard business administration. He work of cutting down the

"They really enjoy it," Levine was also working said Scott, whose farm also at the lot recently along produces maple syrup. "We appreciate their coming here."

The Andover Youth Serthat the 100 or so young tree lot each year and par-vices operation has been people who contribute to ticipating in the other Youth officially named the John J. the enterprise work for free. Services programs have Lewis Christmas Tree Lot. Harvesting the trees at the helped him grow as a per-Lewis, who died in 2014 at the age of 90, was Andover's "They (Fahey, Lombardi veterans services officer for

He was a Navy veteran of pated in several invasions, Finding an adequate including the attack on Iwo in her freshman year at the source for the trees was a Jima.

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\$86M arts center proposed

Would offer performances, shoe museum

By Mike LaBella

Shoe designer to the stars Stuart Weitzman — who learned the trade working in his father's factory in downtown Haverhill — wants to build an \$86 million, eight-story shoe museum and performing arts center in the heart of

The nonprofit Weitzman Initiative for the Arts and Industry, based in Haverhill, is proposing a landmark museum, cultural and educational center for current site of a public bus center for downtown Haverhill. depot and parking lot along 50/50 boots, the proposal Washington Square would committees, said the counthe Merrimack River, Mayor said. James Fiorentini said.

Merrimack River to the to the proposal. Merrimack Valley Regional about 30 years.

forward, they would con-sible to all. tinue to have a bus stop in Street parking garage.

historical bus terminal according to the proposal. building in place or move location.

been discussing the multi- and Design, which is based somewhat by access roads, program, according to the faceted development proj- in Boston. ect with Weitzman and his

Weitzman, a world- 12 Washington Square. ing shoes in Haverhill for Bucuzzo. his father's company, Sey-Seymour Weitzman opened mayor said. his Haverhill shoe shop in the city.

incredible opportunity bus station, which has rest- erty in June 2020, with confor the city of Haverhill," rooms for customers and a struction beginning in 2022 Fiorentini said. "For the customer service and ticket and the museum opening past two years we have office with one employee on in fall 2025. been working with Stu- each of two shifts. art Weitzman and the "We renovated the prop- Macek, a member of the Weitzman Initiative on erty in 1981 into a bus sta-council's Administration their plan to establish a tion and I've had several and Finance and Planstate-of-the-art museum discussions over the last ning and Development in downtown Haverhill, several years about the which would feature the site, which includes the internationally renowned station itself, and which Weitzman shoe collection we would need to move if as well as a cultural center, the property was sold," public gathering spaces he said. "A lot depends and a restaurant along the now on any possible new waterfront."

Weitzman has commit-redeveloped, the MVRted his sizable antique TA's customer service shoe collection to seed the office would move to the museum's permanent col- MVRTA's Granite Street lection. Weitzman's collec- parking garage, where tion includes 300 pairs of there is vacant office shoes, ranging from sandals space for ticket sales and from the Ottoman Empire a customer waiting area,



REGION

that would be needed before

"We don't have any author-

The assessed value of the

used for public parking and

According to local histo-

established Washington

The Little River Conduit

the Merrimack River just to

ity to deny the mayor the

12 Washington Square, This artist's rendition shows the exterior of a proposed shoe museum and art and cultural

"The Weitzman Initiative includes four key elements: front of the station." for the Arts and Industry a museum, a multi-purpose ter will support making institution and a large pub- Ave. in Bradford. Haverhill a destination in lic gathering space. A cafe, the region, nationally and museum store, restau- Washington Square loca- do, once the property is surinternationally, and thus rant and maker-spaces for tion as a stop as it's conve-plussed," Macek said. improving all aspects of inventors and start-up busi- nient," Costanzo said. the local economy," the pro- nesses are also planned.

As this is not a for-profit ple do Transit Authority for a bus development, according terminal and parking lot for to the proposal, the price ticket, you'd have to come restrooms. MVRTA officials said museum component will should we move there," he rian Jack Lynch, the city that if the project moves allow it to be easily accessaid.

with the city to keep the in the heart of downtown,"

it to another suitable educational portion of the tenth's of an acre, accord- long tunnel that was concenter is listed as the Mas- ing to the RFP, the build- structed in 1937 as part of Fiorentini said he has sachusetts College of Art able area is restricted the city's flood protection

team for about two years, request for proposals for a property, and a historical town Haverhill to a point on but that any decision to sell developer willing to build a structure/bus station. the land would be up to City cultural arts/tourism center The Little River outfall the east of a pumping staon the nearly 1 acre site at also exits along a section tion on the site.

renowned shoe-maker who The RFP was posted on noted. has designed footwear the city's website Nov. 13 for the likes of celebri- with a submission due date Cox said that before any ties Beyonce and Taylor of Dec. 17, according to city proposals can take effect, Swift, got his start design- purchasing agent Steven the City Council must

mour's Shoes, in the 1960s, response to the request, the sale of real estate.

the 1950s when shoe manu- istrator for the MVRTA, documents for a sale," Cox facturing was thriving in said that his agency has a noted. \$1 per vear lease agreement "This represents an with the city to have the potential sale of the prop-

owner.'

The proposal says Should the property be to Weitzman's own iconic Costanzo said. But, he said

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continue to have a bus stop cil would also play a role in The Weitzman proposal as there are two spaces in approving any special permit

The MVRTA's buses park construction could begin. museum and cultural cen-theater, an educational overnight at 85 Railroad

"We would keep the right to do what he wants to

He noted that customers two parcels of land com-The proposal includes a boarding buses can add bined is \$717,000, but does The city has leased the new 50-space parking lot. money to their stored value not include the \$181,000 34,000-square-foot prop- The main building would be card and can also purchase assessed value of the bus erty on the banks of the eight stories tall, according an all-day pass for \$3, which station building. The prop-Costanzo said a lot of peo- erty is currently being

"But if you need a specific a bus station with public point for admission to the to Granite Street location,

The RFP notes a desire Square Park at the site The theater would offer "a to preserve the historical in 1890 after the outlet of Washington Square in front flexible and dynamic space building and incorporate the Little River into the of the current terminal, but that would house a wide it, as well as the public Merrimack was changed and would move their customer variety of performances restrooms, into the overall covered. Previously the area service office to the Granite and events" and the public development plans for the was said to be a dump. The space would provide the site - perhaps as a visitors' site served as a tree-lined The proposal indicates city with "a much-needed center and/or an entrance park with greenhouses durthe developer will work dynamic gathering space into a larger newly con- ing the early 1900s. structed building.

> Although the two adja- runs under a portion of the The primary tenant of the cent lots total about nine property. It is a 2,000-foot a city pump station building RFP. It allows the Little Weitzman responded to a located at the back of the River to pass under down-

> > of the property, the RFP

City Solicitor William declare the property sur-Weitzman's was the only plus and also authorize the

"The mayor is the only Joseph Constanzo, admin-person who can execute

The proposal envisions a

City Councilor William

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A store closing sign is in the front window of the Motherhood Maternity store Monday at The Loop in Methuen.

Planet Fitness to open at The Loop pending government approval

By Breanna Edelstein

another Planet Fitness classes. location open in 2020, this one spanning nearly 21,000 going of businesses at square feet at The Loop.

fitness franchise will be Before Motherhood Materreviewed — and possibly nity, two other departures approved — by the Methuen were announced this year. Community Development Board on Jan. 8, according said in October that they to Economic and Commu- would not renew their lease nity Development Director at The Loop due to unmet Bill Buckley.

ness location is just over spot will end in July 2020. a mile away, on Jackson

space occupied by Moth- Shop in November. erhood Maternity and an abutting vacant space that will take over those two once housed Dress Barn, storefronts. Buckley said.

Motherhood Maternity locations across the country are closing following an announcement that the company filed for bankruptcy earlier this year. The last day the Methuen store will be in business is Dec. 26, a salesperson said. Moving into that sr

would make Planet Fitness neighbors with Orange Theory Fitness, which The region could see offers instructor-led fitness

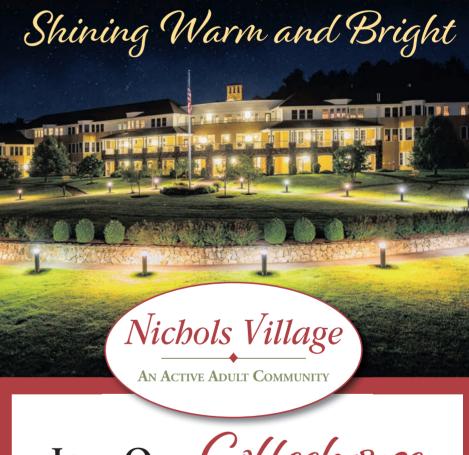
The recent coming and The Loop follows years of Plans submitted by the unchanged storefronts.

Stop and Shop officials financial expectations. The nearest Planet Fit- Their 20-year run in that

Nearby Starbucks, which Street in Methuen, accord- has been next to the AMC ing to the Planet Fitness Theater for two decades, website. Other area loca- will vacate its current space tions are in Haverhill and after breaking ground on a Andover, as well as over the roughly 2,600-square-foot New Hampshire border in building that includes a Plaistow, Salem and Derry. drive-thru. It began to take Pending board approval, shape in a section of parkthe gym will move into ing lot across from Stop and

It is unclear still what





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Andover Center for History and Culture

The following passages tions of the Townsman.

a community laundry, com- the Shawsheen River. munity ice house and a The Hill Hardware waregymnasium, adding to the house on Buxton Court was conveniences which resi- extensively damaged in a

grass resulted.

ness for fine watch and clock as heavy rainfall contained repairing in the store in the the blaze. Musgrove block formerly occupied by the Lawrence Gas Company.

left untouched, though a committee. search had obviously been made for money. More seri- are interested in the new tax thieves.

ment came this week when according to Sharon Souza, Deputy Fire Chief Lester Council on Aging Director. Hilton resigned and Alex-

the Hollandia campaign. He holidays.

island in the Netherlands

East Indies. 50 years ago — Dec. 31, 1969

Drainage problems in were taken from past edi- Andover were evidenced by the storm of the past week-100 years ago — Dec. 26, 1919 end — so much so that offi-The old Smith mansion on cial attention was focused North Main Street, which on the matter this week. A was purchased by William photo shows the grandstand M. Wood some years ago, and little league baseball is to be remodeled into a field at the Andover Playhospital in connection with stead, where Rogers Brook Wood's plan for the develop- overflowed following the ment of Shawsheen Village. storm. The overflow was In addition to a community above the area which has store, the village will gain been piped underground to

dents of the new village will fire early Friday afternoon. The fire was believed caused An alarm from Box 4 Mon- by defective wiring, accordday afternoon at 1:58 sent ing to fire officials. The members of the Fire Depart- blaze brought in all off-duty ment to a grass fire on the Andover firefighters, and Flint land on High Street. North Andover, Tewksbury About five acres burned, but and Lawrence crews filled little damage beyond burned in at Andover stations. The fire was at the height of a On Tuesday, Dec. 30, John storm and firefighters were Ferguson will open a busi- assisted by Mother Nature,

25 years ago - Dec. 22, 1969

The Ballardvale Historic District Study Committee is 75 years ago – Dec. 28, 1944 ready to go public with plans A matter of concern to for establishing a historic Shawsheen residents is the district in Ballardvale, and report this week of three members hope to present more house breaks over the their proposal to voters in weekend. Frederick McKay, the spring. "We're at a point 5 Arundel St., told police that now where we would like to his home had been entered get it on the Town Meeting and cigarettes taken. A warrant in April," said Tim number of war bonds were Barash, chairman of the

So many senior citizens ous losses were suffered by voucher program that the Francis R. Rody, 28 Enmore town may seek to expand its St., and Raymond Howe, 9 scope at April Town Meeting. Arundel St. The former lost Although the town approved \$35, and the latter approxi- only enough money for 30 mately \$100, while an even people to receive the maxilarger sum of money at that mum \$500 voucher for the home was overlooked by the program, 60 people have returned applications and An anticipated shake-up more than 100 have taken in the Andover Fire Depart- out the necessary papers,

In the name of political ander MacKenzie was given correctness, some schools a 30-day suspension as a in the community are choosresult of the recent drown- ing to ignore this season's ing tragedy in Ballardvale. religious celebrations. How-Sgt. Philip Wormwood, ever, most Andover schools son of Mr. and Mrs. Clar- are acknowledging both ence Wormwood of Bal- Hanukkah and Christmas, lardvale, was a member of while choosing to focus on a unit that cut off an entire the educational rather than Japanese army group during the religious aspects of these

All Those Years Ago Susan McKelliget Andover Center for Andover Center for And are now resting on an analysis of the area.

Police: Officer assigned to Andover barracks shot attacker

By Dave Rogers Staff Writer

LOCAL

A teenager charged with stabbing a state trooper at an Interstate 495 work site in Amesbury remains in a Boston hospital, paralyzed from the neck down from gunshot wounds and on a ventilator, according to Newburyport District Court documents.

Nathan Aguilar is described in an emergency motion for reconsideration of bail as an autistic 18-year-old with no history of violence. Aguilar was shot by the trooper seconds after police say the teen walked up to the police cruiser and attacked him with a box cutter on Dec. 12.

The trooper, identified as 34-year-old Stephen Torosian, sustained numerous cuts to his left arm and was taken to Lawrence General Hospital, where he was treated and released that afternoon, according to state police.

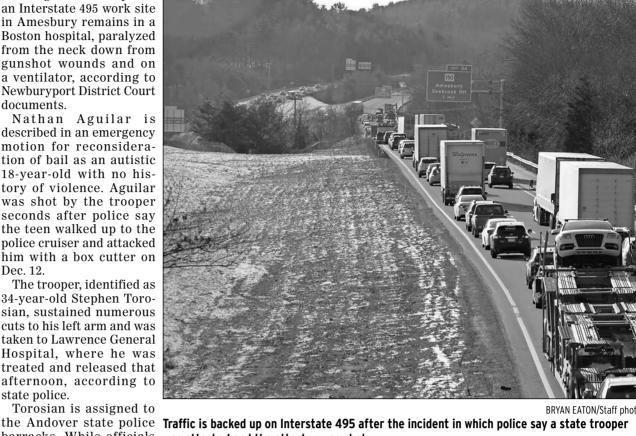
Torosian is assigned to would not release his name identifies him.

Deaconess Medical Center checks. and arraigned the next with a dangerous weapon hospital any time soon. and aggravated assault and battery.

A status hearing Aguilar tal," Cordeiro said. is scheduled for Jan. 21 in District Court.

came as part of two emer- survive his injuries.' gency motions filed by his and heard in court.

The first motion was said. to seal Aguilar's medical dance, Judge Peter Doyle him. granted both motions and set bail at \$2,500.



barracks. While officials was attacked and the attacker was shot.

last week, the police report Conditions of his release grandparents unlimited the hospital, Aguilar under-After the incident, Agui- tact with the trooper and lar was flown to Beth Israel weekly medical status a waste of state money and lyzed from the neck down,

morning from his hospital mony and her bail motion, ing him at the hospital the altercation," the court bed on charges of aggra- it appears unlikely Aguilar because he has "no means document says. vated assault and battery will be able to leave the

minute basis at the hospi-

The revelations regard- able to breathe on his own bear," Cordeiro wrote. ing Aguilar's condition in the future, and if he will

"Nathan cannot and does about the attack. attorney, Nicole Cordeiro, not pose a threat to any-

the bail a short time later. his parents, siblings and

include having no con-visitation," Cordeiro wrote, went spinal fusion surgery. She also wrote that it was

resources to have Sheriff's with minimal movement in Based on Cordeiro's testi- Department guards watch- his fingers, as a result of to move."

"It's kind of a minute-by- ing medical decisions for diagnosed with autism, someone else's child who lives with his parents, and is facing the possibility of has no criminal history or One of her motions said death is a heavy burden for reputation for violence. He 'it is unknown if he will be the Sheriff's Department to recently graduated from

revealed even more details he studied electrical work.

one's safety," the motion incident showed that a to work with the electriconstruction worker saw cians union, Local 103, and Cordeiro's emergency Aguilar get out of a brown "was on lunch break the records while the second bail reconsideration motion Honda Odyssey, walk to day of the incident," the asked that a judge recon- argued that because Agui- Torosian's parked cruiser document says. sider bail because of his lar was being held in the and make "several stabbing" "The allegations in this physical condition. With Essex Sheriff's Depart- motions" at the trooper. matter are not characteris-

family members in atten- was not allowed to visit police he heard a gunshot deiro wrote in her motion. "Given Nathan's grave ground. Torosian got out of and most likely will never condition, it would sim- his cruiser and kicked the be a danger to anyone in Aguilar's family posted ply be cruel not to allow box cutter away from him. the future as his paralysis

"Nonetheless, he is para-

Cordeiro's motion also 'More significantly, mak-stated that Aguilar was Northeast Technical High Court documents School in Wakefield, where

While attending school, A police report of the he received a scholarship

Aguilar's parents and other ment's custody his family. The witness then told tic of Nathan Aguilar." Corand saw Aguilar fall to the "Nathan is not a danger After being brought to appears to be permanent.

Hospital unveils its state-of-the-art heart suite

By MIKE LABELLA Staff Writer

It may be housed in a but one section of Holy Fam- has been in operation since of stents. ily Hospital now responds to October. cardiac patients with some and treatment.

ease poised to undergo car-treating the patient, ideally nurses. diac catherterization at the with a multi-disciplinary Methuen hospital now have approach." a different journey than similar patients there did in offered in Holy Family Hos- by intensivists board certithe past.

part of a new catherization ous coronary interventions talented EMS providers, fol-procedure. suite, said that when work- (PCI) — which is often a lowed by intake at the emering with people with heart lifesaving measure, hospital gency department, which lab is outfitted with the for the majority of our which he said are techattacks, small or major, the officials said. idea is to get to them rapidly

mortality rate.

of the latest high-tech equipattack, muscle dies, and ported by a team of expessaid. "Instead of having to rate," Goldberg said. ment available, all with the eventually it becomes irre-rienced, board-certified transport a patient form Holy Family Hospital built see on a large video screen. goal of more rapid diagnosis versible and affects qual- cardiologists and a lab team one part of the building to the new catherization suite "Equipment can be delivered Patients with heart dis- "You need to have a plan for nologists and registered them from emergency room diac care to patients in the that can be inflated and the

pital's new catheterization fied in critical care Dr. David Goldberg, direc-suite to patients with heart

and open their artery very can determine how well the catherization lab. quickly — which he said can the heart is working and

can also identify cardiac ment, then preparation for improved resolution. The hospital's new \$5.1 problems and open blocked transport to the catherizanearly 70-year-old building, million catherization suite arteries with the insertion tion lab, which was a long decreased radiation and and plaque.

Among the services coronary care unit, staffed gency department."

result in substantially less measure the pressure and that patient involved intake a two-thirds reduction in complications."

holding rooms to provide patients and their families, an obstruction as well. Goldberg said respond- more efficient and qual- hospital officials said. tor of the hospital's new disease are 24/7 coronary ing to a heart attack starts ity care, where patients cardiac catherization lab, angiography and percutane- with a call and a response by can recover or await their pathway to the heart, we depending on the patient's

"For years, the journey of resolution of X-rays, and recovery and decreased better outcomes.

damage and reduces the blood flow in the heart. They at the emergency depart-radiation exposure with He said the catheter

distance from the ER (the enhanced imaging, but we

He noted there are new and stress is reduced for therapeutic devises to treat

injects dye into the heart 'Not only is there arteries to identify ruptures

"A real time X-ray con-Holy Family's cardiac length of the hospital to also have other technologies trast image is created "When you have a heart catherization suite is sup-the catherization lab)," he that help us to be more accu-to identify the lesion or obstruction, which we can ity of life," Goldberg said. of certified radiologic tech- another, we now transport to offer comprehensive car- over a wire, such as balloons directly to our state-of-the Merrimack Valley. When insertion of stents, (the most Patients have access to art catherization lab, which patients can receive coordi-common procedure used) to around-the-clock dedicated is directly above the emer- nated care in one location, alleviate the obstruction. patient outcomes improve, We have access to multiple

Other state-of-the art tech-"To access an artery, a nologies that can be used now use the artery in the situation include ultrasound The new catherization wrist to get to the heart and vacuum catherization, provides essential medica- latest equipment, includ- procedures," Goldberg nologies that can enhance Cardiac catheterizations tion to prepare a patient for ing improved computer said. "When compared to patient comfort and increase documentation, increased the leg, it results in faster the likelihood of success and

■ COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THROUGH FEB. 24

Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main activities that younger chil-St., Andover. Pick up a Win- dren can do with parents, as at First United Methodist group.org. Tues, Thurs ter Reading Bingo Board at well as teens and adults on Church, 57 Peters St., North the Children's, Teen, and their own. Information and Andover. The only require-Reference desks and fill out recommendations: mhl.org/ ment to attend is having been a row in any direction to winter-reading-club-2019. win a free book: complete the entire sheet to enter the drawing to win the grand



Winter Reading Club 2019 at is for all ages and includes Fantini at 978-475-4602.

DEC. 29; JAN. 5, 12

Church, 23 Clark Road, 16, 21, 23, 28 Andover. Is food a problem org.

DEC. 30, JAN. 6

Conversational English, 10 641-2303, oambi.org. a.m. to noon at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. For non-native speakers of English who have 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael studied formal English and Church (St. Theresa Room)

anon.org/meeting-directory/ p.m. at Ballard Vale United chusets (note spelling!).Dec.

for you? OA can help. Infor- p.m. Monday and 8 to 9 a.m. mation: 781-641-2303, oambi. Saturday at North Andover Senior Center, 120 R Main St. can help. Information: 781-

DEC. 26, 31; JAN. 2

Overeaters Anonymous meeting,

DEC. 26; JAN. 9, 23

of public speaking? The club ext. 326. **Overeaters Anonymous,** 6 to 7 meets the second and fourth Thursday of the month. Refreshments.

Is food a problem for you? OA Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. rial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Forest Park Headquarters, writersgroupmhl@gmail.

DEC. 27-30

YMCA Lifequard Certification 8440, mhl.org. would like to practice their 196 Main St., North Andover. Courses, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at both

prize: a gift card to Andover speaking and listening skills. Do you have a problem with the Andover/North Andover Bookstore. The bingo board To register, contact Carolyn food or eating behaviors? OA YMCA, 165 Haverhill St., to 1:30 p.m., Andover/North can help. Information: 978- Andover, and the Lawrence Andover YMCA, 165 Haverhill Gam-Anon Meeting, 7:30 p.m. 387-8188, oanorthshoreinter- YMCA, 40 Lawrence St. St., Andover. Appointments: For more information, or to 1-800-RED CROSS or redregister, visit mvymca.org crossblood.org or contact aquatics direc-Merrimack Toastmasters Club, 7 tors Dan Burke (Andover/ affected by someone else's to 9 p.m. at Stephens Memo- North Andover) at dburke@ gambling. Information: gam-rial Library, 345 Main St., mvymca.org or 978-685-3541, 6-8, 11:30 a.m. at Memorial North Andover. Want to get ext. 417, or Jessica Murray Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Overeaters Anonymous, 5 to 6 us-meeting-directory/massa- ready for that next job inter- (Lawrence) at jmurray@ Andover. Register at mhl.org/ view or to overcome your fear myymca.org or 978-686-6190, calendar. Information: mhl. **DEC. 28, JAN. 25**

Dads and Donuts, Ages 2 to 5 at First Day Hike, 10 a.m. to Writers Group, 7 p.m. at 9:30 a.m. (new time), at Memo-noon at Harold Parker State Main St., Andover. Open to Andover. Share coffee, juice, 305 Middleton Road, North new members. Information: and donuts during a story Andover. Start off the New and craft time for preschool- Year with an invigorating ers and their families. Pick First Day Hike. Warm up with up a token in the Children's a fire and some hot chocolate Room. Information: 978-623- and refreshments from the

Red Cross Blood Drive, 8 a.m.

Noon Year's Eve for ages org, 978-623-8440.

JAN. 1

Friends. Be prepared for cold See CALENDAR, Page 11

Police: Andover house condemned after man found dead inside

No foul play suspected, police say

By Paul Tennant Staff Writer

to the police log.

called them at 2:24 p.m. on Fri-A house on Carriage Hill woman who lived at the now-said. Road in Andover has been condemned house told the A woman in her 50s was Department. condemned by the town neighbor that a man had died transported to a hospital for tended death there, according according to police. The man according to the log. She said. Police said a neighbor who lived in the house, police neighbor about the death, he said.

said. They said the man was police said. dead in the kitchen, according to the police log.

The Fire Department invespolice log. day of last week and reported tigated and determined the the death. The neighbor said a man had died alone, police able," said Lt. Edward Guy,

was a relative of the woman was the woman who told the

The condemnation of the

house was reported on the

"The house is uninhabitspokesman for the Police

The heat was not working health inspector after an unat- in the house a week earlier, a mental health evaluation, and there was hoarding, he

"It's a very sad situation,"

Police: Man charged with third DWI after crashing car into Andover house

By Paul Tennant Staff Writer

crashed into a house on device. North Street, Andover, late Sunday afternoon, police at 5:30 p.m.

Louis Pineau, 57, of 24 Peaslee Terrace, Methuen, was also charged with neg-A man faces his third ligent operation, a marked charge of driving under the lanes violation and drivinfluence of alcohol after ing without or tampering the car he was operating with an interlock ignition

The incident was reported

■ POLICE LOG

MONDAY, DEC. 16

Citation issued: For speeding: Andover Street, 8:09 a.m.

Scam reported: Campanelli Shawsheen Road, 10:44 a.m. land Road, 2:24 p.m. Road, 10:12 a.m.

To owner of dog that killed neighbor's chicken, Woburn ries, Highland Road, 12:30 Street, 10:22 a.m.

Motor vehicle crash: No injuries: Railroad Street, 12:19 ries, Elm Street, 1:04 p.m.

lanes violation: River Road, p.m. 5:36 p.m.

Citation issued: For marked ster Street, 1:26 p.m. lanes violation, River Road, 5:58 p.m.

TUESDAY, DEC. 17

injuries, two cars involved,

Motor vehicle crash: No inju-Motor vehicle crash: No inju- p.m.

Motor vehicle crash. No inju- 5:13 p.m.

Citation issued: For marked ries, Haverhill Street, 1:16

Stolen car recovered: Web-p.m.

p.m.

Motor vehicle crash: No inju- 6:36 p.m. Motor vehicle crash: No ries, Essex Street, 2:03 p.m.

Motor vehicle crash: No inju-Leash law violation issued: ries, River Street, 11:20 a.m. ries, Reservation Road, 5:08

ries, Harold Parker Road, 11:46 a.m.

Motor vehicle crash: No injuries, Argilla Road, 6:30 p.m. Two tires flattened: Car hit 4:26 p.m.

pothole, Abbott Street, 6:32 Arrest: Gerson David River Road, 4:27 p.m.

Motor vehicle crash: No inju- Estrada, 31, of 3 Conduit

operation, Lowell Street, p.m.

Mailbox knocked down: High-ries, Woburn Street, 8:29 Street, 6:14 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18

Motor vehicle crash: With Motor vehicle crash: No injuinjuries, South Main Street,

Motor vehicle crash: No inju- Street, 3:18 p.m. Larceny: Railroad Street,

> Motor vehicle crash: No injuries, two cars involved, ries, North Main Street, 2:14 ries, Salem Street, 3:34 a.m.

Two-car crash: With injuries, Walnut Avenue, 1:37 St., Lawrence, unlicensed ries, North Main Street, 4:36 ries, Lowell Street, 3:10 p.m. Street, 9:15 a.m.

Summons issued: For unli- Lane, 5:16 p.m. Motor vehicle crash: No inju-censed operation, Union

> One tire flattened: Car hits pothole, Abbott Street, 7:20 8:47 a.m.

THURSDAY, DEC. 19

Motor vehicle crash: No injuries, Carmel Road, 4:16 p.m. Hit-and-run crash: Haverhill ries, Haverhill Street, 7:28

> Hit-and-run crash: Routes 125 and 28, 8:20 a.m. Motor vehicle crash: No iniu-

Packages opened: Bayberry

FRIDAY, DEC. 20

Illegal dumping: River Road,

Credit card fraud reported: North Main Street, 9:46 a.m. Motor vehicle crash: No inju-

Shattuck Road, 5:31 p.m. SATURDAY, DEC. 21

Motor vehicle crash: No inju-Disorderly man ordered to Motor vehicle crash: No inju- stay out of Old Town Hall: Main

Larceny from motor vehicle:

■ REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

7 Chickering Court: Tyler and Stephen S. Lu to Betty A. \$638,000 Donna Richards to Melanie Mcmahon, \$175,000 Piendak and Bart Paresi, \$540,000

20 Colonial Drive, Unit 11: and Andrew M. Bielecki,

82 Greenwood Road: Bajek \$525,000

yang Xiao to Gillian D. Carlos A. Madrid, \$412,000 Unit 4409: Plute Homes and Lucille L. Poisson to Ste-Liling Yang and Yajie Chen, 44 Linwood St.: Gail L. Of New Eng to Albert G. phen Soterios-Zaimes and \$945,000

\$458,995

44 Farrwood Drive: Ping- FT and Holly Derrico to Riverview Woods Condo 14 Russett Lane: Norman D. and Lisa Prescott-Lee to

Ralston to Sheila M. Leaden, and Marilyn Delcheccolo, Ruth A. Zaimes, \$770,000

36 Stirling St.: Geon U. Lee





From left, Store manager Nayely Jiminez, thrift stores coordinator J.C. McGuire and Executive Director Jeff Hassel cut the ribbon at the newly reopened Lazarus House Thrift Store.



COURTESY PHOTOS

The newly reopened Lazarus House Thrift Store

Andover volunteers help with thrift store reopening

Lazarus House effort sparks neighborhood revitalization

STAFF REPORTS

vated Lazarus House St. big day. Frances St. Clare Thrift Store

business. those in South Lawrence, but greater means. to also make an investment

in the community. end," said Lazarus House guests," Hassel said. Executive Director Jeff Has-

On opening day last store.

nized racks of clothing, gen- on thrift store shopping, After receiving a month's tly used toys, and even a visit we hope to provide more makeover, the newly reno- from Santa Claus sparked the opportunities for guests to

in Lawrence was ready to do be nominal. Lazarus House and bring more business to believes it does not mean the community," said J.C. Dozens of people waited the shopping experience McGuire, coordinator of patiently one recent morn- and environment should be Thrift Stores for Lazarus ing for the shop to open, different than that found House Ministries. designed to not only serve at stores serving people of

care, a good welcome, and synagogues, schools, civic "The goal is to serve the a shopping experience that groups and other generous community better in the is full of dignity to all of our contributors.

sel. "It was a bit rundown rus House mission to treat shelter in 1983 with only

Saturday, dozens of orga- "With a new fresh take get needed items at a low While prices on items may cost, attract more donations

All items in the store are donated by individu-"The point is to give good als, businesses, churches,

Since opening its doors That is the core of the Laza- as an emergency homeless and we decided to put time, those with a dignity they may five beds, Lazarus House effort and some money into struggle to find elsewhere in has been breaking the cycle it to make it more of a center their lives, now reflected in of poverty in the Merrimack for the community that they the updated surroundings at Valley, now operating would like to come to." the South Union Street thrift out of eight buildings in Lawrence.



Activity on the day of reopening at the Lazarus House Thrift Store in Lawrence.

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GOP snubs Weld over Trump challenge

Former governor's name will still appear on the primary ballot in Mass.

By Christian M. Wade Staff Writer

Republican Bill Weld is known as one of the most popular governors in Massachusetts' history and a political mentor to the state's current chief executive, Charlie Baker.

But as Weld mounts a long-shot primary challenge to unseat Republican President Donald Trump, the state GOP is snubbing his candidacy.

The party has submitted a list of candidates for the March 3 presidential Republican primary ballot, but there was only one name on it — the incumbent, Donald Trump.

Weld will appear on the Super Tuesday ballot in Massachusetts, but only because Secretary of State Bill Galvin, a Democrat, added his name.

State law allows the state's top election official to unilaterally put a candidate on the primary ballot if they have determined the candidate to be "generally advocated or recognized in national news media.'

Massachusetts GOP candidate for president Chairman Jim Lyons justi-Weld's name from the list a national strategy by the "outrageous." as a procedural move that Trump campaign to crush was grounded in recent potential challengers. history.

cedure," Lyons said.

highly critical of Trump's the Republican primary."

removed from office, a posi- establishment. with Lyons, who has called lican who served as the we're shrinking the tent, lenger Scott Lively. the impeachment proceed-state's banking com-which is unfortunate."



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Bill Weld, former Massachusetts governor and current

dent as the only name on his operatives are going purpose of the party is to Party; who ran against the nominee for U.S. Senate in deprive Trump of the nomithe potential candidate list to great lengths to silence hold a primary in which the Trump-Pence Republican 1996 when he mounted a nation, the GOP's efforts is not unprecedented, and is other Republicans and inde-voters have an opportunity ticket in 2016 while cozy-campaign to unseat then-to keep him off the ballot in fact, an established propendents, and to hide from to choose their nominee." those who might challenge Weld, 73, of Canton is him," Weld said in a pre-Republican and Weld sup-February statement. barely known nationally, pared statement. That won't porter, said the party's deci-

The party's public rebuke

"I think the party is making an enormous mistake,"

inclusion.

AP photo/Manuel Balce Ceneta

President Donald Trump.

they wouldn't be back- in 1992 will face a notable presidency, he remains pop-White House. When he state. first declared his intention in February to chal-governor in 1990 after Massachusetts GOP presi-Arnold.

"All across the coun- Hanson said. "Regardless of dent; who renounced the national popular vote. Kevin Martin, an Ipswich Clinton," Lyons said in the John Kerry.

When Baker ran for re- fray over his candidacy. "As Republicans we need election as governor last Like Weld, Baker is a fis-science department at the

Weld's challenge to dacy either. missioner under Weld, To be sure, the GOP's Trump marks the first time While Trump's over- because they're afraid of

Local brewing company to open tasting room in Boston

ing Weld's bid for the primary contender in the ular with Republican vot-

lenge Trump, the state defeating a conservative dential primary in 2016, but GOP issued a terse rebuke Democratic candidate, and he lost by a large margin to and compared Weld to the he's been called one of Mas- Democrat Hillary Clinton in infamous traitor Benedict sachusetts' most popular the general election. "Weld is the same ex- He ran on the Libertarian primary challenge from for-

fied the decision to exclude his home state is part of and other challengers is Massachusetts for New former New Mexico Gov. Joe Walsh, a conservative York; who endorsed Presi- Gary Johnson, receiving radio show host who has dent Barack Obama over about 4.5 million votes, or called the president "unfit" Sen. John McCain for presi- a little more than 3% of the to serve another term. "Having a sitting presi-try, Donald Trump and who you support, the whole GOP for the Libertarian Weld also was the party's even if Weld is unlikely to

ing up to Democrat Hillary incumbent Democratic Sen. in Massachusetts and else-

Baker, who worked under Of course, it's also not Weld in the 1990s and has the face for Weld, which but well respected among happen in Massachusetts, sion to bypass challengers the first time the party has described the former gover- is surprising considering veterans in the GOP estab- and I am excited to give our moves it further away from sought to sideline challeng- nor as his political mentor, how popular he was as govlishment, and he has been home state a real choice in its "big tent" platform of ers of popular incumbents. has largely stayed out of the ernor," said Erin O'Brien,

The former governor of Weld is also irking mem- to cast a wide net," he said. year, the state GOP was cal conservative with lib- University of Massachuhas called for Trump to be bers of the state's GOP "If we expunge people who criticized for backing his eral positions on abortion setts at Boston. are talking about where candidacy ahead of the rights and gay marriage. tion that puts him at odds Mike Hanson, a Repub- they want the party to go, primary and ignoring chal- He isn't a fan of Trump but is a political party that sets

Weld said the effort to said the party's appar- leadership made it pretty an incumbent president all approval ratings have a candidate," she said. keep him off he ballot in ent efforts to block Weld clear from the outset that since George H.W. Bush been poor for much of his "That's frightening."

ers, even in Massachusetts. Weld was first elected Trump won the crowded

governors in recent history. In 2020, he also faces a Republican who deserted Party ticket in 2016 with mer Illinois congressman

Political observers say where are unprecedented.

"It's a personal slap in chairwoman of the political

"But the bigger concern hasn't backed Weld's candi- up rules to get on the ballot and refuses to honor them

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moves into city's financial district By Jack Shea Staff Writer

Valley company

Merrimack

Newburyport Brewing Co. will soon open its first outof-town tasting room as part of a new downtown Boston food hall.

The brewery, founded in Newburyport in 2012 by Chris Webb and Bill Fisher, will be one of 20 vendors that will open their doors in early 2020 at High Street Place, a marketplace that will connect the financial district office towers at 160 Federal and 100 High St. in Boston. The marketplace will feature a five-story as well as an outdoor patio



JIM VAIKNORAS/Staff file photo

Newburyport Brewing Co. will open a tasting room in the High Street Place development in Boston's financial district.

with additional seating.

and consumed around New tion to our brand." England and beyond for and Fisher set up shop outside of Newburyport.

the brewery — which oper- the Boston tasting room. ates out of 4 Pasture Road of exclusive brews.

nity for us to have an anchor others. taproom in downtown

While Newburyport Brew-know about our beer and our vendors around us, so we'll atrium with 300 seats inside, ing Company's beverages city, but this is going to give be able to do some creative have been widely distributed them a whole new introduc- stuff there," Fisher said of

> years, the new tasting room Webb and Fisher are releas- ery's new spot will finish up marks the first time Webb ing a new limited-edition this month, and that the tastafter the year the town of February. Webb said it will serve Newbury was incorporated, as a satellite location for and will only be available at ery will be the sole craft beer

> in Newburyport — and collaborate with some of included with some of the will be an "experiential the other High Street Place area's high-end eateries. test kitchen" where he and vendors, which include Bad Fisher will serve a number Doughnut, Fuji Sushi, Gor-"This is a huge opportu- shop Mike & Patty's, among food hall and a craft beer

"There are a lot of really

Boston," Webb said. "People cool restaurants and top food the Boston site, adding that To mark the occasion, construction on the brew-"1635" beer, which is named ing room will likely open in

Webb noted that the brewvendor at High Street Plaza, Fisher said he hopes to and said he is excited to be

"It's a compliment to us," said Webb. "This area in Bosgeous Gelato, and sandwich ton was really starving for a location for a long time.'

This Boston satellite location is not the only project on the horizon for Newburyport Brewing Co. The company also plans to build a new, expanded location at 77 and 79 Parker St., Newburyport, which would allow it to increase its brewing capacity and operate a larger tasting room that includes a restaurant and more space for live music.

Webb said he and Fisher hope construction will begin on the new Newburyport site soon, and that it could be open for business within the next 12 to 18 months.

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Opinion

Reining in the state income tax

Twenty years ago, the Red Sox still played in the shadow of an imagined curse. The New England Patriots had been to two Super Bowls but never won. Tom Brady was a sixth-round draft pick and a fourth-string quarterback. Traffic on the Central Artery backed up above ground.

A little more than 20 years ago, 1.5 million Massachusetts voters told the state to roll back the personal income tax rate from 5.85% to 5%. Question 4 on the November 2000 statewide ballot, a citizendriven referendum, won with 56% of the vote. It was a mandate the Legislature only partially accommodated and as years went by ignored.

Instead, Beacon Hill dropped the tax rate to 5.3% and passed a law conceding the rest — but only in small doses, and only if the state met certain financial targets. The first of those steps didn't come for another decade. The final one didn't come until the week before last.

Gov. Charlie Baker's office made an announcement that, as of Jan. 1, the personal income tax rate will fall to 5%, in line with the wishes of the electorate. In the statement, Baker noted, "... we are finally making happen what voters called for almost 20 years ago."

It's hard to compare the Massachusetts of 20 years ago to today. The state's finances were in far different shape. Two years after the tax question, Beacon Hill was carving into the money it sends to cities and towns, forcing mayors, town managers, city councils and selectmen to reconcile, at least partially, the demands of taxpayers with their own budgets.

Today, by contrast, state budgets increase local aid while the Legislature drags its feet over how to spend more than \$1 billion from last year's surplus.

So, it's not hard to imagine why lawmakers resisted the constraints of Question 4. It's one thing to acknowledge the wishes of taxpayers, it's another to do so all at once — and at the expense of so many things taxpayers expect.

Still, it's frustrating that the slow deflate of the income tax was drawn out for another 15 years. Even as the state's financial condition improved, with a vibrant economy and increased tax revenues, our elected representatives left the income tax sunset on the slow setting.

Some would argue that eliminating or reducing taxes is against the nature of government, that they only go up but never go away. It's a cynical view but one the Massachusetts Legislature reinforced time and again, year after year.

And, at this point it isn't really about the money. Most taxpayers will see only a modest benefit from finally dropping the income tax rate to 5% — perhaps enough to have a good Friday or Saturday night. The real issue is the principle of the thing. How many taxpayers voted for a 5% personal income tax rate in November 2000, never to see it actually happen, having moved away or died in the span of the human generation that passed before it actually came to be?

Of course, Question 4 was also a testament to the messy, often impractical nature of citizen-led petitions. They play to the worst instincts of the electorate. Even the most well-formed omit important details, or are blind to their consequences. Just look to legal pot for a case study, though that one also illustrates how the Legislature, once handed a referendum, can warp and distort the result.

But, again, those are issues resolved in the short term. Legal pot was passed, rewritten, implemented and sold in Massachusetts in less than one-quarter the time the state spent ratcheting down the income tax to the 5% threshold set at the ballot box.

A legislature unresponsive to the wishes of those it governs is reminiscent of another case study from history, albeit much older. That one involved an act of defiance inspired by the Townsend Acts and Parliament's maneuver to force the East India Company's cheap tea, along with the taxes imposed on it, upon the colonies. It was 246 years ago last week that about 200 people got together and dumped the tea into Boston Harbor.

How St. Francis created the Nativity scene in 1223

Vanessa Corcoran

have visited Jesus after his ox and the ass adored Him." birth and several barnyard animals. One might ask, sequently cited in several what are the origins of this medieval Christian texts,

The earliest biblical popular today. descriptions, the gospels of Matthew and Luke, written between A.D. 80 and 100, reign of King Herod.

The Gospel of Luke says in the manger."

Matthew tells the story of frankincense and myrrh.

the New Testament and ments in the public square. the development of popular seventh century.

A series of early Chris- and socially marginalized. tian stories that informed

infancy and the beginning of his preparations, Francis over the top of the manger to of his public ministry. This "made ready a manger, and catch a glimpse of Jesus. Around the Christmas text was the first to mention bade hav, together with an season, it is common to the presence of animals at ox and an ass," in the small see a display of the Nativ- Jesus' birth. It described Italian town of Greccio. ity scene: a small manger how the "most blessed Marv with the baby Jesus and went forth out of the cave

This description, sub-

Nativity scenes

The scene now recreoffer details of Jesus' birth, ated in town squares and lay in healed sick animals ism to comment on the including that he was born churches worldwide was and protected people from need for immigrant justice. in Bethlehem during the originally conceived by St. disease. Francis of Assisi.

Much of what scholars that when the shepherds know about Francis comes went to Bethlehem, they from "Life of St. Francis," "found Mary and Joseph, written by the 13th century and the baby, who was lying theologian and philosopher St. Bonaventure.

Francis was born into But as my research on his family wealth early in gin Mary in Rome. the relationship between his life and cast off his gar-

In 1209, he founded the tions do not mention the group that dedicated them-Animals first start to appear Today, Franciscans minister in religious texts around the by serving the material and spiritual needs of the poor

popular religious devotion, Francis in 1223 sought per-

Him in both arms."

This miracle of the cry-

Nativity imagery

tian devotional culture well Mexico border. after Francis' death. In 1291, Franciscan pope, ordered baby Jesus, representing the three wise men, or Magi, a merchant family in the that a permanent Nativity immigrant children, in a who "fell down" in worship Umbrian town of Assisi, in scene be erected at Santa cage. This year, at Claremont and offered gifts of gold, modern-day Italy, around Maria Maggiore, the largest United Methodist Church in 1181. But Francis rejected church dedicated to the Vir-

Nativity imagery dominated Renaissance art.

This first living Nativity Nativity scene. Christian traditions shows, mendicant order of the scene, famously depicted by staging the birth of Christ.

thew, attempted to fill in the kindling of devotion" to and an ox, there is even a tion.com).

the gap between Christ's the birth of Christ. As part colorful peacock that peers

Political turn

After the birth of Jesus, One witness reported that King Herod, feeling as Francis included a carved though his power was threathis family, shepherds, the and entering a stable, placed doll which cried tears of joy ened by Jesus, ordered the three wise men believed to the child in the stall, and the and "seemed to be awakened execution of all boys under from sleep when the blessed 2 years old. Jesus, Mary and Father Francis embraced Joseph were forced to flee to Egypt.

In an acknowledgment created the Christmas story ing doll moved all who that Jesus, Mary and Joseph were present, Bonaventure were refugees, in recent writes. But Francis made years, some churches have another miracle happen, used their Nativity scenes too: The hay that the child as a form of political activ-Specifically, these "protest nativities" have criticized President Donald Trump's The Nativity story contin- 2018 executive order on famued to expand within Chris- ily separation at the U.S.-

For example, in 2018, a Pope Nicholas IV, the first church in Dedham placed California, Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus have all been placed in separate barbedwire cages in their outdoor

These displays, which call the earliest biblical descrip- Franciscans, a religious Italian Renaissance painter attention to the plight of Giotto di Bondone in the immigrants and asylum seekpresence of any animals. selves to works of charity. Arena Chapel of Padua, Italy, ers, bring the Christian traushered in a new tradition of dition into the 21st century.

Vanessa Corcoran is an In the tondo, a circular adjunct professor of hispainting of the Adoration tory at Georgetown Univer-According to Bonaventure, of the Magi by 15th-century sity. Her column originally painters Fra Angelico and appeared on the current including what's known as mission from Pope Honori- Filippo Lippi, not only are affairs website The Converthe Infancy Gospel of Mat- ous III to do something "for there sheep, a donkey, a cow sation (www.theconversa-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Impeachment proceedings will help zens who respect our Consti-Trump win another term

Editor, Townsman:

nothing but insure the re-elecand "high misdemeanors." House.

to all sectors of our law-abid-

tution and its inherent "rule of law." Impeachment is a very seri-

ous provision in the U.S. Constitution that allows for the I have refrained from removal of any government commenting on the bizarre official who engages in any impeachment proceedings of four serious crimes: treasimply because they will do son, bribery, "high crimes" ever to inhabit the White but he should not have been affecting its teachers. impeached for lying about and social structure. In less to remove him from office. On tions, stability and prosperity had the good sense to resign.

Going forward, we cannot opposing parties and previous outcome of an election. More minority groups and a robust tools of government to defraud and on their own time. growth in business opportuni- the American public regardties that benefit us all ... no ing the actions or character of find a student who does not these teachers are good. one has been left out or left a duly elected president must have a story of how one or behind. The American Dream be prosecuted to the fullest more of these teachers went

has been renewed for all citi- extent of the law.

South Elementary teachers deserve

support Editor, Townsman:

tion of President Trump, who Bill Clinton did many terrible South Elementary School, current students. has proven to be one of the things for which he should am bewildered and sad to

bureaucratic holdovers, he has who have conspired together and other data-driven indicatreasures of our town. shepherded in soaring market to make fake accusations, tors show that. But this group increases, never-before-seen put forth false evidence, or of teachers does so much to support these teachers. levels of employment for all illegally use the investigative more than that, during school We all know that there are

above and beyond - from vis-ROY DOBBELAAR iting sick students at home and at the hospital, attending a drama performance or little league game, offering comfort and hugs whenever needed — the list goes on and on. The vast majority of South teachers who taught my college-age son are still I, like most parents of stu-there, and are just as dedients who are graduates of cated to the school and its

I do not know what has most prodigious presidents have been voted out of office hear of the current issues happened over the last few years since I left, and I do not The teachers at South know the specific nature of I knew he would bring the having sex with an intern in deserve this community's the issue at hand because it kind of changes necessary to the Oval Office. In his case, the support. I spent 11 years as is (justifiably) a confidential save our faltering economy Senate rightfully did not vote a South School parent and matter, but I do know this: If was grateful every day that the administration does not than three years, he has the other hand, what Nixon my children were there, support this phenomenal restored faith in our free did involving the Watergate Every teacher was dedicated group of teachers in every enterprise system, dignity scandal would have warranted not only to the school and way that it can, the current and strength to our military his impeachment and removal to teaching, but also to the and future students of South and law enforcement institu- by the Senate. Fortunately he children, From the moment School will be the losers. It my children entered kinder- makes me sad to think that garten, they were embraced these young children may ing citizenry. With nothing allow impeachment to be the and by the warmth of these not have access to the same but opposition and unprec-remedy anytime an oppos- amazing teachers. It is well community of dedicated edented resistance from ing party does not like the established that this group of educators that my children professionals are incredible had. It is a special, unique administration's "deep state" importantly, any individuals educators - the MCAS scores community that is one of the

I urge the administration no good schools – there are It would be impossible to only good teachers. And

> SUSAN HOFFMAN **Andover**

WEB QUESTION

Warmer weather over the past few days dried away most remnants of the last snowstorm — but not all. Ice and snow zenship to keep sidewalks clear. Broaden the area of snow still lingers, including on sidewalks. Town bylaws require snow removal only in certain down-

town areas, and while there is no express penalty, violators pery until April. Buy some better boots and get over it. can face fines for failing to follow the bylaws. What else should be done?

ENFORCEMENT: Icy sidewalks are a hazard to pedestrians headed to school and others. The town should issue more cannot make money from playing sports. citations to those who don't keep their sidewalks clear.

frequently use sidewalks outside of downtown. Help clear money when their names, likenesses and images are used more aggressive, moneymaking ventures. Besides, athletes their paths by expanding the area of required sidewalk snow removal.

BOTH: Unfortunately you can't rely on people's sense of citi-proposed a similar law for Massachusetts. removal — and back it up with enforcement.

SO WHAT? Welcome to winter in New England. It'll be slip-

Last week's question

Student-athletes help lure big money to their colleges, but trying to soak in a nice weather day, dog walkers, children under NCAA rules designed to protect amateurism they

MORE SIDEWALKS: Walkers, runners and school children recently passed a law allowing student-athletes to make colleges to remake their athletic departments as even Andover state Sen. Barry Finegold, D-Andover, recently (18 votes)

Do you think college athletes should be paid?

ONLY FAIR: Big-time college sports, such as football and basketball, attract most of the money in college athletics, and they're played on a different level. Tens of thousands of dollars are spent developing top-tier athletes for those programs. Not paying them is unfair. Besides, Massachusetts should act fast before it loses recruits to states with pay-for-play rules. (8 votes)

NOT SO FAST: Dropping any pretense of amateurism by Pressure is growing to change that. California, for one, infusing sports with cash will corrupt them. It will force whether on T-shirts, in video games or someplace else. already get something in return for playing — scholarships.

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Income tax rate to drop to 5% in January

By Christian M. Wade Statehouse Reporter

The Massachusetts income hard-earned money." tax rate will finally drop to rate to that level.

State revenue officials, a reduction in the personal income tax rate from 5.05%

Gov. Charlie Baker said the Massachusetts taxpayers to met certain benchmarks. be able to keep more of their

Governor says workers should keep more of their earnings

5% at the beginning of the the income tax cut "reflects the rate fell by one-half pernew year — more than two steady economic growth and cent to the current level. decades after voters passed will provide a well-deserved a referendum to roll back the break to Massachusetts back down to 5% as promworkers."

who are crunching numbers supposed to have fallen to Limited Taxation. "It took for next fiscal year's budget, that level years ago, under a two decades, but that's Beasay projections for the comballot question approved by con Hill." ing year will likely trigger voters in 2000, when the rate was 5.85%

to 5% beginning in January. sage, however, the Legisla- Marblehead, fought to put Bruce Tarr, have filed bills from \$14.4 billion in 2015 to benefited taxpayers with It will be the second year ture outraged supporters of the question on the 2000 bale every legislative session to more than \$16.6 billion this in a row that the personal the rollback by freezing the lot and railed against law- lower the rate, but their pro- year. income tax rate will be personal income tax at 5.3% makers for freezing the rate posals have been stymied in to plug budget shortfalls.

Amid a backlash, lawmakdrop means the income tax ers created a mechanism to Anderson, who died of leuke-

So far, tax cuts have been

triggered just five times. Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito said most recently in 2019 when

"Finally, it's going to go ised," said Chip Ford, execu-The income tax rate was tive director of Citizens for

The group, which was disgraceful." founded by anti-tax advo-Two years after its pas- cate Barbara Anderson from Senate minority leader collections have increased decrease.

"And to think about the transportation and other the tax rate comes as Beacon bill before approving it.



Gov. Charlie

Ford said it's sad that Democrats.

rate will be the lowest it has reduce the tax rate if growth mia in 2016, didn't live long dropping the rate say the more than \$17.2 million next lature pulled Baker's "workbeen in decades, "allowing in the state's annual revenue enough to see the rate drop state would take a major hit, year. to 5% as mandated by voters. with less money for schools,

billions of needs. dollars that

Income tax collections repstate resent more than 58% of the and a coalition of unions and government revenue used to keep state activists have renewed an has siphoned government running.

Lowering the personal on households with annual payers' wal- income tax rate to 5% would incomes above \$1 million. lets during mean a \$80 million hit to the all those state next year and \$185 milsaid. "It's Department of Revenue.

Republicans, including ingrate, personal income tax bill.

a Legislature controlled by reduction, revenue officials ity, according to the Baker and economists project over- administration. But the Lawmakers who oppose all tax collections to grow to Democratic-controlled Legis-

new sources of revenue to fund education and transpor-

tation initiatives. Meanwhile, Democrats

effort for a 4% income surtax

Baker pitched a plan to double the state income tax years," Ford lion in 2021, according to the exemption for dependents from \$1,000 to \$2,000 as part Despite the slowly declin- of a supplemental spending

> The break would have children or who care for dependent relatives who Even with the expected are elderly or have a disabiling families" tax proposal out The anticipated change in of the \$542 million spending

Work to I-495 bridge resumes after accident that killed worker

Probe into cause of accident continues

By Allison Corneau Staff Writer

The state Department of Transbridge replacement in Haverhill completed by May, Lally said. five weeks after an accident there left one worker dead and another seriously injured.

Work resumed last week, accord-Kristen Pennucci, after the general bittersweet. contractor submitted a plan detailing more stringent safety protocols.

ited to structural work on the new northbound bridge, Pennucci said.

Dennis Robertson of Manchester, alongside Carlos Leon 50 feet above friend." the Merrimack River on Nov. 27 when both men fell from the bucket of a lift truck onto a barge below.

Robertson was killed and Leon Gagliardi said. remains hospitalized.

operator error caused the accident. Dennis Robertson Children's Char-Administration spokesman Jim MA 01844.

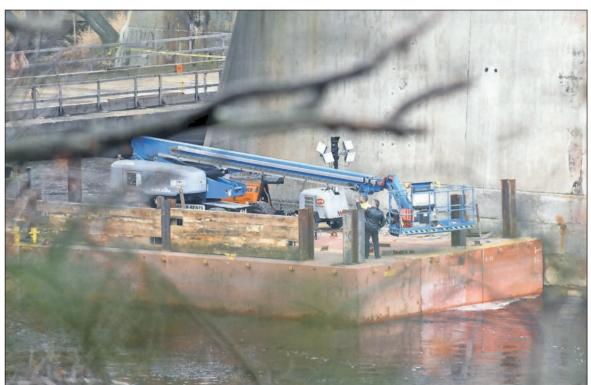
Lally confirmed the federal agency is looking into Johnston, Rhode Island-based employer J.R. Vinagro. OSHA's investigation, which portation has approved limited looks into possible workplace construction of the Interstate 495 safety violations, is expected to be

Mike Gagliardi, the business manager for Laborers Union 175 that represents both victims of the accident, said returning to the ing to MassDOT spokeswoman job site to restart the project is

"It's very difficult to go back," he said. "It's very difficult for the The current construction is lim-first responders and workers who were there that day. There are grief counselors available that they're taking advantage of as they mourn New Hampshire, was working the loss of their coworker and

> A charity fund has been set up to support Robertson's children through their father's union,

Donations may be mailed to the It is not clear if mechanical or attention of Local 175 in care of the Occupational Health and Safety ity Fund, 55 Union St., Methuen,



Police inspect a lift on a barge in the Merrimack River under the Interstate 495 bridge after a construction worker was killed and another seriously hurt after they fell onto a barge.

As Leon recovers from multiple medical expenses are also under- worker can be sent to 20 Carter St., surgeries, efforts to defray his way. Donations to help that injured Tewksbury, MA 01876.

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Matty Buczynski, 10, of Andover checks out decorations at the tree lot.

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OH, CHRISTMAS TREES

From evergreen to the green of cash

hey're learning business skills and customer service.

They sometimes have to chip in with some

muscle and sweat to make the operation work.

They learn how to handle

money after sales — turning evergreens into the green of cash.

Young people participating in the Christmas tree lot to raise money for youth programs in Andover are learning

the process.

They get a full business education when working at the Andover Youth Services tree lot, behind West Middle School.

valuable lessons, and having a good time in



Anna Riley, right, of Andover Youth Services helps a customer pick out a tree.



Neal Callahan of Andover Youth Services carries a customer's tree to their car at the tree lot.



Dave and Meg Buczynski of Andover pick out a Christmas tree with their son Matty, 10.



Glenn Wilson, assistant youth services director for the town, makes a fresh cut on a Christmas tree sold at the lot.

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Townspeople



Students and staff at the Cormier Youth Center pose with tea lights in decorated bags that spell out the initials for Andover Youth Services.



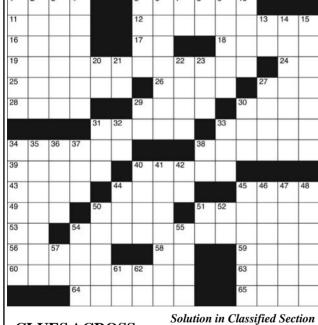
Residents who donate money for the bags get a decorative

Shine the Light

It was done by children, for children. The local Andona organization's annual Shine the Light event was embraced by children and the community this holiday season.

The kids created decorative bags containing lights, and the packages were sold locally. Money raised goes to activities for local children, as is the case with all Andona activities.

The fifth annual Shine the Light event allowed participants to light up the community, literally, on the winter solstice.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Database management system
- 5. Soft blue-gray mineral
- 11. Algerian coastal city 12. A healthy redness
- 16. El ___, border town 17. Part of the mind
- 18. Female body part 19. Atrocities
- 24. You can call Paul Simon this 25. Copyread
- 26. Large integers 27. Large, flightless bird 28. Bread and whiskey are two
- 29. Indicate pain or discomfort
- 30. Worry 31. Wild goats
- 33. Belittle
- 34. More supernatural 38. Wakes up

CLUES DOWN 1. More silly

- 2. Adult beverage
- 3. Iron used for lofting
- 5. Smile
- 6. One who examines closely
- 7. Lethal dose 8. Denotes past 9. "This Is Us" actor Fitch
- 10. Dabbling ducks13. Polish beer
- 14. A type of cat 15. Shows respect for
- 20. Of I 21. Commercial
- 22. Chai and chamomile are two
- 23. Lodging option
- 27. Geological times 29. Unit of electrical
- inductance (abbr.)

- 30. Where G-men work
- 31. Hot beverage 33. Southern constellation
- 32. One of the six noble gases

- 39. Intestinal pouches
- 40. Popular dance 43. American state
- 44. CSI actor
- 45. Having a keen enthusiasm for
- 49. Swiss river 50. Restaurant item
- 51. Intense unhappiness 53. Unit of loudness
- 54. Increase in velocity 56. Mesoamerican religion
- 58. Early multimedia 59. Forearm bone
- 60. An unprincipled person
- 63. Swarming with
- 64. Shellfish 65. Root of taro plant
- 34. South American nation 35. Suitable for use as food
- 36. The back
- 37. I (German)
- 38. Blood group
- 40. Fit to stand trial
- 41. Praise excessively 42. Female's title
- 44. EU predecessor
- 45. Acutely insightful and wise
- 46. Disguised
- 47. Improved the appearance of 48. Generator
- 50. The real ___, the genuine article 51. Male's title

- 52. Home of the Hawkeyes
- 54. About aviation
- 55. At all times 57. Military peace officer
- 61. College degree
- 62. Indicates position



Tea lights in bags decorated by children at the Cormier Youth Center are arranged outside the building.



The tea lights in bags have decorative drawings by children.



Tea lights in bags decorated by Cormier Youth Center members feature drawings and words from the creators.

LOCAL



A boy reads a book in the children's room of Memorial Hall Library, which offers a reading program for young people.



AMY SWEENEY/Staff photos

A child visits Memorial Hall Library, which offers a reading program for young people.

CALENDAR

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by certified career coach mvcameraclub.org. Arleen Bradley. Information: 978-623-8430, rdesk@mhl. orgm, mhl.calendar.org.

JAN. 7

7 p.m., Temple Emanuel, 7 own. Sessions are 15 minutes for walkers to age 5 with an istration needed. Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. long, and only the child who is adult & kids 6-11, at Memorial Speed your way through reading is allowed in the room Hall Library, 2 No. Main St., the donation process with with Annie and her handler. Andover A lively form of yoga redcrossblood.org.

JAN. 7, 14

Andover Toastmasters Club meets Tuesdays from noon to 1 p.m. p.m. at Memorial Hall Library. in the Morse Conference room at 2 N. Main St., Andover. Bring **Raytheon IDS.** Essex Building, your technology questions to

to improve your speaking, pre- with the basics for iPads, Library, Alcove 2 on Level Andover. Junior Friends work sentation, or leadership skills? cellphones, laptops, Kindles G, 2 N. Main St., Andover. A together to plan programs Need to overcome your fear of and other e-readers. Bring monthly discussion group for for younger children and do toastmastersclubs.org.

JAN. 7, 14, 21, 28

Revive and Thrive - Demen-

Merrimack Valley Camera Club, Career Networking Group, 10 to gational Church, 72 Elm St., welcome, too. 11:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall North Andover. The club holds

JAN. 7, 21

Reading with Annie, 3:30 to 4:30 tion: 978-623-8440, mhl.org.p.m. at Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover. For **Red Cross Blood Drive,** 2 to children able to read on their org/calendar).

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JAN. 11

Jr. Green Gatherings, 9:30 to 11ins welcome; appointments at Andover/North Andover a.m. for children ages 4-8. The recommended. Speed your YMCA, 165 Haverhill St., Andover Garden Club, in col-

Baby Brunch for families with Library Ground Level Alcove frequent hands-on workshops, children 12 months and younger, 1, 2 N. Main St., Andover. field trips — including some 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Memorial Expand your network of busi- overnights, photo-related Hall Library Activity Room, ness contacts, share ideas, activities, presentations and 2 N. Main St., Andover. Join

JAN. 11, 18, 25; FEB. 1

day, Dec. 24, register at mhl. ing techniques and stretch- crossblood.org. ing. Registration required at

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604-0830; Reference Desk, 978-623-8430 or rdesk@mhl.

JAN. 16

"Get Organized in the New Year," way through the donation Andover. Emily Kearns, PhD laboration with the Memorial 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall process with "Rapid Pass"; will facilitate this weekly Hall Library Children's Room, Library's Memorial Hall, 2 information at redcrossblood. program. Information: hosts a book reading and N. Main St., Andover. Learn p.m.) at Trinitarian Congre- botanical.com. Parents are shank. Register at mhl.org/ calendar. Information: 978-623-8430, rdesk@mhl.org.

JAN. 17, FEB. 21

Musical Morning with Peter Sheridan, 10 a.m. at Memorial up, 2 to 3 p.m. at Memorial becoming self-destructive, and learn about effective job competitions; most are open other families with children 1 Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., there are responders with search strategies. Facilitated to the public. Information: year and under to make con- Andover. A children's musi- Andover. Share a story, then the Department of Veterans nections and find out about cian for 20 years, Peter per- build with Legos and share Affairs ready to help: 1-800what the library has to offer forms at many libraries, day the creation with the group. 273-8255, press 1; text: 838255. its littlest customers. Informa- care centers and schools. Sign up at mhl.org/calendar. He plays guitar, accordion, harmonica and other instruments and uses puppets and Family Yoga, 1:30 to 2:15 p.m. books in his program. No reg-Shamrock 3 Mile Run, 11 a.m. at chase at all Massachusetts

JAN. 22

JAN. 22, 29

Hall Library, for ages 8-11, 3:30 first 600 entries. Information: cations). Information: nps.gov **Dementia Dialogues.** 9:30 to to 4:15 p.m. at Memorial runthewildrover.com.

JAN. 23

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JAN. 23, FEB. 27

related activities about nature decluttering and organizing to 8, 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. at Memo-mation: 978-749-4015, addiand gardening. Contact Erin techniques from professional rial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., son@andover.edu, addison. 7:30 to 9 p.m. (socializing, 7 Taylor at erintaylor@erins- organizer Marilyn Cruick- Andover. Combines stories andover.edu/Pages/default. and science and a craft to aspx. bring home. Register at mhl. org/calendar. Space is limited.

JAN. 25

FEB. 23

Maria's Family Restaurant, state parks that charge a 81 Essex St., Haverhill. First parking fee. Massachusetts of three Frozen Shamrock driver's license or other offi- $\textbf{Red Cross Blood Drive, } 2 \ to \ 7 \ \ races (other two, March 1 \ and \ \ cial \ proof \ of \ Massachusetts$ "Rapid Pass"; information at Registration for Dec. 17 is that involves child-friendly p.m., Firemans Relief Center 8). Cost: \$40; \$45 post entry (if residency required. Inforredcrossblood.org. Appoint- closed, no waiting list. Will yoga poses, games, stories, (Relief's In), 1 Market St., available); register online for mation: mass.gov. Annual ments: 1-800-RED CROSS or resume Jan. 7 (registration songs and mini-relaxation to Lawrence. Appointments: all three for \$110, and get a federal parks passes can be opens approximately Tues- end the class. Teaches breath- 1-800-RED CROSS or red- \$10 discount; running club obtained for a \$20 fee at a discount: \$90. Sign up with a national park, or a lifetime friend for entire series and senior federal parks pass receive a Hardman Super can be obtained for \$80 (\$10 Junior Friends of Memorial Bag. Custom T-shirts to the fee for online and mail appli-

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Lien: A legal claim asserted against the property of another, usually as security for a debt or obligation. Mortgage: A lien granted by the owner of property to provide security for a debt or obligation.

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A public hearing will be held at Conference Room A, 3rd floor, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, MA, on Thursday, January 2, 2020, at 6:30 P.M., on the petition of Beth & Kevin Smithson, 9 Smithshire Estates, Andover, MA, for a variance from Art. VIII, §4.2.4 to construct a pool cabana that will not meet the minimum side yard depth require-

Premises affected are located at 9 Smithshire Estates, Andover, MA, in an SRB District & are shown on Assessor Map 54 as Lot 76. The petition may be viewed at the Board of Appeals office between 7:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. ELIZABETH OLTMAN, CHAIR BOARD OF APPEALS

AT - 12/19, 12/26/19

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on Thursday, January 2, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of Joseph & Meredith Nash, 7 Yale Rd., Andover, MA for a Special Permit under

Art. VIII, §3.3.5 &/or for a variance from Art. VIII, §4.1.2 to construct an

addition that will not meet the minimum front yard depth requirement.

Premises affected are located at

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on Thursday, January 2, 2020, at 6:30 P.M., on the petition of Touchdown, LLC, 355 Middlesex Ave., Ste. 7, Wilmington, Andover, MA, for vari-

ances from Art. VIII, §§5.2.5, 5.2.6 & 5.2.9 to erect a freestanding, exter-

nally illuminated sign that exceeds the maximum allowed area within

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District & are shown on Assessor
Map 55 as Lot 93. The petition may
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Estate of: Jeffrey L. Leonard Date of Death: 11/23/2019

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Mary Angelic Gangoy of Andover
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a formal Decree and Order and for
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Mary Angelic Gangoy of Andover MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to

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Premises affected are located at 3 Gray Rd., Andover, MA, in an SRC District & are shown on Assessor Map 11 as Lot 5. The petition may be viewed at the Board of Appeals of-fice between 7:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. ELIZABETH OLTMAN, CHAIR BOARD OF APPEALS

AT - 12/19, 12/26/19

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard De-terminations for the Town of Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, Case No. 19-01-0700P. The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and where applicable, the Flood In surance Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood El-evations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. The FIRM and, if applicafloodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect these flood hazard determi nations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. For more nformation on the proposed flood hazard determinations and informa tion on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit FEMA's website at www.fema.gov/ plan/prevent/fhm/bfe, or call the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627). AT - 12/26/2019, 01/02/2020

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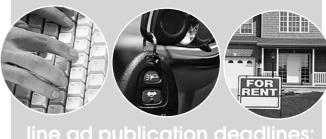
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rick, First Justice of this Court. Date: December 10, 2019

Pamela A Casey O'Brien Register of Probate AT - 12/26/2019



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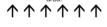
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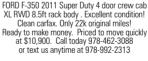
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Sports



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Merrimack College's Alyssa Casey of Andover looks to pass in a game last year. Casey is equally comfortable around the basket and on the perimeter.

ENJOYING THE RIDE

Andover's Casey playing major role in Merrimack's transition to Division 1

By Dave Dyer ddyer@eagletribune.com

Merrimack College basketball standout Alyssa Casey's enthusiasm is as high as ever.

And why not? The Warriors, in their first year in

Division

1, are cur-

rently 6-4 and own



wins over the likes of UMass Amherst, UNH and Brown. Alvssa Casev

losses was 72-68 in overtime to a strong probably the biggest reason Lehigh team and another was 75-72 on the road to Illi nois of the Big 10.

"It's been really, really good so far," said the 5-foot-10 Casey, a junior, of the transition to Division 1. "It's been a lot of fun playing these (D1) schools and being competitive with them."

It has not been totally unexpected, however.

in ourselves," said Casey,

who scored season-highs in points (24) and rebounds (14) in a win over UMass Lowell on Saturday. "We felt that we were working hard in the offseason and we could keep up with the schools we're playing. Then, when we saw the freshmen play, we knew. They've really stepped up.

Of course, 6-foot-1 senior Denia Davis-Stewart is having a monster year for the Warriors, averaging 17.3 points, 12.2 rebounds and 6.1 blocks per game.

"She (Davis-Stewart) has One of their been absolutely phenomenal," said Casey. "She's we're doing as well as we are. She had a breakout game in our opener (31 points, 13 rebounds, 12 blocked shots in the 79-64 win over UMass) and her confidence just exploded."

That initial victory was a confidence boost for the entire team, but so was the loss to Illinois, a game that Casey considers the most "We never lost confidence memorable of the season.

"It was so awesome and

exciting being in that (facility), and it was phenomenal that we almost beat them," said Casey. "We had a good game plan and we felt good that we were playing with them the whole game."

Casey had five points against Illinois, and her scoring average is 10.4 points per game, down just a bit from the 13.5 points she averaged as a freshman, when she was NE-10 Rookie of the Year. She is grabbing 5.3 rebounds per game. And she points to the growth of the talent around her.

"Our bench is a lot bigger now and they've been guarding me more tight inside," said Casey, who has shown she can bury 3-pointers as well as score inside. "Also, I think I have better shot selection now. I put up some pretty wild shots as a freshman.

"But I'm just here for the wins.

We want to play really well in the conference and show that we deserve to be in the playoffs even if we can't be this year. That's

what's really motivating me which can be an advantage

and the whole team." As the Warriors strive to show that they belong and then some, Casey is definitely instrumental in making that happen according to head coach Monique LeBlanc.

"Alyssa is a great player and a really important part of our team, presently and for the future," said

"She's a talented scorer. She's physically strong,

LeBlanc.

on both sides of the ball.

"Things we are workng on right now with Alyssa are having a higher rebounding rate and better decision making."

Merrimack College's Alyssa Casey fires up a shot at Illinois the week before last.

Casey, who averaged 21 points and eight rebounds as an Andover senior, is certainly aware of the need to rebound more, as are her teammates.

"We have to do a better job rebounding, the entire team would agree on that," said Casev.

"That was what hurt us against Illinois and we just need to improve at that.

And, if improved rebounding is what it will take to continue the success transitioning to Division 1, it's a safe bet — based on her background at Andover, where she recovered from a season-limiting fractured foot as a junior to become an All-Scholastic as a senior — Casev will lead the way.

Archambault, girls hockey earn thrilling win

GIRLS HOCKEY

With the puck on her stick, and nothing but open ice and the goalie standing in her way, Andover's Kallie Archambault had to calm herself for a split second.

"I was really nervous," said Archambault. "But I realized I just needed to pick my head up and pick a spot that I saw was open. I slowed down for a moment, picked my shot, and it worked."

With 2:21 remaining in overtime, Archambault intercepted a pass at the opposing blue line, broke in all alone and fired home the game-winning goal in Andover's season-opening 4-3 OT victory over defending Division 1 state champion Methuen/Tewksbury on Saturday night.

Rose MaClean, Vanessa Pierni and Lilly Reeves each also scored a goal for the winners.

"We beat them last year, so we knew we could do it again," said Andover senior defenseman Sara Carleo. "We all believed in each other. and were very confident. We're so excited to get the win. We'll use this going forward, and make the best of it."

WRESTLING

Maita surges to win

Led by 160-pound champ Elias Maita, Andover enjoyed a superb tournament in Londonderry, finishing second to Vermont power Mt. Anthony on Saturday.

The Warriors also had four runners-up in 120-pounder Sean Hellman, 145-pounder



TIM JEAN/Staff photo

Andover's Kallie Archambault shoots and scores the game-winning overtime goal against

Jonathan Davila, 152-pounder Kelvin Davila and 170-pounder Sean Ballou. Hellman reached the finals with a late pin in the semifinals after losing 14-0 while Kelvin Davila got into a hole in the finals, then dominated the match.

Methuen/Tewksbury on Saturday.

Heavyweight A.J. Heidtke needed just 52 seconds to pin his opponent, leading Andover to a 37-29 win over Wakefield last Wednesday. Miles Fraser (138 pounds) and Kelvin Davila (152 pounds) also pinned their opponents for victories for the Warriors.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Cammann surges

Aidan Cammann scored a game-high 22 points to lead Andover to a 72-53 victory over rival North Andover on Friday. It was the first win for the Golden Warriors over man-like play coming from

the Scarlet Knights since

Kyle Rocker added 18 points for Andover, which used 10 players in the first six minutes as coach Dave Fazio readily moved players in and out of the lineup throughout. Seven of those 10 scored points in the opening stanza.

"That's the plan," Fazio said. "We want to play 10 to 11 guys. We want to play a lot of guys. It's probably the first time in a long time that we have this depth.'

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Freshman star

Amelia Hanscom split two defenders at the top of the key, drove into the lane, then dished a pretty bounce pass to a cutting Brooke Hardock for an easy Andover bucket.

It was a rather un-fresh-

someone in her first varsity game. And it arguably wasn't even the best play an Andover rookie made during the team's dominant 63-44 season-opening win over crosstown rival North Andover Friday night.

That distinction could go to 6-foot-2 forward and fellow starter Anna Foley, who stepped back and swished an 18-footer. Or maybe it could go to sixth-man Marissa Kobel**ski**, who drained her first two 3s while getting fouled on the second one.

Hanzcom finished with 14 points, Foley had eight points and Kobelski scored six in the win.

"Oh man, I was really nervous coming into this game," said Hanscom. "I had a lot of butterflies. I didn't really know what to expect, but once I got out there the

adrenaline just kicked in and I started feeling pretty good."

Tatum Shaw scored a game-high 15 points for the winners.

GIRLS TRACK

Slayton takes first

Ella Slayton won the 300 in 43.97 to lead Andover at the first MVC multi-team meet of the winter last Monday.

Jodi Parrot took second in the 55 hurdles (9.00) and was third in the long jump (15-9.5). Also adding seconds for the Golden Warriors were Hannah Jordan in the 55 dash (7.91) and Leila Boudries in the 2-mile (12:22.06), while Molly **Kiley** was fourth in the mile

BOYS HOCKEY

Arpin, Warriors break out Evan Arpin, Leo Byers and Jackson Gress each scored two goals and Andover broke into the win column with a 9-2 drubbing of Acton-

Boxboro. Stephen Ingram, Anton Pace and Benji Miragliotta scored one goal each for the winners. a a a

Despite two goals for Steve Ingram, Andover lost to Hingham 6-4 last Thursday. Michael Feeney and Evan Arpin each added a goal for the Warriors

GYMNASTICS

Francis leads the way Maddy Francis won the bars (8.6) and second in the all-

(9.45), was third in the beam around (34.05) as Andover scored 130.75 points to beat Dracut (126.35) and Tewksbury (125.25) on Saturday.

■ ANDOVER HIGH **SPORTS SCHEDULE**

THURSDAY, DEC. 26

Girls Ice Hockey Andover at Braintree, 4 p.m. FRIDAY, DEC. 27

Boys Basketball Commonwealth Motors Christmas

Andover vs. Londonderry, 3:45

p.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 28 **Boys Ice Hockey**

Andover at Waltham, 3:10 p.m. Girls Ice Hockey La Salle Academy at Andover, 7:15 p.m.

Girls Basketball Commonwealth Motors Christmas

Classic Andover vs. Londonderry, 3:45

MONDAY, DEC. 30

Girls Gymnastics Andover at Methuen, 3 p.m. **Boys Ice Hockey** Andover at Chelmsford, 7:10

p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 2 Girls Gymnastics

Haverhill at Andover, 7 p.m. **Boys Ice Hockey** Billerica at Andover, 7:10 p.m. Wrestling Chelmsford at Andover, 6:30

FRIDAY, JAN. 3

Boys Basketball

Andover at Billerica, 7 p.m. Girls Basketball Lawrence at Andover, 7 p.m. Girls Ice Hockey Andover at Lincoln-Sudbury, 3:30 p.m.

Boys Indoor Track Central Catholic at Andover, 4

p.m. Girls Indoor Track Andover at Central Catholic, 4

Boys Swimming Andover at Central Catholic, 3:30 p.m

SATURDAY, JAN. 4

Boys Ice Hockey St. Mary's at Andover, 3:10 p.m. Girls Ice Hockey Andover at Billerica, 3:30 p.m. Wrestling Andover at Whitman-Hanson,

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Andover senator's bill would toughen car seat law

LOCAL

He wants rule that young children's seats face backward

By Katie Lannan State House News Service



State Sen.

potential infant and would sustain." toddler passpecialist Children's

Hospital Barry Finegold sachusetts rear-facing seats for children legislators. of Andover under age 2 or weighing less "At Chil- than 30 pounds. dren's, I see the impact carseat direction and placement east, who testified alongside has on kids' safety on a daily DiGirolamo, said the bill would

setts Public Safety and Home- should be installed. land Security Committee. in support of a bill filed by Sen. up to \$25. Imondi said many

written is not strong enough to Finegold said 13 states in a crash if they're facing the and most children do not sur-In the event of a crash, a keep our kids safe," she said. and Washington, D.C., have front of the car. She said chil-vive that injury," she said. rear-facing car seat "acts like" Why is a rear-facing car seat already adopted laws that dren in their second year of Committee co-chair Sen. research support the safety a turtle shell" to reduce impact so critical? Because it protects require children under age 2 life are five times less likely Michael Moore, a father of benefits of rear-facing seats. and prevent the whole head, neck and spine to ride-rear facing and called to die in a crash if they're two, said he "would have been of a child, absorbing the major- it a "really important" safety restrained rear-facing, as panicked" not being able to at night, so we don't see them injury to ity of the crash-forces the body measure.

Current law mandates that sengers, a children younger than age 8 must "be fastened and secured with Boston by a child passenger restraint" unless they're more than 57 inches tall. Finegold's bill told Mas-would add a new requirement:

Diana Imondi of AAA Northbasis," Barbara DiGirolamo, a not force parents to purchase prevention specialist with the new or different car seats, but hospital, told the Massachu- would clarify how the seats

Violators of the current law She was speaking last week can be subject to a penalty of Barry Finegold, D-Andover, police officers instead will

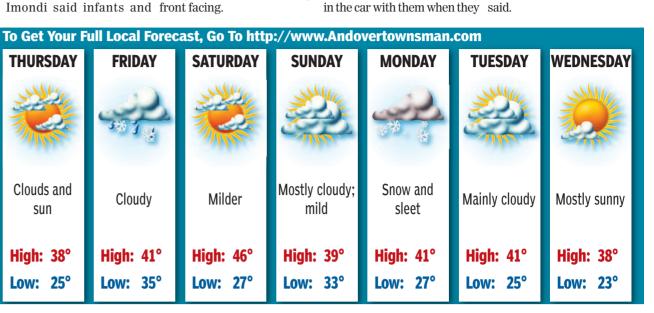
Imondi said infants and front facing.

"The law that is currently ents install a car seat correctly, cant neck and spinal trauma called internal decapitation, such parental concerns.

"The injury that we're ask- were younger. He asked suping you to protect young chil- porters if the bill if there were that would toughen up the law. issue a warning and help partoddlers can sustain signifi-dren against is something any issues associated with

Imondi said that question comes up a lot, but data and

"We have to put them to bed compared to those riding- see his children's faces riding for X amount of hours," she





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