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# School Committee to vote on student return

# Plan would start with kindergarten, first grade

By Madeline Hughes mhughes@andovertownsman.com

class more frequently.

back kindergartners and first- in those classes will be together, tary and Secondary Education. graders four days a week, up increasing the number of stu- In some larger classrooms, Bach from two days, starting March 8. dents in school every day. Desks said, the space between desks

tors on Thursday are presenting to allow for adequate spac-tendent Claudia Bach said. the School Committee a plan to ing. Each classroom has two That requirement was start getting students back into "cohorts" coming in on differing changed from 6 feet of distance days to keep the space.

Currently, students come in would need to be moved closer,

two days a week and are vir- but classrooms would maintain tual three days a week, so the the minimum level of social disnumber of students in the build-tancing required by the state, Andover school administra- ing at a time is greatly reduced according to Interim Superin-

to 3 feet of distance in August The proposal would bring Under the new plan, everyone by the Department of Elemen-



Elementary, seen here when students headed back to school last fall, and all other Andover elementary schools will start welcoming kindergartners and first-graders four days a week instead of two if the School **Committee approves** a proposal Thursday.

# Vaccine clinic goes 'famously'



Rose Roux, 90, of Andover was called about 30 minutes before the Andover vaccine clinic closed Feb. 17, when town health officials realized there were extra doses in the vials. Roux was driven to the clinic by a senior center volunteer. Having a chauffeur made the day extra special, she said.

# Plan for weekly events thwarted by new state regulations

By Madeline Hughes mhughes@andovertownsman.com

Seven extra vaccine doses were pulled from the without appointments to vials. Three people did not dutifully ensure all of the

show up for their appointments. However, Andover health officials pivoted, quickly calling 10 residents clinic went "famously,"

town's 107 COVID-19 vaccines were used.

Andover's first vaccine Director Public Health Thomas Carbone said

Carbone was catching his breath after the first of what he thought would be weekly clinics hosted by See VACCINE, Page 2

# Koh to join Biden's team

# Selectman takes job with U.S. Department of Labor

By Madeline Hughes mhughes@andovertownsman.com

Former Select Board memment of Labor.

and humbled to serve @mar- this month. tyjwalsh and the @JoeBiden Koh resigned from the - @KamalaHarris administra- board Monday night just tion on behalf of the Ameri- prior to starting his new job. can people," Koh tweeted out "I was recently offered Tuesday morning, along with a position to join the a photo of him holding his

6-month-old daughter and with his right hand up looking at a computer screen.

Koh, 36, will be chief of ber Dan Koh is the new chief staff to incoming Department of staff at the U.S. Depart- of Labor Secretary Marty Walsh, who has yet to be "Honored to be sworn in confirmed by the whole Sen-(with Theodora's help!) as @ ate but passed through his USDOL Chief of Staff. Excited confirmation hearing earlier

See KOH, Page 2

# State cements new learning times

# Rule applies to hybrid models, calls for 35 hours live per 10 days

By Christian M. Wade Statehouse Reporter

how much time students ing models. must spend in class or learn-

The state Board of Education voted 7-4 to require schools to provide a mini-BOSTON — State educa- mum of 35 hours of live tion leaders on Tuesday instruction over a 10-day cemented rules covering period under hybrid learn-

For online-only models, See TIMES, Page 2

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# ing remotely.

By JILL HARMACINSKI jharmacinski@andovertownsman.com

At least 100 firefighters Monday night battling a stub- stop, tremendous." born four-alarm blaze in the 35 Essex St. in Lawrence.

said the firefighters were reported, Moriarty said. able to keep the fire from

leaping from the rectory remained under investigadown two hallways that led tion Tuesday. into the church.

from Lawrence and area cit-fire, we saved the church," black hole through the roof. ies and towns spent hours he said. "It was an excellent The church building did suf-

he escaped unharmed. No there.' Fire Chief Brian Moriarty other injuries have been

The cause of the fire

The rectory building was "Even though it was a bad left charred with a giant fer water damage and will Parish pastor, the Rev. need repairs. But Moriarty rectory of Corpus Christi Par- Francis Mawn, was the sole said he believes "the church ish at Holy Rosary Church at occupant of the rectory and building is still going to be

> "I'm very impressed. They worked so hard ... a very See **FIRE**, Page 2



**Firefighters** spent hours Monday night battling a stubborn blaze in the rectory of Corpus Christi Parish at Holy Rosary Church.

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Courtesy photo

Former Andover Select Board member Dan Koh was sworn in as the Department of Labor's chief of staff Tuesday morning. He held his 6-month-old daughter, Theodora, in his left hand while holding his right hand up looking at a computer screen to virtually be sworn in.

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Biden-Harris Administration in a role that fights for workconsideration, have decided imagined," Koh said. "I had to accept that position," Koh the opportunity to join four said at the meeting. "As other incredibly thoughtful, someone whose story is only passionate, and dedicated possible because of a coun- public servants in the purtry that puts working people suit to make Andover betnation's history.'

Andover resident with his honored to be a part of it." wife, Amy, and their daughter, Theo, but wanted to resign for Congress in 2020, but from the board because of the ultimately declined, opting

deserves members who can he previously told The dedicate the appropriate Eagle-Tribune. time commensurate with the role," Koh said. "As professional politics, Koh was such, I will be resigning my the chief operating officer of board membership, effective Boston software company tomorrow. It is a difficult HgO. decision but the right thing to do, and the right thing for at a local political level was Andover."

Koh grew up in Andover and graduated from Phil- the dedicated public servants lips Academy. He previously who work every day to make worked as chief of staff to our town what it is," Koh said, Walsh, the Boston mayor, thanking Town Manager from 2013 to 2017. Koh left Andrew Flanagan and others the mayor's office to move he's worked with. back to Andover and run for Congress.

ton, pending his confirmation. honor," Koh said. "I look forrent Rep. Lori Trahan, resident, and am excited for

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promised to stay involved in politics. Koh then ran for the Select Board in March 2019, where he overwhelmingly

"The experience has been ing people and, after much better than I could have ever first, it is personal to me, and ter — from climate change comes at a critical time in our to economic development to diversity and inclusion. I've Koh will remain an learned so much and feel so

Koh was rumored to run nature of his new job, he said. instead to help democrats "The Select Board regain the White House, During his brief hiatus from

The ability to stay involved incredibly rewarding, he said.

"I was also invigorated by

"Thank you to the Select Board and the residents of Walsh still is mayor of Bos- the town for the tremendous In 2018 Koh lost to cur- ward to staying involved as a D-Westford, by 145 votes, but all you'll do in the future."

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# **VACCINE**

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the town on Wednesdays at the Andover Field House at the high school.

However, earlier that Services Secretary Marylou clinics, per the state's new Sudders announced that the state "will no longer provide first dose vaccines for individual municipal clinics" starting March 1, except for the prioritized 20 communities that have been hit hardest by COVID-19 — including Lawrence, Methuen and Haverhill and at approved regional collaborative sites.

Andover has one final first-dose public vaccination clinic scheduled for Wednesday, March 3, because the town will receive 80 doses that were ordered by the state for Andover prior to the new regulations, Carbone said. Andover is then allowed to hold its second and final first-dose clinic March 3, because the town uses the high school as its vaccine site and the school is only closed Wednesdays,

Carbone explained. "The vaccine was ordered access to transportation." last week and is being deliv-

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ered this week," he said. Then the town will be allowed to administer second doses March 17 and 31, Carbone said. After that, morning Health and Human there will be no more public regulations.

It's unknown when or where Andover officials may be able to work to create a regional vaccination site and partner with other local communities, Carbone said.

State officials have essentially said "don't call us we will call you," Carbone said.

The state is looking for "vaccine deserts" where there are few local options for getting vaccines. Then official will initiate the creation of regional centers, he said.

"They have not contacted us yet," Carbone said. The news of closing the

town's clinic has "been disappointing to a lot of our residents," Carbone said. "We did get one call from a woman who said if she couldn't get it locally she probably wouldn't get it because she doesn't have

One of Andover's lastminute patients last Wednesday was Rose Roux, 90, who was called in when the town realized it had those extra doses, she said.

She can't drive, so the senior center had a driver rush to pick her up and bring her to the Andover Field House at the high school.

"I got a chauffeur, it was so special," Roux said. "Andover takes care of their old folks. I love it."

Part of creating the town clinic meant that it was all hands on deck for Andover departments.

The Department of Public Works cleared snow. The facilities crew set up the clinic. The school district supplied the location and nurses. Then the senior center staffed the phone lines to call people and let them know how to sign up. for people.

It hasn't been just a Health Department thing it's a town of Andover thing," Carbone said.

The clinic was "getting

done because every department is helping get something done," he said. "We always work well together as a town. This has been so smooth because we have great relationships across departments."

Staff members at the senior center also are working to match seniors with volunteer drivers to get them to other vaccination sites in the Merrimack Valley, or to the mass site in Danvers, said Jane Burns, director of elder services.

It's less efficient to transport seniors to and from further away sites than the local clinic, Burns said, however, they will try to accommodate people Monday to Friday.

"Be patient and be persistent. Eventually, we will all get to the vaccine," she likes to remind people.

The senior center is also helping people navigate Volunteers dispatched rides the state websites to find appointments, she said.

"If they need help that's what we are here to do," Burns said. "We will support the seniors in the community."

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timbers of

the Corpus

rectory

remain

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Staff photo

four-alarm

fire Monday

Christi Parish

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difficult, hard-fought battle," said Moriarty.

Firefighters doused the blaze with a combination of ladder pipes "hitting it from above" and hand-held lines. The fire broke out around 6:20 p.m. and then flared up again a little over an hour later, each time with firefighters ready to knock it down, Moriarty said.

Heavy fire from the rectory was visible when firefighters first arrived Monday night. Moriarty said they "banged in mutual aid crews from went out, Moriarty said. a hearty contingent from around the region.

"We needed all the help we he explained. could get," Moriarty said.

limited to two sides — Com- was watching TV in his room arty noted a "really good fire alarm went off. He said was available downtown.

"The difficulty with this fire was access. The alley- rectory is "unfortunate," way was all ice behind St. but Mawn was grateful the assisted by mutual aid fire- The church is the back-Alfio's," he said, referring to church was spared from fighters from Andover, North bone of the annual Feast the adjacent St. Alfio Society major damage. building.

National Grid was asked to pipe organs."

out four alarms" bringing cut the power the whole block

breaker on a telephone pole," Access to the rectory was  $\,$  for the past 14 years, said he  $\,$  in the center.

Masses will be held at the founded by Italian immigrants He noted the center is close Lawrence, and later other His-Mawn, the parish pastor Masses "won't be as elegant"

mon and Essex streets. Mori- Monday evening when the erty, which includes the rec- lished Corpus Christi Parish tory and church, measures by uniting Holy Rosary and water" supply to fight the fire he then saw some smoke and 20,925-square-feet and is val- three other ethnic churches immediately left the building. ued at \$2.5 million, said Chief — Holy Trinity (Polish), St.

"Thank God it didn't touch Methuen, Danvers, Dra-rence and beloved to many Electrical lines to the rec- the church," he said, remark- cut, Middleton, Salem, New throughout the Merrimack tory and the church run ing on the building's "beauti- Hampshire, Billerica, Read- Valley who have attended underground, so when ful stain glass windows and ing and North Reading. Masses, baptisms, weddings,

Holy Rosary Church was funerals and more there.

Parish Center at 34 Common in 1904. In the '60s, it embraced "It wasn't just like pulling a St. in the wake of the blaze. the first Cubans to arrive in by to the church although the panic communities, according to the church's website.

In November 2004, the The entire parish prop- Archdiocese of Boston estab-The fire damage to the City Assessor Alexcy Vega. Francis (Lithuanian) and Sts. Lawrence firefighters were Peter and Paul (Portuguese).

Andover, Lowell, Haverhill, of the Three Saints in Law-

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40 hours of "synchronous" period

The rules require school kids back into school. districts to do a live check-

vote makes the new learning continue to improve."

times permanent. a "distressing increase" in into school," he said. mental health issues among the pandemic.

learning time requirements, minimum 180-day calendar, between wealthy and poor Riley said he believes the Riley said. rules are necessary.

teaching over a 10-day it's a Band-Aid to try to get he said. us through until we get our

cess of bringing back ele- approved. The 11-member education mentary school students to

"With the robust mitiga- the requirements.

day, which is five hours for Despite the concerns elementary students and greater emphasis on remote, ensure that the changes will raised by parents, teachers five-and-a-half hours for sec- online learning will exac- "lead to meaningful opportu-

"It's not a perfect state's school districts were or remote instruction, dis- approach," he told board already meeting the learning ness Alliance for Education,

That led some board mem-

Education Commissioner tion strategies we have in In comments submitted to board members. "Live Jeff Riley said the rules are place, and the data and evi- ahead of Tuesday's vote, instruction more closely aimed at requiring more fredence we have in hand, it's some school administrators aligns with real educational quent interactions between time to begin the process of said the minimum learning experiences, helping to students and teachers amid getting more of our kids back times have led to confusion reengage students in their halfway though the school studies. The regulations don't year and haven't been barschool-age children during lengthen the standard school gained with teachers' unions. education officials to enforce

and students about setting ondary schools, or the state's erbate the "digital divide" nities for students."

districts and mean more About two-thirds of the "screen time" for students. The Massachusetts Busi-

tricts must provide at least members ahead of Tues- time standards when they a pro-business group, wrote day's vote. "In many ways were first proposed last fall, to the board in support of the minimum learning times.

State education officials Ed Lambert, the group's said Tuesday that there were executive director, said learn-Earlier in the meeting only 24 requests from school ing time during the pandemic in with remote and hybrid Riley told board members districts for waivers from the is "uneven" across schools students at least once per he wants to start the pro-regulations. At least 16 were and students are "disconnecting" amid the disparities.

"There is a growing conboard narrowly approved the classrooms by April, under bers to question whether sensus nationally that live standards on an emergency a phased approach, "if the making the rules permanent and synchronous instrucbasis in December. Tuesday's state's public health metrics was necessary with so many tion is necessary to prevent districts already abiding by learning loss and keep students connected," he wrote

> Lambert also urged state Other critics suggest that a the new regulations to

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will be greater.

to work, Bach said. That remote learning. became possible when the Feb. 11.

working on to increasingly ment, Bach said. get students back to school larly with administrators to four half-days per week. accomplish this, she said.

back," she said Monday.

It's essential for those

That was "a game-changer Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursto make that first step," Bach days and Fridays. The district able space." will continue deep cleaning of plans administrators are having professional develop-

Elementary school prin- tain 6 feet of space during she said. cipals and Bach "were in lunch when they are eating youngest students if we hurdle to bringing back even usual. couldn't bring everyone more elementary schoolers,

she said.

students because they are where lunch can be served curriculum and instruction just beginning to learn how where students are still 6 the way we want to." Bach to read, Bach asserted, add- feet apart without multiple said. "There will still be con-Buses also would need ing that research shows the lunchtimes," Bach said. "In straints to what we can offer to carry more students at youngest students are hav- some cases, we wouldn't be and it won't be the same.' a time in order for the plan ing the most difficulty with able to have all students back The plan is for all five started early in the morning with teachers and classstate changed the rules elementary schools — Ban- and went all day, which we mates, which has been the allowing buses to be full croft, High Plain, Sanborn, wouldn't want to do. Each highest priority, she said. South and West — to operate grade added at elementary school eliminates more avail-

This is the first in a series on Wednesdays, along with adding more students, Bach because in the fall the district said. This first step will help bought tents, Bach said. She's decide a model for eventually asked principals if they need Pre-kindergartners at doing so. The middle and high more. The district could use amid the pandemic. Bach Shawsheen Preschool already school principals are concur-federal pandemic-related has been meeting regu- have been attending school rently working on their own funds for that purpose, she plans, so grades might not go said. Students will have to main- back in chronological order,

"We still aren't totally but with care."

back even with these young-"There isn't a single school est learners to deliver our

However, they will be getand feed them even if lunches ting more social interaction

And now as the days get warmer and spring approaches, it will be easier There is no set timeline for to bring more students back

"We know our parents have had to be very patient Bach pointed out that and everyone is tired of this universal agreement we and maskless, Bach said. despite being in school more, world we are in," she said. needed to bring back our That will be the biggest business will be far from "And we are trying to move as expeditiously as possible

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# Opinion

# An important pollution notice

Transparency is essential for democracy. It's also pretty important for public health.

So we can all be relieved that sewage systems tipping raw and partially treated effluent into our rivers and oceans will be made to alert the public within two hours of a spill, and provide regular updates until the discharges end.

The Legislature passed the law last month, and Gov. Charlie Baker put his name on it last week. Regulators have a year to sort out details of the law, which doesn't actually take effect until the middle of 2023. But, as Sen. Diana DiZoglio, D-Methuen, said during the virtual bill-signing, it's an important start.

Under current rules, plant operators must tell people within a day of a spill -- an insufficient window, especially when the body of water in question is a source for drinking water or widely used for swimming, boating and fishing.

"I am thrilled this is occurring," DiZoglio said during last Tuesday's event. "It is a first step, but it is a tremendous step in the right direction."

And it's been a long time in the making. Rep. Linda Dean Campbell, D-Methuen, DiZoglio and others in the region's Beacon Hill delegation have spent months urging for prompter public notice of combined sewer outfalls.

Concern about pollution on the Merrimack River, the depository of combined sewer outfalls from five treatment systems along its 117-mile course, built momentum for this years-long effort to get better public notice. But combined sewer and stormwater systems, which spill by design when inundated with rain or snow melt, are a problem across the

Massachusetts counts nearly 200 outfall pipes, including into Gloucester Harbor and off that city's Pavilion Beach. Others pollute Boston Harbor, Lynn Harbor, Mystic River and the Connecticut River, just to name a few. Capping these outfalls — the only real solution to ensuring safe drinking water and recreation — involves many hundreds of millions of dollars, most likely from the federal government.

Doing so is critical, though it doesn't all have to happen

DiZoglio noted the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District, which serves five communities along the Merrimack, recently got \$1 million from the state for back-up generators to limit the number of spills caused by its five overlow

It's not a cure-all but it's progress -- much like letting people know when it's not a good idea to fish or swim in the water.

# Koh off to a bigger stage

Our hats are off to ambition rewarded, and to a local leader headed to higher office.

We speak of the news that Select Board Vice Chairman Daniel Koh is headed to Washington, D.C., to connect up with his old boss, former Boston Mayor Marty Walsh, who is now the U.S. secretary of labor. Koh will be working for Walsh as chief of staff.

Politico reported that Koh started his new job on Tuesday. Koh confirmed as much during the Select Board's meeting earlier this week.

Koh, 36, who grew up in Andover and went to Phillips Academy, was Walsh's chief of staff from 2013 to 2017 — a job he left to move back to the Merrimack Valley and run for Congress. He was among a crowded field of Democrats running to replace the retiring Rep. Niki Tsongas in 2018, finishing second in the primary to Lori Trahan by 145 votes.

Koh won a seat on the Select Board a few months later. He declined to challenge Trahan this past year, telling a reporter the bigger goal for Democrats in 2020 was winning back the White House.

Still, he didn't rule out a future run for office, telling reporter Genevieve DiNatale, "I absolutely hope to. I think a lot of people who run for office are shy about that. I am not. I believe deeply in public service and the ability of people to make a difference in government."

Koh is not only successful in government. He's also worked as a chief operating officer of a Boston software company, HqO.

As anyone who's been watching Koh's meteoric career knows, the Select Board wasn't to be his final stop. And, most certainly, the Labor Department won't be, either.

We'll all have to stay tuned to see what he accomplishes. Good luck to Koh as he writes his next chapter on Constitution Avenue.

# Phillips Academy's evolving Bill of Fare



# By Gail Ralston

Andover Center for History & Culture

When Phillips Academy was established in 1778, there were no dormitories or dining halls. Students paid to board with nearby families, approved by the trustees, who agreed to maintain strict rules for the boys and

"to provide adequate food." My guess is that the boys didn't attend the school for the sumptuous food.

While it was said that food was abundant and that boys, being boys, did "stuff themselves," the increasing cost for the boarding families prompted the trustees in 1842 to create a dining commons known as "Chocolate Hall.'

Produce and milk were provided by one of three farms on campus, where scholarship boys often worked.

Separate "eating clubs" soon sprang up, the first being the Union Club in 1852. Headmaster Claude Fuess, in his book "An Old New England School," recorded the Bill of Fare as "bread and molasses, beefsteak from a neighboring tannery once a week, and apple pie on Sunday.'

The Eureka Club had a "reader" whose duty was to entertain the diners by reading from a book or newspaper during dinner. The Crescent Club had "gala banquets."

The food, however, generally received poor reviews, described by one alumnus as "so wretched as to be objects of horrible remembrance."

When the popularity of eating clubs dwindled in the 1890s, private boarding houses once again stepped



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PHOTOS COURTESY ANDOVER CENTER FOR HISTORY & CULTURE / Phillips Academy archive) Today's entrance to Paresky Commons at Phillips Academy in Andover

in 1872.

One of the best-known was appetites, which shall be Aunt Hattie's. Accommodating up to 30 boarders, these boys frequently used their food to play tricks. Pancakes, known as "scalers," became forerunner of the Frisbee. Butter-dipped toothpicks were tossed up to the ceiling "until it looked like a porcupine."

Phillips Academy in Andover

In the late 1890s, then Headmaster Cecil F. B. Bancroft promoted the need for a dining hall.

Enter the "Beanery," opened in the renovated Bulfinch Hall that had been gutted by fire in 1886.

A document in the Academy archives, signed by the students, describes the basic function of the Beanery: .. to have a Bill of Fare which shall not impair or suspend activity, clearness or energy of thought; not induce peevishness, dullness or weakness over our books ... nor bring us digestive fevers, dyspepsia or abnormal appetites; but which shall be entirely consistent with the utmost normal



Union Dining Club members at Commons dining hall at Phillips Academy in Andover in 1930.

entirely consistent with the utmost strength, activity, happiness and useful action of which both soul and body are capable.' The students thereon

pledged membership in the Beanery "in the best light of hygiene; in whose Bill of Fare animal fat shall hold the lowest and a healthful selection of fruits and vegetables the highest."

The Beanery boasted electric lights and a state-ofthe-art kitchen, including a dishwasher and bakery.

A 1913 menu showed a Bill of Fare upgrade: chicken croquettes (8 cents); broiled mackerel (10 cents); minced ham and scrambled eggs (7 cents); and cold roast beef (10 cents).

As the school increased in enrollment, and the Beanery no longer adequately filled the needs of hungry boys, construction began on a new dining hall, a dining Commons, designed by architect Charles Platt. The final bill came to \$809,000. It opened



The exterior of Bulfinch Hall at Phillips Academy in Andover, which was renovated after an 1886 fire and became home to the Beanery, where students ate.

in the fall of 1930.

Over the next 50 years, as needs changed, Commons was renovated twice, once in 1980, and secondly in 1981.

And the changes continued.

With 230 years of experience under its belt, the Academy planned another Commons renovation in 2008-09, offering students a "dining experience" catering to tastes, dietary restrictions and religious traditions.

Named for David Paresky '56, two floors of serveries offer, among many choices, a salad bar, a pizza oven, a made-to-order stir fry option and even an espresso machine.

Paresky Commons today is definitely a long way off from the "simple diet" Samuel Phillips envisioned when he founded the school.

And those a part of campus life are grateful.

# Letters to the Editor

### Grateful to have been part of town's important work

Editor, Townsman:

Select Board member.

tunity to join incredibly history. thoughtful, passionate and

so grateful to have been a on the board.

part of this work. Recently the position of chief of staff Andover. to the Department of Labor istration under Secretary- the town for the tremendous mit input for, or particione of the greatest honors is only possible in a country and I am excited for all you https://andoverma.gov/ of my life by electing me a that lifts up working people, the department's mis-The experience has been sion is personal to me, and better than I could have ever the opportunity comes at a imagined. I had the oppor- critical time in our nation's

Amy, Theodora and I dedicated public servants, intend to remain Andover including a stellar group of residents. But the Select Editor, Townsman: town employees, in the pur- Board deserves members suit to make Andover better, who can dedicate the appro-Meeting allow remote this purpose. From climate change to priate time commensurate participation? economic development to with the responsibilities of learned so much and feel resigning my membership

It is a difficult decision remote participation in I was humbled to be offered but the right thing to do for Town Meeting to make it Thank you to the Select venient to residents. in the Biden-Harris admin- Board and the residents of

> will do in the future. Daniel Koh

### Change the rules of participation in **Town Meeting?**

diversity and inclusion, I've the role. As such, I will be the Town Governance ernance.org. Study Committee will discuss potential methods of

more accessible and con-Residents may sub-

Two years ago, the residesignate Marty Walsh. As honor, I look forward to stay-pate in, the meeting, per dents of Andover gave me someone whose family story ing involved as a resident, details in the agenda: AgendaCenter/ViewFile/ Agenda/ 02252021-3896. If you are interested in

continuing discussion of Town Meeting effectiveness and the best way of governing Andover for the future, please join an Andover-resident Google Should Andover Town Group established for just

For more information, On Thursday, Feb. 25, contact info@andovergov-

**KEVIN COFFEY** Andover

# **WEB QUESTION**

Just as local COVID-19 vaccine clinics were cropping up in cities and towns such as Andover, the state is shifting ies or Jordan's Furniture, for all I care, I just want the shot. to class? resources to mass-vaccination sites such as Fenway Park and the DoubleTree Hotel in Danvers. Where would you Last week's question prefer to get your shot?

**LOCAL CLINIC**: Even if appointments are limited, a pop-up vaccine clinic at the High School field house can't be beat in terms of convenience. I'd rather wait until I can get an plans to resume in-person classes for kindergartners and as many kids to class as possible. (35 votes) opening there.

FENWAY PARK: You can't beat the symbolism of beating back approved by the School Committee. COVID-19 by getting a vaccine at Fenway Park or Gillette Stadium. It could only get better if J.D. Martinez actually and Prevention issued guidance to schools on how to safely large. We've come this far. Let's wait until more people are gave you the shot, and if they handed you a Fenway Frank afterward.

**DOCTOR'S OFFICE**: I don't trust anyone to give me a vaccine who isn't my doctor, or a nurse or a nurse practitioner work- of some in-person and some remote learning, with the except hey're able to keep students socially distanced and safe. ing for my doctor. Even though it's probably not an option, tion of students whose families elect an all-remote option. While they shouldn't wait for widespread vaccination, I'd much rather go with the people I know.

DOESN'T MATTER: They could be giving out vaccines at Cumb-week.) Should the schools move more quickly to return kids

first-graders four days a week. Her plan still must be

return children to the classroom without necessarily vaccinating teachers for COVID-19.

(A smaller cohort of students attend schools four days a there's no reason to rush this, either. (16 votes)

BY ALL MEANS: Online learning, with students separated from teachers and peers, is causing deep and complex Should Andover move quickly to return children to in- impacts on kids' social and emotional well being, not to mention their education. We've demonstrated that we can safely Interim Superintendent Claudia Bach recently announced do most things with proper precautions; we need to return

NOT SO FAST: Bringing back students and teachers will expose not only educators, who aren't necessarily vacci-Bach did so the same day the Centers for Disease Control nated, but households with students and the community at vaccinated, especially teachers. (14 votes)

**SLOW AND STEADY**: The superintendent has the right idea. Andover's schools now teach students in a "hybrid" model Schools should resume in-person classes gradually, as

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### **ANDOVER**

700 Brookside Drive Unit L: Mahoney to Amit K. Venkata-berti, \$320,000 ramian and Abinaya Shine, \$325,000

**44 Central St:** Jada RT and Mark J. Boullie to Flaherty FT and Joseph C. Flaherty, \$2,200,000

Dennis A. Barous to Kevin Ventures LLC, \$570,000 D. and Kristin M. Loucks,

\$985,000 Richard B. Rogoff to David J. \$285,000

Diaz-Casariego and Lauren R. Casariego, \$930,000

and Susan I. Stevens to Kris- \$380,000 ten Pels, \$744,900

ing LLC, \$27,000,000 31-a School St Unit 31a: Ellen  ${\bf J}$ 

George 2014 RET and Ellen deau and Karen J. Gaiero to J. George to Magdalene and Daniel Belschner and Molly Benjamin Cheney, \$627,500

139 Shawsheen Rd:  $4\,\mathrm{M}\,\mathrm{RT}$  and Michael G. Bausemer to Mark RET and Krista M. Blum A. Bausemer, \$446,000

### **NORTH ANDOVER**

166 Cotuit St.: Charlotte T. Mele to 5 C Construction LLC, Loan Svcg LLC to Ramon L. \$125,000

174 Cotuit St.: Charlotte T. Callison, \$485,000 **740 Forest St.:** Stuart and LLC, \$570,000

Jane A. Thompson to Andrew C. and Jessica N. Barnum, B. Lough to David Daley and \$799,900

**535 Salem St.:** Matthew J. Bolduc to 535 Salem Street and Krista M. Blum to Atlan-LLC, \$405,000

**68 Tucker Farm Road:** Michael J. and Lisa A. Jackson to Krista M. Blum to Atlantis Michael and Kate Szablak, Ventures LLC, \$665,000 \$815,000

**555 Turnpike St. Unit 41:** Ste- to Doi V. Cao, \$250,000 phen J. Galizio to Moavenian Realty LLC, \$285,000

### **NORTH READING**

Ramos to Aquilino Romero, nian, \$228,000

Gayle M. Felix to Maureen A. to Atlantis Ventures LLC, Colbert, \$660,000

230 Martins Landing Unit 211: Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC to RET and Krista M. Blum Shirley A. Madeiros, \$419,720 to Atlantis Ventures LLC, **SALISBURY** 

Finn to Herb Farmacy LLC, to Atlantis Ventures LLC,

30 Elmwood St.: Susan Brooke-Finn to Herb Farmacy Monte & Rosa Inv LLC to LLC, \$759,000

bury LLC to Diana and Hugo Saint-Jean, \$639,900

FT and Rachel M. Beckman \$285,000 to Amy and Corey Knight,

rette to Amanda Durgin and Cory C. Govani, \$424,900

# **LAWRENCE**

Arthur C. Soucey to Jose R. Blum to Atlantis Ventures Sanchez-Amparo and Gloria LLC, \$475,000 M. Colon-Deperez, \$503,000

and Bassirou Wane to Brooke M. Doherty, \$179,000 Litwinksy, \$317,000

272 E Haverhill St. Unit 19: Stephen L. Guilfovle to Casa R Est and Charles Vlahos to Logistics LLC, \$114,000

421 Merrimack St.: Wobich Khateeb, \$400,000 Properties LLC to 421 Merrimack Street LLC, more to Rhonda Selwyn-Lee, \$3,400,000

113 Prospect St. Unit 2: Justin Brown to Yancarlo Guzman- Ashlee Vencis to Haylee A. Gonzalez, \$350,000

**177-193 S Union St.:** 191 Union LLC to 191 South Union LLC, Murphy to James G. Ryan, \$1,000,000

# **METHUEN**

**15 Burrill Ave.:** Kristen J. Web- \$220,000 ster to Erin and Christina D. Conrad. \$382,000

and Peter C. Diburro to Eman- \$380,000 uel T. and Paula E. Couto, \$480,000

5 Gleason St.: Stephen D. and line and Silvio C. Almeida, Beth P. Raymond to Junior \$290,000 Almonte, \$450,000

and Jacquelin A. Ferreira, LLC, \$380,000 \$290,000

Michelle R Est and Chris- V. Meimaris to Juan R. Santina J. Williams to Erik Day, chez and Albania A. Infante-\$200,000

270 Lawrence St. Unit 1: Jian-

Realty LLC, \$355,000 22 Linda Ave.: Robert M. LLC, \$380,000

Anderson to Jomayra M. Montes, \$415,000

167 Oak St.: Patrick Mcdaniel Coleen C. and Maureen E. to Leonard and Brenda Dal-

> 66 Tower St: Theresa A. Fisher to Spencer Caira and Jessica Lupo, \$365,000

### HAVERHILL

1-7 5th Ave: Angel RT 2 and 98 Central St: Clipper RT and Krista M. Blum to Atlantis

12 6th Ave: Krista M Blum RET and Krista M. Blum 11 Fossen Way: Rogoff FT and to Atlantis Ventures LLC,

19-21 6th Ave: Krista M Blum RET and Krista M. Blum 51 Rattlesnake Hill Rd: Paul W. to Atlantis Ventures LLC,

41-43 Arch St: Krista M Blum 168 River Rd: Jsip Casco RET and Krista M. Blum Crossing LLC to Abbott Land- to Atlantis Ventures LLC, \$380,000 3 Arthur St: Paul G. Huber-

> Leblanc-Medeiros, \$300,000 77-79 Beach St: Krista M Blum

to Atlantis Ventures LLC, \$475,000 40-42 Came Ave: Krista M

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Quiles, \$143,000 123-125 Cedar St: Krista M Mele to Jennifer and Patrick Blum RET and Krista M. Blum to Atlantis Ventures

> 38 Danforth Ct Unit 39: Melissa Keith Saunders, \$326,000

**27-29 Dudley St:** 29 Dudley T tis Ventures LLC, \$665,000

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Emma Rose Cir Lot 3a:  ${\rm JR}$ Builders Inc to Anthony O.

and Lisa Conti, \$225,000 55 Farrwood Drive Unit 55:  $\operatorname{Mid}$ 68 Chestnut St.: Benjamin Farrwood LLC to Nairi Melko-

22 Hilldale Ave: Krista M Blum 11 Judith Drive: John R. and RET and Krista M. Blum \$285,000

> 46 Hilldale Ave: Krista M Blum \$285,000

15 Hillside St: Krista M Blum 24 Elmwood St.: Susan Brooke- RET and Krista M. Blum \$475,000

59 Kathy Drive Unit 59: Alishia and Carlos Menjivar, 15 Forest Road: Forest Salis- \$264,000

**396 Main St:** Krista M Blum RET and Krista M. Blum 208 N End Boulevard: Beckman to Atlantis Ventures LLC,

9 Pheasant Xing Unit 9: Hannah W. Chira and Peter N. Njenga 12 Sandy Lane: Donald E. Surto Janel A. Henry, \$283,000

72-74 Portland St: Krista M. Blum to Atlantis Ventures

LLC, \$475,000 206 Primrose St: Krista M 221 Bailey St.: Eric J. and Blum RET and Krista M.

3 Rainbow Drive Unit 3: Doherty 10 Beaconsfield St.: Kristin M. T and Vincent Doherty to Kim

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Farid Y. Ghosh and Sonya A. 350 S Main St.: Dorothy Ash-

37 Sawyer St.: Amanda and

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\$220,000 28 Temple St. Unit 3: Mathilde

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454 Washington St.: Krista 2 Hobson St. Unit C: Amanda M Blum RET and Krista M. J. Daveta to Leslie A. Peralta Blum to Atlantis Ventures

**469-471** Washington St.: 469-471 73-75 Larchwood Road: Day Wa Street RT and Emmanuel Derosa, \$580.000

56-58 Webster St.: Krista dong Shi to Aspen Heights M Blum RET and Krista M. Blum to Atlantis Ventures

### OBITUARIES

# Thomas G. Sheehan, 50

April 16, 1970 - February 13, 2021

ANDOVER, MA — Thomas G. "Tommy" Sheehan, 50, of Andover, passed away Saturday, February 13, 2021, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston after a brief battle with leukemia. He was the high school sweetheart and loving husband to Karyn (Baker) Sheehan, with whom he shared 22 years of marriage.

A son of the late Mildred A. (Gray) Sheehan and the late Charles J. Sheehan. He was born April 16, 1970, in Lowell, and was raised and educated in Andover, graduating from Andover High School. He then attended Worcester Polytech- person with a great sense of gree in Electrical Engineering. ending energy.

Tommy's life was completeing to lend a helping hand to members and friends. anyone in need.

ple he worked with.

bered as a happy and positive

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nic Institute receiving a de- humor, huge heart and never

In addition to his wife, ly devoted to his wife and three Karyn he is survived by his boys. This lead him to become sons, Samuel Sheehan, Convery active in his community nor Sheehan, and William as a Little League Coach for Sheehan, all of Andover; his all of his son's teams, junior brothers, Charles J. Sheehan football league coach and as Jr., of South Hadley, and Mata board member of the AHS thew J. Sheehan and his wife, Warriors Football Boosters. Sarah (Aster), of Hooksett, He loved playing basketball N.H.; his sister, Christine M. and fishing with his boys. Tak- Rees and her husband, Maling vacations with his family colm, of Andover; his motheror just walking on the beach in-law, Peggy Baker of Haverwith his dogs on a Saturday hill; as well as his sister-in-law, morning was his way to take Julie Sears and her husband a break from his busy life. He John of Hampstead, N.H.; and was always active in the com- many nieces and nephews; as munity and was always will- well as many cherished family

**ARRANGEMENTS: You are invited** Tommy had a very success- to His calling hours 4 to 8 p.m. ful career working at Ana- on Friday, February 19, 2021, at log Devices, formerly Linear St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, 198 Technology, in Wilmington, Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. On for over 20 years as a Design Saturday, his funeral Mass will be Engineer and-was recently held privately. Burial in St. Mary promoted to Director. He was Cemetery. In lieu of flowers doproud of his work and designs. nations will be made to the Tom He loved his work and the peo- Sheehan Memorial Education Fund @ gofundme.com. WWW.TEWKS-He will forever be remem- BURYFUNERALHOME.COM.

# Maureen Mary Wood, 76

August 6, 1944 - February 10, 2021

STEVENSON RANCH, CA - On February 10, 2021, after a 20-year fight against Parkinson's disease, Maureen passed away peacefully. Maureen was born in

Beeston, Nottingham, Eng-

land, in 1944. In 1965 she married Leslie Wood and they moved to the USA. Maureen was well known in Andover, where she founded Sanborn School's annual Harvest Festival taught British

accents for High School stu-

dents in theater productions,

and served as Chairperson of the Council on Aging. Maureen is survived, remembered, and loved by her nah, and Delaney.



In lieu of flowers please conhusband Leslie; daughters Su-sider donating to the nursing san and Helen; and grandchil- home where Maureen was so dren Alistair, Logan, Savan- well cared for (www.maryhealth.com/donate).

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# Alice (Lynch) McGann, 86

August 11, 1934 - February 16, 2021

in Haverhill.

Alice was born in Somerville, Mass. to the late Timothy and Alice (Senior) Lynch.

She was a graduate of Lowell High School, St. Joseph School of Nursing and received her B.A. in Psychology from New England College. Alice was a long-time resi-

years, she volunteered her Augustine Church, Essex Street, time and nursing skills at St. Andover. Burial will follow in St. Augustine's school and with Augustine Cemetery also in An-Hospice. She also gave of her dover. During these COVID times, time to teach CCD, lead Camp please put your safety first. Fire Girls groups and research ing gatherings of her "train- www.StJude.org/donate ing" classmates with whom She was a consumer of cur- homes.com. rent events and read four newspapers daily. The focus of her life was always her family and others, never herself.

The widow of the late Edward L. McGann, she is sur-

ANDOVER, MA — Alice vived by her son, Brian Mc-(Lynch) McGann 86, of Ando- Gann and his wife, Mei Lun of ver, died Tuesday February Andover and her two daugh-16, 2021 at High Pointe House ters, Judeth McGann and her spouse, Jennifer Selwyn of

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Davis, California and Patricia Schrand and her husband, George of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Also among her survivors are her three grandchildren, Monica and George Schrand and Christopher Mc-

Gann.

**ARRANGEMENTS: A Funeral Mass** dent of Andover, where she will be offered on Saturday Februraised her family. Over the ary 20, 2021 at 10 AM at the St.

Donations in Alice's memory projects for the Historical So- may be made to the following High ciety. She was regular com- Pointe House c/o Home Health municant at St. Augustine's Foundation, Attn: Community Enand most recently at St. Mi- gagement, 360 Merrimack St., chael's. Many carefree sum- Building 9, Lawrence, MA 01843 mers were spent at Cobbett's or www.homehealthfoundation.org Pond where she enjoyed host- or St. Jude Hospital for Children at

To offer online condolences she shared a life-long bond. please visit www.contefuneral-



# David Laurence Hartford, 70

April 28, 1950 - February 20, 2021

residence.

Hartford. Mr. Hartford at- nieces and nephews. tended Boston College, where playing hockey in his youth.

ing on cars and worked as a ciation, 225 N. Michigan Ave. Master Technician Auto Me- Floor 17 Chicago, IL 60601. chanic. He loved golfing, traveling with his wife, and was an guestbook at www.goldfinchavid Patriots fan.

Surviving are his wife of Hartford; two step-sons, Ran- arrangements.

CONWAY, SC — Dave Hart- dy Dallaire (Amy) and Ryan ford, age 70, passed away Sat- Dallaire; three grandchildren, urday, February 20, 2021 at his Ravyn Dallaire, Raeanna Dallaire, and Rylie Dallaire; two Born April 28, 1950 in New- sisters, Cynthia Scholz and ton, Mass., he was the son Maureen Wentzell; one brothof the late Walter and Ann er, Kevin Hartford; and three

he played D1 soccer. He was ed seating, please contact the a great athlete and enjoyed family for service information. Memorial donations may be Mr. Hartford enjoyed work- made to the Alzheimer's Asso-

Due to COVID-19 and limit-

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funeralhome.com Goldfinch Funeral Home, 35 years, Pamela Heighton Conway Chapel is in charge of

# Richard Edgar Bernardin

December 15, 1933 - February 20, 2021

NORTH ANDOVER, MA — Richard was known for his Andover, Mass.

wife, Patricia were married for and son, Philip. Beloved cat on www.stpiusxsy.com Kimmie and many nieces, was brother to the late Robert Centerville www.mspca.org. and his wife Grace Bernardin.

Richard E. Bernardin, 87 of quick wit, humor and always Dennis Port, Mass. and Deer-doing the right thing. He was field Beach, Fla.., formerly of kindhearted and generous. His spirit will be with us and Richard and his beloved late never forgotten.

A memorial funeral Mass 54 years. Richard is survived will be held Friday February by his daughters, Kathleen, 26th 2021 at 11 a.m. in Saint son Jamie and husband, Bob Pius X Parish, 5 Barbara St, Maseda, Karen and ex-spouse South Yarmouth, MA 02664. Geoffrey, daughter Heather Also viewable by live stream

In lieu of flowers donations nephews and cousins. Richard may be made to MSCPA in

# **■ ANDOVER BRIEFS**

### Voter registration deadline March 3

March 3.

The Board of Registrars 36 Bartlet Street, Andover Office at (978) 623-8230. for the purpose of registering party enrollment. Voter reg- 25 istration forms and a secure deposit box will be available in the second-floor Customer Anniversary of the Andover Police Department; planned work behind the scenes.' Service Center at the Town Commission on Disability Offices.

Residents may also register

the Registry of Motor Vehi- for people with disabilities. cles, subject to the March 3rd Among the pioneers of the extended hours, and My Own deadline. Additionally, mail- ACOD is Justin Coppola, Sr. Voice initiatives that increase The deadline to regis- in voter registration forms or of Andover, a 20-year member accessibility to benefit not ter to vote in the March 23 change of party forms must who received the Thomas P. only people with disabilities Town Election is Wednesday, be postmarked by the March Hopkins Disability Access but other Andover residents 3 deadline.

hours on Wednesday, the Secretary of State's web of the Year. March 3 from 8:30 a.m. until site at sec.state.ma.us or by

(ACOD).

online by visiting: Register- celled due to the pandemic laboration and liaison with treated equally. ToVoteMA.com. All residents but the commission contin- the Senior Center; and intro-

Award in 2019 as Massachu- and visitors as well. Voters can check their setts' Americans with Dis-

for Americans with Disabililicense or an I.D. issued by should be a model community ect Lifesaver, Lock Box, the acod.mhl.org.

Kids on the Block, MVRTA's

"The ACOD was estabof Voters will hold extended voter registration status on abilities Act (ADA) Advocate lished by the Select Boards as a result o a law passed by In its 25-year history the State Legislature in early 8:00 p.m. at the Town Offices, calling the Town Clerk's the ACOD has monitored and 1990's," said chairwoman improved the ADA plan for Julie Pike of Andover. "This Andover's schools; advocated group has been involved in new voters and for change of **Disability group turns** for curb cuts and sidewalks all building constructions and for wheelchair access; estab-renovations, and playgrounds lished the Handicap Parking to make sure they met the This year marks the 25th Ticketing Program with the ADA code. We do a lot of

> Pike said her group's ties (ADA) training for town mission is to make sure Celebrations were can- employees; increased col- all Andover residents are

More information can be need to apply online is a ues to believe that Andover duced programs such as Proj- found on their website at

> Arrest: Antonio E. Rojas, container violation, Gardner 24, of Haverhill arrested for Avenue, 6:04 p.m.

# SUNDAY, FEB. 21

Arrest: Branden D. Simmons, 33, of Seabrook, N.H. arrested Noise complaint: Washington for possession of class B and E drugs and on warrants,

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### **■ POLICE LOG MONDAY, FEB. 15**

Fraud: Bad check, Chandler Road, 5:05 p.m. Road, 4:09 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEB. 16

Guzman-Dias, 34, of Lowell apologized, Railroad Street, arrested on a warrant, Cam- 11:35 p.m. panelli Drive, 5:16 p.m. Request officer: Woman in

cheetah print leggings took toilet paper, Park Street, 8:41 from property, Tech Drive, people to get their belongings, p.m. **WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17** 

THURSDAY, FEB. 18

of a car, it got out. Shawsheen

FRIDAY, FEB. 19

**Disorderly person:** Escorted 3:07 a.m. Suspicious person: Two men

identified as FBI agents were, vick, 33, of Stoneham arrested Animal complaint: Live in fact FBI agents when police for operating under the

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violation, speeding, operating Noise complaint: Woman to endanger and on warrants. Arrest: Jimmy Junior screaming for two hours North Street, 11:13 p.m. SATURDAY, FEB. 20

Park Drive, 2:07 a.m.

raccoon stuck in the bumper asked, High Street, 11:21 a.m. influence of liquor and open

failure to stop, marked lanes

Tech Drive, 9:30 a.m. Arrest: Matthew Carl Ker-

Request for officer: Escorted Lupine Road, 1:53 p.m.

Vandalism: Broken fence, Chestnut Street, 11:41 a.m.

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# ALL THOSE YEARS AG

# Susan McKelliget

Andover Center for History and Culture

100 Years Ago: Feb. 18, 1921 A private subscription party under the auspices of the Shawsheen Village Dramatic club was held on Saturday night in the hall at Shawsheen village. The hall was attractively decorated with red and white and favors suggestive of St. Valentine were suspended from

the ceiling. Kirk Auchterlonie and his company of Scottish dancers and singers will entertain at the Hillside.

On Saturday evening, William Shaw received a birthday greeting in the form his tavern on (Elm Street) of a magnificent bouquet of two dozen superb cardinal roses from his fellow workers in the Ballard Vale Village Improvement society, of which he was the founder and for three years its

At the regular meeting of the November club to be held next Monday, members of the Department of Frama will present a play entitled "Suppressed Desires."

An alarm from Box 35 Friday evening was for a supposed fire in a chimney in a house on Hidden road. There was no damage.

### 75 Years Ago: Feb. 21, 1946

Tomorrow is the birthday of George Washington and we turn back the pages to 157 years ago to read an old account of his visit to our town in November of 1789. The journey from Bradford was long and wearisome. The distinguished Deacon Isaac Abbott was probably standing in the open door of while his granddaughter Priscilla peered from behind in ecstatic curiosity. Priscilla offered to sew his torn riding glove and the great General kissed her cheek in apprecia- Andover community as a tion. The story goes that she benefit for worthwhile local

refused to wash her face for causes. a week. Later, as General Washington remounted his horse he greeted the principal citizens of the town, and received the salutations of the people of Andover.

Begin to save now, the evening of March 22, for a night at the South church where the Young People's fair offers erect a family-centered you an opportunity to replen- YMCA building to be a ish your wardrobe as well as your supply of knickknacks, books, magazines, sporting equipment and other while elephants. Mr. Preston Blake will be master of ceremonies and the auctioneer will be Mr. Cleveland Gilcreast.

50 Years Ago: Feb. 25, 1971

Seatrain, a nationally known group, is coming to Andover Sunday afternoon for a 3:30 p.m. concert in the high school gym. The Seatrain concert is the Teenage Adult Collaborative (TAC)'s first effort at bringing topflight entertainment to the

Officials of the Greater Lawrence Y.M.C.A. and Merrimack College have jointly announced the signing of an agreement which will permit the YMCA to acquire some 15 acres of college property. On this land the YMCA plans to new and modern home for its Andover branch. The planned new facility will serve residents of both Andover and North Andover.

Candidates for Moderator are Arthur Williams and Richard J. Bowen. Selectmen are Roger W. Collins, Benjamin C. Brown, Francis J. Byrne, Milton Greenberg, Michael W. Morris and William W. Stewart. School Committee are Virginia H. Cole, William F. King, Francis E. Griggs, Jr. Andover Housing Authority are Thomas P. Eldred, Walter J. Corcoran, and Donald J.

# Ignore the whining, and it will lose its charm

# **Family Matters**

Larry Larsen

### Dear Doctor,

Our second child is a beautiful daughter who is so talented and bright. She has one problem we are trying to correct. She is really a whiner who can switch from being charming to being a true pain. the whining abates, attend We have spoken to her about it, but it has not done much good. She is 5 years old. Is she too young to see a therapist? Do you have any advice?

### Mom Dear Mom,

A therapist already? Maybe you can start to work without the diagnosing.

The clue to your daughter's negativity and whining is in two remarks you made. First, you said she can switch from being a pain to showing charm. Second, you said you had "spoken to her" about it. These two comments are telling me something.

Children say and do things. a behavior results in attention or parental response, it is at lllrsn@comcast.net.

likely repeated.

Chances are your daughter has noticed you give her attention when she whines. It may be a negative response, such as, "Oh, cut it out!" No matter, it is still attention.

Locate the triggers in your behavior resulting in a productive whine. Do not respond with attention. When and react positively. That does not mean being a patsy or gushing with positive comments, just paying a bit of attention.

Then, do me a favor and don't "speak to her" about it. That is actually reinforcing the behavior and likely making matters worse. Rather, affirm her interactions when they are appropriate.

By the way, she is only 5. She will grow, and you will become aware of the uniqueness of her personality. Back off a little. None of us have ever reared a perfect child.

Dr. Larry Larsen is an Andover psychologist. If you This is simply behavior. When would like to ask a question, or respond to one, email him

and

# Port-a-potty workers picket at future Amazon site

By Genevieve DiNatale gdinatale@andovertownsman.com

Services, a port-a-potty under construction.

members of Teamsters job.' Local 25, have been picketing for more than a week, Flush received a complaint tracting Company did not return said North Andover police Detective Lt. E.J. Foulds.

According to Flush's Chief Operations Officer Shaun Nichols, the site's general contractor — the Whiting-Turner Contracting Company — replaced Flush's services with those of a

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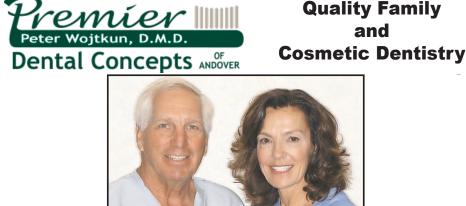
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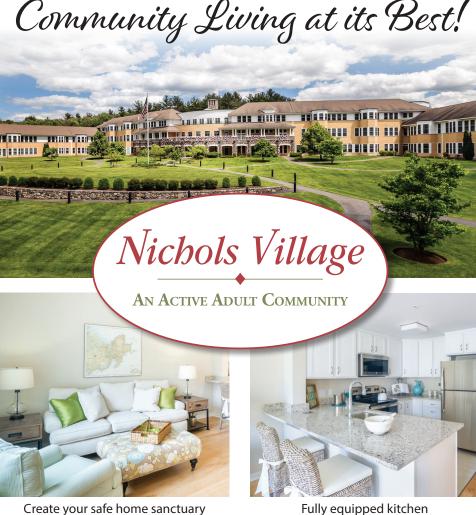


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# Ice sculptor creates whale for Aquarium

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On a typical New Year's Eve, an elaborate, aquaticthemed ice sculpture will stand outside the New England Aquarium, eliciting oohs and ahhs from an adoring crowd.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, and the closure of the aquarium, that didn't happen this year.

But now that the Boston landmark has reopened to visitors, an ice sculpture has returned to greet visitors with help of North Andover artist Don Chapelle.

Last week, Chapelle finished a 16-foot sculpture of a female right whale and her calf on Central Wharf Plaza, just outside the New England Aquarium, which reopened to the public Feb.

The sculpture commemo-

rates the 40th anniversary of the aquarium's right whale research program, which began in the early 1980s. Since its inception, the research program's goal has been to cut down on threats to the critically endangered species, such as vessel strikes and



Local ice sculptor Don Chapelle and his assistant Lars-Erik Miller put the finishing touches on a sculpture of a right whale and her calf outside of the New England Aquarium in Boston last week. The sculpture commemorates the 40th anniversary of the aquarium's right whale research program.

fishing gear entanglements. To date, there are only 350 right whales in

"We continue to focus

watery home," said Amy on finding ways for right Knowlton, a senior scientist represents the hope for

whales to live safely in their at the New England Aquarium. "This ice sculpture

a mother with her newborn calf tucked by her side.'

Chapelle, who owns **Brilliant Ice Sculptures** in Lawrence, began the construction of the more intricate work on his whale sculpture at his personal studio, then – with the help of an assistant – fused the gigantic piece together outside the aquarium.

The sculpture is 16 feet long, 10 feet wide and 6.5 feet tall. It was constructed out of 40 ice blocks weighing 350 pounds apiece.

"The aquarium is a fascinating place. Beyond all the glass and beautiful fish and amazing exhibits, there is so much happening behind the scenes," Chapelle said. "How can you not love an institution that is so involved in marine biology on every level?"

While the New England Aquarium is open, health and safety measures are in place and the building's capacity is limited to 20%. Tickets are sold out until Feb. 22.

If you are interested in visiting Central Wharf to see the ice sculpture or would like to purchase tickets, visit neag.org.

# Food insecurity deepens across Mass.

By Christian Wade AND DUSTIN LUCA

toll of the pandemic has order increasing federal led to a surge in requests food assistance for about for food stamps and other 12 million people who use programs in the past year. SNAP and other programs

of workers remain unem- school-age children. ployed in Massachusetts amid a sluggish economy will see monthly benefits and government restric- increase by 15% beginning tions intended to slow the this month through the end spread of COVID-19, and of June. Biden's order also that has record numbers of included a 15% increase to families struggling to pay the pandemic Electronic bills and put food on the Benefits Transfer pro-

als in the state received meals at school. food assistance through Expansions like that can the federal Supplemental actually help pantries, Nutrition Assistance Pro- Prescott said. gram in October, according "Any increase is really sitional Assistance.

demand has skyrocketed for pantries, to have that amid the economic turmoil kind of weight taken off of created by the pandemic, us, to have an increase from and it shows no sign of the government." subsiding.

dous increase in the num-try, SNAP helps families ber of people being helped because it "gives them purby our pantries," said Amy chasing power." Pessia, executive director of the Merrimack Valley Burns said. "What we're Food Bank, which also seeing is maybe a little bit delivers food directly to of a dip in how frequently needy families. "And we people are coming." anticipate the need for supplemental food to continue administration has diverted as people recover from the tens of millions of dollars pandemic.

tries are often a source burdened regional food of supplemental nutrition banks. The state also has for people who get food been delivering emergency stamps and other benefits. meals directly to families.

Sam Prescott, food assistant supervisor at Beverly efits must fall within certain Bootstraps, said she's seen income guidelines. If qualia similar surge on the fied, a family of four can get North Shore.

families who have never about \$208. had to use our services before coming to us," future after COVID-19 are Prescott said. "The biggest looking for normalcy this shift we've seen is seniors year, it could be years before and having to do more the need for food pantries deliveries for them for the and increased SNAP benfear of not being able to get efits goes away. Reviews of out, not being able to do an pantry usage after the 2008 online order.'

the states hardest hit by before things got back on the pandemic, with 533,024 track with pre-2008 num-COVID-19 infections as of bers, "Burns said. Wednesday and 15,312 to access benefits and we're in it for the long haul."

food programs.

last month President Joe The ongoing economic Biden signed an executive Hundreds of thousands aimed at families with

gram for families of needy At least 888,564 individu- students who normally get

to the latest data from the helpful. We've definitely state Department of Tran- had families who didn't come for a little while when That's an increase of the pandemic EBTs kicked about 7,000 people from the in, and when they came previous month and nearly back, they said, 'yeah, I 125,000 more than the num- got this increase and felt ber of people getting food I didn't need to come (to stamps in October 2019. the pantry) anymore," Food bank operators say Prescott said. "That's huge

For Robyn Burns, execu-"We've seen a tremen- tive director of Salem Pan-

"We see more autonomy,"

in pandemic relief over the Pessia said food pan- past year to prop up over-

a up to \$646 a month, though "We've definitely seen the average family only gets

While most looking to the financial crisis showed it Massachusetts is one of was "around seven years

"We're just assuming, as deaths. State leaders have the vaccine comes, as numresponded to demand for bers dip and other services food assistance by mak-come about, it's going to have ing it easier for people an impact," Burns said. "But

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Those getting SNAP ben-

By Christian M. Wade Statehouse Reporter

tomers' data use as part of pany's Xfinity service. a proposal giving the state

used by customers or shut- offers unlimited internet makers wrote. ting them off for excessive plans for customers who use, while also repealing a need more data. providers.

their own rates."

internet service provider, a choice," he said. "There's no competition."

regulated by the Federal Communications Commission and operate locally under franchise agreements with cities and

Vargas' proposal would make Massachusetts one if not the only — state with regulatory authority over internet providers. If the plan is approved, the state Department of Telecommunications and Cable would be tasked with setting the regulations.

Industry officials say the proposed changes are unnecessary and might run afoul of FCC regulations.

and CEO of the New England Cable and Telecommunications Association, which represents Comcast and other internet providers, called the proposal a "solution in search of a problem."

The proposal is emerging

### Lawmakers push to ban internet data caps amid rancor over Comcast's from angry constituents. lawmakers see a need to

off people during the pan-internet usage. demic, so why would we

ers aren't regulated by the state. Vargas said, and are generally "allowed to set "The majority of people

in the state only have one so most people don't have

Internet providers are

Some states, such as Maine and Vermont, have passed "net neutrality laws" that give them authority over internet provider practices within their jurisdictions.

Tim Wilkerson, president

"Since the very beginning of the pandemic, our member companies in Massachusetts have worked continually to support customers, investing hundreds of millions of dollars in their networks to provide ongoing reliability and innovation, helping low-income individuals access fast and reliable internet, opening up thousands of free Wi-Fi hotspots and much more," he said.

31. Native American tribe

plans to impose a new 1.2 A group of more than 70 protect consumers by letterabyte monthly "data lawmakers wrote to Com-ting the state to regulate the BOSTON — A pair of cap" in Massachusetts and cast in December, urging the multibillion dollar industry Democratic lawmakers want other Northeastern states company to scrap its plan as it does utilities.

authority to regulate the cast customers who go in Massachusetts." above the data limit for its

Unlike gas and electric from elected officials who pushed back to 2022. companies, internet provid- were bombarded with calls Still, Vargas said

**CLUES ACROSS** 

14. Expressions for humorous effect

1. One of Noah's sons

11. Rising from the dead

15. North American country

21. Long-lasting light bulb

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25. Term to address a woman

9. Monetary unit

12. Small stream

20. Vegetable part

22. Gov't lawyer

26. Swiss river

27. About senator

29. \_\_ Paulo. city

16. Exclude

13. A person of wealth

3. Employee stock ownership plan

24. Khoikhoi peoples

29. South Dakota

30. Tai language

32. Get free of

2. His and

6. Affirmative

7. Not caps

33. Afflict

28. Beloved movie pig

23. Off-Broadway theater award

5. Openings

18. Flowed over

19. Tags

to prohibit internet service for customers who use the and reconsider "any future providers from capping cus- Pennsylvania-based com- attempts at imposing a data tial service just like water cap or any perversion of the and electricity," he said. Under the changes, Com- principles of net neutrality

The plan, filed by Reps. 1.2 terabyte internet ser- Comcast would choose to Andy Vargas, D-Haverhill vice will have to pay \$10 impose this 'cap and fee' and David Rogers, D-Cam- for each additional 50 giga- plan during a pandemic, house for North of Boston bridge, would ban broad- bytes used. But the company when many Massachusetts Media Group's newspapers band providers operating points out that surcharges residents are forced to work and websites. Email him at in Massachusetts from cap- would be capped at \$100 and attend school from cwade@cnhi.com ping the amount of data extra per month, and it also home via the internet," law-Vargas said the com-

pany refused to scrap the law that prevents the state Comcast began inform- changes, so lawmakers from regulating internet ing customers about the responded with a bill that changes over the past few would prevent internet "There shouldn't be data months and notified those providers from capping caps or shut-offs to the who were exceeding the cap, data usage during the state internet," Vargas said. "We giving them a two-month of emergency. Comcast don't allow utilities to shut grace period to adjust their recently said it will delay data cap overage fees until But its decision to imple- August, but on Friday a allow it for something as ment the changes amid the company spokesperson essential as the internet?" pandemic sparked outrage said that date has now been

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35. Transmits genetic information

44. Swiss Nobel Peace Prize winner

41. Expression of sympathy

49. Disorganized in character

from DNA

36. Commercials

39. Digits

42. Bleats

47. Turf

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56. Rules over

58. More fervid

60. Sweet drink

62. Cry loudly

63. A friendly nation

34. "Titanic" actor

(abbr.)

45. Equally

53. Song

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50. Heavy stoves

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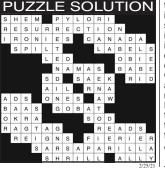
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# Rotary Club awards banquet goes virtual

By Madeline Hughes mhughes@andovertownsman.com

a special virtual event. poned indefinitely because meet them." of the COVID-19 pandemic. new technology over the past organizer Sheldon Berman. year has helped the organiza-Andy Betts, the president of receive the awards. Andover Rotary.

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interact with the recipients. Betts said.

In previous years "there The Rotary Club of Andover would be a banquet all night will be celebrating its 2020 Cit- long and then presentations izens Who Care on March 3 in and then people went home, Betts said, "After the event Last year the 24th annual this time there will be breakcelebration to honor Andover out sessions on Zoom so you residents' service was post- will be able to thank them and

This year the Rotary is cel-However, the adoption of ebrating a "stellar group," said

"There's so many extraortion plan a virtual event that dinary people who are here," will surely be special, said Berman said, of those who will

The group includes Andover The club will honor each High School graduate and award recipient with their current Colby College freshown biographical video doc- man Wilson Stecher, who umenting their service to will be honored as the Stuthe community, creating a dent of the Year. During 90-minute award ceremony his time at Andover High that will be followed by Zoom School, Stecher was the lead receptions where people can mentor for Students to Students, a peer mentor group that helps freshmen.

> Rabbi Robert Goldstein and his wife Faith Goldstein are recipients of the Lifetime Achievement award for their years of service to the community. This award is being bestowed upon them as they begin new adventures with Robert Goldstein retiring from Temple Emanuel this summer. John "Muddy" Waters and his wife Liza Waters are also recipients of a Lifetime Achievement award for their years of service to the community. John Waters retired as the Head of Pike School last year.

> Joel Blumstein, Jane Cairns, Louise Hadad, Joanne Lina Heim, Carolyn Hill Page, Michael Konjoian and Lenore Price are all recipients of a Citizen of the Year award.

> Norma Villarreal will be honored as the Teacher of the Year.

> Awards will be given starting at 6:30 p.m. and there will be a meet and greet after at 8 p.m. More information and to sign up for the event, go to citizenswhocare.eventbrite.com.

> After the March 3 event the club will begin planning it's 25th awards ceremony celebrating 2021 Citizens Who Care, Betts said. The event will be planned for the fall, he said, when hopefully there won't be as many restrictions for social events.



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# Sports

# **NEW FAMILY DYNAMIC**

# DJ Fazio, father Dave thriving on same Andover hoops coaching staff

By Jeff Hamrick Staff Writer

A coach's routine remains pretty stable throughout their career, especially among the most successful.

Whenever a global pandemic rolls around, however, newfound creases need to be ironed out.

The solution to one of those wrinkles this winter at Andover High also installed a new on-court dynamic into a father-son relationship.

Almost a dozen years since DJ Fazio last played for his father — 32-year Andover boys basketball coach Dave — D.J. returned to the Golden Warrior fold this winter as a first-time assistant coach. He filled the spot left by longtime aides Carol Martini and Mike Trovato, who opted out of the COVIDinfluenced season.

The younger Fazio, who has been deeply involved with Andover's summer and fall programs, didn't need his arm twisted, and a job interview wasn't required.

"It's been something I've wanted to do for a long time, obviously," said DJ, a 29-year-old who has worked as a sales manager for Carlton National Resources since graduating from Emmanuel College in 2014. "Now that I'm more established at work, it's given me an opportunity to be more flexible, especially with the pandemic.

"We've been talking about doing it for years. It just kind of presented itself. There wasn't a fullblown conversation. It was like 'Hey, do you want to make a run at it this year?' I was on board, and we just kind of took it from there."

The season was a successful one for the Golden Warriors, who finished 11-1 and advanced to the finals of the MVC Cup.

While winning always makes things more joyful, this likely is the kind of year when long-lasting memories won't be related in just a won-loss record.



CARL RUSSO/staff photo

Andover boys head basketball coach Dave Fazio with his son and new assistant coach, DJ, who is a former Andover high standout who played for his father.

### **ACCOMPLISHED FAMILY**

Former Andover basketball standout DJ Fazio just closed out his first season as an assistant coach for his father, 32-year Golden Warriors head coach Dave Fazio.

DJ's younger sister Ally is a COVID-19 and oncology nurse in Boston, while their youngest sister Alivia is an occupational therapist. Ally was a basketball/lacrosse player at Andover High, and Alivia was a cheerleader.

"I'm so fortunate to have my dad in my life," said D.J. a three-year starting point guard in high school. "All the things he's done for me, it's great now to be able to help him. It's a unique situation, and I'm just very appreciative to be able to spend more time at what I say and do. He's around the game that he taught me growing up. It's cool to have that all in one thing.

The elder Fazio feels he's added a buddy as well as a son to his staff.

"The evolution of our relationship is second to none," Dave Fazio said. "Like he (has said) he's working with his best friend — his dad. We have so much fun together. He knows I'm absolutely insane and he just laughs just a great support. It's

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amazing."

Despite growing up in both the Andover basketball program and the same household as the school's coach, D.J. Fazio SUCCESS DURING has discovered another aspect of his father, Dave, in this season when all games are being live streamed.

"It's cool to see the relationship he has with these eventual career ledger. kids," D.J. said. "You don't notice that as much when you're just going to games. Seeing how he interacts with the kids and how they interact with him is just very cool.

"You realize why he has so many alumni who come on in the world that at the back or call him. After games he gets like 30 text messages, especially with the YouTube aspect of people being able to watch from Florida, Arizona and from everywhere. It's pretty cool just to see the impact he's made on so many lives."

In a year that will be marked in record books with asterisks, Dave Fazio will have a big one on his This will be the first time the Warriors have not advanced to a state tournathe program — since there is no state tournament this winter.

"There's so much going end of the day who really cares where I am or where our team is at," the 55-year-old Fazio said. "It's not the going into every game most important thing, but to these kids it matters.'

What makes it ironic is that this year's squad would be considered one of the best in the school's



STAFF FILE PHOTO

DJ Fazio spent three seasons as a starting point guard for the Andover boys basketball team. Now, he has joined the Golden Warriors' coaching

storied history. Not only did the Warriors sweep their regular-season schedule, they won those 10 games by an average scoring margin of 19.9 points.

"They are an inspiration to me," coach Fazio said of his players. "They show up every single day and work so hard and care so much. I'm just so lucky to be around these kids in these times. It's not about my journey as a coach, it's about my journey with these kids and valuing the time I spend with them."

Despite the added requirements to play games this year, it's still just basketball — with a little twist.

"As a coach you have ego and pride in the product you put out there," the head coach said. "I have high standards and ment in his 32 years leading have always coached with a chip on my shoulder. And honestly when the ball goes up and the clock starts, it hasn't been much different for me this vear.

> "I'm still holding kids going into every game knowing I need to make sure all these kids get an opportunity to play. That's a totally different mindset than in previous years."

# **▶ LOCAL ROUNDUP**

# Foster, Bresnick lead gymnastics team to MVC Cup title

# **GYMNASTICS**

Once again paced by the freshman duo of Gabby Bresnick and Molly Foster, Andover won the Merrimack Valley Conference Cup Division 1 title, topping North Andover 141.35-137.75 in the title meet on Sunday.

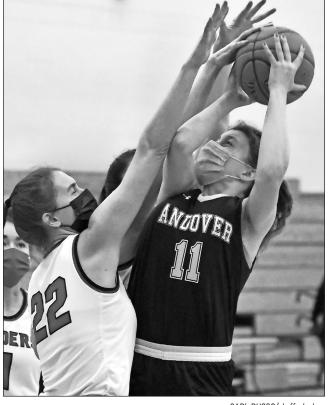
Winning this title means so much to me," said Foster. "I am so excited and proud of the team. We worked so hard together. We were not even sure if we would finish the season because of COVID, let alone win the MVC Cup.

"Every meet we got better and better and fixed our mistakes. The team as a whole has worked so hard and I'm so glad we brought our all today. Our hard work paid off against a very strong North Andover team."

Foster led the way, winning the beam (9.2) and taking second in the all-around (36.5) and floor exercise (9.4) and third in the vault (9.2) and bars (8.7).

Classmate Bresnick, meanwhile, was second in the vault (9.35) and bars (9.05) and third in all-around (36.05) and floor (9.05).

"To win the title felt absolutely incredible," said Bresnick. "The team has come such a long way since the beginning of the season and I'm ultimately so proud of everyone for stepping up and hitting their routines. This is just the beginning for us, we still have so much more to prove and are going to work harder than ever."



CARL RUSSO/staff photos

Andover's Amelia Hanscom fights to make a shot in the MVC Cup Division 1 finals against Central Catholic's Maggie Smith last week. Hanscom had a big game in the MVC Cup semis.

# **GIRLS HOCKEY**

### **Pinkham scores** thrilling winner

Amy Pinkham scored the goahead goal in second round of a sudden death shootout, then Lillian Jagger locked down the victory with a stellar save to give Andover a 4-3 victory over archrival Methuen/Tewksbury in the MVC Cup Division 1

semifinals last Wednesday. It was the fourth time the teams met this season, each winning twice.

"Coach told me I was going into the shootout just right before I went on," said Pinkham, who also had an assist on Andover's first goal of the day. "I was a little surprised, but I was prepared. I was ready to shoot. Everyone was excited for me to go

out and take the shot.' The junior forward went



Andover goalie Lillian Jagger, here earlier in the season, made a huge save in a shootout victory over Methuen/Tewksbury in the MVC Cup Division 1 semifinal.

top shelf for the game winner.

"I had an idea what I wanted to do," Pinkham said. "I had an idea just to shoot into the open spot into the back of the net.'

Lauren Adams, Rose MacLean and Lilly Reeves each scored a goal for the winners.

Andover took the lead early on a Jacqui Haney goal, but the Golden Warriors fell to Billerica/Chelmsford 3-2 in the MVC Cup Division 1 final on Sunday. Kalli Archambault scored the other goal for Andover (7-4).

# **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Hanscom steps up With star Tatum Shaw out due to COVID concerns, Amelia Hanscom stepped up with 18 points to lead Andover past Chelmsford 53-39 in the MVC Cup Division 1 semifinals last Monday. Anna Foley added 17 points for the Golden

Warriors.

Andover could not avenge its only losses of the season, falling to archrival Central Catholic 36-33 in the MVC Cup Division 1 final last

Thursday. Tatum Shaw led Andover (9-3) with 11 points.

# **BOYS BASKETBALL**

### MacLellan, Shahtanian hot for boys hoop team

Richie Shahtanian and Ryan MacLellan each scored a teamhigh 11 points as Andover rolled past Haverhill 53-28 in the MVC Cup Division 1 semifinals last Tuesday. Aidan Cammann added eight points for the Golden Warriors.

Andover suffered heartbreaking 39-37 loss to archrival Central Catholic in the MVC Cup Division 1 final last Thursday. Ryan MacLellan scored a team-high 11 points for the Golden Warriors, who finished the season

# **BOYS HOCKEY**

Warriors earn win

Timmy Kobelski, Anton Pace, Billy Moulton and Braden **Archambault** each scored a goal as Andover picked up its first win of the season, beating Lowell 4-1 in the MVC Cup Division 2 semifinals last Wednesday. Jake **Brezner** made 16 saves for the winners.

Despite a goal each for Steve Ingram and Ryan O'Sullivan, Andover fell to Chelmsford 3-2 in the MVC Cup Division 2 championship on Sunday. JJ Quill made 15 saves and did not allow a goal after coming on in net.

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Assistant Director Chris Dempsey shows the children a walking and dribbling technique.



Recreation Coordinator Jeff Newman shows James Goglia, 5 a technique.





Children ages 4 to 6 participated in a clinic to teach them basic basketball skills — and enjoy companionship with their peers — at the Andover Recreation Department's program at the Bancroft School. A dozen boys and girls learned ball dribbling, shooting skills, and team spirit under the instruction of Assistant Director Chris Dempsey and Recreation Coordinator Jeff Newman.



Brody Johnson, 5 - aka Captain America - is ready to play.



Annabell Chabot, 5, lines up her shot to the basket.

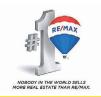


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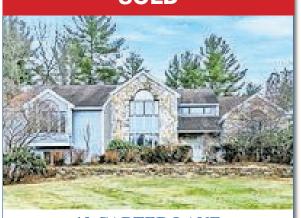
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