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## 'Hardly able to sit still'



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First-grade teacher Hellen Waller points to a student as they stand in a circle and share what they did over the weekend to start the school day at High Plain Elementary School.

## Kindergarten, first-grade students back to more in-person instruction

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Monday morning young students and teachers were particularly joyous, said Superintendent Claudia Bach, who visited High Plain Elementary School.

Bach is making her rounds this week to kindergarten and first-grade classes in the district's five elementary schools. Those students returned to fuller classes, now attending four days a week, up from two. She observed children in "circle time," sitting together sharing stories about their

weekend and excitement at seeing the friends they have been separated from by being in different cohorts.

"The kids were hardly able to sit still," she said. "They were jumping up and down."

When the pandemic broke out a year ago, classrooms emptied and education went completely online. In August, Andover brought back students two days a week, creating two different "cohorts." Students in each of those cohorts would receive in-person instruction two days a week and be online three to

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## Local teachers slowly getting vaccinated

### Teachers' association, district call for targeted approach

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Teachers unions across the Merrimack Valley are celebrating access to the coronavirus vaccine after federal and state officials said educators and other school employees can receive their first COVID-19 shot within the month.

Last week after an announcement from President Joe Biden, CVS pharmacies began opening up appointments to educators and other school staff in the Commonwealth. More appointments were made available starting Thursday, when Gov. Charlie Baker announced eligible to get in line at state-run sites starting March 11.

Thus the hunt for appointments began.

Educators started competing for vaccination slots with the nearly one million more residents who just entered the appointment pool two weeks ago when the Baker-Polito Administration opened up slots to residents 65 and older and those with two or more qualifying

medical conditions. Some Andover teachers have found appointments, Superintendent Claudia Bach said Monday. Some are during the day so principals promised teachers to cover classes when teachers manage to score an appointment, she said.

To avoid shuffling and disruption during the school day to get appointments, officials have called for a more targeted approach for vaccinating teachers to ensure it happens quickly and efficiently.

Without a plan to get teachers vaccinated at an expedited pace "we are not really moving closer to finding a solution that can bring everyone back to an in-person healthy and safe learning environment," said Matthew Bach, the president of the Andover Education Association.

"It would be an empty gesture to say 'you can get the vaccine' and then not be able to get vaccinated," Bach said.

Officials had previously planned to vaccinate

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Kindergarten teacher Michael Dowd looks in on Jordan Kinsman as he starts a lesson at High Plain Elementary School. Andover's kindergarten and first-graders are back in school four days a week after starting the year under a hybrid of in-person and remote learning.

## Health director: Take first opportunity to get vaccine



MADELINE HUGHES/Staff photo

Wood Hill Middle School teacher Jane Anthony, 66, receives her vaccine from her school's nurse, Elizabeth Canavan, on March 3 at Andover High School during the town's clinic.

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Jane Anthony of Andover was immediately put to ease when she walked into the Andover Field House to see her co-worker from Wood Hill Middle School.

School nurse Elizabeth Canavan would be administering her COVID-19 vaccine. "This is what I've been doing to do all year," Canavan said while giving the shot to Anthony. "Vaccinate my teachers."

Anthony was eligible for

her vaccine last Wednesday because of her age. She was one of 80 people to attend the town's latest clinic. It was also one of the town's last vaccination clinics because the state stopped providing first doses to local health departments earlier this month.

Andover has received the second doses of the vaccine for people previously vaccinated who were scheduled to come back. Those clinics will be held March 17 and 31.

Local officials aren't

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## As state delays MCAS, Andover wants tests canceled

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The state is delaying MCAS tests this year for elementary and middle-school students, but Andover says the delay is not good enough.

The town's school officials and teachers want the tests canceled because of disruption to learning caused by the pandemic.

Jeff Riley, state commissioner of elementary and secondary education, announced the MCAS delay Friday. The announcement comes as Andover's School Committee and teachers union call on the state to cancel the tests. More than 20 other Massachusetts school districts have made similar requests.

"We call for a moratorium on MCAS testing for the 2020-21 school year so all students can benefit from their time being focused on direct instruction," the

School Committee wrote in a resolution passed unanimously last week.

MCAS tests are on the horizon as students return to classrooms more hours each week in some districts, while other districts make plans to increase in-person learning. The state has postponed MCAS for grades three to eight until May, but Andover school officials say the tests should be canceled because the pandemic has been deeply disruptive to learning.

"The social-emotional trauma both individually and collectively has yet to be truly realized in the students who have experienced the shutdown of their local school buildings and separations from their peers and supportive adults," the School Committee wrote in its resolution against MCAS.

The committee's statement came a week

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# SCHOOL

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help maintain distance between students and staff, keeping the spread of germs to a minimum.

The district loosened its requirement, decreasing the space between desks to 3 feet from 6 feet in kindergarten and first-grade classrooms to accommodate the combined cohorts. The state now allows 3-foot space in schools when everyone is masked.

School officials previously planned a more gradual increase of students returning this year, checking in at two-week intervals, Bach said. However, that plan shifted Friday when Education Commissioner Jeff Riley mandated elementary students be back in classes five days a week by April 5.

"I've been in meetings and we have more meetings planned to talk with principals," Bach said. "We are doing everything we can to meet that deadline because that's a mandate we take seriously."

The largest obstacle for getting children back is lunch and snack time, when students must be 6 feet apart because they are not wearing masks, she said.

There's data from school districts that 3 feet of space still prevents



Principal Pamela Lathrop, right, and Superintendent of Andover Public Schools Dr. Claudia Bach, in back, watch as students stretch and move during a team-building lesson on a smart board at High Plain Elementary School.

transmission of the virus, however, the state's guidelines still mandate everyone be 6 feet apart if they are maskless, she explained.

It's been a balancing act for district officials to decide how to follow state and federal guidelines. For example, the CDC still recommends students

sit with 6 feet of separation. The state changed its recommendation to 3 feet in August, but Andover changed the distance between desks only this

week. "If (the state) further lifted its protocols we would strongly consider it," Bach said. "There will not be easy answers."

Currently, elementary school principals at each school are planning the best approach to seating for lunch, Bach said. It will look different at each school because of the space and the number of students, she said.

At the middle and high schools principals are also looking at how to get students back, Bach said. She thinks there will also be mandates and deadlines for that.

Lunch is still a big hurdle at those levels, as well. However, classrooms at the high school are also very limiting, she said.

"At the high school the biggest challenge is maintaining some distance in the classrooms because even before (the pandemic) they were very crowded classrooms," Bach said.

Principals have been ordering equipment, including outdoor event tents, to help expand classroom space, she said. They are hopeful the spring weather will allow for outdoor instruction.

She and other administrators will have more information about expanding classroom time for the School Committee and parents at the next meeting March 18.

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# VACCINE

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planning to pack up the vaccination clinic set in the Andover High School Field House just yet, said Director Public Health Thomas Carbone.

"We are not taking anything apart," Carbone said.

Currently, the state is strapped with resources, only getting about 150,000 first doses a week, said Gov. Charlie Baker. That's why they have pushed resources to mass vaccination sites like the Danvers DoubleTree, Gillette Stadium and Fenway Park.

It's efficient at those sites because more people can get vaccinated quickly, instead of hosting many of these smaller clinics, Baker said.

"The state believes there are adequate outlets for people to go get their vaccine for those who are eligible," Carbone said. "That continues to be the pharmacies, places like Greater Lawrence Family health and mass vaccination sites."

Town officials are currently hoping to be able to offer vaccinations to teachers and other school staff, who will be allowed to receive the vaccine this week. Andover school's Director of Nursing Rita Casper has reached

out to local clinics and pharmacies to see if they could partner to use Andover's facilities to host the district's own clinic.

"We would love to be able to obtain vaccines so we could host clinics for residents or our teacher. However, at the moment there is no indication that's possible," Carbone said.

He is urging people "whenever you have the opportunity to get the vaccine take it."

"Be patient. We are all going to get an opportunity to get the vaccine," he advised. "Everyone wants to be prioritized, but we have to wait to get our turns."



Margret Sullivan of Andover was relieved to be eligible for the vaccine so she can protect her elderly parents and grandparents, she said. She was vaccinated at Andover's clinic March 3. MADELINE HUGHES/Staff photo

# TEACHERS

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teachers at the Andover Field House when the town's Public Health Department was receiving vaccines. They could have easily vaccinated all 1,200 employees in two days, Health Director Thomas Carbone said. However, the state stopped sending Andover and other municipalities the vaccine earlier this month in order to direct more doses to larger mass vaccination sites.

At a press conference

announcing the new March 11 availability for educators, Baker said the state may set aside specific dates for school staff members to be vaccinated at mass vaccination sites across the state. However, Andover officials asked for a more local approach in letters sent to Baker and other officials, asking they send doses to the town Health Department to set aside specific clinics for local teachers.

"Bringing this back locally and doing this at times that work for people

will just make sense," said School Committee member Susan McCready.

Since the state has said it wouldn't be allowing local health departments to host clinics, Andover school's Director of Nursing Rita Casper has reached out to local pharmacies and health clinics to attempt to partner up for a local clinic, she said. She added that they offered school nurses to help vaccinate and the Field House as a facility for the clinic.

"Anything we can do to collaborate with them to entice them to help our

district we will do," Casper said.

The Massachusetts Teachers Association has proposed a plan they are calling the "Last Mile Vaccine Delivery Plan" that is currently on Baker's desk. It asks that vaccines be specifically distributed to educators, similar to the way hospitals and residential living facilities were prioritized at the beginning of the roll-out.

The plan proposed by the Massachusetts Teachers Association would start with high-risk communities.

Haverhill, Lawrence and Methuen are among the 20 cities and towns designated as equity communities by the state Department of Public Health — those hardest hit by the pandemic.

Bach said he was supportive of that plan to get vaccines distributed more locally. He said he hopes the vaccine can provide reassurance to teachers as more students come into classrooms.

This week as kindergarten and first grade students combined cohorts to return to in-person four days a

week, teachers were happy, he said. However, large class sizes do worry teachers, Bach said.

"One kindergarten teacher said they were worried they would have 24 students in their class. That's too high for non-pandemic years. Andover can afford to do better," he said.

The teachers' association will continue to push for smaller class sizes even after the pandemic subsides, he said.

Staff writer Allison Corneau contributed to this report.

# MCAS

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after teachers asked committee members to pressure the state against having the tests,

and also after Andover teachers union president Matthew Bach said the union would also send a letter to the state.

"The MCAS test, as I think we can all agree, is socially and emotionally destructive

to students, especially in a year where direct instruction is so needed and desired for our students and recognized by our educators," Bach said.

He was supported by Elizabeth Wright, a math teacher at Doherty Middle School

who said the MCAS would be especially cumbersome for students with disabilities and language barriers who were disproportionately affected by the pandemic keeping them out of classrooms.

"Since Massachusetts began administering the MCAS, the educational gaps between wealthy, dominant-culture students and those outside of the dominant culture have not closed," Wright said. "Rather, in the case of English language learners, they have widened. In places of privilege, such as private schools, children are exempt from the MCAS. It is my view

that this year especially that we should grant the children of Andover Public Schools that same exemption."

Standardized tests are federally mandated, but the U.S. Department of Education said it is allowing states to request a waiver from this year's tests because it wants to put all efforts toward getting children into classrooms.

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# LARE Institute provides career paths amid pandemic

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Jennifer Guardado was looking for a new career just as the pandemic hit last year. That search stopped for the 26-year-old Lawrence woman when she, like many others, needed to stay home to care for her child after the schools shut down.

However, even a year later, that hasn't translated into her having no career options on the horizon, she said. Rather, she will be enrolling in the medical assistant program at Andover's LARE Institute as soon as her daughter gets back to school full time.

Despite massive unemployment over the past year, the LARE Institute has been successfully helping people like Guardado explore new fields in healthcare, business and various trades.

Operated by the nonprofit American Training, LARE is the organization's educational, occupational skill training and job placement



LARE Institute Executive Director Tiffany Mottola, left, hands Tiffany Frazier her certificate at a 2020 graduation ceremony.

program. "We have companies reaching out constantly for students, and we don't have the students," said Tiffany Mottola, the institute's executive director.

LARE serves those with disabilities, at-risk youth, the unemployed and underemployed, and lifelong

adult learners. Amid the COVID-19 crisis, they have also helped navigate career changes for those employed in the hardest-hit industries.

"This is what's so rewarding," Mottola said, describing shifts from homeless shelters or chronic unemployment to "all of the sudden getting the \$30 an hour



Desiree Ortiz, left, and Executive Director Tiffany Mottola sit at a LARE Institute desk where they teach electronics and assembly.

job." Guardado previously worked in cosmetology and as a receptionist, but she knew she wanted to be in the medical field.

LARE's medical assistant program gave her the technical training and proper certifications within a few months for just under \$6,000. At a comparable community college, the classes would have taken longer and cost about \$15,000, plus more for the

certifications, Mottola said.

In addition to the technical training, "they teach you all the special things you need to get a job," Guardado said.

She received help with writing her resume and learning how to prepare for a job interview. She was also able to attend workshops about mental health and wellness.

"They help you with real-life situations not just the coursework," Guardado said.

The institute prides itself on ensuring its students are taken care of during their time in classes, Mottola said. It intertwines social work with education to help particularly disadvantaged people enrolled through the state, she said.

"Typically school won't care about if you are eating breakfast before class or if your daughter has shoes," Mottola said. "We care."

Most recently during the holidays, the staff brought presents to the children of students in the institutes' young parents program. The program, paid for by the state, helps train parents younger than 24 years old, Mottola said.

These life-changing opportunities to find higher-paying work really help students, she said.

"You see this crazy transition in such a short time. People are getting apartments or putting down payments on a house," she said. "It's amazing."

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# Opinion

## Domestic violence laws should be updated

Domestic violence doesn't always lead with a fist. Abuse as often starts with emotional, social and psychological assault. In a world where everyone carries a computer in their pocket, those acts of aggression are delivered via text, email or instant message just as often as they're uttered.

Patterns of control at the hands of an abuser are well known. Still, laws written to prevent and punish domestic violence still imagine crimes in two-dimensional, physical terms. Those laws need updating. Massachusetts can and should become a leader among the states by changing its own.

A bill before the Legislature lays out specific definitions of what's known as coercive control -- the "pattern of threatening, humiliating or intimidating actions" that seek to "harm, punish or frighten." Often, note the authors of HD.3052, the aim is to limit a victim's freedom or tear down their self-identity.

As important to protecting abuse survivors is a three-line section near the bottom of the bill that more than doubles the statute of limitations to charge a perpetrator to 15 years. Doing so acknowledges that many abuse survivors experience deep trauma and may not be able to speak up within the six years now allowed for an indictment.

"We've seen instances where if they see other victims from the same perpetrator, that might incentivize them to seek recourse," state Rep. Tram Nguyen, D-Andover, said of survivors. Nguyen, who worked with survivors of sexual and domestic abuse as an attorney for Greater Boston Legal Services, is now coauthor, with state Rep. Natalie Higgins, D-Leominster, of the bill that would update the law.

"We want to enable folks to have their day in court and hold perpetrators accountable," Nguyen said. "We want to make sure that we give them the time and space to heal."

Nguyen said the bill that she and Higgins filed, and that's drawn seven more cosponsors, comes out of a larger movement to adopt what's known as the Phoenix Act. The law that began in California, and prominently advocated by actress Evan Rachel Wood, extends statutes of limitations for survivors of domestic violence. In addition, California and Hawaii have passed laws defining the nature of coercive control, with similar measures now pending in New York and Connecticut.

The United States is not the first to address the psychological and emotional crimes committed within a home or intimate relationship. England and Wales did so more than five years ago and according to a Time magazine account were the first countries in the world to criminalize the behavior.

Laura Richards, a British criminal behavior analyst who advocated for the law, told the magazine the movement is as much about changing the wider understanding of the dynamics of domestic abuse. "We're beginning to understand that it isn't about one-off incidents," she said. "Abuse is a pattern, a war of attrition that wears a person down. Coercive control is the very heart of it."

Such painful assaults are the underpinning of Natasha Trethewey's book published last year, "Memorial Drive: A Daughter's Memoir." The Pulitzer Prize winner and former U.S. poet laureate explores the abuse of her mother, a professional social worker, at the hands of her stepfather and her perception of it through the eyes of a child. Only in her adulthood does Trethewey find the evidence of a terroristic relationship that spanned veiled threats to specific ones to physical assault to, eventually, her mother's murder.

Criminalizing the emotional and psychological assaults that underpin cases of domestic violence -- and further opening the window to prosecute cases of domestic violence -- are only part of a long legislative agenda that Nguyen brings to the Statehouse on behalf of survivors this session. Another measure seeks to protect survivors of sexual assault committed by neighbors, classmates, coworkers or other perpetrators outside a victim's household. A different measure, revived from last session, seeks to help victims of violent crime and human trafficking qualify more easily for protective visas to stay in the United States.

All merit careful consideration, but lawmakers should begin with a clear-eyed review and update of the state's laws that criminalize domestic violence.

## WEB QUESTION

In a much hyped interview with Oprah Winfrey televised on CBS last Sunday, Meghan Markle described the turmoil and mental pain inflicted upon her after marrying into Britain's royal family.

The former actress and wife of Prince Harry told Winfrey she faced racism and at one point thought of committing suicide. She and her husband ultimately distanced themselves from the family.

What did you think of Markle's interview? **OUTRAGEOUS:** Queen Elizabeth II, Prince Charles and the lot should be ashamed of the treatment of Markle, which so closely

resembles their cold shoulder toward the mother-in-law whom Markle never met, the late Lady Diana. This is to say nothing of what Markle has faced in the tabloids.

**SUSPICION:** Why is Markle looking for publicity? Is it because she and Prince Harry have left their royal duties and are looking to remake their image? Or perhaps there's some other agenda here.

**SO WHAT:** A reported 17 million people watched Markle's interview -- an Oscar-sized audience -- but I wasn't one of them. I'd rather hike an AVIS trail in 20-degree weather than listen to royal complaining.

## Battling Andover's waistline



Tom Adams

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Survival for early man was no picnic. Traversing an unknown wilderness teeming with danger, constantly on the move seeking shelter and food, life was anything but sedentary. Living from one day to the next depended not only on outwitting their prey but being fit enough to win the battle. Early man had to know how to run, jump, crawl, climb, lift, carry and fight. So life went on for millennia.

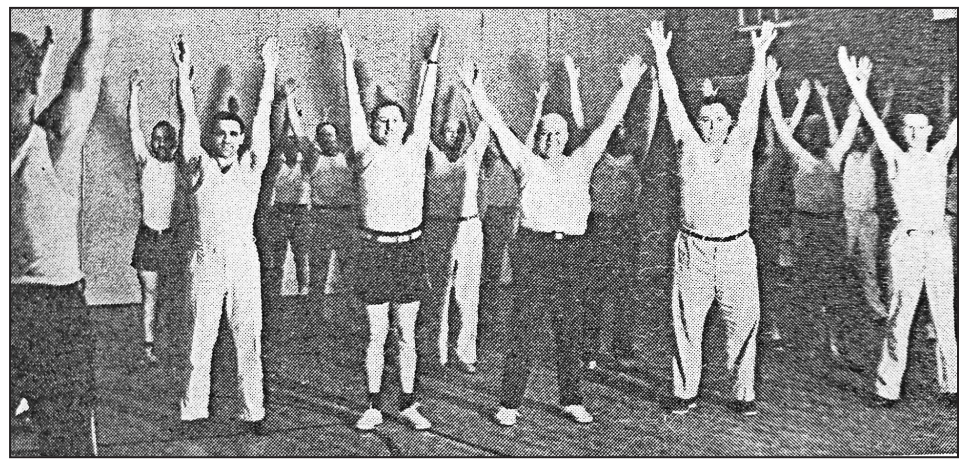
Indigenous peoples evolved learning to master their environments. As civilization grew, fitness evolved as well.

The first recorded gymnasiums date back to ancient Persia. The Egyptians introduced acrobatics. China developed Kung Fu in the fifth century B.C., and Yoga was developed in India during that same period. Greece held the first Olympic Games in 776 B.C.

Mankind's territorial imperative, the hardwired need to protect and expand their civilizations, fueled their armies. The Roman Empire, like the Greeks before them, imposed physical training on boys and young men preparing for battle.

History rolled forward and work became more and more mechanized. Small rural villages morphed into larger towns and finally cities.

Beginning in Europe in the 1700s, through its rise in America from 1876



This photo from the Andover Townsman in 1937 was titled, "Main Street's business men try to drop a few pounds." The caption read, in part, "The huskies pictured above include your town treasurer, your real estate man, your jeweler, your meat man - in fact, most of Main street's business men who still think there's a chance that they can get back into shape again. This picture was taken at the business men's gym class a week ago. The smiles on the faces show that it was posed, for during the actual exercises grunts replace smiles ...."

through 1900, the Industrial Revolution found workers performing redundant, stationary, mechanized tasks. The nature of work became far less physically demanding. Physical fitness took a temporary backseat.

The first YMCA in the United States opened in Boston in 1851. Known as the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, it was likely America's first gym.

Within 10 years there were some 200 YMCAs across the country, most of which provided gyms for exercise, swimming, games and social interaction.

By the early 1900s, gymnasiums were beginning to take hold across America. By the 1920s, a large numbers of schools, many with gyms, were being built. The facilities were used for physical education, school gatherings and intramural sports including baseball, football and basketball.

Rivalries between local schools, like Andover and North Andover, became a source of community pride for generations to come.

In 1937, a group of Andover

businessmen joined in an exercise class.

Then in the 1970s, personal fitness really captured Andover's fancy. The heightened interest in fitness brought out joggers who loped through our parks and along town streets. Many joined a gym or a tennis club, or purchased in-home fitness equipment.

Gyms and personal training centers sprung up along Main Street, in the repurposed mills and shopping centers, seemingly en masse. Many names remain familiar even decades later.

Silverado, founded by Kristine Estabrook in the early 1990s, was a fitness center for women.

"It was a great concept and a huge hit. The members just loved her," noted Evie Caron, an Andover native and long-time personal trainer.

Many others followed -- with familiar names such as Gold's Gym, Intentional Fitness, Latitude, the Andover Training Station, Fitness Together and Alex and Diana Kiesel's Yang's Fitness Center and Martial Arts.

The Andover Senior Center has even gotten involved offering group fitness and Yoga classes for our senior citizens.

Recent decades have also brought road races front and center, with participants numbering in the many thousands.

Individuals, running clubs like the Merrimack Valley Striders, and local businesses gather to help worthy causes.

Run for the Troops, supporting wounded veterans, arrived in 2012. Step Up for Colleen, first run in 2014,

was established honoring the memory of Colleen Ritzer. And, of course, the granddaddy of them all, the ever-popular Feaster Five Road Race, made its inaugural run in 1988 on Thanksgiving morning.

While the times and faces may have changed, our sedentary lifestyle has not. The need for personal fitness and to keep moving remains as constant as ever.

Andover's fitness community, in its many forms, continues to help battle Andover's waistline.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

March 23.  
Nancy Buckley  
Andover

### Spruce brings considered approach to school issues

Editor, Townsman:

As a parent of a West Elementary fourth-grader, I am invested in our schools being the very best they can be. But for schools to be the very best, their leaders need to listen and be responsive to their constituents.

Over the last three years, School Committee member Tracey Spruce has impressed me with her willingness to hear not just the good but to listen intently about what we could be doing better and take action to improve.

I am delighted that she is running for reelection to the School Committee, as I believe that we need leaders like her now more than ever.

Spruce has a remarkable way of connecting with people. She is genuine, easy to

effort to "catch up" students academically. It will require a commitment to our students' needs outside of the classroom as well

Restoring and reengaging students in activities that went dormant for a year, shoring up resources for student services, and focusing on rebuilding relationships between students and their schools will be paramount in the coming years.

We don't know the true impact of this crisis and likely won't know for some time, but we can prepare ourselves by ensuring our School Committee leadership understands the gravity of the situation now.

Spruce has already demonstrated her deep commitment to our students through her advocacy and action while on the School Committee. She deserves a second term to continue this important work.

I hope your readers join me in voting for Tracey Spruce for Andover School Committee on

talk to and can communicate with people from a diversity of backgrounds with empathy and understanding.

Her willingness to speak with residents, hear their concerns and make careful decisions on a wide range of topics -- from school safety to student mental health to issues of equity and inclusion -- demonstrate that she takes this role seriously and carefully.

In a district where community conversations around school issues can be passionate, Spruce is a calm, balanced, observant and honest voice for even the most emotional of topics.

As we face big decisions in an unpredictable time, I believe that Spruce's ability to engage the public thoughtfully will be pivotal in helping make the right choices for our schools.

I am asking Andover's voters to join me in supporting Tracey Spruce on March 23.

ELIZABETH BUCKLEY  
Andover

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ANDOVER NEWS IN BRIEF

Andover High club hosts food drive

Andover High's COVID Support Club is hosting a food drive during the month of March.

Student Justin Jin started the 160-plus-member club last year to fundraise to give money to organizations helping to feed the hungry. "I started the club with the motive of helping our community through unprecedented times during the pandemic," Jin said. "Seeing that crime was heading upward because people needed to rob to feed their families broke my heart."

Now, members are collecting non-perishables for

Lazarus House in Lawrence. Donations may be placed in bins outside of the Cormier Youth Center, 40 Whittier Court, Andover. If anyone has questions or wants to help, contact ahsccovidclub@gmail.com.

Concert for seniors

Doug Kwartler, a Chelmsford songwriter and producer, will perform a one-hour live concert specially curated for seniors on at 1 p.m., Sunday, March 14.

The concert will feature songs from The Great American Songbook, familiar folk songs, and up-tempo tunes from the 1950s. The event is free. There is a suggested \$5 donation which

will go toward the Newton-Wellesley Hospital Covid-19 response fund.

The event will be co-presented by Bridges by Epoch, an assisted living memory care community in Andover. It will be streamed on their Facebook page, facebook.com/bridgesbyepochandover and Kwartler's page facebook.com/dougmusic.

Enjoy corned beef and cabbage dinner

West Parish is hosting a corned beef and cabbage drive-through dinner featuring Thwaites Market corned

beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots and Irish soda bread on March 20. Meals can be picked up between 5 and 6:30 p.m. Ticket purchase may be made through the Facebook event Corned Beef & Cabbage Drive Through Dinner under "find tickets" or directly at www.westparishchurch.org/scholarships in advance only. Cost is \$15.

All proceeds will benefit college scholarships for members of the Lawrence Boys and Girls Club. The church has granted 99 scholarships since 2013, totaling \$78,000. See scholarship program details at westparishchurch.org/scholarships.

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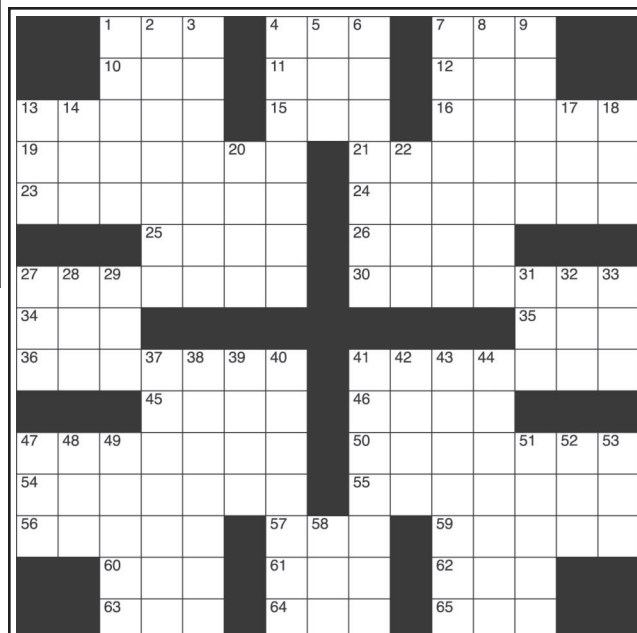


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21. Part of one's character perceived by others
23. Emotionally appealed to
24. Protected
25. Wrestling icon Okerlund
26. Thailand's former name
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30. Chooses
34. American film studio

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36. Mythical winged horse
41. Ballplayers
45. Edible seaweed
46. Chinese politician
47. Tested for fertility
50. Glove worn with medieval armor
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55. Small shoaling fish
56. Surrendered
57. Taxi
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60. Female sheep
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65. Type of student

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1. Frighten
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6. Navigator's tool
7. Relating to heat
8. Attractive
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14. A passage with access only at one end
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18. Cool!
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22. NW Pennsylvania city
27. Young dog
28. Mimic
29. Large truck
31. The NFL's Newton
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33. Diego, Francisco, Anselmo
37. Julie \_\_, actress
38. More nourishing
39. Compound
40. A small carrier attached to the side of a motorcycle
41. Object of fear or alarm
42. \_\_ Ladd, actor
43. Sacred place
44. A way to express enjoyment
47. Trigonometric function
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## Joan R. (Rivard) Bibeau, 87

October 18, 1933 - March 7, 2021  
Beloved Wife, Mother, Grandmother

ANDOVER, MA — Mrs. Joan R. (Rivard) Bibeau, a resident of Andover and beloved wife of Roland Bibeau and the late Charles Tremblay, passed away at the High Pointe Hospice House in Haverhill on Sunday evening, March 7, 2021. She was 87 years old.



Joan R. Bibeau

Born in Lawrence, Mass., on October 18, 1933, she was the daughter of the late Armand P. and Marion (Farrell) Rivard. Joan was employed by the Internal Revenue Service as a Tax Examiner for many years. In her spare time she enjoyed gardening, reading, crosswords and dining out. She was a faithful member of St. Augustine's parish and participated in their Senior Ministries for many years. Above all, Joan was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She will be remembered for her generous spirit and contagious laugh and will be greatly missed by all who loved her.

Besides her husband, Roland, she is survived by her loving children, James C. and his wife MaryLou Tremblay of Haverhill, Joanne Tremblay of Andover and Thomas M. Tremblay and his wife, Sharon Davey of Merrimack, New Hampshire, brother; John Rivard of Brunswick, Maine, sixteen grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister, Dorothy Paradis and brother, Armand Rivard.

ARRANGEMENTS: Her funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex Street, Andover on Thursday, March 11, 2021, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are most welcome to attend. Visitation will be held in the church, prior to the service, from 10 to 11 a.m. Interment will be held in the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Andover. Donations in Joan's memory may be made to St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex Street, Andover, MA 01810. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Burke-Magliozi Funeral Home of Andover. For additional information, please visit, [www.burkemagliozi.com](http://www.burkemagliozi.com).

### ► Merrimack College hockey

# COVID-19 abruptly ends season

By MIKE McMAHON  
Correspondent

The Merrimack College hockey team's last games of the season against Vermont last weekend were cancelled as key members of the program entered COVID-19 protocols.

The announcement on Thursday that Tier I personnel for the Warriors were in the Hockey East

conference's COVID-19 protocols also meant the team could not realistically compete in the first round of the conference tournament, which began this week.

Thus Merrimack's season is finished. Tier I personnel include student-athletes, coaches and other support staff.

The news delivered a gut-wrenching blow to a team that looked like it was beginning to put things

together. The Warriors were 4-4-2 in their last 10 games, after starting the season 1-7. They had wins over nationally ranked Boston University, New Hampshire and Providence, all in the last month.

New Hampshire was scheduled to play Boston University on Thursday, but that game was scrapped

last week. A UNH coach had entered the conference's COVID-19 protocol, and others were sidelined due to contact tracing forced the game to be canceled.

With Merrimack, the positives test for COVID-19 happened so late in the week, they would not have the time required to test personnel out of the protocol before the playoffs began.

# State marks year under emergency rules

By CHRISTIAN M. WADE  
Statehouse Reporter

Massachusetts had only reported about 30 new coronavirus cases when Gov. Charlie Baker declared a state of emergency one year ago, a move that was followed by school and business closings and restrictions on travel and gatherings.

As the numbers of COVID-19 infections skyrocketed, Baker invoked the state's 1950 Civil Defense Act on March 10 to declare a state of emergency. He also issued a stay-at-home advisory and mask mandate, and ordered schools and businesses across a wide swath of industries to shut down to "flatten the curve" of the virus.

Those restrictions, meant to blunt the virus' destructive path, have reshaped many aspects of daily life, from school, work and shopping, to family get-togethers and childcare.

As of Tuesday, Massachusetts had reported 560,981 COVID-19 positive cases and 16,123 deaths.

One year later, there is growing optimism over the state's improving public health metrics, with COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations dropping and increasing numbers of people getting one of three publicly available vaccines.

But public health officials caution the pandemic has a long tail.

"It's been a long and difficult year in many ways," said Dr. David Hamer, an infectious disease expert and professor at Boston University's School of Public Health and School of Medicine. "While things are looking up, with infection rates down and vaccines getting out, we're not out of the woods yet."

Massachusetts leads the nation in COVID-19 testing, and despite problems with the initial rollout of vaccines, the state is among the top five for administering doses of the drugs.

More than 2.1 million doses had been administered as of Tuesday, with more than 715,000 people fully vaccinated. The state has nearly

6.9 million residents.

Baker has taken steps in recent weeks to ease some of the restrictions, as the state's COVID-19 data continues to trend in the right direction. He's also set a timeline to reopen businesses, such as sports venues, that have been shuttered since the first waves of the pandemic arrived a year ago.

"As we continue to make progress in Massachusetts and get closer to the other side of this, we know how difficult these restrictions have been and continue to be for businesses large and small across the state," Baker said during a briefing late last month. "We know businesses continue to hurt, and we need to find ways to help them."

Still, restrictions on travel, public and private gatherings, capacity and social distancing remain in place under the emergency order, with no definitive expiration date.

Bars, nightclubs, museums, sports venues and

other businesses are struggling to survive amid the virus' ongoing economic fallout, business leaders say.

"There are still businesses with their doors closed, a year later," said Chris Carullozzi, state director of the Massachusetts chapter of the National Federation of Independent Businesses. "The recovery will be slow and painful, and we are going to be dealing with the after-effects of what happened for a long time."

Despite that, there are glimmers of hope in the business sector with the state's capacity limits being eased and increased consumer activity, Carullozzi said.

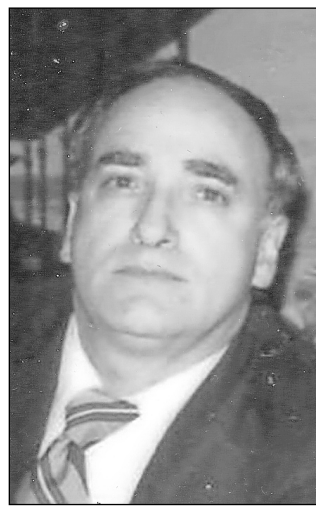
"Things are improving for many businesses," he said. "They are seeing more customers come through the door, and that's a trend we hope to see continue as things begin to normalize."

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## Mr. Norman W. Hunt, 89

September 5, 1931 - March 7, 2021  
Beloved Father, Grandfather

ANDOVER, MA — Mr. Norman W. Hunt, a resident of Andover and beloved husband of the late Patricia L. (Barry) passed away at the Lawrence General Hospital on Sunday morning, March 7, 2021. He was 89 years old.



Mr. Norman W. Hunt

Born on September 5, 1931, he was the beloved son of the late William J. and Margaret T. (O'Brien) Hunt. Norman and Patricia were married for more than 55 years. Norman was a US Navy Korean veteran, entering the military in Boston on March 21, 1951 and received his honorable discharge from Quonset Point, Rhode Island on February 6, 1956. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal for his honorary service. He was a graduate of Boston College, class of 1962. Norman was employed by Verizon for many years as a Communications Engineer. In his spare time, he enjoyed scuba diving and sailing with his dear friend Chuck O'Connor. He loved to visit the beaches in Maine. Above all, Norman was the pillar of his family. He prided himself on being a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He will be dearly missed.

Norman is survived by his loving children; Joseph

E. Hunt of Andover, Paul R. and his wife, Carol D. Hunt of Bow, N.H. and Susan M. and her husband, Scott Crispin of Avon, sisters; Clare Forgitano of Sebastian, Florida and Frances Chiarello of Bass River, grandchildren; Joey, Susan, Tyler, Heather and Remi and niece; Lorraine and her husband Dennis Moore of Newton, N.H.

ARRANGEMENTS: Funeral Services will be privately held. Donations in Norman's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105. For additional information, please visit, [www.burkemagliozi.com](http://www.burkemagliozi.com).

# Animal rights group presses for cage rules

By CHRISTIAN M. WADE  
Statehouse Reporter

A California-based animal rights group is ratcheting up pressure on Attorney General Maura Healey to release new regulations for a voter-approved law banning sales of eggs and meat from cage-confined animals.

In a recent court filing, lawyers representing the Humane Farming Association asked a state court to order Healey's office to issue draft rules by March 30, and argued that a delay jeopardizes farm animals.

"It's outrageous that we need to resort to litigation to force Attorney General Healey to follow the law," Bradley Miller, the group's national director, said in a statement. "Healey's failure to promulgate the regulations as required, as well as her support of industry efforts to reduce the amount of space provided to hens, is a cruel betrayal of farm animals and a slap in the face to

Massachusetts voters."

Healey's office wrote in court filings that the regulations aren't finalized and denied the allegation that she refuses to issue them.

"In addition to meetings and conversations with animal welfare groups and industry representatives, she conducted an information session with interested stakeholders on Feb. 23," Healey's office wrote. "She anticipates promulgating the regulations before the statute's effective date of Jan. 1, 2022."

Question 3, which was approved by more than 77% of voters in 2016, bans shelled eggs, veal and other meat produced by cage-confined animals and establishes some of the toughest farm animal restrictions in the nation.

But regulations to implement the law, which goes into effect next January, have been postponed amid the pandemic and behind-the-scenes wrangling over

provisions that food industry officials say make it unworkable.

Last month, meat and egg producers who supply the Massachusetts market asked regulators to delay implementation of the law, saying they won't have enough time to adjust their operations to comply.

Producers say the cage requirements, which mandate enclosures of at least 1 1/2 square-feet per bird, are stricter than what other states require and will lead to egg shortages and higher prices in Massachusetts.

They want the limit reduced to enclosures of about 1 square foot for large-scale, multi-tiered aviary farms that allow birds to move around more freely.

Several animal welfare groups that campaigned for the voter-approved law, including the Humane Society of United States, are on board with the push to reduce the size of enclosures, which they say will

lead to better conditions for egg-laying hens as a result of concessions by the industry.

To be sure, Massachusetts isn't home to many of the large-scale egg and pork producing farms that supply regional distribution chains. Most eggs and meat sold here come from elsewhere.

But the new regulations would set up a new regulatory system to ensure that meat and eggs supplied to the state meet the cage confinement rules.

Healey wrote to lawmakers more than a year ago saying hers was "not the best suited government office to lead the regulatory effort" and urged them to transfer responsibility for drafting rules to the state Department of Agricultural Resources. Lawmakers haven't taken action on her request.

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Tuesday, March 2
Property damage: Tree fell in windstorm onto car. Report filed, Algonquin Avenue, 7:45 a.m.
Wednesday, March 3
Animal complaint: Bat found in home. Police gave advice

for removing it, Walnut Avenue, 1:07 a.m.
Fraud: Identity fraud, Salem Street, 9:20 a.m.
Threats: Written threats via Facebook, Orchard Street, 12:55 p.m.
Fraud: Identity fraud, Fun Flight Circle, 2:15 p.m.

Fraud: Bank fraud, Cuba Street, 2:56 p.m.
Thursday, March 4
Fraud: Unemployment fraud, Pasho Road, 8:13 a.m.
Fraud: Unemployment fraud, Sugarbush Lane, 3:21 p.m.

Friday, March 5
Theft: Snow pusher stolen, Dascomb Road, 6:53 a.m.
Fraud: Identity fraud, Belknap Drive, 2:05 p.m.
Arrest: Jay Berube, 44, of North Dighton, operating under the influence, second offense, Main Street,

9:13 p.m.
Saturday, March 6
Traffic citation: Failure to stop at a stop sign, Main Street, 10:17 a.m.
Traffic citation: Seat belt violation and written warning for hands-free device, North Main Street, 6:29

p.m.
Traffic citation: Speeding, North Main Street, 7:15 p.m.
Sunday, March 7
Officers requested: Man called 911 saying he found a body in the Merrimack River, River Road, 2:11 p.m.

# Jobless workers could get tax relief

By CHRISTIAN M. WADE  
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Rep. Tram Nguyen

BOSTON — Hundreds of thousands of workers who drew unemployment during the pandemic are on the hook for federal and state income taxes, but some lawmakers are hoping to give them a break.

A proposal by Rep. Tram Nguyen, D-Andover, backed by a dozen other Democrats, would grant a reprieve to workers who were unemployed last year and owe taxes on their benefits, delaying their state tax obligations until Dec. 31.

Nguyen, vice chairwoman of the Legislature's Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development, said the goal is to give workers who are still struggling more time to pay their taxes on unemployment benefits.

"There are many people who are still unemployed, and they're going to be getting hit with a big tax bill," she said. "We just want to give them more time to pay that back without penalties or interest."

A proposal filed Rep. Antonio Cabral, D-New Bedford, would exclude all jobless benefits paid out to workers last year from state income taxes for 2020.

Another bill, offered by Rep. Michelle DuBois, D-Brockton, would refund those who've already paid state taxes on unemployment benefits from last year.

The efforts are supported by groups advocating for the working poor, who say the economic fallout of the virus continues to impact many low-income families.

"This kind of help is crucial," said Lewis Finfer, co-director of the Massachusetts Communities Action Network. "Allowing workers who've been unemployed to defer their taxes, or in the case of low-wage earners to have some kind of tax forgiveness, would go along way to helping until their situation improves."

Like many states, Massachusetts saw a crush of unemployment claims as workers lost jobs amid government

closures to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. The state's unemployment rate rose to the nation's highest -- more than 16% last August.

More than 1.2 million 1099-G forms, recapping unemployment benefits paid and taxes withheld, were sent to beneficiaries in Massachusetts in January, according to the state Department of Unemployment Assistance.

The agency said state and federal taxes, including those provided through the \$300 per week Lost Wages

Assistance program, were withheld from jobless workers who requested it. It's not clear how many opted to have taxes withheld.

Meanwhile, jobless workers who were "overpaid" by receiving unemployment benefits they weren't qualified for are on the hook for repaying the state.

Unlike last year, when the state extended the April 15 income tax filing deadline for everyone, there doesn't appear to be any movement on Beacon Hill toward extending this year's deadline.

Nationally nearly 2 in 5 jobless workers who collected unemployment benefits last year didn't even know they were taxable, according to a recent Jackson Hewitt

survey.

Several states, including Maryland and Delaware, have passed legislation that waives some or all state income tax on unemployment benefits for 2020. A proposal being considered by the Maine Legislature would give taxpayers who were jobless a \$300 credit to offset taxes on their benefits.

On Friday, the U.S. Senate was debating President Joe Biden's \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package after adding an amendment that would exempt from taxes up to \$10,200 in benefits received last year.

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# New rules aim to ease housing crunch

By CHRISTIAN M. WADE  
Statehouse Reporter

The Baker administration is touting new rules aimed at boosting home building, saying the changes will help alleviate a housing crunch that has driven home prices and held back economic growth.

A law signed by Gov. Charlie Baker in January, as part of a \$627 million economic development package, immediately allows town governing bodies to change local zoning with a simple majority vote. Previously a two-thirds vote was required for passage.

During a live-streamed event last week, Housing and Economic Development Secretary Mike Kennealy said the so-called "housing choice" provision will "unlock production of all types of housing."

"The role that municipalities play in housing production is critical," Kennealy said during the event hosted by NAIOP Massachusetts, a commercial real estate development association. "That's where the planning and zoning happens, so that's why we believe (this law) will have a foundational impact on our ability to create housing around the state."

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# Police: Attacker had 'mental health,' 'anger' issues

## Man who targeted mother, daughter not a stranger to cops

By MIKE LABELLA  
Staff Writer

HAVERHILL — The man who police said attacked a woman and her pregnant daughter as they walked in their neighborhood last week, injuring one of them critically, was previously charged in three criminal cases — one involving violence against his girlfriend.



Jake Kavanaugh

The man's parents told investigators he has "mental health issues and anger issues," according to a police report detailing the case about the girlfriend.

The previous criminal charges against Jake Kavanaugh all came in the last three years and were dismissed for various reasons, according to court records. They involved the alleged girlfriend assault, a drug possession case, and a charge that Kavanaugh crashed a car into a parked vehicle and then fled the scene, the records show.

Carrie Kimball, spokeswoman for the Essex District Attorney's Office, said the cases against Kavanaugh were dismissed for a variety of reasons, including the girlfriend deciding not to cooperate after she called them for help when he assaulted her. Kimball said the district attorney was unable to proceed in that case without the victim's testimony.

In what investigators called a "horrific" incident that shocked the community last week, Kavanaugh, 23, purposely drove his car into Janet Blanchard, 54, and her pregnant daughter, Geena Sindoni, 26, as they walked their dog Wednesday afternoon in Blanchard's Fairview Farm Road neighborhood where Kavanaugh also lives, police said.

Kavanaugh also cut Blanchard's throat and eyes with a box cutter, causing critical injuries and leaving her in a Boston hospital, police said. Sindoni is home recovering from leg injuries and her unborn child is healthy, a relative said.

Blanchard has undergone surgery and remains in critical condition at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, according to relatives and family friends.

At Kavanaugh's arraignment last week in Haverhill District Court, a judge



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Janet Blanchard, left, and her daughter Geena Sindoni.

ordered that he receive a mental health assessment to determine if he is competent to face charges. They include armed assault with intent to murder, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon causing serious bodily injury, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, mayhem, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle.

Kavanaugh is expected to be evaluated at Bridgewater State Hospital, said his defense lawyer, Timothy Connors. The judge granted the request for a mental health evaluation of Kavanaugh and set a next court date of March 23 for a probable cause hearing.

Few facts were read into the court record during Kavanaugh's brief arraignment, though Assistant District Attorney John DePaulo said the victims knew Kavanaugh "a bit" from living in the same neighborhood. The Blanchard home is at 12 Fairview Farm Road. The Kavanaugh home is at 15 Fairview Farm Road. The neighborhood with expensive houses is in the northwest section of Haverhill, near the Salem, New Hampshire border.

"Police are still trying to determine if there is a motive or if this is a random attack," DePaulo said.

### Girlfriend backs out of assault case

According to documents in Haverhill District Court, Kavanaugh was charged on April 29, 2019, with assault and battery on a household member. A police report on file at the court says Kavanaugh's girlfriend called 911 on the night of April 26, 2019, to say he aggressively grabbed her wrist during an argument and dug his nails into her skin.

The report said officers were sent to Kavanaugh's home at 15 Fairview Farm Road and questioned his parents, Thomas and Sheryl Kavanaugh, about what happened. They said their son and his "on again and off again" girlfriend were in the driveway, and that the parents did not see or hear anything happening outside. They told police their son has "mental health issues and anger issues," according to the report.

Asked if their son was home, his parents told officers he had come "storming into the house" when the girlfriend left in her car and then he "stormed back out on foot," according to the report.

The report said the girlfriend, a 21-year-old Beverly woman, stopped at the police station to explain she and Kavanaugh had been separated for several months and that she visited his home to pick him up to go for a drink together. She told police that when Kavanaugh got into her car, he started rummaging through her purse and glove box, then he grabbed her by the wrist and dug his fingernails in, the report said. The woman told police that he had been abusive to her in the past and "no one does anything about it," the report said.

The woman told police she didn't want to see Kavanaugh get into trouble and asked that police just give him a warning, the report said. She also told police she would not appear in court if they decided to bring charges against him, according to the report. Police eventually found Kavanaugh at his

home and arrested him, the report said.

During his arraignment, Kavanaugh was released on conditions that he have no contact with the woman, and that he be evaluated immediately by a court clinician and participate in behavioral health treatment, court records show.

According to court documents, the assault and battery case was dismissed Sept. 3, 2019, for "failure to prosecute." Kimball explained the District Attorney's Office was unable to proceed without the victim's testimony.

### Police: Kavanaugh crashed car at Blanchard home

In another previous case against Kavanaugh, he drove his car into a vehicle parked in front of the Blanchard home, 12 Fairview Farm Road, on the evening of Feb. 14, 2020, according to a police report.

The report said a 30-year-old Plaistow man told officers he was visiting his girlfriend at the Blanchard home and that he parked his 2012 Lexus CT200H out front. The man said he later was in the house and heard a loud bang, then went outside and saw Kavanaugh getting out of a car which had hit the Lexus, the report said.

Police said that when they arrived at the scene, Kavanaugh was not there but they spoke to his father, Thomas Kavanaugh, at his family's 15 Fairview Farm Road home. He told them his son was driving his 2013 Toyota Avalon during the crash and that someone had since driven his son to a medical facility in Windham, the police report said.

Police said Thomas Kavanaugh would not tell them if his son was injured or where specifically he had been taken. The father refused to give police any other information, other than to say he would have his son contact them, according to the report.

Police later summoned the younger Kavanaugh to court for leaving the scene of property damage. According to court documents, sufficient facts were found, but the case was continued without a finding and later dismissed.

Kimball, the spokeswoman for the District Attorney's Office, explained admitting to sufficient facts means a person who is charged takes responsibility for their actions. She said that in such cases, if the person does not get into further trouble

and pays restitution to the victim, the case can be dismissed and there is no guilty finding.

### Accused attacker faced drug charges

In one other previous criminal case, Kavanaugh was charged on Feb. 22, 2018, with possession to distribute a Class C drug (THC oil) and a Class E drug, alprazolam (a tranquilizer), according to court documents. Those charges were later amended to possession of Class C and E drugs, with the distribution charge dropped, according to the documents.

A police report detailing the case shows that on Feb. 21, 2018, police were investigating illegal drug sales at 6 West Meadow Road.

Police said they had received complaints from the West Meadow Road condominium association about drug activity at that address. After watching a boy slip a bag of pills into his mother's pocketbook in front of 6 West Meadow Road, officers followed the woman in a car in which she was a passenger, then stopped the car when it ran a stop signal, police said.

The woman told police she had just obtained Xanax pills from her 16-year-old son. Police said she had a bag containing 140 pills. Xanax is a brand name of the tranquilizer alprazolam.

Police used a search warrant at 6 West Meadow Road, the home of the woman's parents, and found Kavanaugh and a 16-year-old boy in an upstairs bedroom, according to a police report.

Before Kavanaugh was allowed to leave, police checked his backpack and found two digital scales, three jars of THC oil, some wax paper with THC oil, nine THC cartridges and one yellow pill believed to be Xanax, according to the report. The prosecutor in the case later said officers also found a blow torch and a bong — a device used by some people to smoke illegal drugs.

Kimball said although sufficient facts existed to find Kavanaugh guilty of drug possession, the case against him was continued without a finding for a year.

Before being released, Kavanaugh was ordered to remain free of drugs and alcohol and also to undergo testing, according to court documents. After he complied with the order, his case was dismissed with a not guilty finding, court documents show.



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# Health commissioner offers insight on vaccines

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Throughout the pandemic, data has been driving the Massachusetts Public Health response and now it's driving the vaccination effort.

"It's been a very long year. It's been a very hard year. There's been a lot of suffering and death," said Public Health Commissioner Monica Bharel in an interview with the Andover Townsman. "Throughout that work we have seen some of us are more impacted by COVID-19 than others. We know from our data that unfortunately, Black and brown communities have a higher burden from COVID-19 both for cases, hospitalizations and deaths."

That's why the state has implemented a program targeting 20 cities and towns — including Lawrence, Haverhill and Methuen — that have been hardest hit by COVID-19 as "equity cities" two weeks ago. Those prioritized cities and towns of over 30,000 people will receive help distributing the vaccine to those disproportionately affected by the virus.

Recent data from the Kaiser Family Foundation shows Massachusetts is leading the country as one of the larger states vaccinating more Black residents as a percentage of the vaccinated population. Black people accounted for 6% of the vaccinated population while they represented 8% of the total COVID-19 cases and 7% of the state's population.

However, the same data set shows there is a greater disparity in Hispanic people accessing the vaccine. Only 5% of the vaccinated population in the state is Hispanic. Despite Hispanic people making up 12% of the state's population and 28% of COVID-19 positive cases in the past year, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation.

In priority cities there are more pharmacies and local health clinics working to distribute the vaccine to break down barriers, Bharel said.

Currently, with a shortage of the vaccine, the state is working on a public awareness campaign to ensure citizens have "the best most accurate information so they can make good decisions" to get the vaccine, Bharel said.

Part of that public awareness campaign means giving each of the priority equity cities their own community liaison who helps get out local messaging about the vaccine. In Lawrence, the liaison has helped with bilingual messaging, hosting town halls and is working on a social media campaign to get information out to residents, Bharel said.

Eventually, as vaccines become more widely available there will be more allocated to these specific cities and towns, Bharel said.

The Andover Townsman asked Bharel to explain the program and where the commonwealth is in its vaccine distribution process. Bharel's answers have been edited for length and clarity.

### How were the priority cities

### identified?

**Bharel:** The list was generated by starting with the list of communities with the highest case rates and also the ones who had the social and economic impact. We used the CDC Social Vulnerability Index that takes into consideration multiple economic and social barriers to accessing health.

So we took those then we excluded cases in long-term care and correctional facilities because they had been vaccinated in phase one. Then we ranked the list by case rate, looking at this burden of cases and cross-matched that to the highest populations of color. Then we cross-matched that to the highest percentage of people of color. And we made sure to include the top 15 cities that had the highest burden of disease and that lead us to this list of 20.

### What is the role of a community liaison?

**Bharel:** The role of the liaison is to really connect the community to resources and provide assistance as they need it.

It's very important for us when we go and work with these 20 hardest-hit priority communities we are not going to tell the community what to do. We are there to raise the voice and accentuate the voice of the members of the community so that they can be heard.

### Why is targeted messaging in these communities important?

**Bharel:** When we get information from people who we have trust in and people who are known to us it is easier to digest.

### Being hyper-local with

this community liaison effort is really part of our intention so the messaging is hyper-local from individuals that people know are from their community health center or community organization they trust. Or a faith-based organization that can help people trust.

### Why is this a public awareness campaign without additional doses given at this time?

**Bharel:** Right now we have more capacity in Massachusetts to give vaccines than we have supply from our federal partners. So that's frustrating for all of us because there are people eligible to get the vaccine who cannot get it because we do not have the supplies. Everybody in Massachusetts who wants to be vaccinated will be vaccinated. It will take time. It will take patience. It will take all of us doing this work. But it is our collective goal.

We want to be prepared for what's coming. Building trust and confidence takes time. So as people become eligible we want people to feel safe and understand the scientific facts about the value of this vaccine. The second goal is for all of the people currently eligible can have the barriers decreased to getting the vaccine.

### When supplies allow, will these priority cities be allocated more vaccines?

**Bharel:** Our absolute goal is, as the vaccine becomes more available and the federal vaccine allocation increases, that we will be making more vaccines available throughout these communities.

### How will state and local officials

know these measures are working and their residents are being vaccinated at the same rate as residents across the state?

**Bharel:** We are looking at making information available at a community level. Communities have asked for things like zip-code data. Because I understand in a community you could have certain areas more impacted than others, so we are working with local communities on that. We will be providing them with more detailed data to help their hyper-local approach.

Public health experts across the country have said the Johnson and Johnson vaccine could help increase equity by going to underserved areas because it is only one shot and easier to store. Will Massachusetts use it in a targeted way to help promote equity?

**Bharel:** Unfortunately, we got a one-week supply of the Johnson and Johnson, and we don't have a consistent supply. We will get a new shipment at the end of March. So we will be able to plan it when we have more clarity on regular dosing related to Johnson and Johnson.

### With three vaccines currently approved, do you recommend one more than another?

**Bharel:** All three vaccines are effective against COVID-19 and all three vaccines have gone through rigorous clinical analysis. I'm pleased we will have these three options in Massachusetts. Whatever vaccine becomes available to someone I would urge them to get it when their turn comes up.

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# Sports

## FINALLY FOOTBALL

### Andover football finally ready to kick off season, six months late

By DAVID WILLIS  
Staff Writer

It may be a little over six months later than normal — thanks to COVID-19 — but the Andover High football season is finally underway.

The Golden Warriors opened practice on Feb 22, and will open their coronavirus-delayed regular season on March 12, traveling to Methuen High (6 p.m.)

“I’m super excited that we have the chance to play a season, even if it did come a little late,” said Tomas Loureiro, one of five Andover captains. “We worked so hard all year for a season, and now we finally get to see all that pay off. It’s definitely strange starting football in March, but it feels good just to be able to play.”

Andover is set to play a six-game regular season schedule of entirely Merrimack Valley Conference foes. They’ll play their first home game on March 19, hosting Lowell (5 p.m.)

“Words don’t describe how excited I am to be playing football right now,” said lineman AJ Heidtke. “Six months late or not, it feels awesome to finally get this senior season. At first it definitely felt strange, but now that the season is rolling and we are really getting into it, it feels just like any regular season.”

Added captain Charlie Baillargeon: “We knew coming into this season it was going to be odd. To even have any season at this point is a blessing. It means a lot to everyone who’s put time in. It’s still taking some time to get used to, but I think eventually the team is going to develop well.”

Despite the long wait, Golden Warriors head coach E.J. Perry has no doubt his team will be ready.

“In this COVID/pandemic year, the Golden Warriors have maintained their edge,” said Perry. “We had a mini fall season, where 60 upperclassmen and 44 freshman participated in a rigorous weightlifting campaign that saw players at every level hit all-time highs.”

While Andover graduated a number of key players from last year’s 8-4 season



TIM JEAN/Staff file photo

The Andover coaching staff and players are expecting big things from sophomore quarterback Scotty Brown in this spring season. Here, he runs for a big gain against Methuen as a freshman.



CARL RUSSO/Staff file photo

Andover’s Lincoln Beal impressed last year as a freshman. His coaches say he looks even better heading into his sophomore season.

(4-1 in the MVC Large), the Golden Warriors still return plenty of firepower. “It’s hard to describe, but

it’s a different feeling being out on the field,” said captain Matt Rigazio. “With the year we’ve had, especially

Date	Opponent	Time
March 12	vs. Methuen	3:30 p.m.
March 19	at Lowell	TBA
March 26	vs. Haverhill	3:30 p.m.
April 2	at Lawrence	TBA
April 9	Central Catholic	3:30 p.m.
April 16	at North Andover	3:30 p.m.

for being a senior, I’m just really happy we got the thumbs up to play. I don’t care one bit about the six month delay, I’m just so happy that we are able to play. A lot of players, especially seniors, have put in too much work not to have a season.”

Leading the offense is sophomore quarterback Scotty Brown, who won the starting QB job as a freshman in the fall of 2019. The 5-foot-9, 150-pounder completed 58 of 100 passes for 810 yards and eight TDs.

A dual-threat QB, Brown also rushed 97 times for 545 yards and six touchdowns, the most dramatic a 44-yard game-winning TD run as time expired to beat Lowell, 19-14. He also ran for two touchdowns on Thanksgiving.

Another promising

playmaker is running back Lincoln Beal. The sophomore ran for 314 yards and two touchdowns on just 44 carries, and caught 10 passes for 243 yards and two TDs. He ran for over 100 yards in two games as a freshman, including 123 yards in a win over perennial power Everett.

“Scotty Brown has improved immensely,” said Perry. “He’s gotten faster, and his release is phenomenal. Beal has put on 20 pounds and maintained his 4.6 (40-yard dash) speed.”

The receiving group is young, but looks very promising.

“Our entirely new receiving corps with guys like Jayronn Chevalier and PJ Reming are going to make a big impact,” said Loureiro.

Agreed Rigazio: “PJ Reming and Andrew Wetterwald

are two receivers that I’m really excited to watch. I’m also very excited to see what Lincoln Beal and Scotty Brown have in store for their sophomore season.”

Hulking 6-foot-4, 290-pound Heidtke — a returning All-MVC player who will next play college football at Division 1 Brown — leads a strong offensive line. Also back are All-MVC pick Baillargeon, Ben Entner, who will play at St. Lawrence, and University of New Hampshire recruit Parker Rankin.

“Our biggest strengths this season are going to be our offensive and defensive lines,” said Baillargeon.

“We’ve got a lot of seniors back, and our guys in the trenches have been working harder than ever to be the best there is in the MVC this year.”

On defense, the top returning tackler is defensive back Jonathan Davila, who made 33 tackles as a sophomore. Other defensive backs returning include Rigazio (22 tackles), Chevalier and Zayn Aruri, who the coaches are expecting big things from after a breakout basketball season.

Heidtke (18 tackles) also anchors the defensive line, along with the likes of Rankin (21 tackles), Baillargeon (11 tackles) and Entner.

At linebacker, Loureiro (24 tackles) lead the way. Other returners include Sean Ballou (14 tackles), Connor Sheehan and Beal.

“The team looks awesome,” said Heidtke. “There are so many amazing athletes on both sides of the ball, and everyone has great chemistry. I think the athleticism of our team and our size are going to be really great strengths for us. So, I definitely think we are going to shape up to be a great team.”

Now, the Golden Warriors are pumped to finally open the regular season.

“Emotions are going to be running high the first week,” said Rigazio. “Everyone’s been cooped up in their houses for too long and need to get out and play. It’ll be a lot of fun to hit the field for one last season with kids I’ve been playing with since fourth grade.”

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## Andover High football preview

By DAVID WILLIS  
Staff Writer

**Coach E.J. Perry:** (11th year, 65-43)

**2019 record:** 8-4, lost Division 1 North semifinals

**Offense:** Spread; **Defense:** 4-3

**Returning starters (13):**

Zayn Aruri, Sr., CB, 6-0, 175; Charlie Baillargeon, Sr., OT/DE, 6-3, 220; Sean Ballou, Sr., ILB, 5-7, 190; Jayronn Chevalier, Sr., CB/WR, 6-1, 205; Ben Entner, Sr., OT/DT, 6-2, 240; AJ Heidtke, Sr., OT/DT, 6-4, 290; Tomas Loureiro, Sr., ILB/TE, 6-0, 205; Parker Rankin, Sr., OG/DE, 6-3, 215; Matt Rigazio, Sr., CB, 6-1, 170; Connor Sheehan, Sr., WR/OLB, 6-0, 180; Jonathan Davila, Jr., FS, 6-0, 160; Lincoln Beal, Soph., RB/OLB, 5-11, 180; Scotty Brown, Soph., QB, 5-9, 150

**Returning lettermen:** Chris Capachietti, Sr., WR, 6-0, 140; Joshua Farnsworth, Sr., OG, 6-0, 175; Owen Finn, Sr., WR/DB, 6-1, 175; Manas Joshi, Sr., WR/DB, 5-9, 150; Andrew Layman, Sr., RB, 5-9, 140; Ryan Rigazio, Sr., WR/DB, 6-1, 170; Josh Salowe, Sr., WR/DB, 6-3, 160; Caleb Sigman, Sr., OL/DL, 5-11, 205; Zach Sigman, Sr., OL/DL, 5-9, 165; James Ventre, Sr., OL/DL, 6-0, 220; Sam Yanowitz, Sr., WR/DB, 5-9, 170; Erik Aulbach, Jr.,



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover senior captain and wide receiver Tomas Loureiro makes a catch during practice this winter. The Golden Warriors kick off their season on Friday.

RB, 5-8, 140; Luke Newton, Jr., OL/LB, 6-0, 180; PJ Reming, Jr., WR/DB, 5-9, 145

**Promising newcomers:** Aidan Ritter, Sr., WR/LB, 5-8, 165; Anthony Previte, Sr., WR/DB/K, 6-1, 170; Tyler Acheson, Jr., WR/DB, 5-6, 125; Alex DelFavero, Jr.,



CARL RUSSO/Staff photo

Andover players practice maneuver drills as they prepare for Friday’s matchup with Methuen.

OL/DL, 6-2, 252; Tyler Fabri, Jr., WR/DB, 5-9, 160; Grady Reuss, Jr., WR/DB, 5-8, 145; Jacob Curhan, Soph., OL/DL, 6-1, 220; Evan Haddad, Soph., RB/ILB, 5-7, 170; Danny Hunter, Soph., OL/DL, 5-11, 210; Joseph Loureiro, Soph.,

RB/OLB, 5-8, 160; Juemil Mejia, Soph., OL/DL, 5-7, 210; Bret Mondejar, Soph., WR/DB, 5-7, 130; Jason Osborne, Soph., OL/DL, 6-1, 225; Will Sheehan, Soph., RB/OLB, 6-2, 185; Edward Smith, Soph., OL/DL, 6-0, 240; Andrew Wetterwald, Soph., WR/DB/K, 5-11, 175;

Andrew Wright, Soph., WR/DB, 6-0, 145

**Captains:** Charlie Baillargeon, AJ Heidtke, Matthew Rigazio, Tomas Loureiro, Ben Entner

**Returning honorees:** Charlie Baillargeon and AJ Heidtke All-MVC Division 1; Scotty Brown, MVC Freshman of

the Year **Assistants:** Corey Steele (defensive coordinator), Anthony Pappagallo (defensive backs), Matt Silva (offensive coordinator), Gustavo Cruz (offensive/defensive line), Cam Farnham (wide receivers), Chris McCarthy (running backs), Peter Reilly (special teams), Freshmen: PJ Farnham, Rick Quattrocchi

**Odds and ends:** Former Andover star receiver/kick returner **Cam Farnham** has joined the varsity coaching staff after previously serving as a freshman coach. His brother **PJ Farnham** is still coaching the freshmen. ... Quarterback **Will Perry** transferred to Malden Catholic, while fellow QB **Victor Harrington** has transferred to St. John’s Prep. ... The Golden Warriors will play an entirely Merrimack Valley Conference schedule this season. ...

**Zayn Aruri**, who was nearly cut from the basketball team, delivered a breakout season in hoops and is now poised for a huge season in football. ... Three offensive and defensive linemen have already committed to college football programs — **AJ Heidtke** (Brown), **Parker Rankin** (UNH) and **Ben Entner** (Colby). Linebacker/tight end **Tomas Loureiro** will play at St. Lawrence.

# Think twice about guns on college campus

## Family Matters

Larry Larsen



**Dear Doctor,**  
On the radio this morning, I heard that Montana University had passed a policy allowing students to carry guns on campus. This was news to me. I wonder what someone in your field has to say about it. I was speechless.

behavioral regulation and control. Teenage years find young people dealing with many issues that challenge the regulative functions. This is why many teens do things that in a few years they would never do. The development of these brain functions takes time, and brain growth in this domain continues until and beyond age 25.

Now imagine, if you will, a dorm full of such young people. An argument breaks out over a girl or a privilege. If a gun is available, it is likely to be used to resolve the dispute.

Think about passing thoughts of suicide, not uncommon among this age group. For a period of time, the "life is not worth living" feeling is paramount. Then it fades into less powerful impulse. If a gun is available, it is likely to end the choice of dealing with life and growing through difficulty.

This is why care with weapons is so important with youth in the home. It has nothing to do with politics, just science and common sense.

*Dr. Larry Larsen is an Andover psychologist. If you would like to ask a question, or respond to one, email him at llrsn@comcast.net.*

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## Susan McKelliget

Andover Center for History and Culture

**100 Years Ago: March 4, 1921**

Nicholas Cafantaros and Charles Thiras, proprietors of the fruit and confectionary store at 42 Main St., were fined \$100 each in Andover police court Monday morning before Judge Stone on charges of illegally keeping intoxicating liquors with intent to sell. In a raid conducted at their place of business by the police Saturday afternoon, three quarts of "moonshine," a gallon of hard cider, and fifty or sixty bottles of Jamaica ginger were seized. The raiding officers were Chief Smith, Napier, Walker and Mayo.

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great gain for a great democracy through this change."

Tuesday morning at 7:20 an alarm from Box 52 called the fire department to the shed next to the Andover Steam laundry where an auto-truck was on fire. The damage was confined to the truck.

**75 Years Ago: March 7, 1946**

It difficult to believe that our town's Country Store is only five years old, it is so genuinely real. It nestles harmoniously between the old Shattuck homestead and the newer house where Mr. and Mrs. Shattuck now live and not too far is the pasture that is the site of the largest Indian village in all New England. Still, it is new, the result of much careful searching on the part of the proprietors to have everything just right. The Shattuck home is over 200 years young and many of the treasures found in the store belonged to the Shattucks. The two cases containing arrowheads, knives, and other Algonquin relics came from the pasture. Now, you can sit at one of the maple tables where guest come and come again to enjoy Mrs. Shattuck's cooking. Oysters are a specialty, baked oysters, fried oysters, and oysters in stews. The worn bench came from

the North School and one time, little children who are not little children anymore, sat there and studied the three "r's."

Nylon hose were awarded to George Dumont and an electric iron went to Mrs. Willard Miles last Saturday night at the amateur program and dance in Ballardvale.

**50 Years Ago: March 11, 1971**  
Attendance at the first session of town meeting was good Monday night. A photo shows "residents using the seating arrangements on the stage of Memorial Auditorium, to accommodate the overflow crowd which filled the main auditorium.

Greatest controversy of the night came on the \$6,644,904 budget of the school department. Following the explanation, William J. Coderre of Stinson Road, took the floor and with slides, showed Andover's per pupil cost as being high. When Coderre commented on the severe unemployment problem in the area and of his own position as an engineer, a man hollered for him to stick to the school budget. To which a woman across the hall hollered back "let him talk, he can't pay it and I've been screaming about the same thing for 20 years."



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