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The Quest for COLLEGE

By Aimee M. Henderson
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“I really had to think about getting good grades so I could get into a good school.”

— CHRISTINA PELLERIN, BHS SENIOR

High school students bound for higher education have set sail through a sea of college pamphlets; have hiked the trail of entry applications; have climbed the mountain of scholarships; and have dug into the trenches of student loans. They have begun their quest for college.

The quest can be a long, arduous process, but in the end the fruition of heading off to college is the great reward. For Belchertown High School senior Christina Pellerin, getting into college will also mark the achievement a life-long goal. Pellerin, who has four older siblings that have gone through the college process, said college has been in her life spectrum since she was four years old when she

decided she wanted to become a doctor. Now, more than a decade later, Pellerin is still chasing that dream of becoming a doctor and has taken every step along the way seriously.

Pellerin said college preparations, for her, really began in eighth grade when she started to realize that graduation was sneaking up on her. She said heading into high school meant she needed to set her academic goals and really concentrate on getting straight A's. Though college was always in sight for her, she said focusing on high school

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Dual fire response snags agreement

By Walter Hamilton
Correspondent

GRANBY – The Select Board Monday voted to await a letter from South Hadley Fire District 2 Prudential Committee regarding the final hurdle in the long-running dispute between the two governing entities over emergency and fire response in the area along Route 116 where town borders meet.

“We’ll see what the options are. We’ll see what the letter will say,” said Select Board Chairman Mark Bail.

At the same time the Granby Select Board was meeting at the Council on Aging building here, members of the District 2 Prudential Committee, meeting at their fire station, voted

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Digital cable requires new equipment

By Aimee M. Henderson
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BELCHERTOWN – Charter customers in town and across western Mass will be required to upgrade their cable equipment as the company transitions to an all-digital model beginning Nov. 11.

Charter Communications has invested \$2 billion in an upgrade, brining its systems nationwide to an all-digital format, and the project will be completed in New England by early December. The changes will add more than 80 new high definition (HD) channels to the lineup, brining the total to more than 200 HD channels available to a customer. Charter will begin removing

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It was a graveyard smash

Humanities Club hosts annual Monster Mash

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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BELCHERTOWN – More than 150 local children entered the haunted halls of Belchertown High School last Thursday night for the Monster Mash Halloween Party to benefit Camp Sunshine.

The high school’s Humanities Club organized and executed the entire event. The club advisor, Joanna McNeill, says she is impressed with how well the students were organized and how great the event went off.

“They had so many great activi-

ties for the children and they got everything off without a hitch,” said McNeill. “We have about 80 members of the Humanities Club and we got great participation for this event.”

The Humanities Club is a community group. They seek to do projects that benefit the community, as well as donate to charities.

The Monster Mash serves both purposes, McNeill said. The proceeds from the event go toward sending individuals to camp at the facility, which is geared toward children and their families with lifelong illnesses.

“It’s a cause that is very important to us,” said McNeill. “We have sent several of our students up to the camp to volunteer in the summer.”

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Turley Publications photo by Gregory A. Scibelli
Alex Hoffman, 15, consults the Magic 8 Ball to tell fortunes.

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COMMUNITY

BELCHERTOWN MEETINGS



- Monday, Nov. 10**
- 7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting at Town Hall
 - 7:30 p.m. – Selectmen’s meeting at Town Hall
- Wednesday, Nov. 12**
- 2:15 p.m. – Healthy and Safer Schools subcommittee meeting at BHS room 317
 - 7 p.m. – Pathfinder Reg. Voc. Tech committee meeting at Pathfinder HS

Due to the newspaper’s deadline, some meetings may have changed or are not listed here. For a complete listing of Belchertown’s committee meetings, please refer to the Official Meeting Bulletin Board located on the outside wall by the parking lot entrance to Town Hall.

Local fiber artist hosts workshops at library

BELCHERTOWN – The Clapp Memorial Library will be offering two free workshops on felting. Local fiber artist Rory Valentine will teach the art of needle felting on Nov. 12 at 6:30 p.m. and then on Dec. 3. Needle felting is the craft of binding wool fibers together with a barbed needle. Participants can expect to make anywhere from one to three ornaments or other small felted gift. Valentine returns on Dec. 3 at 6:30 p.m. to lead a class in wet felting, which is the fun and fast technique of fusing wool fibers using water, heat, and friction. Participants will be making wet felted soap, which involves wrapping a bar of hand soap with soft wool. To accommodate as many participants as possible, individuals may sign up for only one felting workshop. Registration is in person at the Library at 19 South Main St. in Belchertown.



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There are loads of games waiting at the library for players on International Games Day, Nov. 14.

Learn and play during International Games Day at Clapp Memorial Library

BELCHERTOWN – The Clapp Memorial Library will join hundreds of libraries throughout the country in the seventh annual celebration of gaming in libraries – International Games Day, celebrated at the Clapp on Friday, Nov. 14. Games for all ages will be available in the library from 3 to 6 p.m. Participants can join a group already playing or bring along family and friends to play board games in an informal, lively setting. A huge variety of games, both old familiars and new or obscure games will be available.

“Libraries are community destinations for all ages, and are continuously offering new formats and innovative programs and services that educate, entertain and expand interaction with their users,” said Sheila McCormick, library director. “They are places where users of all ages are welcome to have fun together while joining in a community activity.” Not surprisingly, there will be a raffle with games as prizes and abundant refreshments. The library is located at 19 South Main St. in Belchertown. For more information, call 413-323-0417.

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A night of magic at Clapp

BELCHERTOWN – Head to the Clapp Memorial Library for an unforgettable magic show on Friday, Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. Noah Troy (aka NoahTCTK) will entertain with a close up, interactive show that is sure to fool and amaze.

No registration required, best suited for ages 8 years old and up. Troy is a 13-year-old magician from Belchertown who has aspirations to become the youngest magician ever to progress through America's Got Talent. He enjoys prestidigitation, a form of sleight of hand close up magic. He likes to perform for strangers, giving them that "wow" moment and hoping it makes their day a good one.

The TCTK in Troy's title means The Card Treat Kid but he calls himself NoahTCTK.



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Noah Troy will entertain during a night of magic at the library.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE NOTEBOOK

School presents social-skills program

By **Walter Hamilton**
Correspondent

BELCHERTOWN – Chestnut Hill Community School guidance counselors last week presented to the School Committee a social skills PowerPoint, featuring videos by popular YouTube personalities, that they created and have recently shown to all the school's pupils.

The presentation included videos by "Kid President," also known as Robbie Novak, 10, and MattyB, also known as Matthew David Morris, an 11-year-old pop singer/rapper.

Guidance counselors Kevin Mayer-Wilkes and Candace Judd based the presentation on the principles of the PeaceBuilders youth violence prevention program.

The presentation has garnered "rave reviews" from those who have seen it and contains "a special message from 'The President'," namely, "What do you think you should say more often?" said Superintendent of

Schools Robert Gazda.

Mayer-Wilkes said finding Novak's video was a happy coincidence because it reinforces the Peace Builders' messages of praising others, eschewing name calling, searching out wise people, noticing the hurts you cause, choosing right over wrong and helping others.

Novak, in his videos listed 20 things to say more often. They included the basic "thank you" and "excuse me" and "I'm sorry" to "you can do it" and "everything is going to be OK."

Novak's video also advised children to look at "the barbecue sauce on your own shirt" before you tell anyone about the barbecue sauce on theirs; and it's "OK to disagree, but not OK to be mean."

The video by Morris is based on a story by the sibling of a Down Syndrome child that emphasized kindness toward those who are different and challenged in some way.

According to its website,

PeaceBuilders is a science-based, research-validated violence prevention curriculum and professional development program for grades pre-K to 12. Its essence is a common language – six principles, taught, modeled and practiced. These same principles set behavioral expectations, reduce aggression, and transform the climate and culture of any environment to one which is cooperative, productive, and academically successful.

In other business the School Committee:

- Reappointed Dr. Charles Cavagnaro the school physician, who has held the position for "a number of years." It was noted his stipend for the service has not changed during that time.

- Approved a high school hockey team day trip to play Woodstock Academy in Pomfret, Conn., on Dec. 27.

- Accepted the gift of computer monitors from Tim Montgomery of ISO New England.

Fill the tent food drive

BELCHERTOWN – Rain or shine, on Nov. 15, fill the tent with canned goods, toiletries and pet food for the town's food pantries. Once again St. Francis Pack 507 Cub Scouts will attempt to fill a tent with donated items on the town common. From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Cub Scouts will receive donated items. Please no rusted or dented cans. Pet items will be donated to the town's animal shelter.

Belchertown Family Center holding harvest festival

BELCHERTOWN – Join the Belchertown Family Center for their first ever harvest festival on Saturday, Nov. 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Belchertown Family Center, located at 720 Franklin St.

They will have lots of kid-friendly

activities ranging from pumpkin bowling to a turkey baster relay race. Admission is \$25 per family no matter how many children there are.

All proceeds go directly to the running of the BFC, which is able to remain operating this year based

solely on fundraising. Enjoy the fun and/or volunteer, visit with friends and make new ones! All families in Belchertown with children ages 0 to 6 are welcome. Call or connect the Family Center on Facebook with questions.



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Selectmen looking to fill seats on boards

BELCHERTOWN – The Belchertown Board of Selectmen is looking for citizens interested in sharing their expertise by serving on a town committee. If any resident has time and is interested in getting involved in the town's activities, they may submit a letter of interest to: Board of Selectmen, The Finnerty House, One South Main Street, P.O. Box 670, Belchertown, MA 01007. The town wishes to fill the following vacancies:

Historic District Commission: The town wishes to fill the at-large seat on the Historic District Commission. This commission has regulatory control over new construction, reconstruction, alterations, movements and demolition of all exterior architectural features of buildings and structures

with the Historic District which are visible from any public street, public way or public park. Deadline extended: noon on Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Historical Commission: The town wishes to fill two vacant seats. The commission's basic goal is the preservation of historic places and is completing an inventory of Belchertown's historic assets and structures that are more than 50 years old. Deadline extended: noon on Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Housing Needs and Assessment Committee: This committee works with local boards and commissions, regional planning agencies, housing authorities and the town's Community Preservation Committee to establish an inventory of affordable housing opportunities in the Town of Belchertown, to assess current and future needs, and to create an action plan to fulfill those needs. Deadline extended: noon on Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Mobile Home Rent Control Board – full member seats: This board oversees individual and general rent adjustments, as well as evictions from park accommodations. Deadline extended: noon on Wednesday, Dec. 3.

'Young Scientists' parenting workshop at Town Hall

BELCHERTOWN – The Collaborative for Educational Services presents "Young Scientists" on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Belchertown Town Hall, 2 Jabish St. in Belchertown. This workshop is part of the Puzzle of Parenting, a free series of workshops for parents, grandparents and guardians of children from birth to kindergarten.

Young Scientists will help parents and caregivers encourage and build on their child's natural inquisitiveness. There will be lots of exciting activities for families to explore alongside their child/scientist.

Advanced registration is required. Free childcare is available. For more information and to register, call 413-570-3061 or email earlychildhood@collaborative.org.

Families are always welcome to attend as many Puzzle of Parenting workshops as they wish, in any community. More information and a complete schedule of the 2014-2015 series is posted at collaborative.org/early-childhood/parents.

The Puzzle of Parenting workshop series is sponsored by the Early Childhood Department of the Collaborative for Educational Services, and funded by a Coordinated Family and Community Engagement grant from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care.

GATHERING TREATS



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Bride of Frankenstein, Ireleigh Phelps of Belchertown, gets her "treats" from King Lion Themis Tsoumis at Friday evening's Rag Shag Parade which has been sponsored by the Belchertown Lions Club for over 60 years.

Dog licenses going on sale

BELCHERTOWN – Dog licenses for 2015 will be on sale beginning Monday, Nov. 17. All dogs over 6 months old must be licensed. If this is a new dog to town, please bring along a copy of the current rabies certificate along with the spay/neuter certificate.

If you are renewing your dog(s) license and the rabies certificate has expired over the past year, please be sure to bring a current vaccination certificate.

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Man killed by train

By Aimee M. Henderson
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BELCHERTOWN – Last Wednesday evening police were called to the train tracks near the Warren Wright Road intersection for a pedestrian who had been struck by an oncoming train, police report.

Shennan Stevens, 38, of 80 Damon Road in Northampton, was pronounced dead at the scene on Wednesday, Oct. 29. According to Police Chief Fran Fox, Stevens had been in the area of the tracks prior to the train approaching. Fox said the conductors of the New England Central

Rail Road train saw Stevens on the tracks and attempted to stop the train, but could not slow the large cargo train from its 30-35mph speed before running the man over.

Fox said Sgt. Bruce Jenks was the first to arrive on the scene after the 911 call was made shortly after 9 p.m. Fox said Jenks located Stevens at approximately 9:25 p.m. down the tracks in the southern direction near Wilson Road and the closed bridge area.

Fox said there was no foul play in the incident, which was investigated by Belchertown Police and the Massachusetts State Police assigned to the Northwestern District Attorney's Office.

POLICE LOGS

BELCHERTOWN

The Belchertown Police Department responded to 387 calls during the week of Oct. 27 – Nov. 2. The department made two arrests. Those arrested appear in court at a future date and are innocent until proven guilty.

ARRESTS

Wednesday, Oct. 29

7 p.m. – Navy Tep, 28, of 491 Bridge Road apt. 2121, Northampton, was arrested for rape of a child with force, aggravated rape, unnatural act with child under 16, indecent assault and battery on child under 14, intimidating a witness and enticement of a child.

Thursday, Oct. 30

12:14 p.m. – James Francis Kenney, 53, of 7 Nordica St., Springfield, was arrested for operation of motor vehicle with suspended license.

INCIDENTS

Monday, Oct. 27

12:53 p.m. – Malicious damage to motor vehicle on Cobb Lane.

4:19 p.m. – Breaking and entering building nighttime for felony and larceny over \$250 on Gold Street.

4:35 p.m. – K9 deployment out of town, Amherst.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

3:06 p.m. – Leaving the scene of property damage on South Main Street.

5:43 p.m. – Assist citizen on Warner Street.

7 a.m. – K9 deployment out of town, McClelland farm Road Deerfield.

Wednesday, Oct. 29

9:10 p.m. – Suicide.

Thursday, Oct. 30

11:13 a.m. – Assist citizen/well being check on North Main Street.

Friday, Oct. 31

10:45 a.m. – Destruction of property less than \$250, malicious, destruction of property greater than \$250, malicious and destruction of property less than \$250, malicious on Pelham Road.

8:58 p.m. – Larceny under \$250 and breaking and entering to boat/vehicle for misdemeanor on North Main Street.

Saturday, Nov. 1

1:39 a.m. – Assault on Pelham Road.

GRANBY

The Granby Police Department responded to 250 calls during the week of Oct. 24 – Oct. 30. The department made one arrest. Those arrested appear in court at a future date and are innocent until proven guilty.

ARREST

Thursday, Oct. 30

12:49 p.m. – Diana Perez, 33, of 6 Jackson St., Belchertown, was arrested for operation with suspended license.

INCIDENTS

Friday, Oct. 24

10:39 a.m. – Caller reports accident. Vehicle hit two trees. Pleasant Street towing called.

Saturday, Oct. 25

12:32 a.m. – Resident reports their basketball hoop was struck by vehicle.

Monday, Oct. 27

6:34 p.m. – Caller reports attempted break in at the Church of Christ.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

1:49 p.m. – Resident reports their garage was broken in to.

Thursday, Oct. 30

12:06 p.m. – Caller states there was a minor motor vehicle accident in their parking lot.



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Children and their parents make a craft at the Granby Free Public Library last Saturday afternoon during a program about disclosure if they are being abused or made uncomfortable.

Children learn it's 'okay to tell'

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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GRANBY – Jordan Chmura is trying to spread a powerful message to younger children. She wants children to know that it's "okay to tell" if someone is hurting them.

Chmura, who recently disclosed the sexual abuse she was suffering by a friend's father, helped lead a program at the Granby Free Public Library last Saturday morning where she taught younger children that it's "okay to tell."

Chmura and her advocate, Kathy Picard of Ludlow, were contacted by Retired Police Chief Lou Barry about doing the program at the library.

"Lou is really active with the library and he thought it would be a great message to give to the young children in our town," said Library Youth Services Director Janice McAndle. "This is important information that we need to get out there."

Chmura and Picard both spent time talking to the children at a very elementary level teaching them to tell a trusted adult if something happens that they do not feel comfortable, or if they feel sad.

The event was multi-faceted featuring story-time to start out with, then transitioning to a craft activity where the children created paper megaphones as a symbol of using their voice in a bad situation.

"I think the megaphone is a great way to teach them to be loud," said McAndle.

After that, children enjoyed a short movie emphasizing the theme and participated in a sing-a-long to end the event. Snacks were provided as well as numerous resource material for parents and appropriate coloring activities for children.

The event drew many small children, but Chmura says it is never too early to start learning about inappropriate behavior despite the sensitivity of the subject.

"This is something that could happen to a child at any time," said Chmura, who was 11 years old when she suffered the abuse. "By teaching it to them now, they will be able to know that it is okay to tell someone."

Chmura read a book called "My Body Belongs To Me." The book is available at the library for parents to read to children.

Picard, who has been advocating for sexual abuse victims for many years, says there is a way to teach the subject to children in a way that they understand.

"We teach using material that was given to us by the Center for Missing and Exploited Children," said Picard. "We teach them how to identify trusted adults in their lives, and we make it clear that if they get sad about anything they experience, they simply need to tell their trusted adult."

Trusted adults identified include parents, grandparents, siblings, teachers, nurses, librarians, law enforcement, and firefighters.

"We need to teach them not to be scared about telling," said Picard. "They need to be educated on this subject."

McAndle said these types of important lessons are very important for the children to be receiving and the library now has the ability to offer these programs. She complimented the work Chmura and Picard are doing.

"With our expanded space, we have the ability to do the story time and transition them to showing a video," said McAndle. "I loved the message Jordan and Kathy shared with them. I loved the megaphone concept."

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Belchertown goes bazaar on Nov. 8

The town will be in a frenzy of holiday spirit on Saturday, Nov. 8 as multiple organizations across Belchertown will be holding their annual bazaars, craft sales and bake sales alike.

The bazaar weekend has been a long-standing tradition in Belchertown and offers a great opportunity for residents to get their holiday shopping started. At the same time, shoppers are supporting local organizations and churches in the community. It's a win-win combination.

Below is a listing of the bazaars, in no particular order. Get out there and shop 'til you drop!

Hope United Methodist Church

Join Hope United Methodist Church for fun and fellowship at the annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 8 at the church, located on Main Street, Belchertown. This is a chance to stock up on their famous Conkey jams and jellies. There will also be beautifully hand crafted items, and tempting pies and goodies.

It will also feature a Holiday Cookie Shop. Fill a bag with all your favorite cookies for only \$5! There will also be a delicious luncheon. It's a perfect place to do some early Christmas shopping. The bazaar runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the luncheon is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Belchertown United Church of Christ

The Belchertown United Church of Christ (BUCC), 18 Park St. (on the common), will be holding its annual Holiday Craft Fair at the church Parish House on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Numerous crafters from throughout the area will be on hand selling their items. Stop by and start your Christmas shopping early. Lunch will be served.

Belchertown Senior Center

Enjoy beautifully handcrafted items, an accessory sale with loads of unique pieces of jewelry, a huge Chinese raffle, a bake sale to tickle taste buds, and a homemade lunch at a holiday craft fair on Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Senior Center. The lunch sells out early! The raffle ends at 2 p.m. so get there early, and don't forget "Second Best" will be open.

St. Francis of Assisi Church

The annual Christmas bazaar and craft fair will be held on Nov. 8 starting at 8:30 a.m. There will be lots to choose from including yummy treats. There is also a huge raffle with beautiful raffle baskets! Stop by and start holiday shopping early. The parish hall is located on Park Street, on the common.

Historical Association – Stone House Museum

The Yuletide Fair is a major fundraiser for the Historical Association and will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Stone House. Stop by and check out all the goodies they have to offer!

American Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion Auxiliary will host its crafters showcase on Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Freedom Hall, located on State Street behind the senior center. All crafts are locally made!

LETTER

Stone House Yuletide to feature historic crafts, vintage items

To the Editor:

The Stone House will be offering its annual Yuletide Event this coming Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and this year, in keeping with the historical mission of the Stone House Museum, the sales room will feature hand-made historic craft items and the silent auction room will feature many vintage items (donated, not from our collection).

Our crafters have been busy all year creating new interpretations using historical forms and methods for our beautiful craft room, and our silent auction room will be offering a vintage Hitchcock-style chair, a c. 1839 Wilmore engraving of Mount Tom and the Connecticut River, two pieces of c. 1920 framed Borghese Artwork, vintage framed Crewel Work, a set of Fine China (just in time for the Holidays), and lots more!

The house is always beautifully decorated for this much-needed fundraiser, and filled with seasonal crafts, baked goods and beautiful baskets and raffle items, including our outhouse raffle, cider and cookies. Also, our "Cat's Meow" of the Association's concord Stagecoach will be on sale, so when you are walking around the events on the Common don't forget to stop by and check out the fun at the Stone House!

Sincerely,

Tom Stockton
President, Belchertown Historical Association
Belchertown, MA



Planning for an orchard starts now!

Did the apple picking you enjoyed at your favorite orchard inspire you to grow your own trees at home? If so, this is the column for you. I have been delving deeper into fruit culture lately, and I find it so interesting. The key to successful home apple orchards appears to be forethought. Purchasing fruit trees should not be an "impulse buy." Ask yourself the right questions now and you will be in good shape once spring rolls around.

What variety do you want to grow? Did you fall in love with a specific type of apple this fall? My seven-year-old's second grade class had an apple tasting at school and with that she determined that "Honey Crisp" is her favorite. A trip to Cold Spring Orchard in Belchertown led my younger daughter to ask for only "Akane," while my husband was partial to "Macoun." I like the heirlooms (who would've guessed?); Roxbury Russet is top notch for my taste. Apples such as these - and others that are grown locally - are always a good choice because they are adapted to the area. My favorite place to buy trees by mail order is through Fedco in Maine. Call 207-426-0090 to request their "Trees" catalog. I am thrilled to know that

they are grafted on site and accustomed to our climate! How tall to you want your trees to get? Apple trees are available in dwarf, semi-dwarf and standard size. Their ultimate size is determined mostly by the rootstock onto which the named variety is grafted. Each has their pros and cons. Dwarf trees can generally be maintained without a ladder. They come into bearing sooner but because of their size produce fewer apples than larger trees. Staking and irrigation are often necessary, because of limited root systems. They can be planted relatively close together (6 to 8 feet) and are generally short-lived. Semi-dwarf trees are midsized, bear well and are most productive for two or three decades. They are usually spaced 12 to 14 feet apart from one another. Standard, or full-size trees are those beauties of our grandparent's era. Extremely hardy, many are still around and might even be bearing fruit! Plan on 18 feet or more between trees, with a mature height of 15 to 20 feet tall!

Where will you plant them? With the size of the trees

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ON THE GARDEN



Roberta McQuaid

Where Is It?



Each week *The Sentinel* feature a "Where Is It?" photo in the opinion section. The feature photo could be of a local building, item, sign place, or landmark. Readers are asked to pick their brains to figure out where it is or even what it is. Check here each week to test your knowledge of the area where we live and work.

The answer to this week's "Where Is It?" will run in next week's edition, along with a new trivia photo for you to consider.

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COMMUNITY

Veterans Day ceremony set for Nov. 11

BELCHERTOWN – The Belchertown Veterans' Agent announces the 2014 Veterans Day ceremonies will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 11.

The town ceremony will start at 9:30 a.m. taking place at the Town Common to honor the veterans who are memorialized there. At 11 a.m. there will be a ceremony in Veterans' Memorial Auditorium at Belchertown

High School to honor all veterans. All citizens of Belchertown and the surrounding communities, especially all those who have served in the military and/or the merchant marines, are invited to attend to pay tribute to our veterans.

The Jabish Brook and Chestnut Hill Community School Band and Chorus will perform. Guest speaker will be US Army Lieutenant Colonel David

Vacchi, retired. Light refreshments will be served after the ceremony.

Veterans Day, originally Armistice Day, is a day established by the U.S. Congress as a national holiday to honor all Americans who have served in the U.S. military at any time, not just during a period of war. On this day Americans thank all living and deceased veterans for their sacrifices and service to their country.

'Snack Girl' to the rescue at library

BELCHERTOWN – The holidays are filled with good cheer, and cookies and wine and roasts, potatoes, stuffing and more cookies. Need to be rescued from the diet rollercoaster?

"Snack Girl to the Rescue!" is a new book by Amherst resident, Lisa Cain, Ph.D. a.k.a. snack girl. She will be at the Clapp Memorial Library on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. to speak on "Secrets to Enjoying the Holidays... Without Gaining Weight!"

Learn strategies to get through January without the inevitable weight

gain, while still enjoying food. Snack Girl will show how small, easy tweaks can change a lifestyle to be healthier and happier.

Lisa Cain, food lover and mother of two, is the founder of Snack-Girl.com, an award winning website about healthy eating and losing weight. An evolutionary biologist by training, she has become obsessed with how food contributes to our overall health. Her book, "Snack Girl to the Rescue!" was published in April and features 100 simple, delicious recipes under 400



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Lisa Cain, the "snack girl" will be at the library on Nov. 19.

calories that won't break the bank.

The library is located at 19 South Main St. in Belchertown. For more information, call 413-323-0417.

DOUBLE CATCH



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This photo was taken by Dorothy Cresswell at Lake Arcadia on Oct. 21. Send your photos to ahenderson@turley.com.

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determined, you can now figure out how many will fit in the space designated for your home orchard. The best spot is one that receives 6 to 8 hours of full sun per day. Deep, well-drained soil is ideal; never plant where you know the water table is high. In my opinion, a few trees positioned close to the house will be maintained better because they are in eye-shot as compared to those placed strategically out in the back-forty. They tend to nag you as you walk by: "Time to prune!" "Why are those leaves curled?" "What is that orange spot?" You get the idea.

Is my soil any good? Fall is a great time to take a soil test. First, slice a 6-inch core of soil from your intended

orchard with a stainless steel trowel. Remove surface debris and air dry. Repeat several times and mix the cores together. Then, measure out a cup of soil to send to the lab. If the locations you plan on planting your apple trees vary considerably, test them separately. Official directions and an order form are available by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Soil Testing Lab, West Experiment Station, 203 Paige Laboratory, 161 Holdsworth Way, Amherst, MA 01003 or go to <http://soiltest.umass.edu>. The standard soil test is \$15; add an additional \$6 for the standard test including organic matter. Mention on the test that you are growing apples and pH and fertilizer recommendations will be specific

to that crop.

You can do something this fall to make planting easier next spring. Mark out where your trees are to go and dump a generous amount of compost on top of the grass in a circle 3 feet in diameter. This will start to break down the sod and get the microbes in the soil working. When your trees arrive all you will have to do is plant them!!

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 24 years, she had held the position of staff horticulturalist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food, as well as flowers.

Area families invited to host international students for Thanksgiving

AMHERST – The International Programs Office at the University of Massachusetts Amherst invites families in the Amherst area to host international students for a Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, Nov. 27.

"Far away from home, these students really appreciate a taste of American home life during the Thanksgiving holiday," says international student advisor Richard Yam.

Families interested in hosting international students should contact Richard Yam at ryam@ipo.umass.edu and indicate the maximum number of students who can be accommodated.

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Morgan, 6, Emma, 4, and Ryan, 2, from Barton Avenue in Belchertown are ready for trick-or-treating!



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Children and parents gather for a craft at the Family Center.

PJ Library joins Valley Gives

Reading stories and listening to music with children are among the most powerful and nurturing early childhood learning experiences. The PJ Library® can help transform these moments into Jewish moments.

The PJ Library (PJ as in pajamas) is a national program that was founded by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and is run locally by the Jewish Federation of Western Massachusetts, providing families (with children ages 6 months to 8 years) with a free treasury of Jewish books and music. Joining many communities across North America, the Federation is excited to bring The PJ Library to the families in the local community who make them strong.

This year, The Jewish Federation of Massachusetts is raising awareness for its local PJ Library program on Valley Gives Day in order to raise money to support this wonderful program! Local philanthropist and founder of PJ Library, Harold Grinspoon, is generously offering up to \$5,000 towards the money they raise.

During Valley Gives Day, western Massachusetts nonprofits collaborate with the goal of getting thousands of

Valley residents to support their favorite nonprofits. By supporting the local PJ Library program on Valley Gives Day, supporters can help increase the vibrancy of the PJ Library program by helping to be able to bring the books into the homes of more families and connect them to the local Jewish community.

There are special prizes totaling as much as \$222,000, so the more donors they can involve, the better their chances become at being eligible for some of these exciting prizes.

Since 2012, Valley Gives has raised more than \$3 million for the community. Last year, 11,640 individuals donated more than \$2 million through Valley Gives. This year, they are challenging the community to double its impact: twice as many donors helping twice as many nonprofits, raising more than \$2 million. This year is the first year that the Jewish Federation is using Valley Gives Day to support the local PJ Library program.

Valley Gives Day will take place on December 10, 2014. There is no better gift than that of early literacy. Mark your calendar to support our local PJ Library program!

Family Center having fun

BELCHERTOWN – Check out the Belchertown Family Center, where families and caregivers with children ages 0 to 6 are welcome. The center is open Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. during the school year.

The BFC is committed to providing the community with early childhood enrichment in a safe environment that allows children to develop socially, emotionally, intellectually and physically through learning activities and play. In addition, the center supports teaching and modeling good parenting skills and offers early intervention programs and community outreach services.

The center also offers party rentals on weekends. Check out their Facebook page



There is so much to do at the Family Center, including bubble blowing.

for more information: <https://www.facebook.com/belchertownfamilycenter> or contact Lori Allen, Director, at 413-835-5201.

Wildlife photography exhibited in Hadley

HADLEY – The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will host a nature photography exhibit by Lucy Bartlett. The show includes a range of images from icy Vermont landscapes to close-up shots of Indonesian sea slugs.

The exhibit runs from now through Dec 31. The gallery is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday except federal holidays. There is no charge for admission. Adults will be asked to show a photo I.D. to enter the building.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Gallery is located at 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley. The building is located south of the intersection of Route 9 and Route 116

North. Bartlett grew up in Wilmington, Vermont and has always loved the visual arts. Her interest in photography developed into a passion during her college years. She took a photography class while attending Wesleyan University and fell in love with the art of composing the world around her into a still image. She traveled to southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia where she began experimenting with underwater photography.

Bartlett received her Bachelor's degree in Biology from Wesleyan in 2008 and has since been living in Florida, where she works for Florida Fish and Wildlife studying coral reefs in the Florida Keys.

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SAVE THE DATE: Holiday Craft Fair

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Enjoy beautifully hand crafted items, an accessory sale with loads of unique pieces of jewelry, huge Chinese raffle, a bake sale to tickle taste buds, and the best home-made lunch in town. This famous lunch sells out early so make us your first stop. Please support your center and check out the bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The raffle ends at 2 p.m. so get here early! Don't forget "Second Best" will be open.

The ToothFairy is back

Friday, Nov. 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Marcy is back and ready to clean teeth! She will be at the Senior Center on Friday, Nov. 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call for an appointment.

Attention Wal-Mart shoppers

Fridays, Nov. 14 and 28

Have the senior center van pick you up from home to shop at Walmart or Big Y in Ware. Door to door service for \$3 round trip! The November trip dates will be Friday, Nov. 14 and 28. Call Kim at 323-0420, ext. 508 to schedule.

It's turkey time

Thursday, Nov. 20

The kitchen is busy preparing for a great Thanksgiving luncheon to be held on Thursday, Nov. 20, and they will have some wonderful music by the one and only Chet Kurr beginning at 10:15 a.m. Reservations are required and can be made beginning Monday, Nov. 3. This dinner is only a \$4 suggested donation.

Jimmy Mazz Christmas Concert

Dec. 17 at 1 p.m.

Tickets are on sale for the Christmas concert to be held on Dec. 17 at 1 p.m. What a better way to kick off the holiday season than with Jimmy! Tickets are \$5 and include coffee, a cold beverage and desserts. Get your tickets today from Susan, we only have a few left!

The Kennedy Assassination

Nov. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 22, 1963 is a date that will live on in many people's collective memory with other ignominious dates such as Dec. 7 1941 and Sept. 11, 2001. It is the date on which a young president with so much potential had his life snuffed out within the span of a few seconds - an act that shocked a nation that didn't think things like that happened in America. On that day The United States of America was changed forever.

Join Historian Christopher Daley for "The Kennedy Assassination" in which the audience will relive that tragic day in vivid detail through the use of witness statements, photographs, diagrams, his own pictures and videos of sites in Dallas and of course the famous Zapruder Film.

Since the publication of Rush to Judgment by Mark Lane in 1966 which criticized the Warren Commission's finding that Lee Harvey Oswald was the lone assassin a tidal wave of conspiracy books have been written. In most of these books the main themes that run throughout are 1. There was a conspiracy between the Government (FBI & CIA) and the Mafia to kill Kennedy - or just the Mafia did it or just the Government did it. 2. Lyndon Johnson had a hand in the conspiracy to kill Kennedy. 3. The communists had Kennedy killed - either the Soviet Union and/or Fidel Castro.

Each of these three themes will be summarized and reasons for and against will be presented. This program is funded by the Belchertown Cultural Council.

ONGOING:

Dessert and coffee bar on Mondays

Go for lunch on Mondays and stay for some great conversation with new friends. If you have not eaten there, but would like to stop down a small donation would be appreciated. Dessert served immediately after lunch.

Volunteer office help needed

Looking for someone to help Susan one or two days a month filing and completing the paperwork for RSVP. It would entail about five hours a month, and during the busy times of the year could expand to additional time. So if you like basic paper work and math this might just be the "job" for you. The volunteer opportunity would be the first or second Monday of each month. Call Susan for additional information at 323-0420 ext. 501.

Granby Senior Center

All activities take place at the Granby Senior Center, 10 West State St. (467-3239) unless otherwise noted. The COA is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. No membership is required to take part in the activities/events, anyone over 55 is welcome.

DAILY ACTIVITIES:

Thursday, Nov. 6: 9 a.m. Foot Care by appt., 10 a.m. Osteo Exercise, 10 a.m. Providence Place Tour, 11:30 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic, 12 p.m. lunch - chicken filet

Friday, Nov. 7: 9 a.m. Cribbage, 12 p.m. lunch - cheeseburger

Monday, Nov. 10: 9 a.m. Yoga, 10 a.m. Osteo Exercise, 12 p.m. lunch - barbecue pork riblet, 1 p.m. Painting

Tuesday, Nov. 11: Closed - Veteran's Day

Wednesday, Nov. 12: 9:30 a.m. Tai Chi, 12 p.m. lunch - beef burgundy, 1 p.m. Fun Cards

Coffee Hour every weekday at 9 a.m. Enjoy a social time with your friends!

LUNCH:

Lunch is served daily at 12 p.m. Reservations must be made by noon the day before. The suggested donation is \$2.25, anyone over 60 is eligible. Call 467-3239 for reservations. Transportation is available.

TRANSPORTATION:

Available Monday through Friday for Granby residents for lunch, medical, activities and shopping. They travel to Springfield, Holyoke, Chicopee and stops in between. Call the Senior Center at 413-467-3239 to make reservations.

SAVE THE DATE:

S.H.I.N.E. Counselor available at the Senior Center by appointment.

Foot Care by Linda is on Nov. 6-20. Please call the center for an appointment.

Nov. 21, Movie: "Maleficent" starring Angelina Jolie. Movie starts at 1 p.m. Movie and popcorn are always free!

Looking for a forever home

Michael is a very loving, sweet three-year-old Caucasian toddler who has a true love for dogs. He immensely enjoys being around dogs and laughs and smiles whenever they are near! Michael also enjoys music, toys that light up, books and going outside to the playground. Michael has been in the same specialized foster home for almost three years now and it is an active, but very structured home where Michael has made great strides.



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"Hi! My name is Michael. I love dogs. Let's play on the swings!"

Over the course of Michael's life, many developmental delays as well as medical issues have become known. Among a multitude of special needs, Michael has a current diagnosis of mental retardation and visual impairment. Michael has a number of medical specialists involved in his care and he is in the Special Kids Special Care program in order to get necessary services. He receives Early Intervention services twice a week, which includes physical and feeding therapies. Michael can become frustrated due to his lack of speech and can be difficult to redirect. He has made recent gains in communication and is able to sign more words, including "more," "all done," and "milk." He can wave good-bye and blow kisses. He is also fully walking now with the help of a walker. Michael is capable of learning with lots of repetition. In the fall he will be receiving speech and physical therapies through an Individualized Education Plan when he starts pre-school.

Michael is now legally freed for adoption and will need a patient two-parent family who will applaud his every gain in development. He will progress developmentally, but it will likely be slow. A family with a medical background who has experience parenting disabled children would be ideal. A family must be able to bring Michael to necessary medical appointments and have at least one at-home parent who can accommodate all of Michael's home-based services. The family should be willing to offer limited post adoption contact to his birth parents, including some visitation.

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National Adoption Day is a national day of celebration of adoptive families and an opportunity for courts to open their doors and finalize the adoptions of children from foster care. Since 2000, more than 30,000 children have had their adoptions finalized on National Adoption Day. Policymakers, judges, staff, families, and volunteers come together to celebrate adoption in communities large and small all across the nation.

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Deborah McNaney and Curt Shumway of the Hampshire Hospitality Group are congratulated by Paul Yandoli of Community Options, Inc. with a certificate of appreciation.

Community Options thanks Shumway family

BELCHERTOWN – In April 1985 the manager of Howard Johnson’s Motor Lodge, owned by the Shumway family, hired a young woman with a disability to work in the laundry department of the hotel. That was the start of a long tradition by the Shumway family of hiring people with disabilities to work in their hotels.

As the Shumway family and the Hampshire Hospitality Group built hotels in Amherst and Hadley, opportunities for employment for people with disabilities were again being offered. Curt Shumway was once quoted as saying that “he wanted to give back to the community.” Over the years, he and the Hampshire Hospitality Group have offered a number of people with disabilities jobs doing different types of

work including landscaping, laundry, cleaning rooms, and taking care of the breakfast bar.

On Monday, Oct. 27 Community Options, Inc. presented Shumway a first ever certificate of appreciation. Betsy Grim, executive director of Community Options, shared how being part of a team, being treated with respect and dignity, and being given the opportunity to do meaningfulwork can and has changed many people’s lives.

The Board of Directors and staff of Community Options are very grateful and thank Mr. Shumway, Debbie McNaney, HR Manager, and all the staff at the Howard Johnson’s Motor Lodge, the Holiday Inn Express, the Marriot Courtyard and the Clarion Hotel.

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the analog format of every channel from its lineup and delivering only digital signals to each television outlet in the home on Nov. 11.

In order for customers to access their cable after Charter makes the change to 100 percent digital, all televisions hooked into the cable system will need a digital set-top box. Charter has sent mailings to its customers alerting them to the change and new requirements. Customers are being offered one additional digital set-top box, one HD set-top box or one CableCARD at no cost for 12 months. After that there will be a standard rate charge for each box.

According to Tom Cohan, director government relations for New England/ NY Charter Communications, limited basic customers with no equipment will be offered two free boxes for two years. Limited basic customers with on box will be offered one additional box for free for two years. Expanded basic customers will be offered two additional free boxes for one year and digital customers will be offered one additional box for free for one year.

Cohan also noted that 90 percent of Charter customers already have digital equipment in the home.

As part of the all-digital upgrade, Charter has also made dramatic changes to its channel line-up. The new lineup was also mailed to customers. Local access in Belchertown will change from channel 5 to channel 191, 19 to 192 and 20 to 193.

As for the televisions that are hooked in to the cable network in municipal buildings, Cohan explained that Charter, like any other cable company in the state, is required to provide one free drop with basic cable service to each municipal building and school. He said each site is

Customers can obtain the digital boxes through direct shipment to their home by calling 1-888-438-2427 to request a self-installation kit, or pick up the equipment at a nearby Charter store.

eligible for one free digital box only. If the cable signal is delivered to multiple televisions in those buildings, each television (like in a home) will be required to have a digital box.

According to Charter Communications, once the all digital upgrade is complete for all customers, Charter will double residential Internet speeds from 30 Mbps to 60 Mbps at no additional cost. The all-digital upgrade for customers in the Western Massachusetts Charter serviceable areas is scheduled to take place Nov. 4 and continue through Nov. 11.

The schedule as follows will impact the following communities:

Nov. 4 – Brimfield, Chicopee, Ludlow and Wales.

Nov. 11 – Belchertown, Hadley, Hampden, East Longmeadow, Easthampton, Southampton and Wilbraham.

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to notify the Granby board that it opposes Granby’s current policy of sending a fire apparatus to every fire call in the area of Granby where District 2 has primary responsibility for all fire-related calls.

According to the District 2 board Chairman Richard Constant, the board’s letter will state that “District 2 is the fire authority in that area and the board doesn’t believe that an automatic dual response by Granby is necessary, and if we need them (Granby), they (Granby) will be called.”

Following decisions by state authorities, Granby has been given full authority for emergency medical services (ambulance), while District 2 has been given full authority over fire response. Recent negotiations between the boards, however, have resolved

many of the issues that have divided them.

The boards have agreed that District 2, in addition to authority at fire scenes, will be responsible for fire investigations, inspections and permits and Granby’s records on such matters will be shared with District 2. The placement of a direct communication device in the Granby dispatch center to District 2 has also been agreed to. Responsibilities for forest fires has also been worked out.

Granby Fire Chief Russell Anderson cited the “layer of insurance” provided by the response of both departments to an area where houses of one town are on one side of the state highway, while houses of the other town are on the other side.

“If both respond, we or they could call it off,” Anderson said.

Bail said a District 2 ambulance would

be immediately dispatched to Granby in a case of a “critical incident,” such as a heart attack, if its response would be quicker than the town’s ambulance response. He added that Granby police, often the first to respond to such incidents, are equipped with defibrillators and trained in their use.

“It’s not so much of how fast, but the appropriate care. Safety is more than taken care of,” Bail said.

Bail said it’s unfortunate there is no higher authority to appeal to, since the state Legislature and courts are unwilling to step into the dispute.

In other business:

- Pioneer Valley Transit Authority operations manager Joshua Rickman said the PVTA advisory board will recommend ending the twice daily bus service in town. If accepted, the service will be discontin-

ued in December because of low, almost nonexistent, ridership. Rickman said a survey taken for two weeks in October 2013 showed that no riders took the R25 bus in the course of the 9-mile route through town in that time period. He said just one rider occasionally took the bus outside of the two week survey period. However, the bus routes that travel between Amherst and South Hadley along Route 116 in Granby will continue with no changes. The PVTA will also continue door-to-door van transportation for individuals with disabilities that prevent them from riding the fixed route bus service and for those over 60 years old. The service includes the entire town.

- Appointed Margaret Ritter Lacasse to the town Historical Commission.

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Isabel Moreau, 6, shows off the cookie she created.



Olivia Courchesne, 14, paints the face of Tyler Chartier, 6.

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One of the student volunteers, Brooke Griswold, played a part in the haunted hallway to scare children at the event. She spent part of a summer at the camp and says the donations make a huge difference. "It's such a wonderful facility and it really changed my life being there," said Griswold. "You see real strength in the families. The people that come to the Monster Mash may not know much about the charity, but they have no idea how much they are helping these people. I am thinking about going again for a summer."

At the Monster Mash, area children had the opportunity to participate in several different activities. There were arts and crafts, a doughnut-on-a-rope eating contest, face painting, cookie decorating, and a unique twist to popcorn, filling plastic hand gloves with the snack.

Children had the opportunity to trek through the haunted hallway with several high school students dressed up to scare them. High school students dressed in

costumes just the children and ran all the activities.

Taylor Breveleri, 15, a sophomore, said the Humanities Club put a lot of work into the event. She enjoyed seeing all the local children turn out with their families for the party.

"It was a lot of fun helping them decorate cookies and see them in their cute little costumes," she said.

McNeill says the Monster Mash also provides the community a great alternative to going out trick-or-treating.

"In our neighborhoods here, there are not a lot of street lights," said McNeill. "This event provides a safe place for the children to come in their costumes and enjoy the holiday."

The Monster Mash has been a Humanities Club event for at least 15 years, McNeill said. The event has grown each year and become more popular thanks to visibility in the community and the help of the volunteers in the club. The Humanities Club tries to put on a community service event at least once a month.



Adam Slonka, 8, tries to win a doughnut-eating contest.

'Trees of Love' support Cooley Dickinson programs

NORTHAMPTON – The trees in the Healing Garden at Cooley Dickinson Hospital will again be aglow this holiday season, and a lighting ceremony on Sunday, Nov. 23, at 4:30 pm will kick-off the 15th annual Trees of Love & Thanksgiving fundraising campaign.

Community members are invited to remember or honor a loved one through a donation of \$15 per individual to the Trees of Love & Thanksgiving, a project of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital Auxiliary and Pastoral Care.

Proceeds from this annual fundraising initiative support the purchase of equipment that enhances patient care at Cooley Dickinson. Funds raised through 15th annual Trees of Love in 2014 will provide infant car beds, which are critical to ensuring the safety of underweight babies, and will support an infusion bay in the Hospital's new comprehensive Mass General Cancer Center at Cooley Dickinson Hospital.

Previous Trees of Love campaigns have supported 3D mammography, which provides earlier cancer detection, and infant car beds.

A lighting ceremony will be held Sunday, Nov. 23 at 4:30 p.m. in the Healing Garden followed by a reception in the Kittredge Surgery Center Waiting Area. Those wishing to donate can pick up a form at any hospital information desk or download a form. In addition to lights on the trees in the Healing Garden, names of those being honored and remembered will be posted in the corridor adjacent to the Hospital's Main Lobby. The Cooley Dickinson Auxiliary supports the Hospital in its commitment to provide quality healthcare for the community through volunteerism, fundraising and advocacy. For additional information email Auxiliary@cooley-dickinson.com.

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in the now, was also important. “You can’t think about both at once,” she said. “That’s too much.”

Pellerin said freshman and sophomore year were more about making good grades in the required courses, but once junior and senior year came around it was a whole different story. Pellerin said as a junior and senior she had some choice in what courses she’d take, so she started taking as many science and math classes as she could in preparation for college and pursuing her dream of becoming a doctor. Not only did Pellerin sign up for the science and math classes, she also concentrated on her final marks.

“I really had to think about getting good grades so I could get into a good school,” she said.

Academics weren’t the only focus though. Pellerin also joined science and math based clubs in hopes to boost her student portfolio. And, like all others bound for college, Pellerin took her SATs. However, Pellerin doesn’t believe that high SAT scores will get you into a good college on its own.

“It’s not always about just your scores on the SATs. It’s also about your GPA and transcripts,” said Pellerin. “You can’t just focus on the SATs. You have to be a well-rounded student.”

Pellerin said something new to worry about when on the quest for college is what is posted on social media such as Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. She said, though she’s not a big social media person, she

does take the time to think about what she’s posting.

“Every time I post something I think about, ‘Is this the kind of student a prospective college would want?’,” said Pellerin. “Students should definitely watch what they post.”

Trimming down the list of prospective colleges can be a challenge, and at times feel overwhelming, but Pellerin said it doesn’t have to be. She suggests first pin pointing a career of personal interest and then researching the best schools for the profession. Pellerin did that exactly and came up with her top choices. After narrowing the list Pellerin then suggests scheduling visits to campus and talking with each admission director. That when the college fair at the high school comes in handy. She said during her junior year she was able to talk with multiple schools all in one day. From that she was able to whittle down the list to her top choice.

Currently, Pellerin’s top choice is the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) in Boston. However, being a John and Abigail Adams Scholarship recipient does have its weight with choice. With that scholarship Pellerin can have her tuition waived for up to eight semesters of undergraduate education at a Massachusetts state college or university. MCPHS is a private school and would not qualify for that tuition break.

Paying for college will be a challenge for Pellerin, as it is for many young people setting out on the quest. Pellerin said her parents plan to help as much as they can, but she is looking for financial aid and scholarships to fill in the gaps. As for stu-



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Christine Pellerin, a senior at Belchertown High School, talks with Ronald W. Dunham, assistant director of admissions to Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

dent loans, Pellerin said they are a possibility. She said the pressure of starting her life under a mountain of debt is certainly on her mind, and she is aware that taking a large loan could potentially “ruin” her life. But, her focus is not on the money and paying for college. She said she’s staying focused on her grades.

“That’s my top priority,” she said.

Pellerin receives a lot of support on her quest for college by her family. She said they are relying on her and her good education to take care of them later in life. Though it can sound like a lot of pressure for a young lady, she said she is looking

forward to making them all proud.

“This is the second step in my life,” she said. “It’s something that I’ll be able to talk to my grandkids about one day...about how my college life was.”

Pellerin said all she wants to do is go to a good school that will lead to getting a great job later on.

Pellerin’s final advice for students who are just beginning the quest, “When you start to look, look early and really research the careers. Search yourself and what you like. Find yourself while you are looking for a college.”

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Classroom calendar

- Friday, Nov. 7**
 - CHCS, Report cards issued
 - JBMS, Report cards issued-paper copy to be sent home with student, may be viewed online through PowerSchool
 - BHS, First term report cards mailed home
- Saturday, Nov. 8**
 - BHS, MMEA Western District auditions, Westfield State University (snow date Nov. 15)
- Sunday, Nov. 9**
 - JBMS, Fall Frenzy 5K Race, starting at JBMS parking lot, 9 a.m.
- Monday, Nov. 10**
 - SRE, Veterans' Day performance at 11 to 11:45 a.m. and 2 to 2:45 p.m. in A-Common
 - BHS, Veterans' Day assembly, 9:17 to 10:05 a.m., VMA
- Tuesday, Nov. 11**
 - No school -Veteran's Day
- Wednesday, Nov. 12-13**
 - BHS, MCAS math retake
- Thursday, Nov. 13**
 - SRE, School Council meeting, principal's office at 3:30 p.m.

CSS – Cold Spring School
 SRE – Swift River Elementary School
 CHCS – Chestnut Hill Community School
 JBMS – Jabish Brook Middle School
 BHS – Belchertown High School

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SEPAC holding monthly meeting on Nov. 12

BELCHERTOWN – The Belchertown Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) is scheduled for its next monthly meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 12. The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the library of Chestnut Hill Community School.

Learn more about the SEPAC and the role they play in the Belchertown school district. The public is invited to be part of a discussion as they host an evening with Brian Cameron, director of Student Support Services and assistant superintendent.

All parents, staff, interested

community members, and especially parents and caregivers of student who receive services through the Department of Student Support Services in the schools are welcome to attend. Please send any questions or comments to KathleenHorganTerry@charter.net.

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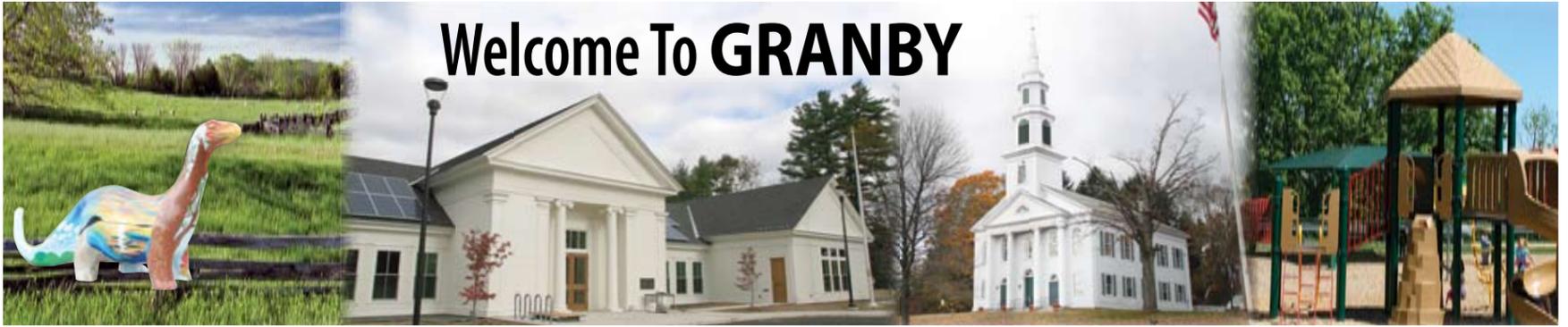
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Welcome To GRANBY

Presbyterian Church holds harvest festival

By William Pead
Correspondent

GRANBY – A warm sun shined down Saturday, Oct. 25 on Granby’s First Presbyterian Church in the Meadows for their first Harvest Festival. Youngsters were treated to hay rides and face painting. Pumpkin painting and some amazing magicians were also featured. Organizer Butch Papaniou said the idea of the Festival was to provide young people and families with a fun and festive free event. He said the magicians, all members of Society of American Magicians, volunteered their services. The church, on Route 202 in Granby, also hosts a Magician Night in March.



Four-year-old Aaron Roberts and 6-year-old Grace Roberts, of Springfield, share pumpkin painting duties at the Harvest Fair.



Sam Howe, of Springfield, just turning two, came in a clever disguise to the Harvest Festival, dressed as Winnie the Pooh.



Six-year-old Grace Roberts has her face painted by Ashley Rhodes of Chicopee.



Rick Mayers of Springfield performs a card trick for Zebulun Larose of Granby.



LEFT: Youngsters are thrilled to sit in the horse-drawn wagon for a hay ride through the Meadow behind the Presbyterian Church. Brothers Toby, Hunter and Carter Gosselin of Southampton were joined by Jameson and Lorelei Backus and Isaac Prouty from Hardwick.

Students named to principal’s list

GRANBY – Granby Jr. Sr. High School held the principal’s list dinner on Oct. 21 at the Knights of Columbus in Chicopee. This is one of the most prestigious awards. It is attained by earning maximum or high honors in at least three of the four marking periods during the previous school year. Ninety-one students were recognized and received this award with 248 guests in attendance. The guest speaker was Charlene Korza, Social Worker.

Grade 8 (achieved in Grade 7): Oliver Abbott, Jack Berger, Kylie Biron, Trystin Burger, Julia Cloutier, Jonathan Couture, Baylee Cox, Lilli Dimitropolis, Mya Fillion, Aaron Fugler, Dylan Gordon, Danielle Hamel, Tanner Imelio, Craig Judicki, Edrick Kusumo, Chloe LaDuke, Anna Ludkiewicz, Haley Moriarty, Rory O’Connor, Jasmine Rodrigues-Jones, Sarah Scott, Grace Sinclair, Felicity Sousa, Joshua White, Michael White, Samuel White, Talia Wiesel.

Grade 9 (achieved in Grade 8): Mallory Beauregard, Matthew Buxton, Pierre Carriere, Nicholas Casey, Jessica Chapdelaine, Joshua Cox, Taylor Dumais, Tianna Dwinell, Nathan Enders, Anabel Evren, Logan Fabricius, Hannah LaDuke, Brandi LeBlanc, Emily Mainville, Natalie Maslak, Rachel Netta, Samantha O’Grady, Hannah Parent, Emily Sawyer, Isabelle Shepard, Angelica Soto, Tessa Sweeney.

Grade 10 (achieved in Grade 9): Abigail Beauregard, Catriona Buckley, Shane Cauley, Madelyn Connaughton, Sarah Couture, Alexa Dermody, Aaron Frank, Meghan Jolivet, Samantha Judicki, Daylon Kongo, Paul Konyrev, Erin Mikalchus, Alexander Morehouse, Benjamin M’Sadoques, Andrew O’Connor, Thomas Rezzani, Casey Rougeau, Hannah Roux, Katherine Sarnacki, Michael Sosa, Kathleen Sullivan.

Grade 11 (achieved in Grade 10): Kaitlin Bernashe, Alicia Frappier, Marlana Haas, Nicole Hamel, Carly Lacoste, Morgan Lukasik, Sawyer Mahan, Bailey Ortensi, Delaney Pluta, Kaylee Roberts, Hope Shaw.

Grade 12 (achieved in Grade 11): Megan Bachand, Dylan Bellerose, Caitlin Chapdelaine, Jasmine Cordeiro, Jonathan DePino, Samantha Gilpatrick, Jillian Harrington, Clarissa Huard, Delany Kongo, Janelle Lemay, Christopher Maziarz, Daniel Menard, Ryan Mikalchus, Michaela Sansouci, Elijah Sinclair, Lauren Stock, Brett Sullivan, Meghan Sullivan, Nicholas Walas, Daniel Werenski.

Granby holding flu clinic

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Lions Club plans pancake breakfast

GRANBY – The Granby Lions Club fall pancake breakfast will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 7 to 11 a.m. in the Church of Christ Parish Hall in Granby Center.

The menu consists of pancakes, sausage, orange juice, and coffee. The ticket price is \$5 and can be purchased at the door. The proceeds from

this breakfast will be going to support the Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund. Since its beginnings in the 1950's this fund has had a tremendous impact on thousands of lives. Each year, research funded by MLERF touches many lives, saving and restoring the sight of people of all ages and all walks of life.

Parenting workshop at Granby Library

GRANBY – On Nov. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. join other parents as they explore fun ways to interact with children and in the process build a foundation for success in friendships and in school.

Research now documents the vital importance between play and healthy relationships, language development, social/emotional skills, motor develop-

ment and how well children learn. Play is a crucial piece of pre-literacy and -pre-math skills. Best of all, it's fun! Free childcare is provided for parents attending this workshop.

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CDH recognized for outstanding patient safety

NORTHAMPTON – Cooley Dickinson Hospital was honored with an "A" grade in the Fall 2014 Hospital Safety Score, which rates how well hospitals protect patients from errors, injuries and infections.

The Hospital Safety Score is compiled under the guidance of the nation's leading experts on patient safety and is administered by The Leapfrog Group (Leapfrog), an independent industry watchdog. The first and only hospital safety rating to be peer-reviewed in the Journal of Patient Safety, the Score is free to the public and designed to give consumers information they can use to protect themselves and their families when facing a hospital stay.

"Cooley Dickinson is fortunate to have a community of staff and providers who make delivering quality and safe care their daily priority," said Joanne Marqusee, president and chief executive officer of Cooley Dickinson.

"But high quality and patient safety requires not only skilled people with a commitment to great care, it also requires leadership at all levels to make safe systems and team work a priority. We are gratified to see that our commitment to safe practices and a culture of safety is being recognized by this national patient safety organization. We also recognize we have more to do and will continue to look for opportunities to improve."

"Patient safety needs to be a 24-7 priority for hospitals, as errors and infections are all too common and often deadly," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group, which administers the Hospital Safety Score. "We commend the 'A' hospitals, including Cooley Dickinson Hospital for helping us to raise the standards of health care nationwide, and demonstrating that they've made the well-being of patients a top priority."



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engagement announcement

Kristin Ryan to wed Ryan Johnson



Maureen and Bill Ryan, of Belchertown, announce the engagement of their daughter Kristin Ryan to Ryan Johnson, son of Kelly and Randy Johnson, of Belchertown. The future bride received a bachelor's degree from Isenberg School of Management at the University of Massachusetts. She is presently employed at Universal Quality Machine and is the proprietor of Kristin's Cookies & More. The future groom will be a graduate from Westfield State University with a bachelor's degree in history. He is currently employed at Mass Mutual. A June 2015 wedding is planned.

birth announcement



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Elsteins welcome Ethan

Welcome Ethan Joshua Elstein! Ethan was born six pounds, 13 ounces in Houston on Oct. 29. He is the third grandchild of Belchertown Selectman Ken Elstein and his wife Karen Chrisman. Proud parents are Daniel and Emuejoke Elstein.

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ESB Welcomes Tracey Gaylord

Tracey Gaylord has joined the commercial lending team at ESB.

Tracey is not only a business lender with more than 25 years experience, but more importantly, an active community leader. She comes to ESB as a prior Regional Vice President, Commercial Loan Officer in St. Johnsbury, Vermont. Among other affiliations, while she lived in Vermont, she was a Trustee for the Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium and active with the Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital, Northeast Kingdom Human Services and the St. Johnsbury Chamber of Commerce. Be sure to stop in to meet Tracey and ask how she can help you with your business lending needs.



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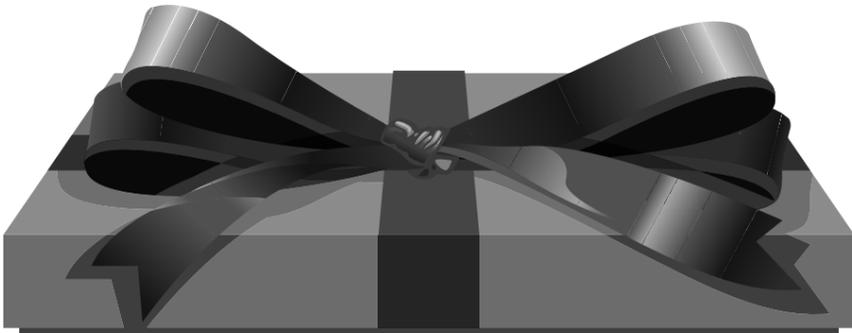
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The Cuban-inspired group Iroko Nuevo will perform on Nov. 7 to benefit Not Bread Alone.

Cuban Cabaret fundraiser benefits 'Not Bread Alone'

AMHERST – On Nov. 7, CHD's Not Bread Alone will be hosting a Cuban Cabaret Evening at the First Congregational Church of Amherst starting at 5:30 p.m. There will be live music, Cuban food and dance performances by Iroko Nuevo.

Iroko Nuevo is a local, 13-member, Cuban-inspired, performance group. They have performed in schools, museums, community festivals, benefits for local non-profit organizations, and private venues, and have been teaching and performing AfroCuban dance in the Pioneer Valley since 2007.

Not Bread Alone is a community meal program in Amherst that offers free home-

made, hot meals and groceries. Not Bread Alone welcomes everyone to help prepare and enjoy fresh, nutritious, and family-style meals using local ingredients whenever possible. Their free meals program fosters a caring environment that relies on strong volunteer and community involvement. All who come are welcomed, accepted and appreciated for who they are and what they can offer.

The event begins with food and Latin dance music at 5:30 p.m. followed by a performance from Iroko Nuevo starting at 7 p.m. Tickets will be \$10 per individual or \$15 per family. For more information visit www.chd.org.

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CUBAN CABARET: On Nov. 7, CHD's Not Bread Alone will be hosting a Cuban Cabaret Evening at the First Congregational Church of Amherst starting at 5:30 p.m. There will be live music, Cuban food and dance performances by Iroko Nuevo.

NIGHT OF MAGIC: Head to the Clapp Memorial Library for an unforgettable magic show on Friday, Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. Noah Troy will entertain with a close up, interactive show that is sure to fool and amaze. No registration required, best suited for ages 8 years old and up.

Saturday, Nov. 8

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: The Granby Lions Club fall pancake breakfast will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 7 to 11 a.m. in the Church of Christ Parish Hall in Granby Center. The menu consists of pancakes, sausage, orange juice, and coffee. The ticket price is \$5 and can be purchased at the door.

PENNY SALE: After a brief rest and re-organization the St. Mary's Ladies Guild of Ware will be hosting its annual Polish Food and Penny Sale, Nov. 8 at the Church Hall on South St, Ware. The Polish food sale begins at 10:30 a.m. and continues throughout the day until the food is sold out. Bringing one's own personal containers is highly appreciated. Seating will be on a first come basis; there will be no reserving for later use and leaving, except for penny sale workers. People must be present during the day to hold their seats.

OPEN MIC/COFFEEHOUSE: Bridges Open Mic and Coffeehouse, Saturday, Nov. 8, 3 to 5 p.m., First Congregational Church Dining Room, 165 Main St., Amherst, free refreshments and entertainment! Come share what's on your mind, hear from others, sing, play, make new friends. Call 413-668-4189 for more information.

Monday, Nov. 10

FLU CLINIC: The Granby Board of Health will be holding a flu clinic at the Public Safety Complex at 259 East State St., Granby. The clinic is for any Granby resident 19 years and older. The clinic will be Monday, Nov. 10 from 4 to 6 p.m. There will be a \$2 fee for administration of the shot.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

VETERANS' DAY CEREMONY: The Belchertown Veterans' Agent announces the 2014 Veterans' Day ceremonies will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 11. The town ceremony will start at 9:30 a.m. taking place at the Town Common to honor the veterans who are memorialized there. At 11 a.m. there will be a ceremony in Veterans' Memorial Auditorium at Belchertown High School to honor all veterans.

Thursday, Nov. 13
PARENT WORKSHOP: On Nov. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. join other parents at the Granby Public Library as they explore fun ways to interact with children and in the process build a foundation for success in friendships and in school. Please pre-register by phone 413-570-3061 or online at <http://www.collaborative.org/programs/early-childhood/parent>.

Friday, Nov. 14

GAMES DAY: The Clapp Memorial Library will join hundreds of libraries throughout the country in the seventh annual celebration of gaming in libraries – International Games Day, celebrated at the Clapp on Friday, Nov. 14. Games for all ages will be available in the library from 3 to 6 p.m. For more information, call 413-323-0417.

Saturday, Nov. 15

HARVEST FESTIVAL: Join the Family Center for its first ever Harvest Festival on Saturday, Nov. 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Belchertown Family Center, 720 Franklin St.

FILL THE TENT: Rain or shine help fill the tent with canned goods, toiletries and pet food with St. Francis Pack 507 Cub Scouts on the town common from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 21

ARTISANS BAZAAR: Come shop, sip and socialize at the Hartsbrook School holiday artisans bazaar on Nov. 21 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Find your holiday gifts from our local artisans before the bustle of the Holiday Fair. A fun night out for adults. The Hartsbrook School is located at 193 Bay Road, Hadley.

Saturday, Nov. 22

HOLIDAY FAIR: The Hartsbrook School presents its annual Holiday Fair on Nov. 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This magical event includes: holiday crafts/activities, local artisans, performances and food. The Hartsbrook School is located at 193 Bay Road, Hadley.

Local firefighters honored by Gov.

BOSTON – Gov. Deval Patrick joined Public Safety Secretary Andrea Cabral and State Fire Marshal Stephen D. Coan to honor firefighters from 10 Massachusetts communities for heroic acts of bravery during the 25th annual "Firefighter of the Year" Awards ceremony. The ceremony was held at the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum in Boston.

"Today we honor amazing acts of courage and bravery by the Commonwealth's firefighters and take a moment to thank these heroes and their families," said Gov. Patrick. "Firefighters show a greatness of spirit and community in choosing to protect others as a profession while putting themselves in danger."

"Every year, we honor the bravery and sacrifice of the entire fire service through these awards," said Secretary Cabral. "This year's recipients are extraordinary examples of those qualities."

Gov. Patrick and Secretary Cabral presented 22 awards: two Norman Knight Award for Excellence in Community Service to the Amherst Regional Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program and to a Lunenburg firefighter for his Senior SAFE Program; an Excellence in Leadership Award to a Boston Deputy Fire Chief for a career devoted to improving fire prevention; 10 Individual Awards for Meritorious Conduct to firefighters from Abington, Chelsea, Everett, Lunenburg and New Bedford; two Group Awards for Meritorious Conduct to teams of firefighters from Boston and Tewksbury; five Medals of Valor to individual firefighters from Billerica, Lynn and New Bedford; and two Medals of Honor presented posthumously to the families of Boston Fire Lt. Edward J. Walsh Jr. and Boston Firefighter Michael R. Kennedy.

Past Medal of Honor recipients and their survivors received special recognition from Fire Marshal Coan during this milestone anniversary ceremony for their service and sacrifice. In addition, the State Fire Marshal thanked Gov. Patrick who was presiding over his eighth and final "Firefighter of the Year" ceremony for his unwavering support of the Massachusetts fire service, starting as Governor-elect in Danvers, through floods, tornados, significant fires and firefighter funerals.

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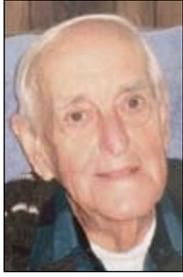


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OBITUARIES

Roger Harris, 82

BELCHERTOWN - Roger Burton Harris, 82, passed away peacefully at home with his family, on Oct. 28, 2014. He was born in Ludlow on Dec. 1, 1931, son of the late Earle and Hazel Harris. Roger leaves his wife Marguerite (Prescott) Harris, stepsons, Dennis, Edward and wife Lisa and Kevin Drew, all of Belchertown. He also leaves step-daughter, Karen Dulude of Barre, and daughters Paula Quiqley and Teresa Graham. Roger was predeceased by his son Jeffrey Harris and will also be greatly missed by six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Roger is also survived by a sister, Nancy Andrews of Spencer and brother Richard Harris of Hampden. Besides his son and parents, he was predeceased by his sister Lorna Cox and brothers, Earle Harris and Edward Harris, all of Hampden. Roger honorably served his country in the US Army during the Korean War. He was the proud owner and president of Harris Milk Transportation, established in 1954. He also owned R.B.H. Repair Service, servicing heavy-duty trucks and trailers. From 1969, Roger served on the Board of Trustees at Monson Savings Bank. Besides spending time with his family and friends, he also enjoyed collecting and restoring Model A Fords and attending all of the local County Fairs to watch tractor pulls. Visitation was Monday, Nov. 3 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home. A private service and burial will be held for the family. Donations may be made in his memory to Cooley Dickinson Hospice, 168 Industrial Dr., Northampton, MA 01060. For details, please visit www.beersandstory.com.



Marie A. Kopacz, 68

BELCHERTOWN - Marie A. Kopacz, 68 of Allen Road, died on Oct. 30, 2014 with her loving family by her side. She was born Jan. 12, 1946 in Ware, daughter of Wallace and Winnie (Squires) Bisnette. Marie was very passionate about her knitting and crocheting. She was the scorekeeper for the Shutesbury Athletic Club Softball team for many years. She is survived by her two sons, David P. Kopacz, Sr. and girlfriend Leanne of NH, and Thomas Kopacz and good friend Lana Jewett of Belchertown, her boyfriend, David Hanscom of Belchertown, and former husband David F. Kopacz of NY. She also leaves her grandchildren, Luke and David Paul, and Felicia Kopacz. Marie was preceded in death by her parents. Visitation was from 5 to 6 p.m., Wednesday Nov. 5, where a Celebrant Service took place at Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home. Burial will be Monday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m., meeting directly at South Cemetery. For those wishing, memorial contributions may be made to Quaboag Valley Hospice. For more information, please visit www.beersandstory.com.



William J. Lakota, Sr., 69

BELCHERTOWN - William J. Lakota, Sr., 69, of Summit Street, died unexpectedly on Oct. 31, 2014. Born Dec. 10, 1944 in Chicopee, he was the son of Walter and Elaine (Rivest) Lakota. William and his family have lived in Belchertown since 1972, previously residing in Granby. He proudly served his country during the Vietnam era in the US Navy. William currently was a truck driver for Westwood Cartage and traveled all over New England. He previously owned his own construction company in town. William enjoyed traveling, fishing, car racing and time spent at the casinos. He will be dearly missed by his wife of 45 years, Jean (Bonneville) Lakota, along with his three sons, William J. Lakota, Jr. and his wife Dawn of Chicopee, Jeffrey Lakota and his wife Kelly of Stafford, CT, and Shawn Lakota of South Hadley. William also leaves four grandchildren along with his siblings, Walter Lakota, Jr., Ronald Lakota both of Belchertown, Richard Lakota of Springfield, and Jamie Perreault of Springfield. Visitation will be Wednesday, Nov. 5 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home with a service to begin at 11:30 a.m. Burial and military honors will be at 1 p.m. at the MA Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Agawam. Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital. For details, please visit www.beersandstory.com.



Paul Hebert, 88

LUDLOW - Paul G. Hebert, 88, of Ludlow passed away peacefully on Friday, Oct. 31, 2014 in the home he loved, surrounded by his family. Born in Holyoke on May 28, 1926, he was the son of the late George and Marie (Bergeron) Hebert. Paul attended St. Thomas Aquinas School and was a graduate of Cathedral High School. He also attended the Culinary Institute of Connecticut. He proudly served his country as a member of the U. S. Army, earning four Bronze Stars for his service during the Korean War. Paul went on to serve 33 years in the Army National Guard. He was employed as a baker at the A & P Bakery and retired from H.P. Hood and Sons. Paul loved bowling, reading and walking. His greatest passion was watching his beloved Boston Red Sox. He enjoyed time spent with his family. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Doris (Jacobs) Hebert; two sons Allen and his wife Sharon of Winthrop; Craig and his wife Lois of Torrance, CA; two daughters Joy McCarron and her husband Robert of Belchertown, and Holly Bayeur and her husband David of Chicopee, and his sister Theresa Konovalchick of West Springfield. Paul also leaves his beloved grand-children Shawn, Lindsay, Nicole, Katherine, Erik and Paul along with his great-grandchildren Aren, Rafe, Griffin and Sadie. He was pre-deceased by his brother Norman Hebert. Family and friends are invited to gather for Paul's Funeral Service on Saturday, Nov. 8 at 10 a.m. at the Kapinos-Mazur Funeral Home, 64 Sewall St, Ludlow. Rites of Committal with Military Honors will follow in Island Pond Cemetery, Center St, Ludlow. Visiting hours at the funeral home will be Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 to 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mercy Hospice, 2112 Riverdale St, West Springfield, MA 01089. For more information please go to www.kapinosmazurfh.com.



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Beers & Story plan holiday service of remembrance

To provide support during the holidays, the staff at Beers & Story Funeral Homes invites the public to its annual Holiday Service of Remembrance. The holidays can be a difficult time for bereaved families; therefore Beers & Story would like anyone to attend any of the special services scheduled. People may bring a small photo if they wish.

The service will include words of comfort and hope, music, and a special ceremony with acknowledgement of the deceased family member. At the conclusion of the ceremony, light refreshments will be served.

Service dates:

Wednesday, Nov. 19, 6 p.m. at Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home, 10 Maple St. (Route 202).

Sunday, Nov. 23, 3 p.m. at Second Congregational Church, 1080 Pleasant St., Palmer.

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State Fire Marshal's Presentation: 25th Anniversary Salute and Governor's Recognition

Past Medal of Honor recipients and their survivors received special recognition.

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Medal of Honor: Boston Lt. Edward J. Walsh Jr. and FF Michael R. Kennedy.

Governor announces new infrastructure projects

North Downtown Improvement Project pegged for Amherst

AMHERST – Gov. Deval Patrick recently announced a new round of MassWorks Infrastructure Program grants to advance local development projects across the state. The grants total over \$66 million in improvement projects that will support thousands of jobs in Massachusetts' communities. Through these awards, the state will partner with cities and towns to support housing developments, infrastructure developments, road safety and revitalization projects.

"Our commitment to investing in communities has created thousands of jobs and improved infrastructure across the Commonwealth," said Governor Patrick. "The MassWorks program is a prime example of what government can do at the local level to support economic development."

Through these grants, the Patrick Administration will partner with cities and towns making targeting investments in infrastructure such as roadways, streetscapes, water and

sewers to facilitate and support new and sustained housing and economic growth throughout Massachusetts.

The governor celebrated the latest round of investments while in Amherst, which received a \$1.5 million award for the North Downtown Improvements Project to address infrastructure improvements in the northern gateway to downtown Amherst and the southern entrance of the UMass Amherst campus. This area is currently made up of aging, low-rise, single-use commercial buildings and parking lots. The community re-zoned this area to allow for increased density and mixed-use developments. Amherst's MassWorks grant will be used to move utilities underground to support the construction of the Kendrick Place and One East Pleasant Street mixed-use projects, which represent \$30 million in private investment in the community. Kendrick Place is currently under construction and includes 36 market rate units and 4,800 square feet of commercial space. One East Pleasant Street is in the final stages of permitting and is expected to include 78 market rate units and first floor commercial space. The Town will

provide matching funds to complete streetscape work and the reconfiguration of the East Pleasant/Triangle Street intersection.

"The Patrick Administration has been committed to providing support to communities so that they can grow and prosper," said Secretary of Housing and Economic Development Greg Bialecki. "Revitalizing a community through infrastructure improvements will make it easier for businesses to grow and communities to flourish."

MassWorks is administered by the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development and represents a consolidation of six capital budget programs, giving communities a single entry point and one set of requirements for the state's public infrastructure grants. The consolidation created efficiencies and streamlined the decision-making process, increasing access for municipalities and enhancing partnerships around economic development and housing.

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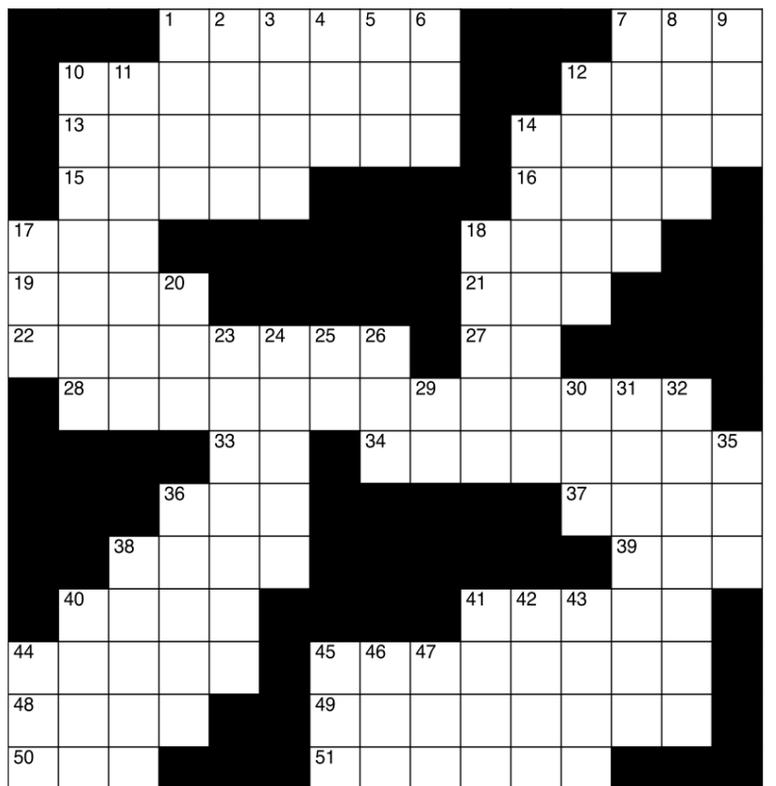
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| 10. Voluted | 38. ___ Nui, Easter Island | 6. A lyric poem | 30. Resort |
| 12. Tear down | 39. Founder of Babism | 7. Philippine seaport & gulf | 31. Members of U.S. Navy |
| 13. Propose for office | 40. Speed competition | 8. Utilizes | 32. Smokes |
| 14. Yiddish expert | 41. Artist's tripod | 9. Lair | 35. Smiling so big (texting) |
| 15. Great ape of Borneo | 44. Records | 10. Covering of snow | 36. Capital of Bangladesh |
| 16. Arab outer garments | 45. A witty reply | 11. Covered walkway | 38. Tore down |
| 17. Hundredweight | 48. The content of cognition | 12. Overzealous | 40. Travel in a car |
| 18. The Muse of history | 49. Mohs scale measure | 14. Stench | 41. American bridge engineer |
| 19. Neutralizes alkalis | 50. ___ student, learns healing | 17. Compartment | 42. "Rule Britannia" composer |
| 21. Mortar trough | 51. Put in advance | 18. 2nd largest Costa Rican island | 43. Let it stand |
| 22. Lapsed into bad habits | | 20. Danish Krone (abbr.) | 44. Not bright |
| 27. Potato State | | 23. Long narrow bands | 45. Rated horsepower |
| 28. DeGeneres' partner | | 24. Woody tropical vine | 46. Pinna |
| 33. Egyptian sun god | | 25. Farm state | 47. Prefix for before |
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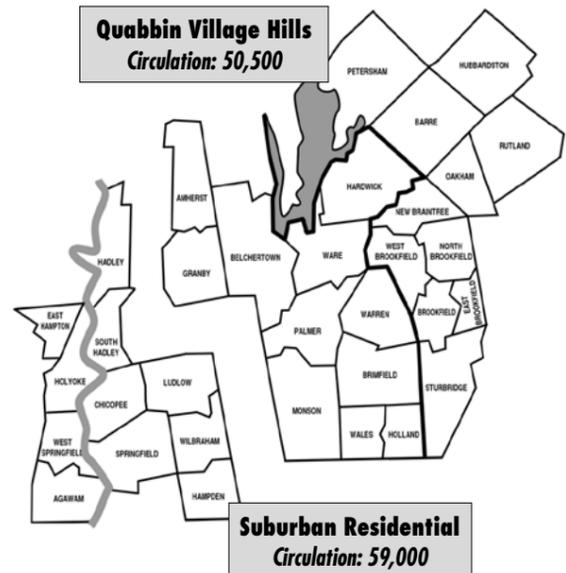
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Monday, Nov. 10: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, corn, whole wheat roll, mixed fruit, milk
 Tuesday, Nov. 11: No school – Veterans Day
 Wednesday, Nov. 12: Mozzarella sticks, marinara sauce, whole wheat breadstick, Caesar salad, apple crisp, milk
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 Friday, Nov. 14: French toast sticks, sausage, carrots, cucumbers, syrup, applesauce, milk

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This was the fourth league championship in the last five seasons for “S & J Jamrog” and the sixth time they have been league champions since 2009. Over the past three seasons they have a combined season record of 67-11. In addition to playing in the Northampton league “S & J Jamrog” also plays in various charity tournaments all over southern New

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