

TOWN Reminder



A TURLEY PUBLICATION | www.turley.com

Serving the town of South Hadley

www.townreminder.turley.com

FREE
May 26, 2023
Vol. 54, No. 5

INDEX

Viewpoints	4
Granby	8
Education	9
Sports	10
Public Notices	14
Classifieds	15



EVENTS, 3

Music, food and fun at Asparagus Festival



HAPPENINGS, 5

Concert resumes with gospel show



COMMUNITY, 9

Comerford receives 'Caring Bear' award for service



SPORTS, 10

Schaeffer K's 19 as Tigers take league title



Raising fresh flags for fallen soldiers

By **Matty Anderson**
Staff Writer
manderson@turley.com

SOUTH HADLEY— Members of the community paid their respects to the brave heroes who selflessly defended our nation, by decorating their graves with fresh American flags.

On Saturday morning, many volunteered to help the American Legion, Sons of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars decorate the grave of every veteran who lies in Notre Dame and Mater Dolorosa cemeteries.

Before distributing flags, Brian Willette, retired Staff Sergeant and current Commander of Post 260 at the South Hadley American Legion, thanked everyone for coming. He read "The Memorial Day Order" and quoted "The Gettysburg Address" by Abraham Lincoln.

Willette said, "Memorial Day is our most sacred day as veterans, it's a day where our nation can show respect to those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Today we are flagging the graves of the fallen which is probably our most outward expression of honor and patriotism and thanks."

In total there are 2,604 veteran graves between the two cemeteries. The South Hadley Tigers kindly volunteered their Saturday to help accomplish such a monumental task, their efforts played a huge role in the success of the tradition.

The veterans respected Select Board Member Nicole Casolari for joining them in their mission to honor the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Please see **RAISING FLAGS**, page 6



(Turley Publications Photo by Matty Anderson)

South Hadley Tigers High School Football team players Marty Loughrey and Griffin Saderbaum helped replace flags.

Kim Prough is Volunteer of the Year

By **Tina Lesniak**
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY - South Hadley resident Kim Prough has received the Joseph W. Taylor Volunteer of the Year Award for her dedicated service to the town over the years. Prough's work with Neighbors Helping Neighbors and at Buttery Brook Park earned her the esteemed award.

"Our lives have changed for the better from this person's efforts and the community she has fostered here in our town," said Andy Rogers, director of the recreation department, at the town meeting's award presentation. The award came as a surprise to Prough who had not been notified ahead of time.

The award, given for the first time since the onset of the

Please see **PROUGH**, page 2



Civic-minded Kim Prough is honored with the Joseph W. Taylor Volunteer of the Year Award.

Public invited to Evergreen Memorial Day event

SOUTH HADLEY — The Evergreen Cemetery Association is holding its annual Memorial Day ceremony at the cemetery on Hadley Street at 9 a.m. on Monday, May 29.

This is the 10th year the organization is holding this event. It was initially organized by

Linda Warner Young and the late Evergreen Cemetery Superintendent Mike Koske as a more solemn local option for residents who want to observe Memorial Day and pay tribute to the nation's war dead.

"Everyone is invited to come and participate, but usually those who have family buried in the cemetery are the ones that come," Young says.

"This is a beautifully maintained cemetery and the 'old' piece in the back has some remarkable names on its grave-stones."

Community



Contributed photo

VENUE REOPENS

SOUTH HADLEY — On May 18, state Sen. Jake Oliveira and state Rep. Dan Carey joined the South Hadley/Granby Chamber of Commerce for the grand reopening of the Thai Place South Hadley Banquet Hall.

PROUGH from page 1

Covid-19 pandemic, is chosen by the recreation department and commission.

"I choose to volunteer as it's an opportunity to give back and hopefully make a difference in the lives of others," said Prough, who expressed what an honor it was to even be considered for the award. "I've been very blessed in my life and feel it's an honor to be able to serve the community in which I reside."

Prough has been instrumental in the creation and success of the pickleball courts at Buttery Brook Park. Two years ago, Prough approached Rogers with

the idea of building the pickleball courts. Rogers had previously tried to build them but had not had much luck going through the budget process. Prough helped to raise \$100,000 to build the courts that opened in July 2022 and has continued to make them a success.

"This blossoming pickleball community is due to the welcoming culture that she has created, the countless free lessons and clinics she has led," said Rogers. More than 250 people have attended the clinics arranged by Prough. She's also worked on events like the AED/CPR/Pickleball Tournament, Pickleween, and Dinko De Mayo, all events that helped raise funds for orga-

nizations like Kev's Foundation and Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

Among her other successes have been her work on the Woodlawn Park naming celebration and the Ray of Elvis concert. Through her work on the board for Buttery Brook Park, she's also helped with the Easter Egg Hunt and Santa's Land. She hopes to bring a family-friendly circus to the park this summer.

"I believe it's important for people to get involved doing something they enjoy and have a passion for, rather than getting involved because they feel they 'should' be doing something," said Prough. "The choice is a personal decision and for some,

giving a financial contribution is what they want to do and for others, it's giving of their time. Both are equally important."

Prough's volunteer efforts began when she moved to South Hadley eight years ago. She joined Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Pantry, then the Friends of South Hadley

Seniors board four years ago and now serves as its president.

"I can think of no one more deserving. In fact, I have had three people reach out to me independently of each other suggesting she get an award this year for her efforts," said Rogers. "To see how many people she has affected through her volunteerism is remarkable."

Summer Concert Series

SOUTH HADLEY — Summer Concert Series will take place Thursday evenings from 6:30 – 8 p.m. on the Town Common.

The rain date for concerts is the following Sunday. Bring lawn chairs and/or blankets. This program is sponsored in part by a grant from the South Hadley Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

June 22: South Hadley Community Band

June 29: Side Effect Band, a 60s, 70s & 80s Classic Rock

July 6: Midlife Crisis, classic Blues Rock

July 13: Whitaker Hill, modern Country, Blues & Rock

July 20: Night Moves, four decades of great R&R

July 27: The Dave Colucci Show, crooning the classics

Aug. 3: Moose & the High Tops, the best Classic Rock of the 70s & 80s

Aug. 10: Off the Record, 60s & 70s Classic Rock

Aug. 17: Peter J Newland and RadioX, fusion of American music: Blues, Rock & Country

Aug. 24: Cottonwood, Country music with a kick

Aug. 31 The Capabilities & Sound Squad, Berkshire Hills Music Academy

JOIN US FOR GUEST SPEAKER

Mitchell Clionsky, Ph.D. ABPP(CN)

JUNE 6th, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Light Refreshments Will be Served

The Arbors at Chicopee Assisted Living Residential Community

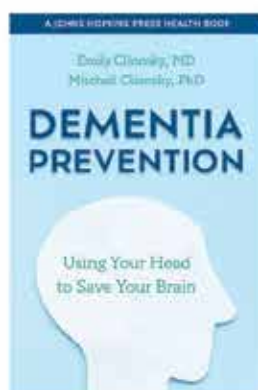


THE Arbors
Assisted Living Residential Communities

At Chicopee
929 Memorial Drive
Chicopee, MA

Worried About Memory Loss and Dementia Risk?

Join us for a special presentation by Mitchell Clionsky to discuss his new book **DEMENTIA PREVENTION: Using Your Head to Save Your Brain** (John Hopkins Press) Dr. Clionsky will present an overview of dementia and the various elements that go into dementia risk, but rather than just a lecture, he will be focusing on answering YOUR questions!!!



DONT WAIT, RSVP TODAY

Call - 413-593-0088

or

Email (scan QR code)



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE AUTHOR



PURCHASE A BOOK ON AMAZON



First 10 RSVPS's will receive a signed copy of the book "Dementia Prevention"

www.arborsassistedliving.com

Music, food and fun ahead at annual Asparagus Festival

HADLEY — Now in its ninth year, the New England Public Media Asparagus Festival returns from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 3, along Hadley's Town Common.

The family-friendly festival offers a full day of fantastic local food, drink, music, games and fun.

Known as "the asparagus capital of the world," Western Massachusetts is home to hundreds of working farms and many more locally-owned restaurants and breweries, a news release states. Many Pioneer Valley natives recall early childhood mornings spent picking asparagus with farmers during the annual harvest.

Live music curated by Northampton-based Signature Sounds on the Rooted in the Valley Stage will feature a selection of musical acts, including gritty and raw folk-rock outfit The Wolff Sisters, New England Music Award-nominated bluegrass act Poor Monroe, and local old-school funk and neo-soul band Soul Magnets.

Kid-friendly performers include award-winning bilingual artist, author, activist, educator, and Amherst College grad MISTER G and the Global Citizen Ensemble with Marcos Carreras, director of music at the Springfield Conservatory of the Arts Magnet School. PBS Kids characters Curious George and Molly from "Molly of Denali" will be on site for photos.

The Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association's Jurassic Roadshow will teach kids about the geologic history of the re-

gion.

New this year, a special Saturday episode of "The Fabulous 413" with Monte Belmonte and Kaliis Smith will broadcast live directly from the NEPM Asparagus Festival.

Over 100 local food, crafts, cultural, nonprofit and agricultural vendors will be represented at the festival's Farmers & Makers Market. Local breweries will pour beer, wine and cider in the Beers & Spears tent and more than a dozen local food trucks will serve up everything from fried asparagus to ice cream.



Soul Magnets, top, Poor Monroe, bottom left, and The Wolff Sisters will perform on the Rooted in the Valley Stage during the Asparagus Festival.

The NEPM Asparagus Festival is a free event for all to enjoy with a suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$20 per family to support public media in western Massachusetts.

The Hadley Town Common is right on the Norwottuck Rail Trail and attendees are encouraged to ride bikes to the festival and take advantage of Mass-Bike's free bicycle valet service.

The NEPM Asparagus Festival is a free event for all to enjoy with a suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$20 per family to support public media in western Massachusetts. Attendees are encouraged to pre-register to skip the line at the gate and those who do might even win a prize.

All festival-goers who

pre-register for the event will receive free ice cream from Hadley's Flavors of Cook Farm. New members can choose the special Asparagus Festival Pass. You'll get access to PBS Passport, an NEPM tote bag and pair of socks, an NEPM Kids Day T-shirt, stickers, and a bottle of water to keep you hydrated – all for only \$60.

Pre-registration is available at tinyurl.com/2s3um5bp.

More information about the NEPM Asparagus Festival is available at nepm.org/asparagus.

Democrats to elect state convention delegates from South Hadley

SOUTH HADLEY – Democrats will convene in-person on Saturday morning, June 10 for a caucus to elect 10 delegates and 4 alternates to represent South Hadley at the 2023 Massachusetts Democratic State Convention in September.

The caucus, hosted by the South Hadley Democratic Town Committee, will be held Satur-

day, June 10, in the South Hadley Public Library's Community Room 2 on Canal Street. The library is handicap accessible. Caucus sign-in opens at 10 a.m. and the caucus will start at 10:30 a.m.

Registered and pre-registered Democrats in South Hadley who are 16-years-old by May 23 may vote and be elected as delegates

or alternates during the caucus. Candidates must be present at the caucus and consent to nomination.

Opportunities are also available for youth (age 16 to 35), people with disabilities, people of color, and members of the LGBTQ+ community not elected as delegates or alternates to apply to the State Democratic Commit-

tee to be add-on delegates.

The 2023 Democratic State Convention will be held in-person on Saturday, September 23 at the Tsongas Center in Lowell. The purpose of this year's convention is to adopt the Party Agenda and/or Platform.

Convention and delegate information is available at: massdems.org/massdems-convention.

For more information about the South Hadley Democratic Town Committee or the caucus, visit southhadleydems.com or email Susan Newton, Chair at southhadleydemocrats@gmail.com. Massachusetts voters may register to vote or check registration online at: www.RegisterToVote-MA.com



Dickinson Farms & Greenhouse

MEMORIAL DAY POTS

Largest Selection of "Proven Winners" in the Area!

Hanging Baskets • Rose Bushes • Perennials

4 1/2" Geraniums • Annuals • Patio Pots • Vegetable Plants

We are the Growers! Get your plants from the source with over 70 years of growing experience!

Route 202, East Street, Granby

Open: 8am-5pm

413-467-3794

~ Family Owned & Operated ~

Most Major Credit Cards Accepted
Sorry No Checks
Gift Certificates Available

Opinion



Dazed for dahlias

Do you ever get sidetracked? Well, last night I went into my mudroom to assess my dahlia collection in preparation for planting. Besides housing baskets and buckets of dahlia tubers, the mudroom contains a wood box, lots of coats and shoes, and when the temperatures dip into into the negative realm, it may house a chicken or two.

Our big, upright freezer is also in the mudroom. Why were the floorboards in front of the door wet?

Upon inspection, the freezer wasn't at temperature and the contents had partially thawed. Just what I needed on a Saturday night.

After the mess was cleaned up and what could be salvaged was, I rewarded myself with some alone-time with my dahlias.

I chuckle when I think that the last time I wrote about dahlias I had four varieties. I'm at 10 in two short years - oops, make that 11 after the tuber I purchased at the plant sale yesterday.

It's hard not to become a collector when they come in so very many flower types and sizes, from a mere couple of inches to the size of a dinner plate.

Read on for a refresher course on dahlia growing, and if you become inspired to purchase a tuber or two, rest easy with the cost; you'll be giving the offspring away before you know it!

Plant dahlias in full sun, in fertile soil amended sparingly with compost and organic fertilizers. Most tubers are planted about 3 inches deep and 1-3 feet away from one another, depending on plant size. Providing enough air circulation between plants will help keep diseases at bay.

Most gardeners install a stake at planting time and attach the dahlia to it as it grows, beginning when it is a foot tall. Subsequent ties are made every 18 inches or so depending on variety. Without the use of stakes, large flowers will likely topple in the wind and rain, sometimes taking a good portion of the plant with it.

Pinching dahlias is another good practice. When the plant has three sets of leaves gently remove its growth tip.

This will encourage more branching and inevitably more flowers. Once blooming starts it is important to cut away spent blooms on a regular basis; tubers will grow stronger because of it.

Dahlias thrive on sufficient moisture, especially since they are shallow rooted. Furnish them with one inch per week during active growth.

As the growing season draws to a close, hold back on water and any supplemental fertilization you have been providing. This will give the tubers a chance to harden off before they are removed from the ground.

Dig up dahlia tubers either just prior to or soon after frost hits. Leave a small portion of stem attached to the tubers - it is a great place to adhere a label.

Take it from me - it is easy to forget a name over the winter months!

Soil should be eased off the tubers with a spray of water before placing in storage. Choose a location to overwinter your tubers that maintain 40-50 degrees temps and 90% humidity.

These conditions will keep them dormant and healthy until it is time to replant. Many people have good luck using a cold basement or root cellar; small quantities of tubers can be stored in the crisper drawer of the refrigerator.

Placing tubers in damp peat moss, saw dust, shredded leaves, or even ventilated plastic bags

Please see **GARDEN**, page 6



The dialogue of democracy needs tending

There are so many things I worry about these days. Are we going to default on our debts? Can we adapt to the accumulating impact of climate change? How are we going to handle the dangers posed by China and Russia?

But bigger than all of those is this: Can we as a nation confront those challenges by arriving, together, at reasonable solutions? Or to put it another way, do we even know any more how to carry on a public dialogue about the issues we face and how to resolve them?

Because I worry - a lot - that we're losing our ability to engage in the reasoned dialogue that democracy demands of us. The evidence surrounds us: the hot-tempered dogmatism that's rampant on social media, the take-no-prisoners rhetoric of cable commentators, the shallow political debate carried on by everyone from pundits trying to gin up an audience to politicians who should know better, the widespread impatience with others' viewpoints, the shrill and even offensive language that permeates public debate - you know the problem as well as I do.

And it is a problem.

If Americans lose faith that our democracy is up to the task of addressing our challenges because we're incapable of holding a discussion that isn't distorted by spin, misleading studies, grassroots manipulation, untrustworthy media and political leaders who wouldn't publicly recognize a fact if it smacked them in the forehead, then the travails of the last few years will seem like a cakewalk.

So, I have some suggestions. Because in the end, if we want the quality of public dialogue to improve, then it's up to us to improve it - and then let our political leaders know that we expect more than political posturing that produces inadequate solutions to difficult problems.

Living in a democracy takes work, and that applies to all of us, from voters who cast

their ballot every few years to neighbors who roll up their sleeves and try to improve their communities to elected officials whose job it is to decide the course of their town or state or country. Here are basic principles we need to keep in mind:

Don't fear differences or dissent. They're inevitable, and they are vital to looking at challenges from all sides.

Advocacy and even conflict have their place in a democracy, but in the end, we resolve differences and break gridlock through discussion and deliberation.

Which means that the goal is not to highlight or inflame our political differences, but to resolve and reconcile them. The highest good should be to search for compromise, where everyone is at least a partial winner.

Remember that political differences may be stark, but that doesn't mean they're irreconcilable.

Focus on facts. They're the starting point for level headed debate and effective policy. As citizens, it's our job to find trustworthy sources of information, question our own biases, and discern when we're being misled; as politicians, to strive always to seek the truth about the facts.

View one another as neighbors, fellow community members or colleagues who all want the same thing: what's best for our country and for where we live. Find common ground and build trust from there.

It is always worth the time to understand others' viewpoints - and to talk. You may not just find common ground, but ways to improve your own ideas. And when you do search for commonalities, talk about common concerns first and differences second.

Focus on the common good.

Do not speculate on rivals' motivations or demonize them. Focus on their ideas - and see them as just as human as you are.

Sometimes drama can be effective, but always maintain civility and convey respect for people who think differently from you.

Finally, always keep in mind that you may be wrong. The world is complicated and solutions to its challenges are never perfect or straightforward.

Lee Hamilton is a Senior Advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government; a Distinguished Scholar at the IU Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies; and a Professor of Practice at the IU O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

OPINION PAGE/ LETTERS POLICY

Letters to the Editor have a maximum of 350 words. We require writers to include their name, address and phone number in order for our office to authenticate authorship prior to publication. Addresses and phone numbers are not published.

Unsigned or anonymous letters will NOT be published.

We reserve the right to edit or withhold any submissions. Libelous, unsubstantiated allegations, personal attacks or defamation of character are not allowed. Deadline for submissions is Wednesday at noon.

Please email (preferred) letters to townreminder@turley.com. Mailed letters can be sent to Town Reminder, 24 Water Street, Palmer, MA 01069.

Visit us at
www.turley.com

TOWN Reminder TEAM

EDITORIAL
townreminder@turley.com



EDITOR
Christal Whelan
cwhelan@turley.com



ADVERTISING SALES
Maureen McGarrett Hall
mmcgarrett@turley.com



SPORTS EDITOR
Greg Scibelli
sports@turley.com



STAFF WRITER
Matty Anderson
manderson@turley.com

The *Town Reminder* is published every Friday by Turley Publications, Inc., 24 Water St., Palmer, Mass. 01069. Telephone (413) 283-8393, Fax (413) 289-1977.

SOCIAL MEDIA



@Town Reminder

WEB

www.townreminder.turley.com

PATRICK H. TURLEY
CEO

KEITH TURLEY
President

DEANNA SLOAT
Graphics Manager

Turley
Publications, Inc.

www.turley.com

Turley Publications, Inc. cannot assume liability for the loss of photographs or other materials submitted for publication. Materials will not be returned except upon specific request when submitted.

townreminder.turley.com

SOUTH HADLEY COUNCIL ON AGING

Here's what's happening at the Senior Center

SOUTH HADLEY — The Council on Aging's senior center at 45 Dayton Street invites local seniors to experience enriching and interesting programs, take advantage of services and enjoy meals with others.

THIS COMING WEEK

Memorial Day Veterans Breakfast 8:30 a.m. May 26

Join the South Hadley Council on Aging and the South Hadley Veteran's Service Department as we observe this day of remembrance. This event is open to Veterans and a guest. The event will include a delicious breakfast prepared by the SHHS Culinary Dept., music by the SHHC Vocal Road and distinguished speakers, military remembrance, and ceremonies. This program is co-sponsored by the Friends of the South Hadley Seniors and the South Hadley Veterans Services.

UPCOMING

Learn about "romance" scams 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 6

Law enforcement officials will discuss romance scams and other ways fraudsters target senior citizens for cash.

A Beeyonder Tour: Virtual Live Presentation 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 7

A Panoramic Tour of Rome. On this virtual tour you will join your guide, Olga on a panoramic tour of the Eternal City starting from the northern gate, Piazza del Popolo, continuing to the Spanish Steps,

Fashion District, across the Trevi Fountain and beyond.

Loomis Chorus 2 p.m. Friday, June 8

The Loomis Chorus invited Dick Mateson to become their director in January 2018. The group numbers approximately 35 singers from Loomis Village, South Hadley, and Applewood in Amherst. The chorus sings a variety of songs, many chosen by the singers. The group performs two concerts a year.

Abraham Rodstein Holocaust Presentation 1 p.m. Saturday, June 9

Local Holocaust survivor Abraham Rodstein will share his experiences growing up in Lithuania, being held in a ghetto and Nazi concentration camp as a teenager and ultimately immigrating to the United States. His memories of both Russian and German occupation and interment in Dachau are a fascinating view into the life of a young boy surviving the horrors of war. You don't want to miss this moving presentation. Register by calling 538-5030

Men's Breakfast 8:30 a.m. Friday, June 16

Join -Steven Laplant and Bernie Marois of ERA M. Connie Laplante Real Estate, will host this month's breakfast.

Oncology Presentation 2 p.m. Friday, July 16

Holyoke Medical Center, Hematology/Oncology Depart will talk about breast cancer trends in 2023. Dr. Dulala will be accompanied by Nancy (RN- Navigator), Lisa Wray-Schecter, director of Community Benefits, Lynn White-Lynch (Dr Dulala's MA) and Iris Romero (CNA) (Bilingual) - assists w/interpretation.

SERVICES

The COA provides free in town transportation for residents 60 and older 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and Tuesdays at 4 p.m. The minibus is equipped with a wheelchair lift. Rides must be scheduled 24 hours in advance by calling the center at 538-5030. Grocery shopping at Big Y is every Tuesday and Friday.

ON-GOING PROGRAMS

SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone)

Tuesdays from 8:30am to 11:30 BY APPOINTMENT.

Sue LaMastro, Certified SHINE counselor, will guide you through the Medicare maze and explore what Medicare Plan is right for you.

Food collection

The Senior Center continues to have a bin, located in the lobby to collect food for Neighbors Helping Neighbors. The requested item is cold cereal.

Join the Community Table

Lunch is served at 12:15 p.m. Monday through Friday. Reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance by calling the center. Suggested donation for lunch is \$2.25. Guests under 60 are charged \$6.50 (per federal regulations).

Tech Time With Sandy: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. She can help you with your technology needs.

iPad Loan Program: Available for a six-week loan period (renewals available if there is not a waiting list for the device). One-on-one lessons on how to use the iPad will be given by technology instructor, Sandy Cahillane, by appointment. If you do not have WIFI at home, there are several options: The South Hadley Public Library and Gaylord Library have Wi-Fi hotspots for loan. The South Hadley Council on Aging has public Wi-Fi available throughout the building and your iPhone can be used as a hotspot (Instructor Sandy can help you with that) Call Emily at 538-5030 for an application. To find out about low-income Wi-Fi support: Fiberspring by S.H.E.L.D. has an Affordability Connectivity Program (www.acpbenfit.org) and Comcast has Comcast Essentials (internetessentials.com/apply).

The senior center is open 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Tuesdays until 7 p.m. For more information on the COA or upcoming programs, call 538-5030 or go to southhadley.org/324/Council-on-Aging.

Folk Traditions concert series resumes with gospel show

HADLEY — The Wednesday Folk Traditions concert series at the Porter-Phelps-Huntington Museum kicks off its 42nd season at 6:30 p.m. on June 14 with Evelyn Harris and Giving Voice in the 11th annual Horace Clarence Boyer Memorial Gospel Performance.

Evelyn Harris, the powerhouse vocalist whose remarkable instrument creates stirring interpretations of the traditional African-American spiritual canon, joins with Mary Witt and Ellen Cogen in Giving Voice. Harris performs as lead vocalist, Cogen performs vocals and piano and Witt specializes in harmony.

A former member of the internationally acclaimed Black women's acapella group Sweet Honey in the Rock, Harris has traveled the world as a performer, recorded over ten albums and received a Grammy nomination for one of her compositions, "State of Emergency."

Cogen began her musical life performing in orchestras and chamber ensembles as a professional accompanist from her early teens. She studied voice and music theory at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and earned her Masters of Music in Voice Performance from the New England Conservatory of Music. She has recorded jazz originals and arrangements in other styles and is an associate professor of music at Holyoke Community College.

Mary Witt grew up in North Carolina, studying classical piano and french horn. She became an accomplished harmony singer performing duets with her older sister and in the Southern Baptist Church choir in their little town, gradually expanding into folk, rock 'n' roll, spirituals and gospel. The lead singer and bass player in her swing and soul band, The O-Tones, she has also recorded "Groove Duets," a collabo-

ration with a dozen singers creating duets of popular tunes, and recorded "Fearless, Celebrating Women Singers" with Annie Patterson.

The concert will be held on the grounds of the museum at 130 River Drive (Route 47) in Hadley. Admission is \$12, \$2 for children 16 and under. Picnickers are welcome on the museum's grounds starting at 5 p.m. The museum and its grounds are a smoke-free site. For more information, call 413-584-4699 or go to pophmuseum.org.

Contributed photo

Evelyn Harris and Giving Voice are featured in the 11th annual Horace Clarence Boyer Memorial Gospel Performance. The concert will be held on the grounds of the Porter-Phelps-Huntington Museum, where guests are allowed to set out a picnic.



SEND US YOUR EVENT PHOTOS

As a free service for our readers we accept and will print when space allows community event photos and announcements. Just scan the QR code above and send us your photos and any information.

HIGHWAY AUTO SALVAGE INC.
USED AUTO PARTS

www.highwayautosalvage.com
M-F 8 am- 5 pm • **FREE REMOVAL MA • CT • VT • NY**
182 Mt. Tom Rd. (Rt.5) | Northampton, MA | **413.586.0690**

WE BUY JUNK CARS & ANYTHING METAL
Unwanted Vehicles and Heavy Equipment

Region

5th graders launch campaign to improve treatment of refugees

AMHERST — A fifth-grade class from Fort River Elementary School is planning and running a campaign to improve the treatment of refugees, according to a press release.

The class has teamed up with the Welcome Home Refugee Resettlement Program, which is a project of the Catholic Charities of Springfield. Keegan Pyle, the program coordinator, said “We are able to resettle refugees and provide them with the support they need to successfully rebuild their lives because of the help we get from the community. The students are trying their best to accomplish their campaign to help refugees that come to Amherst or other communities.”

In March, the students, who started the campaign as a class project, invited volunteer Margot Greenwald and a refugee, Fahim Sahlman (a pseudonym used for security reasons), who had come from Afghanistan a year before. Fahim left Afghanistan because he worked for the U.S.

government, which put his life in danger after the Taliban took over the government in Afghanistan after a 20-year insurgency.

“Meeting students of Fort River school was one of my most memorable moments here in the United States,” Fahim said.

“Those students gave me the hope that immigrants in the USA are not alone and we all can work hand in hand for a better world.”

The students have recruited a team of volunteers from their school community to help refugees like Fahim.

“Hearing Fahim tell our class about all the obstacles he went through to escape Afghanistan was definitely one of the things that helped convince us to work on this issue,” student Maizy Lonergan said.

“We hope our work can make a difference in our community.”

The work of these volunteers is vital, especially to those who have experienced trauma, the release states.

“When you volunteer to help refugees who have been forced to flee their native country in order to not be murdered by their fellow, but radicalized, countrymen, you learn what true terror is,”

Welcome Home volunteer Margot Greenwald said.

Recently, the Fort River Elementary class completed a necessities drive and collected six large boxes of household goods. These items will go immediately to use by refugees who recently arrived in the area. The class has also planned an obstacle course to help the school community learn about the obstacles that refugees face. The event, scheduled for 1:30-4 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at Fort River, will feature volunteering opportunities and information about local organizations that support refugees.

“To ‘Choose Love,’ like we do at Fort River Elementary School, is a daily choice that we make as a community and as individuals,” Principal Tamera Sulli-

van-Daley said, referencing the school’s motto.

“Choosing Love means to act with compassion, respect, courage, and with a justice-mindset.” The fifth graders’ work to improve the experience of refugees locally, fits squarely into this way of thinking, Sullivan-Daley said.

“When we work together to support people who are marginalized, whose human rights have been compromised to such a degree that they have left their homes and come to a new country to find peace, then our actions speak louder than our motto, ‘Choose Love.’”

Want to go?

The Fort River obstacles course event is scheduled for 1:30-4 p.m. on Saturday, May 27, at the school, 70 South East Street in Amherst. For more information, contact Tim Austin at austint@arps.org or 413-362-1200.

PVPA’s theater dept. presents ‘Metamorphoses’

SOUTH HADLEY — The Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School will present “Metamorphoses,” a play based on the Myths of Ovid, originally written and directed by Mary Zimmerman, in two performances at 7 p.m. June 2-3 in the main stage theater at 15 Mulligan Drive.

PVPA’s production of “Metamorphoses” directed by PVPA Theater teacher Cullen Burling and Assistant Director Zoey Puffer (PVPA Class of ‘25), brings to life Greek myths that focus on love, loss, and human connection. Set in and around a pool of water, this collection of interwoven an-

cient tales showcases the best and worst of humanity, and how we navigate transformation and change.

The set design, featuring a pool of water thrust out into the audience in PVPA’s main stage theater, was created by PVPA Stagecraft students under the direction of Technical Theater Department Head Martin Bridge.

Ticket prices are \$10 general admission; \$7 military and seniors; \$5 PVPA alumni, and \$3 students. This performance is part of PVPA’s spring production calendar, available at pvpa.org.

GARDEN from page 4

will help to prevent shriveling. Be sure to check on your tubers every couple of weeks throughout the offseason.

Should you see shriveling, mist them with clean water and re-dampen the medium in which they were placed. If you see mold, bring down the temperature and humidity level.

Some dahlias like to get a jump-start on the season by prestarting dahlias indoors.

We have done this occasionally at Old Sturbridge Village and I am always amazed at just how fast the plants grow,

and how quickly they outgrow their pots and become leggy. If you attempt it, four weeks prior to the last spring frost would be soon enough.

It’s my hope that you will venture into the land of dahlia growing and love it as much as I do!

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 31 years she has held the position of staff horticulturist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to pouimette@turley.com with “Gardening Question” in the subject line.



Shown are South Hadley Tigers Baseball team players: Alex Linnehan and Dawson Greenberg.



Brian Willette and John Hurley honored fallen soldiers.

RAISING FLAGS from page 1

Casolari said “This is my first ceremony, seeing members of the community young and old contribute has been amazing, it’s really important to me especially with my brother currently serving in the Army, my Grandfather and Great Grandfather also served, I really want to honor them.”

Walter Southard, Adjutant of Post 260 of the American Legion, added “I think this is a very special day for anyone who has relatives or friends who are veterans that are buried here, myself included.”

The South Hadley Tigers offered a helping paw, from the Middle School Baseball Team, to the High School Football Team.

Alex Linnehan and Dawson Green-



(Turley Publications Photos by Matty Anderson)

A monument at Notre Dame Cemetery.

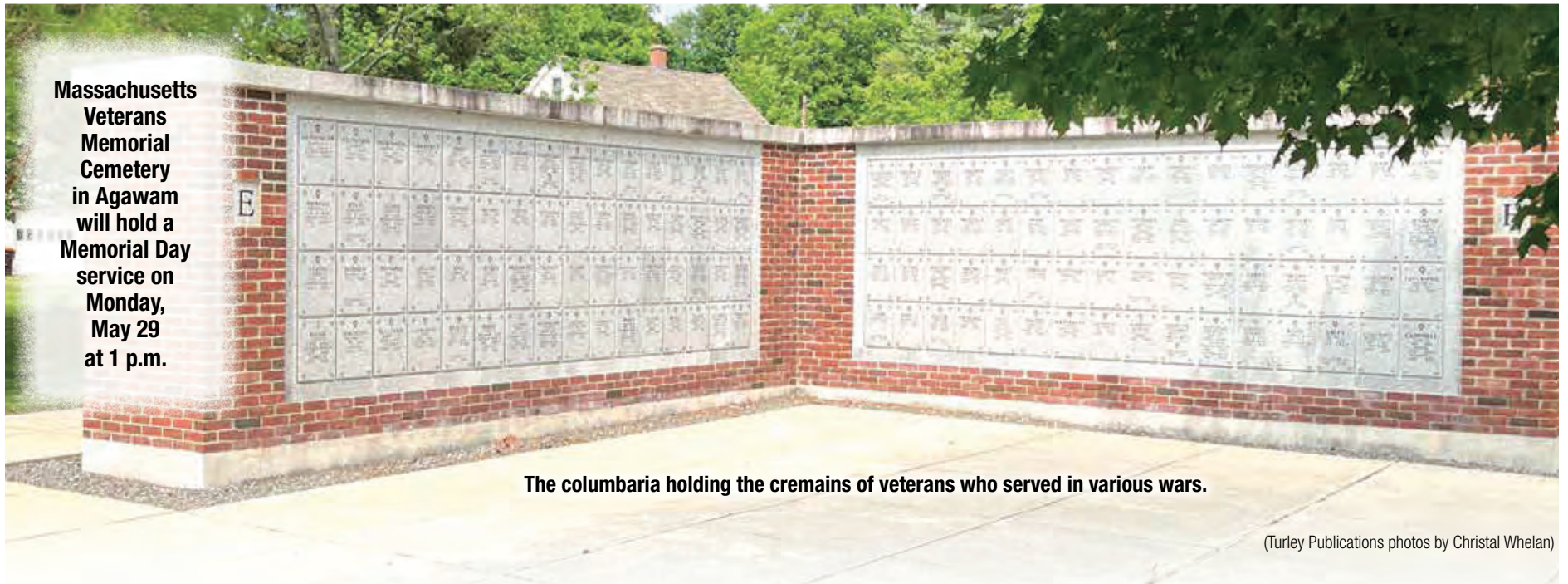
berg, from the Middle School Baseball team said, “It’s nice to show our respect and thank the veterans for their service.”

John Hurley, a Marine Corps Veteran and Purple Heart Recipient, who served in Vietnam, said “this is a very sacred day for us veterans, most people look at Memorial Day as the start of summer but it’s so

much more than that!”

On Memorial Day itself, there will be a number of ceremonies open to the public, including 9 a.m. at Evergreen Cemetery, 10 a.m. at the Town Common and at 11 a.m. there will be a gathering in front of Town Hall.

A DIGNIFIED FINAL RESTING PLACE FOR U.S. VETERANS



Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Agawam will hold a Memorial Day service on Monday, May 29 at 1 p.m.

The columbaria holding the cremains of veterans who served in various wars.

(Turley Publications photos by Christal Whelan)



Close-up of the niche covers on the columbaria.



Graves of veterans of foreign wars on the 61-acres of the Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery, established in Agawam in 2001.

DO YOU OWN A TORO?

Need Service, Parts or Accessories?

TORO Count on it. See Us, Your Toro Master Service Dealer

BOYDEN & PERRON, INC.
41 So. Whitney St., Amherst

413-253-7358
Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8-5:30
Wed. til 7pm; Sat. 8-4
www.boydenandperron.com

Devine Overhead Doors

There's nothing better than dealing with someone who truly loves his job. Gerry Devine of Devine Overhead Doors certainly does. Talk with him and you'll agree.

For over 20 years, Gerry has been working with overhead doors and he puts all this experience to work for you. Gerry sells and installs only the best in overhead doors. Artisan Custom Doorworks makes custom wood and vinyl garage doors. General Doors features standard residential, carriage house style, commercial & industrial.

Call Today for Professional Installation
413.586.3161
www.devineoverheaddoors.com
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL

MONDAY JUNE 5TH
6 TO 8 PM
SOUTH HADLEY SENIOR CENTER

A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION: SO. HADLEY YOUTH SUBSTANCE USE

Join us for an educational evening about the current state of substance use in South Hadley. Community members will be able to visit the Hidden in Plain Sight trailer, hear from the panel and then be trained to use Narcan.

- SHPD Chief Jennifer Gundersen
- SHPS Superintendent, Dr. Mark McLaughlin
- Taylor McAndrew, Hampshire HOPE
- Dr. Holly Perry, Pediatric Emergency Specialist

FREE NARCAN TRAINING AFTER THE PANEL

Gather resources from the SH Board of Health, NW District Attorney, and the SHHS Peer Leaders

CONTACT US:
scook@shschools.com
sfleming@shschools.com
www.southhadleyprevents.org

**FUNDING PROVIDED BY THE DRUG-FREE COMMUNITIES GRANT THROUGH THE CDC.

▶ Granby

Special Town Meeting, ATM part II next week

GRANBY — A Special Town Meeting and the second half of the Annual Town Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 5 at the East Meadow School gymnasium.

All residents participating must be registered voters.

Eligible voters will receive a card when checking in and can check in at any station. The doors will open for check in at 6:15 p.m. Park in between the two schools near the softball fields.

View the warrant for this meeting at the following public buildings: Town Hall Annex, at 215 B West State St, Select Board's office at the COA Building at 10 West State St, Granby Post Office, Public Library, Public Safety Complex, Florence

Bank, and Polish National Credit Union.

It can also be viewed on the town website at granby-ma.gov.

Eligible voters who are not registered and want to participate can register by Friday, May 26, during regular office hours in the Town Clerk's office or pick up mail-in voter registration forms at the Granby Post Office or the Public Library, or register online with a valid Massachusetts driver's license or Mass ID by going to the town website.

Mail in forms must be post-marked by May 26 to be eligible to participate in this Special Town Meeting.

Anyone who is unsure of their voter status or has other questions can call Kathy Kelly-Regan at 467-7178.

Beware of road work, detours

GRANBY — Road reconstruction projects on Taylor Street between Truby Street and Carver Street began last week and some drivers may have to adjust their usual routes.

Through traffic may be detoured at times or reduced to

a single lane. "Seek alternate routes if possible," the town advised in a news release.

"The roads will remain open to residents on the streets but short term inconvenience/delays due to construction operations are possible," the release states

Tables available for church tag sale

GRANBY — The First Presbyterian Church at 160 W. State Street will be hosting its first Tag Sale since the pandemic began in 2020 on May 27.

This new and expanded version will be under the direction of the Event Committee led by Joan Hodgkins and will contain many new features. There is

space available for anyone to use to show their wares.

There will be something there for everyone, so bring a spouse or significant other and check out this event. To reserve a table or for more information, call Hodgkins at 413-467-3447 or 413-626-6772.

▶ South Hadley

Selectboard seeks citizens with diverse interests, abilities for boards

SOUTH HADLEY — Volunteer opportunities are available on town boards and committees.

A total of 16 boards and committees have at least one position with a term expiring in June and nearly all boards and committees have vacant positions needing to be filled. Boards and committees with expiring terms and/or vacancies include:

- Bike Walk Committee
- Bylaw Review Committee
- Canal Park Committee
- Capital Planning Committee
- Commission on Disabilities
- Conservation Commission
- Council on Aging Board

- Cultural Council
- Historical Commission
- Historic District Study Committee
- Master Plan Implementation Committee
- Recreation Commission
- Sustainability & Energy Commission
- Tree Committee
- Trustees of the Old Firehouse Museum
- Zoning Board of Appeals

The Selectboard is seeking citizens with diverse interests and abilities to apply for these positions. There are no special requirements for any of the boards and committees other than a willingness to serve.

The Selectboard interviews and appoints candidates three times a year and at their June meetings. The terms of these new appointments begin July 1.

Those wishing to apply to serve on a board or committee must do so online at southhadley.org by June 9.

These positions are not automatically filled by incumbent reappointments. However, incumbents with expiring terms who wish to continue serving will be given all due consideration.

Address any questions to Kristin Maher, executive assistant to administration, at kmaher@southhadleyma.gov or 538-5030 ext 6135.

Odyssey Bookshop announces writing contest winners

SOUTH HADLEY — We were truly impressed by all the creativity and imagination that went into all the stories that we received, and are so grateful for all the time and work that each participant put into their story.

Grade 1
Sasha Garcia-Schnitzer and Ryan Fleming.

Grade 2
Ava Amico, Zoe Amico and Zamina Proctor.

Grade 3
Hanah Chartier, Rose Fleming and Henry Friesner.

Grade 4
Camilla Misiruk, Juniper

Perreault and Lydia Wilson.

Grade 5
Happy Allen-Shea and Alexandra Fettes.

Award Winner Ceremony
Please join us on Friday, June 9 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. for a special awards ceremony. Each winner will have the opportunity to share their story with their friends and family. All are welcome.

Congratulations to all the writing contest winners.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 28th Annual Writing Contest.

For more information, please contact Laure at kids@odysseybks.com.

Annual fireworks at HCC

HOLYOKE — The City of Holyoke will be hosting the annual 4th of July fireworks on Friday, June 30 (with a rain-date of July 7). The event will take place on the grounds of Holyoke Community College, at 303 Homestead Avenue.

Vendors interested in taking part in the event should contact the Parks and Recreation Department before June 16, for a permit application at 413-322-5620.

We encourage everyone to come early to enjoy the music and food from a variety of vendors as well as many children's activities. The event begins at 6 p.m., with the fireworks display scheduled to start at dusk.

If you have any questions, please call the Mayor's Office at 413-561-1600.



FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED

The Original Weekly Newspapers Serving Your Community Since 1962

Local News • Local Stories • Local Advertisers

Do you have a story to tell, let us know 413.283.8393



HIRING DRIVERS

We are looking for caring individuals to provide safe and efficient transportation on our team of School Bus Drivers serving the communities of Agawam, East Longmeadow, Granville, Hampden, Longmeadow, Ludlow, Southwick, Tolland, West Springfield and Wilbraham.



Paid CDL Training

BENEFITS

- Health Insurance
- Paid Personal and Sick Time
- State Retirement
- Medical flexible spending account health care & dependent care

REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum 21 years of age
- Valid driver's license for at least 3 years



Apply online at LPVEC.org
Call 413-789-3291
In Person at 384 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam

JUNK REMOVAL

ATTIC, CELLAR & GARAGE CLEAN OUTS

1/2 The Price of Big 1-800 Co.

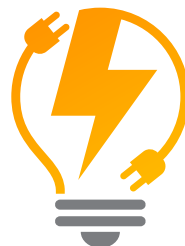
Support Small Business, Keep Money Local

BOB ROBILLARDS RUBBISH REMOVAL

Family owned and operated since 1950

537-5090

VITALIY PANCHENKO ELECTRICAL LLC



413-454-3346

Panchenkopower@gmail.com
8 Bluemer Rd. Southampton, MA

NOTICE

ERRORS: Each advertiser is requested to check their advertisement the first time it appears. This paper will not be responsible for more than one corrected insertion, nor will be liable for any error in an advertisement to a greater extent than the cost of the space occupied by the item in the advertisement.

COLLEGE NOTES

Holyoke Community College

The following local residents were among the Holyoke Community College students who were celebrated for earning honors and awards for their outstanding achievements during the 2022-2023 academic year: Scarlett Granger, Jiovanny Montanez Moret, Sandra Sellers, Emma Boryczka and Catherine Longpre, all of South Hadley.

Western Governors University

Amy Langone and Jacob Broyles, both of South Hadley, earned an Award of Excellence at Western Governors University. The award is given to students who perform at a superior level in their coursework.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Hunter Carey of South Hadley, a member of the class of 2024 at Worcester Polytechnic Institute majoring in Mechanical Engineering, completed a project titled "Environmental Audit of Beertzinut Beer Brewery."

At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology that addresses an important societal need or issue.

Western New England University

The following local students were inducted into the Western New England University chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma National Honor Society during a ceremony on April 27 on the University Commons:

Audrey Gladu of South Hadley, who is working toward a MBA in Program Leadership Concentration.

Matthew Lajoie of South Hadley, who is working toward a BSBA in Finance.

Beta Gamma Sigma is a national honor society for business majors at schools accredited by AACSB International, the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. Students are selected from the top 7% of juniors, top 10% of

seniors, and top 20% of graduate students. Candidates must have completed two semesters of study at Western New England University.

Regis College

Stephanie Parent of South Hadley graduated with a MS in Nursing - Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner from Regis College during the May 6 commencement exercises. Parent was among more than 1,300 students who received degrees ranging from associate to doctoral levels.

Members of the Class of 2023 celebrated their accomplishments with an inspirational commencement ceremony at the Leader Bank Pavilion in Boston featuring WHDH's 7NEWS Today in New England anchor Amaka Ubaka, who delivered the commencement address and received an honorary degree. Philanthropists Bill and Joyce Cummings also received honorary degrees.

"It is now up to you to take what you have learned and leave this ceremony committed to bettering the world around us with your knowledge and compassion. As the journey continues for each of you, I am confident in the future because you are in it," Regis College President Antoinette M. Hays, PhD, RN, said to the graduates.

Ubaka delivered the commencement address urging graduates to embrace their "rebel hearts," a term used by the late singer Harry Belafonte to encourage individuals to stand up for what they believe in, even if it goes against the norm.

Stonehill College

Mia Kelly of South Hadley was among 548 students to process at Stonehill College's 72nd Commencement on Sunday, May 21.

Peter Ubertaccio, vice president for academic affairs, presided over the ceremony. John Della Volpe, director of polling for the Harvard Kennedy School Institute of Politics, gave the keynote address. He discussed the importance of listening to others, noting that the task is "essential for human flourishing."



Contributed photo

Sen. Jo Comerford is shown receiving the Caring Bear Award from the Providers Council.

Comerford receives 'Caring Bear' award for service

BOSTON — State Sen. Jo Comerford (D-Northampton) was honored recently at the State House by the Providers Council, the state's largest association of community-based health and human services organizations, with its prestigious Caring Bear Award.

The award is one of the group's highest annual honors in recognition of those who are dedicated to human service workers and the people they serve, according to a news release.

Comerford spoke at a rally about the important work of human services workers and how the legislature can and must do better to support this vital sector, the release states.

"Thank you to the Providers Council, The Caring Force, and to all of you here today for the vital work you do to provide dignified and necessary care for one-in-ten Massachusetts residents — our neighbors who need and deserve your care and for whom you are a life-

line," Comerford said.

"You and your members, many of whom are my constituents, have taught me a great deal since I arrived in the Senate. All of your dogged advocacy is matched only by your compassion and dedication. I am truly humbled to receive this honor. We must eliminate pay human service worker pay disparities. And we must bolster the recruitment and retention of human services workers by eliminating the burden of student debt for higher education. We can and must do more for you — who do so much for so many."

The Caring Force serves as the grassroots advocacy branch of the Providers Council with more than 31,000 members statewide. It works to secure better and equitable pay, tuition burden relief, and respect for the human services workers it represents.

Find out more about The Caring Force and its work at providers.org.

Local Newspapers are **IMPORTANT** Any Way You Look At It

MODERN MODULAR HOMES LLC
COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
413-977-1278 or 413-454-3346

CENTER STREET AUTO PARTS OF CHICOPEE, INC.

We will pay you top dollar for your car AND we will pick it up! Call us for a price!

- Top-Of-The-Line Auto Salvaging Services
- First-Rate Used Auto Parts
- Top-Grade Auto Body Parts
- Sell Your Old or Used Car to Us

"Serving the Greater Springfield Area"

\$\$\$ Money on the Spot for All Vehicles

centerstreetautoparts.com
651 Center St., Chicopee 413-733-2778

LOWER PRICES TO BOOST YOUR BUDGET! **INFLATION** **PRICE BUSTERS** **PRICES IN RED ARE AT OR BELOW LAST YEAR'S PRICES!**

USDA INSP. FRESH COUNTRY STYLE PORK RIBS..... \$1.99 lb	USDA INSP. FRESH BONELESS BEEF STRIPLOIN CUT FREE \$6.86 lb	USDA INSP. FRESH CHICKEN WINGS WHOLE 10 LB BAG..... \$1.66 lb
USDA INSP. FRESH BONELESS CENTER CUT PORK LOIN CHOPS.... \$2.89 lb	USDA INSP. FRESH BONELESS BEEF TOP SIRLOIN STEAKS \$5.44 lb	USDA INSP. FROZEN CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS TRAY PAK. 49¢ lb
USDA INSP. FRESH PORK TENDERLOIN..... \$2.49 lb	USDA INSP. FRESH BONELESS BEEF SHOULDER LONDON BROIL or STEAKS \$4.69 lb	USDA INSP. FROZEN CHICKEN LEG 1/4s TRAY PAK 50¢ lb
GREAT ON THE GRILL	USDA INSP. FROZEN ST. LOUIS PORK RIBS..... \$1.99 lb	USDA INSP. SMOKED HILLSHIRE FARMS POLSKA KIELBASA 14 OZ - 13 OZ.. \$3.99 ea
USDA INSP. FRESH 2 1/2 LB BOX KAYEM NATURAL CASING HOT DOGS..... \$10.99 ea	USDA INSP. FROZEN STORE MADE HAMBURGER PATTIES 80% LEAN 20 CT BOX 3 OZ \$13.99 ea 4 OZ \$18.65 ea	USDA INSP. FRESH SLICED IN OUR DELI VIRGINIA HAM \$3.99 lb
USDA INSP. FRESH STORE MADE ALL VARIETIES FAMILY PAK ITALIAN SAUSAGE \$2.79 lb	USDA INSP. STORE MADE BBQ MARINATED BLADE STEAKS..... \$6.99 lb	USDA INSP. FRESH AMERICAN CHEESE 5 LB 160 SLICES .. \$14.95 ea

90 Meat Outlet
HOURS: Mon. - Wed. 8-4
Thurs. 8-6 • Fri. 8-6 • Sat. 8-3
BUY DIRECT FOR SAVINGS • SELECTION • SERVICE

90 Avocado St. Springfield 413-737-1288 www.90meat.com We reserve the right to limit quantities.

SALE DATES: 5/25/23-5/31/23

SPORTS

A TURLEY PUBLICATION | www.turley.com

SEND US YOUR SPORTS SUBMISSIONS

www.sports.turley.com

Schaeffer K's 19 as Tigers take league title

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

MONSON—Not only did the South Hadley varsity softball team sweep the season series with Suburban West League rival Monson, but they also made a little bit of history along the way.

The Lady Tigers won the league title for the first time since 2006 with a 3-0 road victory over the Lady Mustangs, last Monday afternoon (May 15).

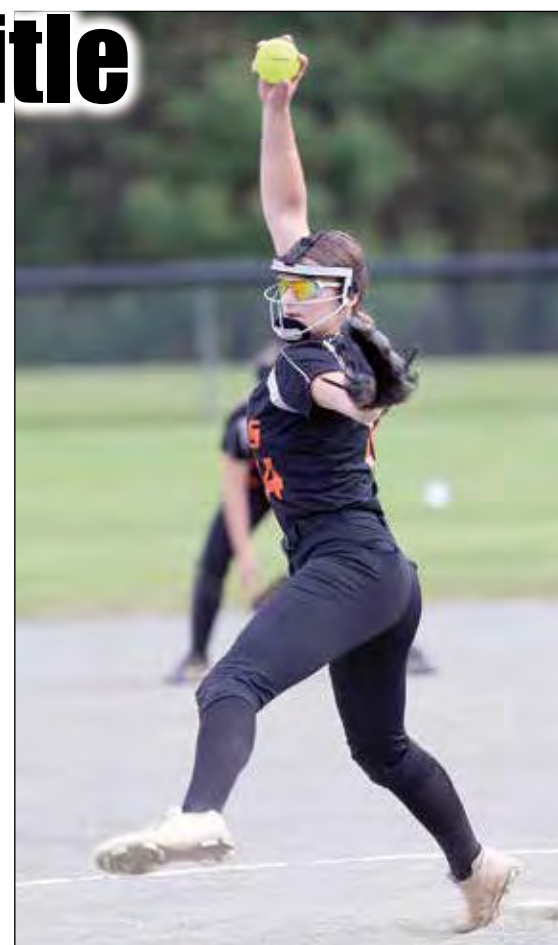
“We haven’t won a league title in a very long time, so this is a very big accomplishment for us,” said South Hadley sophomore righthander Isabella Schaeffer, who struck out 19 Lady Mustangs batters. “Our two games against Monson were very challenging. It feels amazing to beat them again.”

The Lady Tigers (17-1, 14-0) entered Tuesday night’s Western Mass. Class B quarterfinal game at Wahconah Regional riding a 17 game winning streak. Their only regular season loss was a 12-3 home loss to Amherst Regional in the season opener. Schaeffer didn’t pitch in that game.

“Our number one goal coming into the season was to win a league title,” said first-year South Hadley head coach Junior Perez. “We do have an outstanding young starting pitcher, but everyone

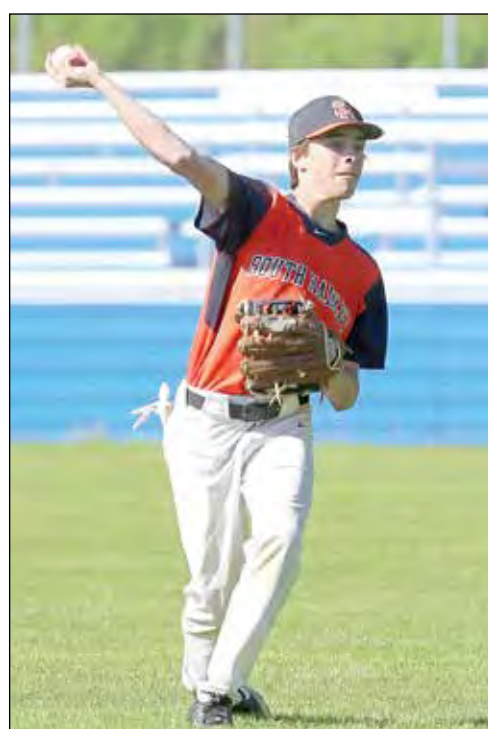


Erin Bullough fields a grounder.



Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com
Isabella Schaeffer fires a pitch home for the Tigers.

Please see **SOFTBALL**, page 12



Jackson Keller fires a throw back to the infield.

Tigers gear up for state tournament

SOUTH HADLEY – South Hadley baseball finished the regular season with three straight wins, but did lose their Western Mass. tournament quarterfinal

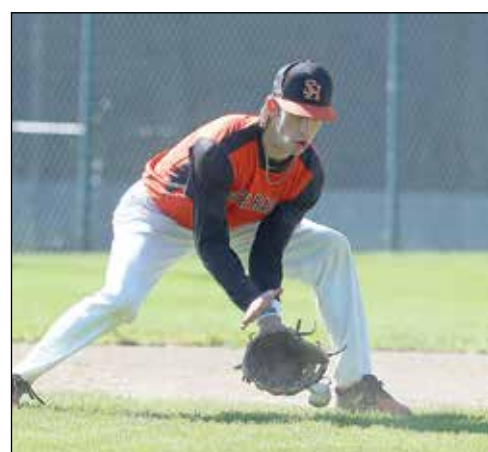
game against Taconic during the past 10 days. The Tigers now head for the Division 4 state tournament with a 13-6 record. As of press time, the Tigers had

a No. 23 ranking, that could go up or down if South Hadley plays one more game in non-playoff action this week.

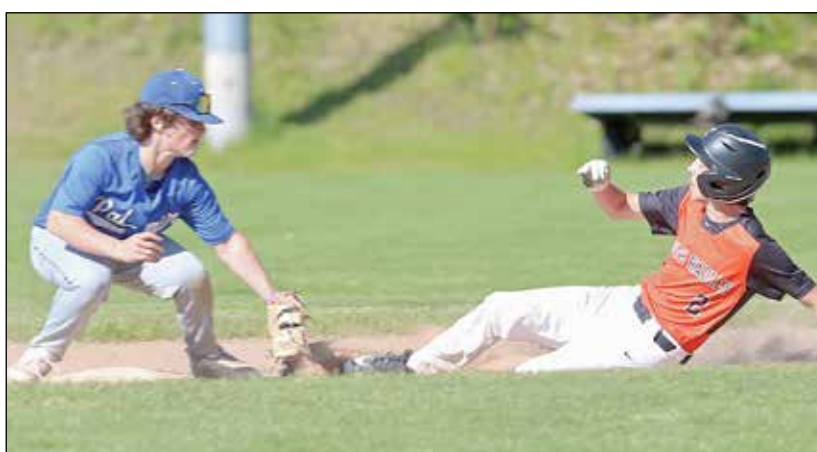


Jack Maziarz fields a pickoff throw to first.

Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com



John Viola smothers a ground ball.



Jackson Keller slides into second.



Matt Drobiak pitches for the Tigers.

Pioneers open regular campaign with win

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW— Alec Hughes scored ten goals for the UMass men’s soccer team as a junior. The forward has netted almost half that many goals in the Western Mass. Pioneers first two regular season matches.

Hughes scored a pair of goals in the season opening shutout victory at the Boston Bolts on May 16. He added two more goals to his stat sheet in the home opener, as the Pioneers celebrated a 3-0 win over Pathfinder FC on a miserable, rainy night at Lusitano Stadium last Saturday.

“I had never played a match at this stadium before last week’s friendly, so scoring two goals in the home opener is very special for me,” said Hughes, who’s from Glastonbury, Connecticut. “Despite the rain, we still had a very good crowd here tonight. I can’t wait to see the atmosphere at this stadium on a nice night. I just want to do anything that I can to help me team win.”

Ben Brewster, who’s the associate head coach of the UMass men’s soccer team, recommended Hughes to Pioneers head coach Federico Molinari. Brewster, who’s a former Pioneers player, also coaches the club’s USL Academy boys’ team.

“I was very impressed with Alec when I watched him play for UMass last year,” Molinari said. “He’s a key player for us, but we need everyone to contribute in order to have a successful team.”

Hughes, who played for Hartford City a year ago, thinks playing for the Pioneers will help him prepare for his senior season at UMass.

“We have several players



Rodrigo Saraiva de Castro sends a quick touch away.

from several different countries on this team,” Hughes added. “It’s also a little bit higher level than the Hartford team that I played for last summer.”

The Pioneers, who are looking to qualify for the USL League Two playoffs for the fourth time since 2019, had several scoring chances during the first 45 minutes, but the contest was still scoreless at halftime.

“It was a little bit frustrating not scoring any goals during the first half,” said Hughes, one of the first-year players listed on the Pioneers roster. “We had some good scoring opportunities, but we finally scored in the second half.”

A little more than ten minutes into the opening half, Western Mass. midfielder Khalid Rose sent a pass into the box from the right side. A shot attempt from Tomas Duben,

Please see **PIONEERS**, page 13



Goalie Gianluca Cerosimo kicks the ball away. Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com



Josh Chateneau gets the grounder.



Carter White slides back to first. Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com

Rams make Western Mass, hope for states

GRANBY – There could be a path to the state tournament for Granby baseball. The Rams head into the final week of the season with a 7-11 record. The Rams are currently ranked at No. 34 and a couple of wins could put the Rams in the top 32 and gain them a playoff game. Granby has made the Western Mass. tournament, and was scheduled to face Mt. Everett on the road earlier this week. Depending on the result, Granby would play one more game this week.



Pitcher Patrick French delivers to the plate.



Andrew Feldman throws to first.



Colin Murdock slings a throw to first.

Ludlow Self Storage
LOWEST PRICES IN THE AREA!
50% OFF
 Your 1st Month's Rent With This Coupon (For New Customers Only)
 Visit Our Website For More Specials:
ludlowselfstorage.com
 291 Moody St., Ludlow, MA
 413-800-6022

Property Maintenance & Improvements
 Excavation • Underground Utilities
 Water • Sewer • Septic • Drainage
 Grading • Paving • ADA Accessibility
 Lance Bristol • email: albristol381@aol.com
 Cell: (413) 519-0483 • Bus. (413) 532-3911
A.L. Bristol & Sons, Inc.
 Est. 1968 Licensed/Insured
www.albristolandsons.com • South Hadley


AFFORDABLE DENTISTRY IS HERE!
 • Preventative & Restorative Care • Cosmetic & Implant Dentistry
 • State of the Art Laser Dentistry
HOLYOKE DENTAL ASSOCIATES
 610 South Street, Holyoke, MA (Convenient to 91 and 391)
 Call for Appointment Mon.-Fri.
413-533-8378
www.holyokedentalassociates.com
 Badri Z. Debian D.M.D. • John P. Griffin, D.D.S.
 Cara M. Seidel, D.M.D.
 Care Credit Financing Available and Most Credit Card, and Dental Plans Accepted

Sports

Bonsignore gets the checkered flag at Riverhead

RIVERHEAD, N.Y. – A classic short-track battle between two of the veterans of the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour ended with Justin Bonsignore's 10th career Riverhead Raceway win on Sunday afternoon in the Buzz Chew 200. Bonsignore started from the top spot after scoring his 25th career pole in qualifying and ran second for much of the race, but was able to roll the outside lane by Ron Silk on a late restart to get back to Victory Lane.

Silk led much of the race – but a caution late stacked the field up and gave Bonsignore another shot. The two battled side-by-side, beating and banging during a short-track battle in New York. Off turn four, Bonsignore was sideways on the outside lane, but a caution flew for a multiple-car accident and Bonsignore was out front, holding the advantage for the final restart of the 200-lap race.

Bonsignore drove off turn four to the checkered flag. The victory places Bonsignore just one short of the Whelen Modified Tour wins record at Riverhead – 11 – held by Mike Ewanitsko. Bonsignore will have a chance to tie when the series returns to Riverhead on June 24.



Submitted photo

Justin Bonsignore scored a modified win at Riverhead Raceway last weekend.

The win was also Bonsignore's 36th career – giving him sole possession of fourth place on the all-time wins list on the Whelen Modified Tour. He now sits

just seven wins short of Ted Christopher for the top-three.

"Ron and I have been beating the heck out of each other all year," Bonsignore said. "The caution towards the end was good for us. You just have to keep yourself in these races and it fell our way today. It's unbelievable to get number 10 at Riverhead. I can't thank everyone on this team enough. It's a cool way to get to Victory Lane. All of these are special. Tying Mike has been a goal of ours for a long time and to get this close to the record is special. These races never get any easier to win."

In just six days, Justin Bonsignore will return to the track with the next race on the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour schedule – the Granite State Derby at Lee USA Speedway – on Saturday, May 27. For more information and tickets for the race, visit JDVProductions.com.

For more information on Justin Bonsignore and the Kenneth Massa Motorsports team, visit JustinBonsignore.com and follow his Athlete page on Facebook for the latest news and updates.

SOFTBALL from page 10

else needed to do their job for us to have a successful season. We beat a very good Monson team today."

The Lady Mustangs (15-2, 12-2), who are the defending league champions, also lost to the Lady Tigers, 3-0, at the end of April. If they had defeated the Lady Tigers in the second meeting, both teams would've shared the league title.

"After losing to South Hadley earlier in the season, we were really looking forward to today's game," said Monson head coach Jill Carneglia. "It was another pitching duel. We did have a couple of scoring chances, but we couldn't score any runs against their pitcher."

The Lady Mustangs entered the home contest with a seven game winning streak. Their only other loss was against Wahconah, 12-5 in the second game of the regular season. They were scheduled to host Lenox High School in the Western Mass. Class D quarterfinals.

Last Monday's contest was also Monson's senior day.

The only senior listed on the Lady Mustangs varsity roster is Ailis Kealy, who started in rightfield.

"Ailis is our only senior, so the spotlight was only on her today," Carneglia said. "She played for the junior varsity team in the seventh grade and joined the varsity team as a sophomore. She always has a positive outlook and we're really going to miss her a lot next year."

Kealy will be attending Bridgewater State University in the fall, but she isn't planning to play softball.

Both South Hadley and Monson had several chances to take the lead early in the game, but the contest remained scoreless until the fourth inning.

South Hadley junior shortstop Jenna Bobrowski was hit-by-a-pitch in the back thrown by Monson sophomore righty Molly Szado leading off the top of the first. After Bobrowski stole second base with one out, Szado struck out the next two batters ending the threat.

Szado, who's also a very talented young pitcher, finished the game with eleven strikeouts.

She got out of another jam in the second inning without giving up a run.

Junior catcher Ara Powers drew a leadoff walk before stealing second and third. Sophomore centerfielder Karli Carmody also walked with one-out before stealing second. Szado struck out the next

batter and ended the inning with a ground ball out.

With one-out in the bottom of the second, Monson junior third baseman Carlee Meacham was safe at first base following a bunt hit, which ended Schaffer's no-hit bid. Meacham advanced to third base on a couple of passed balls. She was stranded there as Schaffer struck out the next two batters.

After Monson eighth grade first baseman Chelsea Hull ended the top of the third inning with an unassisted double play, she smacked a two-out double to left field, which was the home team's final base hit of the game. The next batter struck out.

Schaffer, who hurled nine shutouts during the regular season, struck out nine of the first eleven Lady Mustangs batters that she faced.

Powers, who joined the varsity softball team as a freshman, gave her team a 1-0 lead with one-out in the top of the fourth inning following an inside the park home run, which was a line drive to right field.

"It was the best feeling in the world after I hit the home run," Powers said. "I never ran that fast before in a game. I thought it would only be a triple."

Powers, who wasn't a catcher before this spring, hit her first home run in another road game against Springfield Central, which doesn't have an outfield fence.

Powers developed a very good relationship with one of the best softball pitchers in Western Mass. during the regular season.

"I've never been a catcher before this year and I was terrified to catch Ella's pitches at first," Powers said. "Her fastball coming at your face is very scary. I'm used to it now, and we have a much better relationship on the field."

The Lady Tigers put another run on the brand new scoreboard located in centerfield with two outs in the top of the fifth.

Junior second baseman Erin Bullough drove home pinch runner Ruth Pietrzykowski, who's a senior, with a ground ball single, which just snuck past the Lady Mustangs shortstop into centerfield.

Pietrzykowski replaced senior left-fielder Rachel Gouin.

Two innings later, Pietrzykowski put down a perfect sacrifice bunt scoring Carmody, who drew a leadoff walk before stealing two bases.

Szado also walked leading off the bottom of the seventh inning, but Schaffer struck out the next two batters. She then fielded a ground ball before tossing it to



Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com

Ara Powers slides into second.



Ariana Niles secures the out.



Jenna Bobrowski fires over to first base.

sophomore first baseman Sophia Butler for the final out of the ballgame, which locked up the Lady Tigers first league title

in 17 years.

It was the final meeting of the season between the two rivals.

Registration open for 2023 Bay State Games

WOBURN – Registration for the 41st annual Bay State Summer Games is now open. The 2023 Summer Games will include thirty sports with competitions from June 3 to July 29 at venues throughout eastern and central Massachusetts including Game On in Fitchburg, Boston Sports Institute in Wellesley, Union Point Sports Complex in Weymouth, and New England Sports Center in Marlborough. Bay State Games participants range in age from 5 to over age 75 and represent more than 300 Massachusetts communities as well as surrounding New England States in some sports. From grassroots participants to accomplished amateur athletes, the Bay State Games provide opportunities for the athlete in all of us.

Eight high school showcase sports will take place for a variety of sports, in-

cluding baseball, basketball, field hockey, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, and volleyball. Athletes currently in grade 8-11 who live or go to school in Massachusetts are eligible to attend regional tryouts during the month of June. These tryouts will determine teams representing the various regions of the Commonwealth that will compete against each other in July. Check each sport page for specific eligibility requirements.

The Summer Games include a wide variety of individual sports including swimming, track & field, figure skating, pickleball, wrestling, weightlifting, archery, judo, badminton, and more. These sports are open to a wide range of ages and skill levels from youth participants to masters-aged athletes. Adaptive sport divisions in archery, swimming, and track

& field are offered, as well. Bay State Games also organizes tournaments for pre-existing teams in girls lacrosse, rugby, and 6v6 field hockey.

The 2023 Summer Games will feature Game On in Fitchburg as the host venue for 8 sports. Bay State Games expects 1,500 athletes and their families to attend competitions at Game On during the second week of July. “We are excited to expand the roster of sports being held at Game On this year,” said Kevin Cummings, Executive Director of the Bay State Games. “This state-of-the-art facility allows us to enhance the athlete and spectator experience and provide a true Olympic-style multi-sport atmosphere for our participants.”

An additional feature in 2023 is that in over a dozen sports, athletes who win a

gold, silver, or bronze medal at the 2023 Bay State Games will qualify to participate in the 2024 State Games of America in San Diego, California. The State Games of America feature more than 8,000 athletes from over 30 different state games programs nationwide. To see the list of qualifying sports, please visit www.stategamesofamerica.com.

In addition to sports programming, Bay State Games offer college scholarships, a sportsmanship initiative, college internship opportunities, and a High School Ambassador program.

For more information on all sports in the 2023 Summer Games, links to online registration, and information on other programs, go to www.baystategames.org.

For questions, email info@baystategames.org or call 781-932-6555.

PIONEERS from page 11

who’s also a forward, was deflected away by Pathfinder FC goalkeeper Eirik Elvestad, who made the diving save.

Hughes also had a couple of headers during the first twenty minutes, but they either sailed wide or were saved by Elvestad, who finished the match with a total of five saves.

Pathfinder FC, who played their first match of the season, are from the **Poughkeepsie**, New York area.

Down at the other end of the field, first-year Western Mass. starting goalie Gianluca Cersosimo didn’t see very much action on the rainy and windy night.

Cersosimo, who was a grad student on the L.I.U men’s soccer team last fall, made a kick save late in the first half. It wound up being his only save of the match.

Cersosimo received plenty of support from his defense, which was led by Rodrigo Saraiva de Castro, Gabriel Pacheco, Jared Smith, and Nicholas Obberauch, who’s the Pioneers captain.

Connor Hicks, who helped the Monson boys’ varsity soccer team win two state titles and three Western Mass. titles during his memorable high school career, is another Pioneers defender. After sitting out the season opening match with an injury, Hicks entered last Saturday’s contest during the second half.

Another Monson resident listed on the Pioneers roster is Jonathan Murphy, who’ll be a junior on the Boston College men’s soccer team in the fall. Frankie D’Agostino, who’s also a former Pioneers player, is the Eagles associate head coach.

Ten minutes into the second half, a shot attempt from Pioneers forward Augustine Boadi deflected off the far post.

Another shot by Hughes was saved by Elvestad.

The home team finally gave their faithful supporters something to cheer about during the 67th minute. Rose was tripped up in the box by a Pathfinder defender resulting in a penalty kick.

Hughes stepped up to the line and



Alec Hughes runs up for free kick.

Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com



Nicholas Obberauch gets the throw-in.

blasted a shot into the back of the net giving his team a 1-0 lead.

“I just booted the ball as hard as I

could down the middle into the back of the net. It’s always a good feeling whenever you score a goal and your teammates are happy for you,” Hughes said. “I also made a P.K. at UMass last year at Central Connecticut.”

The Pioneers took a 2-0 lead six minutes later.

After receiving a pass from Rose, Boadi fired a low shot that skipped on the wet turf into the right corner of the net.

Rose, who’s one of the Pioneers elder statesmen, was also credited with the assist on the second goal scored by Hughes during the 77th minute.

“The rain made it very difficult to see, so it was nice to score those three goals in the second half,” Rose said. “We didn’t have very many fans here tonight, but you could still hear them on the field. It’s always an amazing feeling whenever we win a match at this stadium.”

The Pioneers are scheduled to play a couple of road matches before returning to the friendly confines of Lusitano Stadium to face Black Rock FC at 7 p.m. on June 3.

Hall of Fame Classic teams announced

SPRINGFIELD – The Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame announced the field of teams for the Basketball Hall of Fame Classic at the MassMutual Center on Saturday, Dec. 16. Florida Atlantic, whose 2022-23 season culminated in a Final Four berth, will join UMass, West Virginia, and St. Bonaventure in an exciting doubleheader.

Saturday, Dec. 16

UMass vs. West Virginia

Florida Atlantic vs. St. Bonaventure

“We are thrilled to welcome these four teams to Springfield in December for what is sure to be an exciting doubleheader,” said John L. Doleva, President and CEO of the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame. “Since the City of Springfield is the birthplace of basketball, we look forward to providing a unique experience to the teams and their fans which will include a visit to the Hall of Fame.”

The Basketball Hall of Fame Classic is one event in the Hall of Fame’s series of collegiate events, which continues to grow in an effort to celebrate the game outside the museum walls. The Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to continue its relationship with LEARNFIELD for sponsorship representation of its portfolio of collegiate events and Position Sports in an event operations, content and communications capacity.

Tickets for the 2023 Basketball Hall of Fame Classic will go on sale Friday, June 2 via massmutualcenter.com and the MassMutual Center Box Office. Game times and television broadcast details will be released at a later date. For more information, please visit hoophall.com.

SERVICE DIRECTORY

To advertise on this page call the Town Reminder at 283-8393

ELECTRICIAN

GAGNON ELECTRIC
All Types Of Electrical Work.
Fully Insured.
All Work Fully Guaranteed
Free Estimates. Lic. #14960A
533-8867

TFN

TREE SERVICES

EDGE TREE SERVICE, INC.
Tree Removal, Trimming,
Land Clearing, Stump Grinding.
Fully Insured. Free Estimates.
Peter Edge **532-5764**
www.edgetreeservice.com

TFN

TREE SERVICES

LUCCHESI TREE SERVICE
AND LANDSCAPING
Lot Clearing, Retaining Walls,
Mowing, Pruning, Stump Grinding,
Irrigation. Insured
534-1002

TFN



Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of Simplified License
Application pursuant to
M.G.L. Chapter 91
23-WW-PRE-0061-APP
NOTIFICATION DATE:
May 26, 2023 – Town
Reminder

PERMITTEE: Val
Shvetz

PROJECT SITE
ADDRESS: 80 River Road,
South Hadley, MA

Public notice is here-
by given of the application
for a Chapter 91 Simplified
License by Val Shvetz to con-
struct/maintain a dock in the
waters of Connecticut River
at 80 River Road, South
Hadley, MA – Hampshire
County.

The Department will
consider all written com-
ments on this Waterways
application received by
within 30 days of the
“Notification Date”. Failure
of any aggrieved person or
group of ten citizens or more
to submit written comments
to the Waterways Regulation
Program will result in the
waiver of any right to an
adjudicatory hearing in ac-
cordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)
(c). The group of citizens
must include at least five citi-
zens who are residents of the
municipality in which the pro-
posed project is located.

Project plans for this
Waterways application are on
file for public viewing elec-
tronically, by request to [dep.
waterways@mass.gov](mailto:dep.waterways@mass.gov). If you
do not have access to email,
please leave a voicemail at
(617) 292-5929 and you will
be contacted with information
on alternative options.

It is recommended that
public comments be filed
electronically with [dep.
waterways@mass.gov](mailto:dep.waterways@mass.gov) when
possible. Alternatively, com-
ments may be mailed to the
Waterways Regulation
Program at: 1 Winter Street,
5th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.
05/26/2023

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Conservation
Commission will hold a
Public Meeting pursuant to
the Wetlands Protection
Act and the Local Wetlands
Bylaw (Chapter 240) to
consider a Request for
Determination filed by the
Town of South Hadley to
install a vegetative drainage

swale, bio-retention area and
conduct parking lot improve-
ments at River to Range Trail
within Buffer Zone. Location:
240 Ferry St., Map 53 Parcel
58.

The meeting will be held
on **Wednesday, June 7, 2023
at 6:45 pm virtually**. Login
information will be provided
with the posted agenda on the
Town website.

A copy of the Request for
Determination is on file in the
Conservation Commission
office, Town Hall Room U6
and is available to the pub-
lic between the hours of
8:30am-4:30pm Mon-Fri.
Plans are also available online
at [www.southhadley.org/603/
Project-Plans](http://www.southhadley.org/603/Project-Plans).

Any person interested or
wishing to be heard should
appear at the time and place
designated.

Neva Tolopko
Conservation Chair
05/26/2023

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The South Hadley
Conservation Commission
will hold a Public Meeting
pursuant to the Wetlands
Protection Act and the Local
Wetlands Bylaw (Chapter
240), to consider a Request
for Determination filed by
Chap De Laine’s Furniture
to remove an existing sign
and replace with new with-
in Riverfront Area at 136
College St (Map 41 Parcel
49).

The meeting will be held
on **Wednesday, June 7, 2023
at 6:05 pm virtually**. Login
information will be provided
with the posted agenda on the
Town website.

A copy of the Request for
Determination is on file in the
Conservation Commission
office, Room U6, in the Town
Hall, and is available to the
public for inspection between
the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:30
P.M. Monday thru Friday.
Plans are also available online
at [www.southhadley.org/603/
Project-Plans](http://www.southhadley.org/603/Project-Plans).

Any person interested or
wishing to be heard should
appear at the time and place
designated.

Neva Tolopko
Conservation Chair
05/26/2023

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Conservation
Commission will hold a pub-
lic hearing pursuant to the
Wetlands Protection Act and
Local Wetlands Bylaw to con-
sider a Notice of Intent filed
by Tighe & Bond on behalf
of Eversource to secure an
Order of Conditions permit-
ting the applicant to conduct
vegetation management activi-
ties associated with the Lines
1327 and 1428 right-of-way
in the vicinity of Orion Farm
and the Routes 116/202 inter-
change. The project involves
the removal of trees within 30
feet of the overhead electric
transmission lines to achieve
required safety clearances due
to the replacement of lattice
structures. Alterations con-
sist of the removal of trees
outside the routinely main-
tained right-of-way within
Buffer Zone and the 200-foot

Riverfront Area to Buttery
Brook.

The hearing will be held
on **June 7, 2023 at 6:30pm
virtually**. Login information
will be provided with the
posted agenda on the Town
website.

A copy of the Notice
of Intent is on file in the
Conservation Commission
office, Room U6, in the
Town Hall, and is available
to the public for inspection
by appointment between the
hours of 8:30 to 3:30 Mon-
Fri. Plans are also available
online at [www.southhadley.
org/603/Project-Plans](http://www.southhadley.org/603/Project-Plans).

Any person interested or
wishing to be heard should
appear at the time and place
designated.

Neva Tolopko
Conservation Chair
05/26/2023

Sale Of Motor Vehicles Under G.I. C.255 Sec. 39A

Notice is hereby given by
Hampshire Towing, 650 New
Ludlow Rd., South Hadley,
MA 01075, pursuant to the
provisions of G.I. C. 255,
section 39A, that a SEALED
BID auction with bids due
**Monday, May 29, 2023 at 8
a.m.** Vehicles can be viewed
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.
Please call 413-534-5373 for
appointments.

The following motor vehi-
cles will be sold to satisfy
our garage keeper’s lien
thereon for storage, towing
charges, care and expenses
of notices and sale of said
vehicles:

2006 BMW X3 Black
VIN: WBXPA93436WD30872
Keyasia L. Gladden
12 Aspen St apt 6L
Ware MA 01082

2006 Toyota 4Runner
VIN: JTEBU14R960081029
Robert J. Tetreault
370 Ingleside St
Holyoke MA 01040

2004 Hyundai Santa Fe
Gray
VIN: KM8SC73D14U793861
Brianna Williams
25 Ohear Ave
Enfield CT 06082

1996 Yamaha XJ600
(Red)
VIN: JYA4DUE03PA016179
Billiejean A. Jackson
863 Chicopee ST apt 1L
Chicopee MA 01013

2005 Infiniti FX45 (Gray)
VIN: JNRBS08W65X402082
Jennifer L. Cannon
143 Pilgrim Ave. #1
Worcester MA 01604

2006 Acura MDX
VIN: 2HNYD18966H543285
Yanelisa Olivares Sanchez
395 Main St
Holyoke MA 01040

BMW 330i
VIN: WBABN5348DU35914
No Registered Owner

2017 Toyota RAV4
(Silver)
VIN: T3RFREXHW616553

Christina L. Girard
282 Houghton ST.
North Adams

2002 Suzuki GSX-R 600
(White)
VIN: JS1GN7BA422102305
Alexander Ramirez
41 Coolidge Rd
Chicopee MA 01013

2007 Volkswagen Passat
(BLK)
VIN: WVWAK73C37E233851
Susan K. Poincelot
1151 North ST
Pittsfield MA 01201

2006 Nissan Altima Gray
VIN: 1N4AL11D36N331417
Felix A. Hernandez
282 Central St apt 1L
Springfield MA 01105

2000 Lexus RX 300 Black
VIN: JT6HF10U4Y0112572
Linda S. Beckett
104 Emerald Rd.
Springfield MA 01119

1996 Honda Odyssey
(Black)
VIN: JHMRA1871TC018925
Blanca M. Miranda
175 Walnut St apt 1
Springfield MA 01105

2007 Hyundai SANTA FE
Black
VIN: 5NMSH73E97H124571
Amber L. Kinzie
52 Monmouth ST.
Springfield MA 01109

2003 Chevrolet Silverado
(Blk)
VIN: 2GCEK19T931192272
Michael S. Dedeurwaerder
50 Gates Ave.
East Longmeadow MA
01028

2005 Honda Accord Gray
VIN: 1HGCM56865A186688
Sofnia I. Santiago
75 Brown Ave #2
Holyoke MA 01040

2005 Lexus ES 330
VIN: JTHBA30G255126227
Dennis Redick
126 Union St apt 2-23
Westfield MA 01085

2005 Chevrolet Venture
Blue
VIN: 1GNDV23E55D131616
Kimberli R. Brazee
30 Walnut St
North Adams MA 01247

2003 Honda CBR 954RR
Black
VIN: JH2SC50093M100504
Sheila Santiago
557 South Bridge St
Holyoke MA 01040

2016 Kia Optima
VIN: 5XXGT4L36GG069884
Ines M. Ocasio
96 Washburn ST.
Springfield MA 01107

2001 Jeep Cherokee
White
VIN: 1J4FT48S31L608460

Rhoda E. Haynes
100 Shaine Cir
Springfield MA 01104

2005 Acura MDX Green
VIN: 2HNYD18235H530611
Miguel A. Rivera
372 Maple St apt 2L
Holyoke MA 01040

1999 Jeep Wrangler Black
VIN: 1J4FY49S9XP416140
James T. Young
244 Oak St apt 2
Holyoke MA 01040

2009 Volkswagen Jetta
VIN: 3VWRZ71K79M121329
Zariah M. Colon
33 Spring ST.
South Hadley MA 01075

2004 Ford F-150
VIN: 1FTRX14W54NC34537
Pedro A. Maldonado
851 Main St apt 3L
Holyoke MA 01040

2002 Chevrolet Tahoe
Gold
VIN: 1GNEK13Z22J250246
Edrick V. Santos
15 Colony Rd apt 11A
West Springfield MA
01089

2009 Chevrolet Impala
VIN: 2G1WT57N391272570
Joshua T. Belleville
4 Wake Robin Trl.
Saunderstown RI 02874

1997 Dodge Ram Pickup
(Blk)
VIN: 1B7HF16Y4VS128449
Samuel H. Arroyo
300 Walnut ST apt 106
Holyoke MA 01040

2008 Volkswagen Jetta
Black
VIN: 3VWRZ71K08M148547
Gabriel E. Guzman
70 Maple St unit 2LR
Chicopee MA 01020

2003 Saturn L-Series
VIN: 1G8JW54R63Y516274
Stephanie C. Rufo
64 Charles St.
North Adams MA 01247

2002 Jeep Liberty Blue
VIN: 1J4GL48K92W139332
Angel L. Cruz
264 Pine St.
Holyoke MA 01040

2010 Dodge Avenger
Beige
VIN: 1B3CC5FB9AN171278
Marcia A. Cassidy
244 Rock Valley Rd
Holyoke MA 01040

05/12, 05/19, 05/26/2023

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Conservation
Commission will hold a
Public Meeting pursuant
to the Wetlands Protection
Act and the Local

Wetlands Bylaw (Chapter
240) to consider a Request
for Determination filed by
Kestrel Land Trust to relo-
cated 600’ of the Robert
Frost Trail within buffer
zone of an intermittent
stream. Location: Map 92
Parcel 11.

The meeting will be
held on **Wednesday, June
7, 2023 at 6:15 pm vir-
tually**. Login information
will be provided with the
posted agenda on the Town
website.

A copy of the Request
for Determination is on
file in the Conservation
Commission office,
Town Hall Room U6 and
is available to the pub-
lic between the hours of
8:30am-4:30pm Mon-Fri.

Plans are also available
online at [www.southhad-
ley.org/603/Project-Plans](http://www.southhadley.org/603/Project-Plans).

Any person interest-
ed or wishing to be heard
should appear at the time
and place designated.

Neva Tolopko
Conservation Chair
05/26/2023

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY Performance Hearing – Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 7:00 PM

FY 2020 CDBG Performance Hearing

The Town of South
Hadley, in association
with the Pioneer Valley
Planning Commission,
will conduct a perfor-
mance hearing regard-
ing the town’s ongoing FY20
Community Development
Block Grant Program. The
hearing will take place
at 7:00 p.m. on **Tuesday,
June 6, 2023**, in person at
the Town Hall, 116 Main
Street, South Hadley,
MA 01075 and virtually
through Zoom meeting.
Call in: 305 224 1968.
Webinar ID: 852 6930
0221: Passcode: 957235

The hearing will
review the projects funded
through the town’s FY20
Community Development
Block Grant Program
including the Housing
Rehabilitation Assistance
Program and the Center
Street Neighborhood
Design Study. In addi-
tion, the town will dis-
cuss the proposed revision
to decrease the number
of units served by the
Housing Rehabilitation
Program from twelve to
seven units.

This activity and
program are fund-
ed through the U.S.
Department of Housing
and Urban Development
and the Department
of Housing and
Community Development,
Massachusetts CDBG pro-
gram.

All persons with ques-
tions or comments regard-
ing the performance hear-
ing will have an opportuni-
ty to submit comments up
until and through the pub-
lic hearing. Please submit
comments to John O’Leary
at the Pioneer Valley
Planning Commission @
joleary@pvpc.org or 413-
781-6045.
05/26/2023



**Please check
the accuracy of
your legal notice
prior to submis-
sion (i.e., date,
time, spelling).
Also, be sure
the requested
publication date
coincides with
the purpose of the
notice, or as the
law demands.
Thank you.**

Classifieds

12 WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS | SERVING 50 LOCAL COMMUNITIES

A TURLEY PUBLICATION | www.turley.com

COMMUNITY MARKETPLACE

Call us at 413.283.8393

FOR SALE

ESTATE SALE

MAY 27,28 & 29 9:00-3:00 15 MARGARET STREET, CHICOPEE CASH ONLY BRING YOUR OWN HELP TO MOVE ITEMS.

FIREWOOD

!!!!FRESH CUT!!!! Over a cord guaranteed. Cut, Split, Prompt delivery. Call D & D Cordwood **(413)348-4326.**

MORE HEAT LESS WOOD. Central Boiler Classic Edge HDX Outdoor Wood Furnace. EPA Certified. Titanium Stainless Steel. 26% Tax Credit. Call **(508)882-0178**

MISCELLANEOUS

LEATHER ADJUSTABLE HEIGHT ARTIST PIANO BENCH EBONY \$90.00; Bogen professional 3001 tripod \$75.00; Real wicker 2 chairs 1 loveseat \$125.00; Cuisinart insta-pot electric pressure cooker used once \$75.00; Husqvarna Viking Daisy sewing machine never used \$85.00 **(413) 256-1670**

TAG SALE

325 THREE RIVERS ROAD, WILBRAHAM MAY 27 9:00-6:00 NO EARLY BIRDS. Multi-family, sewing machine, decorative items, beautiful clothing, stereo equip. So much more.

WANTED

OLD CARPENTER TOOLS wanted. Planes, chisels, axes, etc. Vintage hunting, camping, cast iron cookware, advertising, motorcycles, clothing. Call Ken **(413)433-2195.**

WANTED

WANTED TO BUY

ANTIQUES AND OLD STUFF WANTED BUYING Bottles, Crocks, Jugs, Pottery, Costume Jewelry, Toys, Games, coins, sterling, glassware, silver-plated items, watches, musical instruments, typewriters, sewing machines, tools, radios, clocks, lanterns, lamps, kitchenware, cookware, knives, military, automotive, fire department, masonic, license plates, beer-cans, barware, books, oil cans, advertising tins, mhunting, fishing, signs, and more **Donald Roy (860)874-8396**

SERVICES



2*****A & B HOUSEHOLD REMOVAL SERVICE*****

Cellars, attics, garages cleaned, yard debris. Barns & sheds demolished. Swimming pools removed. Cheaper than dumpster fees and we do all the work. Lowest rates. Fully insured. **(413)283-6512, cell (413)222-8868.**

BILODEAU AND SON ROOFING. Established 1976. New re-roofs and repairs. Gutter cleanings and repairs. Licensed/ insured. Call **(413)967-6679**

CHAIR SEAT WEAVING & refinishing - cane, fiber rush & splint - Classroom instructor, 20+ years experience. Call Walt at **(413)289-6670** for estimate.

DRYWALL AND CEILINGS, plaster repair. Drywall hanging. Taping & complete finishing. All ceiling textures. Fully insured. Jason at Great Walls. **(413)563-0487**

SERVICES

ELECTRICIAN

DEPENDABLE ELECTRICIAN, FRIENDLY service, installs deicing cables. Free estimates. Fully insured. Scott Winters electrician Lic. #13514-B Call **(413)244-7096.**

HOME IMPROVEMENT

HOME IMPROVEMENT SPECIALIST Decks, Porches, Doors, Windows, Repairs, Cement repairs, asphalt repairs, mulch, stone and screened loam. BBB approved. Vinyl Fence. Tim **(413) 563-2229**

HOME IMPROVEMENTS, REMODELING Kitchens, baths. Ceramic tile, windows, painting, wallpapering, siding, decks. Insurance work. Fully insured. Free estimates. **(413)246-2783** Ron.

HOME REPAIR & REMODELING for all your interior & exterior needs. Carpentry, woodworking, porches, patios, windows, doors, painting, drywall, siding, landscaping, clean-outs. Competitive pricing. References. Please call Brendan **(413)687-5552**

LANDSCAPING

A+ ROZELL'S LANDSCAPING & BOBCAT SERVICE Excavator Services Overgrown property? Extreme Brush Cutting! Shrub, Stump, Tree Removal Lawn/Arborvite Installed Loam, Stone, Mulch, Sand Storm Clean-up Small Demolition/ Junk Removal Insured **Josh Rozell 413-636-5957**

SERVICES

****ALL SEASON**** Specializing in shrub trimming, pruning, design, deliveries, loader, backhoe, insured. Professional. Please call Bob **(413)537-5789 (413)538-7954.**

DAVE MAZ LANDSCAPING Lawn mowing, Spring thru Fall clean-ups, mulching, pruning. Holyoke, South Hadley, Chicopee, Hadley and Amherst. Call **413-536-3697.**

MATT GUERTIN LANDSCAPING Serving Wilbraham & Ludlow Spring clean-up and lawn repair Weekly mowing and yard maintenance Landscape installation and restoration Shrub trimming, pruning, and mulching Call or text **413-266-9975** Insured - Commercial and Residential

S&S LANDSCAPING Residential and Commercial Yard clean ups, lawn mowing, lawn repair, fertilizing, mulch, stone, hedge trimming, planting. Free estimates, Fully licensed and insured. You'll like us mower **413-240-1992**

LAWN & GARDEN

A.A.A. ROTOTILLING Time to till gardens, flower beds wherever. Be safe grow your own. Operator fully vaccinated. Call Bob **413-626-1927.**

Buying? Selling? Our Classifieds Get Results!

SERVICES

MASONRY

STOP WET BASEMENTS ABC MASONRY & BASEMENT WATERPROOFING All brick, block, stone, concrete. Hatchway doors, basement windows, chimneys rebuilt & repaired, foundations repaired, basement waterproofing systems, sump pumps. BBB+ rating. Free estimates. Lic #14790. Call **(413)569-1611, (413)374-5377**

PLUMBING

GREG LAFOUNTAIN PLUMBING & HEATING Lic #19196 Repairs & Replacement of fixtures, water heater installations, steam/HW boiler replacement. Kitchen & Bath remodeling. 30 years experience. Fully insured. \$10 Gift Card With Work Performed. Call Greg **(413)592-1505**

RUBBISH REMOVAL

BOB ROBILLARD'S RUBBISH REMOVAL Attics, Cellars, Garages cleaned, Pools/Hot Tubs Removed. Family owned/operated since 1950 **(413)537-5090**

TUNE-UPS

SNOWBLOWER & LAWNMOWER TUNE UP & REPAIR A&M TUNE-UPS Push Lawnmowers, Riding Mowers and Small Engine Repair. Work done at your home. Call Mike **(413) 348-7967**

SERVICES

STUMP GRINDING



SAW STUMP GRINDING Call for a Free Estimate, Veteran Owned, Fully Insured **413-213-5470**

HELP WANTED

NEIGHBORLY CLEANING & CARE is looking for mature, responsible adults with own transportation, experience and references for a house-keeping position. Hours 7:30- 2:30. Call Nancy today **(413)267-4297.**

PART TIME SECRETARY FOR SMALL AGAWAM OFFICE. Need to be organized with attention to detail reply to **babco321@comcast.net**

HEALTH CARE

ALERT 96 YEAR OLD WIDOW NEEDS 7:00-12:00 MORNINGS OR 5:00 P.M.-9:00PM/ EVENINGS CNA CERTIFICATIONS DESIRED. Call **(413)789-6017**

AUTO

CASH FOR JUNK AND REPAIRABLE CARS FREE TOWING FAST SERVICE CASH PAID AS IS CALL OR TEXT **413-219-6839**

REAL ESTATE

FOR RENT



ALL REAL ESTATE advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

FOR RENT

All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status (number of children and or pregnancy), national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, or any intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate that is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertising in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain about discrimination call The Department of Housing and Urban Development " HUD" toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. For the N.E. area, call HUD at 617-565-5308. The toll free number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

FILL OUT AND MAIL THIS MONEY MAKER

MAIL TO: Classifieds, 24 Water St., Palmer, MA 01069 or call: 413-283-8393

DEADLINES: QUABBIN & SUBURBAN - FRIDAY AT NOON HILLTOWNS - MONDAY AT NOON

CATEGORY:			
1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20
21	Base Price \$26.50	22	Base Price \$27.00
23	Base Price \$27.50	24	Base Price \$28.00
25	Base Price \$28.50	26	Base Price \$29.00
27	Base Price \$29.50	28	Base Price \$30.00
29	Base Price \$30.50	30	Base Price \$31.00
31	Base Price \$31.50	32	Base Price \$32.00
33	Base Price \$32.50	34	Base Price \$33.00
35	Base Price \$33.50	36	Base Price \$34.00
37	Base Price \$34.50	38	Base Price \$35.00
39	Base Price \$35.50	40	Base Price \$36.00

Quabbin Village Hills Circulation: 50,500

Hilltowns Circulation: 9,800

Suburban Residential Circulation: 59,000

Buy the Quabbin Village Hills or the Suburban Residential ZONE for \$26.00 for 20 words plus 50¢ for each additional word. Add \$10 for a second Zone or add \$15 to run in ALL THREE ZONES.

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Number of Weeks: _____ X per week rate = \$ _____
Credit Card: MasterCard VISA Discover Cash Check# _____
Card #: _____ Exp. Date _____ CVV _____
Amount of charge: _____ Date: _____

First ZONE base price _____ Includes additional words
Add a second ZONE **\$10.00**
Add a third ZONE **\$5.00**
Subtotal _____
x Number of Weeks _____
TOTAL Enclosed _____

Run my ad in the following ZONE(s):
 Quabbin
 Suburban
 Hilltowns

OUR CLASSIFIEDS REACH 50 COMMUNITIES EVERY WEEK!



Let's Garden

Get your green thumbs in gear right here!

BOYDEN & PERRON
Since 1936
 Outdoor Power Equipment
 Sales • Service • Parts
 Residential and Commercial Lawn and Garden Equipment by:
 Toro • Scag • Echo • Generac Generators • Cub Cadet • Shindaiwa
 Billy Goat Leaf Blower • BCS Rear Tine Tillers • Wheelhorse • Lawn Boy
 Briggs & Stratton • Tecumseh • Kohler • Honda • Kawasaki • Subaru
 413-253-7358 boydenandperron.com Family Owned and Operated 41 S. Whitney Street Amherst, MA 01002

AMHERST FARMERS SUPPLY
 For Your Lawn, Garden and Landscaping Needs
 320 So. Pleasant St., Amherst, MA
 (413) 253-3436

GRANBY COUNTRY GRAIN
 108 West State Street, Granby • 1-413-467-3838
 For All Your Annuals, Perennials, Garden Decor, Lawn, Garden & Landscaping Needs
 OPEN Monday - Saturday

DEVON LANE Power Equipment
 Rte. 9, 10 Ware Road, Belchertown
 413-323-5435
 Farm Supply
 Rte. 202 N. 357 Daniel Shays Hwy, Belchertown
 413-323-6336
 www.devonlane.com

Class Grass GARDEN CENTER
 Annuals • Perennials • Water Garden Supplies
 Bark Mulch & Loam • Open 7 Days
 140 West State Street, Route 202 Granby, MA 01033
 (413) 467-7979 • www.classgrass.com
 Your Complete GARDEN Center

Megan's Valley VALLEY'S BEST LOAM SOURCE
 Garden & Landscape Supply
 A large variety of bark mulch, landscaping stone & walkway/patio products, pavers, compost, lawn décor & more!
 8 Mill Valley Road • Hadley
 413-582-1263
 www.megansvalley.com

Hodgen Landscape Co., Inc.
 Est. 1956
 Complete Landscaping, Designing & Planting
 P.O. Box 873 | Belchertown, MA 01007
 Phone (413) 323-4949 ♦ Fax (413) 323-4999 ♦ Cell (413) 246-9997
 hodgenlandscape.com ♦ hodgenlandscape@gmail.com

DAVE'S NATURAL GARDEN
 Huge Selection of Annuals & Perennials
 Hanging Baskets, Fruit & Vegetable Starts, Chicken Manure Compost & More
 35 Amherst St., Granby
 413-320-6802
 www.davesnaturalgarden.com

Land Management
 Brush Mowing - Tree Work
 Botanical Consultations
 Specializing in Invasive Plants
 Fencelines
BRUSH-B-GONE
 Fully Insured - Free Estimates
 CLINTON RACINE - OWNER - 413-523-3273

RANDALL'S FARM & GREENHOUSE
Everything You Need For Spring Planting
 631 CENTER ST., Route 21, Mass Tpke Exit 54 LUDLOW • 589-7071 • www.randallsfarm.net
 OPEN EVERY DAY 7AM-8PM

For All Your Spring, Home & Garden Needs
HAMSHAW LUMBER INC.
 7 LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT MA-NH-VT
 www.hamshawlumber.com
 150 College Street, Amherst, MA 01002 413-253-3411
 99 South Barre Road, Barre, MA 01005 978-355-3411
 68 New Athol Road #2A, Orange, MA 01364 978-544-8211
 16 Elm Street, South Deerfield, MA 01373 413-665-8881
 1123 Bernardston Road, Greenfield, MA 01301 413-774-6311

Breezy Acres Farm
 Ornamental Flowers And Vegetable Starts
 25 Pleasant St., Granby Family Owned & Operated
 413-467-3276

Your lawn projects start here!
TJ'S RENTAL
 Rototillers, brush mowers, pressure washers, overseeders, dethatchers, and more.
 SOUTH HADLEY • 533-5503
 577 Granby Road (Rt. 202)
 HADLEY • 584-4184
 301 Russell Street (Rt. 9)
 tjsrental.com

HERE COMES Spring
 SUPPORT THESE ADVERTISERS!
 To advertise contact Maureen
 mmcgarrett@turley.com • 413-364-4994

Tree Removal • Structural Pruning
 Crane Service • Storm Damage • Stump Grinding
 Give Us A Call For Your Free Estimate & Tree Evaluation
 INSURED AND CERTIFIED • 413-478-4212
DL&G TREE