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Spirit of resilience guides Class of 2023

They're off to change the world

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SOUTH HADLEY - Family, friends, staff, faculty, and members of the community gathered in Mount Holyoke College's Chapin Auditorium last Friday evening to celebrate South Hadley High School Class of 2023's commencement ceremony.

The 123 young scholars of the Class of 2023 proceeded to their seats to the grand music of Edward Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance." Waving hands, whistles, camera-clicks and

shout-outs sounded from random spots in the auditorium as the soon-to-be fledged walked up the center aisle.

Once in their designated seats, Principal Elizabeth Wood requested silence, and for all to face the flag. The "Star Spangled Banner" was per-

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Student Council Co-President Esther Nguire delighted with her diploma.

The points of Esther Nguire's mortarboard are decorated with white roses and the name of Psalm 46:3 which begins, "Therefore we fear not..."

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Post-Retirement work program proposed

By Ben Hernandez
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY – The proposed senior volunteer work program is off to a rocky start. The Senior Work-Off program, championed as both a way to utilize retired workers to staff much needed community projects, and as a potential tax write-off for the town, was proposed at the May 2 Select Board meeting with mixed responses.

“I use the word ‘volunteer’ in air quotes [to describe the program],” said town administrator Lisa Wong, when introducing the idea to the board, “because we essentially have to treat them [prospective candidates] as employees.”

Eligibility requirements haven’t been ironed out for South Hadley yet, although similar incorporated programs by other towns require applicants to be over sixty years old and allow a maximum of one hundred work hours for program participation. The ‘volunteers’ are expected to earn up to fifteen hundred dollars for their contributions and are entrusted with less strenuous, though still necessary, positions during their tenure.

South Hadley hasn’t currently adopted a senior citizen program, but interest for such a program

is on the rise. Wong championed the idea, stating that it would be a welcome addition to the town’s work force, as long as “we’re following the right labor rules and are doing the right deductions” when filing town taxes.

Others, however, remain ambivalent about the program. “Can’t we abate this amount of money,” suggested Select Board member Andrea Miles, “without having to have senior citizens shuffled around?” In response, Wong said, “[Without such regulation], we can just say I’m going to abate everybody that lives on an A street.”

She emphasized that such programs were a way to add additional legal deductions to the town’s budget while reincorporating new workers into the work force, albeit in limited capacity. The program’s detractors, however, remained unconvinced.

“I don’t know,” chimed in fellow Select Board member Renee Sweeney. “The Senior Work-Off program sounds bad.” His comment reflected a sentiment that hung in the air, a concern that the proposal would introduce a workforce that is both poorly defined and potentially exploitative of existing bylaws.

In truth, Work-Off projects are as varied in structure as the communities that they support,

meaning that a coherent blueprint for South Hadley’s own integration doesn’t exist. Nevertheless, Wong argued that the potential financial and interactive benefits could not be ignored.

“It is my understanding [that a senior Work-Off project] is a redistribution program,” she said. Posting job vacancies in the conventional manner would be charged against the town’s general budget, meaning that wages filed this way could cause other existing projects to suffer as a result of funding cuts. However, because of its status as an outreach program, senior Work-Off projects could be filed as a tax write-off, re-compensating some of the losses that such a program might incur.

There were also those overjoyed with the idea. Carol Constant, Select Board vice chair, reflected on her experience with a similar project in Holyoke. She recalling an incident in which two retired maintenance workers became close friends while on tenure at the Wisteria Hurst Museum. The two were hired as part-time employees after their hundred hours of service were completed.

“I can’t say enough about it,” Constant added enthusiastically when asked for her opinion on the proposal. “I think it’s a really

exciting opportunity.”

Despite strong polarizing views on the issue, there were some who demanded more evidence. Jeff Cyr, town superintendent and Select Board member, asked his peers if there was any research on other communities that had incorporated similar arrangements.

“I’d be curious to hear what the other issues are in other communities,” said a measured Cyr. It would be interesting to know “why they started it and then why they discontinued it.”

Cyr also asked for feedback from communities that still had active senior work programs, so that the board could weigh potential benefits and concerns in formulating its own decision. Wong acknowledged that more research was needed and that initial investigations left a lot of room for communities to build their own rules regarding the program’s actual structure.

This view didn’t sit well with Miles, who argued that such loose organization allowed too much autonomy and echoed Cyr’s point of getting a second opinion on the matter.

“There is clearly more research to be done,” said Wong. Although talks are ongoing, the program’s future remains uncertain.

Library hosts author for talk on sleep, dreams and writing

SOUTH HADLEY — Gaylord Memorial Library at 47 College Street will host Tzivia Gover, author of “Dreaming on the Page: Tap into Your Midnight Mind with Dreams and Writing,” at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, June 30.

Gover is a certified dream-work professional and the author of several books, including “How to Sleep Tight Through the Night (with Lesléa Newman)” and “The Mindful Way to a Good Night’s Sleep.”

Learn how to use the science and psychology of sleep, dreams, and mindfulness to supercharge your creativity and wake up to your best life. Gover will talk about how anyone can benefit from the ‘Dreaming on the Page’ method whether you remember your dreams or not, and whether or not you consider yourself a writer.

Bring a pen and prepare to be inspired.

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“In my new book, I make these connections explicit and show readers what I have intuitively known for years: that dreams and writing are perfect bedfellows, and that by honoring both, we can live more fully connected and harmonious lives.”

“Dreaming on the Page” also offers an effective outlet for anyone suffering from stress and anxiety to

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Outdoor yoga offered at the library this summer

SOUTH HADLEY — The public is invited to entertaining and enriching events that will be held on the grounds of Gaylord Library at 47 College Street.

Limber up with yoga
Also on the back lawn, Outdoor Yoga with Michele Lyman will be

offered 4-5 p.m. on June 22, and 29 and July 13 and 20.

This class is a combination of sustained poses as well as poses flowing in a mindful progression with emphasis on core strength, flexibility and balance. This class is based on physical postures, deep breathing and mindfulness.

Key benefits include increased strength, flexibility and stamina while releasing tension and stress. All levels are welcome.

Sign up at gaylordlibrary.org, or contact Sarah Courtney at 413-538-5047 or sgcourtney@cwmar.org.

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Seniors

'Fun Fridays' and more 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.

With summer here, there's no better way to beat the heat than enjoying activities and events inside the air conditioned senior center, including a live music series. Here's a look at some of the offerings:

Fun Fridays

Join the COA on the patio for music and free ice cream treats at 12:30 p.m. every Friday in June (while supplies last). Sponsored by the Friends of the South Hadley Seniors.

THIS COMING WEEK

Abraham Rodstein Holocaust Presentation 1 p.m. Friday, 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

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series 5 p.m. June 13

Join Rachel Sayet (whose name in the Mohegan language is Akitusut, which means "She Who Reads") a member of the Mohegan nation, as she shares traditional knowledge about seasonal planting, harvesting and hunting and fishing practices as well as food preparation and preservation in New England. Akitusut draws from her unique experiences as a professionally trained chef and community-based researcher focused on recording and revitalizing. This program is sponsored by the SHCOA Travel Club.

Sound Bath Meditation Presentation 2:30 p.m. June 14

This program will be a one-hour sound healing meditation journey with Jeffrey Wyda, who is a National Board Certified Holistic Registered Nurse specializing in the integrative healing arts. Beginning with a short introduction to the evidence-based health benefits of sound healing as a form of self-care, Wyda integrates healing tools, such as gongs, singing bowls, vocals and percussion instruments to help people find inner harmony and balance. It is recommended that participants wear comfortable clothes. Prepare to pause and reset from the busyness and stress of everyday life.

UPCOMING

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

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

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transform these troubling emotions through creativity using dreams as the catalyst

"I started writing this book before the pandemic, but with each churn of the news cycle, and each crisis we faced collectively during lockdown, I believed more and more that we need effective ways to engage with our stories," Tzivia says.

"Personally, and in community,

Cancer Survivors Month

Holyoke Hospital Oncology Presentation 2 p.m. June 16

HMC Hematology/Oncology Dept. will be here to talk about Breast cancer updates. Dr. Dulala will be joined by Nancy (RN- Navigator), Lisa Weary-Schecterle, Director of Community Benefits, Lynn White-Lynch and Iris Romero (CNA and Spanish interpreter). There have been some great improvements in the treatment of breast cancer. Join us for this hope-filled event.

Summer Concert Series schedule:

Banish Misfortune 5:30 p.m. June 20

July 25th double header: Madison Curbelo at 4 p.m., and Noah Lis at 5:30 p.m.

Wild Bill and the Flying Sparks 5 p.m. Aug. 29

Each concert is \$4 or purchase all three at the same time and have your name entered for a chance to be Senior Center VIP, which includes:

Free exercise punch card, \$5 gift card to the Woodlawn Café, a free ticket to an upcoming concert of your choice, individual tickets or tickets purchased in a group at the welcome desk.

June Art installation

Local photographer and poet, Anne Ely, will have her work displayed all month. The installation is entitled "Nature's Beauty Surrounds Us." Anne lives in South Hadley and is closely associated with the Quabbin Reservoir, serving as a member of the Friends of Quabbin 2021-2022. Stop in, take a tour of the Senior Center, enjoy the beautiful photos and have lunch.

Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month

Alzheimer's Association Presentation 1:30 p.m. June 29

Susan Antkowiak, VP of Program and Services, MA/NH will present the tremendous gains that have been made in understanding Alzheimer's and other dementias. Wrapping up this month-long highlight of dementia related challenges - participants will learn the landscape of Alzheimer's science, highlights in early detection diagnosis, the latest advances in clinical trials and most importantly, the treatment with lifestyle interventions we can begin today

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-Schecterle, director of Community Benefits, Lynn White-Lynch (Dr. Dulala's MA) and Iris Romero (CNA) (bilingual) - assists with interpretation.

Beyond Tours

These online tours of places and people with whom you might never interact have been a huge success

thanks to the Friends of the South Hadley Seniors, which is underwriting this program. Plans include a walking tour of Croatia at 1:30 p.m. on July 12 and Cannes at 1 p.m. on Aug. 22.

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 items to focus on for the month of June are healthy snacks for children (i.e., peanut butter and jelly, fruit cups, etc.).

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.acpbenefit.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.

Adult Programming South Hadley Public Library

The South Hadley Public Library is delighted to once again to host an Adult Summer Program starting on June 20 through August 14. The theme is "Find Your Voice" and the programs lined up will help you find your true voice. Scratch tickets will be available for adults to win prizes, such as t-shirts, water bottles and more when they check out at the Circulation Desk. Second change drawings will also be available to win more prizes at the end of the Summer Program on Monday, August 14th. If noted per event: sign up start on June 20th by calling the library at 413-538-5045 or signing up on our website at www.shadleylib.org then click Events. The library looks forward to helping you find your voice this summer. And remember - It is summer! Why do the kids get all the fun?

PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY JUNE 2023

Tuesday Night Knitting Group

Tuesdays from 6-8 pm

Join the library's Tuesday Night Knitters for some quality knitting and crocheting time. All skill levels welcome.

Rescheduled Author Talk: Lost Towns of the Swift River Valley Drowned by the Quabbin: Author Talk by Ellen Palladino

Wed., June 14 at 6 pm • Community Room

Tells the story of a community that was displaced to make room for a new reservoir. In doing so conveys what was lost in the name of progress. The book covers the historical period between the 1860s and the 1940s. The book is the story of the Quabbin Reservoir, which is Boston's water supply.

Improv for Scaredy Cats (& Non-Scaredy Cats Too!)

Sat., June 23 at 10 am • Community Room

Sign Up at the Front Desk or Online at

<https://tinyurl.com/8pbj5bey>

Help find your voice and empower yourself. It's designed especially for the improv newbies, improv-curious, and anyone who wants to step outside their comfort zone to use their voice with more joy and ease.

Music Concert: The Songs and Wisdom of Johnny Cash by Matt York

Wed., June 28 at 6 pm • Community Room

(Outside if it is nice out)

Longtime New England musician/ author Matt York will perform the songs of Johnny Cash and tell stories about Cash's career, spanning from his early beginnings in the 1950's to his passing in 2003. York was recently nominated for the Boston Music Award for Best Country Artist and his album Gently Used was name one of Worcester's Magazine's best albums of 2022.

AUTHOR TALKS

An American in Provence with

Award-Winning Photographer Jamie Beck

Thurs., June 15 at 2 pm

Register Online at <https://library.org/shadleylib>

Looking to slow down from her fast-paced life in New York City, Beck embarked on a one-year getaway to Provence. One year, turning into five, Beck moved to the French countryside.

Tananarive Due: Author of Black Panther Tales of Wakanda

Wed., June 28 at 8 pm

Register Online at <https://library.org/shadleylib>

Award-winning and bestselling author of sixteen books, including the Blood Colony, The Living Blood, The Good House, Joplin's Ghost, and Devil's Wake.

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

Herbert Hoover: Bert & Lou: The Story of the Herbert Hoover Family with the Hoover Presidential Library

Tues., June 13 at 2 pm

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/6btdefk8h>

Gerald Ford: Interrogating Presidential Photos with the Ford Presidential Library

Tues., June 20 at 2 pm

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/4zktctvd>

Harry S. Truman: Out of the Archives - A Look Back at the Marshall Plan with the Truman Presidential Library

Tues., June 27 at 2 pm

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/8pbj5bey>

Coming Soon... Registrations begin June 20

Laugh for the Health of It with Trevor Smith

Wed., July 12 at 6 p.m. • Community Room

Registration starts June 20th

Laughter Wellness is a performance-based, structured health and wellness program that engages people in laughter without using comedy or jokes.

Virtual Program: Russian Iconography:

Past & Present by the Museum of Russian Icons

Wed., July 26 at 6 p.m.

Online Zoom Program • Registration starts June 20th

Icons serve many purposes and are one of the most important aspects of Orthodox culture. Like many art forms, the icon has visually evolved over time, yet the symbolism and theological concepts remain constant.

Advanced Tarot Class by AwenTree

Wed., Aug. 9 from 6-8 p.m. • Community Room

Registration starts June 20th

Limited to 30- must have attended previous beginner program. Learn the advance techniques for tarot with Winifred of AwenTree.

Outdoor Yoga for Adults and Teens with Jessica Carey

Wed., Aug. 16 at 6 p.m. • Library Lawn/ Pergola Area

Registration starts June 20th

Help quiet your mind and find your authentic voice outside on the lawn behind the library. Enjoy the sounds of the falls while you strengthen your body, mind and spirit. Yoga mats available.

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dreams and writing can help us make meaning from the lives we are living. Dreaming on the Page offers a way to do just that."

The book offers readers prompts, journaling tips, and exercises based on the psychology, science and spirituality of dreaming to make the inner muse accessible to everyone who has a story to tell or a poem to write.

Gover writes and dreams in Western Massachusetts. Learn more at thirdhousemoon.com.

Opinion

GUEST COLUMN

Baystate doctor gives tips for beating the sun this summer

SPRINGFIELD - Dr. Richard Arenas, chief, surgical oncology, Baystate Regional Cancer Program has some tips to help prevent melanoma this summer. Which 1 in 5 Americans will develop skin cancer by the age of 70. More than 2 people die of skin cancer in the U.S. every hour. Having 5 or more sunburns doubles your risk for melanoma, the third most common skin cancer which causes the most deaths.



Dr. Richard Arenas, chief, surgical oncology, Baystate Regional Cancer Program has some tips to help prevent melanoma this summer.

Dr. Arenas and the National Cancer Institute recommend these tips to protect your skin from sunlight, which can be reflected by sand, water, snow, ice and pavement:

Wear a hat with a wide brim all around that shades your face, neck, and ears. Baseball caps and some sun visors protect only parts of your skin.

Wear sunglasses that block UV radiation to protect the skin around your eyes.

Wear long sleeves and long pants. Tightly woven, dark fabrics are best. Some fabrics are rated with an ultraviolet protection factor. The higher the rating, the greater the protection from sunlight.

Use sunscreen products with a sun protection factor of at least 15. (Some doctors suggest using a product with an SPF of at least 30.) Apply the product's recommended amount to uncovered skin 30 minutes before going outside and apply again every two hours or after swimming or sweating.

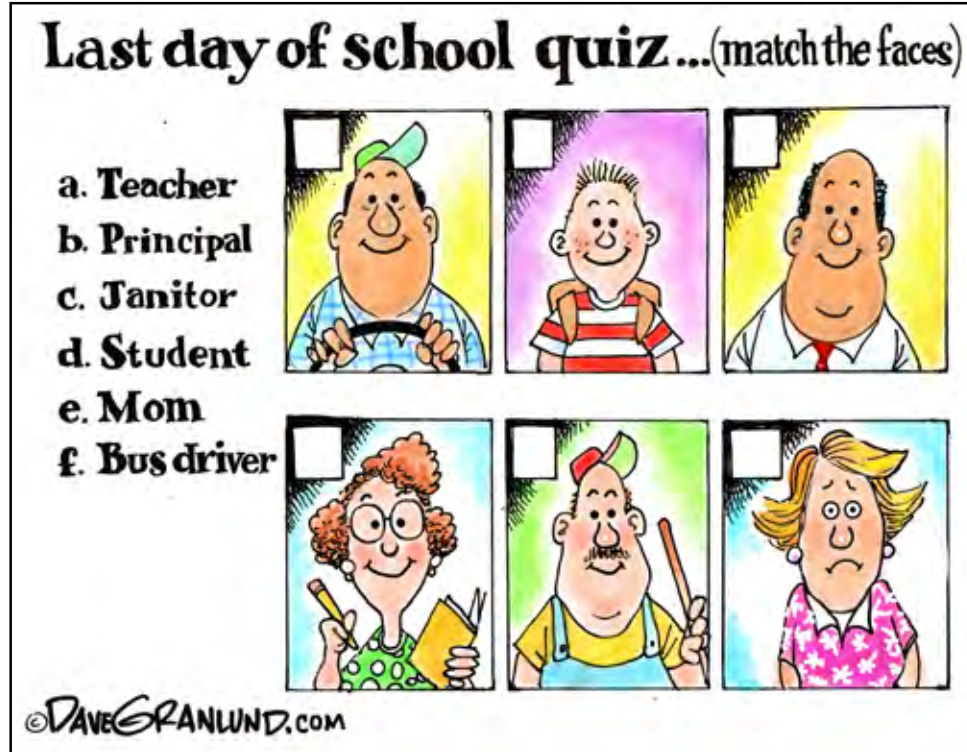
Dr. Arenas and The American Academy of Pediatrics recommend the following tips for infants and children:

Babies under 6 months of age should be kept out of direct sunlight. Move your baby to the shade under a tree, umbrella, or stroller canopy. Dress babies in lightweight clothing that covers the arms and legs and use brimmed hats that shade the neck to prevent sunburn. If adequate clothing and shade are not available, it is okay to apply a small amount of sunscreen on infants under 6 months, such as on the face and the back of the hands. Remember, it takes 30 minutes to be effective. If an infant gets sunburned, apply cool compresses to the affected area.

Kids should also cover up with clothes made of tightly woven fabrics. Cotton clothing is both cool and protective. Also, kids should wear a wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses with ultraviolet protection. Stay in the shade whenever possible and avoid peak intensity hours between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Apply sunscreen with an SPF 15 or greater to areas of your child's skin that aren't covered by clothing. Before applying, test the sunscreen on your child's back for an allergic reaction. Apply carefully around the eyes, avoiding eyelids. If a rash develops, talk with your pediatrician. Be sure to apply enough sunscreen -- about one ounce per sitting for a young adult. Reapply sunscreen every two hours, or after swimming or sweating. If your child gets a sunburn that results in blistering, pain or fever, contact your pediatrician.

For more information on the Baystate Regional Cancer Program, visit baystatehealth.org/brcp.



Do we really need to go through this?

There was finally some movement in Washington on raising the debt ceiling and a bill was passed by both chambers of Congress just days from a U.S. default – it would have been the first in the country's history.

If you're like me, you can't help but view this brinkmanship – with U.S. financial credibility and the economy on the line – with a mix of impatience and resignation.

Why impatience? Because its members seemed happy to waste valuable time they could be devoting to more productive work. In essence, this is a political game that's become a gridlock-inducing diversion.

And resignation? Because in the heated partisan atmosphere that's permeated Washington for the last few decades, a fight over raising the debt ceiling seems to have become part and parcel of the Congressional calendar. Waste of time that it is, you can pretty much set your clock by it.

And while the bill that cleared Congress last week means the debt ceiling won't be an issue again until early 2025, this drama could resume and an unprecedented default is still possible that year.

Let's take a step back for a moment and consider what's at stake if the U.S. has no choice but to start defaulting on some of its bills. It might, for instance, keep paying interest on debts, keeping the markets calmer, if not exactly tranquil. But that would probably mean not paying federal workers and contractors, Social Security recipients or veterans' health care benefits, which would be politically wrenching.

On the other hand, if the government misses even a single debt payment, it would ruin global confidence in U.S. debt, with consequences for our economy that would last for years.

You might ask how any of this could

even be possible. There's a lot of misperception about why the debt needs to keep being raised, but it's pretty simple: Most years, we spend more than we take in. This has been a truly bipartisan endeavor. Of the presidencies over the last five decades, the debt grew most in percentage terms under Ronald Reagan, George W. Bush, and Barack Obama – though in dollar terms, it grew almost as much during Donald Trump's single term as it did during Obama's two terms.

There's no question that some of those increases came because of spending – most recently on the pandemic and keeping the economy afloat because of it. But it's worth noting that the primary reason Reagan, Bush and Trump figure as major debt contributors is because they pushed through huge tax cuts during their time in office.

Though the Reagan cuts were partially reversed under Bill Clinton, producing actual budget surpluses, the Bush and Trump cuts have made it virtually impossible for revenues to keep up with spending.

So in upcoming weeks, as Republicans and Democrats in Congress, along with the Biden White House, issue talking points aimed at making the other side look bad, remember that taking steps to avoid building up the U.S. debt requires looking at the full picture: tax and fiscal policy as well as spending. And as the rhetoric grows more heated, remember this, too: This doesn't have to happen.

Congress could just decide to get rid of a ceiling on the debt and choose instead to spend its time addressing the actual challenges the country faces, including budget deficits, rather than engaging in debt theater. There are too many players who relish wielding the debt-ceiling cudgel for such a move to be likely.

But it would be good for the country if it happened.

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Thomas Bergeron will lead the festival band in a day of joyous music-making.

Community band concert coming to Mount Holyoke College

SOUTH HADLEY — As many as 150 musicians from throughout Western Massachusetts and beyond will come together for an outdoor performance in one giant concert band at 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, at the Mount Holyoke College Amphitheater.

The concert is free and open to the public to attend. In the event of inclement weather, the rain date is Sunday June 18.

Titled Pioneer Valley Community Band Festival, the concert is being hosted by the Amherst, Florence and South Hadley Community Bands and will bring together amateur and professional musicians of all ages and abilities from throughout the region to celebrate and perform live instrumental music.

According to Festival Coordinator Ira Brezinsky, “We have a goal of 150 musicians performing together. We’ll see if we get there! With the inspiration of our guest conductor and guest soloist, band members will have the opportunity to share their musical skills, learn from their fellow musicians, and bring the joy of live music making to our audience.”

Additional musicians of all abilities who would like to participate can email pioneervalleycommunitybandfest@gmail.com.

Director of Music at Deerfield Academy, Thomas Bergeron, will lead the festival band in a day of joyous music-making. Before coming to Deerfield, Bergeron held teaching positions at Williams College, Tufts University, Bennington College, Yale, Amherst College and the Brimmer and May School. He is a member of the Atlantic Brass Quintet and the Principal Trumpet of the Springfield Symphony.

Bergeron has performed with The American Symphony, The Temptations, T-Pain, Vampire Weekend, Idina Menzel, The Four Tops, Judy Collins, Arlo Guthrie, and numerous Broadway shows. His television appearances include Saturday Night Live, Jimmy Kimmel Live, and “CBS This Morning.” He spent two years in residence at Carnegie Hall with Juilliard’s Ensemble Connect and holds two advanced degrees from Yale, where he won the Woolsey Hall Concerto Competition and received the John Swallow Award for excellence in brass playing.

“It’s really exciting to have so many people of all ages gathering to experience the joy of making music together,” Bergeron said.

“We’ve programmed a wide variety of music, from Sousa to Duke Ellington, Billie Eilish and Ray Charles. Personal highlights for me include music from ‘Captain Marvel’ by the Emmy-nom-



Contributed photos

Ron Smith

inated Turkish-American composer Pinar Toprak, and an original piece for concert band Across A Golden Sky by American composer Quinn Mason, who was recently featured on the Springfield Symphony Orchestra concert in February.”

Saxophonist Ronald Smith will be the featured guest soloist. A native of Memphis, Tennessee, Smith is the director of Music Programs at the Northfield Mount Hermon School. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Music from Tennessee State University, along with degrees in Music Production & Engineering Studies from Berklee College of Music and Ethnomusicology Studies from Dartmouth College

He was a semifinalist for Grammy Award Teacher of the Year and a John Pflug Teaching Fellow. Smith, who lives in Northampton, has performed with such artists as Miles Davis, Dizzy Gillespie, Ray Brown, Billy Taylor, Nat Adderley, Wynton Marsalis, B.B. King, Paul Winter, Samirah Evans and Evelyn Harris, to name a few.

Priscilla Ross, director of the Florence Community Band, stated, “Our band members always enjoy playing under the baton of other conductors. And many of us remember when Tom (Bergeron) was up and coming, playing with us! So it will be a joy to reunite under his leadership.”

The free concert is made possible thanks to grants from the South Hadley and Amherst Cultural Councils, a Festivals Grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, and a sponsorship by the South Hadley Electric Light Department (SHELD/Fiberspring).

For more information, email pioneervalleycommunitybandfest@gmail.com or visit the band’s Facebook page at pvcommunitybandfest.com.

Obituary

Death Notices

Sullivan, Caitlin C.
Died May 30, 2023
Services June 5, 2023

Caitlin C. Sullivan, 35

BELCHERTOWN — Caitlin C. “Cat” Sullivan, 35, passed away suddenly on May 30, 2023, with her family by her side.



She was born on June 6, 1987 in Holyoke, the daughter of Donna (Anyon) Kustra and the late Francis X. Sullivan Jr.

Cat graduated from Belchertown High School in 2006 and previously worked as a driver for Hulmes Transportation Services.

Cat was a very talented photographer and had a great appreciation for art. She also enjoyed watching and quoting movies, family “game nights,” going on car rides, and spending time with her family and pets, whom she loved dearly.

Cat was preceded in death by her father, Francis X. Sullivan Jr., in 2003; maternal grandparents, Barbara and Bill Anyon; and paternal grandparents, Francis X. Sr. and Kathleen Sullivan.

She will be greatly missed by her fiancé, Jeff Conchieri; mother, Donna (Anyon) Kustra and husband, Tom; sister, Erin Marchese and husband, Aldo; sister, Gabrielle Dejoinville and husband, Stephen; brother, Brendan Sullivan; as well as numerous aunts and uncles, several nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

The family wishes to thank MICU Nurses Lizzy, Haley, and Cari, at Baystate Medical Center, for the compassionate care that was provided to Cat.

A period of visitation was held at the Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home on Monday, June 5, 2023 from 10:00am-12:00pm with closing prayers shared at 12:00pm. Burial will be held at the family’s discretion. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to your local Animal Rescue Shelter in memory of Cat’s love for animals. Please visit www.beersandstory.com to extend online condolences.

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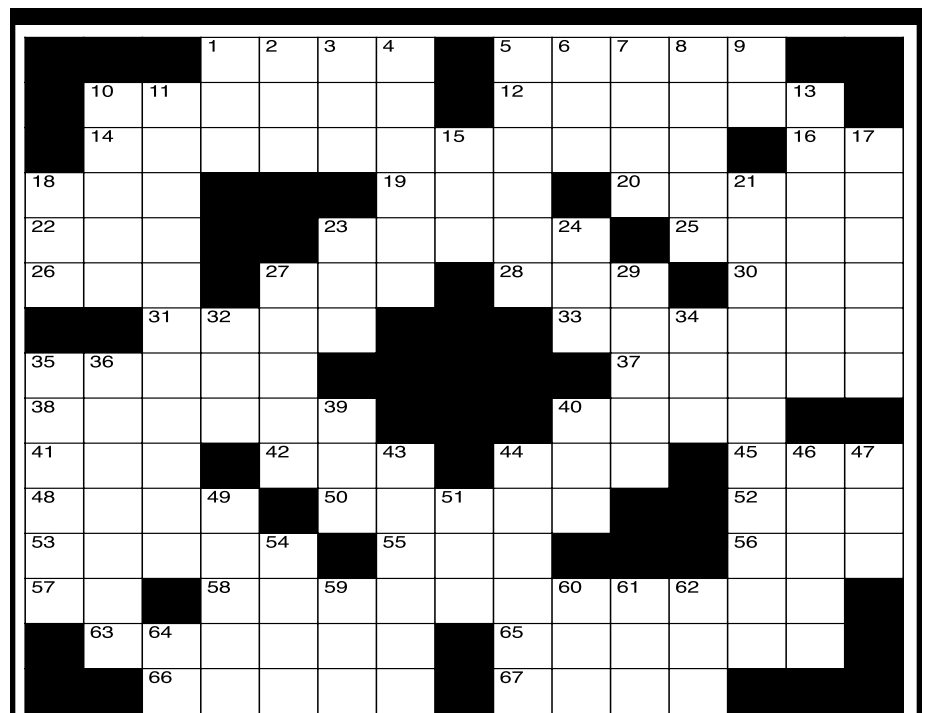
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formed by South Hadley High School's Vocal Roar and directed by Beth Aya Curtis.

Wood's own address pivoted on the word "resiliency" because the Class of 2023 had endured some of the most challenging years ever faced in the educational system. They had been sent home twice, first by a global pandemic, and then by a massive mold infestation just as school was reopening in-person after the long hiatus of the Covid pandemic.

"We truly appreciate what you have done – for yourselves, your fellow students, and the town of South Hadley." She asked also that everyone present observe a few moments of silence in honor of those who could not be present although they had helped make this day possible.

Wood also acknowledged the presence of members of the community who had served or were currently serving in the military. "Your efforts in serving and protecting our nation are admirable and appreciated," she said, and then called out the names of the various armed forces and asked those serving in each one to rise and be recognized.

This segued into her acknowledgement of those "honorable seniors that have decided to join our armed forces." She called out the names of four who would soon enter the Air Force, Air Force Reserves, and the Army National Guard.

Then she acknowledged one of the fallen: Class of 2023, Riley Roman, who died last year. He had once said, "My hope is everything," a phrase that Wood continued to cherish.

As Principal, Wood proudly announced that 19 members of the Class of 2023 were graduating as members of the National Honor Society, and that the graduating class also had eight Pro Merito students. There were 13 Student Council leaders, 23 graduating with Career Technical Education Certificates, one STEM diploma



Graduates with their families and friends leave Mary Woolley Hall on Mount Holyoke College campus after the graduation ceremony.

awardee, and five who had achieved the Seal of Biliteracy.

There were an astonishing number of awards to be given. A total of eleven were bestowed upon the school from grateful alumni as early as 1922, and 46 scholarships came from many types of organizations and individual philanthropists.

National Honor Society President and Salutatorian Emma Currier assumed the podium to address "proud parents" and offer thanks to her various pillars of support – parents, brother, her cats and ultimately the whole school community.

She spoke of growth and self-discovery and the extraordinary distance traveled from the beginning of high school "when all we wanted was to get out, and the most significant moments to us were those when the bell was about to ring." Gradually, significant moments accumulated: games won, brilliant performances and shows produced.

Time will be measured years from now, she assured her peers, not in semesters or years but in friendships made. Her advice was that life can

be heavy and should not be lived on one's own or carried all at once. "Know what moments to keep and let go."

In some, decide what moments are worth holding; be selective, let go of regrets and resentments from the past. Practice forgiveness and acceptance.

Finally, "Create a space to live in the present." She assured her peers that it was possible to find one's enthusiasm for things although it may lead outside of a comfort zone. Reflect on past experiences and learn from them. She concluded, "It is in the present moment that the magic of life unfolds."

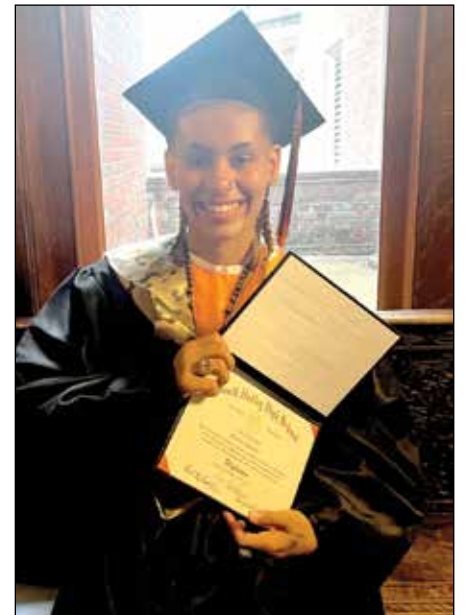
Class Valedictorian Moira Dolittle commenced her address by offering thanks, not just for high school, but for the past 13 years, or her entire education. At this commencement evening alone, Dolittle received four of the eleven awards presented at the ceremony, and six of the 46 scholarships.

The one with the most detailed introduction, the Andy Yee Memorial Award, specified that the recipient be someone who "motivated and inspired peers to make the community better." Dolittle offered some insight into her drive vis-à-vis an anecdote dating back to the eighth grade.

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Students turning their tassels in unison from right to left after everyone received their diploma.



Yaritza Cabrera, who will start serving in the Army National Guard, shows off her diploma.



Students waiting to receive their diplomas.

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Decorated mortarboards were a common theme at the commencement ceremony.



Students, family, staff, teachers, and friends rushing out of Chapin Auditorium where the graduation ceremony was held.



Salutatorian and National Honor Society President, Emma Currier, delivers her address to her fellow graduates, family, and friends.

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One day her classmates were talking about a Snapchat that said simply, "I hate the Class of 2023. They are going to be South Hadley's downfall." The young and impressionable Dolittle was appalled, intimidated and wondered if there actually was something amiss with the Class of 2023. The insult became a challenge.

She set out on a campaign of excellence in everything, haunted by the horror of that accusation because South Hadley did have a proud heritage. It had produced Ivy Leaguers, community leaders, and innovators.

She and her peers joined every sport, ran for Student Council and made their voices heard, attended spirit weeks, open mic nights and made themselves indispensable at pep rallies. They even went out into the communities volunteering at the food pantry regularly. Dolittle co-directed a play that won the 2019 One Act Festival.

But their freshman year was abruptly interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The two weeks initially out of school turned into one month, and then an indefinite period of time. Just as they were ready to return to school, a massive mold infestation was discovered at the school that required remediation.

Back home they reverted to 6-hour Zoom days. They did not return to in-person instruction until late September of 2021. Even then, it was a masked return with a 6-foot social-distance rule.

Still, they were not going to be the downfall of South Hadley. When they finally got back to school Dolittle's classmates threw themselves into everything.

They sent people to nationals for track. Their concert music programs entered state competitions. At this point they were no longer just volunteers in the community but began to create their own service projects as members of the National Honor Society.

"I have been amazed at the talent, the resilience, and the heart of my peers," Dolittle said, and thanked everyone for teaching her the "true meaning of excellence."

Esther Ngunjiri, Student Council Co-President echoed the theme of the evening, that the Class of 2023 had endured many setbacks but had somehow triumphed. She reaffirmed the notion of resilience.

She expressed her pride that they had adjusted and adapted to unprecedented times – dealing with the pandemic, the mold infestation, and online learning. Above all, they did this as a community.

Of her high school journey, Ngunjiri said, "We came and we conquered." But the crux of her message was about leadership.

She quoted the author and pastor John C. Maxwell, who wrote that a leader is someone who "knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way." Ngunjiri claimed that every graduate there was a leader in some way.

She also quoted Michelle Obama's words about honesty and integrity, "Integrity is about doing the right thing when no one is looking...Success doesn't come unless you earn it fair and square."

Lastly, she quoted Nelson Mandela who famously said that the most important thing is to be honest with oneself because you can't change society if you have not changed yourself.



Happy to be graduating and waiting to flip the tassel.

"Be ready for change," said Ngunjiri, "We will no longer be walking into the South Hadley High School doors as students anymore." She then led the tassel turning, signifying the transition to a new stage of life

In closing, she said, "Changing the world we will do."



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Mia Beaulieu heads up the field after making a pickup on defense.



Margaret Watkins gets ready for a free shot.



Caitlin Dean makes a pass.

Tigers capture first Western Mass. sectional title



Jordyn Balint reaches up to corral the ball.

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM—The South Hadley girls soccer team defeated Belchertown High School in the Western Mass. Class B championship match at Holyoke High School last November.

A little more than six months later, the Lady Tigers lacrosse team captured the Western Mass title for the first time in school history against the same opponent.

Eight different players scored at least one goal as the second-seeded Lady Tigers coasted to a 13-5 victory over the fourth-seeded Lady Orioles in the Western Mass. Class B final, which was held at Agawam High School, last Wednesday afternoon.

“When I played for the South Hadley lacrosse team, we only

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For the first time, South Hadley girls lacrosse are Western Mass. champions.

Photos by Gregory A. Scibelli



St. Joe's Brandon Magni fields a grounder.

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Luis DeJesus slings a throw to first.



Brandon Clark makes the out at first.



Jason Byers pitches for the Tigers.



Shane Denault makes a long throw.

Tri-County Baseball back in action

CHICOPEE – Last week, Tri-County Baseball was back in action with a number of games on the slate, though only four actually played due to rainouts. The Tri-County has gone through some turnover and some teams not making

their way back to the league in recent years. This year, there are only six teams in the league, with Easthampton Savings Bank, a prominent member of the league for many years, not on the schedule this year. Regulars featuring players from all over the

region including PeoplesBank, the Chicopee Falls Tigers, St. Joseph's, and DiFranco Realty are back this year. The Tri-County League, which features adult baseball, runs through the end of July.

Western Mass. battles to draw

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW—Joao Bernardo has been the public address announcer at historic Lusitano Stadium in Ludlow for many years.

While Bernardo announced his normal messages to the crowd during last Saturday night's USL League Two match-up between the Black Rock FC and the Western Mass. Pioneers, he didn't make his famous goal call. The contest, which was played on a fall like evening, ended in a scoreless draw.

"We had 22 shots on goal in tonight's match, but we couldn't put any of them into the net," said Pioneers head coach Federico Molinari. "We always want to win every game that we play, especially at home."

It has been more than seven years since the Pioneers (3-0-2) played a 0-0 match at Lusitano Stadium. They have played three scoreless road draws since 2018. The last one was two years ago against Black Rock FC, who currently play their home matches at Colby-Sawyer College in New London, New Hampshire.

During the past several years, Black Rock has played home matches at MCLA in North Adams and at Applejack Stadium in Manchester Center, Vermont.

The Pioneers outscored their first four opponents, 17-2. They scored ten of those goals in a 10-1 road victory against Boston City FC on May 30.

"We weren't really tested in our last game," said Pioneers starting defender Conor Hicks, who's from Monson. "We hit the post or crossbar at least four or five times in tonight's game. The ball just didn't bounce our way and it's a very tough result. We still haven't lost a match yet so far this season."

Hicks, who's one of the Pioneers veteran players, missed the season opening road match against the Boston Bolts, which was a 3-0 win, with an injury. He played the final 45 minutes in the home opener versus Pathfinder FC, which was also a 3-0 victory, before starting the past three matches.

Western Mass. first-year goalie Gianluca Cersosimo only had to make two saves against Black Rock to record his third shutout of the season.

The last time that Black Rock



Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com

Rodrigo Saraiva de Castro socks the ball away.



Connor Hicks, of Monson, looks to pass.

(1-1-2) celebrated a victory at Lusitano Stadium was during the 2018 regular season.

"We just wanted to contain their high power offense in tonight's match," said Black Rock head coach Jon Moody. "They have the top goal scorer in the league, and we were looking to keep the game close. We did have a couple of scoring chances late in the second half. We do have a lot of respect for them."



Augustine Boadi tries to balance the ball.

Alec Hughes, who's a member of the UMass men's soccer team, leads the Pioneers with seven goals.

Hughes had four shots on goal during the first 45 minutes against Black Rock.

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Submitted photo

Matthew Kimball took the win last Saturday at Monadnock Speedway

Kimball wins inaugural Winchester Open 100

WINCHESTER, N.H. – Saturday night's inaugural Winchester Open 100 might have been a new experience for fans and racers alike, but it ended with a familiar face in victory lane.

Monadnock Speedway graduate Matthew Kimball put his home-track expertise to work, besting a 24-car field to win the first-ever JDV Open Modified feature at the Winchester, N.H. bullring.

Kimball held off Carl Medeiros Jr. and Ryan Doucette to score one of the biggest wins of his Modified career thus far.

Inclement weather delayed the start of Saturday's main event, but did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of Kimball, who raced Mini Stocks at "Mad Dog" before making a career shift to Tour-type Modifieds. The Bennington, N.H. racer started from the pole, yielding to Monadnock veteran Todd Patnode on lap eight of the 100-circuit feature. Chris Pasteryak settled into third with Kirk Alexander fourth when a turn-three spin brought out the night's first caution.

Patnode immediately ducked down pit road, handing the lead back to Kimball. Alexander and Sam Rameau charged into third on the restart, while Pasteryak's hopes for a solid finish turned bleak when contact left the Connecticut racer sideways in turn two with 60 laps to go.

Rameau, who started 22nd, pounced on Kimball two restarts later to take the lead. Rameau set a fast pace, but Kimball was able to keep up, turning up the heat as slower traffic came into play. Early contender Alexander went for a backstretch spin with 17 laps

left, though, eliminating the lapped-traffic wildcard and pitting Rameau against Kimball for the restart.

On the green flag, Rameau cleared Kimball for the lead, but Kimball loomed large in his mirror, tracing the curbs and keeping Rameau from building an advantage. With 11 laps left, Kimball dove inside on the backstretch, getting alongside Rameau in the turns and taking the lead back. Ryan Doucette threw his car to Rameau's inside to steal second, upsetting Rameau and letting Kimball escape. Another bobble from Rameau slowed the field, with Medeiros charging from the high line to take second as the top five shuffled.

Kimball was hardly home free, as another spin with six laps left forced a late-race restart. But the youngster got the jump on Medeiros coming to the green, and as Doucette made a bid for second, Kimball was able to get away once again, coasting home to one of his biggest Modified wins yet and pocketing \$5,000 for the evening.

Medeiros held on for a strong second-place finish, with Doucette third at the line. Richard Savary drove back from a late pit stop to finish fourth, while Pasteryak salvaged a fifth-place finish.

Leading into the Winchester Open 100, Tom Harwood won his second straight New England Dwarf Car Series feature only a week after capturing the checkers at Lee USA Speedway. Adrian Smith won the Young Guns feature, while Robert Hagar topped the NHS-TRA Late Models feature and

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Opening weekend for Blue Sox

HOLYOKE - The Valley Blue Sox return to MacKenzie Stadium next week, with their first home game on Thursday, June 8 at 6:35 p.m. The team will then have three more home games June 9, 10, and 11. There will be a special promotion for all fans who attend all four home games this coming weekend.

The team announced that any fans who attend all four games June 8-11 will receive their choice of either four flex tickets to any of the remaining home games this season,



or early access to a new Blue Sox T-shirt before they go on sale. Fans will receive a punch card on Opening Night that will be filled in with different colored stickers at each game until all four are collected after the weekend.

On Opening Night the team will be facing the Bristol Blues and giving away magnet schedules. The following night, Friday June 9 at 6:35 p.m. vs. the Ocean State Wolves, the team will be hosting Isenberg

Night, and giving away T-shirts sponsored by Isenberg School of Management. The first 100 UMass students to show their UCARD upon entry will receive a voucher for one free meal and drink. Saturday June 10 at 6:35 p.m. vs. the North Shore Navigators, Boston Beer Co. will be sponsoring a Dogfish Tasting night, and fans will be able to enter a Red Sox/Sam Adams bench raffle. Finally on Sunday June 11 at 3 p.m. vs. the Martha's Vineyard Sharks, the City of Holyoke will be celebrating its 150th Anniversary with the team.

Fans are encouraged to come show their support for the start of the new season, and the Blue Sox look forward to seeing fans back at MacKenzie Stadium next Thursday.

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Chris Davis came away with a win in the Pure Stocks main event.

JDV Productions' next scheduled event is the second annual Clash at Claremont on Saturday, July 29, featuring the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour in their fourth-ever appearance at Claremont Motorsports Park in New Hampshire's Upper Valley. Further information on this special event will be released in the coming weeks.

For more information on JDV Productions, visit JDVProductions.com and follow on social media for the latest updates throughout the season, including updates from the track on race day with feature winner posts.



Results: Winchester Open Modified 100; Monadnock Speedway; June 3

1. (43) Matthew Kimball
2. (50) Carl Medeiros, Jr.
3. (55) Ryan Doucette
4. (99) Richard Savary
5. (5CT) Chris Pasteryak
6. (02) Geoff Rollins
7. (1) Nathan Wenzel
8. (76) Kirk Alexander
9. (11X) Tyler Leary
10. (24) Todd Patnode
11. (04) Joey Jarvis
12. (17) Donnie Lashua
13. (95) Cory Plummer
14. (23) Bradley Zahensky
15. (13) Cameron Sontag
16. (06) Sam Rameau
17. (27) Derek Robbie
18. (02MA) Paul LaPlante
19. (99X) Kimberly Rivet
20. (7) Kurt Vigeant
21. (47) Jacob Perry
22. (51) Adam LaPoint
23. (24X) Cornelius Flynn
24. (30CT) Gary Byington

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During the 24th minute, Hughes, who's a first year Western Mass. player, blasted a shot that was saved by Black Rock goalie Pablo Costa (22 saves), who's from Brazil.

"Their goalie played fantastic," Molinari said. "He kept his team in the game."

About five minutes later, Pioneers captain Nicholas Oberrauch, who celebrated his 24th birthday on Monday, fired a laser shot, which Costa deflected over the endline resulting in a corner kick.

With a little more than ten minutes remaining in the opening half, Black Rock's Jaland Laramond had a wide open shot attempt, but the ball was cleared away by Connor Bagdon before crossing the line.

The trio of Khalid Rose, Laurie Goddard, and Augustine Boadi had shots on goals for the Pioneers in the first half.

During a ceremony held at halftime, the Lusitano Alumni and Fans (LAF) committee



Lawrence Goddard sends a corner kick away.

presented scholarships to Cassie Pendleton, who graduated from Ware High School, and Kyle Girouard, who graduated from Chicopee Comp.

The Pioneers had several more scoring opportunities during the second half, but they couldn't put the ball into the net past Costa.

There was seven minutes of stoppage time, but the contest was still scoreless when referee Fabio Cardoso blew his whistle for the final time.

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qualified for the postseason tournament one time," said first-year head coach Danielle Miele who graduated from South Hadley High School in 2015. "Winning the Western Mass. title in my first season as the head coach is just an amazing accomplishment. We played very well as a team in today's match."

When Miele, who was a three-sport athlete in high school, was a sophomore the Lady Tigers lacrosse team defeated Lee High School in the Western Mass. Division 1 quarterfinals. They then lost to powerhouse Longmeadow in the semifinals.

South Hadley (13 -5) advanced into the 2023 Western Mass. championship match after squeaking out an 11-8 home win against third-seeded Amherst in the semifinals.

The only senior listed on the South Hadley roster is Audissey Hill, who's one of the captains.

The three junior captains are Madelyn McArdle, Emily Piliagian, and Evelyn Gingras, who's the starting goalie.

Belchertown (7-10) was also looking to capture the Western Mass. title for the first time under first-year head coach Jarrod Lemke.

The Lady Orioles advanced into the championship match after

upsetting top-seeded Northampton, 18-15, in the semifinals.

"Nobody even expected us to even be playing in the Western Mass. finals this year," Lemke said. "We only won four games a year ago. We also lost a bunch of players to graduation. We upset the top-seeded team to get here. It gave us a lot more confidence coming into this game."

The Lady Orioles seniors are Grace Filippelli, Luran Cooper, Michelle Zaluga, Sam Pacunas, and Adrien Wise.

South Hadley built a 3-0 lead seven minutes into the opening half following goals from sophomores Margaret Watkins, and Ava Asselin, along with McArdle.

"Everyone made a key contribution in today's game, which really helped us a lot," said Asselin, who recorded a hat-trick in the Western Mass. finals. "We became very close during the course of the regular season. It has been a lot of fun playing for this team."

Asselin scored her first goal of the match on a behind the back shot.

"I normally don't score very many goals with a behind the back shot," she said. "It felt really good after I scored that goal."

The Lady Orioles got on the scoreboard for the first time with 17:34 remaining in the first half following an unassisted goal from Wise.

Another goal by sophomore Paige Wagner closed the gap to 4-2.

Belchertown didn't get any closer than that the rest of the way.

South Hadley pulled away by scoring the next six goals, which gave them a 10-2 halftime advantage.

Those goals were scored by junior Rachel Yabra, sophomore Jordyn Balint, junior Mia Beaulieu, junior Eliana Britton, Piliagian, and Asselin.

"We played very well in today's game, especially during the first half," said Gingras, who was credited with nine saves. "It feels amazing to win the Western Mass. title. I couldn't even imagine doing this last year. The new coaches have really helped us a lot."

Less than two minutes into the second half, Asselin scored her third goal of the match, which gave South Hadley an 11-2 lead.

With a little more than eleven minutes remaining in regulation, Watkins netted her second goal of the game pushing the Lady Tigers advantage to 13-2.

The Lady Orioles scored the final three goals of the contest. Two of those goals were scored by junior Madysen LePage. Wise scored the other goal.

Both teams also qualified for the Division 4 state tournament.

Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF GRANBY CABLE TELEVISION LICENSE RENEWAL PROCEEDING

The Town of Granby Select Board, as cable television licensing authority under MGL 166A s.1, will hold a public ascertainment hearing on **June 20, 2023, 5:30 p.m.**, at Town Hall, 10-B West State Street, Route 202, Granby, MA as part of the Town's Comcast cable television license renewal process. The Comcast license is due to expire on October 5, 2025 and the federal Cable Act, 47 USC 546, requires a public proceeding to ascertain the community's cable-related needs and interests as part of the license renewal process. Public comment is invited regarding the Town and public's cable license renewal needs and interests. For further information contact Town

Administrator Chris Martin c/o Town Hall or Attorney William August at (617) 548-3735. If and when Comcast files a license renewal application or other renewal records, copies shall be available for public inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk. By order of the Select Board as License Issuing Authority. 06/02, 06/09/2023

South Hadley Conservation Commission Notice of Public Hearing

The South Hadley Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act G.L.C. 131 § 40 and the Local Wetland Regulations & Bylaw for a Notice of Intent. The project location is Newton Street /Titus Pond (Map 27, Lot 041). The Town of South Hadley proposes the restoration

of Buttery Brook's headwater wetlands and stream within a Buffer Zone and Resource Area at Titus Pond Conservation Area. The project proposes to lower the water level at Titus Pond and install a viewing platform.

The hearing will be held on **June 21, 2023 at 7:00pm** 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 4:00 M-F. Plans are also available online at 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
06/09/2023

GRANBY PLANNING BOARD/ TREE WARDEN PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Mass. G.L. c. 40, Section 15c and c.87, section 3 and the bylaws of the Town of Granby, the Granby Planning Board and Tree Warden will hold a joint public hearing on **June 26, 2023, at 5:15 PM**, at 1 Library Lane, Old Carnegie Library, Top Floor, Granby, MA. The nature of the hearing is to consider the petition of Granby Veteran's Memorial Committee (Applicant) / Town of Granby (Owner), for the removal of a Black Walnut tree located on a scenic road. The tree will be placarded so all interested parties may view the tree located at 257 East State

Street before the hearing, and known as Assessors' Map 9-C-8 in the town of Granby, MA.

The complete applications and plans are available for public inspection during regular business hours (9:00AM - 3:00 PM, Monday-Thursday, and 9:00AM - 12:00 PM Fridays) at the Selectmen's Office located in the Granby Senior Center Building, 2nd Floor, 10-B West State Street, Granby, MA 01033.

Anyone wishing information and/or to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated.

James Trompke, Chair
Granby Planning Board

David Desrosiers,
Granby Tree Warden
06/09, 06/16/2023

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Public Notices

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The South Hadley Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the South Hadley local wetlands bylaw and regulations, to consider a Request for Determination filed by David Bernier for storm clean up within Riverfront Area to the CT River at 44 Canal St (Map 4B, Parcel 49)

The meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 21 at 6:45pm 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 by appointment between the hours of 8:30 to 4 M.F. Plans are also available online at 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
06/09/2023

Town of Granby Massachusetts Conservation Commission

The Granby Conservation Commission will hold Public Hearings pursuant to the Wetland Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) on **Tuesday July 11, 2023** at *1 Library Lane-Old Carnegie Library-Top Floor to consider the following:

1. At 7:30 "RDA" filed by Joseph Dickinson to see whether work depicted on plan(s) referenced are subject to the Wetlands Protection Act or subject to the jurisdiction of any municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw with regards to property located at 280 Amherst Street, and known as Map 1, Block D, Part of Parcel 2 in the Town of Granby.

Members of the public can attend virtually by phone at +1 (312) 757-3121 using **Access Code: 282-289-421** or by visiting <https://global.goto.meeting.com/join/282289421>.

Anyone wishing information and/or to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated. The complete materials (including text and maps) relative to this "RDA" are available for inspection during regular business hours at the Selectmen's Office located in the Granby Senior Center Building, 2nd Floor, 10-B West State Street. Additionally, copies of the application may be inspected on the Conservation

Commission's web page at www.granby-ma.gov.

William Shaheen, Chair
Granby Conservation Commission
06/09/2023

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY SELECTBOARD PUBLIC HEARING

The Selectboard hereby gives notice of a public hearing being held on **Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 7:05 p.m.** at the South Hadley Senior Center, 45 Dayton South Hadley, MA 01075 and on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82843143662?pwd=L2lqUXBMcTlDRTMwaTFrYjRwM1pxQT0>, with Webinar ID 828 4314 3662, passcode 796724 and phone number of +1 646 558 8656 pursuant to G.L. c. 138 and the town's bylaws, as applicable, to determine whether potential violations of any and all provisions of G.L. c. 138 and including, but not limited to: G.L. c. 138, §§ 12 and 64A, 204 CMR 2.00 et seq and Town of South Hadley By-Laws Ch. 138, §§ 166, and more specifically non-use, among others, occurred at H&H Retail, Inc. d/b/a 3 Corners Package Store, located at 460 Amherst Rd., South Hadley, MA and whether a penalty, up to and including revocation of the beer & wine package store license, should be imposed and to allow a rea-

sonable opportunity for the licensee and/or their representatives to provide full and up to date information on the status of this beer & wine package store license.

The licensee risks cancellation of its license for non-use pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 77 unless it: (1) begins operating the licensed business; (2) files an appropriate application to transfer the location of the license where the licensee will conduct the licensed business; (3) files an appropriate application to transfer the ownership of the license to a licensee that will conduct the licensed business or (4) maintains an insurance policy required by the licensing authority. Selectboard public hearing notices are printed in the Town Reminder and may also be downloaded from the following site: <http://masspublicnotices.org/Search.aspx>

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06/09, 06/16/2023

South Hadley Conservation Commission Notice of Public Hearing

The South Hadley Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act G.L.C. 131 § 40 and the

Local Wetland Regulations & Bylaw for a Notice of Intent.

The project location is Mountain Avenue and the adjacent segments of Buttery Brook (Map 27, Lots 110, 118, 119, 129, 130, and 141). The Town of South Hadley proposes a culvert replacement at Mountain Avenue and restorative improvements to Buttery Brook within Buffer Zone and Resource Area.

The hearing will be held on **June 21, 2023 at 7:00pm virtually**. Login information will be provided with the posted agenda on the Town website.

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

Neva Tolopko,
Conservation Chair
06/09/2023

LEGAL NOTICE Chuck It Self Storage Self Storage Facility Public Auction

On **Saturday, June 10, 2023 at 11:00 A.M.**, at the premises of Chuck It Self Storage, 346 East St., South

Hadley, MA 01075, the contents of the following units, consisting of personal property, will be sold at Public Auction to satisfy the lien of the storage operator. This sale is held pursuant to and under the authority of Chap. 105A, Sec. 4 of the M.G.L. Sales to be PAID IN CASH ONLY at the time of the sale. Contents to be removed off the premises within 48 hours.

Claire Robillard
06/02, 06/09/2023

TOWN OF GRANBY LEGAL NOTICE

The Selectboard will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.** at *10-B West State Street, in the Senior Center large meeting room relative to the following:

Amending the proposed home rule petition "Elected Official Recall" as voted at the September 20, 2021, Special Town Meeting, to address issues raised by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Office of the State Secretary, Elections Division. (Copies of full text of said amendments are available from the Selectboard's Office, Town Annex and on the town's website: www.granby-ma.gov)

Glen N. Sexton
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Granby Selectboard
06/09/2023

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY OFFICE OF TAX COLLECTOR NOTICE OF TAX TAKING

To the owners of the hereinafter described land and to all others concerned, you are hereby notified that on **June 23, 2023 at ten o'clock AM** at 116 Main Street, South Hadley, pursuant to the provisions of General Law Chapter 60, Section 53, and by the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, it is my intention to take for the Town of South Hadley the following parcels of land for non-payment of taxes, liens and/or betterments, due thereon with interest and all incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.

LIST OF PARCELS TO BE TAKEN

BEAUDREAU, MICHELLE: A certain parcel of land situated at 245 East St containing .404 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0034-0021-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Land Court Book 20, Pg 120, Cert #2222. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$17.26/FY2022 Sewer Lien -\$140.00

DUDRICK, STANLEY E ESTATE OF: A certain parcel of land situated at 12 Lawn St containing .172 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0028-0286-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 1189, Pg 498. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$3101.45/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$186.20/FY2022 Trash Lien-\$125.00/FY2022 Sewer Lien-\$280.00/FY2022 Utility Lien-\$2083.03

GLENN, CHRISTINE F: A certain parcel of land situated at 7 Willimansett St containing .562 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0014-0049-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 6803, Pg 205. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$3078.71/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$259.47

HANKS, KENNETH J: A certain parcel situated at 24 Foch Ave containing .459 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0027-0283-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 2369, Pg 330. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$748.15/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax -\$87.67

JODOIN, CHAD C: A certain parcel situated at 95 Pittroff Ave containing .436 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0029-0093-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 5656, Pg 227. FY2021 Real Estate Tax-\$2084.33/FY2021 Sewer Lien-\$140.00

LECLAIR, GERARD A ESTATE OF: A certain parcel of land situated at 47 Spring St containing .215 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 006C-0032-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 2298, Page 9. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$1591.57/FY2022 Sewer Lien-\$280.00/FY2022 Utility Lien-\$954.96

LECLAIR, GERARD A ESTATE OF: A certain parcel of land situated at 49 Spring St containing .171 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 006C-0029-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 2793, Pg 144. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$1980.48/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$85.28

SCHIAPPA, ANTHONY G - SUPPOSED PRESENT OWNER MAILHOTT, TANYA A: A certain parcel of land situated at 24 Bolton St containing .106 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 005D-0062-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 11367, Pg 252. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$13.67/FY2022 Utility Lien-\$419.44

MELENDEZ, CORALIA AND JOSE ROBERTO MELENDEZ: A certain parcel of land situated at 10 Prospect St containing .457 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 018C-0007-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 13918, Pg 44. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$2714.25/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$334.95/ FY2022 Sewer Lien-\$140.00/ FY2022 Sewer Lien Comm Int-\$12.30

O'BRIEN, VICTOR O JR AND JEANNINE C: A certain parcel of land situated at 1 Carol Ann Dr containing .640 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0015-0170-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 3959, Pg 71. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$3710.37/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$449.84/FY2022 Trash Lien-\$125.00/FY2022 Trash Lien Comm Int-\$21.91/FY2022 Sewer Lien-\$280.00/FY2022 Sewer Comm Int-\$34.37

SPRINGER, JAMES A AND ADRIANA A: A certain parcel of land situated at 12 Viviani St containing .230 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0028-0290-0000 and as described in

Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 8461, Pg 345. FY2022 Real Estate Tax \$71.32/FY2022 Trash Lien-\$125.00/ FY2022 Sewer Lien-\$280.00

WHITCOMB, JAMES R II: A certain parcel situated at 5 Hillside Ave containing .230 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0016-0128-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 5306, Pg 220. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$2901.16/ FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$246.80/FY2022 Sewer Lien \$280.00/FY2022 Sewer Lien Comm Int-\$34.37

WOJNAROWSKI, DAVID AND SHERYL: A certain parcel of land situated at 40 Joffre Ave containing 4.38 acres with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0025-0055-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 9466, Pg 75. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$3904.28/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$412.99

WOJNAROWSKI, MARYANN S: A certain parcel of land situated at 36 Woodlawn St containing .979 acres of land more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 0029-0024-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 13250, Pg 30. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$3320.79/FY2022 Fire District #1 Tax-\$342.36

WRIGHT, JAMES ARTHUR JR: A certain parcel of land situated at 35 Carew St containing .143 acres more or less with buildings thereon as shown on South Hadley Assessors Map 005A-0059-0000 and as described in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 10504, Pg 183. FY2022 Real Estate Tax-\$904.48/FY2022 Sewer Lien-\$6.2

Donna Whiteley
Collector of Taxes
06/09, 06/16/2023

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Museum's folk music concert series continues

HADLEY — The Wednesday Folk Traditions concert series at The Porter-Phelps-Huntington Museum at 130 River Drive (Route 47) continues its 42nd season at 6:30 p.m. on June 21 with ReBelle.

"Conceived in love, rebellion and the musical vigor of collaborators Manou Africa and Kalpana Devi, ReBelle demonstrates musicianship and vocals that are contemporary, vital and spell-binding," a news release states.

The concert will be held on the museum grounds. Admission is \$12 for those 17 and older and \$2 for those 16 and younger. Payment is cash only. Picnickers are welcome on the museum's grounds starting at 5 p.m. In the event of rain, performances will be held at Wesley United Methodist Church in Hadley.

According to the release, ReBelle "was founded by collaborators Kalpana Devi and Manou Africa, who are musicians, composers, activists, parents and upholders of love and justice." ReBelle performs eloquent compositions of

pulsing rhythms and multi-instrumental arrangements combining Rasta, soul, folk, and poetic insurgence elements.

Wednesday Folk Traditions continues on June 28 with The Pangeans, a seven-member world musical ensemble performing original compositions based on traditional rhythms from around the world.

Wednesday Folk Traditions is funded, in part, by grants from: the Marion I. And Otto C. Kohler Memorial Fund at the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts; Mass Cultural Council, a state agency, through its Festivals and Programs Grants; the Amherst and Hadley Cultural Councils, local agencies funded by Massachusetts Cultural Council; Robinson and Cole; Easthampton Savings Bank; Gage-Wiley and Company, and with support from many local businesses.

The museum and its grounds are a smoke-free site. For more information, call 413-584-4699 or go to pphmuseum.org.

Sen. State Oliveira first speech

BOSTON — Last week, state Sen. Jake Oliveira delivered his first speech to the Massachusetts State Senate, eliciting a standing ovation from the Senate President and his colleagues in the General Court.

In his speech, after thanking the Senate President and those on the Senate Ways and Means Committee, Oliveira (D-Hampden, Hampshire and Worcester) thanked his peers for their hard work "assembling a budget that will serve Massachusetts as equitably, inclusively, and as far-reaching as possible," a press release states.

Oliveira also took the opportunity to advocate for an increase in state spending for public libraries through an amendment he sponsored. It seeks to increase funding and provide an additional \$750,000 for regional public libraries.

Oliveira said the funds would ensure that public libraries have the resources they need to protect themselves and their collections and services from the current culture war being waged against free thought and free speech across the country.

Oliveira cited data from the American Library Association and the Pew Center for Research, which tracked thousands of challenges and bans to books across the country because they were either written by or featured people of color

and LGBTQ+ individuals. Oliveira described libraries and librarians as being "on the front line in the fight to protect diversity, inclusion, and accessibility."

He also spoke on the various public library services provided to residents across Massachusetts that would be protected by the increased spending and talked about the public libraries in his district and the many services they provide to residents, like English language courses, job training, and legal help. Oliveira also described how libraries address the disparity in high-speed broadband access for lower-income families and provide equity to those families.

"(Public Libraries) are cultivators of equity and inclusion, they are the last true community centers that we have, and they are open to all," Oliveira said, as he stressed how the funding increase would promote more resource sharing and provide access for the smaller libraries in Western Massachusetts that were particularly impacted by the pandemic.

Oliveira finished his speech by calling public libraries the "heart of America" and implored his colleagues in the Senate to protect equity, inclusion, accessibility, people of color, immigrants, and LGBTQ+ individuals by protecting public libraries.

A roll call vote then approved Senator Oliveira's amendment unanimously.

CAMPUS NOTES

Iowa State University

Kaitlin Regina Kotfila of Hadley, a senior Veterinary Medicine major at Iowa State University, was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2023 semester.

Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade-point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Stonehill College

The following local students were among nearly 1,000 students named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List at Stonehill College: Mia Kelly of South Hadley, Sarah Fitts of South Hadley and

Paige Marjanski of South Hadley.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must have a semester grade-point average of 3.50 or better and must have successfully completed all courses for which they were registered.

Clark University

The following local students received their degrees from Clark University during the school's 119th commencement ceremonies on Sunday, May 21:

Roopa Krithivasan, of South Hadley, who graduated with a Doctor of Philosophy in Geography.

Olivia Anne Blaney of South Hadley, who graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Science. Blaney is a member of the Fiat Lux honor society.

In his opening remarks, President David B. Fithian noted that the undergraduates were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic throughout all four years of their college careers, a collective experience that he said resulted in a more creative and tenacious learning community.

"You became experts in the evolving

art of remote learning and navigating uncertainty," Fithian said. "You experienced a uniquely challenging time in our history, and you proved to be stronger than maybe you even imagined you could be."

Lasell University

Teagan Anz of South Hadley was named to the Dean's List at Lasell University for the 2023 spring 2023 semester. To qualify, students must have completed at least 12 credits as a full-time student in that semester and achieved a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher.

American International College

The following local students were named to the Dean's List at American International College for the 2023 spring semester: Reese Carey of South Hadley, Arianna Labarre of South Hadley, Alexander Schenker of South Hadley and Ireland Stevenson of South Hadley.

Northfield Mount Hermon

John Hanscom of Hadley was among the 219 students who graduated from Northfield Mount Hermon on May 21.



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