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Congratulations CLASS OF 2023

PVPA celebrates their graduation

NORTHAMPTON — Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School's Class of 2023 celebrated their graduation on Thursday, June 9, at The Academy of Music before a sold out house of family, friends, and faculty and staff from the school.

According to a news release, the crowd welcomed the Class of 2023 with thunderous applause as they danced down the aisle to PVPA's House Band playing a medley of Jimi Hendrix, Curtis Mayfield and...not your usual "Pomp and Circumstance."

A poignant short film, produced by graduating senior Ariana Felici, played next, featuring photos of many of the seniors throughout their time at South Hadley-based PVPA set to Phoebe Bridgers and Maria Taylor's



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The Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School's Class of 2023 graduated on June 9.

School district revises how to teach reading

By Ben Hernandez
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY — The school reading program in South Hadley is in need of reinvention according to Dr. Mark McLaughlin, the interim superintendent.

McLaughlin suggested re-

vamping the elementary school reading program, and offered a new perspective on the issue to the school committee that might redefine how students are taught to read.

"We're born to speak," said Dr. McLaughlin to his peers. "We're not born to read."

For McLaughlin, learning how to read is not just a matter of rote memorization, but an "explicit skill," he said. The new approach he outlined during the June 1 meeting of the South Hadley School Committee is based on current research in phonetics, the study and organization of

language-based sounds.

Using the same systems that children use to sound out words for conversation, the proposed new program appears to treat reading as an extension of speech recognition. This approach re-

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TJ & the Peepers, a country, rock, blues, and jazz quartet.

Free concert at Buttery Brook

SOUTH HADLEY — The Friends of the South Hadley Seniors are hosting TJ & the Peepers for a free concert from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on June 19 on the front pavilion at Buttery Brook Park.

Bring a picnic supper and a folding chair and join us for some "oldies but goodies" music. Plenty of picnic tables are also available.

Rain date is June 20.

Selectboard receives updates, begins talks

By Tina Lesniak
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY - The South Hadley Selectboard received updates on several town projects and began a discussion on a potential room tax at its June 6 meeting.

John O'Leary, principal planner at the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, offered reviews on two town projects which started in fiscal year 2020.

O'Leary informed the board that the design study for the Center Street area improvements is approximately 70 percent complete. He expects to hold a meeting with residents and possibly a public hearing with the selectboard before the study is completed so that concerns and suggestions could be addressed. O'Leary anticipates the meeting being held next month.

The project focuses on im-

proving existing infrastructure such as water, sewer, drainage and sidewalks. After the completion of the design study, then the town could apply for construction funds.

He also provided an update and clarification around the \$312,000 that the town received as part of the Housing Rehabilitation Assistance Program. This program lends money to individual homeowners to make improvements on their homes. The deferred-payment program means that if homeowners stay in their homes for 15 years after the loan, then the loan becomes a grant and doesn't have to be repaid.

As of his report, seven homeowners had used \$192,000 and the state was considering the program maxed out and closed. Although there is technically money left over, the significant amount of work,

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Seniors

'Fun Fridays' and more at the senior center this summer

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 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 Nationally Board Certi-

fied 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.

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-Schecterie, 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-Schecterie, 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.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.

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ACAA accepting applications for art festival

AGAWAM – The Agawam Community Artists and Artisans are accepting applications for the Pioneer Valley Art Festival that is being held at the Agawam Polish American Club, 139 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills. The Art Festival is Saturday, August 26 and Sunday, Aug. 27

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Set up is Friday, Aug. 25 beginning at 8 a.m.

For General Information and the Registration form please contact Ceil Rossi, President ACAA, at email tocarefree2@hotmail.com or call 413 207-1247. Deadline is Saturday, July 1.

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Summer fun at South Hadley Public Library

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

SOUTH HADLEY— Concerts, raves and movies? Who knew libraries could be so fun.

This summer the South Hadley Public Library is offering summer reading programs and events for all ages. It's common knowledge that libraries are a great resource for children and the elderly, but adults also have so much available to them at their local libraries.

At South Hadley Public Library there is a passionate librarian dedicated to each age group. Meg Clancy acts as the Youth Services Librarian, Bethany Roberts is the

Teen Program Coordinator and Desiree Smelcher is the Adult Services Librarian.

Smelcher said, "Adults can have fun too! The library isn't just for kids and teens, we have lots of fun events and resources for adults." She added, "We have a little bit of everything from music to art. We also offer DVDs and CDs, not just books. I love cheesy romance books and nonfiction but I also like action movies."

There are a bunch of adult concerts scheduled for this summer, such as Women Who Rock who are playing on July 22. There will be an Improv For Scaredy Cats event, a Laughter Program, a Positivity Speaker and much more.

For more details visit the South Hadley Public Library official website and

click on events, then go to the calendar for a list of upcoming events and programs. Teens have many good times to look forward to this summer, including Friday Night Raves, visits from a metalsmith, crafters, tie dye, Xbox One usage and mystery events.

Roberts said "We have a great teen program here, there's lots of variety and a little something for every teen. Give the library a chance teens, you might actually have a good time; the library also has a cool view of a rushing waterfall which is a perfect photo opportunity.

As expected, Youth Services Librarian Meg Clancy has gone above and beyond filling the summer schedule with fan favorites and new and exciting activities.

This will be the last summer organized by Clancy, as she is retiring soon.

Highlights of her summer plan include a yoga class open to ages 7-12, a concert with Roger Tinknell, who Clancy lovingly calls "Bug Man", a Lego workshop lead by a former Master Builder from Lego. Texas Roadhouse mascot, Andy Armadillo will be making an appearance at the library this summer on Tuesday July 11 and Henry the juggler will be returning for an encore by popular demand.

Some events require pre-registering while others don't, so be sure to check out the South Hadley Public Library website ahead of time if you or your child are interested in attending any upcoming events this summer.

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time and resources needed for these seven projects has led the state to make this decision. O'Leary said that, at this time, it was unclear what would happen to the leftover funds.

Although this program has closed, South Hadley is part of a grant with Hadley from fiscal year 2021 which is still open. Interested residents could contact Pioneer Valley Planning Commission for more information.

The board also began a discussion on a potential room tax being added to certain accommodations in town, how it would need to happen and what it would look like if it were to be implemented.

Town Administrator Lisa Wong explained that many surrounding communities have implemented such a tax and it can be an additional source of revenue. The tax could be either four or six percent and would have to be approved at town meeting. After its initial adoption, there would have to be additional votes at subsequent meetings to add an additional three percent tax on accommodations that are professionally managed and not owner-occupied and those that are owner-occupied.

Wong emphasized that this is all "basic information" and just the start of the conversation. Both board members and Wong also noted that possible negative impacts would also need to be considered such as if it would reduce the number of people coming to visit the town.

At the end of its meeting, the board set its reduced summer meeting schedule, keeping in mind that it might have to hold an additional meeting if the need arose. The board is currently scheduled to meet on June 20, July 11, and Aug. 8, returning to its normal schedule on Sept. 5

Upcoming trips for seniors offered by travel club

SOUTH HADLEY —The South Hadley Senior Travel Club sponsors trips to various places throughout the year.

The club meets on Wednesdays from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Common area at the Senior Center and on Thursdays from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Small Conference Room.

For more information about the Club, call Susan Canedy at 413-536-2106 or Huguette Supinski at 413-530-6162.

The Club also offers a Travel Rewards Program which never expires. Once you have traveled with the Club six times, a 10% discount will be applied towards your seventh trip (day trips only).

Upcoming trips include July 18,

Maine Lobster in Kennebunkport, Maine. The cost is \$130.

Enjoy a Maine lobster or prime rib dinner at Bull 'N Claw in Wells, Maine followed by a guided driving tour. Before returning home, the Travel Club will visit the shops in quaint Kennebunkport.

The package includes transportation, luncheon, guided tour and shopping. Please call Huguette at the number listed above to reserve your spot.

On Aug. 22-25, the Club will be traveling to Quebec City, Canada. This trip is sold out, but people can call Huguette to be added to a wait list.

On Sept. 7, the Club will travel to Amarante's Sea Cliff in New Ha-

ven, Connecticut. The cost is \$115.

Come for the view, enjoy the food and stay for this "Oldies" and Rock 'n' Roll Show featuring the Elderly Brothers. The package includes transportation, luncheon and show.

Please call Susan at the number listed above to reserve your spot.

Take a Royal Caribbean Florida & The Bahamas Cruise on the RCI Oasis Cruise ship for eight days and seven nights from New Jersey Pier on Oct. 15-22.

Costs range from \$749 per person to \$ 1,069 per person plus taxes, gratuities and travel insurance. Please call The Ship Shop at 1-800-243-1630 or Susan at the number above to reserve your spot.

Sign up now underway for Jimmy Fund Walk

REGION — Registration is now open for the 2023 Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk Scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 1.

Proceeds from the event support all forms of adult and pediatric patient care and cancer research at one of the nation's premier cancer centers, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. All four routes will culminate at the Jimmy Fund Walk Finish Line in the Fenway neighborhood.

The 2023 Walk will be held during the Jimmy Fund's 75th anniversary year and will aim to raise \$9 million in the effort to prevent, treat, and defy cancer.

The Jimmy Fund Walk has raised more than \$167 million for Dana-Farber Cancer in its 34-year history, raising a record-breaking more than \$8.8 million in 2022. Funds raised from the Walk support all forms of adult and pediatric patient care and cancer re-

search at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The Boston Athletic Association has supported the Jimmy Fund Walk since 1989, and Hyundai has been the presenting sponsor for more than 20 years.

If walkers want to participate a bit closer to home, the Jimmy Fund Walk has flexible opportunities, including virtually. Register as an individual walker, team member or start a team at JimmyFundWalk.org or by calling 866-531-9255.

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resents a departure from the traditional method of flash cards and drilled repetition of grammar rules.

The basic concept is to tap into the same learning pathways dedicated to speaking and use them to teach developing brains how to read. "We've done a lot of research," said McLaughlin.

"We've done a lot of work on this and we're confident in our direction."

Change, McLaughlin argued, is essential if the local school district wants to correct the current situation. Recent data, collected from performance reviews, show that schools could be doing a lot more to improve overall literacy.

Reading performance has dwindled since the widespread adoption of the 'Science of Reading' philosophy, which has prompted the interim superintendent to suggest a major change in pedagogical approach. McLaughlin calls South Hadley's adherence to traditional teach-

ing methods as "dogmatic" and a "movement" that has outlived its usefulness in the academic world.

Teacher re-training is already underway, with multiple school faculty professional development meetings now being dedicated to explaining the new educational philosophy and why embracing it is essential for progress.

Materials have already been collected and distributed to support this change, with portions of the existing education budget being reallocated in support of this new initiative.

"We are really looking forward to bringing a data-driven change to something as fundamental as the way we instruct literacy in the district," concluded Dr. McLaughlin. "Challenge isn't a reason to resist the change; it's a reason to try to make the change as best we can."

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Opinion



Lots o' lettuce

The weather has been nothing less than unpredictable these last few weeks.

While there has been next to no rain at my locale, friends and family have talked about deluges and even quarter-sized hail blanketing their deck space. Temperatures for June seem bizarre, too.

If cold night temperatures weren't enough, a day of mercury bursting into the 80's will shock even well-watered plants. Before heat-lovers can adjust, it's back into the 50's and low 60's.

Strange indeed.

While it's too soon to say whether this year will be a bust or boom, I can say that my lettuce is doing wonderfully!

I started my lettuce indoors the first week of April, at the same time I sowed broccoli and kale seed. I saved little "plug" trays from a prior plant purchase and filled the tray with moist seed starting mix.

Lettuce seed needs light to germinate, so I pushed two or three seeds per cell into the soil to make contact but not so far as to have them get covered up. To keep the soil surface moist, I slid the whole tray into a clear plastic bag.

I left it in my laundry room in front of a window where it would get some afternoon sun and checked on it periodically, misting it a couple times a day. After about five days the seeds had sprouted.

It was a little challenging to keep them growing well indoors, but I did, and was able to move the tray outside on nice days where it could get some filtered sunlight.

On one such occasion I hit the end of the doorway with the tray, knocking a number of the cells loose! I re-filled the cells and transplanted what I could salvage and they adjusted fine.

About a month later, in early May, I planted the lettuce seedlings into the garden. Since I planned to grow the lettuce for leaves and not heads, I planted them fairly close to one another, just about six inches apart in a wide block about four feet long by two feet deep.

Every foot or so I interplanted a leek plant; leeks require a long growing season and will outlive the lettuce, but for now they make good companions.

I began harvesting the third week of May, and now, I can make a salad to feed an army. The bed is a beautiful blend of colors, textures and flavors.

Typically, I pick it right before I want to eat it, rinsing it in a sink of cool water before sending it through the salad spinner or blotting it dry with a paper towel.

Lettuce is undemanding in the garden as long as you provide it with rich soil and a daily watering if nature does not provide. Some compost mixed into the top couple inches of soil will keep it well fed.

When temperatures rise, lettuce will bolt. Bolting simply means that the lettuce is going to seed. It will send up a main stalk that has little leaves on it, inevitably flowering at the end of the stalk.

The flowers are yellow, with seeds forming at the end of little pieces of fluff that help them to disperse in the breeze.

Sometimes lettuce will even self sow. I had a beauty come up in the middle of my mulched path this year and moved it to the wide bed.

To keep lettuce growing during the heat of summer gardeners get creative, often planting heat tolerant varieties and/or planting it in the shade of trellises of vines or under shade cloth.

I am planning on planting a succession crop soon so that I'll have replacement plants on standby to tuck into the bed that my garlic will be harvested from. My husband enjoys a big

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Aaron's Race: Fun, awareness for community

Until it happens to you, the depth of that horrific moment is not understood. That moment is life changing, heart wrenching. The confusion and tears flood your being and the range of emotions is a tsunami.

Until it happens to you, then and only then will you know what it is like.

To prevent the above from happening as well as to give family and friends a head's up, the second Aaron's Race on Saturday, June 17, will take place on our Town Common and in our Old Town Hall (for the Pine-wood Derby). It is first and always a day of remembrance of those who took their lives – those who didn't know how to work through whatever it was they were going through.

Aaron's Race is also an opportunity to

"be there" when your teen summons the courage to share with you.

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. there will be games, music, food, a Super Raffle and much more; but, it is an opportunity to come, share and learn. There will be opportunities to meet and talk with those who can help you and your teen move forward.

Heather Twining and Tim Plant, along with their legion of volunteers, have worked diligently to create a day where fun, remembrance, learning, and sharing are uppermost in all the staff's collective mind. Come to the Common and be a part of this endeavor to save a life.

Gloria Fortunato
Belchertown



How will working affect my first year's benefits?

Dear Rusty: I retired from working in January of this year and have since claimed Social Security. I didn't work at all in February or March, but I began a part time job in April. I'm very confused about how Social Security counts earnings for the first year. I don't know if I need to keep each month's earnings under \$1,770 or if they average it. Some of the literature I've found says each month must remain under \$1,770 or no benefit will be paid that month. Two people at the Social Security office told me that they'll just dock me \$1 for every \$2 I am over that, even in my first year. I also cannot find anything about when they count your income. Is it when it's earned or when it's paid? If I go over in a month because there are three pay periods, can they withhold the benefit for that month? I'm just so confused! *Signed: Part Time Worker*

Dear Part Time Worker: The Social Security earnings test during your first year collecting benefits before full retirement age is, indeed, somewhat confusing. The reason is because there are two methods, which Social Security may use during your first calendar year collecting early benefits, and they will use the one which results in the least financial impact to you.

To elaborate:

If you claim benefits mid-year before your full retirement age, for the remainder

of that first year (starting in the month benefits begin and ending in December) you'll be subject to a monthly earnings limit (\$1,770 for 2023). If you exceed the monthly limit in any remaining month of that first calendar year, you won't be entitled to benefits for that month, so Social Security would (eventually) take back that month's benefit. That is, unless using the annual limit (\$21,240 for 2023) instead will result in a smaller penalty. If your total earnings for your first year collecting are over the annual limit (e.g., \$21,240 for 2023), the penalty would be \$1 for every \$2 over the annual limit and, if that is less than the penalty from using the monthly limit, they will assess the smaller penalty. In other words, Social Security will use the method, which is most beneficial to you when assessing a penalty for exceeding the earnings limit during your first calendar year collecting benefits. And just for clarity, the earnings limits are much higher and the penalty less during the year you attain Full Retirement Age.

Something else to be aware of: if you know in advance you will exceed the annual limit it would be best to inform Social Security in order to avoid an Overpayment Notice next year. If you don't, Social Security won't know about your 2023 earnings until you file your 2023 income taxes, so you'll get your 2023 monthly payments as usual. But when the IRS informs Social Security of your 2023 earnings later next year, Social Security will ask you to detail your monthly work earnings for 2023. If you have exceeded the limits, they will determine an overpayment amount and will ask you to either pay back what is owed in a lump sum or will withhold your benefits for enough months to recover what you owe for exceeding the 2023 earnings limit. Then, after you FRA,

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in my BACKYARD
By Ellenor Downer

Massachusetts Audubon Society reported the sightings of a least bittern at Richmond marsh in Berkshire County, one at Great Pond in Hatfield in Hampshire County, two at High Head in Truro and one at Bell's Neck in Harwich, both on Cape Cod.

The least bittern is the smallest of the herons at only 13 inches tall. The male has a black crown and back and the female has a rich brown crown and back. Its chest is white with brown streaking. In flight, the buffy, inner wing patches are visible.



Female least bittern

Least bitterns fly weakly with quick wingbeats. They inhabit marshes with dense vegetation. Least bitterns stalk through reeds in a crouched posture or stand in place. They eat small fish, frogs,



Acadian Flycatcher

The male also makes a guttural "uh-uh-uh-oo-oo-ooah" while the female makes ticking sounds. Both give a "tut-tut" sound.

The least bittern is a secretive bird. It will run through reeds in water and flutter briefly above the reeds. It has the same alarm posture as American bitterns of pointing its head skyward.

Other Audubon sightings

Other sightings included common ringed plover in Fairhaven; four sandhill cranes in Worthington and three in Plymouth County and four in Ashfield in Franklin County; worm eating warblers in North Brookfield; an Acadian flycatcher at gate 8 at Quabbin Reservoir in Pelham and two in Granville and an out of place pileated woodpecker in Provincetown on Cape Cod.

Other sightings included a gray-cheeked thrush in Northampton, a blue grosbeak at the Honey Pot in Hadley, a hooded warbler at the Grace Robson Wildlife

Sanctuary in Westfield and a northern goshawk at gate 43 of the Quabbin Reservoir in Hardwick.

insects, small mammals and sometimes bird eggs and chicks. They nest in a small platform of sticks lined with live or dead vegetation placed in cattails, bulrushes or bushes above the water. The female lays two to seven pale blue or greenish, white eggs. In courtship, males make cooing sounds.

Sanctuary in Westfield and a northern goshawk at gate 43 of the Quabbin Reservoir in Hardwick.

Turtle

Although a turtle is not a bird, I did see one before Memorial Day laying eggs in the small cemetery on Lincoln Road. I was planting flowers on my late husband's parents and grandparents graves. After planting the flowers, I walked by a smooth shelled turtle about seven to eight inches in size laying eggs. Water is nearby as there is a beaver pond across the street and another located behind the cemetery.

Several days later while driving past the cemetery, I saw two turtles, at different times, crossing the road in the general area of the cemetery. One was a large snapping turtle and the other much smaller, most likely a spotted turtle.



Common Ringed Plover

Other wildlife

An Oakham resident said she saw a large coyote and also heard of someone seeing one at Crocker Nye Spring in town.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by calling me at 413-967-3505, leaving a message at extension 100, emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edowner@turley.com or mailing to Barre Gazette, P.O. Box 448, Barre, MA 01005.

Tips for driving safe with pets this summer

Distracted driving is of most concern in summer, when more people take the opportunity to travel, explore and visit family. Traveling with pets compounds this concern, as unrestrained pets can both cause distractions and make accidents more dangerous.

"Pets can easily take a driver's attention from the road, posing a serious risk not only to the pet but also to the passengers riding in the same vehicle," says Michael Leung, co-founder and lead product designer of Sleepypod, a manufacturer of premium pet carriers and pet restraint systems. "If there is nothing restraining a pet in a hard stop or car accident, the pet can become a projectile and potentially collide with fellow pets or human passengers."

Such a collision could be catastrophic, regardless of a pet's size. A 10-pound dog in a 50-mile-an-hour car crash exerts 500 pounds of force. Meanwhile, an 80-pound dog in a 30-mile-per-hour crash exerts 2,400 pounds of force.

Unrestrained pets may also fall or jump out of open windows or flee the car in fear after a crash, potentially becoming lost, injured, or worse.

A quality, rigorously tested pet restraint can make all the difference in preventing distracted driving and keeping human and pet passengers safe during an accident.

Interestingly, an American Automobile Association survey found that, while more than 80% of drivers admitted that they recognize the dangers of driving with an unrestrained pet, only 16% used pet restraints.

Leung spearheaded Sleepypod's rigorous advanced crash-testing program. He and his research and development team gather real-life accident data through Sleepypod's crash replacement program, which offers customers who have used a pet safety restraint while in an accident replacement pet restraints or discounts on new pet restraints.

Follow these tips for minimizing pet-related distractions and keeping pets safe during accidents:

Pets should always be restrained in a back seat to prevent them from injury if an airbag is deployed. If the pet cannot restrain your pet with a reputable, tested car restraint, the next safest option is to place the pet in the footwell behind the front seat. Smaller pets are safer when fully contained in a restrained carrier, while larger dogs should ride in a car safety harness that does not connect the pet with an extension tether. Pets should be unable to slide forward far enough to "submarine," or drop off the seat, at any point during a collision.

Public invited to museum's Community Day, concerts

HADLEY — The Porter-Phelps-Huntington-Museum invites all residents to a Community Day 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday June 17-18.

Residents are welcome to a free guided tour of the museum which features a new reinterpretation initiative funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The new tour examines the lives of six enslaved Africans at the site – Zebulon Prutt, Cesar, Peg, Phillis, Rose and Phillis – in addition to exploring the home's transition into a museum. Afterwards, guests can relax on the back verandah with complimentary refreshments and conversation.

The museum is located at 130 River Drive (Route 47) in Hadley. The museum and its grounds are a smoke-free site. For more information, call 413-584-4699 or go to .pophmuseum.org.

The museum also continues its Wednesday Folk Traditions concerts series on June 21 featuring ReBelle the multi-talented musical force collaborators Manou Africa and Kalpana Devi.

The Porter-Phelps-Huntington Museum is open June 3-Oct. 15.

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salad every night and this will surely help our grocery bill.

If you have never tried growing lettuce, I encourage to you give it a whirl!

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.

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you'll get time credit for all months in which benefits were withheld, thus slightly increasing your monthly payment after your FRA.

Finally, it is when your income is earned that counts, not when it is paid. So, for example, if you worked in January 2023 and were paid for that work in February 2023, that is considered January income, which wouldn't count toward the February earnings limit.

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Summer activities for residents of all ages

The South Hadley Public and Gaylord Memorial libraries feature indoor comforts and facilities and outdoor spaces that invite readers to relax and spend some time enjoying nature.

Inside the buildings are a full schedule of free public programs for all ages. Stop in at South Hadley Public Library at 2 Canal Street or Gaylord Memorial Library at 47 College Street (or go to gaylordlibrary.org) to see what's new.

Need a library card? Just go to shadley.cwmars.org/eg/opac/register to complete the online application or sign up in person.

Upcoming programs include:

Tuesday Night Knitting Group 6-8 p.m.

Come by for some quality knitting and crocheting time. All skill levels are welcome. The group meets on the second floor in the Mandrachia Quiet Study Room but may move to a larger meeting room when available.

Author Talk: 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 14

"Lost Towns of the Swift River Valley: Drowned by the Quabbin" with Ellen Palladino. Her book tells the story of a community that was displaced to make room for a new reservoir in the name of progress. This is the story of the Quabbin Reservoir, which is Boston's water supply, told through the stories of some of the people who lost their homes and livelihoods.

Spanish Conversation Circle 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 17

An opportunity for Spanish speakers to practice their language skills. Participants should have some basic conversational skills to join the group. This is not a language class.

Improv for Scaredy Cats (& Non-Scaredy Cats Too!) 10 a.m. Saturday, June 23

Help find your voice and empower yourself. This program is designed especially for improv newbies, the improv-curious, and anyone who wants to step outside their comfort zone to use their voice with more joy and ease. Presented by Pam Victor of the Happier Valley Comedy Group. Sign Up at the Front Desk or Online at <https://tinyurl.com/8pbj5bey>

Music Concert: 6 p.m. June 28

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 1950s to his passing in 2003. York was recently nominated for the Boston Music Award for Best Country Artist and his album Gently Used was named one of Worcester's Magazine's best albums of 2022. This program is supported in part by a grant from the South Hadley Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. This program will take place on the lawn, or may move inside to the Community Room due to weather.

Stories in photos 2 p.m. June 15
An American in Provence with Award-Winning Photographer Jamie

Beck. 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, documenting her life as An American in Provence. Register Online at <https://library.org/shadleylib>

Tananarive Due: Author of Black Panther Tales of Wakanda. 8 p.m. June 28

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. Register Online at library.org/shadleylib.

Dreaming on the Page: Author Talk with Tzivia Gover. 3:30 p.m. June 30

Author Tzivia Gover believes that everybody dreams and everybody has a story to tell. Come learn how to access your dreams and discover your inner poet or storyteller. Gover will offer examples of literary works inspired by dreams, read from her new book, Dreaming on the Page, and will offer tips and journaling prompts to help you boost creativity and find inspiration for writing stories, poems, memoirs, song lyrics and more.

Virtual Presidential Library & Museum Lectures:

Jimmy Carter: Gender Equity & The Carter Administration. 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 6. Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/2cuffwtb>

Herbert Hoover: Bert & Lou: The Story of the Herbert Hoover Family with the Hoover Presidential Library. 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 13. Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/6btefk8h>

Gerald Ford: Interrogating Presidential Photos with the Ford Presidential Library. 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 20. Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/4zkctuvd>

Harry S. Truman: Out of the Archives - A Look Back at the Marshall Plan with the Truman Presidential Library. 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 27. Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/8pbj5bey>

Teen Programs at SHPL (for ages 11 through High School unless specified)

Xbox in the Afternoon 4 p.m. June 15, June 20

Teens, come to the Teen Room and play our Xbox! Experience some new games and old favorites. No sign up is ever needed.

Teen Takeaways: Pipe Cleaner Dragons

Enjoy our monthly Teen Takeaways. Sign up once and receive a new Takeaway every month. A craft with all supplies and directions provided, as well as some other goodies in each bag. No monthly meetings or online meetings. Craft on your own time with no pressure or stress.

Crafternoon. 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 28: Teens come and check out our first Crafternoon of the Summer! All supplies will be provided. No sign up needed. Check out the Teen Room door for more information. Craft will take place in the Teen Room. Snacks and drinks provided. This week's Crafternoon features Sand Art.

Children's Programs at SHPL

Reading Buddies with Duchess & Gwen: Duchess the Yorkshire terrier and Gwen the greyhound are reading therapy dogs from Bright Spot Therapy Dogs. Kids in kindergarten and above can schedule a 15-minute time slot to read to one of them. Duchess will be here 6-7 p.m. on Mondays, June 12 and 26. Gwen will be here on 3:30-5 p.m. Wednesday, June 28. Pre-registration IS required. Parents or caretakers can sign their children up by either calling the library at 413-538-5045 or stopping into the library. If all time slots are filled feel free to give your information for future visits.

Summer reading

This year's annual summer library program, "Find Your Voice," will run from June 20 through Aug. 12. There are lots of fun and exciting programs lined up for the entire family. Stop in to sign up and receive a schedule of events.

Yoga & Mindfulness for Kids

Kids ages 7 to 12 years old can register for our Yoga & Mindfulness for Kids program being held at 2 p.m. on Monday, June 26. Certified yoga instructor Barbara Paulo will teach this class geared especially for children and tweens. The library has a limited number of yoga mats available to borrow for kids who don't own one. Pre-registration is required by calling the library or stopping in.

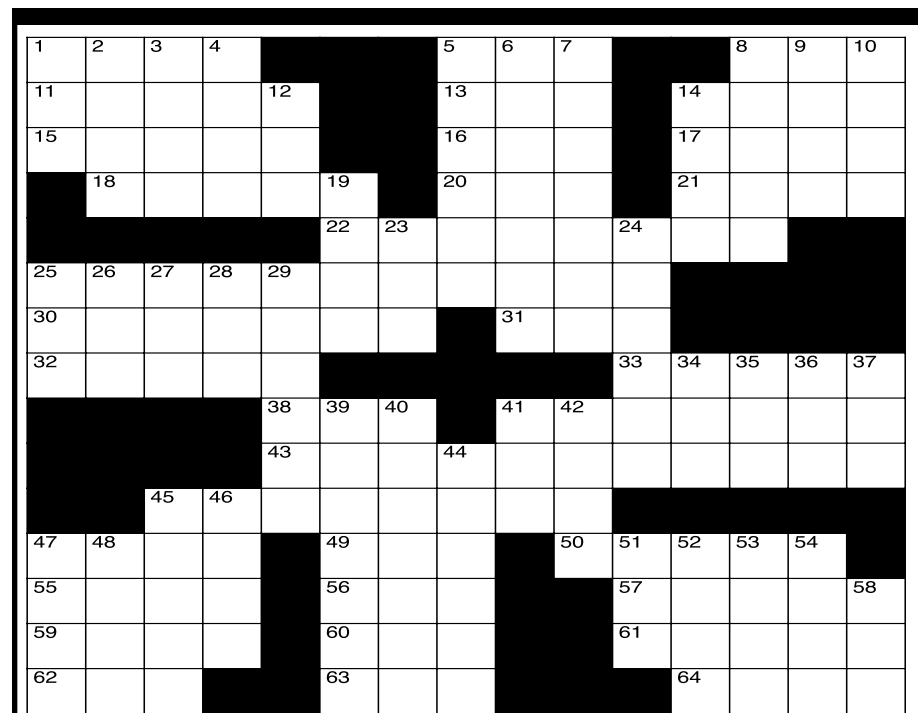
Story Time & Rhyme Time

Families are invited to join us for Story Time every Monday and Thursday morning at 10:30 for an assortment of picture books followed by an age-appropriate craft or other fun activity. While geared for birth to age 5, we welcome older children to participate if desired. Join us in the Storytime/Craft Room.

CFCE Wednesday Playgroup

Every Wednesday we host Dana from the Coordinated Family Community Engagement Program who presents a fun filled program with stories, games, circle time, music and more for children from birth to 5. Older siblings are always welcome to attend too. Playgroups take place at 10:30 a.m. except on the first Wednesday of the month when the playgroup

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CLUES ACROSS

1. In a place to sleep
5. Chemical compound (abbr.)
8. A way to fish
11. Classic Linklater film "___ and Confused"
13. Legume
14. Indonesian island
15. Smooth, creamy substance
16. Arctic
17. Wood sorrels
18. Defied
20. Cattle
21. Tableland
22. Honorably retired and retaining one's title
25. Repossession
30. Danced
31. Adult males
32. A type of section
33. Type of Japanese animation
38. Satisfaction

41. Fit
43. "Ain't No Sunshine" singer
45. Failure
47. Israeli city
49. French river
50. Cavalry-sword
55. Nocturnal S. American rodent
56. Liquefied natural gas
57. Afflicted
59. Electronic counter-countermeasures
60. Popular HBO fantasy series (abbr.)
61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
62. Large body of water
63. ___kosh, near Lake Winnebago
64. Impudence

CLUES DOWN

1. Payroll firm
2. Unit of transmission

3. Rockers Better Than ___
4. Bambi is one
5. Highest parts of something
6. Correct behavior
7. Batty
8. Cyprinid fishes
9. Expression of sorrow or pity
10. Site of the famous Leaning Tower
12. American rocker Snider
14. W. African language
19. Symbol to mark for removal
23. ___ Squad
24. Resident
25. Federal savings bank
26. Paddle
27. Returned material authorization (abbr.)
28. One point south of due east
29. Winter melon
34. Last or greatest in an indefinitely large series
35. Anger
36. Central European river
37. First responders
39. Spanish noble
40. Persons with absence of skin pigment
41. Defunct airline
42. Small island (British)
44. The extent of something from beginning to end
45. Capital of Bangladesh
46. Dutch cheese
47. Imitates
48. A contest of speed
51. Swiss river
52. Prejudice
53. Actor Idris
54. UNLV's are Runnin'
58. Criticize

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CAMPUS NOTES

Fairfield University

Madalyn R. Foley and Grace I. Pisciotta, both of South Hadley, received Dean's List Honors at Fairfield University for the spring 2023 semester.

In order to be placed on the Dean's List, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours in a semester, have no outstanding or incomplete grades for that semester, and have attained a semester grade-point average of 3.50 or better.

Holyoke Community College

The following students from South Hadley were named to the Dean's List at Holyoke Community College for the spring 2023 semester:

Angela Rose Bessone, Emma Natalie Boryczka, Katherine A. Cadorette, Kathryn Renee Chouinard, Lindsey Erin Colby, Patrick John Conway, Daniel Michael Conway, Isaac James Crouch, Brian James Dickens, Lucas James Dyer, Sarah Fairbanks, Alexandra Mieg Gates, Scarlett Katherine Kelly Granger, Dylan Graveline, Ashley L. Graziadei, James Beckett Isakson, Declan Pearse Joy, Joshua Joseph King, Colin David LaCombe, Casey Anthony LaCombe, Alice Winter Ladley, Catherine G. Longpre, Deirdre McDaniel, Bethany Marie Murphy,

Brady Kyle Nestor, Jesaila Marie Ortiz, Dario Pelletier, Sarah Poirier, Rebecca Reyes, Jade Shannon Andrea Samlall, Jessica Yamileth Saravia, Sandra Grace Sellers, Jordyn Cade Sicard, Kayla Marie Simon, Megan Judith Squire and Robert William Walsh.

A student is placed on the Dean's List if their G.P.A. is 3.2 or higher.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Brooke Zatowski of South Hadley graduated with a BS in Aeronautical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute during commencement on May 20.

Zatowski and Aileen McAllister, also of South Hadley, were both named to the Dean's List at RPI for the spring 2023 semester. McAllister is studying Aeronautical Engineering.

University of Alabama

Jocelynn Bouyea of South Hadley has been named to The University of Alabama Dean's List for the fall semester 2022. To qualify, UA students must achieve a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

Siena College

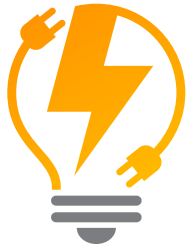
Abbie Carey and Lily Liebowitz, both of South Hadley, were named to the Dean's List at Siena College for the 2023 spring semester

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GRANBY CHARTER DAYS

Alligators and vultures and red tail hawks, oh my!

By **Matty Anderson**
Staff Writer
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GRANBY— Over the weekend, Granby held its annual Charter Day celebration at Dufresne Park to commemorate their independence from South Hadley.

Granby was originally part of the Hadley Equivalent Lands, then part of South Hadley. First settled in 1727, on June 11, 1768 the town finally received its own charter, and was named in honor of John Manners, Marquis of Granby, and hero of the Seven Years War.

Every year the town celebrates its Charter with an annual town fair on the second full weekend in June. Festivities these days include games, rides, food, fireworks and much more.

On Friday, Fanelli Rides and Concessions were open from 5-10 p.m., then music was played in the field. Highlights included the Truck and Tractor Pullers Association's truck pull, and the Granby Legion Beer Tent.

Saturday began early with a Granby Police Pancake Breakfast from 7-10 a.m. and a Fishing Derby starting at 8 a.m. Oxen Pulls took place at 10 a.m., and Jim from the BWNA put on a wildlife show which featured a number of amazing animals including baby alligators, red winged hawks, barred owls and many more.

The beer tent was open from 12-10 p.m., the James Germana



Rich Gaj holding a baby alligator.

Band performed from 2-4:30 p.m., followed by the Midlife Crisis Band and the East Coast Cowboys. The night concluded with a stunning fireworks show.

On Sunday, the final day, there was a Tractor Pull and the Wrestling 5K Fun Run and Walk Fundraiser in the morning. In the afternoon there were two musical performances – by the Berkshire Hill Music Academy and the band Under Black Skies.

The Charter Day Committee consists of President Cristal Dufresne, Rich Gaj, Carol Nobes, Lyndsey Nobes, Nick Robinson, Jen Bernatchez and Bridget Ray. On Sunday, Dufresne said “We



Fun rides that were available at the event.

Turley Photos by Matty Anderson

held a ceremony today to honor Rich Gaj who is retiring after 38 years on the committee. We've received nothing but positive feedback about this celebration, I'm just glad that everyone enjoyed the food, music, fireworks and everything else.”

A few other members will be stepping down from the committee in the near future, so if you're interested in being on the Charter Day Committee, don't hesitate to reach out and apply. This is a yearly celebration, so if you missed out this year mark your calendars for the second full weekend of June 2024.



Jim Moulton holding Vern the vulture.



William Coleman working the game booths.



Simply Cannoli, a food vendor that came all the way from Boston to be there.



The petting zoo courtesy of Step by step animal adventures from Orange.

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In memory of Les and Terry



Annie Tiberio spoke about the process to rename the Quabbin Visitor Center in memory of Les and Terry Campbell.



David Campbell holds a photo of his father, Les, standing in the spillway channel in 1945.



Friends of Quabbin, Inc. treasurer Paul Godfrey opens the dedication ceremony.

Turley Photos by Paula Ouimette

Quabbin Visitor Center dedicated to the Campbells

By Paula Ouimette
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BELCHERTOWN – As a family of Canada geese made their way across a meadow near the shores of the Quabbin Reservoir, a gathering of people sat down to reflect on the lives of Les and Terry Campbell.

Two Sundays ago, two years of work to rename the Department of Conservation and Recreation's Quabbin Visitor Center the Les and Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor Center was celebrated, with featured speakers, a tour of the Center, and a ribbon cutting at the new sign in front of the building.

A nature photographer who focused his lens on birds primarily, Les spent decades capturing the changing landscape of the Quabbin Reservoir and its surrounding watershed.

Terry, his wife, was his constant support and the heart and soul of the Quabbin Visitor Center which she kept active and staffed after its creation, connecting the community to the Reservoir and its history.

Longtime friend of the Campbells and Treasurer of the Friends of Quabbin, Inc. (an organization the Campbells founded), Paul Godfrey, welcomed those in attendance and said the decision to rename the Visitor Center in their honor was a "no-brainer."



Gene Theroux, president of the Friends of Quabbin, Inc. (right) prepares to cut the ribbon with the Department of Conservation and Recreation's Regional Director of the Quabbin/Ware Region, Dan Clark.

"Shortly after Les died on Sept. 24, 2020, I was working on an article, a final tribute, that appeared in the [Friends of Quabbin, Inc.] newsletter," Godfrey said. "When I finished, I got an email from Anne Ely."

In her email, Ely told Godfrey that the various photography clubs that Les was involved with wanted to create a memorial to him, but they couldn't decide what would be best.

They considered a plaque on a tree, or a memorial bench, but none of these options seemed fitting for the couple that be-

came known by many as "Mr. and Mrs. Quabbin."

When Godfrey suggested renaming the Visitor Center in both Les and Terry's honor, Ely quickly agreed.

"It's like the first part of the name was in invisible ink," Godfrey said of the Visitor Center.

Annie Tiberio was also key in having the Visitor Center renamed, Godfrey said.

"I felt it was my duty to memorialize him," Tiberio said of

Les, whom she first met when she had finished her orientation working at Mass Audubon's Laughing Brook Wildlife Sanctuary in Hampden.

The person training her during orientation told her it would all be "completely incomplete," without meeting Les.

"He served as a role model to me," she said.

Tiberio said that Terry was always right beside Les and it "quickly became obvious," that her name needed to be included with her husband's.

"Without Les and Terry, the Visitor Center would not have been born," she said.

Godfrey said it took quite a few tries and support from the legislature to make the Visitor Center reality 39 years ago.

"Quabbin is different from almost all of the others," Godfrey said of the Reservoir, which contains 412 billion gallons of water over 39 square miles, with 181 miles of shoreline. "It has some of the best drinking water in the country; maybe the world."

After the Visitor Center was completed, Les, Terry, and numerous volunteers kept it staffed in order to preserve and share the history of the Reservoir, and the four towns disincorporated for its creation.

Terry eventually was hired by DCR to run the Visitor Center, which she did until her retire-

ment. She created a tradition that still continues today, the Tuesday Tea's with former residents of the Lost Towns. These weekly meetings allowed the residents to band together and share their memories.

The group continues to meet, just not as frequently as the number of former residents has dwindled, Godfrey said.

"Thirty-nine years later what they created is still in existence," he said.

State Sen. Anne Gobi spoke in her last appearance in that role before stepping in as the new Director of Rural Affairs in the Executive Office of Economic Development on June 5.

Gobi said she was hoping this dedication would take place while she was still in office, and it did.

Joining her were state representatives Susannah Whipps, Todd Smola and Aaron Saunders.

Whipps shared that when she was a restaurant owner, the only art that hung on the walls was

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Tigers rally falls short in D4 tournament

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

WHITINSVILLE—Had Northbridge sophomore shortstop Jake Costello either struck out, grounded out, or flied out with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning, South Hadley would've advanced into the round of 16 in the Division 4 state baseball tournament.

However, Costello didn't do any of those things. His base hit drove home both the tying and game winning runs, as the ninth-seeded Rams celebrated a 4-3 walk-off home victory over the 24th-seeded Tigers in the Round of 32, which was played at the Northbridge Middle School

baseball field, last Monday afternoon (June 5).

"This is a tough way to end our season, but it was a very good high school baseball game," said longtime South Hadley varsity baseball coach Matt Foley. "We came very close to winning the game."

The Tigers, who lost, 8-1, to top-seeded Taconic in the quarter-finals of the Western Mass. Class B tournament, finished their season with a 13-8 overall record.

It was the first meeting on the baseball diamond between the two teams in 13 years. The Rams defeated the Tigers in the 2010 Division 2 state semifinal game at Tivnan Field in Worcester.

The South Hadley boys' soc-

cer team, which captured the 2022 Division 4 state title, posted an 8-0 shutout victory at Northbridge, last October.

One of the memorable regular season victories for the South Hadley baseball team was a 10-5 non-league win against the Greenfield Green Wave at Doubleday Field in Cooperstown, New York. It was the first time that any of the players listed on the South Hadley varsity baseball roster had played a game at the historic field located in the shadows of the Baseball Hall of Fame.

The South Hadley players, who played in their final high school baseball game against the Rams (12-9) are Pacey Gauthier, Brayden Harper, Nick Woloszyn,

Ben Foley, and Nate Carillon.

"We lost 14 players from last year's team, and not very many people even expected us to make the state tournament this year," said Carillon, who started at shortstop. "From the freshmen to the seniors, everyone played a key role on this year's team. We also have a great coaching staff, and they really helped us get into this tournament. A couple of plays just didn't go our way in today's game."

While Gauthier, Harper and Woloszyn were reserved players, Carillon and Foley, who started in centerfield, were the Tigers co-captains. The duo were also the top two hitters in the batting order.

"You always feel bad whenever your seniors play their final game of their careers," coach Foley said. "We started four freshman this year and I tip my cap to the seniors for embracing them."

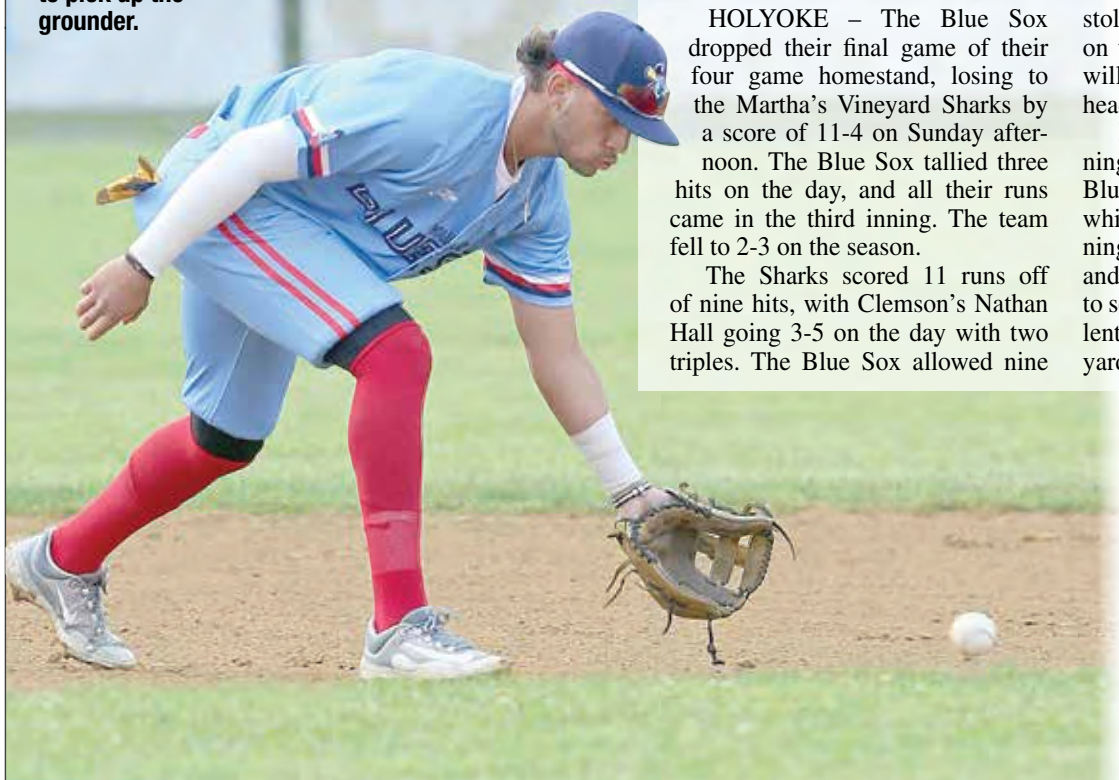
One of the Tigers returning players next year will be junior righthander Matt Drobiak, who was the starting pitcher against Northbridge. He allowed five runs (one earned) with five hits, two walks, and seven strikeouts in 6 2/3 innings. He threw 113 pitches.

"Matt is only a junior and he pitched a great game," coach Foley said. "He's been our ace this season."

After the home team took a

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Matthew Garcia ranges to pick up the grounder.



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Blue Sox open regular season

HOLYOKE – The Blue Sox dropped their final game of their four game homestand, losing to the Martha's Vineyard Sharks by a score of 11-4 on Sunday afternoon. The Blue Sox tallied three hits on the day, and all their runs came in the third inning. The team fell to 2-3 on the season.

The Sharks scored 11 runs off of nine hits, with Clemson's Nathan Hall going 3-5 on the day with two triples. The Blue Sox allowed nine

stolen bases and seven advancements on wild pitches or passed balls, and will hope to limit the traffic as they head on the road for their next game.

In one of the most peculiar innings of play so far this season, the Blue Sox were able to score four runs while not tallying a hit the entire inning. The runs all came from walks and hit batters, allowing four runners to score thanks to the Blue Sox excellent plate discipline. Martha's Vineyard walked eight batters today and

hit two.

Matt Bergevin was able to produce quality at-bats in each of his plate appearances today, going 1-3 with two walks. With strong plate discipline Bergevin worked three consecutive at-bats to a full count.

EJ Kreutzmann stayed hot at the plate, going 1-5 with an RBI.

The Blue Sox opened the regular season on the road, then had four-games from Thursday to Sunday.



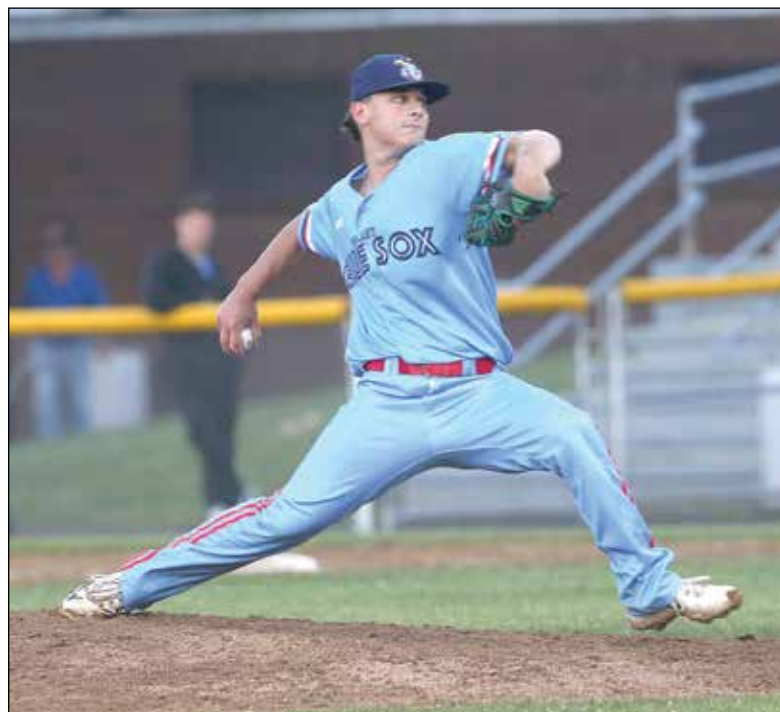
Matthew Bergevin slides safely into second.



Eliot Dix makes a play.



Miachel Zarrillo fires to first.



Nick Callano winds and fires.

Western Mass. Pioneers gets another draw

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW—The last two Western Mass. Pioneers home matches have ended in draws. It's something that hasn't taken place at Lusitano Stadium since 2018.

Four days after playing a scoreless draw against Black Rock FC, the Pioneers had to settle for a 1-1 home tie versus the Boston Bolts, last Wednesday night.

"Another tie really doesn't help us very much," said Pioneers head coach Federico Molinari. "We've been having trouble putting the ball into the net during the past couple of games."

At the beginning of the 2018 regular season, the Pioneers posted back-to-back 1-1 home draws against the Boston Bolts and the GPS Portland Phoenix.

The Pioneers also played a road tie against the Seacoast United Phantoms and a home tie against the Westchester Flames in back-to-back matches at the end of the 2018 regular season.

The good news is the Pioneers haven't lost a regular season match at Lusitano Stadium since June 22, 2018, when they suffered a 2-1 setback to Black Rock FC.

The Western Mass. squad had a 3-0-3 overall record after their first six matches of this season. Their other tie came in the first meeting of the regular season with the Phantoms, which took place away from the friendly confines of Lusitano Stadium on May 25.

The Pioneers posted a 3-0 road victory over the Bolts in the season opener on May 16.

Western Mass. was trailing 1-0 at halftime of last Wednesday's home contest.

The Bolts (0-3-3) took a 1-0 lead following a header by Harry Sankey, which was assisted by Tanner Barry, during the 21st minute.

The home team, who played much better during the second half, had several very good chances to put the ball into the net past Bolts goalie Nikola Antich.

Alec Hughes, Jared Smith,



Lucio Berron dribbles up the field.

Lucio Berron, and Khalid Rose had shots on goals for the home team.

Augustine Boadi, who's a first-year member of the Western Mass. Pioneers squad, finally got the job done during the 84th minute.

Boadi, who'll be entering his sophomore season as a member of the Boston College men's soccer team in the fall, received a pass from Hughes before firing a shot off the post into the right corner of the net for the game tying the goal.

"It was the third goal that I've scored as a member of the Western Mass. Pioneers," said Boadi, who was born in Accra, Ghana. "I scored my first goal of the season in a home match against Pathfinder. The second one came at Boston City, which was a 10-1 win. Another tie wasn't the result that we really wanted in tonight's match, but it's one of those games we need to learn from."

Boadi also does a very good job in the classroom at Boston College. He was recently selected to the ACC All-Academic Team.

Prior to playing soccer for Boston College, Boadi attended Northfield Mount Hermon where he was named as the Massachusetts Gatorade Player of the Year as a senior.

Frankie D'Agostino, who's



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Connor Hicks makes a throw-in.

a former Pioneers player and is currently the associate head coach of the B.C. men's soccer team, recommended Boadi to Molinari.

"Frankie played a key role in getting me to play for the Pioneers this year," Boadi said. "Vermont and the Bolts also wanted me for them. Frankie told me about this team and stadium, so I decided to come here. It has been a lot of fun so far. This is a very special place and I'm hoping to come back here next year."

D'Agostino, who grew up in



Tomas Duben socks a corner kick away.



Augustine Boadi dribbles toward the goal.

Longmeadow, had the chance to watch Boadi play a soccer match at Lusitano Stadium for the first time last Wednesday night.

It looked like the Pioneers would take a 2-1 lead with a stoppage time goal, but the referee never called it a goal.

"From my point of view, I thought the shot by Andrew Serafino did go into the net," Boadi said. "It was either a goal or we should've been given a penalty kick because of a hand ball."

Molinari gave his thoughts about the no goal call.

"All of the players told me it

was a goal," he said. "If it was a goal, it's disappointing that the referee didn't allow it, but there isn't anything we can do about it now. We now must win the rest of our games if we want the chance to make the playoffs."

Nicholas Oberrauch, who's the Pioneers captain, didn't play in the Pioneers home match against the Bolts because of an injury.

After playing a couple of road matches, the Pioneers will be returning home to battle rival Seacoast United at 7 p.m. on June 23.

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1-0 lead on Costello's RBI single to left field with one out in the third inning, the Tigers tied the score in their next at-bats against Northbridge senior righty Dom Radford.

Foley was safe at first base following a throwing error by the third baseman leading off the top of the fourth inning. He advanced to second when Carillon, who'll be continuing his baseball career at Westfield State University, put down a perfect sacrifice bunt. After the next batter flied out, freshman designated hitter Logan Carpenter blasted a double to right field scoring Foley with the tying run.

South Hadley freshman catcher Memphis Huertas also reached base leading off the top of the fifth inning following a fielding error by the third baseman. After stealing second base, Huertas was stranded in scoring position,

as Radford retired the next three hitters.

The righthander retired the six batters before Drobiak drew a walk leading off the top of the seventh inning. Then Carpenter put down a bunt, but he wound up standing on second base following a throwing error by the pitcher. The next two batters flied out before junior first baseman Jack Maziarz stepped into the batters' box. He gave his team a 3-1 lead by hitting a two-run single to right field.

With the help of a couple of errors, the Rams cut the deficit to 3-2 with no outs in the seventh inning without the benefit of a base hit.

With runners on second and third, Drobiak recorded a strike out and a pop-up which was caught by Carillon. Then Costello became the hero of the game by lining a single to right field ending South Hadley's upset bid and season.

Chicopee Falls Tigers out to first place start

CHICOPEE – Last year, the Chicopee Falls Tigers made their triumphant return to the Tri-County Baseball League.

The Tigers, which took a few years off after many years competing in the league, had a successful return season before falling in the playoffs.

Now, the Tigers are a new staple in a league that has actually seen the number of teams dwindle all the way down to six.

Chicopee is out to a 5-2 mark, giving the Tigers 10 points under the standings sys-

tem used in the league. The Tigers had more games than some of the other teams to start the season as PeoplesBank and St. Joe's got off to slower starts with their schedules.

Despite the great mark to start the year, three more teams are nipping at their heels, with PeoplesBank, St. Joe's, and DiFranco Realty all with three wins and six months in second place.

The Bankers are the reigning, defending playoff champions for the past eight seasons. They are 3-1 to start.

The success of the top four teams has come mostly at the expense of 413ATC and the Longmeadow Cardinals, which are 1-3 and 1-7, respectively to start the season.

Coming up on Tuesday, June 20 is a big matchup between PeoplesBank and the Tigers where first place could be on the line. The action begins at Mackenzie Stadium in Holyoke at 7 p.m.

The Bankers won the first matchup between the two teams on Tuesday, June 13 at Szo Park, beating the Tigers 4-2.



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Sports

Geoff Rollins takes win in Late Model race

WINCHESTER, N.H. – Veteran wheelsman Geoff Rollins rocketed to victory Saturday at Monadnock Speedway, gobbling up the competition as he won the first round of the 2023 Teddy Bear Pools NHSTRA Late Model Triple Crown series at the storied high-banked speedplant.

The Bay State hot shoe was one of four drivers scoring his first win of the year Saturday on the high banks. Nate Wenzel, NHSTRA Modifieds, Louie Maher, Mini Stocks, and Michael Yeaton, Six Shooters, each earned his first victory lap of the summer, while Pure Stocker Chris Davis and Young Gun Adrian Smith both won for the second time.

Starting up front in the 50-lap main event after dominating his heat race, Rollins never looked back en route to running away with the \$1,000 top prize. Strongman Chris Buffone stayed with him the first ten laps but when Buffone suddenly dropped out on lap 11, it was all Rollins. Behind him, though, the competition was fierce for spots two through five.

With only one caution, on lap 47, slowing the rapid-fire event, gains were hard to come by as the sizzling field blasted through the fog. Kenny Thompson claimed the duce at Buffone's demise, but had Tim Wenzel glued to his bumper.

Matt Sonnhalter, charging from row four, took second on lap 35, but Wenzel stayed just inches behind. With three to go, Rollins lost his half-lap lead, while the two top contenders set up for a furious finish. Sonnhalter's last-lap backchute dive netted him second, with Wenzel, Thompson, and Hillary Renaud rounding out the potent top five.



Submitted photo

Geoff Rollins got a victory at Monadnock Speedway last Saturday evening.

Sophomore speedster Nate Wenzel led all the way in the NHSTRA Modified 40-lapper, keeping defending track champ Tyler Leary in his shadow to score his first victory of the summer. Brian Chapin edged Aaron Fellows for third, while JT Cloutier, spun on lap five, stormed back through the field to come home fifth.

The crowd held its breath in this one, as the red waved on lap five when Kimmy Rivet's open-wheeler took a wild ride in turn two, landing on top of the backstretch wall. Something appeared to have broken in Cole Littlewood's car, sending him into Rivet and then into the wall, but both drivers fortunately walked away from the carnage.

Louie Maher made the move of the night on lap three of the Mini Stock feature to take the lead from Skyler Shippee and

then hold strong to score his first win of the season in the caution-free 25-lapper. Shippee finished at his bumper, with Kevin Clayton strong in third.

Chris Davis held second-generation pilot Nolan McClay in his shadow for all 25 laps to win his second Pure Stock feature in a row. Reigning Claremont champ Chris Chambers was third, taking the checkers just ahead of Kodi Sabins and CJ Johnson.

Week one winner Steve Miller and son Steve Jr. brought the Six Shooters to the green but, if this one was supposed to be a Marvelous Millers show, Michael Yeaton hadn't read the script. Yeaton took over on lap three and never looked back. Miller Jr. was strong in second, with Renegade Robert Shaw coming home third.

Markus O'Neil led the first eight laps of the Young Guns feature before giving way to event winner Adrian Smith. Owen

Zilinski got up for second on lap 11 but couldn't reel in the speedy Smith, while O'Neil stayed strong to earn the third podium spot.

After a weekend off, Monadnock Speedway will return to action on Saturday, June 24, when it hosts the 50-lap Pure Stock Shoot Out. The NHSTRA Modifieds, Pro 4 Modifieds, Mini Stocks, and Young Guns, along with the NELCAR Legends and Bandaleros, will all be in action too.

Monadnock Speedway June 10

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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=L2lqUXBMcTlDRlR0MwTFRyYjRwM1pxQT0>, with Webinar ID 82843143662, 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 reasonable 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.

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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 interest-

ed 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

Town of Granby Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General

Laws that the Selectboard will hold a public hearing on **Monday, July 10, 2023, at 5:35 P.M.** at the Senior Center, large room located at 10-B West State Street to consider the application by Wine Haus and Vineyard at Jameson Farm, manager James Trompke

1. Application for a new license for an On-Premises-12 Farmer Series Pouring Permit, adding pouring of malt beverages with the existing wine pouring license

2. A m e n d m e n t Alterations of Premises Information- Adding pouring permit for malt beverages.

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people to be located at 16 East Street and known as Map 5-B-2 in the Town of Granby.

Glen N. Sexton
Crystal L. Dufresne
Richard K. Beaulieu
06/16/2023

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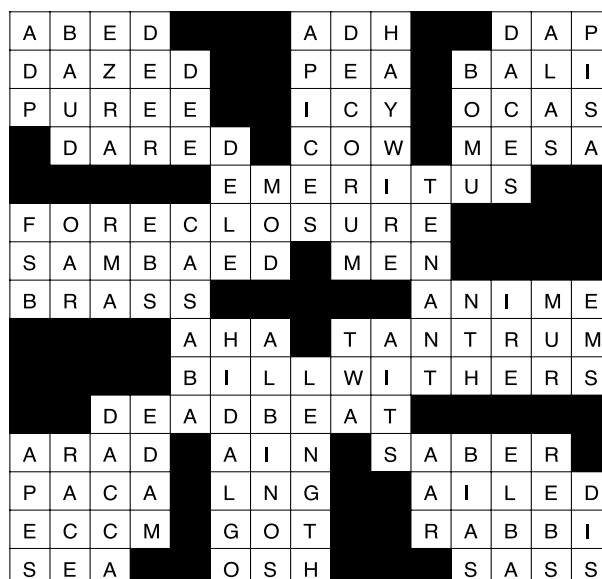
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Museum hosts The Pangeans in concert

HADLEY —The Wednesday Folk Traditions concert series at The Porter-Phelps-Huntington Museum continues its 42nd season at 6:30 p.m. on June 28 with The Pangeans, a seven-member world music ensemble performing music based on traditional rhythms from around the world.

The Pangeans – named after the ancient supercontinent of Pangaea – perform Latin jazz, samba, Calypso, soca, reggae, funk and Afrobeats music. Expansive instrumentation and diverse musical inspiration characterize this world music ensemble. Based in New England, The Pangeans perform throughout the Pioneer Valley.

The Pangeans consist of seven members encompassing a wide range of instrumental talents, musical styles, and affiliations with other ensembles. When combined, these musicians create a powerful and immersive world music experience.

Wednesday Folk Traditions continues on July 5 with The Wholesale Klezmer Band. Their performances express Jewish values of justice and peace and introduce Jewish music and culture to all audiences.

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; The Adams Foundation; Easthampton Savings Bank; Gage-Wiley and Company, and with generous support from many local businesses.

Concerts are held on the grounds of the museum at 130 River Drive (Route 47). Admission is \$12, \$2 for children 16 and under. Payment is cash only. Picnickers are welcome starting at 5 p.m.

In the event of rain, performances will be held at Wesley United Methodist Church in Hadley. The museum and its grounds are a smoke-free site. For more information, call 413-584-4699, or go to pphmuseum.org.

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from Les.

“These photographs are historic documents of the flora and fauna of the area,” she said.

Retired state senators Stephen Brewer and Stanley Rosenberg each shared their memories of the Campbells.

Brewer said he has five of Les’ photographs displayed in his “man cave,” and he stressed the importance of leaving a legacy just as the Campbells have.

“We know that time marches on. Those that follow need to carry this on,” he said.

Rosenberg said he first met the Campbells back in the 1970s and that “it was an honor and privilege” to know them.

“Les and Terry spend their whole lives seeing things that needed to be done, and organized people to get it done,” he said.

Peg Louraine of the Select Board talked about how the walls at the former Hawley’s Family Restaurant were covered with Les’ photos.

She spoke about his generosity and how he supported so many things around town, including the theater and music programs.

“He loved Belchertown,” she said.

Les’ son, David Campbell, was the last to speak prior to the ribbon cutting for the sign outside of the Visitor Center.

Mac needs a home

Resilient Bernese Mountain Dog still waiting to find a home

EAST BROOKFIELD — Mack has captured the hearts of many as he navigates shelter life, waiting for a loving home.

The remarkable 2-year-old Bernese Mountain Dog mix was surrendered to Second Chance Animal Services over a year ago with both hearing and sight impairments. Despite the challenges he faces, Mack’s indomitable spirit and unique communication style will make him a truly special companion.

Mack’s journey has been marked by resilience and determination. Unable to rely on traditional sensory cues, he has developed alternative ways to communicate and engage with his surroundings. Using his mouth as a means of expression, Mack does sometimes resort to inappropriate mouthing to convey his emotions.

Understanding his distinctive communication style requires patience, observation, and above all, empathy.

To give Mack the best chance at a second chance, he participated in Second Chance’s Project Good Dog. He received 24/7 training and support from one of the inmates at the Worcester County Sheriff’s Office. While Second Chance provides supplies and toys for Project Good Dog pups, Mack’s most favorite thing from his time there was a milk crate. He loved to carry it around and the sheriff’s office made sure he had one to bring back to

Second Chance as a very special graduation present.

Mack has made great progress over the past year and Second Chance Animal Relocation Director Wendy Hall said in a press release she hopes Mack can find a family who will help him continue his work.

“Working with a professional trainer or behaviorist who specializes in special needs dogs can provide invaluable guidance in helping Mack develop alternative communication methods and manage his emotional responses,” Hall said.

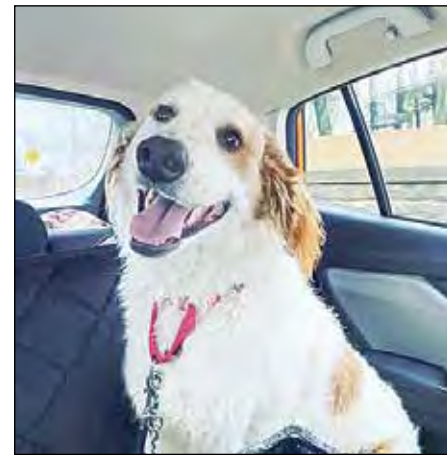
“By approaching interactions with understanding and care, it is possible to create a nurturing environment for Mack to thrive and form deep connections.”

Mack’s journey serves as a powerful reminder of the adaptability of animals. Despite the challenges he faces, Mack has the potential to flourish and bring immeasurable joy to his new family. He seeks a family who can offer him patience, understanding, and the commitment to his well-being that he deserves.

If you are interested in providing a loving home for Mack or would like to learn more about him, you contact Second Chance at 508-867-5525 or come meet him in person at the Adoption Center, 111 Young Road in East Brookfield. No appointment is needed to visit during adoption hours, which are: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday; 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday evenings and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.

About Second Chance

Second Chance Animal Services is a nonprofit animal welfare organization



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Mack, a 2-year-old Bernese Mountain Dog mix, Mack, is Second Chance’s longest shelter resident. He loves to go for car rides.

founded in 1999. Second Chance began as an animal shelter and grew to help more pets in need. Today, Second Chance operates Community Veterinary Hospitals in North Brookfield, Southbridge, Springfield, and Worcester, providing access to the highest-quality veterinary care for all.

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Campbell said his father was a tremendous speaker, and how he could mesmerize an auditorium full of people with his words, but that he didn’t share his father’s love of public speaking.

“I knew I couldn’t give a great speech, so I slid into his shoes,” Campbell said, pointing to his father’s shoes on his feet. Campbell also wore his father’s trusty Timex watch.

He shared a photo of his father at 19-years-old, standing in the spillway wearing a tie, which he was known to wear on almost all occasions.

Campbell said his father had a lot of pipedreams, and he was sure that there were many people who believed the Visitor Center was one of them.

Campbell said he was happy that Terry was included in the renaming of the Visitor Center.

“I don’t think he could have pulled this off without her,” he said.

About the Quabbin Visitor Center
The Les and Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor Center, 485 Ware Road, Belchertown, is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. It is open year-round and features exhibits, brochures, books and videos about Quabbin management and history.

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Students toss caps in air at end of commencement ceremony.



Latinx Student Union President Rayn Gordon and Black Student Union President Thandiwe Delgado-Kinyatti address audience at commencement ceremony.

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version of “Summer’s End.” Dance and musical performances by graduating seniors were interspersed between inspiring speeches by students and faculty.

Before giving his speech as Senior Class President, Firas Hashmi was presented with a Four-Year Type 1 Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps scholarship funded by the U.S. Space Force, covering the full cost of his tuition to attend the University of Chicago. Firas shared that PVPA’s unique community offered him “a sense of belonging and educational freedom” where he could be accepted and appreciated in his inter-

ests to be both a Space Force Officer and, on the side, a pipe organist.

In a celebration of PVPA’s appreciation of their diverse community, Black Student Union President Thandiwe Delgado-Kinyatti and Latinx Student Union President Ryan Gordon spoke next, taking turns sharing their speech in Swahili and Spanish, alternating with translations to English. They spoke of how lucky they felt to have classmates and teachers from “different walks of life, different cultures, languages, and interests.”

Thandiwe and Ryan celebrated PVPA’s learning traditions where the “arts and the

academics are fused together to make a wonderful world of interdisciplinary study. Our classes have masterfully incorporated the arts into our academics, and vice versa. In history we were able to learn about social movements through the music of the decades and in English we had opportunities to paint and express our interpretations of the themes through visual arts. In artistic classes we not only learn about styles of art but the culture they come from and the history it took to make them what they are today.”

And perhaps most importantly, they shared what they have learned by being open to the perspectives of others.

“Perspective doesn’t just change with language, but interest, passion, identity, and the arts. Thandi and I ended up sharing this stage because we learned from our differences,” Ryan said.

“Ryan and I, We were able to work together and share our backgrounds and cultures with each other, expanding our perspective. This resulted in a valuable friendship and potential life long connection,” Thandiwe said.

Before presenting the graduates with their diplomas, scholarships were awarded to graduates in each of the performing arts disciplines. The community enthusiastically celebrated the following scholarship recipi-

ents: Edward Godlieski Music Scholarship: Eli Schalet, Dance Scholarship: Tamerah Rollin, Visual Arts and Technical Theater: Rhea Davies, Theater Scholarship: Nicolas DiMambro.

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