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Class of 2023 graduate at UMass Amherst Mullins Center

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LUDLOW— A new chapter is beginning for the newly graduated class of 2023, who celebrated their high school accomplishments at graduation last week.

Ludlow High School held their graduation ceremony on June 1, marking the 113th LHS commencement, and the 29th graduation held at the Mullins Center. Principal Lisa Nemeth provided opening remarks, and congratulated the 193 seniors who received their diplomas.

“I know all of you have a passion to get out into the world and spread your wings,” Nemeth said. “The walls of Ludlow High School have served its purpose for you, and you now have to figure out your own purposes.”

Nemeth also commended valedictorian Matthew Favata and salutatorian Maggie Ayers for their impressive academic



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Seniors prepare to receive their diplomas and be recognized as LHS alumni.

School Building Committee approves funds for basketball court

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LUDLOW – The School Building Committee met to approve funds for upcoming projects on school grounds.

According to Committee Chair Mike Kelliher, District Coordinator Mike Bertini had requested power be supplied to the two sheds in order to run their equipment.

The project would feed power to the sheds between the administrative building and the field, estimated by Universal Electric to cost \$12,170.

Representatives from Mount

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Veteran wreath laying ceremony held at local cemeteries and monuments

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LUDLOW— Kicking off Memorial Day weekend, veterans, policy makers and town residents alike gathered to pay respects to the men and women who died defending the country.

The Ludlow VFW, accompanied by Sen. Jake Oliveira and Rep. Aaron Saunders, visited all of the cemeteries in town, starting with Island Pond Cemetery, to lay wreaths on veteran gravestones and memorial monuments and give a 21-gun salute in remembrance of their sacrifices. This series of small ceremonies continued leading up to the Memo-

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PET OF THE WEEK



GIGI

This is Gigi. She is the Queen of the house. She enjoys her role of keeping her brothers and sister in check.

Lupa Zoo to host Special Event for 250th Semi-Quincentennial Celebration

LUDLOW -- Families, friends and neighbors are invited to attend Lupa Zoo and the 250th Semi-Quincentennial Celebration Fundraiser Event on Saturday, June 24, from 5 – 8 p.m.!

By attending, you can help support the many activities and events the Ludlow MA 250th Celebration Committee has planned.

A family of four pays \$25, with additional individuals paying \$5 per person. Take advantage of this special pricing, and explore Ludlow's hidden gem.

All proceeds will go directly to support the upcoming Ludlow 250th Celebration Events. The 250th Committee thanks Lupa Zoo for this special event, saying "It is much appreciated!"

Vanished Valley Brewing will also be there with beer and food, so attendees are encouraged to "come thirsty and hungry." There will be other treats on hand for kids.

Pre-sale tickets are available through Venmo, with a QR code available on the

Ludlow Mass 250th Facebook page. Tickets will be available at the zoo on the night of the event.

Lupa Zoo is a 20 acre conservation and education institution demonstrating the value, beauty and interdependence of all living things.

"You will love your visit to the zoo, as it has many animals," representatives of the zoo said.

Lupa Zoo is very interactive, with many activities for kids, such as feeding and petting baby animals, as well as many playgrounds and a new splash-pads.

"Have the kids bring their bathing suits," the zoo encourages. "Also, don't forget to visit Mary as she is safely back home with her mate George."

Any questions can be directed to Kathy Ouimette at 413-589-7994. For more information, please visit their Facebook page, or go to the Ludlow MA 250th website at ludlowma250.org for more information.

Ludlow Democratic Caucus

LUDLOW – The Ludlow Town Democratic committee will hold its annual caucus on Wednesday June 14, 6:30 p.m. at the Harris Brook Elementary

School library at 209 Fuller St. All registered Democrats are encouraged to attend. A regular meeting will also be held immediately after the caucus.

Ludlow High School Class of '75 Reunion

LUDLOW -- Denise Zrakas and Celeste Chenier searching for graduates of the Ludlow High School Class of 1975 to organize a 50th Class Reunion, which will take place in 2025.

"We Would love to reach out to as many class members as possible!"

Zrakas said. "We look forward to hearing from you."

If you were a student or know how to contact a member of that graduating class, please call Zrakas at 413-735-3751, or Chenier at 413-335-5696.

Community group offers events, needs volunteers

INDIAN ORCHARD — The Citizens Council, a community organization that offers activities for all ages and runs a variety of programs to enhance the quality of life for residents.

Here are some upcoming events and services:

Free Notary Services to all residents and businesses in Indian Orchard 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment needed. Must have a valid ID.

Extreme Science Kid Event 2-5 p.m. on June 10 At Myrtle Street Park. All ages welcome.

Senior Bingo 3-5 p.m. every Monday. Free to all seniors 55 and older. Prizes in every game. Chess at 6 p.m. every Tuesday. Free and open to everyone.

Mobile Market van noon to 1 p.m. June 12. Fresh vegetables and fruit available for purchase.

Farm Fresh offers free fruit and vegetables 3-5 p.m. June 14. Registration required.

The final COVID vaccine clinic will be offered 3-6 p.m. June 15. Free. No appointment needed.

IOCC's monthly Meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on June 14. All residents are welcome.

The IOCC is also looking for a volunteer to teach basic computer skills to local seniors.

The IOCC is located at 117 Main Street. The hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday.

To register for events and for more information, call 413-209-8240, email indianorchardcitizenscouncil@gmail.com and follow the IOCC on Facebook and Instagram.

Polanie Club to hold meeting June 12

LUDLOW – The Polanie Club will hold a regular meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Polish

American Citizen's Club. 355 East St. Ludlow.

Members, Please Attend.

Pastel artist Greg Maichak at Wilbraham library

WILBRAHAM – Pastel artist Greg Maichak will be returning to the library once again to guide experienced and potential artists through the use of pastels in the Brooks Room on Monday, June 12 at 6-8 p.m. The picture will be Georgia O'Keefe's Calla Lily. All materials will be provided, including

paper, pencils, and professional-grade pastels.

This adults-only event is supported in part by funds from the Wilbraham Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. Space is limited, so registration is required: www.wilbrahamlibrary.org.

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Dr. Bajaj presented the 2023 The George F. Vitek Scholarship to Matthew Mendez from Ludlow.

LUDLOW - Pediatric & Adolescent Medicine awards The George F. Vitek Scholarship to a deserving high school senior with excellent academic achievement, dedication to their community, and a plan to

study in the field of science or medicine. This year we were able to award the scholarship to three deserving students. Congratulations, we wish you all the best!

Herstory Witch Performance coming to the Wilbraham library

WILBRAHAM - Virginia Wolf of the Herstory Theater will be putting on a one-woman forty minute show at the Wilbraham Public Library on Wednesday, June 14 in the Brooks Room at 6 p.m.

The show, "Panic in Connecticut: Accused Witches Have Their Say," tells the stories of five women accused of being witches in Connecticut between the years of 1646-1693. Travel back to the 1600s and hear

what these women (Mary Staples, Lydia Gilbert, Judith Varlet, Mary Barnes, and Mercy Disborough) say happened to them. Actress Virginia Wolf will be fully costumed, fully incensed, and you will be full frightened.

Register for this scary event on the library's website: www.wilbrahamlibrary.org. This event is made possible by the Wilbraham Friends of the Library.

Calling all crafters for fall fair

LUDLOW — Crafters are needed for the Rosary Sodality's Saint Nicholas Craft Fair and Raffle planned for Nov. 4 at Christ the King Church at 41 Warsaw Ave.

Light refreshments will be available.

The cost is \$35 for an eight-foot table, which will be provided by the parish. To reserve a table or multiple tables, or for more information, contact Debbie Martell at 413-547-8739 or Maryjean Gaumond at 413-610-0938.

Cultural Center hosts dance and drama programs

THREE RIVERS - Kids and teens ages 7 to 17 are invited to a Summer Drama and Dance Program Tuesdays and Thursdays June 20-Aug. 27 at the Palmer Historical and Cultural Center, 2072 Main Street in Three Rivers.

The program instructor is Torie Jock, who started singing and acting at 9 years old. She has been writing her own music since she was old enough to write and has been in many theatrical performances in various starring and supporting roles. Jock has written many plays and film scripts and has been working with youth as a dance assistant/teacher since she was 12.

The cost is \$120 for drama only, \$100 for dance only or \$150 for both.

Sign up for either drama or dance or both. All students will take part in an end-of-season performance. A registration form is available at tinyurl.com/mrx2ek57. For more information, email Jock at trulytorie2000@gmail.com, call or email the PHCC at palmerhcc@gmail.com or 289-9295 or go to palmerhcc.org.

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Pinewood derby contestants needed for Aaron's Race



The annual Aaron's Race family fun day will be held 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, on the Town Common. More racers are needed for the event's pinewood derby. Contributed photo

BELCHERTOWN — Preparations for the second Aaron's Race family event being held 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, on the Town Common are entering the final lap.

Building upon last year's inaugural launch to provide help and information as to preventing teen suicide, the day's program offers families a day of fun from the race, to the SUPER raffle, to the booths and demonstrations and much more.

While much of the race day activities will take place on the Belchertown

Common, the actual Pinewood Derby race takes place in Old Town Hall. More contestants are needed for the derby. Cars used in prior races can be used in this one, too.

The Aaron's Race brochure available round town contains an application. If one can't be found, information is available on Facebook at Aaron's Race 01007. The page is updated daily for the race, SUPER Raffle, car show, mental health booths with information to help prevent teen suicide and the day's other activities.

The Horace Smith Fund awards \$316,000 to area students

SPRINGFIELD — Several recent Ludlow High School graduates will be among those honored at the Horace Smith Fund's 124th corporators' meeting and scholarship awards ceremony at the Carriage House of Storowton Tavern on Thursday, June 15.

The local award-winners are Aaron J. Little, Riley E. Londraville, Matthew Mendez and Fatuma M. Mire. They are all 2023 Walter S. Barr Scholarship winners.

Each scholarship provides a total of up to \$12,000 over four years.

The Horace Smith Fund was established in 1899 by the successful and generous philanthropist named Horace Smith. He and Daniel Wesson were the

founders of Smith & Wesson, located in Springfield. Smith's will provided that the residual of his estate, after several bequests to relatives and institutions, was to be used for public purposes at the discretion of his executors. They decided that it should be used to help deserving students finance their education.

Students were selected on a variety of criteria, including their test scores, class rank, extra-curricular activities and a personal written account of why the student feels deserving of financial assistance. Applications for next year's awards will be available Sept. 15 at HoraceSmithFund.org or by calling 413-739-4222.

Wilbraham Friends of the Library to hold book sale June 7-10

WILBRAHAM — Wilbraham Friends of the Library (WFOL), are delighted to announce their annual book sale is back! The WFOL Annual Book Sale is a major library fundraiser providing funds for programs for children, teens and adults as well as museum passes, furnishings and other library equipment. We know many folks in our community are avid readers and have been accumulating books throughout the year. We are happy to once again offer the ideal opportunity to recycle these books, stock up on new ones and fund library programs.

The WFOL 2023 Book Sale will be held Wednesday, June 7 through 1pm Saturday, June 10 in the Brooks Room of the Wilbraham Public Library. It will include gently-used books, CDs, and DVDs for all ages and genres. Please save your good used books and

materials for our sale. Children's and adult books, fiction or non-fiction, hobby books etc. are all welcomed. Due to space restrictions, we cannot accept encyclopedias, magazines or Readers Digest condensed novels. As a thank you for their support, donors will receive a coupon good for 2 free books of their choice from the sale when donations are dropped off. Donations of books and materials will be accepted at the library from Friday, June 2 through Monday, June 5 during regular library hours.

For more information or questions about the sale contact friends@wilbrahamlibrary.org.

For more information on the Wilbraham Friends of the Library visit them on the web at <http://wilbrahamlibrary.org/friends.asp>, on Facebook or via email at friends@wilbrahamlibrary.org.

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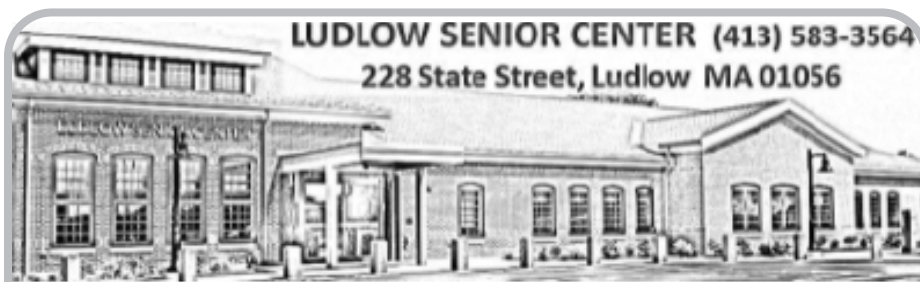
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This summer we will have cornhole outside on the patio and will be adding three more fitness classes; two during the day and one during Tuesday evening hours. For full program descriptions and upcoming activities, view the newsletter, "The Senior Scene," at Ludlow.ma.us and "like" the Ludlow Senior Center on Facebook. A paper copy of "The Senior Scene" is available at the Center.

Activities Calendar:

(Please register in advance for items with*)

Thursday, June 8

9 a.m. Tai Chi
9:30 a.m. Dominos
10:30 a.m. Sen. Olivera Office Hour
10:30 a.m. Friends Meeting
12:30 p.m. Billiards Round Robin
1 p.m. Mahjong
1 p.m. Fishing Club
2:30 p.m. Active Yoga

Friday, June 9

8:30 a.m. Foot Care*
8:45 a.m. Boomer Bootcamp*
10 a.m. Outdoor Cornhole
10 a.m. Boomer Bootcamp*
10 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks
1 p.m. Ceramics
1 p.m. Magic Class

Monday, June 12

9 a.m. Knitting
9 a.m. Memory Screen*
10 a.m. Boomer Bootcamp*
12:30 p.m. Billiards Travel League
1 p.m. Scrabble
1:15 p.m. Pitch
2:30 p.m. Zumba Gold

Tuesday, June 13

9 a.m. Quilting
9 a.m. Line Dancing
10 a.m. Cribbage
10:30 a.m. Gentle Yoga
12:30 p.m. Billiards Round Robin
12:30 p.m. Blood Pressure Check
1 p.m. Western Dance Lessons

1:30 p.m. Bingo
5 p.m. Movie: Dodsworth
5:30 p.m. Power Pump Fitness Class*

Wednesday, June 14

8 a.m. Gardening Club
9 a.m. Ceramics
9 a.m. Zumba Gold
10:30 a.m. Healthy Bones & Balance Class
1 p.m. Movie: Dodsworth
1 p.m. Belly Dancing Class

Thursday, June 15

8:30 a.m. Foot Care*
9 a.m. Tai Chi
9:30 a.m. Dominos
10 a.m. Sunshine Craft & Painting
10:30 a.m. Friends Meeting
12:30 p.m. Billiards Round Robin
1 p.m. Mahjong
1 p.m. Fishing Club
2:30 p.m. Active Yoga
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Billiards Room: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Walking Club: Monday – Friday 7 and 8 a.m., leaving from the parking lot.

Menu:

Thursday, June 8: Beef Stew/Combread
Friday, June 9: BBQ Riblet/Apple Slaw/Onion Rings
Monday June 12: Sloppy Joes/Power Salad
Tuesday, June 13: Seafood Newburg/White Rice/Carrots
Wednesday, June 14: Strawberry Spinach Salad/Grill Chicken/Biscuit
Thursday, June 15: Pasta Primavera Salad

Reserve a delicious \$2 lunch by calling a day ahead. Call Friday to reserve lunch on Monday.

For allergy concerns, call the Senior Center to ask about ingredients at 413-583-3564.

Country Bank Receives Marketing Awards



Submitted photo

Country Bank's Marketing Team: Audrey Moulton, digital marketing specialist; Mike Dias, product and data marketing manager; Travis Pacheco, intern; Jodie Gerulaitis, VP, community relations; Shelley Regin, SVP, marketing & PR; Devon Wonderlie, marketing specialist; and Justin Roberts, VP, marketing.

WARE- Country Bank, a full-service financial institution serving Central and Western Massachusetts, has received two marketing awards from the New England Financial Marketing Association for its 2022 marketing efforts.

Country Bank achieved first place with a gold award for its "Made to Make a Difference" rebranding. In May 2022, Country Bank introduced the rebrand in partnership with the bank's advertising agency, Financial Marketing Solutions. The new tagline was created from focus groups that consisted of Country Bank team members, board members, consumer and business customers, non-customers, and community non-profits throughout its marketplace.

Since 1850, Country Bank has been a part of the fabric of the communities it serves; so, it was essential to include the community in the process. As a result, the tagline was created with meaningful insights and feedback. The common theme of how the bank made a difference became a clear indicator of how its stakeholders received the brand in the market.

Country Bank also received a silver award for its Police vs. Fire baseball

game in association with the WooSox Foundation. This game was a century-old tradition brought back to life on September 26, 2022. Part of the game is giving back to the community, something the WooSox Foundation and Country Bank are passionate about. The teams chose the Manny 267 Foundation, which received a \$15,000 donation. "As a founding partner of the Worcester Red Sox, we are honored to bring back this tradition and support the police and fire departments in Worcester. It was a tremendous effort of the WooSox Foundation, the police and fire departments, and the Country Bank marketing team to make this happen. We look forward to the re-match this August, where the teams will again battle for the trophy and bragging rights. The game will also donate to a deserving local non-profit," stated Regin.

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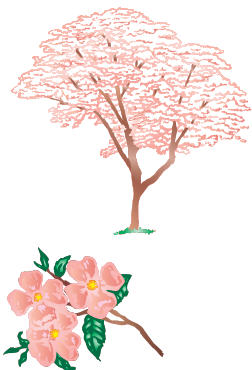
OPINION

GUEST COLUMN



A dogwood worthy of admiration

The Chinese dogwood in my backyard is in bloom and boy, is it pretty!



Although the holly is trying to take over height-wise, the dogwood is holding its own and beckoning for all to admire. Creamy white bracts (mistakenly called flowers)

seem to hover over its glossy green leaves in a way few other trees are capable.

It is as if the branches unfold before you, saying “here, look at me!”

Unlike other favorites in the landscape, the Chinese dogwood doesn’t fade into the background once it has finished flowering; this plant has something to offer in every season.

Cornus kousa blooms just about a month later than our native flowering dogwood, Cornus florida. Unlike C. florida, Chinese dogwood sets its bracts after it has fully leafed out, and at a time when there is a bit of a lull in the flowering tree and shrub department.

Bracts can vary in size from one to three inches long depending on cultivar, and can be narrow or quite broad. Some can be more of a pure white than a creamy white- these can tend to turn pink with age.

The plants true flowers are barely noticeable, only about a half-inch wide, set in the center of the four bracts. Flowers last for several weeks, much longer than those of the flowering dogwood.

As the flowers fade into the background, the fruit set provides another season of interest. It is faceted, much like a raspberry, and can be red, orange-red or even pink toned.

About an inch in diameter and hanging from two-inch stems, it is quite showy in its own right when plentiful. Fruit can last up to two months.

Foliage, as mentioned, is glossy green during the growing season. Some pink-bracted cultivars have red veins or petioles, adding to the overall interest of the plant.

Fall foliage color is sketchy, sometimes it can be radiant, offering up shades of red, orange and purple; other times it is dull. Brilliance or blahness all depend on the cultivar chosen and the weather.

Inquire at purchase about the particular attributes of the cultivar you’ve lugged to the check-out: Is it known for its fall color, long bloom-time, vase-shape, etc.? Or better yet, do a quick search on your phone before the work out, just to be sure you get what will do your landscape the most justice!

Once leaves have fallen, the bark of the Chinese dogwood becomes quite interesting when viewed close-up, especially on older trees. Where the bark has begun to exfoliate, gray, copper and sometimes olive tones appear on the trunk and older branches.

I must pay closer attention to this during the off season.

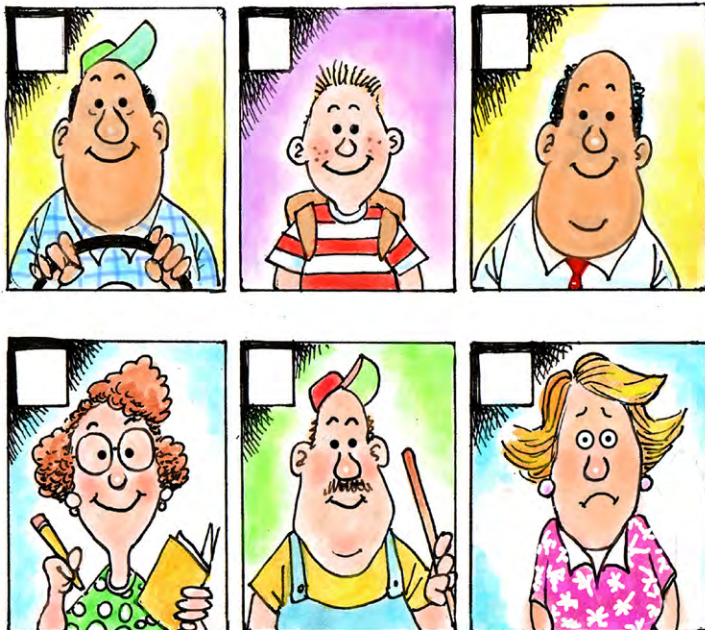
Plant Cornus kousa in moist, acidic, well-drained soil with lots of organic matter. With that said, the plant can adapt to most soils providing they are not overly waterlogged or droughty.

Plants grown in full sun usually flower the heaviest, but part shade, like the conditions in my yard, puts on fine growth as well.

If the Chinese dogwood appeals to you and you’d also like to learn more about other

Last day of school quiz...(match the faces)

- a. Teacher
- b. Principal
- c. Janitor
- d. Student
- e. Mom
- f. Bus driver



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GUEST COLUMN



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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members of the genus Cornus, consult “Dogwoods” by Paul Cappiello and Don Shadow (Timber Press \$39.95). This book is a great reference, especially informative regarding the numerous cultivars in the nursery trade today.

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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IN THE CLASSROOM

CAMPUS NOTES

Goodwin University

Indian Orchard residents Meghan Dumas and Miranda Harris both achieved Dean's List status at Goodwin University for the spring 2023 session.

Dumas also earned a place on Goodwin University's President's List for scoring a perfect 4.0 GPA.

Western New England University

Zachary Vautrain of Ludlow was welcomed into Pi Mu Epsilon National Honor Society on April 28 at Western New England University's annual induction ceremony in the Blake Law Center.

Pi Mu Epsilon is the national honor society for Mathematics. The society is dedicated to the promotion and recognition of scholarly activity in the Mathematical science among students at the University.

Vautrain is working toward a BS in Chemistry.

Springfield College

Springfield College recognized the following local students for being named to the Dean's List for academic excellence for the 2023 spring semester:

Gizzelle Abanador of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Biology.

Ryan Beebe of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Communication/Sport Jour.

Julia Brillo of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-OT.

Jiovanni Cruz of Indian Orchard, who has a primary major of Criminal Justice.

Megan DaCruz of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-PA.

Catarina Ferreira of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-PT.

Meghan Goggins of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Science.

Liliana Goncalves from Ludlow, MA. Goncalves has a primary major of Education.

Maya Grywalski of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Science.

Kristianna Henriques of Ludlow, who has a primary major of General Studies.

Yuho Jang of Ludlow, who has a primary major of General Studies.

Carolyn LaCroix of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Exploratory Studies.

Aidan McBride of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Sport Management.

Nicole McCarthy of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Science.

Michael Morgado of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-PA.

Dean Rodolakis of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Exer Sci / Applied ES.

Paige St. Pierre of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-PA.

Juliann Szemela of Indian Orchard, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-OT.

Michael Szewczyk of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-PT.

Adam Wehner of Ludlow, who has a primary major of English.

Drew Woishnis of Ludlow, who has a primary major of Health Sci / Pre-PA.

The criteria for selection to the Dean's List are as follows: The student must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded coursework for the term, exclusive of "P" grades. The student must not have any incompletes or missing grades in the designated term. The student must have a minimum semester grade average of 3.500 for the term.

Lasell University

The following students were named to the Dean's List at Lasell University for the 2023 spring semester: Marisa Mentekidis of Ludlow and Margaret Dowling of Ludlow.

To qualify, students must have completed at least 12 credits with full-time status in that semester and have achieved a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Vernon Group Architects described the price as "within the reasonable cost." The Committee voted unanimously to approve the project.

The Committee then discussed proposed change orders to repair the trench drains at the community entrance and field apron, costing \$68,763 and \$34,501 respectively, as well as a new basketball court, costing \$287,325.

The trench drain for the community entrance would pick up residual water so that any time of year, water won't accumulate in that location, according to Chris LeBlanc from MVGA, and was specifically for the drain work, as the general contractor, Fontaine Bros., had indicated that they would handle the paving.

The Committee decided to hold off on voting on the drain until the summer. On the field apron trench drain, the Committee voted six to one to approve its installation.

The Committee then went over the proposal for a basketball court, and though there were some complaints about the high cost, Evan Warner from MVGA advised that due to the high cost of construction, the town was not likely to find a lower price if they put the project out to bid. The motion for the construction of the new basketball court passed unanimously.

Discussion on the change orders led to Committee member and Selectman Derek DeBarge asking about what contingencies leftover funds could be allocated towards.

"If you wanted to change something, like make all the outside doors, all the outside windows,

stronger, let's say, isn't that what the contingencies would be for, if you wanted to change this?" said DeBarge.

Warner said that these measures were previously discussed and found to be cost-prohibitive, and that though there is some money left over to be allocated, it would fall outside the limitations set by the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

The meeting also included a brief update about the Harris Brook School construction.

"We continue to be in good financial shape, the total project budget is the same as it's been for the last number of months as we've not had any formal change orders approved on that," said LeBlanc.

The representatives from MVGA also described maintenance requirements for the lawn.

WREATH LAYING

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rial Day Parade last Monday, and included a visit to the Sgt. Joshua Desforges memorial at Ludlow High School.

Josh and I graduated from Ludlow High together in 2004, and he

was taken from his family far too soon during the war in Afghanistan," Oliveira said. "Josh will always be with us."

Desforges was honored alongside the 80 other residents that served in the military and died overseas. The celebration of the lives of these soldiers was appreciated by

many residents who attended the wreath laying and offered their support.

Photos and details surrounding the events of the town's Memorial Day weekend this year can be viewed on the Ludlow Veterans Services Facebook page.



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FOR ALL AGES

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FOR ADULTS

Photography Display June Month-Long Display

Stop in to view a display of photography by local resident Neil Martins in the library's display case, all month long. Would you like to display in our display case? Please contact the Circulation Desk at 583-3408 Ext. 0.

Pax Sax Concert, Thursday June 8, 6:30 p.m.

Hear the jazzy sounds of local favorites Pax Sax on the library lawn. Please register by calling the Circulation Desk at 583-3408 Ext. 0, or on our website under Adult Events. This concert is free and sponsored by the Ludlow Cultural Council and the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Beaded Suncatchers Craft, Tuesday June 20, 6-7:30 p.m.

Join us to craft one beaded suncatcher to take home. Please register on our website or by calling the Circulation Desk at 583-3408 Ext. 0. Space is limited, please remember to cancel your seat if you will not be able to attend.

The Happy Hour Book Club discusses "The Hanging Judge" by Michael Ponsor, Thursday June 29, 6:30 p.m.

The "Happy Hour Book Club" meets the last Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m.. New members are always welcome.

The "Who Picked This Book?" Book Club discusses "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford, Thursday July 6, 3:30 p.m.
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FOR TEENS

Beaded Spiral Suncatchers, Tuesday June 20, 4-5:45 p.m.

Make a unique, colorful, beaded suncatcher with a prism on the bottom. For ages 10+ Please register.

"Read Between the Lines" YA Book Group, Friday June 9, 3-4 p.m..

Book chat and snacks for ages 14 & up. This month: Shatter Me by Tahereh Mafi, copies available in the Youth Room. Registration preferred.

Nintendo Switch Night, every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month during the summertime, 6-8 p.m.

Play Mario Kart, Smash Bros, or other Nintendo Switch games. Free pizza is generously donated by Domino's of Wilbraham. For 6th-12th graders, space is limited to 16 people, please register.

Anime Club, every Tuesday, 3:30-5 p.m.

Meet each week to watch & talk about anime, eat snacks, & try out your cosplay. Please register.

Fellowship of the Pages: Tween Graphic Novel Book Discussion Group, Every Thursday, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Meet each week to discuss graphic novels, eat snacks, play games, and make friends! This month: The Prince

and the Dressmaker by Jen Wang. Please register.

FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

Father's Day Gift-Making, Friday June 16, 12-5 p.m.

Drop in to the Youth Room to make a Father's day fridge magnet, a pop-up heart card, & a "My dad is the king!" crown.

Summer Reading Kick-Off Party, Wednesday June 21, 1-3 p.m.

We kick off the Summer Reading Program with a party! There will be crafts, glitter tattoos, face painting, cookie decorating, balloon animals, lawn games, sprint art, and Boomer, the mascot for the Springfield Thunderbirds, will be there!

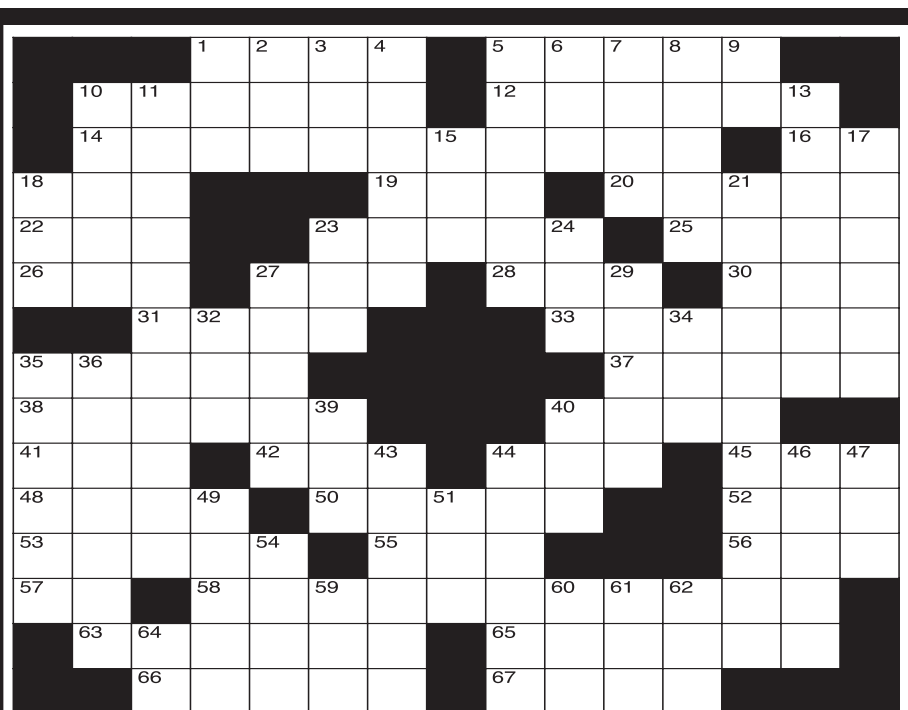
"Puss In Boots: The Last Wish" Outdoor Movie Night, Thursday June 22, 8:30-10:15 p.m.

Bring your lawn chairs or blankets to watch the latest movie in the Shrek series. Popcorn, drinks and snacks for sale to benefit the Friends of the Library. Come early to get a free Puss In Boots activity packet! Rain date 6/29

Roblox Club, Fridays 3:30-4:45 p.m.

Meet new friends or play with old ones while playing Roblox; the library will help match kids up according to age and game types. For ages 8+.

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CLUES ACROSS

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| 1. Flat tableland with steep edges | 38. Told on | 2. "___ and flow" | 34. American spy organization |
| 5. Where there's ___, there's fire | 40. Hillside | 3. A very large body of water | 35. A person's chest |
| 10. Talked incessantly | 41. Peyton's little brother | 4. Accumulate on the surface of | 36. Came from behind to win |
| 12. Skill | 42. Soviet Socialist Republic | 5. Central cores of the stem | 39. Fall back |
| 14. Without shame | 44. Cathedral city in Cambridgeshire | 6. Angry | 40. Nellie ___, journalist |
| 16. Where teens spend their days (abbr.) | 45. Witness | 7. Ceramic jar | 43. Great places to kayak |
| 18. Boxing's GOAT | 48. Brews | 8. Scraped a car | 44. Suffer patiently |
| 19. Used to anoint | 50. Yellowish-brown | 9. ___ route | 46. Majestic bird |
| 20. Cluster cups | 52. Arctic explorers, abbr. | 10. Soviet labor camp system | 47. Electroencephalograph |
| 22. Footballer Newton | 53. Mexican agave | 11. Strong hostilities | 49. Organic compound used as an anti-septic |
| 23. They make up a forest | 55. A type of "cast" | 13. Vitamin of the B complex | 51. Objects connected to the web (abbr.) |
| 25. Split pulses | 56. Encourage | 15. Go quickly | 54. Ship as cargo |
| 26. Self | 57. Atomic #52 | 17. Toast | 59. The bill in a restaurant |
| 27. Post-office box | 58. Relating to position north of south of equator | 18. A team's best pitcher | 60. Upper-class young woman (abbr.) |
| 28. Test for high schoolers | 63. Gadget whose name you forget | 21. A Philly culinary specialty | 61. Judge in OJ Simpson trial |
| 30. Large, flightless bird | 65. Another recording | 23. Small child | 62. One's grandmother |
| 31. Expectorated | 66. Small blisters | 24. Unhappy | 64. Siberian river |
| 33. Falsehood | 67. Dark brown or black | 27. Trims away | |
| 35. Prickly, scrambling shrub | | 29. Characterized by crying eyes | |
| 37. French river | | 32. Soft touch | |

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LHS Grad B: Salutatorian Maggie Ayers with parents Sue and William Ayers.



Rory Divenuto performs with the LHS band.

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Valedictorian Matthew Favata presents his speech.

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Senior Emma Wehner with her cap showcasing her new school, Assumption University.

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LHS GRADUATION from Page 1 achievements, extracurricular activities, and volunteer work. Ayers, with a GPA of 4.67, served on the student council as secretary her senior year, as well as serving in many clubs and leading the girls volleyball team as captain.

Ayers co-founded the Lions Community Closet for her senior civics project, where she helped provide clothes for students in need using a classroom in the school. Ayers was accepted into the Biological Sciences Honors Advanced Program at UMass Amherst, an invite-only program that accepts four first year students per year.

Favata, holding the top spot by a margin with a GPA of 4.68, was a member of the National Honor Society and served as the student representative on the Ludlow School Committee. Favata was a member of the Hampden County District Youth Advisory Board against Substance Use and led the Hampden County District Youth Advisory Board Mental Health Committee this year.

Favata was accepted into eleven colleges and universities, and has committed to Georgia Institute of Technology as an aerospace engineering major. Favata spoke about his experience as a student and the memories he made at LHS with classmates and teachers.

"Fellow graduates, as you prepare to embark on a new adventure and embrace the opportunities that lie ahead, let us remember that the friendships you forged, the memories you made, and the connections you created will be forever in our hearts," Favata said.

"We have grown together,

laughed together, and supported one another through both triumphs and challenges."

Class President Riley Londraville said she had begun working on her graduation speech during her sophomore year with the hope to unite her class by the end of their time at LHS. Londraville said her perspective is different than it was two years ago.

"I stand here today not sure what uniting a class even means, and therefore I don't believe I accomplished my goal," Londraville said. "But in chasing this goal of unification, I have created such memorable experiences for both myself and my peers and we created bonds that will last a lifetime."

"I've realized that success is not always measured by where you end up, but what you experience in the process...it's your attitude and perspective that determines if your efforts were really worth it."

Londraville also acknowledged Andrew McDonald, an LHS senior who passed away last year. Everyone in the class of 2023 signed a graduation cap that Londraville presented to McDonald's family to honor his memory.

"Although Andrew is not with us physically, I know his fun-loving and kind spirit is ever present," Londraville said.

Every year, LHS seniors nominate a teacher whom they feel as impacted them the most during their four years of high school. For the third year in a row, English teacher Keith Woodman was chosen to wear a gown covered in the students' signatures, and receive an award recognizing his positive influence on his students.

LHS seniors that performed in chorus and band also had the opportunity to perform one last time with their groups during the ceremony, and band director Kevin McAvoy was commended for his efforts this past year taking on a choral director role as well.

After the ceremony, students got an opportunity to congratulate their fellow classmates and celebrate with family, friends and teachers.

The full LHS graduation ceremony can be streamed online at ludlowtv.org.



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Lions girls tennis edged in opening round

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW—A couple of days after the Ludlow girls' tennis team captured the Western Mass. title for the second consecutive year, their outstanding season came to an end in the Division 2 state tournament round of 32.

The 14th-seeded Lady Lions lost, 3-2, to the 19th-seeded Hopkinton Hillers in a hard fought home match, last Tuesday afternoon.

"This was a very successful season for us," said Ludlow head coach Steven Duquette. "Every-

one battled very hard in today's match, but we just came up a little bit short. We'll be losing five seniors, but the future does look very promising for us."

Ludlow, who finished their season with a 13-5 overall record, defeated Valley Wheel league rival Belchertown, 3-2, in the Western Mass. Class B finals, which was held at the Lady Orioles homecourt, on May 27.

The Lady Lions season also came to an end following a 4-1 road loss to Sharon High School in last year's round of 32.

In last Tuesday's contest, Ludlow senior Ashlyn Keating lost 6-3, 6-4, to Hopkinton fresh-

man May Chen in the first singles match.

"Winning the Western Mass. title again was our number goal coming into this season," Keating said. "I felt like I did my best in today's match."

Keating has been a member of the Ludlow girls' tennis team since she was a sophomore.

"It was a lot of fun playing tennis for this team during the past couple of years," Keating said. "I won a lot of matches when I played third singles as a sophomore. We beat Northampton in the Western Mass. finals last year. We were able to win the Western Mass title again this

year. I'm really going to miss being a member of this team."

Keating, who also played soccer in high school, is planning to continue playing tennis at Roger Williams University. She'll be playing both singles and doubles at the collegiate level.

The Lady Lions first doubles team, which was made up of senior's India Iwaniec and Shealee Cavanaugh lost 6-3, 6-1, to junior Evanya Mathur and sophomore Aarushi Kamara.

Keating and Iwaniec were the Lady Lions co-captains this spring.

Another senior starter for

Ludlow was Amie Teixeira, who competed in the second doubles match with sophomore Isabella Cyr.

Their match was the last one to finish, and it wound up deciding the outcome of the overall match.

Because one of the six tennis courts at Ludlow High School was unplayable due to cracks, Teixeira and Cyr had to wait until one of the other matches was completed before they started their match.

Things didn't go the Lady Li-

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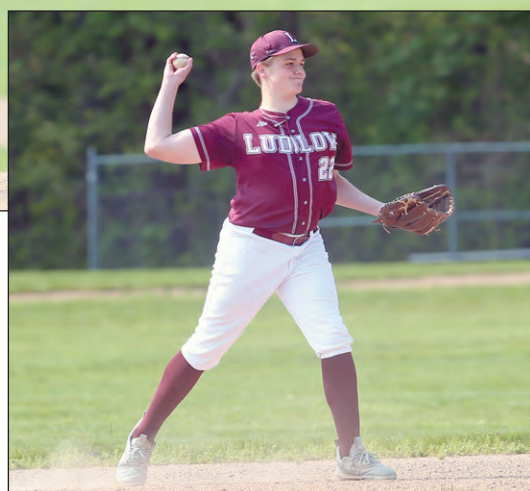
Lions head for Legion action



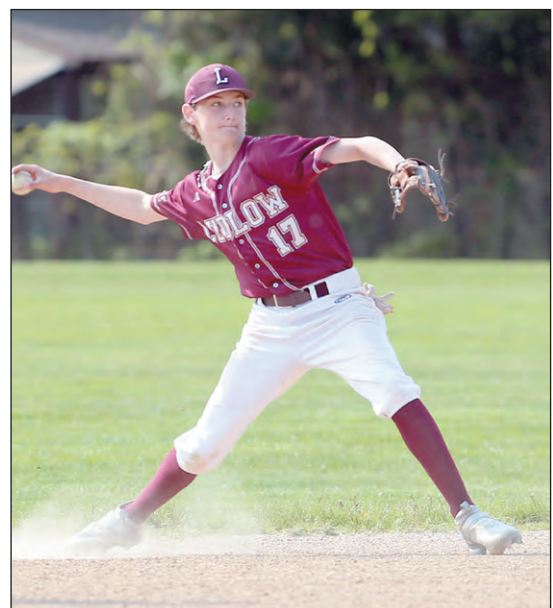
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Daniel McKenney fires a pitch.

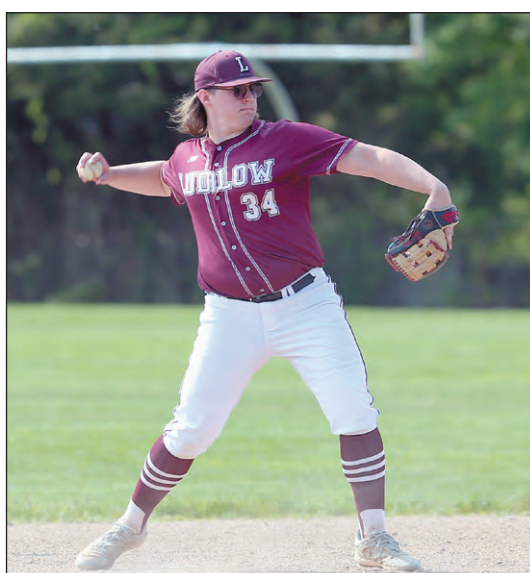
LUDLOW – After a tough spring, Ludlow baseball's season ended with a 3-15 record following their final game, an 11-9 loss against Sci-Tech last Monday, May 22. The Lions will now take many of their team members to summer baseball. Ludlow is fielding both a junior and senior legion team this summer. Action is set to begin next week.



Zach Tatro throws to first.



Mason Morace slings a throw to second.



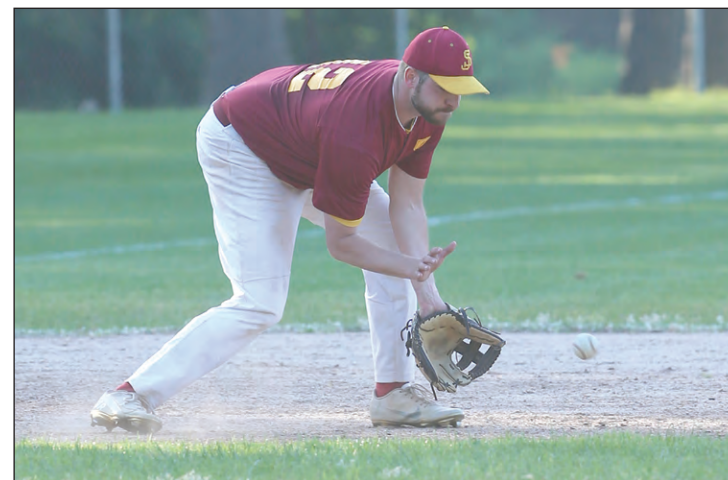
Mason Peltier gets the out after fielding a grounder.

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.



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St. Joe's Brandon Magni fields a grounder.



Brandon Clark makes the out at first.



Jason Byers pitches for the Tigers.

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



Submitted photo

Matthew Kimball took the win last Saturday at Monadnock Speedway.

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 NHSTRA Late Models feature and Chris Davis came away with a win in the Pure Stocks main event.

JDV Productions’ next scheduled event is the second annual Clash at Cla-

remont 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

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 4 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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ons way in second doubles, as Hopkinton sophomores Caitlin Mangan and Avery Michaud sealed the deal with a 6-1, 6-1 win.

The other senior listed on the Ludlow girls’ tennis roster was Madelyn Philibotte.

The Lady Lions, who lost only one home match during the regular season, two victories against Hopkinton came in the other two singles matches.

In the second singles match, junior Malina Dinis pulled out a 6-3, 6-3 win over senior Hailey Kessler.

“Our tennis team is like one big family,” Dinis said. “My match was very close. I was able to hit a few more winners than my opponent did, which was the

difference maker. It just feels awesome to win my match.”

The third singles match was the only one decided in three sets.

When the dust had settled, Ludlow sophomore Gabby Pereira was able to celebrate a 6-3, 1-6, 6-3 win over junior Roma Tewari.

“My match was very long, and it feels very good to win it,” said Pereira, who played second doubles as a freshman. “I played a lot of three set matches this season.”

The Hillers (13-5) were scheduled to face third-seeded Westborough High School in the round of 16 on Monday afternoon.

The returning Lady Lions tennis players will be looking to win another Western Mass. title and at least one match in the state tournament a year from now.

Blue Sox in need of host families

HOLYOKE – The Valley Blue Sox is still searching for a few host families for the 2023 season.

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Edward G. Perlak, 94

LUDLOW - Edward G. Perlak, 94, of Ludlow, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 31, 2023. Son of the late Joseph and Sophia (Rusin) Perlak, he was born in Chicopee on August 11, 1928. Ed proudly served his country as a member of the U.S. Army Air Force during the World War II occupation of Japan. A graduate of AIC, he was the plant Controller for the John H. Breck division of the American Cyanamid Co. He served as a director and treasurer of the company's credit union. Ed was a devout and active communicant of Christ the King Parish in Ludlow where he served as a Eucharistic Minister, Collector and Lector for 45 years. A member of the Men's Guild, he also served on the Parish's Building Committee, Annual Catholic Appeal Committee and Picnic Committee. Ed was a youth baseball coach, a former member of the Ludlow Tennis Club and the National Association of Accountants.



Ed is survived by his children and their spouses Edward Perlak and his wife Patricia of Dalton, MA; Frederick Perlak and his wife Marita of Chesterfield, MO and Regina Egan and her husband Charles of Brewster, MA. In addition, Ed was a devoted grandfather to Kimberly Perlak, Elizabeth Perlak, Ted Perlak, Daniel Perlak Anna McCarthy, Carolyn Egan and Matthew Egan. Ed is also survived by 6 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife Helen (Chwalek) Perlak in 2012.

Funeral services for Ed will be Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 9:00 AM at the Kapinos-Mazur Funeral Home, 64 Sewall St., Ludlow, MA followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in Christ the King Church. Rites of Committal with Military Honors will be in St. Aloysius Cemetery. Visiting hours at the funeral home will be Tuesday, June 6, 2023 from 5:00-7:00 PM. Donations in Ed's memory may be made to your favorite charity. For more information please go to kapinosmazurfh.com.

St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church to hold Father's Day Picnic June 18

INDIAN ORCHARD - St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church will hold its annual Father's Day Picnic on Sunday, June 18, 2023 from noon to 5 p.m. on the church grounds at 135 Goodwin St, Indian Orchard, MA.

Visitors are invited to enjoy many favorite Armenian dinners including shish kebab and rice pilaf. Baked goods will also be available for purchase. The picnic will also feature a raffle, Armenian music and dancing and outdoor activities.

Admission and parking are free. For more information, please call the Church office at 543-4763.

Author Profile on Kathy Picard

By Barb Turcotte

Writing articles about Random Acts of Kindness has put me in touch with the most incredible people, Kathy Picard being no exception! Kathy reached out to me after reading my article about another local author.

My stories are meant to be uplifting and though this is a sensitive subject, Kathy has taken her personal story of survivorship to the next level. Therefore to me, this is very inspiring because she found her voice and took action to help others who have fallen prey to an abuser. I want to focus on her amazing accomplishments and her strengths! She has been validated by many reputable supporters including DA's, religious leaders, law enforcement, politicians and other survivors.

Kathy has been happily married for 25 years and has been a Ludlow resident since 1992. It took her and her husband Gary who co-authored the book, 5 years to write, *Life with My Idiot Family* which is about her sexual abuse from the age of 7 to 17. Kathy found her voice when at 17 she was told that her abuser, the man she'd believed to be her father, was actually her step-father.

Kathy never divulges her mother's or step-father's names in her book and when I asked why, she explained, "That would give them power again and this is about my healing, giving hope and being a voice for those who haven't yet found theirs." Pretty impressive! This is a very uncomfortable subject and yet she has been brave enough to bring it into the open and hopefully create some conversations that will save, just one child, from the torment she endured.

Kathy has also written a children's book, *I Love You So Much That...* It explains why moms ask their children to do certain things, such as eating their vegetables so they can be healthy! While growing up, her mother never told her she loved her which is why her step-father was able to 'groom' her by telling her how special she was and how much he 'loved' her. A Spanish version of this book will be available in a few months.

Kathy has partnered, educated and trained many mandated reporters to recognize and react to these situations. CHILDUSA recently accepted her book as a resource for teachers and parents along with Childhelp and Masskids. She speaks at correctional facilities to Level 2 & 3 offenders because she never wants them to forget how their actions have affected their victims. She is affiliated with Behavioral Health Network (BHN) Crisis Intervention Training as a trainer and is on their Steering Committee.

She additionally holds a position on the board for Chicopee Child Development Center.

Kathy has been instrumental in changing the Massachusetts laws to increase the ages in which a victim can bring legal charges against their abuser not only at the criminal level but likewise the civil level. In 2006 she helped change the law to extend the age from 31 to 43 for criminal charges and civil charges in 2014, was a vital part of increasing the age from 21 to 53! With this change she was able to bring her abuser to civil court and win! She has succeeded, with a lot of hard work to help others she'll never know to accomplish the same thing, prosecute their abuser.

Though you may expect Kathy to be cold and callous from her experience, she's quite the opposite. She's the most warm and gentle personality that I've had the pleasure of meeting! She told me she gives away many of her books to get her story out there and hopefully help others find their voices. This is truly a Random Act of Kindness as she admitted she's given away more books than she'll ever recoup the cost of their printing. She has been invited into many schools to read her children's book and also to higher grades to educate students about this very delicate subject. If you'd like to contact Kathy her email is: Kathychildadvocate@gmail.com

Please be aware and don't be afraid to report a transgression you suspect, you could be saving a young person's life. Kathy shared some alarming statistics; 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 13 boys, before their 18th birthday will have inappropriate sexual advances made to them and also that 93% of the abusers are someone known to the child and their families.

Please believe a child who tells you these things. Young children would not have this kind of imagination and unfortunately their words are probably true, as tough as it may be for us to fathom.

Kathy is a nominee in the Nexstar Remarkable Women and is one of the four finalists! Good luck and thank you for your bravery, sharing your story and your dedication! You're truly making a difference!

If would like to tell me a story about a Random Act of Kindness please contact me at bdt514@aol.com or 413-788-7514. Who knows, you might see your story in this column, 'Just 'Cause' you witnessed, did or received something nice being done. See you next month with another Random Act of Kindness! ~ Barb

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THIS WEEK

ONLINE RAFFLE: The Lions are celebrating 80 years of service to those less fortunate locally and globally with a new online raffle. Go to tinyurl.com/3eb56e8y to view the baskets that are being raffled off. If a basket catches your eye, you just want to take a chance in the 50/50 raffle or just want to make a donation, the drawing is June 8. The Ludlow Lions Club wants everyone to know members appreciate the public's support and that the Lions core mission is community service.

DINNER COMEDY FUNDRAISER: The Night of Comedy fundraiser for the Michael J. Dias Foundation will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 9, in the Ludlow Country Club. Tickets are \$50 per person, include dinner and can be purchased online through Eventbrite at tinyurl.com/2dh363w7.

LUDLOW LIONS TAG SALE: The club's annual fundraiser will be held 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, at 562 East Street in Ludlow. Look for the canopy. To donate items, call 754-900-ROAR or go to Ludlowlions.org. A varied selection of items will be available, from household items to power tools, books and toys. Proceeds support charitable programs in the community.

EXTREME SCIENCE: A free event for kids of all ages 2-5 p.m. June 10 at Myrtle Street Park,

117 Main Street in Indian Orchard.

POLANIE CLUB: The next regular meeting is 6:30 p.m. on Monday, June 12, in the Polish American Citizens Club at 355 East Street in Ludlow.

NEXT WEEK

FARM FRESH: Come to the Indian Orchard Citizens Council 3-5 p.m. on June 14 for free fruit and vegetables. Registration is required. For more information, call 413-209-8240.

COMING SOON

POLISH PLATE DINNER: Plates of pierogi, golabki, kapusta, kielbasa and rye bread will be available to eat-in or for takeout 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, at Immaculate Conception Church Hall, 25 Parker Street in Indian Orchard. Tickets are \$20 each. Frozen pierogi, golabki and kapusta will also be for sale. For tickets and more information, call Maria Kowalski at 413-222-6229, Maria Bukowski at 413-427-9464 or the Parish Rectory at 413-543-3627.

TAG SALE: Immaculate Conception's Parish Youth Group is raising money for youth activities 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 17 on the parish grounds. Everyone is welcome.

CELEBRATE RIVERS MONTH: Join the Chicopee Rivers Watershed Council for a paddle from the upper Chicopee at 9 a.m. on June 17. Watch for eagles and explore islands and scenery along the river for the 7-miles, 2.5-hour outing. RSVP at chicopeewatershed@gmail.com. Interested in the haiku and picture contest? Find details at tinyurl.com/ujvh6fb9.

CAR SHOW: The West Springfield American Legion Post 207, 83 Park Avenue, hosts a car show 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 17. All

makes and models are welcome! There will be Food, beverages, entertainment, raffles, prizes and activities for kids. Entry is \$10 per car. Vendors are invited and should email ItsWestSpringfield@gmail.com or call 413-279-4567. Rain date Sunday, June 18.

FATHER'S DAY PICNIC: St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church at 135 Goodwin Street in Indian Orchard, will hold its annual Father's Day Picnic from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 18, on the church grounds. Visitors are invited to enjoy many favorite Armenian dinners, including shish kebab and rice pilaf. Baked goods will also be available for purchase. The picnic will also feature a raffle, Armenian music and dancing, and outdoor activities. Admission and parking are free. For more information, call the Church office at 543-4763.

STRAWBERRY SUPPER: Come to First Church in Ludlow for take-out dinners that include ham, baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, roll and a strawberry dessert, for \$16 4:30-5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 24. Reservations required by calling Annat 413-547-8720.

GOLF TOURNEY FOR PETS: Second Chance Animal Services' 11th annual Charity Golf Tournament will be held at Cold Spring Country Club on Monday, July 24. The event offers golfers a great golf outing on a world-class course and will benefit programs assisting the underserved at Second Chance Community Veterinary Hospitals in the region. Individuals and foursomes are welcome. Second Chance encourages golfers to purchase tickets early. Check in will be 9 a.m. and the tournament will commence with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Registration and information on sponsorships and item donations can be found at secondchanceanimals.org/events/golf/.

ONGOING

SENIOR BINGO: Hosted by the Indian Orchard

Citizens Council 3:30-5 p.m. every Monday. Free to play with great prizes. For more information, call 413-209-8240.

THRIFT SHOP: Now open at St. Gregory Armenian Church, 135 Goodwin Street, Indian Orchard, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. every Saturday offering quality items at affordable prices. Gently used clothing and accessories, household items, books, children's items, collectors' items and more. For more information, call the church office at 413-543-4763.

CHESS CLUB: Open to residents of all surrounding communities 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Indian Orchard Citizens Council, 117 Main St. For more information, contact the IOCC at 413-209-8240 or indianorchardcitizenscouncil@gmail.com or stop in during operating hours. Follow the IOCC on Facebook and Instagram.

LUDLOW SENIOR CENTER 55 AND OVER CO-ED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE: At East Street School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. the cost to take part is \$5 per year. For more information contact Maria Ardolino, activities director at activity@ludlow.ma.us or call 413-583-3564.

AQUACISE AT THE CLUB: The Ludlow Community Center/Randall Boys & Girls Club at 91 Claudias Way continues to offer Aquacise throughout the week. Aquacise is a low-impact, full-body workout performed in the water to put less stress on your joints and muscles while building strength. Classes are open to all members with pool-inclusive memberships and do not require prior registration. Classes are held 8:30-9:15 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. For questions, call 413-583-2072, ext. 124.

SUPPORT FOR FAMILY MEMBERS: The Michael J. Dias Support Group meets 6-7:15 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Center. Education, resources, peer support, and hope for parents and family members coping with a loved one with a substance use disorder. Anyone needing help is welcome to attend. Masks are required and we will be seated six feet apart. For more information, call Maureen at 413-563-6226.

H.O.P.E. RECOVERY GROUP: Having Our Pathways Encouraged meetings are for those who have experience with addictions, grief, anxiety and depression, (including anxiety and depression due to COVID-19) and for loved ones who might need help in their recovery. This group is also for those who can help lead others in their recovery by example. This meeting in no way replaces professional therapies. It is a time for sharing strength, encouragement and hope. No fees. Bring your own non-alcoholic beverage. Pre-packaged snacks are available. Small group structure based on basic Christian principles, concept, purposes and confidentiality. COVID-19 guidelines are observed. Masks required. 6:30-8 p.m. every Monday at Fellowship Hall in Faith Community Chapel, 485 East Street in Ludlow. Parking lot behind Chapel. Fellowship Hall entrance at back of Chapel. Seating is limited. To reserve yours, call 413-519-4591.

QUABBIN VALLEY TWIRLERS If you missed the first lessons in the fall, now is the time to give yourself a gift of dancing enjoyment for the coming holiday time. Do you want some exercise, mental acuity, and lots of fun with great people? Try our national folk dance, square dancing with the Quabbin Valley Twirlers. They dance in Belchertown and Ludlow with Sunday and Wednesday evenings available. For more information, call Gloria or Fran at 413-467-3352.

BIBLE STUDY: A weekly Bible study led by Ludlow resident Hank Bastos takes place at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays at 485 East St., Ludlow. Call 413-348-6487 for more information.

SHARE YOUR SIGHT: Volunteer to read, shop or walk with a blind or vision impaired person in your community. Call the Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired at 1-888-613-2777 for details.

UPCOMING TRIPS

Nashville and a Smokey Mountain. Christmas: Enjoy the Grand Ole Opry and the Country Music Hall of Fame, plus the show and extravagant holiday decorations of Dollywood, the Gaylord Opryland Resort, Gatlinburg and Biltmore, the Vanderbilt Mansion in Asheville, N.C., Nov. 29-Dec. 6. Contact Jim Martin at jamesmartin47@gmail.com or 413-583-6339.

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Lead Pastor: Reverend Lisa Morrison
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OTHER PROGRAMS

MONDAYS at 6:30 p.m. H.O.P.E. Meeting Recovery meetings for those with addictions, anxiety, and grief SMC. Call 413-519-4591

TUESDAYS at 7 p.m. ZOOM Bible Study WEDNESDAYS at 7 p.m. Ludlow Christian Fellowship Meeting Hank Bastos, Leader, 413-348-6487

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Thursday, June 8 - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C), Holy
Mother Choir - 5:15 p.m. (C)

Friday, June 9 - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C)

Saturday, June 10 - Confessions - 2:30 p.m. (C), Mass
- 4 p.m. (C)

Sunday, - June 11 - Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C), Mass - 9:15
a.m. (C), Mass - 11 a.m. (C), Mass - 5 p.m. (C)

Monday, June 12 - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C)

Tuesday, June 13 - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. (C), Spa-
ghetti Supper - 4:30 p.m. (FLBH), St. Rita Choir - 6:30

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Weekday Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thurs-
day - 7:45 a.m. (English)

First Friday Mass: 5:30 p.m. (Polish/English)

First Saturday Mass: 9 a.m. (Polish/English)

Confessions: Saturday - 3:15-4 p.m.

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Don't let fear drive investment decisions

In the past year, we've seen some big swings in the financial markets. This volatility may make you feel as if you have little control over your investment success. But the truth is, you do have more control than you might think - as long as you don't let fear guide your decisions.

Investment-related fear can manifest itself in a few different ways:

- **Fear of loss** - Some investors may emphasize avoiding losses more than achieving gains. Consequently, they might build portfolios they consider very low in risk, possibly containing a high percentage of certificates of deposit (CDs) and U.S. Treasury securities. Yet, a highly conservative approach carries its own risk - the risk of not achieving enough growth to stay ahead of inflation, much less meet long-term goals such as a comfortable retirement. To reach these goals, you'll want to construct a diversified portfolio

containing different types of assets and investments - each of which may perform differently at different times. Your objective shouldn't be to avoid all risk - which is impossible - but to create an investment strategy that accommodates your personal risk tolerance and time horizon.

- **Fear of missing out** - You're probably familiar with the term "herd mentality" - the idea that people will follow the lead of others for fear of missing out on something. This behavior is responsible for fads or the sudden emergence of "hot" products, and it's also relevant to investing. In fact, herd mentality may contribute to sharp jumps in the financial markets as investors drive up prices by buying stocks to avoid being left behind. And the same may be true in reverse - when the market starts dropping, skittish investors may accelerate the decline by selling stocks so they, too, can get out before it's too late. Buying

or selling investments should be considered as needed to help advance your long-term financial strategy - not in response to what others are doing.

- **Fear of the unknown** - Some investors fall victim to "familiarity bias" - the tendency to invest only in what they know, such as local or domestic companies. But this behavior can lead to under-diversified portfolios. If your portfolio is dominated by just a few investments, and these investments are fairly similar to each other, you could experience some losses when the inevitable market downturn occurs. To help reduce the impact of market volatility, it's a good idea to spread your investment dollars across large and small companies in a range of industries and geographical regions. And that's just on the equities side - it's also wise to consider further diversifying your portfolio by owning bonds and government securities. (Keep in mind, though, that

diversification can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.)

- **Fear of admitting failure** - Some individuals don't like to admit when they've been wrong about something, and they may continue the same failed activities, hoping for eventual success. This behavior can be costly in the investment arena. Sometimes, a particular investment, or even an investment strategy, just doesn't work out, but an investor is determined to stick with it - even if it ultimately means considerable financial loss. Don't let his happen to you - if it becomes apparent you need to change your investment approach, move on to something better.

Fear can hold us back in many walks of life - but don't let it keep you from making appropriate investment moves.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
Docket No. HD23P1092GD
In the matter of:
Esther Figueroa
Of: Ludlow, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Dept Of Developmental Services of Worcester, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Esther Figueroa** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Erica Greene** of Springfield, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this

court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of **06/23/2023**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M. Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 25, 2023

Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
06/07/2023

LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT SITE PLAN

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a CONTINUED Public Hearing in accordance with the

Remand Order issued by the Hampden County Superior Court in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 7:20 p.m.** on the application of JLL Real Estate, LLC for the property located at **590-596 (0) Center Street, Ludlow, MA (Assessors' Map 16B, Parcels 116 & 116A)** for the purpose of: **redevelopment of site into a self-storage facility in an Agricultural Moderate Density Overlay District.**

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, July 13, 2023.

Raymond Phoenix
Chairman
06/07, 06/14/2023

LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE DEFINITIVE SUBDIVISION

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a public hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 8:00 p.m.** on the application of Jeffrey Daley, Westmass Area Development Corporation for Definitive Subdivision located at 0 State Street, Ludlow, MA (Assessors' Map 14C, Parcel 106) for the subdivision of the undeveloped portion of the Ludlow Mills Phase IV site for commercial and industrial development. An 1,800 linear foot (+/-) roadway with utilities will be constructed to service four building lots on the site.

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, July 13, 2023.

Raymond Phoenix
Chairman
06/07, 06/14/2023

LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT HOME OCCUPATION

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a

CONTINUED Public Hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** on the application of Charlene L. Cavanaugh of **55 Stevens Street Ludlow, MA (Assessors' Map 15D, Parcel 74)** for: **conversion of single garage to hair/nail salon.**

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, July 13, 2023.

Raymond Phoenix
Chairman
06/07, 06/14/2023

LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT HOME OCCUPATION

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a CONTINUED Public Hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 7:10 p.m.** on the application of Lenna Andre of **137 Vienna Avenue Ludlow, MA (Assessors' Map 11A, Parcel 168)** for: **office for cleaning service business.**

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, July 13, 2023.

Raymond Phoenix
Chairman
06/07, 06/14/2023

LUDLOW ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE

The Ludlow Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing in the Ludlow Town Hall, 488 Chapin Street, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** on the application of **Thomas Engwer** for the property located at **1211 Lyon Street, Ludlow MA (Assessors' Map 20, Parcel 2D-0, Zoning: Agriculture)** The subject of the hearing is an appeal of decision of the Building Commissioner for a proposed shared driveway to be located on two adjacent properties. The applicant is

seeking relief from the Town of Ludlow Zoning Bylaw under Section 6.12.

Manny Lopes, Chairman
05/31, 06/07/2023

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
Docket No. HD23P1068EA
Estate of:
Jose Pereira Morais
Also Known As:
Jose P. Morais
Date of Death: 3/13/2023
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Michael M. Morais of Ludlow, MA** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Michael M. Morais of Ludlow, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
06/07/2023

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court**

**Hampshire Probate and Family Court
15 Atwood Drive
Northampton MA, 01060
Docket No. HS08P0322GR
In the Interests of:
Sean O'Brien
Of: Ludlow, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/
Protected Person
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF A GUARDIAN OF AN INCAPACITATED PERSON**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Dept. of Developmental Services of Springfield, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court: Terminate the Guardianship of the Respondent.

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **06/21/2023**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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WITNESS, Hon. **Linda S Fidnick**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 23, 2023

Michael J. Carey
Register of Probate
06/07/2023

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Turley Publications is looking for a "hands on" energetic candidate who loves telling stories to be the editor for two weekly publications. This position will include managing and coaching a small news staff that will provide the community with a great local newspaper.

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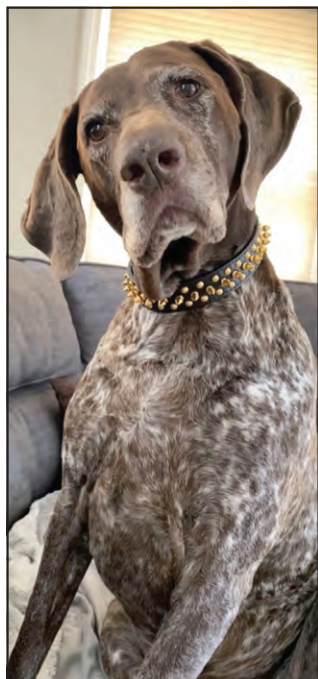
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Accidents can happen in an instant. Dog owners should follow these tips for keeping dogs safe in and around the water.

1. Never Leave Your Dog Unattended Around Water - always keep him close and in sight.

2. Understand Your Dog's Breed - not all dogs can swim. Even some who can, don't do it very well and are at greater risk of drowning.

3. Pay Attention to Water Conditions - undercurrents, big waves and frigid water can mean danger to dogs.

4. Make It Easy - help dogs get out of the water by having stairs or a ramp lead into the pool.

5. Consider a Life Jacket - they keep your dog afloat when their legs are too tired to paddle and, the nifty handles make it a cinch to grab onto your dog and haul him out.

6. Take Breaks - lots of sun and swimming can be tiring.

7. Rinse Off / Dry Off - whether swimming in a pool or splashing around at the beach, rinse and dry him off when the day is over.

8. Bring Drinking Water - pool, lake or ocean water is not safe to drink and it's important to keep him hydrated.

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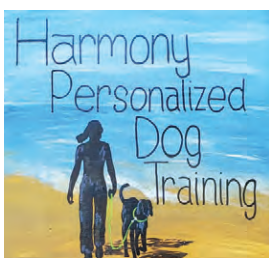
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