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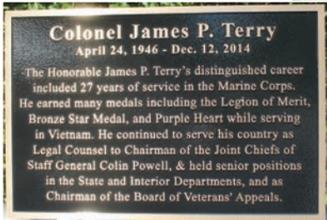
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Terry Corner celebrated



This past Saturday, an intersection in East Brookfield was dedicated to Colonel James Terry. This area will be known as Terry Corner.

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EAST BROOKFIELD – A historical event took place on Aug. 23 in the Podunk section of East Brookfield to honor the memory of Colonel James Terry.

This area of East Brookfield, also known to a lot of people as Podunk, is a very special place and is a place where many people grew up and called home. James Terry, who a lot of people knew as Jimmy, grew up in Podunk



Members of the Terry family, left to right, Rich Abati, Kristin Terry Abati (James Terry's daughter), and Mathew Abati, the grandson of James Terry, are shown alongside the plaque dedicated to Colonel James Terry.

back in the 1950s and 1960s. Members of the Terry family and good friends of Jimmy were in attendance to witness this special event where the intersection of Shore Road, Podunk Road and Draper

Road would be renamed to "Terry Corner" in memory of Colonel Terry.

Bob Far was a lifelong friend of Colonel Terry, who grew up in Podunk as well. Far shared stories and mem-

ories he had with Terry and said they grew up together.

This celebration highlighted many of Terry's accomplishments. Terry was

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Dog training offered during Fall Family Fun Fest

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NORTH BROOKFIELD – The Friends of the North Brookfield Town House will have their Fall Family Fun Fest taking place this fall on Sunday, Sept. 28.

Every year the festival brings vendors, music, raffles, food, and fun activities for all ages. This year's Family Fun Fest will feature some special guests. One of these guests is Mary Jo Lavin of Homestead Farm Nosework.

Lavin is a local dog trainer who is encouraging Fun Fest attendees to bring their dogs for a Homestead Farm Nosework dog training opportunity. K9 Nosework is an enriching activity for dogs and handlers.

Many dogs can benefit from the physical and mental stimulation that

the sport brings. This activity is open for dogs of all ages, sizes and pedigrees.

Lavin has been involved in dog training for over 30 years. Starting in 1990 with her Tibetan Terrier, Scamp, Lavin trained and competed in obedience and agility events.

Lavin has been teaching classes, private lessons, workshops and at camps for many years and this event being offered at the Fun Fest will benefit dogs and their owners. Lavin is in the process of becoming certified as a NACSW instructor.

Homestead Farm Nosework will be participating in the Family Fun Fest in North Brookfield on Sept. 28. Proceeds from this event will benefit the North Brookfield Town House.

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Superintendent introduces new school administrators

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NORTH BROOKFIELD – Superintendent Timothy McCormick introduced two new administrators during the School Committee's recent meeting.

Brian Beck is the Jr./Sr. High School Principal and Dr. Michael Baldassarre is the new Director of Stu-

dent Services.

"These two members to the team really bring a lot of experience; different lens to look at things," McCormick said at the Aug. 18 meeting. "I'm very excited for what we can do as a group this year."

He said while they have hired several new staff, there are still a few open positions that need to be filled before the start of the school year.

He gave updates on the upcoming school year, including that all freshmen students will take the Project Lead the Way course as part of the high school's Advanced Manufacturing Pathways. Freshmen will also take a life science course.

McCormick said the Project Lead the Way launch program in the elementary school will expand to include second, third,

fourth and fifth. He said by the end of next year, it will cover all grades in elementary school.

"So that means now that Project Lead the Way and STEM education is happening at all levels," he said, including the middle school and high school.

McCormick said the Democratic Knowledge Project will also be phased in this school year, providing a civics curriculum for

eighth grade students.

Both Project Lead the Way and the Democratic Knowledge Project were granted funded.

McCormick said the elementary school's Creative Action and Thinking Lab led by Channing LeBlanc is entering its second year. The CATLab uses music programming and writing to connect with classroom learning.

He said the school dis-

trict is also in its second year of professional development with Novack Consulting.

"What we've done over the past year is really built a strong foundation of making sure that our classrooms, our instruction, is welcoming...it meets the needs of all our diverse learners and that we're giv-

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Woodshed performing on Brookfield Common

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BROOKFIELD – The local band Woodshed will be performing on the Brookfield Common, on Friday, Sept. 5.

This performance is part of the Brookfield Concert series presented by the funding from the Brookfield Cultural Council.

Woodshed is based out of western Massachusetts and performs country and folk music that is great to listen to. The band will be singing original songs with three-part harmonies and some familiar songs that got fans to love country, folk, and bluegrass.

This band has been performing for a couple years and is always thrilled to perform in their home state of Massachusetts. Bring your snacks, chairs, or blankets and enjoy an hour of Woodshed home grown music amidst the beautiful and nostalgic atmosphere of Brookfield Common.



Senior Center Director Courtenay Rivera greeted seniors as they grabbed meals during the outreach event.



The Care Express provided by Senior Connection parked outside the pavilion of the North Brookfield Sportsmen's Club for seniors to check out during an outreach program.

Seniors enjoy late summer cookout

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NORTH BROOKFIELD – An outreach event was held this past weekend for seniors of North Brookfield.

Over 50 seniors met at the pavilion of the North Brookfield Sportsmen's Club for a nice meal, dessert, music, raffles and information. Senior Center Director Courtenay Rivera attended the event as this program was the first outreach program.

The event is sponsored by the Friends of North Brook-

field Council on Aging.

This program provides seniors with information regarding fuel assistance, housing applications, SNAP applications, healthcare screenings, foot clinics, exercise programs, medical services and other health applications. Providing this information is the Senior Connection based out of Worcester. The Senior Connection parked their mobile health clinic, the Care Express, next to the North Brookfield Sportsmen's Club pavilion.

The Senior Connection

has operated for over 50 years and celebrated their 50th anniversary in August 2024. The mobile health clinic offered blood pressure monitoring, glucose monitoring, weight & nutrition management, medication management and support for grandparents raising grandchildren. The Senior Connection is in partnership with Western New England University, who have their mobile unit known as the legal kiosk.

Many seniors checked out the mobile health clinic after lunch. For more about the

Senior Connection, visit seniorconnection.org.

For the meals, over 50 seniors enjoyed a nice lunch and dessert under the pavilion of the sportsmen's club. There were hot dogs, hamburgers, macaroni salad, chopped salad, and cookies and ice cream for dessert. There was music playing in the background under the pavilion while seniors ate and collaborated with each other.

The Friends of North Brookfield Council on Aging hosted a raffle for the seniors during the outreach event. This non-profit organization

did a great job bringing seniors together during this outreach program.

The Friends of North Brookfield Council on Aging consists of Carol Hawkins as President, Paula Cummings as Vice President, Gisela Rivera as Secretary, and Connie Martell as Treasurer. Mary Jane Sheldon and Kathy Pasiereb also serve as directors on the Friend's board.

Gisela Rivera was handing out raffle tickets to the seniors who had an opportunity to win some interest-

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- community -

2nd annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be held Sept. 13

STURBRIDGE – The 2nd annual Friends of the Poor Walk followed by its first Family Fun Day will be held on Saturday, Sept. 13 from noon-6 p.m. on the Sturbridge Town Common.

Featuring Maggie the Clown, alpacas from Ledgecreek Farm, a variety of vendors, food, games for both children and adults, a DJ, live music by G Note & The Tinman, and much more.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will go toward

supporting local individuals and families in need across Brimfield, Brookfield, Holland, Sturbridge, Wales, and other nearby towns. The St. Vincent de Paul Society in Fiskdale provides practical assistance throughout the year, including emergency housing, rental and utility help, food, clothing, and other essential needs –serving people of all backgrounds and faiths.

The Fiskdale conference raises funds through parish poor boxes, public

donations, and events such as this one. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul operates in 153 countries, with more than 4,000 local conferences, and is run entirely by members committed to tackling poverty in all its forms.

For more information contact svdpfiskdalepr@gmail.com. To make a donation, visit the website: svdpfiskdale.org and click on the “Donate” button.

To register for the event, go to the events tab at svdpfiskdale.org.

Second Chance seeks clothing and linens donations

EAST BROOKFIELD – Cleaning out your closets? You can now bring used clothing donations to Second Chance Animal Services East Brookfield or North Brookfield locations.

Second Chance has partnered with St. Pauly Textile Inc. to provide a wood-frame clothing drop-off shed for community use. The sheds are designed to give community members a uniquely clean, convenient, and well-cared-for option to donate their used linens and clothing to.

St. Pauly Textile Inc. partners with businesses and various organizations

to distribute donated items both here in the U.S. and worldwide, where they’re ultimately re-worn by people who need them. Second Chance receives funding for donated clothing and additionally has the option to use donated items like towels and blankets to care for pets.

With over 1,600 clothing drop-off sheds in place, St. Pauly Textile Inc. collects over 175,000 pounds of clothing a day and estimates that this clothing ends up in 44 different countries (including the U.S.) yearly. In 2024, the company was able to help keep over 64 million ar-

ticles of clothing out of landfills, which clothed an estimated 7.8 million people worldwide.

The company was founded in 1996 and is an A+ rated member of the Better Business Bureau.

Accepted items: clothing, shoes, belts, purses, towel, blankets, sheets, curtains, pillowcases, and stuffed animals.

The donation sheds are located at the Second Chance Adoption Center, 111 Young Road, East Brookfield and the North Brookfield Community Veterinary Hospital, 372 North Main St., North Brookfield.

NESFI events presents ‘A Pollinator Field Study’ Sept. 11

BELCHERTOWN – On Thursday, Sept. 11 at 3:30 p.m. (rain date Sept. 16), UMass professor and post-doctoral researcher Dr. Jules Davis will lead a field study exploring late summer pollination on the New England Small Farm Institute campus, 270 Jackson St.

Participants will learn about the several flowers that bloom in late summer. They will also learn to identify some of the

many pollinators active at this time of year.

During field work, participants will find a selected flower species and collect data on the pollinators found on it. Students will be exposed to basic field study data collection and analysis techniques. Bring your cameras.

In addition, participants will have the option to collect an insect, identify it and prepare it for an

insect collection with the help of Davis.

Please pre-register at info@smallfarm.org and indicate if you are interested in collecting an insect. Suggested donation per person: \$10

Walk-ins are allowed if spots are available. Students in grades six to 12 (and parents welcome, too).

For more information, visit NESFI’s website: www.smallfarm.org.

Flea Market will be held on the West Brookfield Common Sept. 13

WEST BROOKFIELD – The First Congregational Church, 36 North Main St. has been hosting their Flea Market on the town Common for more than 50 years.

This year the Flea Market will be held on Saturday, Sept. 13 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tell your friends and come out for

a day of bargains and yummy a lunch.

New this year is a tag sale inside the church. Come in for more bargains.

Sellers of all kinds are welcome – flea folk, antique sellers, crafters, product vendors, and those emptying out basements and attics. No food vendors, please.

Spaces are available for \$40 for a 20 x 20 grassy spot. Vendors must bring their own tables and tents. The church will sponsor a food tent with grilled lunch, cold drinks and sweet treats.

Email Karen at fccofwbfleamarket@gmail.com for an application or call her at 508-801-7692.

Medicare 101 educational event to take place on Sept. 16

NORTH BROOKFIELD – The North Brookfield Senior Center will be hosting an educational presentation on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 11 a.m. at the senior center located at 29 Forest St., for current beneficiaries and for those who will soon be eligible for Medicare.

West Brookfield seniors are also invited. The infor-

mation is specific to Massachusetts. The session will run from 1 to 1.5 hours, including time for questions.

The presentation will be conducted by Ed Spater, a licensed Insurance agent, who will explain the basics of Medicare including: why it’s important to evaluate your current Medicare coverage each year; the pros

and cons of each of your Medicare coverage options; what to consider when deciding which Medicare coverage option is right for you; ways to save money and get better Medicare coverage in 2024.

For accommodations of persons with special needs at meetings call 774-271-5199 or 711 for TTY callers.

Haston Free Public Library lists upcoming events

NORTH BROOKFIELD – The Haston Free Public Library, 161 North Main St., lists upcoming events for the month of August.

For more information or to register for any of these events, stop by or call the library at 508-867-0208 or email hastonfreepubliclibrary@gmail.com.

Adult D&D interest meetup

The library is gauging interest and availability to explore the possibility of starting an adult Dungeons & Dragons or

tabletop gaming group at the library. An interest meetup will be held on Saturday, Aug. 30 at 10:30 a.m.

Tabletop Gaming at the Library

Young adults are welcome to join the Tabletop Gaming group on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. No experience is necessary.

Dungeon World

Adults and teens are welcome to embark on an epic adventure playing Dungeon World, a beginner-friendly roleplaying game on Thursdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

USPS has hiring event at East Brookfield library

EAST BROOKFIELD – Join the U.S. Postal Service team at the East Brookfield Public Library, 122 Connie Mack Drive on Tuesday, Sept. 9 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. to discuss career opportunities in your area.

Positions include City Carrier Assistant, Rural Carrier Associate and Maintenance Mechanic. If you have any questions, please contact Caryn at 978-962-2371.

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Register for Rotary's annual TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K, 1K & Fun Walk

STURBRIDGE – The Rotary Club of Sturbridge has announced that pre-registration is now open for its popular TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K, 1K, and Fun Walk, which is slated to return on Sunday, Oct. 26, according to club president and race director Klaus Hachfeld.

“To pre-register for this year’s event, just go to getmeregistered.com, and type ‘Sturbridge’ in the search field in the upper right-hand corner,” said Hachfeld. Participants who pre-register by Oct. 21 will get a free 2025 TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K T-shirt.

Registration is now open for its popular TREK Sturbridge Halloween 5K, 1K, and Fun Walk, which is slated to return on Sunday, Oct. 26, according to club president and race director Klaus Hachfeld.

All activities begin at the OSV Education Center on Old Sturbridge Village Road (not to be confused with Old Sturbridge Village Academy at the main entrance to the village). Parking will be available in the Education Center lot.

The family-friendly event offers two timed races, including a 5K Trail Run & Fun Walk, and a 1K Pre-Teen Run. In the spirit of the season, participants are encouraged to come in costume. The event also includes free children’s game starting at 9 a.m. at the Education Center.

The timed 1K Pre-Teen Run (\$20 registration) starts at 9:15 a.m. This is for the 12 and under crowd, and the course is accessible for anyone with mobility challenges.

The timed 5K Trail Run (\$35 registration) & Fun Walk (\$30 registration) will start at 10 a.m. using Old Sturbridge Village Road and the Arbutus Park Trail in the Leadmine Mountain Wildlife Conservation Lands.

An awards ceremony will follow at 11:15 a.m. starting with a competition for best Halloween costume for all registered runners and walkers. Judging will be by popular choice.

On-site registration will also be available starting at 8:30 a.m. on the day of the race.

The Trek Sturbridge Halloween 5K and Fun Walk is a Sturbridge Rotary Club fundraiser, with all profits going to the organization’s community needs projects.

For additional information, or to sign on as an event sponsor, email the race director at laserklaus@gmail.com. Or visit the Sturbridge Rotary Club website at <https://sturbridgerotary.com>.

On Saturday, the Family Picnic begins on the church lawn at 5 p.m. after the 4 p.m. Mass. Music by DJ Richard “Tabby” LeBlanc, lawn games, fair style food, and plenty of raffles will be offered from 5-7 p.m.

On Sunday, there will be music by DJ Richard “Tabby” LeBlanc, lawn games, bake sale, and plenty of raffles. Chicken dinners will be served (eat in and take out) from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Music and raffles will be available both days. For chicken dinner tickets and more information, please call the parish office Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at 508-867-6469.

Close of Concerts on the Common is Aug. 30

NORTH BROOKFIELD – Concerts on the Common will be held on select Saturdays on the town common from 6-8 p.m.

The final concert of the season will be held on Aug. 30 and features the Superchargers.

These concerts are free, but tips for the band and free will donations toward future events are appreciated. Food trucks

will be available, or people are welcome to bring their own.

Chairs, blankets or something to sit on are encouraged, as well as insect, sun and weather protection.

The Concerts on the Common series is made possible by the North Brookfield Parks and Recreation and the North Brookfield Cultural Council.

DCR offers Quabbin Park Cemetery tour set for Aug. 31

WARE – Join Department of Conservation and Recreation staff for engaging, family-friendly programs that explore the rich history and natural beauty of the Quabbin Reservoir.

From guided hikes to indoor talks, there’s something for everyone, just be sure to dress for the weather and bring water. Dogs are not allowed anywhere on Quabbin property.

All programs are free, but registration is required. Space is limited – 25 spots for outdoor programs and

45 for indoor events.

You can learn more about all of these programs and register by going to www.friendsofquabbin.org/dcr-programs.

Quabbin Park Cemetery tour

On Sunday, Aug. 31 from 1-2 p.m. take a walk through the Quabbin Park Cemetery and learn about the history and lives of residents (both prominent and ordinary) of the Valley towns. Meet in the Quabbin Park Cemetery off Route 9 in Ware.

Rep. Berthiaume staff announces office hours

State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume and Chief of Staff, Donna, invite constituents and town officials to meet them to express any concerns, ideas or issues that they may need assistance with.

People may call Donna at 774-402-4742 if they would like a private meeting.

Office hour schedules include Tuesday, Sept. 9 town of West Brookfield,

at the Senior Center from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. and town of Brookfield at the Town Hall, 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.; on Wednesday, Sept. 10 town of East Brookfield at the Senior Center from 11:15 a.m.-noon; and on Thursday, Sept. 11 town of New Braintree at the Town Hall from 10-10:45 a.m.; town of North Brookfield Town Hall from 11 a.m.-noon.

Thrift Store at Methodist Church open on select Saturdays

WEST BROOKFIELD – The Thrift Store of the George Whitefield United Methodist Church is open the first and third Saturdays of each month, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at 33 West Main St.

Many lovely summer wardrobe selections are now available for women, men and children, as well as other seasonal updates to inventory. The Thrift

Store offers quality used clothing, shoes, accessories, household goods, décor, picture frames, children’s toys, books and DVDs at bargain prices.

Donations of gently used items are appreciated and may be arranged by contacting Jane Dolan at 508-867-5571. Proceeds from sales support the church’s ministries and missions.

West Brookfield Farmers Market is held on Wednesdays

WEST BROOKFIELD – The West Brookfield Farmers Market has returned on the beautiful West Brookfield Common for its 15th consecutive season.

The market is held on Wednesdays from 3-6 p.m., rain or shine, throughout the spring, summer and early fall.

The 2025 season the

market will feature 17 vendors with a wide array of locally grown and made goods including three new vendors sure to please the palate.

The West Brookfield Farmers Market is held every Wednesday afternoon from 3-6 p.m. on the common starting on June 4 through Oct. 8, rain or shine.

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How do I apply for Social Security and receive my payments?

Dear Rusty:
I'm ready to apply for my Social Security benefits, and I'm aware of how my benefits are calculated. What I would like to know about is how the application process actually works and how my benefits are received.

Signed: Ready to Collect

Dear Ready to Collect:
Essentially, you have two main options for applying for Social Security benefits, and also two separate options for receiving your payments:

To apply for benefits, you can either contact Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 to make a telephone appointment to complete your application while speaking to an SSA representative on the phone or you can submit your application for SS benefits online.

When using the telephone option, you will be guided by an SSA agent while completing your application and can discuss your benefit options directly with that agent, just be sure to be available to receive SSA's call at the scheduled time. You can also make an appointment by calling your local SS field office directly get the number for your local SS office at this link: www.ssa.gov/locator. It is not usually necessary to visit your local SSA office in person to apply.

If you are reasonably proficient with computers, you can, instead, apply online, but you will first need to create your personal SSA account online at www.ssa.gov/myaccount. Once you have your personal account set up, you will be able to see your estimated benefit amount at different claim ages, which should help you decide when it is best to apply. Here is a short video which explains the process for applying for benefits online: https://www.ssa.gov/hlp/video/iclaim_r01.htm.

If applying online, you can start your online application at www.ssa.gov/apply and re-access it multiple times as needed until you are ready to submit it; just be sure to write down the "reentry code," which is provided when you begin your online application.

When you are ready to submit the application, just select "Submit" and your application will be sent to SSA's application processing unit for review. They will contact you if there are any questions about your application or if any additional documentation is needed. Note that it typically takes a couple of months for your payments to start and note that payment is made in the month following the month earned. For example, if you begin your benefits in August your first payment will be received in September on either the second, third or fourth Wednesday of each month thereafter, depending on your birthday.

For receiving your monthly SS payments: you will (on your application) be able to specify how you wish your monthly payments to be made. The preferred option used by most beneficiaries is to have your monthly Social Security payment deposited into a financial (e.g., bank) account, details for which you will specify when applying. However, you can also choose to receive your monthly payments in the form of a debit card called "Direct Express," which will be replenished monthly. If you choose to have your payment deposited in your bank account, be sure to have your bank account information ready when you apply. Note that Social Security no longer issues payments via printed checks except in rare circumstances.

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Great egret

A Brimfield resident reported he visited Lake Wallace in Belchertown with a friend last week and saw a great egret.

They also saw a great blue heron, at least three green herons, a few Phoebes and an Eastern kingbird. There were also several ducks, mallards and wood ducks. The two male wood ducks were in eclipse plumage.

The great egret is slightly smaller than the great blue heron, but they are still large birds with an impressive wingspan. They hunt in the classic heron way standing immobile or wading through water to capture fish with their bill. At one point, egrets were hunted to near extinction for their feathers for hat decoration. The great egret is the symbol of the National Audubon Society.

Rivalry among nestlings is common and the larger chicks frequently kill their smaller siblings. The great egret is white with a yellow bill and black legs. During breeding, a patch of skin on its face turns neon green and long plumes grow from its back called aigrettes. These aigrettes were prized for ladies hats.

Great egrets fly slowly, but powerfully with just two wingbeats per second at a speed of about 25 miles per hour. The oldest known Great Egret was 22 years, 10 months old and was banded in Ohio.

Eagle sighting

A New Braintree resident and a friend went bass fishing on Brooks Pond in North Brookfield in a canoe recently. Half way out on the pond, they started to hear the seagull like calls of an eagle. As they rounded a little peninsula on the left side up in the top of a broken pine was a large eagle's nest.

The broken pine made a perfect platform for them to build a nest. They then saw the two mature adult pair with their white heads on a stump near the

water. Up in the pine near the nest were two juvenile eagles, all dark brown. They weren't flying, but just squeaking for food.

They actually looked quite big for baby eagles. His friend said it was because they still had their fluffy feathers and developing new feathers.

They fished nearby and watched them hop around. They seemed unbothered by them being about 60 feet from the shore of the peninsula. Eventually the two adult eagles flew off probably in search of a meal for their big babies. So neat to be able to see eagles fairly common now in Massachusetts.

Male cardinal

I received this email, "I was just walking the dog after dark and my flashlight came upon this guy (male cardinal). I have seen him every night since. We just stare at each other for a few seconds and say good night."

Loon census

The Loon Preservation Committee reported on Saturday, July 19 from 8-9 a.m., 566 volunteers simultaneously surveyed 135 lakes across New Hampshire for loons. Together, they counted 541 adult loons and 109 loon chicks during the census hour. The New Hampshire loon census is part of a larger regional effort. While N.H. participants were out surveying for loons on their lakes, hundreds of volunteers in Maine, Vermont, and New York were doing the same. This simultaneous survey of so many lakes helps create a "snapshot in time" of not just the loon population here in New Hampshire, but across the Northeast.

Helping birds

A reader from South Hadley suggested I include a section about ways to help birds. She even provided several tips for future columns. Some people also continue to put out suet and that is so dangerous. It gets rancid in the heat and that's bad for birds. Perhaps even worse, it gets their feet and chest feathers greasy and when the preens, they spread the grease all over their bodies. This interferes with a bird's natural waterproofing and can also cause their nestling to be covered in grease.

Sandhill cranes

An Oakham resident saw two sandhill cranes in Barre on Aug. 14 in a field across from the Listening Center. Sandhill cranes also visit his field in Oakham as well.

Warren birds

The Brimfield resident said, "In Warren this week there are still adult ospreys about, on two visits I saw and adult on or near the nest. I have not seen a juvenile out of the nest so am not sure if any young fledged this year. I saw one chick in the nest earlier this summer and there is an eBird report from July with a picture of a fully grown chick in the nest with an adult. It's unknown if the chick fledged successfully?" In Warren at the pond on New Reed Street the past several years I had seen Great Egrets there in August but none have been seen there this year.

Cedar waxwings

The Brimfield resident in referring to recent mention in this column about cedar waxwings, said a large part of their diet is fruit based. He read an article that stated that because their diet is mostly fruit based that if a waxwing nest is parasitized by a brown-headed cowbird the cowbird chick is not likely to survive because it can't survive on the fruit based diet.

I visited the section of Ware River recently where my daughter has seen cedar waxwings and I was not disappointed. I stood and watched them fly over the water and into nearby trees. They moved so quickly I was unsuccessful in watching them through binoculars.

Bird bath

The Brimfield resident reports the bird bath in his yard is getting lots of use, especially by catbirds and blue jays. Goldfinch show up and drink from the drip as well as black-capped chickadees, chipping sparrows and house finches.

Four juvenile raccoons are regular visitors to the bird bath. He has a trail camera near the bird bath and it captures lots of pictures of the raccoons in the bird bath. Not sure what they are doing, it doesn't look like they are drinking and sometime the stones in the bath are moved around. A couple of times he's seen a pickerel frog in the bird bath.

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.



Gardening tasks best accomplished now

The mornings have been a little cooler this last week or so. I must admit that after the summer we had, the respite from the heat is a welcome relief.

With the unofficial end of summer just a few short days away, folks are starting to think about winterizing their pools, getting their boats in storage, closing up their cottages and the like. There are a number of things that we gardeners can do now to ease winter's blow and set the stage for a successful garden next year!

Here is a replay of a timely column that lays it all out there.

Order spring flowering bulbs now. I ordered mine just last week!

For the widest array of tulips, daffodils, crocus and the like, consider making your selection from a mail order company. Most have great web sites, offering photos of pretty much everything they sell. Our bulbs will arrive in early October – the perfect time for planting!

We get them into the soil prior to the ground freezing so that they will have a chance to send out roots, perfect little anchors for winter heave/thaw cycles. Once spring comes it is all about flowering. Yippee – a welcome sign that brighter days lie ahead!

Cure squash and pumpkins well prior to storage. Give your cucurbits a couple of weeks in

the sun up off of the ground before you bring them indoors. This will harden the vegetable's skin and improve its longevity.

If temperatures dip below 50 degrees at night consistently, find a dry, sunny spot inside to complete their curing, otherwise chilling injury may occur. It's also important to remove them from the garden if bugs or disease threaten.

In my garden I am vigilantly squishing the gray colored squash bugs that like to accumulate under the fruit. Once curing is complete, store squash and pumpkins where there is good air circulation and where temperatures stay around fifty to sixty degrees, with relative humidity between fifty and seventy percent.

Under these conditions most will last eight to twelve weeks depending on variety.

Dig up tender plants. Did you buy rosemary, bay tree, lemon verbena, French lavender or scented geraniums this spring? Unfortunately, not one of these favored herbs is winter hardy in our area.

I usually get them out of the ground once frost threatens, and will bring them inside overnight and back outside during the day for a few weeks until it gets too cold. From that point most of them will thrive in a bright but cool room of the house.

Don't be surprised if the

How students learn about subtraction



lemon verbena loses its leaves soon after you pot it up or that the French lavender doesn't look all that zippy during the winter – both are normal responses. New leaves will sprout and luster will return come March.

Instead of digging tender plants up, some folks prefer to take tip cuttings. During the rooting process, mist a few times a day to prevent wilting. You will have especially good luck rooting scented geraniums – it should take just about a month.

Take cuttings now, before the plant starts prepping for winter (yes, plants do, too!), and you'll

have better luck.

Plant some autumnal color. Mums and kale are at their peak at local garden centers now. Choose a plant that is healthy, free of brown leaves and with a root ball that fills the pot and isn't sunken away.

Use these plants to fill in places in the border where annuals have gone by, or, fill a container or two for a quick burst of fall at your front door. Die-hard gardeners have no problem staving off the onset of winter with a last minute plant installation.

Be sure to cover with a sheet if frost threatens, to prevent the

flowers from being nipped. With careful watering and some good luck, the mums may even return to the garden next season – just as we intend to!

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ing ample opportunities for kids to be assessed in multiple modes," he said.

McCormick said this year's professional development will focus more on what's going on in classrooms and give real-time feedback to teachers.

He said this professional development was also grant funded.

"A lot of the curriculum we've brought on for our elementary and our high school students has been outside of the local budget," he said.

Recognitions

School Committee Vice-Chair Tim Canada thanked former School Committee Chair John Magario for his time served on the committee and his leadership, especially through a difficult budget season. He wel-

comed Maggie Woodward to the committee, who was recently appointed to fill the vacancy by the Board of Selectmen.

"My thanks goes to John for his time when he was here and for Maggie for her upcoming time on the committee," Canada said.

McCormick thanked all of the staff who have worked to prepare for the start of the new school year. He said it has been a team effort, and he is grateful for their dedication.

Subcommittee reports

Canada said they are still negotiating the contract with the custodians, and a meeting is set for the following week. He said the teachers' contract has already been finalized.

School Committee member Matt Grant said the tuition agreement task force recently met with

the superintendent of the Quabbin Regional School District. He said there are two school districts that are interested in having a tuition agreement with North Brookfield, with the other being Quaboag Regional School District.

Grant said they also discussed a tuition agreement with the Spencer-East Brookfield School District, but that school committee determined that this would not be the best time to do so. He said they would be open to considering it in the future.

The task force will meet Wednesday, Sept. 13, to review the presentation from the Quabbin Regional School District. He said the meetings are open to the public and all are welcome.

The task force members hope to present their findings to the School Committee in October.

Administrators' report

Beck said he is familiarizing himself the school building and policy. He has been interviewing candidates to fill staff vacancies.

He said the daily schedule for middle and high school students is different this year, as the advisory period has been removed from the daily schedule and put into a rotation. He said students will be working with the new social emotional learning curriculum.

Elementary School Principal Arthur Murphy said they will continue PBIS and the incentive "star" buck program. He said they have partnered with the Police Department to provide cruiser rides to school as one of the incentives.

"We do a lot of things to just make the students feel celebrated for their hard work," Murphy said.

Murphy said they will

be adding a What I Need Now block to provide targeted support and enrichment to all students.

"It's a flexible block that allows for differentiated instruction, addressing both academic gaps and fostering student interest," he said.

Baldassarre said he has had a great start in the school district with meeting with staff and students.

He has submitted entitlement grants on behalf of the school district, and he is waiting to hear back about approvals. He said the grant funding will be used the same way it was used the previous school year.

Baldassarre said he has scheduled a meeting for families of special education students to be held on Sept. 23 at 6 p.m. He said this first meeting will be held virtually to help reduce barriers.

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At the Fun Fest, Lavin says dogs will be able to "try it" by finding food in boxes. All dogs will be on leash and searching one at a time. Any donations for the searching will be given to the Town House Committee.

The dog training will be held at Bike House Brewery, located at 31 East Brookfield Road in North Brookfield on Sunday, Sept. 28 from noon-4 p.m. during the Fall Family Fun Fest. More information can be found on www.homestead-farmnosework.com.

The event is sponsored by the Friends of the North Brookfield Town House. Money raised from this event will be used to help with the restoration and renovation of the Town House.

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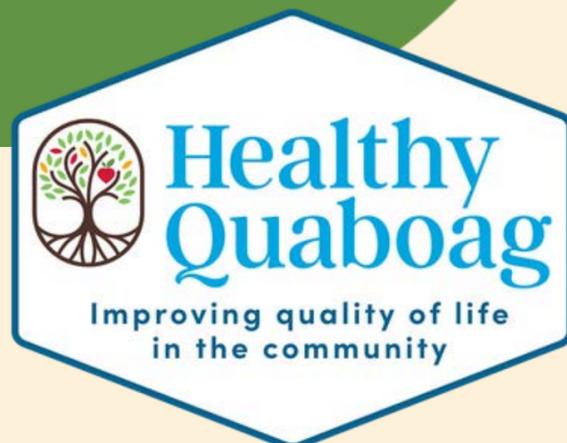


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described as a loyal family man, a Marine warrior, legal scholar, and public servant.

Far and Terry were good friends growing up in town and shared similar passions such as throwing a baseball, playing a sport, and riding bikes. Far described staying for an evening meal at the Terry household was like Thanksgiving with so many people and so much food to enjoy.

After his service in the Marine Corps, Terry went to law school and would become a Marine lawyer. He had a successful career and was once a legal assistant to Colin Powell, who was Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

After retiring from the Marine Corps as a full Colonel, Terry worked briefly for the Department of the Interior. He was recruited to work at the State Department by Secretary of State, Colin Powell. Terry was nominated and confirmed by the Senate as the Chairman of the Board of Veteran's Appeals. Far said this position can be described as a "very difficult and thankless position."

From Far's point of view, Terry's most important quality was his powerful and persistent perseverance and Far hopes that this quality of his is forever remembered.

"I hope the Town of East Brookfield remembers Jimmy," Far said.

His contributions and accomplishments as a loyal citizen of the East Brookfield community are certainly remembered and with this corner dedication, the intersection in East Brookfield will forever be remembered as Terry Corner.

Far introduced Terry's daughter, Kristin Terry Abati, to share some words



Shown from left are Mathew Abati, Kristin Terry Abati, Mikki Terry (Terry's wife), and Rich Abati next to the plaque placed at Terry Corner.

and stories about her father. Kristin said her father loved building rock walls, sailing, and would always want to fix someone a drink.

If Terry was here the day of this dedication, Kristin said, "he would've loved this" and see everyone come together in the community he grew up in. Though he had tremendous success in his life, Terry was the kind of person who wanted to see everyone achieve success.

"In general, my dad wanted everyone to succeed," Kristin said

One close friend of the Terry Family, Joel, who served in the Navy, shared that Jimmy Terry helped him go to college. Joel is one of many people Terry helped in his lifetime as he wanted them to find success in life.

Terry was very dedicated to his family, which had multiple members who served in various branches of the military. His distinguished awards include The Purple Heart, The Bronze Star with "V" device, The Legion of Merit, The Navy Commendation Medal, The Defense Superior Service Medal, The State Department Superior Honor Award, and many



Kristin Terry Abati is Colonel James Terry's daughter who shared stories about her father.

others.

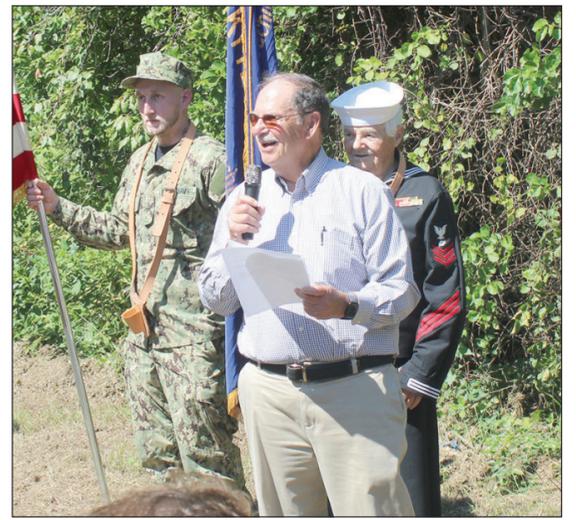
State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume and Senator Peter Durant attended this dedication ceremony as the sign for Terry Corner was about to be revealed. Durant spoke and said, "This is Podunk" to a lot of people and this dedication to James Terry is a good example that "ordinary people can do amazing things."

Both Durant and Berthiaume presented citations to the Terry family as the sign

was about to be revealed. Select Board Member Andy Lynch would come up next to the sign to formally dedicate this intersection in Colonel Terry's honor.

The intersection will be known as Terry Corner in honor of Colonel James Terry's service.

"May this place, marked with his name, serve as a lasting reminder not only of Jim Terry's legacy, but as an



Bob Far, a lifelong friend of James Terry, shared memories and stories during the dedication in the area they refer to as Podunk.



State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume and state Sen. Peter Durant with citations from the Senate and the House of Representatives to present to the Terry family during the dedication ceremony.

inspiration for future generations to serve their country, their community, and one another with the same unwavering dedication," stated by Lynch.

Many applauded as the plaque was revealed and members of the Terry family and friends gathered to read and take photographs. Terry's wife Mikki was in attendance and said this dedication "means the world" to her and her family. It also

means the world to all who grew up in Podunk and those who were close friends to James Terry.

"You can tell by the lifelong friends," Mikki said, who believes this dedication to the memory of Terry helps grow patriotism.

It was a great historical moment in East Brookfield as Terry Corner was officially established in the area of town that is forever known as Podunk.



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Over 50 seniors met this past Saturday to enjoy a nice meal, dessert and music hosted by the North Brookfield Senior Center.

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ing prizes. All the prizes were donated by the Friends of the North Brookfield Council on Aging. Prizes consisted of gift baskets, candles, blankets, gift cards, mugs and other useful items.

After lunch, Courtenay Rivera had some announcements to share with the seniors. The Senior Center Director wanted to share ideas with the seniors on what to offer in the future.

"This is your Senior Center," Rivera stated.

The Friends of North Brookfield Council on Aging will be hosting an event at the Senior Center on Nov. 15. The event will be an Evening

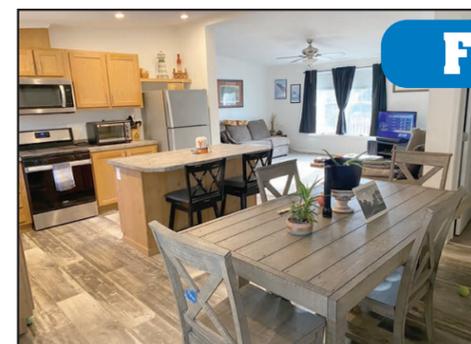


Raffle prizes were up for grabs and donated by the Friends of the North Brookfield Council on Aging

of Entertainment. The Senior Center will also be hosting a free Thanksgiving Luncheon on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving on Nov. 19.

For more information and activities at the Senior Center, visit the Senior Center page on the North Brookfield web-

site, www.northbrookfield.net. The Friends of the North Brookfield Council on Aging can be followed on their Facebook page. This nonprofit organization looks forward to offering more activities for the senior citizens of North Brookfield.



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Girls soccer gets bronze at Bay State Games

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

FITCHBURG—Both the Central and West girls' soccer teams began the annual Bay State Summer games with losses last month from July 10 to 12.

A couple of hours later, the West squad celebrated a 6-1 victory over the Central team at the Game On Sports and Performance Center in Fitchburg.

"We didn't play very well in our first game this morning," said West head coach Matt Mosher, who also coaches the St. Mary's (Westfield) girls' varsity soccer team. "Once we got into a rhythm, especially during the second half, we took it to them in this game. We were a lot more aggressive."

The members of the West team, who are from the Turley Publications coverage area, are Allison Fleury (South Hadley), Kiana Ramos (South Hadley), Hannah



TURLEY PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI
Kallie Tevepauh clears the ball away for Central.

Laura Wray-Ramos, who's the longtime girls' varsity soccer coach at Agawam High School.

"It took Laura and I a game to find out which players play well together. We moved some players around to different positions," Mosher said. "A lot of the players have played on the same club

on their roster are from Western Massachusetts.

"About five years ago, we noticed that the Central team didn't have enough players," said Central head coach Eric Wood, who also coaches the girls' soccer team at the MacDuffie School in Granby. "We now fill out the Central roster with the players who



Alivia Marcello chases down the loose ball.



Allison Fleury, of South Hadley, socks a shot away.

don't make the West team. We have 15 players from Western Mass. on this year's team. It's been a great situation."

The other members of the Central team, who are from the Turley Publications coverage area, were Rylee Joesph (Holyoke/Hampshire Reg.), Eleanor Szlosek (Granby), Taylor Bartosz (Wilbraham/Minnechaug Reg.) Filomena Stellato (Agawam), Brenna

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Willow Claps is pressured for the West team.

West dominates Bay State Games

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

FITCHBURG—The West boys' soccer team won the gold medal at the 2022 and 2023 Bay State Summer Games. After finishing in third place a year ago, the West squad didn't have very much trouble capturing the gold medal this year.

The boys' soccer showcase took place at the Game On Sports and Performance Center in Fitchburg last month July 10 to 12.

The West team began the tournament with a pair of victories.

After overcoming an early 1-0 deficit to defeat Metro, 5-1, in the morning match last Thursday, the West team dispatched the Central team, 6-0, in the afternoon affair.

"We're off to a very good start in this tournament, but we haven't accomplished anything yet," said Hugo Destapdo, who coached the West boys' soccer team at the Bay State Summer Games for the first time. "We do have a solid group of players, but we're going to be facing some very good



TURLEY PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI
Griffen Wrisley, of Chicopee, heads for the goal with possession of the ball.



Tiago Despatado, of Chicopee, goes after the loose ball.

competition during the next couple of days."

During the fall, Destapdo is the boys' varsity coach at Chicopee High School. He

replaced Marc Atkins as the West coach at the Bay State

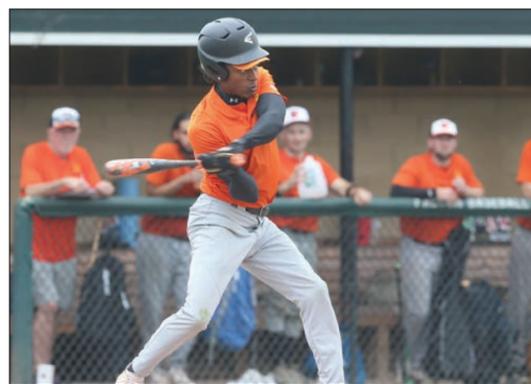
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Orioles hold on for Valley Wheel title



TURLEY PHOTOS BY DAVID HENRY WWW.SWEETDOGPHOTOS.COM
The Orioles claimed the 2025 Valley Wheel Over-28 Baseball League Championship on Sunday, Aug. 17, beating the Twins 8-7.

WILBRAHAM — On Sunday, Aug. 17 at Spec Pond, the Orioles staged off a big comeback from the top-seeded Twins to win the Valley Wheel Over-28 Baseball League championship. The Twins would hold a 4-2 lead until the Orioles rallied and eventually held an 8-4 lead going into the bottom of the ninth inning. The Twins would score three times and get the tying run to second base before the Orioles were finally able to close it out for the title.



Henry Henriquez takes a swing.

Besaw takes over as new Quabbin football coach

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

BARRE—The Quabbin Regional football team finished the 2024 campaign with a 7-4 overall record.

Mike Besaw, who has been the Panthers defensive coordinator for the past two seasons, was planning on coaching the defensive unit again in the fall.

While Besaw will still be calling the defensive plays on Friday nights, he was recently named as the Panthers new head coach. He takes over the reins from Wayne Page, who was hired as the new football coach at Grafton High School, which is his alma mater.

Page, who was a quarterback in high school, posted a 21-22 record during the past four seasons. He'll still be a physical education teacher

at Quabbin during the 2025-26 school year.

"Wayne turned this football program around during the past four years," said Besaw, who's also an assistant coach for the indoor and outdoor track teams at Quabbin. "I thought he would be coaching here for a while, but he was hired by his hometown high school. We're just looking to keep the momentum going. I'm very excited to have this coaching opportunity."

Page, who's coaching the Quabbin Middle School baseball team this spring, has a tremendous amount of respect for Besaw, who had only been an assistant high school football coach for the past 35 years.

"Coach Besaw has coached at many schools

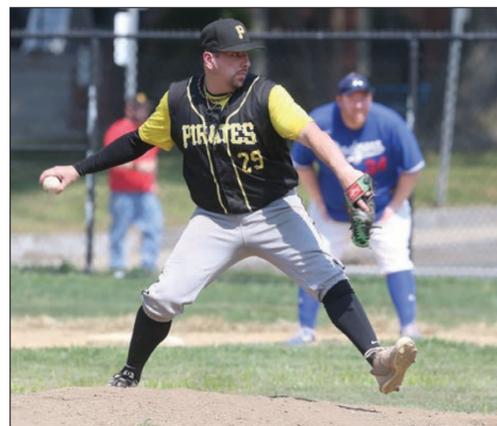
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Quabbin Valley playoffs get underway

SOUTH HADLEY — Last Sunday, the Quabbin Valley Baseball League playoffs got underway with a pair of quarterfinal games.

In one matchup, the Tigers defeated the Braves 12-8 thanks to some great pitching late in the game by the Tigers' Brad Bullough. The Dodgers walked off on the Pirates in the other matchup 17-16 when a hit by Andrew Tuck plated the winning run.

The Cardinals defeated the Dodgers 9-7 and the Orioles defeated the Tigers 17-7 in the semifinals held on Aug. 24, setting up a Cardinals-Orioles championship game on Sunday, Sept. 7 at 10 a.m. Booster Field in Easthampton.



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The Pirates' Sam Crotto delivers to the plate.



Pitcher Mike Afflitto sends a pitch home.



Shortstop Aiden Breen makes a play.



Bob Eccelston fields a grounder to second.

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Athlete of the Month

NAME: Juliana Fluery
SCHOOL: Tantasqua

Fluery was a member of the Tantasqua Summer Warriors, which captured the title on Aug. 10 in the Spec Pond Summer Basketball League.

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Moreno (Granby), Grace Sherman (Holyoke, South Hadley H.S.) and Kali White (Granby).

Even though the Central team went 0-4, it was still an enjoyable experience for the players.

"I just want my players to have a lot of fun here," Wood said. "I also keep in touch with the players throughout the year."

The Central squad took an early 1-0 lead following an unassisted goal by White.

A couple of minutes later, White had another shot attempt that clanged off the post.

The West team tied the score at 1-1 with less than two minutes remaining in the opening half.

Willow Claps (Northampton) blasted a shot that deflected off the goalie's hands into the left corner of the net.

At the start of the second half, Warner put a shot into the upper left corner giving the West squad a 2-1 advantage. She also scored the final



Grace Sherman, of Holyoke, passes the ball up the field.



Hannah Haesaert, of South Hadley, plays the ball off her chest.

goal of the match.

The other three second half goals scored by the West team during the second half were by Kate Moccio (Longmeadow), Addison Perich (Westfield), and Haesaert.

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Kylie Warner, of Feeding Hills, sends a shot into the net for the West team.

Filloma Stellato fights for possession of the ball.



Evan Tyrrell looks up the field as he makes a pass.



Fikayomi Ankitan starts up the field after making a play on defense.

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games.

The members of the 2025 West boys' soccer team, who are from the Turley Publications coverage area, are John Carra (Agawam), Timothy Haley (Belchertown), Yousif Hamid (Chicopee), Spencer Parsons (South Hadley), Tyler Supczak (Wilbraham), Evan Tyrrell (Chicopee), Griffen Wrisley (Chicopee), Chase Henderson (Wilbraham), Tiago Destapdo (Chicopee), and Braeden Fitzgerald (Agawam/Pope Francis).

"Several college coaches will be attending these games, so this is a very good

showcase for the players," Destapdo said. "There are a lot of talented soccer players in Western Mass."

The worst part of being a coach of an All-Star team is having to make cuts at try-outs.

"We had 35 players try-out, and we have 20 players on our team," Destapdo said. "Having to make cuts is very difficult. I wish we could've taken all 35 players."

The duo Henderson and Max Graham (Southwick/Pope Francis) combined to post the shutout against Central.

"They're different types of goalies," Destapdo said. "Chase is just tremendous with his feet. If he wasn't a goalie, he would be a very



Brandon Barker is pressured near the opposing goal.

good field player. Max is a physical goalie."

Henderson, who's a raising senior, played the first half against the Central team.

Graham, who's a raising sophomore, played the second half.

The West goalies received plenty of support from a locked down defensive unit led by Fitzgerald, Supczak, Hamid, and Casey Bestler (Frontier Reg.).

The West scored four goals during the first half against Central.

Glodie Manyegezi (Springfield Central) scored two of the goals. The other two first half goals were netted by Brandon Barker (West Springfield), and Will Sean-McNally (Northampton).

The two second half goals were scored by Cajun Benson (Smith Academy). Sean-McNally was credited with both assists.

The following day, the West team won two more matches against Northeast, 2-0, and Southeast, 5-0.

The West team then captured the Gold medal by squeaking out a 2-1 win against Coastal last Saturday morning.

In their five Bay State matches, the West team outscored their opponents, 20-2.

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Meservey, Riendeau, Farnum win at Monadnock

WINCHESTER, N.H. - Third-generation open-wheel ace Brett Meservey dominated Saturday night's 75-lap MRS Modified main event at Monadnock Speedway, as the Bay State blaster - last summer's series' Rookie of The Year - led 63 of the last 64 laps en route to his first career MRS win.

With Saturday's breakthrough victory, Meservey stayed atop the series' airtight 2025 championship points race - he came into the night's event only four markers ahead of Brian Robie, third in Saturday's 75-lapper - and, with the win, secured a guaranteed starting berth in Thompson Speedway's Race Of Champions biggie set for later this season at the Nutmeg State oval.

Other winners at the Aug. 16 event on the high banks of Monadnock Speedway included Chris Riendeau, the quarter-mile speedplant's reigning Super Street champion, who put his sluggish 2025 campaign back in high gear by soaring to his first win of the summer, and four-holer star Gordon Farnum, victorious for the second time this month.

Aaron Thompson rebounded from a mid-race drubbing to top the Pro V8 Sportsmen.

Young Gun dominator Hunter Duquette earned his sixth victory lap of the summer, and Hayden Kingsley won the visiting 603

Mini Cup series Saturday night feature.

Ryan Doucette and Joey Jarvis led the thundering Modified Racing Series field to the green Saturday, with Doucette immediately taking charge. Previous series winner Matt Kimball, from row two, was close behind and rocketed up to second on lap five.

Meservey, who'd started alongside Kimball, blasted to the deuce spot four laps later, but Kimball wasn't done. Meservey took command on lap 11, with Kimball blasting back to second six circuits later. And the chase was on.

While the 24-year-old Meservey would be strongly tested most of the way, he never wavered en route to his first MRS feature win. Kimball inched ahead on a lap-18 restart but Meservey was soon back at the point and, once in clean air, was unbeatable on this Saturday night.

Brian Robie, the points leader in Monadnock's weekly 604 Modified division, was up to third on lap 28 aboard a new tour car completed only earlier in the day but could advance no further as he settled for Saturday's bronze medal finish behind Meservey and Kimball. Joey Jarvis, strong all night, finished fourth at his 2025 home track, and Brad Zahensky was fifth.

Michael Lashua, stronger and better every week, led the first five go-rounds

of Saturday's 30-lap Twin State Truck Services Super Street main event. Chris Riendeau, though, firing from row three, took charge on lap six and quickly opened a huge lead.

While Riendeau, fully shaking off his summer-long slumber, raced all alone, points leader Dylan Zullo, from way back in row five, passed Zach Zilinski for second but ran out of laps pursuing the blazing Riendeau.

With Zullo padding his 2025 championship points lead in second, Zilinski impressed in third, just ahead of Hillary Renaud. JD Stockwell, second in points entering Saturday's event, finished the night as an in-field spectator, credited with a disappointing 11th.

There were two levels of competition in Saturday's Brattleboro Towing and Recovery Pure Stock feature. There was Gordon Farnum, and then far behind him, everyone else, with some terrific battles for position waged from green to checkers in the one-caution 25-lapper.

Farnum, from row two, took charge on lap three and rocketed off into another time zone to win for the second time this season. Behind him, early leader Addison Brooks, bidding for her first win, held a perfect line until being bumpered aside on the final lap.

Andrea St. Amour fin-

ished second, with Brooks inches behind in third. Jimmy Zellman, the winner a week earlier, was fourth, and points leader Kyle Kenny completed the top five.

Mikey Bollinger took the lead on lap four of the Pro V8 Sportsman feature, with Aaron Thompson soon glued to his bumper. Thompson, though, was ushered to the outside lane on lap 14, his hope for victory then suddenly in doubt, Thompson low-lined back to the front on lap 17, taking the lead from Seth Lamotte and sailing off into the sunset to score a popular victory at his former weekly track. Lamotte held strong for second, and Wollinger finished third.

Racers in the speedway's youth division Young Guns don't compete for points but if they did, Hunter Duquette would be well on his way to the 2025 title town, The Thorndike, Mass. teen led all the way Saturday to score his track-high sixth win of the summer. Maya Bell, victorious a week earlier, was second, and Sofia Rego, shaking down a new ride, came home third.

In the visiting 603 Mini Cups, a division equally powered by motors from Harbor Freight, Hayden Kingsley won by six lengths over Jacob Raby, who rebounded from a mid-race thumping to come home second. Kendall Whitehill was third on the night.

More players wanted for Quabbin fall league

Following up on the resounding success of its inaugural campaign, the Quabbin Valley Baseball League, an over-28 adult baseball league will hold its second Fall League this September and October.

Seeking to create a similar competition environment to its spring/summer league, Quabbin Valley, with contributions from the Valley Wheel Over-28 Baseball League, created a four-team fall league last year featuring the Braves, Dodgers, Cardinals, and Twins.

Those same four teams are set to return and each team tends to have openings on them. Additionally, the league is open to welcoming more teams in to the league if it finds enough interest.

The league is looking for at least one full team to join the league. If you play in an adult league in the region and have most of your team comprising of players over the age of 28 and would like to enter the league, please get in touch as soon as possible.

The league is also attempting to bring in more players over the next two weeks before the projected start date of Sept. 7.

While the fall league schedule is still under construction, it will most-

ly feature Sunday morning games played with wood-bat only, which is customary for fall baseball. There could be some Saturday games added to the schedule depending on the completion of the spring/summer season as well as to makeup rain-outs, potentially. Games are nine-innings long and there is a small playoff and championship held at the end of the season. Last year's fall season was eight games and that is the goal for this year. Free and low-cost fields are used as well as just one umpire in an effort to keep the costs lower for players. The cost to play will likely range from \$40 to \$60 for the eight-game schedule. Players from outside the Quabbin League may also pay a small fee for insurance as well.

An interest/registration form, will be forthcoming soon, but until then, to express interest in the league, you can email the coordinators of the league at either GScibelli22@yahoo.com or ikhandfield@gmail.com.

Schedule and team placement for unaffiliated players will be finalized in mid-to-late August. Please join in the fun this fall.

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over the past 35 years, and I guarantee you that he has had a lasting impact on every single athlete that he has coached," Page said. "He is extremely knowledgeable, organized and motivated. He has had great success everywhere that he has coached, and I don't see that changing here at Quabbin."

Besaw has had some other opportunities to become a head coach in the past, but the timing was never right for him or his family.

"I was an assistant coach at Worcester North when the head coach position was opened after Mike Ross left, but my own kids were still young at that time," he said. "I was also taking classes to become a teacher. It would've been very difficult to juggle everything. This job is a perfect fit for me."

Besaw is also an intervention tutor at Quabbin Middle School.

"I was already teaching here for one year before Wayne offered me the coaching position," Besaw said. "It was the first time during my coaching career that I could walk out of a school building and onto a practice field."

When Besaw was a senior at King Phillip Regional High School, which is in Wrentham, he didn't play football because of a knee injury. He stayed involved

with the football program by helping to coach the Warriors freshman team.

That began his journey as an assistant football coach.

After graduating from UMass-Amherst, Besaw returned to his alma mater as the freshman coach from 1990-94.

Besaw has also been an assistant football coach in Central Mass. at Shrewsbury High School, Marlborough High School, Worcester North, and Burncoat.

"I've learned a lot about football from all of the head coaches that I've worked for over the years," Besaw said. "We have a great coaching staff here at Quabbin and we work very well together. I learned a lot about the offensive side of the ball from coach Page,"

While Besaw isn't allowed under MIAA rules to start coaching the football team until late August, he's planning to hold a meeting with the returning players.

According to Besaw, assistant coach Jay Bergman will be in charge of running the offense.

The Panthers football will be opening the regular season at Gardner before facing North Middlesex in the home opener the following week.

"I just want us to be able to compete in every game that we play," Besaw said. "I can't wait until the season starts."

Grafton will be joining the Mid-Wach League in the fall, but they probably won't be on Quabbin's football schedule for several years.

VolleyHall 2025 induction celebration

HOLYOKE - The excitement is building in Holyoke as we prepare to welcome the volleyball world for the International Volleyball Hall of Fame's 2025 Induction Celebration, taking place Saturday, Oct. 18. This year's milestone event promises to be a weekend to remember, filled with inspiring speeches, historic moments, and the shared pride of honoring the sport's greatest contributors.

The Class of 2025 brings together nine exceptional individuals whose achievements have left an indelible mark on volleyball across the globe. They include Kent Steffes of the USA,

a dominant force in men's beach volleyball; Laura Ludwig of Germany, one of the most decorated women's beach players in history; Dimitar Karov of Bulgaria, a trailblazing men's indoor player; Ivan Miljkovi of Serbia, a powerful and prolific scorer on the men's indoor stage; Rosa Garcia Rivas of Peru, a legendary women's indoor player; Francesca Piccinini of Italy, a beloved women's indoor star; Jürgen Wagner of Germany, an Olympic medal-winning beach volleyball coach; Barry Couzner of Australia, a transformative leader in ParaVolley; and Guillermo "Willy" Paredes of

Argentina, a respected international referee.

In addition to this extraordinary class of inductees, five special award winners will also be recognized for their outstanding contributions to the sport. Joop Alberda will receive the Mintonette Medallion of Merit Award, Peter Diamond will be presented with the Mayoral Award for Excellence, Paul Sunderland will be honored with the Award for Media Excellence, the Court of Honor Award will go to PAVO - Professional Association of Volleyball Officials, and Elegant Affairs will be recognized with the William G. Morgan Award.

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BBB offers tips to help recover from a scam

Scammers are generally after one of two things; they either try to steal your money now, or they try to steal your identity now to steal money from you later (or to pretend to be you to steal from others).

For many scam victims, the loss of personally identifiable information is even worse than losing money, because it's hard to recover. The Better Business Bureau offers the following tips to help people recover from scams.

Put a fraud alert on your credit reports and consider freezing your credit. This will prevent thieves from opening additional lines of credit in your name and causing additional financial distress.

Request a free credit report to make sure that existing lines of credit haven't

been compromised. Follow the guidelines on IdentityTheft.gov for additional recovery strategies. This free resource provided by the Federal Trade Commission will assist in helping you take the steps necessary to notify the appropriate agencies.

In Canada, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has advice for protecting yourself from identity fraud and how to report it.

Monitor your online accounts (banking, credit card, app payment services, etc.) at least weekly to make sure you recognize all the charges.

Change your passwords regularly and don't use the same password for multiple sites.

After you've taken care of yourself, report the scam to BBB Scam Tracker to help

warn others and to provide additional information that may be useful to law enforcement.

If a company you do business with has suffered a data breach, don't panic. Check the company's website or look for an email with instructions on what you should do to follow up. Many companies offer free credit monitoring after a data breach, or have other concrete measures.

With so many major data breaches in the past decade, consumers should assume their data has been compromised in some way and take the same precautions as those who know they've been scammed.

If you've lost money to a retailer because of undelivered merchandise or are being told you must pay more

in order to receive an item, there are several options:

If you used a credit card, contact the credit card company using the number on the back of your card and dispute the charges. If you used a debit card, contact the banking institution immediately to report the loss (use the number on the back of your card).

If you used a third-party app (PayPal, Venmo, etc.), contact them for instruction on next steps.

If you don't get satisfaction through these means, file a complaint at BBB.org and they will try to help you.

If you were responding to an ad on social media (Facebook, Pinterest, Instagram, etc.), report the ad or business and tell the social media channel exactly what happened.

Prioritize your lung health

It's a great time to set some lung health-focused goals.

With each of the 23,000 breaths your lungs take daily, they perform essential work to support overall health.

Whether you're managing asthma, quitting smoking, or simply looking to keep your lungs strong, here are some tips from the American Lung Association in Massachusetts to start the year right.

Get regular check-ups
Regular check-ups help prevent diseases, even when you are feeling well. This is especially true for lung disease, which sometimes goes undetected until it's serious.

During a check-up, your healthcare provider will listen to your breathing and you should share any concerns you may have.

Quit smoking
The American Lung Association encourages people who smoke, vape or use tobacco to resolve to begin their quit journey in 2025 and provides tips and resources at Lung.org/quit-smoking or call the Lung Helpline at 1-800-LUNGUSA (1-800-586-4872). Tobacco remains the number one cause of preventable death in the U.S., and here in Massachusetts.

E-cigarettes are not a safe or effective way to quit. Many health insurance plans cover quit aids and counseling, and if you are uninsured or need a plan that works better for you, open enrollment through the Affordable Care Act marketplaces is available until Jan. 15, 2025, in most states.

More information is available at Lung.org/openenrollment.

Take the quiz
In the U.S., 14 million people are at high risk for lung cancer and are eligible for lifesaving lung cancer screening. Here in Massachusetts, only 24.2% of residents at high risk for lung cancer are screened for the disease each year.

If you smoked, the low-dose CT lung cancer screening test could save your life. Lung cancer, the leading cause of cancer deaths, is more treatable when caught early-survival rates increase by more than four times.

If you're aged 50-80 and smoke or have quit within the past 15 years, you may be eligible for screening. Take the two-minute quiz at SavedByTheScan.org.

Stay up-to-date on immunizations

Get your COVID-19 and flu shots (and RSV and pneumococcal pneumonia, if eligible). The best way to stay healthy and protect others is to be up-to-date on your recommended immunizations and make sure all of your loved ones - from those aged 6 months to 100+ years - are also current on theirs.

Limit exposure to air pollutants

If possible, avoid environments with high levels of air pollution, chemical fumes, secondhand smoke and other lung irritants. It's also essential to test your home for radon, a leading cause of lung cancer, and take action if levels are elevated.

If you have asthma or other lung health concerns, regularly monitor daily air quality forecasts to take precautions against outdoor air pollution. You can check conditions in your area at Airnow.gov.

Exercise those lungs

The American Lung Association hosts several community events throughout the year with fitness in mind, including a Fight For Air Climb and a LUNG FORCE Walk in Boston. Whether you are a fitness buff, or just getting started - consider registering for one of our events today and start training to create health habits for your lungs in 2025.

Learn more about how to protect your lung health in 2025 at Lung.org or call 1-800-LUNGUSA.

About the American Lung Association

The American Lung Association is the leading organization working to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease through education, advocacy and research. The work of the American Lung Association is focused on four strategic imperatives: to defeat lung cancer; to champion clean air for all; to improve the quality of life for those with lung disease and their families; and to create a tobacco-free future.

For more information about the American Lung Association, which has a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator and is a Platinum-Level GuideStar Member, call 1-800-LUNGUSA (1-800-586-4872) or visit: Lung.org.

To support the work of the American Lung Association, find a local event at Lung.org/events.

BBB Tip: Get ready to go back to school

By Paula Fleming
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As the back-to-school season approaches, parents and students are gearing up for the annual shopping spree. Whether you prefer in-person shopping or browsing online, staying informed and prepared can make this busy time more manageable and cost-effective. BBB has tips to help you navigate back-to-school shopping.

What you'll learn:
Steps to take to prepare for back-to-school shopping.

How to maximize savings from sales and tax-free weekends.

The types of sales and discounts you may be able to leverage.

Before determining what students may need for the year, set a budget. Planning ahead as much as possible will help keep expenses to a minimum and help everyone involved stay on task.

BBB recommends the following tips when looking for school-related items, either in person or online:

In-person shopping

Create a shopping list before heading to the store. This helps you stay focused and avoid impulse purchases.

Shop early. To avoid crowds and ensure you get the best selection, start your shopping early in the season.

Compare prices between

retailers, save coupons, sign up for email alerts, and redeem any cash-back or rebate offers. This will help you get the best deals and stay within budget.

Check store policies. Be aware of return policies, especially for electronics and clothing, in case you need to make exchanges or returns.

Research big-ticket items. Read reviews. Look for reviews from credible sources to understand the pros and cons of different models.

Check specifications. When buying new equipment, check with your child's school to learn about any technical requirements and determine if any changes are necessary to the home's high-speed internet.

Before purchasing an expensive laptop, tablet, or computer accessory, research the brands, warranty, customer reviews, and prices at various stores to ensure the best deal. Also, look up the retailer's reputation on BBB.org.

Look for student discounts. Many tech companies offer discounts for students. Verify eligibility and take advantage of these savings.

Shop smart with sales and tax-free weekends

Plan ahead. Mark your calendar for upcoming sales and tax-free weekends. These are ideal times to buy school supplies, clothing, and electronics without paying sales

tax. Check out this resource from the Federation of Tax Administrators to see what your state offers.

Make a priority list. Decide which items are most crucial to purchase during these sales to maximize your savings.

Combine discounts. Look for opportunities to combine store sales with manufacturer rebates or coupons.

Asking for discounts
Don't hesitate to ask. When shopping in person, inquire if there are any available discounts, especially for bulk purchases or floor models.

Leverage loyalty programs. Sign up for store loyalty programs, which can offer exclusive discounts and points on purchases.

Use student IDs. Some store discounts are available to students with either a ".edu" email address or a student ID. If you're a student or have a student in your family, ask if there are any student discounts available.

Visit school supply drives. Many communities and organizations host school supply drives where you can either donate or receive supplies. Check with local schools, community centers, or non-profits.

Consider buying in bulk

Team up with other parents. Consider pooling resources with other parents

to buy supplies (like paper towels, tissues, wipes, hand sanitizer) in bulk, which can be more cost-effective.

Warehouse stores. Check out warehouse clubs for bulk deals on school supplies and snacks.

Shop wisely and safely online

When shopping online, be wary of ads that feature items that imply that you may want or need them based on your search history. Scammers could be trying to drive you to a different website. Take note of the ad and go to the store's website by directly typing into the search bar. Note the website's privacy policy and contact information, and always use a credit card when purchasing.

Shop on reputable websites. Ensure you are purchasing from well-known and trusted websites. Look for HTTPS in the URL.

Use secure payment methods. Opt for secure payment methods like credit cards or payment services that offer buyer protection.

By following these tips, you can make your back-to-school shopping experience smoother, safer, and more economical. Whether you're shopping for essentials or splurging on big-ticket items, a little planning and research can go a long way in ensuring you get the best value for your money.

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For a complete job description please visit the Town's website www.warren-ma.gov

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New Braintree Police Log

During the week of Aug. 18-25, the Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department responded to 11 building/property checks, 16 directed-larea patrols, eight radar assignments, two traffic controls, one emergency 911 call, one citizen assist, one assist other agency, three animal calls and six motor vehicle stops in the town of New Braintree.

Monday, Aug. 18
5:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Hardwick Road, Citation Issued

Thursday, Aug. 21
12:10 p.m. Assist Citizen, Out of Town, Officer Handled

5 p.m. Assist Other Agency, Common Street, Officer Handled

Saturday, Aug. 23
4:23 p.m. Suspicious Activity, Sibley Road, Spoken To

10:57 p.m. Medical Emergency, Worcester Road, Transported to Hospital

Sunday, Aug. 24
4:13 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Hardwick Road, Citation Issued
4:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Ravine Road, Written Warning
4:43 p.m. Disabled Motor Vehicle, Unitas Road, Vehicle Towed

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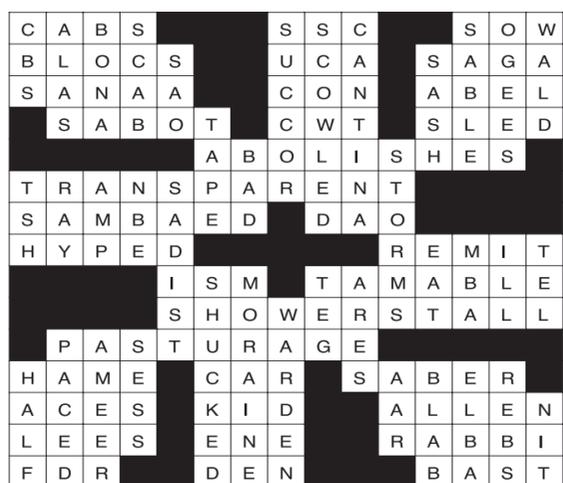
Town of North Brookfield Notice of Surplus Auction:
The Town of North Brookfield will be holding an online auction hosted by GovDeals **starting on September 15, 2025 and ending on September 29, 2025**. Items will be available to bid on starting at 8 AM. Live Auction will end at 8 PM with 5-minute staggering end times between auction items. Final bids must be submitted before that deadline. This Auction will be hosted ONLINE ONLY!! Potential bidders can access the auction using this link <https://www.govdeals.com/northbrookfield>. Some of the items available items are a 1947 Buffalo Engine, a 1996 Pump Truck, two Ford Crown Victorias, 1995 International with sander, 76 lengths of fire hose, and more. The Town of North Brookfield follows MGL 30B for disposition of Surplus. 08/29, 09/05/2025

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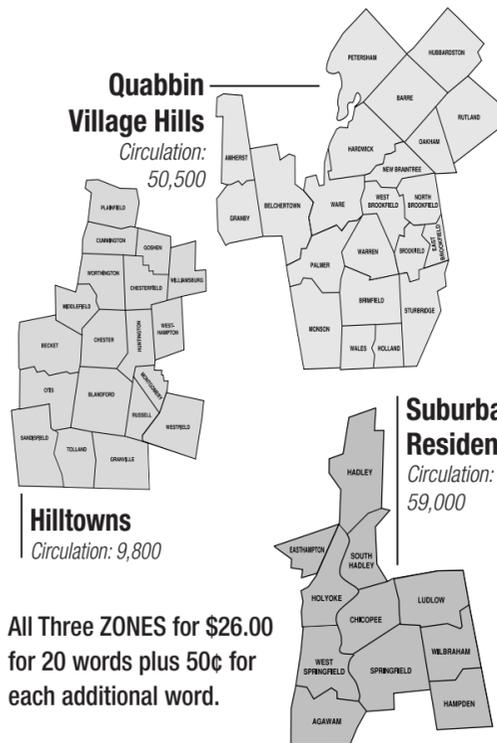
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