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Jury convicts Rintala

*Fourth trial
results in verdict
of voluntary
manslaughter*

By Kimberly Palmucci
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GRANBY – A jury has declared Cara Rintala guilty of voluntary manslaughter in connection with the strangulation death in 2010 of her wife Annemarie Cochrane Rintala, 37, at the couple's Granby home.

According to the office of Northwestern District Attorney David E. Sullivan, the trial before Hampshire Superior Court Judge Francis Flannery lasted for a month, beginning Sept. 6 with jury selection and ending with last week's verdict after the jury deliberated for two-and-a-half days.

This was the fourth trial for Rintala, with the first two resulting in deadlocked juries, according to reports.

"In 2016, a jury returned a verdict of guilty on first degree murder; that verdict was overturned on appeal in 2021," a press statement reads. "Voluntary manslaughter is considered a lesser-included offense of first-degree murder. The essential difference between the two charges is that first-degree murder requires a specific intent to kill with either deliberate premeditation or extreme atrocity or cruelty, whereas voluntary manslaughter is an unplanned killing that takes place in the heat of passion or during sudden combat."

The sentencing terms are starkly different, the DA's office released.

"First degree murder convictions carry life in state prison

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Submitted Photos, Showcase South Hadley organizers

Celtic Calamity at the Old Firehouse Museum. See more photos on page 6.

SOUTH HADLEY – Despite the rain on Saturday, event organizers said the Showcase South Hadley event last weekend was a "major success" that saw many different events and activities in town.

SB moves forward with short-term rental fees

By Tina Lesniak
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY - At its Oct. 3 meeting, the town's Select board agreed to a new local room excise fee and community impact fee for short-term rentals on which it will formally vote at a future meeting.

The fees would then go before town meeting.

Members voted to move forward with a four percent local room excise fee, lower than the six percent rate that the state will allow, and a three percent community impact fee.

Money raised by the local room excise fee will go to the general fund. Member Jeff Cyr

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- Select Board Member
Carol Constant.

suggested the four percent rate as a starting point, noting that the rate would have room for an

increase if needed in the future.

South Hadley is proposing that 100 percent of its community impact fee goes toward public infrastructure and housing, a significant increase from the 35 percent that is required by the state.

These fees surrounding short-term rentals in town have been the topic of many meetings this year. Neighbors have voiced concerns about the costs outweighing the pros of short-term rentals, specifically looking at quality of life issues.

The Board also approved a \$100 annual fee for those registering their short-term rentals. The list of rentals the town has is regularly checked against list-

ings on websites like airbnb.com to make sure that all units are registered.

The Board also looked at the next three-year contract for Town Administrator Lisa Wong. This one would begin on July 1, 2024, and run until June 30, 2027. There would be no changes to the job description, but there are changes to the compensation. Wong's salary is scheduled to increase each year of the contract by \$5,000 which amounts to less than three percent per year. Wong currently earns \$175,000 and would earn \$190,000 in fiscal year 2027. It would also increase her sever-

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Buttery Brook Park's 'Fall Fest' set for next weekend

SOUTH HADLEY – The BATTERY BROOK PARK Fall Fest will be held Oct. 20-22.

"Last year, it was pickleball combined with AED training, and this year it's pickleball, cornhole, and music," event organizers released.

While South Hadley Pickleball hosts a three-day tournament, the Friends of BATTERY BROOK PARK will host Saturday's events, including music, cornhole, food

trucks, and a beer tent, according to a press release. Pickleball will kick off with a senior tournament on Friday at 2:30 p.m. immediately followed by the men's advanced play division at 5:30 p.m.

"Free chili, cornbread, and cider will be available to participants and spectators," event organizers said.

On Saturday, the day will be filled with back-to-back pickleball tournaments starting at 9

a.m., coupled with a DJ spinning the hits at 10:30 a.m., a cornhole tournament starting at 11 a.m., and the band Acousticca performing a free concert at 3 p.m. Sunday will culminate with two additional pickleball tournaments, ending with the high school/college division at noon.

"Free coffee and pastries will be available at the courts on Sunday morning. All activities and music on Saturday will take place

between the basketball and pickleball courts," a press statement reads. "Bring your chairs and blankets at 3 p.m. to enjoy the free Acousticca concert."

Entrance to the park will be at the South entrance; the cornhole sign-up is through the Scoreholio app ("BATTERY BROOK PARK Fall Fest Tourney," walk ups are also welcome). Pickleball sign-up is through the TeamReach app (code 01075), according to re-

ports.

"The public is welcome and encouraged to attend any or all of the activities," event organizers added.

A rain date for the Acousticca concert will be Oct. 22 at 3 p.m. This event is being sponsored by ERA M. Connie Laplante Real Estate, Valley Podiatry, and Sok's Bar & Grill.

"Keep up to date on the BATTERY BROOK PARK Facebook page."

► South Hadley

Tax bills issued

SOUTH HADLEY – The fiscal year 2024 Quarter 2 preliminary real estate and personal property bills, as well as FY '24 sewer bills, were mailed out to residents on Sept. 30.

“The due date for Real Estate and Personal Property bills is Nov. 1, 2023,” the South Hadley Treasurer/Collector’s Office released. “Sewer bills will be due Nov. 15, 2023.”

Those who have not received their bill may email the office at collector@southhadleyma.gov or call 413-538-

5030, ext. 6189.

“We can send you a new bill,” a press statement reads. “Bills can also be viewed/printed through Invoice Cloud which can be accessed from our website.”

Payment can be made online through the town of South Hadley’s website, southhadleyma.gov, by mail, dropped in the Dropbox located behind the Police Department on Bridge St., or residents can pay in-person Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

‘Costume swap’ event this evening at library

SOUTH HADLEY - The town’s public library, 2 Canal St., is hosting a Halloween Costume Swap for all ages from 4-5:45 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, in the Community Room.

“All ages, sizes, and disguises,” the South Hadley Public Library released. “Got a costume you aren’t going to wear again? Or are you looking for a costume for this Halloween? Come to the costume swap in the community meeting room to drop off, exchange, or find your next Halloween costume.”

Costumes left over at the end of the event will be donated.

“Costumes you bring to the swap should be clean and in good condition. Please, no costume weapons (e.g., swords),” the library released.

Attendees may acquire a costume even if they don’t have one to bring to the swap.

“While supplies last,” the library released, adding that the limit is one per person.

Additionally, parts of a costume or accessory pieces such as a crown, wig, or pair of wings, will be accepted.

Gaylord Library announce Oct. programs

SOUTH HADLEY – Here are the upcoming October events at the Gaylord Library:

Lego Club for Kids: Thursday, Oct. 19, from 3-6 p.m.

Build with Lego.

“If you like creating with various sizes and types of Lego bricks, stop by the library for some fun. Age 12 and under. No registration necessary.”

Open Craft for Kids: Thursdays, Oct. 12 and 26, from 3-6 p.m.

Visit the children’s room and join Miss Janet for a special craft activity.

Family Outdoor Games: Saturday, Oct. 14 and 28, from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Join for some fun Saturday morning games on the library’s back lawn. The Oct. 28 event will have a Halloween Theme. Costumes welcome.

Additionally, the Gaylord Library offerings a Home Delivery Service. “Delivery is available to South Hadley residents who have health or transportation issues that keep them from the library on a temporary or on-going basis. Any item that can be checked out from the Gaylord Memorial Library or South Hadley Public Library can be delivered.”

Find out more or sign up to receive library items on the website, gaylordlibrary.org, or call Adult Services Librarian Sarah Courtney at 413-538-5047.

Not Just Knitters Stitch Together Program:

Friday Oct. 20, at 3 p.m.

“Bring your crochet, needlepoint, felting, hand-quilting and, yes, knitting,” the library released. “Share your crafting know-how, browse a selection of crafty books full of new skills, or just enjoy stitching in the Gaylord rotunda.”

Some weeks will have a theme like mending, finishing projects, or getting started on new ones. “But all projects are welcome in all weeks. The theme is just to get us thinking.”

Gaylord Library Programs for Kids

Story Stroll on the Library Lawn Walk around the library property to read Rachel Isadora’s “Do I Have to Wear a Coat?”

“Our new story stroll takes children on a journey through the changing seasons.”

Story Time for Kids: Every Friday, 10:30 a.m.

Come to the children’s room for stories and crafts; Oct. 27 will be a Halloween story. Costumes welcome.

Paving begins next week on roads

SOUTH HADLEY – Road paving on Noel, Hildreth, Grove, Mulligan, Berwyn, Elm, and Kendrick St., as well as half of Industrial Drive, will begin Monday, Oct. 16.

All construction times are from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., weather permitting, the town released.

“Please refrain from parking on these

streets during these times. Residents will have access to their driveways while work is being done,” a press statement reads.

Burnett Ave. and Wright Place will be paved in the spring.

Those with concerns or specific questions may contact the DPW at 413-538-5033.

SOUTH HADLEY 2023



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Questions? Please contact The DPW at **538-5030 ext. 6500**
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COA announces upcoming events

SOUTH HADLEY – Here are next week’s highlights and events at the town’s Council on Aging:

Monday, Oct. 16

12:30 p.m. – Pet Therapy: Duchess will bring “a bit of her therapy to us all,” the COA released.

3 p.m. – A dementia program, facilitated by Karen Buscemi, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, GeriatricNP, and Maureen Couture, RN, South Hadley Public Health.

This presentation/discussion is the first of three programs.

“This presentation will give you a working knowledge of dementia and how to go about getting a diagnosis. There are some seats left—feel free to join us,” the COA said.

Tuesday, Oct. 17

10:30 a.m. - Brown Bag

11:30 a.m. – Biy Y shopping: “Let us do the driving,” the COA released.

2 p.m. - Supper Club culinary lessons: Feeding a crowd.

“South Hadley Paella, hand-crafted bread, apple-cranberry crisp. \$8 per person, limited to

30 cooks, you must have [already] registered with Maggie.”

2 p.m. - Ann Andras, SHCOA Social Service Coordinator, will be at Hubert Place for Community Outreach.

3:30 p.m. - Join Petula Bloomfield for Upcycling Fashion classes.

“Bring an article of clothing and turn it into a work of wearable art,” the COA released. “The class meets every Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.”

5:30 p.m. - Author discussion with Andrew Noon, who will offer a reading and discussion of his book, “Bathsheba Spooner: A Revolutionary Conspiracy.”

“This book details the most sensational crime of the Revolution.”

Wednesday, Oct. 18

9 a.m., noon, and 1-4 p.m. - Tech times with Sandy. Sign up at the Welcome Desk.

10 a.m. - Caregiver Support Group.

“Are you a Caregiver of a spouse, parent, or sibling living with a dementia-related disease? Please join us as we support each other along this journey,” the COA said.

2 p.m. - Social with MacDuffie students.

“Join us for cupcakes and coffee and get to know some of the students from the MacDuffie School.”

Thursday, Oct. 19

11 a.m. - Pet Therapy: Riley will bring a bit of his therapy.

1-3 p.m. – Public Health Nurse Maureen Couture, RN, will answer questions, BP’s, and more. If you need time to speak with Maureen, register at the Welcome Desk.

Friday, Oct. 20

10:30 a.m. - Genealogy Workshop: This life history/genealogy workshop is facilitated by Mt. Holyoke College professor Joshua Roth and his anthropology students.

“In this program, you will share resources and learn about your family, their history, and maybe even a little about yourself. A great legacy builder for your children and grandchildren.”

12:30 p.m. – “Let us do the driving,” the COA said. “Need to shop at Walmart, call or stop in and sign up for this opportunity.”

Even more October highlights from the COA

SOUTH HADLEY – The town’s Council on Aging has announced several events to be held in the month of October.

Life History, Genealogy Workshop

Friday mornings, 10:30 a.m.

This workshop will be held with support by students from Mt. Holyoke College.

“Your history can provide these college students with insight from the decision you made at key moments in your life. You can document your life or work on a more extensive family history,” the COA released.

Table Talk

Friday, Oct. 13, 10 a.m. – noon

Marguerite Szczwainski will have a table with information about the Massachusetts Equipment Distribution Program, which is a service that provides residents with permanent disability access to the telephone network.

Cupcakes and Coffee

Wednesday, Oct. 18, at 2 p.m.

Join for cupcakes and coffee and to get to know some of the students from the MacDuffie

School.

Free Men’s Breakfast

Friday, October 13, at 8:30 a.m.

This month’s breakfast will be hosted by Chuck J.M. Rombolotti, Assistant Town Administrator and Human Resource Director.

Boo Birthday and Anniversary Bash

Tuesday, October 31, 5 p.m.

Join for this spooky Halloween party. Costumes are optional but encouraged. There will be prizes for the top three costumes. Free refreshments and entertainment by the Agawam Melody Band.

Tuesday Evening Programs

Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 5:30 p.m.

Author discussion with Andrew Noone, who will offer a reading and discussion of his book, “Bathsheba Spooner: A Revolutionary Conspiracy.”

Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 4:30 p.m.

Jan Lucier will be sharing the history of essential oils, methods of delivery, and practical uses for healing and overall increased well-being. Free aromatherapy roll-on to take home.

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with no possibility of parole, versus a maximum of 20 years in state prison for manslaughter,” the press statement reads.

All four trials were prosecuted by Northwestern Deputy District Attorney Jennifer Suhl and Northwestern First Assistant District Attorney Steven E. Gagne.

“Today’s verdict is the culmination of a long and winding journey toward justice for Annamarie Cochrane and her family,” First Assistant D.A. Gagne said. “We are thankful to the jury for the time and care they devoted toward their task.”

“The jury’s verdict today confirms that Annamarie’s life was tragically taken by her wife in an act of intimate partner violence, a public safety issue that continues to permeate our community 13 years after Annamarie’s death,” Deputy DA Suhl said. “Our office remains steadfast in a commitment to supporting and protecting abuse survivors and holding offenders accountable.”

After jurors returned the verdict, Judge Flannery granted the Commonwealth’s motion to revoke Rintala’s bail, according to reports. A sentencing hearing has been set for 2 p.m. on Oct. 19.

After opening statements were delivered on Sept. 13, the Commonwealth called 20 witnesses to the stand. Defense attorneys called two witnesses; closing arguments were offered on Sept. 27, according to a press statement.

“After deliberating for about two days, on Monday [last week], three jurors were dismissed from service, leading Judge Flannery to add two alternates to the deliberating jury. When jurors assembled Tuesday morning, he instructed them to begin deliberations again, saying they constituted a new jury.”

Rintala was represented in this trial by defense attorneys Rosemary Scapicchio, Chauncey Wood, and Melissa Ramos. She was represented in the other three trials by Northampton defense attorneys David Hoose and Luke Ryan.

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ance pay from its current four months to eight months by FY ‘27.

Member Carol Constant praised Wong for her leadership and hard work in South Hadley.

“We have this amazing town administrator who’s doing hard work digging and dealing with things that haven’t been,” Constant said.

The proposed contract included information from several local towns that also have town administrators or managers to make comparisons. However, none had a direct parallel between job responsibilities. Cyr noted that while the increases aren’t huge, they are significant because the town also has an assistant town administrator making administrative costs higher.

Member Nicole Casolari asked for more comparisons for

the board to review to give her more information.

“I just want to be able to justify to the residents why we need this,” Casolari said.

Hamid Habib, the owner of Three Corners Package Store, also provided an update to the status of the business in a continuation of a hearing that has gone on for several months. Habib said that a couple of small issues have come up from the Fire Department and Board of Health inspections. Those are being taken care of, according to Habib, and he’s hoping to reopen in the coming weeks. Cyr questioned why the “for sale or lease” sign is still up. Habib said that he’s asked to have it taken down by the realtor and will do so himself if he needs to. The hearing was again continued to the Nov. 7 meeting.

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A PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, You who made me see everything and showed me the way to reach my ideal. You, who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me and you, who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue want to thank you for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from you no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with you and my loved ones in your perpetual glory. Amen. Thank you for your love towards me and my loved ones. Persons must pray the prayer three consecutive days without asking your wish. After third day wish will be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this dialogue as soon as this favor is granted. I will never stop trusting God and His power.

D.D.

Notice to Water Consumers

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1, SOUTH HADLEY

The Water Department – Fire District No.1 will be flushing Fire Hydrants October 16th – October 20th.

It is a possibility that dirty water could occur within all areas of the District every day until this operation is completed.

If dirty water is experienced, please run the cold water in your bathtub until it clears.

Board of Water Commissioners
Eden DuPerier, William Schenker, Scott Williams

Opinion

GUEST OPINION:

'Thank you' to the town's residents, businesses

By John Anz and Elizabeth Wood, Co-Chairs, The Showcase South Hadley Steering Committee

Last weekend, we witnessed what can happen when a town, its leadership, its citizenry, business community, youth, artists, musicians, academic institutions, and cultural organizations come together to make something special happen. The inaugural Showcase South Hadley festival of arts and culture was the product of more than a year of planning, successes, challenges, delays, partnerships, highs, lows, and in the end, an extraordinary collaborative presentation of a diverse array of offerings for our town and its people.

We must now say thank you, again, to those without whom last weekend's festivities would not have been possible.

To our generous underwriting supporters: MASH, the Mass Cultural Council, and the South Hadley Cultural Council.

To our most generous sponsors: "Producer" Republic Services; "Directors" Eink, Private Financial Design, SHELD/Fiberspring, and The Village Commons; "Presenters" Arts Unlimited, ERA M. Connie Laplante Real Estate, and Gerry's Music Shop; and "Impresarios" PIP New England, Teed Capital Management, and Veryl's Automotive Services.

To the dozens of individuals and businesses who also donated generously so that Showcase South Hadley could be realized. To the many volunteers who gave of their time and energy to make sure we could properly serve all of those who attended and/or participated in the event. Of course, to the many artists, musicians, presenters, food trucks, guides, artisans, chefs, speakers, and others who made the weekend program so appealing and engaging for all who attended.

We are also deeply grateful for the beautiful and comfortable venues which gave so much of themselves and their facilities to benefit the program: All Saints Church, Center Church, the Old Firehouse Museum, South Hadley Public Library, and United Methodist Church. And we must give very special thanks to Mount Holyoke College, who made Chapin Auditorium available to us at the 11th hour so that our Saturday performances could survive the anticipated heavy weather. The college's understanding, flexibility, accommodation, and hospitality literally saved the day (and night)!

A few more groups also deserve our great thanks: the members of the Steering Committee who made everything come together, Town Administrator Lisa Wong and the South Hadley Selectboard for their unwavering support from start to finish, and the South Hadley Cultural Council which came up with the idea and fostered it along the way.

Finally, to all of you, the readers and residents of South Hadley who came out in droves to support this event, these artists, and our thriving business community. We thank you and look forward to even bigger and better cultural opportunities in the future. We hope you will join us again when the time comes, and maybe even answer the call to lend us your time and talents when planning begins again. Until then, our deepest gratitude and sincere appreciation,

John Anz and Elizabeth Wood, Co-Chairs, The Showcase South Hadley Steering Committee



Planning ahead for raised beds!

My friend Jacquie is very proud of the tomato plants she grows each year.

She squeezes them into the little garden adjacent to the front door of her condo, and has even grown some in hanging containers. I received this question from her via text a few weeks back, and by the sound of it she wants to expand her gardening endeavors:

"For those of us that like to plan ahead, what are the pros and cons of raised bed gardens, and if you decide to go that route, what is the process?"

There are several advantages to gardening in raised beds. If the ground you would normally garden in is too sandy or too clayey, you can stop dealing with those troubles when you switch to raised beds!

You can carefully choose the soil that you fill the beds with. I personally love the Coast of Maine brand Raised Bed Mix, but I am sure there are resources online for mixing your own blends.

You can also plant more intensively, meaning fewer weeds! Concentrate fertilizers, lime and compost right where you need them, saving money along the way.

You can start working the ground earlier in the spring because it warms up quicker in raised beds. You don't have to worry about soil compaction as much either, because rarely, if ever, will you have to step into the beds.

You no longer have to weed the rows like you would in a normal garden, or will you have to worry about mulch or other materials to cover the rows with.

One drawback might be the cost to get started. Between the edging materials and the mix, you end up filling the bed with, it could get darn expensive.

First, you have to decide on what type of material you'll use to edge the beds with. There are pros and cons there too, but more on that in a bit.

A minimum depth of one foot is needed for most crops barring corn; that crop would need a deeper bed. On the flip side, if the ground beneath the raised beds is usable (i.e., not contaminated or pavement etc.) then you could potentially make the beds not as quite as deep, figuring plant roots will penetrate out from the walls.

Wood, stone, brick, pavers and cinder blocks are all possible edge materials. Simple raised beds can even be made within hay bales!

Beds made from pine slabs may only last a few seasons; rock type edging will last indefinitely.

One drawback to beds made out of hardscape materials might be the fact that they dry out more readily. Although that would not have been an issue this year, it could be down the road.

I had a number of raised beds that I made in an old tennis court on my property. They were edged in field stone because I had an endless supply on my property.

Free, yes! Beautiful, yes! But practical, not so much.

On a hot summer day, I was sometimes out there watering two or more times!

The new galvanized metal raised beds seem to be rising in popularity. I know very little about them or how readily they dry out in between waterings.

As far as bed width goes, usually no more than four feet wide is recommended. That way you can reach inside comfortably.

I have been very successful growing peppers, zucchini and onions in my raised beds. Flowers and herbs also seem to do very well.

Tomatoes perform okay, but for me, green beans seem to be unhappy. There isn't enough room for winter squash, and I've never attempted corn.

Refresh your soil each year with the addition of compost and fertilizer. Because the bed is like a big container, the soil can get exhausted after a season of use.

I would say gardening in raised beds is worth the investment. Start out small and expand if you feel you enjoy having more to take care of.

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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Halloween fun at Granby library

GRANBY – October will see plenty of Halloween fun at the town’s library.

All library programs are free and open to the public; the library is located at 297 East State St., Granby.

The Granby Public Library has announced the following events:

Halloween Eye Spy

“Take an Eye Spy sheet, then find and count the Halloween theme items in our aquarium as you go,” the library released. “When you’ve spied and counted everything on this sheet, then you receive a little Halloween prize.”

Eye Spy will run through Oct. 31.

Guess How many Pumpkins are in the Jar

“Guess how many candy pumpkins are in the jar. The closest guess without going over wins a Halloween Fun Pack.” Through Oct. 24.

Creepy Carrot Design Fun Challenge

“Read the hilarious book ‘Creepy Carrots’ by Aaron Reynolds about a rabbit named Jasper who ate carrots every chance he could, breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks. The carrots, who are portrayed with human characteristics, were fed up with it, so they came up with a diabolical plan to make him hate them.”

Grab a sheet as part of this activity and see “how creepy you can make a carrot look.”

“Just for fun (not a contest) design a creepy carrot based on the book and we will put it on display.” Through Oct. 29.

Nature Storytime with Ranger Tasha: Owls

Oct. 17, at 10:30 a.m.

“Who, who—it’s you...children will surely become

wiser about owls after hearing a story and exploring some hands-on feathers, puppets,” the library released.

Not So Spooky Crafts

Saturdays, Oct. 21 and 28

Give a pumpkin shape a face, make a bat or owl magnet, put together a Q-Tip skeleton, and more.

Guess How Much Our Pumpkin Weighs?

Tweens and teens are invited to the Young Adult Room, where a pumpkin currently resides.

“If you can guess how much it weighs, you’ll win the pumpkin and some Halloween décor.”

This contest will continue until Oct. 20, so the winner can have it in time for Halloween; ages 11-18.

Library hours include: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 7 p.m., and Saturday, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Call the library at 413-467-3320 for more information.

Trick-or-Treat movie event this evening

GRANBY - The Friends of Granby’s Parks and Recreation is hosting a Trick-or-Treat Movie in the Park event on Friday, Oct. 13, at Dufresne Park in Granby. The event will start with Trick-or-Treating at 5 p.m., followed by a showing of a Halloween-themed Disney Pixar movie at 6:30 p.m. There is a suggested donation of \$3.00 per person. Costumes are encouraged, snacks will be available for purchase, and “please bring your own chairs or blankets,” event organizers released.

“This is a fundraiser for the Friends of Granby’s Parks and Recreation, a nonprofit volunteer group,” a press statement reads. “We are still looking for companies interested in distributing candy at the event.”

Those interested may email granbyparkfriends@gmail.com or visit the group’s Facebook page to learn more about the event.

Craft fair event scheduled

GRANBY – The Immaculate Heart of Mary Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4.

The event, sponsored by the IHM Men & Women Club, will be located at 256 State St. in Granby.

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Kaeligh Houle tries to corral the ball after intercepting a pass.

Tigers score shutout in title-game rematch

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

BELCHERTOWN — South Hadley senior forward Lauren Marjanski recorded five hat-tricks as a junior. Two of them came against Belchertown.

When the two girls' soccer teams faced each other at Belchertown High School last Friday afternoon, Marjanski only scored one goal. But it wound up being the only goal of the non-league match, as the Lady Tigers squeaked out a 1-0 victory over the Lady Orioles.

"There was definitely a lot of pressure on us because we were only leading by one goal in the second half," said Marjanski, who has accumulated more than 100 points (goals + assists) during her outstanding varsity soccer career. "We came here expecting a hard fought battle from them. This win should help us in the power rankings."

South Hadley, who's sitting in second place in the Kurty/Fielding Division, entered this week's action as the top ranked team in the MIAA Division 4 power rankings with an 8-1-1 overall record.

The Lady Tigers defeated the Lady Orioles, 3-2, in the 2022 season opener.

Their second meeting a year ago took place in the Western Mass. Class B Finals at Holyoke High School. South Hadley also won that contest by the final score of 4-1.

Those two matches were played on a turf field. Last Friday's affair was played on a wet grass field.

"We're used to playing on a turf field, so the field conditions didn't help us very much today," said South Hadley head coach Rich Marjanski. "It's a much slower game on grass. I'm just glad that we're walking out of here without any injuries."

The Lady Orioles (5-4), who are members of the Coombs Division, are ranked second in the Division 3 power rankings. The other six teams in the Coombs Division are ranked in the top 15 of the Division 2 power rankings.

"Belchertown is a very good soccer team," coach Marjanski said. "All of the other Coombs Division teams are also very good."

South Hadley and Belchertown also met in the 2021 Western Mass. Class B Finals with the Lady Orioles pulling out a 3-2 victory.

Belchertown, who split a pair of games with league rival Longmeadow

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Maddie Soderbaum makes an off-balance block.



Goalie Drew Alley sends a punt away.



Gianna Roy socks the ball up the field.



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Brenna Moreno tries to get a pass away.

Rams fall again to Monson

GRANBY — Last Monday afternoon at home, Granby met league rival Monson for the second time this season, falling 7-1. The Rams' only goal came from Maggie Crawford. Granby would rebound to beat Palmer later in the week 5-1 and are now 3-7 on the regular season.



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Kalli White tries to clear the ball.

Offense routs Taconic



Owen Dawson heads for the outside.

SOUTH HADLEY — Last Friday night, South Hadley had one of its best offensive performances in recent history with 52 points scored in a 52-20 win over visiting Taconic. With the win, South Hadley is now 4-1 this season and is hoping to secure one of 16 spots for the state tournament in Week 9.



Burke Belsky drops back to make a handoff.



Julius Hebenth attempts to avoid a tackle.



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Burke Belsky hands off to Marty Loughrey.

Sports

Bubar steals show in Granite Series win

LEE, N.H. - Corey Bubar was probably not the favorite to win Sunday evening's Bosowski Properties 150. But in the season finale for the Granite State Pro Stock Series, Bubar stole the show.

The Windham, Maine, racer held off Jimmy Renfrew, Jr. to claim the \$8,500 victory at Lee USA Speedway, closing out Lee USA Speedway's year-ending Russ Conway's Oktoberfest spectacular.

And well back in Bubar's mirror, fellow Pine Tree State native Travis Benjamin drove a patient race to earn the GSPSS championship.

Sunday's season finale earned intrigue before the drop of the green, with a \$2,000 bonus offered to any top-five starter who would forfeit their position on the grid if they could come back to win. Derek Griffith, the 2015 GSPSS champion, answered the call, lining up shotgun on the 28-car field to chase the bounty.

Bubar, starting outside of Ryan Green, jumped into the lead early, building an advantage over Green in the opening stint as Griffith picked his way through traffic. When a yellow

flag flew on lap 35, Griffith had already clawed his way to 12th with plenty of laps left.

On the restart, Renfrew surged to second, pursuing Bubar until a wreck in the back of the field brought out another caution on lap 47. Reigning champion Joey Doiron pitted from fifth, while Griffith cycled through to eighth for the restart. Benjamin, well ahead of challenger Brandon Barker in the title race, was tenth.

Bubar held off Renfrew's advances on the restart, but the Candia, N.H., youngster prevailed, making his way to the front and leading at halfway. A long green-flag run allowed Renfrew to stretch the gap between himself and Bubar, but Bubar reeled Renfrew in as they diced through lapped traffic. A slow car ahead of Renfrew at just the right time gave Bubar an opening, and Bubar charged back through to take the lead.

Griffith's bid for the bounty went up in smoke with 31 laps to go, as he shredded a right-front tire running fourth. Griffith rejoined the field after a tow, but his shot at the win was all but over and he would rebound to

finish eighth.

Bubar brought the field to green, and while Renfrew hassled him for a couple laps, he was able to pull away down the stretch. In his first series start of the season, Bubar raced to his second GSPSS win and his first since winning at his home track, Beech Ridge Motor Speedway, in 2021.

Renfrew followed Bubar home in second, with Green, Dave Farrington and Angelo Belsito rounding out the top five.

And with an eleventh-place finish, Travis Benjamin completed his championship season, becoming the tenth different driver to fly the GSPSS champion's banner. The Belfast, Maine, veteran, a former NASCAR racer and multi-time regional champion, won the first two outings of the season and committed to a full-time schedule that saw him finish out of the top-five only once all year.

The Granite State Pro Stock Series and president Mike Parks extend their gratitude to the tracks, teams and sponsors that made this 2023 season possible, and hope to release details on next year's schedule soon.

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last week, had the momentum for the first seven minutes of last Friday's home match. They didn't have any shots on goal during that span.

"I thought we played well at the beginning of the game," said Belchertown head coach Kyle Thibeault. "Then we had one breakdown defensively, which changed the course of the game."

In the seventh minute, Marjanski, who'll be playing soccer next year at the College of St. Rose in Albany, New York, out-hustled a defender for a loose ball. She then fired a low shot into the left corner of the net past Belchertown senior goalie Michaela Dubey, who made three saves during the first half.

"The defender bobbled the ball, and I just ran to it," Marjanski said. "Then I was able to put the ball into the back of the net. It gave us some momentum."

Freshman Cara Dean was credited with the assist on Lauren Marjanski's team-leading 16th goal of the regular season. Sophomore Allison Fleury is the Lady Tigers second leading goal scorer with seven. No other player has scored more than three goals.

The Lady Tigers only had a couple of other scoring chances during the rest of the first half, as senior goalie Drew Alley (10 saves), who was injured at the start of the regular season, and the defensive unit took over the spotlight.

A couple of South Hadley starting defenders are sidelined with injuries. Their starting defenders against the Lady Orioles were senior Gianna Roy, senior Madelyn McArdle, junior Maddie Soderbaum, and junior Margo Watkins.



Katherine McArdle is pressured by a Belchertown defender.

"We have a couple of injuries and we're piecing together the defense. Drew is a solid goalie," coach Marjanski said. "We just need to get healthy before the start of the postseason tournaments."

Belchertown senior captain Madysen LePage had four shots on goal during the first half.

In the middle of the first half, LePage booted a corner kick towards the goal, and the ball was batted away by Alley.

Alley also made saves on shot attempts by sophomore Fallon Clancy and senior Madison DaCosta.

Junior Jillian DeBarge (2 saves) replaced Dubey at the start of the second half.

During the 64th minute, the Lady Orioles had a golden opportunity to score the tying goal when Alley committed a foul resulting in a penalty kick.

Freshman Morghan Litz, who has scored two goals this season, stepped up to the line. Unfortunately, her shot attempt sailed wide of the net.

The Lady Orioles had a cou-



Lauren Marjanski takes possession near midfield.

ple of other scoring chances, but the Lady Tigers headed home with their seventh shutout of the season.

"We just didn't play our best game of the season today," Thibeault said. "South Hadley is a very good team."

Cambridge half-marathon registration open

CAMBRIDGE - Registration is open for the Cambridge Half Marathon and 5K at CambridgeSide. The races are scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 5 (race begins 7 a.m. EST) on a gorgeous new course with views of the Charles River along Memorial Drive.

The Cambridge Half Marathon is a 13.1 mile fast and flat course featuring views of the MIT, John W. Weeks Footbridge, Harvard University Stadium, Charles River and more. The new 5K race also offers scenic views alongside the Charles River. Both courses are USATF certified and start and finish at CambridgeSide.

Race registration includes

quarter zip pull over (half marathon participants) or long sleeve shirt (5K participants), five complimentary CambridgeSide parking passes, training plan, race bib with timing chip, and finishing medal. Register for both races at CambridgeSide.com.

Cambridge Half Marathon and 5K at CambridgeSide race proceeds benefit Cambridge Camping (CambridgeCamping.org), City of Cambridge Scholarship Fund (Cambridge.ma.gov/Services/CityScholarship) as well as other local charities. Cambridge Half Marathon and 5K is sponsored by Canam Group Inc. and training sponsor MYSTRYDE.

T-Birds fall in preseason tune-up

PROVIDENCE, R.I. - The Springfield Thunderbirds erased a 2-0 second intermission deficit before the Providence Bruins squeaked out a 3-2 overtime win in the final preseason matchup at Amica Mutual Pavilion.

Colten Ellis and Brandon Bussi kept the opposition off the board through 20 minutes before the Bruins connected for two quick goals in the second from Marc McLaughlin and Reilly Walsh respectively. Providence held the 2-0 edge into the final period of regulation.

However, the T-Birds showed some comeback mag-

ic as Drew Callin and Hugh McGing each tallied goals of their own just 27 seconds apart, and just 4:06 into the third, the game was deadlocked, 2-2. Ellis even helped his own cause, picking up the secondary assist on Callin's marker.

Despite being outshot 35-21 in regulation, Springfield got the game to overtime thanks to 33 Ellis stops, but Providence got the last laugh as John Farinacci beat Ellis at 1:35 of OT to secure the Bruins win. The T-Birds open their regular season slate next Saturday, Oct. 14 against Hartford, with puck drop set for 7:05 p.m. at the MassMutual Center.



Cassandra Flaherty kicks the ball away.



Autumn Sicard tries to make a play on a loose ball.



Courtesy Photo

Bat Week upcoming

Bat week starts Oct. 24 and is designed to “raise awareness about the need for bat conservation and to celebrate the role of bats in nature.”

“Bats are often misunderstood or even feared. But these fascinating flying mammals play a critical role in our environment and many bat species are in decline,” Belchertown Animal Control released. “Massachusetts is home to nine species of bats, five of which are considered endangered.”

Odyssey Bookshop announces October events

SOUTH HADLEY – The Odyssey Bookshop will host several events this month.

The bookshop is located a 9 College St., South Hadley.

Tan Twan Eng

Join in-person at 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 16, as Tan Twan Eng presents his new novel, “The House of Doors.”

“From the bestselling author of ‘The Garden of Evening Mists,’ a spellbinding novel about love and betrayal, colonialism and revolution, storytelling and redemption,” a press statement reads.

Twan Eng was born in Penang but lived in various places in Malaysia as a child, the bookshop released. He studied law through the University of London, and later worked as an advocate and solicitor in one of Kuala Lumpur’s most reputable law firms.

Amy Chua

Join in-person at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17, as Amy Chua talks about her fiction debut, “The Golden Gate.”

“Amy Chua’s debut novel, ‘The Golden Gate,’ is a sweeping, evocative, and compelling historical thriller that paints a vibrant portrait of a California buffeted by the turbulent crosswinds of a world at war and a society about to undergo massive change.”

Chua is the John M. Duff, Jr. Professor of Law at Yale Law School, a press statement reads. She is an internationally bestselling author of several non-fiction titles, including her 2011 memoir “Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother,” which was a runaway international bestseller that has been translated into over 30 languages.

Fall Books Preview

Join at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 19, as four of the bookshop’s publisher representatives reveal fall’s “big books.” There will be light refreshments, giveaways, and a raffle. RSVP online.

Mona Awad

Join in-person at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 24, as Mona Awad presents her new novel, “Rouge.” She will be joined in conversation by T Kira Mhealani Madden.

“From the critically acclaimed author of ‘Bunny’ comes a horror-tinted, gothic fairy tale about a lonely dress shop clerk whose mother’s unexpected death sends her down a treacherous path in pursuit of youth and beauty.”

Awad is the author of the novels “All’s Well,” “Bunny,” and “13 Ways of Looking at a Fat Girl

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South Hadley Public Library events

SOUTH HADLEY – The town’s library has announced its upcoming programs:

Adult Programs

Tuesday Night Knitting Group: Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

“Join the library’s Tuesday Night Knitters for some quality knitting and crocheting time.”

All skill levels are welcome. The group meets on the second floor in the Mandrachia Quiet Study Room, but may move to a larger meeting room when available.

Gatehouse Writers Group (Online Writing Group): Fridays via Zoom at 10 a.m.

“Our library writing group, the Gatehouse Writers, is a supportive peer-led environment open to all levels and styles,” the library released. “The group philosophy is a simple one: every person is a writer, and every writer deserves a safe environment in which to experiment, learn, and develop their craft.”

This online group is led by Linda Rowland-Buckley and Richard Buckley. Contact Linda Rowland-Buckley at row-buc1998@gmail.com.

Mahjong at the Library: Friday, Oct. 20, at 1 p.m.

Mahjong is a tile-based game that was developed in 19th century in China and has spread throughout the world. This Friday afternoon group is for experienced players.

Spanish Conversation Circle: Saturday, Oct. 21, at 10:30 a.m.

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

Special Events

Learn Henna with Magic Tree Henna: Wednesday, Oct. 18, at 5:30 p.m.

For adults and teens; Henna is an all-natural, plant-based art form that dates back 5,000 years in Egypt.

“It was originally used for its cooling and medicinal properties, and evolved into an artform that spans countries, continents and cultures. Come learn how to apply Henna.”

Registration is required; call 413-538-5045.

Agawam Paranormal, Evidence Review: Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 6 p.m.

“This is a public reveal featuring their investigations of the Firehouse Museum, the Old Village Cemetery, and the Gaylord Library. Each location will be shown beginning with an introduction to the historic value and events that happened there, then will get into the actual investigations that were conducted and finally end with the potential evidence captured on site. Get the opportunity to feel like a part of the investigation and learn something new about a local site,” the library released.

Artificial Intelligence, Fact & Fiction: Monday, Oct. 23, at 6:30 p.m.

October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

“Our program is presented by IT security engineer Nathaniel Mello who will demystify AI to help people understand how it works, who’s using it, how to use it, impacts it’s had already, and what’s around the corner. We’ll also talk about ChatGPT and how to use it (or how it’s using you).”

Teen Programs

For ages 11 through high school, unless specified.

Learn to Crochet with Kylie: Thursday, Oct. 19, at 4 p.m.

Teens and tweens can come and learn to crochet with Teen Volunteer Kylie. All supplies will be provided. Please sign up, the library released. This program will take place in the Teen Room.

Teen Monthly Afternoon Program: Thursday, Oct. 26, at 4 p.m.

This new program is hap-

pening the last Thursday of the month. Programs will vary and all supplies will be provided. Please sign up by email or call Bethany and check out the Teen Room door poster for more information, the library released.

Crafternoon: Monday, Oct. 30, at 4 p.m.

All supplies will be provided. No sign up needed. Check out the Teen Room door for more information. Craft will take place in the Teen Room. Snacks and drinks provided by the Friends of the Library. This month’s Crafternoon features Pom Poms, with an assortment of craft options.

Teen Takeaways: Monthly

Sign up once and receive a new Takeaway every month. A craft with all supplies and directions provided, as well as some other goodies in each bag. No monthly meetings or online meetings, the library shared.

“Craft on your own time with no pressure or stress.”

This month’s Teen Takeaway features Pine Cone Owls.

Children’s Programs

Halloween Costume Swap: Friday, Oct. 13, 4-5:45 p.m.

All ages, sizes, and disguises.

“Bring a costume (or costume accessory), take a costume (one per person). Costumes must be clean and in good condition. No costume weapons, please. Adults, teens, and kids,” the library released. “Leftover costumes will be donated.”

Special Storytime, Halloween & Healthy Smiles: Friday, Oct. 27, at 3:30 p.m.

“Halloween is coming...get a free toothbrush and toothpaste at this story time,” the library released. “Ms. Jenny will read ‘The Last Loose Tooth’ by Tyler Clark Burke, and local dentist Dr. Marjorie Block will explain how to keep your teeth clean and cavity-free.”

For even more programs, visit shadleylib.org.

Annual Rummage Sale upcoming

REGION - The Saint Cecilia Parish Catholic Women’s Club is holding its annual Rummage Sale in the Parish Center, 42 Main St., Wilbraham, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Friday, Nov.

3, and from 8:30 a.m. – noon and Saturday, Nov. 4. Saturday is Bag Day, according to a press release. Gently used clothing for men, women, and children, toys, puzzles, household items,

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Public Notices

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board will hold a **virtual** public hearing on **October 23, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.** to consider a Special Permit application and Illuminated Sign Request filed by the Laxmi Petro Inc. c/o Saxton Sign Corp. to alter a non-conforming illuminated sign for the purpose of updating signage at the "Sunoco" gas station at 17 Bridge Street Assessor's Map 5C Parcel 27, pursuant to the Zoning Bylaw 255-7 (existing uses, building and structures; nonconforming uses); 288-85G (illumination of signs); Article IX (special permits); and the Zoning Dimensional Regulation Schedule.

The public hearing will be conducted virtually on Zoom. Persons may join as follows:

URL to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85620330571?pwd=bDBuV00yN0w4MGM1cWhVUGlzNDZvZz09>

Or join by phone: +1(646) 931 3860 Webinar ID: 856 2033 0571 Passcode: 725629

The property is located within the Business B zoning district and is an existing gas station.

The application is on file in the Planning & Conservation Department Office (Room U6) in Town Hall and posted at www.southhadley.ma.gov under 'Permit Applications'-Special Permit' under section 'Bridge Street (17) - Sign' or viewed at: <https://www.southhadley.org/1181/Special-Permits>. Any person interested in, or wishing to be heard, should appear/join the hearing at the time and in the manner desig-

nated. This meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 which extends the March 2020 Governor's Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law MGL Ch. 30A Sec. 20 until March 31, 2025.

Joanna Brown, Clerk
South Hadley Planning Board
10/6, 10/13/2023

Sale of Motor Vehicle under G.L. c. 255, Section 39A

Notice is hereby given by DM Towing, LLC, 254 Old Lyman Road, South Hadley, MA 01075 pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that on **October 30, 2023 at 12:00 PM** at 254 Old Lyman Road, South Hadley, MA by Private Sale, the following Motor Vehicles will be sold at a private sale to satisfy the garage-keeper's lien thereon for storage, towing charges and expenses of notices and sale of said vehicles.

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Sean Alan Moreau
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by William R Forget
Date: 10/02/2023

This notice has been given under the provisions of G.L. c. 255, Section 39A.
10/06, 10/13, 10/20/2023

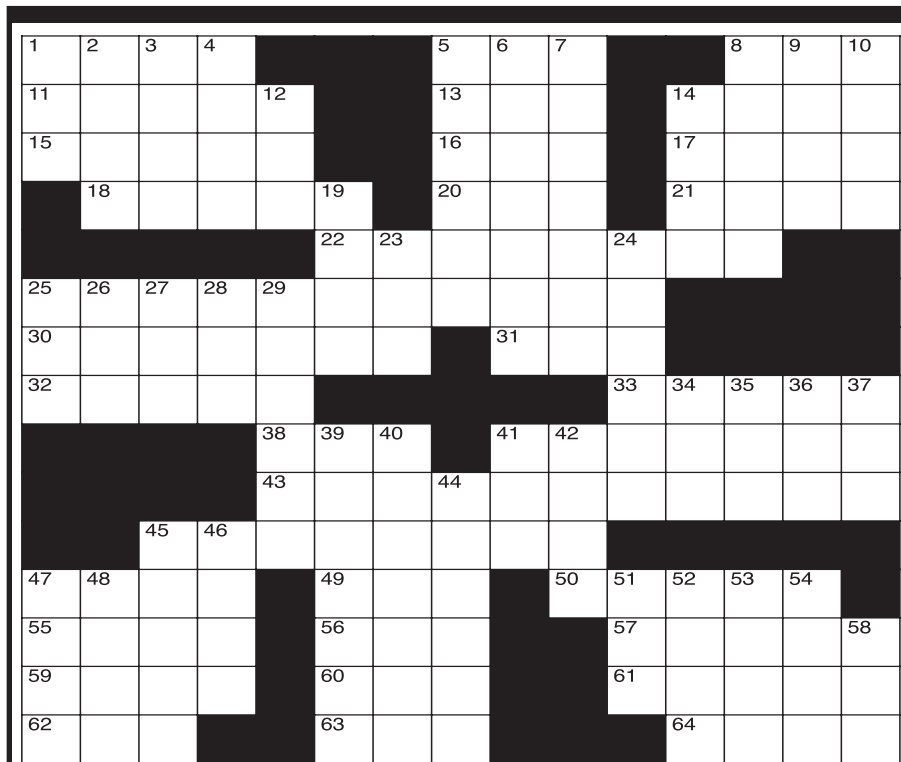


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CLUES ACROSS

1. Information
5. Seaport (abbr.)
8. Agricultural disease (abbr.)
11. Riding horses
13. Boxing's GOAT
14. Hurt or discomfort
15. A small sharp knife to trim vegetables
16. A beaver builds one
17. Horizontal passage into a mine
18. Self-immolation by fire rituals
20. Chain bar with lots of games (abbr.)
21. Goo Goo Dolls' hit
22. Agreeable
25. In an early way
30. In a way, struck
31. It's there in the morning
32. County in the S. Pacific
33. Central Florida city

38. Numbers cruncher
41. Mexican beers
43. Lawyers say you can indict one
45. Capital of South Australia
47. Wings
49. Drug used to treat HIV/AIDS
50. Fencing sword
55. Capital of Qatar
56. Portable bed
57. Afflicted
59. Lying down
60. Midway between northeast and east
61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
62. Inflamed
63. Soviet Socialist Republic
64. Impudence

CLUES DOWN

1. A way to fish

2. Greek mythological figure
3. Scarlett's home
4. Assist
5. More doleful
6. Premeditated
7. Dish featuring minced food
8. San Diego ballplayer
9. Eight
10. Unwelcome picnic guests
12. Human gene
14. Bucket
19. Make full
23. Dirt
24. Person cited as ideal example
25. A part of (abbr.)
26. The 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
27. Very long period of time
28. Gas usage measurement

29. North American native people
34. It says "moo"
35. Folk singer Di Franco
36. Resinlike substance of certain insects
37. Residue
39. Grand homes
40. Popinjays
41. Man who behaves dishonorably
42. Figures
44. One who watches over children
45. Expressed pleasure
46. No longer living
47. Hebrew calendar month
48. Part of the ear
51. Swiss river
52. Prejudice
53. Italian Island
54. Resist authority (slang)
58. Criticize

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Regional animal rescue celebrates 75,000 spay, neuter surgery milestone

By Kimberly Palmucci
townreminder@turley.com

REGION – One area animal organization has just celebrated a monumental milestone of 75,000 spay and neuter surgeries.

“Second Chance Animal Services, a nonprofit dedicated to improving the welfare of animals, is thrilled to announce a monumental achievement in their mission to reduce pet overpopulation,” the organization released. “In September, the organization performed its 75,000th low-cost spay and neuter surgery, marking a significant milestone in their ongoing efforts to create healthier communities for pets.”

Second Chance has a “long-standing commitment to providing accessible and affordable spay and neuter services,” according to a press statement.

“The organization began its low-cost program in 2005 at

their East Brookfield shelter, aiming to address the root causes of pet homelessness. Today, the nonprofit’s hospitals in North Brookfield, Southbridge, Springfield, and Worcester continue to serve hundreds of pets each month in state-of-the-art surgical suites, made possible by grants and generous donors.”

According to reports, spaying and neutering not only contribute to “controlling the population of stray and unwanted animals, but also play a vital role in enhancing the overall health and well-being of pets.”

“These procedures can prevent various cancers and other serious health issues while positively influencing pets’ behavior by reducing aggression and roaming tendencies,” Second Chance released.

Sheryl Blancato, the CEO and founder of Second Chance, expressed her pride with the organization’s impact through

75,000 surgeries.

“This milestone is a testament to the dedication of our team and the support of our community. However, our work is far from over. We are committed to continuing our efforts to reach even more pets in need,” Blancato said.

Blancato urged all pet owners to consider spaying or neutering their pets, emphasizing the preventative benefits.

“Routine spays and neuters can protect pets from life-threatening conditions, including pyometra and testicular cancer. Our goal is not only to address the immediate needs of pets but to contribute to a healthier pet community in the long run.”

Pet owners interested in availing themselves of the low-cost spay and neuter program can visit secondchanceanimals.org and complete a S.P.O.T application under the Vet Care tab.



Submitted Photo, Second Chance Animal Services

Two kitten siblings await surgery at Second Chance’s North Brookfield Community Veterinary Hospital.



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Kim Coleman Foote

Join in-person at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 25, as Kim Coleman Foote presents her debut novel, “Coleman Hill.”

“Coleman Hill is the exhilarating story of two American families whose fates become intertwined in the wake of the

Great Migration. Braiding fact and fiction, it is a remarkable, character-rich tour de force exploring the ties that bind three generations.”

Coleman Foote was born and raised in New Jersey, where she started writing fiction at the age of seven.

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