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## Local organizations host 'TRUNK or TREAT'

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SOUTH HADLEY – With Halloween upon us, having spooky trunk-or treats is no surprise, and one of the town's favorites has been held for the past four years at the Beers and Story Funeral Home.

Joni Fleming, Jameson Glanville, the South Hadley Chamber of Commerce, Police and District 1 Fire Departments, various businesses, and other sponsors all got together to make this event magical and fun.

"We are looking forward to the event next year for our 5th event, it has gotten bigger and better every year," Fleming said.

The trunk-or-treat is planned to work around other trunk-or-treats in the area so that other people can attend multiple events through the month.

The trunk-or-treat is always held on the Friday before Halloween, and for the past four years, it has only grown larger in sponsor and attendee size, with over five-hundred people in attendance for this year's.



Turley Photo Submitted by Emily-Rose Pappas  
Tracie, Ryan, Lucas, Madison, and Harper dressed as Harry Potter characters from the Tree of Life Early Learning Center.

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## PD gives staffing updates

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SOUTH HADLEY – The police department held a public forum in order to address and give updates regarding the department's staffing study.

The police department wanted their officers to know that the town supports them and wanted the public to have a chance to learn more about the department and ask questions.

The forum included Town Administrator Lisa Wong, Police Chief Jennifer Gunderson as well as Lieutenants David Gagne and Mark Baran.

Addressing the Needs of the Community

"We are celebrating our 150th year of the South Hadley Police Department, and we're honored to serve this community, so we will have various community outreach events to celebrate 150 years of our police department," Chief Gunderson said.

"The purpose of this forum is to continue conversations that have happened in town meeting and elsewhere about our public safety investments,

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## Safety officers provide special talk on fraud, scam prevention

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GRANBY – In order to spread awareness about internet safety, scam, and fraud prevention, the Police Department as well as agents from the Springfield FBI, the IRS, security from Florence Bank, and the North-western DA's office.

The senior center hosted a special information session for seniors to learn more about how to prevent scams and protect themselves, their identity, and money.

Michele Lawrence from the Florence Bank Security Team gave a special presentation regarding online scams having to do with money, and how the banks work to help you keep your money safe.

The general rule when it comes to your money and people you don't know asking for money is this: if you don't know them, don't send them anything.

Scams can come in all shapes

and forms, from an official-looking text from "UPS" asking you to confirm your address or payment details, or an email pretending to be your phone company but is clearly not.

People can hack into your bank accounts and steal your identity through something as simple as sending you an unknown link that you click on.

They can also steal your information through asking you to download a specific app, and one of these known apps, My Desk, has been used to hack into your devices and accounts.

Phone calls asking you questions for you to say "yes" or "no" are recorded, and your voice saying these phrases can be used by scammers to access your accounts.

The dangers of online scams are real, however, banks and the IRS are prepared to help people get justice for the crimes committed against them, as well as protect your money.

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Turley photo by Emily-Rose Pappas  
The members of public safety who came to give the special presentation: (left to right) Agent Chris Barbadoro of the Springfield FBI, Rachel Webber of the DA office, Dave Fenton from TRIAD, Anita Wilson of the DA office, Granby Police Chief Kevin O'Grady, an agent from the IRS, Officer Gary Poehler, Stephane Pratt with Florence Savings Bank in Granby, and officer Alan Brooks.



# Community

## Jubinville completes Eagle Scout project

SOUTH HADLEY—Karsten Jubinville, a senior at South Hadley High School, recently completed his Eagle Scout project. He is a member of Boy Scout Troop 138 out of Chicopee.

On Oct. 4, Karsten paired with Neighbors helping Neighbors to run a mobile food pantry at Riverboat Village apartments. He wanted to help the community be aware that with the cost of food and living expenses going up that we have resources in our community to help families and people out. No one should ever go hungry.



Submitted photos



## All Saints' Church holds auction this Saturday

SOUTH HADLEY— On Saturday, Nov. 2, All Saints' Church, 7 Woodbridge St. (Rt. 116) will kick off the first auction of the Fall season. The public preview of the many auction items is at noon. The auction will begin at 1 p.m. with a rap of the gavel and opening bids under the direction of the auctioneer of the day, Paul Lambert, CEO and president of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra.

A variety of items will include gift baskets some prepared by Atkins Farm in Amherst, gift cards from area restaurants and stores including those in the Village Commons, a selection of brand new small appliances, handmade items, a Lottery Tree, and the added feature of a 50/50 Raffle. Refreshments will be available throughout the afternoon. Come early to preview your favorite items and be ready for the bidding. Bring a friend and begin your holiday shopping

in the relaxed comfort of Kidder Hall: the church parish hall and avoid the last minute crush of the season. Cash and all major credit cards will be accepted.

The Auction Committee for this early November event is chaired by Carol Reynolds and includes Publicity-Marilyn Gass, Arrangements-Donald Marsh, and Refreshments-Nancy Wood.

Convenient auction parking is available in two lots on Dunlop Place off Rt. 116. There is a

large parking area adjacent to the church on the north side of Dunlop Place, and additional parking behind the Church in a lot closer to the rear entrance of All Saints' Church. From this entrance there is an indoor elevator to the parish hall. Both the Church parking lot entrance and the front entrance to the Church are handicapped accessible to the auction site in Kidder Hall.

## Town bills have been mailed out

SOUTH HADLEY—FY 2025 Qtr. 2 Real Estate, Personal Property and first half of FY 2025 Sewer bills were mailed out to residents on Oct. 1. The due date for Real Estate and Personal Property bills is Nov. 1. Sewer bills are due Nov. 15. If you have not received your bills, please email our office at:

collector@southhadley-ma.gov or call 413-538-5030, ext. 6189 and we can send you a new bill.

Bills can also be viewed/printed through Invoice Cloud which can be accessed from the website.

Payment can be made online through the Town of South Hadley's website, southhadleyma.gov, by mail, dropped in our Dropbox located behind the Police Department on Bridge Street or you can pay in person Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## BARC Holiday Pop-up

BELCHERTOWN— Please join in on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Belchertown Animal Control, 165 George Hannum Road. There will be 10 year, special edition celebratory t-shirts for sale. Get them now while supplies last. There will also be cat toys, dog tails, hats, jackets, t-shirts, plus much much more. BARC merchandise makes great holiday gifts for your animal loving friends and family and at the same time, you help to support a great organization. It's a win win. With any donation or purchase donors will have a chance to take home one of the special baskets. Please bring cat or dog, dry or wet food for the pet food pantry. This will be an outside event.

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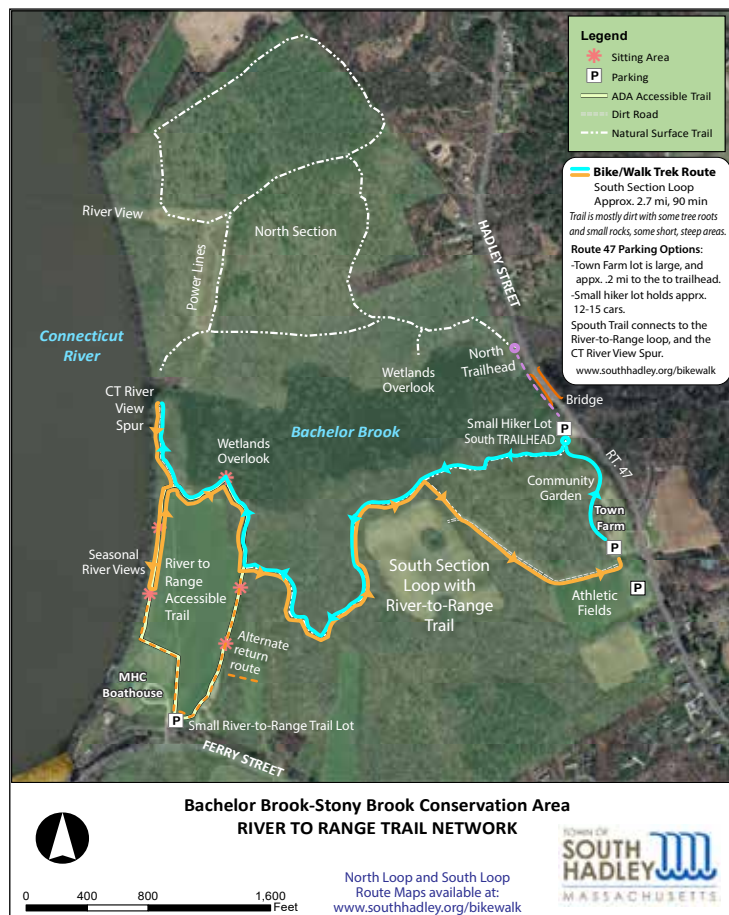
South Hadley-River To Range, Wetlands Overlook

## Guided public trek on Nov. 3

### Bachelor Brook-Stony Brook Conservation Area

SOUTH HADLEY— On Sunday, Nov. 3, at 11 a.m. the South Hadley Bike/Walk Committee will lead a free, guided Trek on the southern portion of the Bachelor Brook-Stony Brook Conservation Area, which also includes the River-to-Range accessible trail. Bike/Walk members Anne Barry and Jim Buckley will lead participants along the South section's main dirt trail, which has a few short, but steep sections, some of which have wooden steps with railings. The area is in a bio-diverse floodplain of ecological and cultural significance, and there are tree roots and stones in many parts of the trail. After intersecting with the River-to-Range trail, with its wider and better groomed surface, we will walk up a short spur to the juncture of Bachelor Brook and the Connecticut river, which offers spectacular north and south views of the river. We'll walk a bit more on the Trail along the river, then go back via the main South trail to another path that passes fields and loops back to the parking lot at Town Farm Field. The Trek is approximately 2.7 miles. New Trekkers are always welcomed.

We will meet at 10:45 a.m. in the area of the Town Farm Lot that is closest to the Community Garden, which is located at 100 Hadley Street and has plenty of parking. We'll leave from there at 11:00am and walk two tenths of a mile to the trailhead for the South Trail at small hiker lot on Route 47, near the south end of



Bachelor Brook River To Range Trail, South Loop Trek Map

the bridge over Bachelor Brook. The trailhead is marked by a brown wood sign with yellow letters. Our Trek loop will end back at the Town Farm Lot.

Wear weather-appropriate clothing and safe footwear, and bring water and walking poles, if desired. Please keep in mind that fallen leaves can be slippery and some areas of the trail may be wet, so hiking footwear is preferable to sneakers. While no hunting is allowed in MA on Sundays, bright clothing is always a good idea. Please use

caution if walking on Rt. 47 as the road is a bit curvy. There is room to move off the road and walk on the adjacent grassy strip.

All events are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or ground conditions and any decision to cancel will be made and posted by 8 a.m. on the day of the Trek. For more information, to check for a weather notification, or to download Bachelor Brook-Stony Brook South Loop Trek Map, visit us on the Town website at: [www.southhadley.org/bikewalk](http://www.southhadley.org/bikewalk).

## Friends of the Mt. Holyoke Range continue important work

By Tina Lesniak  
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY - As one of the most stunning areas to explore in the area, the Mount Holyoke Range is one of the defining sites of the South Hadley area - one that needs to be honored and preserved. The Friends of the Mount Holyoke Range work diligently to do so.

"The purpose of the Friends of the Mount Holyoke Range is to provide assistance in the preservation, development, and operation of the Mount Holyoke Range and its educational, recreational, natural and historic assets," explained Rebekah Cornell, conservation administrator and planner for the town of South Hadley. "The Friends do this by providing volunteer assistance, being a conduit for attracting and organizing skilled labor for projects on the Range, and providing a revolving fund for the promotion of various programs and land preservation."

Those programs will be discussed at the upcoming annual meeting and potluck supper on Nov. 7 at the Notch Visitor Center. Free and open to the public, the potluck and meeting portion will kick off the evening at 6 p.m., mainly focusing on electing new officials and sharing a meal together. At 7 p.m., Phil Johnson of Amherst Railway will give a presentation on trains and trolleys in and around the Mount Holyoke Range.

"These trains and trolleys used to move residents and vacationers around the valley," said Cornell. "[Attending] is a great way to stay in touch with what's happening in the range and support one of the area's most beautiful parks."

In addition to its annual meeting and potluck on the first Thursday of November, the Friends also help facilitate many events throughout the rest of the year. The Summer Concert Series at the Summit House has been very popular and hosted a wide range of musical acts this past summer, including Arcadia Viols, who play viola da gamba, a family of bowed string instruments originating in the 1500s during the Baroque era and SPF4 which plays vintage, early 1960's instrumental surf rock, both classic covers and original music. It also helps to organize the Seven Sisters Trail Race, a hilly and rocky 12-mile run in early May, and many programs and projects in coordination with the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation.

The Notch Visitor Center is located at 1500 West St., on Route 116, in Amherst. Anyone can be a member of the Friends. An individual membership is \$10 and a family membership is \$15. The Friends have an opening on the Board of Directors. Interested parties should attend this event to learn more or visit the website [www.friendsofmhr.org](http://www.friendsofmhr.org).

## Music parents to host community meeting

SOUTH HADLEY— The South Hadley Music Parents Association is inviting all community members to its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. on Nov. 12 at the Michael E. Smith Middle School Library, 100 Mosier St. Join in to dis-

cuss current performing arts opportunities for South Hadley students and ways to expand offering for our students in all grade levels. Especially hoping to hear from families of elementary and middle school students.

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# Opinion



## Worried has question about Taxation of Social Security benefits

Dear Rusty:

I am past my Social Security full retirement age, and I am still working. I am married and we file our income tax jointly. My husband is 64 and is not working now, but he may or may not, be able to work in the next year or so. At what point will my Social Security benefits be taxed, if I decide to take them now?

Signed: Worried About Taxes

Dear Worried:

Many Social Security recipients are surprised to find that their benefits may be considered taxable by the IRS, so I welcome the opportunity to clarify this topic for you.

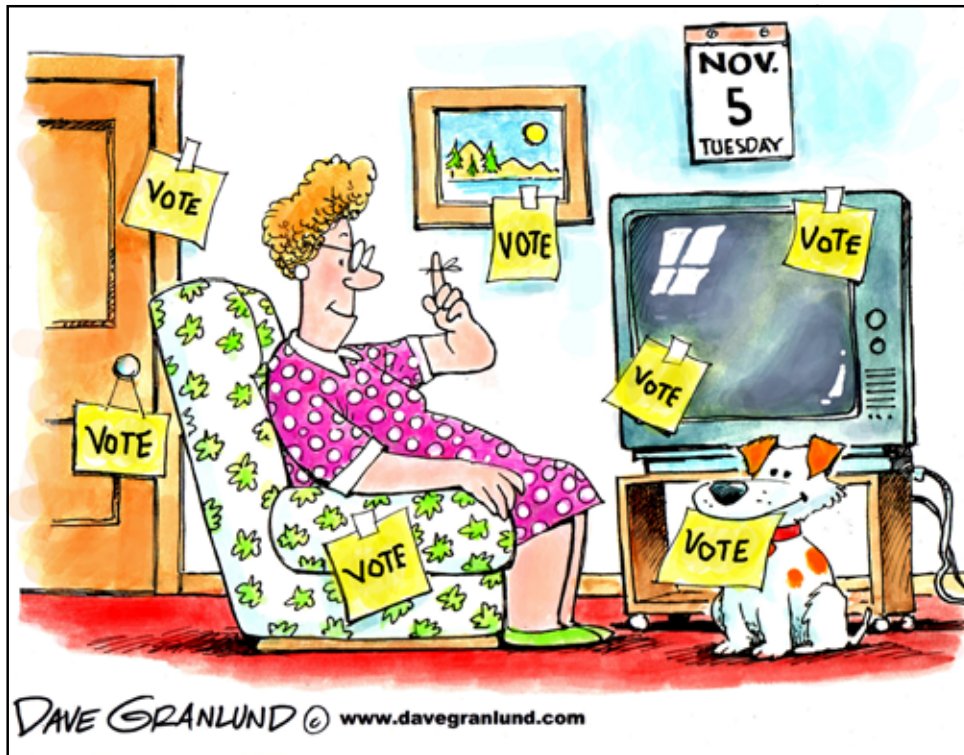
Whether or not your Social Security benefits are taxable depends on your overall combined taxable income for your IRS tax filing status. Taxation of Social Security benefits for a married couple (filing jointly) depends on your combined income as a couple, which is called your "Modified Adjusted Gross Income" by the IRS. Your MAGI consists of your normal Adjusted Gross Income on your IRS tax return, plus 50% of the SS benefits you received during the tax year, plus any non-taxable interest you may have had.

If your MAGI, filing jointly, exceeds \$32,000, then 50% of the SS benefits you received during the tax year becomes taxable, but if your MAGI as a couple exceeds \$44,000 then up to 85% of your received SS benefits becomes taxable (at your standard IRS tax rate). Note that these tax thresholds are less for those who file their taxes as a single – e.g., for someone whose IRS filing status is "single," half of their Social Security benefits become part of their taxable income if their personal MAGI is over \$25,000 and up to 85% of their SS benefits are taxable if their individual MAGI is over \$34,000.

Another factor often misunderstood is that only a portion of SS benefits are added to your income amount taxed by the IRS. The amount added, somewhere between 50% and 85% of the SS benefits received during the tax year depending on your MAGI, becomes taxable income at your normal IRS tax rate.

So, in your case, if you claim your SS benefits now and your combined income your MAGI exceeds the above levels for a married couple, then a portion either 50% or up to 85% of your SS benefits received during the tax year will be included in your income taxable by the IRS. Note, too, that it is possible to have income tax withheld from your Social Security benefits by submitting IRS form W-4V to your local Social Security office. You can download this IRS form at [www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw4v.pdf](http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw4v.pdf).

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Needless tree destruction?

Your recent article about the proposed improvements to Buttery Brook Park was misleading in its failure to alert readers to the massive destruction of mature trees — red pines, red maples, and red oak — that will take place, for no good reason. The plans submitted to the South Hadley Conservation Commission by the Berkshire Design Group, dated Sept. 18, 2024, include the removal of more than 105 trees! This is an astounding number. During the Conservation Commission recent hearing, the rep-

resentative from Berkshire Design admitted that no arborist had been consulted about the health of the trees or their destruction. That the tree roots present an occasional tripping hazard is a flimsy reason to cut down the trees. All trees eventually have visible roots as they age. Are the replacement trees going to be cut down in 30 years when their roots start to show?

Susan Sachs  
South Hadley

### More housing, less land

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concern regarding proposed Article 9, which the South Hadley Planning Board intends to bring to a vote at the special town meeting, Nov. 13, 2024. In talking to my neighbors and people I know in town; many are totally unaware this is about to happen. Should it pass, our town will change drastically.

Article 9 will reduce the required parcel size from the current 5 acres down to 3. It will increase the number of eligible lots from 197 to 326. Go to the town website and look at the hypothetical build-out scenarios. <https://www.southhadley.org/DocumentCenter/View/13274/Public-Hearing-Presentation--9924>

On a 3-acre parcel there could be as many as 12 units/acre. These will be the same market rate houses that we traditionally build in this town. This potential development won't be for the people who live here and may want to downsize or are seeking an affordable place to live. This additional housing will be for the

people who relocate because they sold their million-dollar property somewhere else and feel they're getting a bargain buying a condo for \$500,000.

Please, look around your neighborhood, the streets that you drive or walk through every day. Notice all the areas where there is land with trees that provide refuge for wildlife, clean the air, absorb water runoff and enhance our quality of life. Think about how you would feel if that area had 30 units of housing on it. Then think about the possibility of that on 326 parcels scattered around the town. Would you still want to live here with that kind of density? Every day we hear that there is a housing crisis. I strongly doubt that South Hadley alone is going to solve that issue. In twenty years let's make sure South Hadley is still a desirable place to live, prepared to face the challenges of the ongoing climate crisis. I urge you to call your Town Meeting Representatives and tell them to vote no on Article 9.

Jacki Dupre, Precinct B  
Town Meeting Member



### Cross garlic off the list

It was a productive weekend "back at the ranch."

I had a very long list of things to get caught up on in and around the garden. For the most part I completed everything on the list, although a new list has started. Doesn't it always?

The last task I completed was planting

garlic.

I got started growing garlic because of my Uncle Tony. He always planted his garlic cloves in the spring. I think he was under the impression that garlic wasn't hardy and wouldn't survive the winter if you planted it in the fall.

It could very well have been the type he grew. As soon as the ground had thawed, I'd get out there and plant the cloves he'd given me and in just about three months I'd harvest the fists comprised of seven or eight teeny tiny cloves.

Since then, I've gone on to plant my bulbs in the fall and again, it's probably a variety thing, but my cloves are two or three times the size of those I planted in the spring those many years ago. I have a pretty good system going that I've shared with my readers a few times over the years.

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**White-throated sparrow, white and tan striped morphs**

A Brimfield resident reported white-throated sparrows in his yard.

He said, "Adult white-throated sparrows are polymorphic, occurring in two plumage types or forms: white striped (bright) or tan striped (dull). Almost all of the white-throated sparrows I see are the tan striped morph." I also saw white-throated sparrows, but they are mostly the white striped morph.

I put a small amount of bird seed and shelled peanuts in my feeders in the morning. I do not fill them as there are many black bears in my area. With this wonderful Indian summer weather, I have been working outside since I use a laptop computer. Besides working on the two papers I edit, Barre Gazette and Country Journal, I enjoy the weather, and get to see birds coming and going at the feeders.

The white-throated sparrow is 6 1/2 inches long with a dark crown with a buff or tan central stripe and white throat. Depending on which morph, they have either white or tan eyebrows with a yellow mark before the eye. Their breast is gray with a

few, faint streaks.

The female has a less bold pattern on the head, duller yellow by eye, more streaking on the breast and grayer. The immature of either sex looks like the female. Immature plumage is kept through their first winter. Breeding pair usually contains one bird from each morph, either a tan female and white male or white female and tan male.

The female lays four to six light blue-green eggs with dark marks in a nest of grasses lined with hairs and rootlets. It is placed on the ground or under a small tree or shrub.

For many years, my family and I had horses. Their hair was a popular nesting material for the birds in our yard. Nests often had horse hair woven into them. After grooming the horses, birds would often come and fly away with strands of horse hair especially from the horses' mane or tail.

White throated sparrows summer in Canada and winter in the northeastern and part of the southern United States. They feed on the ground eating weed seeds, grain, fruit and insects. They come to tray type feeders or scattered on the ground. They like cracked corn, sunflower seeds and millet.

Their song is two long whistled notes followed by three or four higher, quivering notes. It sounds like "sweet sweet Canada Canada Canada." Calls are "tseet" when birds are in flocks and "pink" in alarm. They inhabit coniferous and mixed woods and brushy areas.

#### Brimfield birds

The Brimfield resident reported not much happening at the Warren ponds. In his yard, he saw a male eastern towhee, a couple of ruby-crowned kinglets, five goldfinches, a chipping sparrow, song sparrow and white-throated sparrows.

#### Black swallow tail caterpillars

The Brimfield resident also said in an email, "Over a week ago we found a cou-

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#### **GARLIC** from page 4

Read on for a refresher on garlic planting.

Garlic should be planted four to six weeks prior to the ground freezing, much like you would daffodils or tulips. The time is now!

Your goal is to have a well developed root system to anchor the plant through the winter. Because garlic prefers a pH of 6.5 (6.0-7 is OK), a sprinkling of lime won't hurt.

Mix in a couple of inches of aged manure or compost to planting bed. I use a pitchfork to loosen and mix the soil with the manure and lime so that it's incorporated well.

Over the years I've learned that the secret to big bulbs has a lot to do with spacing. Space individual cloves eight-10 inches apart pointed side up and plant two-three inches deep (up to the knuckle if you are pushing them into the soil by hand) and firm down.

If rain has been scarce, water the planting well. A friend who attending one of my gardening talks a few years back, shared that she places a sheet of cardboard over the bed, and then applies mulch on top of that.

For the last few years, I have done this and it has worked out great to keep the weeds down. Garlic abhors weed competition.

One year, though, I had a problem. I didn't see my garlic sprouting in the spring, so I lifted the cardboard, and the top growth was stuck underneath! I made holes for it to grow through and all was well.



Last year I made sure I watered the bed a lot so that the cardboard would soften and this wouldn't be a problem ever again.

Garlic loves fertile soil, so top dress with more aged manure/compost in the spring, about the time when daffodils are up two inches. I slide back the mulch/softened cardboard and add the compost then replace it for continued weed suppression and moisture retention.

Repeat this process once per month in May and June.

If rain is scarce, make sure that your garlic beds get about one inch of water a week. Stop additional watering one month prior to harvest and cut off curly "scapes" (immature flower heads) as they form.

Garlic is ready to harvest when one third of the leaves have yellowed/browned. Don't wait much past this time, or bulbs will separate within the fist, and length of storage could be affected. Cure in an airy location, free of humidity and moisture.

I get excited planting garlic. It's the first installation of the "new year!" Funny, how just three weeks ago I was almost sick of the garden, now it's all new again.

*Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 32 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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### NOVEMBER EVENTS

#### Book Clubs

##### Hello Sunshine Book Club

Wed., Nov. 6 at 6:30

First Wednesdays of the Month. A book discussion group focusing on selections from Reese Witherspoon's Hello Sunshine book club.

##### Between the Covers Romance Book Club

Tues., Nov. 12 at 3

Monthly get-together of romance novels that offer happy endings and often are part of a series. Books available to check out in the weeks prior to each meeting.

#### Crafts

##### Tuesday Night Knitters

Every Tuesday at 6

All skill levels are welcome.

#### Ongoing Events

##### Gatehouse Writer's Group (Online Writing Group)

Every Friday Online via Zoom from 10 - Noon

Contact Linda Rowland-Buckley ([rowbuc1998@gmail.com](mailto:rowbuc1998@gmail.com)) Our library writing group, the Gatehouse Writing group, is a supportive peer-led environment open to all levels and styles.

##### Spanish Conversation Corner

Nov. 16 at 10:30

An opportunity for Spanish speakers to practice their language skills.

#### Swap

##### Recipe Swap

Sat., Nov. 16 at 10 - 11

Drop off your favorite recipes between Mon., Oct.28 through Fri., Nov. 15.

On Sat., Nov. 16 take a copy of the recipes.

#### Evening Program

##### Adult Book Tasting

Sat., Nov. 13 at 6

Love learning about new authors and books? Come on down and enjoy being introduced to some new authors and books. (Sign Up Online)

#### Virtual Online Author Talks

##### A Navajo Investigator's Search for the Unexplained: In Conversation with Stanley Milford, Jr.

Thurs., Nov. 7 at 7

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Christy, Pete, Maggie, and Grayson dressed in family Toy Story costumes.



The pumpkin patch gang from Beers and Story Funeral home, including Linda, Alyssa, Lucy, Kate, and Crystal.

# 'TRUNK OR TREAT'



Regina Zebrowski and Cara DiRienzo with Chap de Laine's trailer showing The Nightmare Before Christmas.



Kay and Shirley dressed as minions at their minion themed booth with plenty of candy.



Joni Fleming and Jameson Glanville, who worked hard to make this event possible.

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Sponsors pay to be a part of the trunk-or-treat and bring their own candies and treats to hand out. "We have the most generous sponsors who do all of this to support this event and make the kids happy," Fleming said.

Twenty sponsors came and set up a specially themed trunk or tent for the event, and three local restaurants came out and handed out coupons for the parents to get a special treat, too.

"I have so many favorite parts...Watching the excitement of the sponsors when the first kid comes in, seeing the kids' faces when they see all the sponsor's, I guess my favorite part is watching the community enjoying each other," Fleming said.

"For me, the most meaningful part was seeing the power of the South Hadley & Granby Chamber of Commerce shine through this event. My favorite part was seeing the creativity in the kids costumes and how much fun they had," Glanville said.

The event was free for the community to enjoy a night of costumes, lights, candy, and fun music from DJ Kstylez. The money for the spaces goes into the chamber of commerce, and they in turn use that money to create more events for the community to enjoy.

"[The best part of hosting these events is] definitely hearing how much fun everyone had, the parents, the kids, the sponsors, the thank you's when the events are over are heart-warming," Fleming said.

In total, twenty-six organizations and businesses in attendance including Chap de Laine's Interiors Inc., SHELD, Peoples Bank, Brighter Beginnings, Silverwood Home Design, Superior Plus Propane, Bodies In Motion, and Tree of Life Early Learning Center, and many more.

The trunk-or-treat was a wonderful success and the commerce and all who took part in it are looking forward to next year's, and many, many more after that.

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School resource officers with the high school and middle school, officers Ray Faginski and Josh Helms.



Kathryn Proctor and little Bernie, a partner costume of a firefighter and a building on fire.





Courney, Kelly, Pam, and Colleen with Bodies in Motion Dance Studio.



Sargeant Bones ready to welcome kids for some candy and fun with the police.

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Aspen, Jackson, and Lilliana having fun with Sparky the dog.

Submitted photo

Members of Bank ESB enjoy Trunk or Treat at Beers and Story in South Hadley with Tessa Berard of South Hadley on Friday night.



From Peoples' Bank, Emily, Lindsay, Melanie, and Daniel having a great time passing out candy.



SHELD friends Nubia Lopez as the salsa, and Jen Kulig as the chip.



Briana Cote and Captain Jay Houle with the South Hadley District 1 Fire Department.



Ariel and her stunning light up gown to shine brightly at the trunk-or-treat.



U.S. Army soldiers from the South Hadley Recruitment base with their costumes and plenty of candy for the kids.

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# Violinist's story of Music, Medicine, and Healing

PALMER—Linda Newland, a violinist who lives in Monson, MA was settling down for a relaxing evening on a warm summer night. Then the unthinkable happened.

"My husband John and I had finished our showers and were looking forward to a movie in bed," Linda recalls. "As I stood by the closet, I thought, 'Strange! I don't have any feeling in my right arm and leg. Something temporary, maybe. I think I'll try walking across the room.' Total disaster! I went down like a rock.

John was right there, leaning over me, and said, 'Can you get up?' My lips moved, but no words came. 'Can you talk?' he asked. I shook my head. Scooping me up to the bed, he grabbed the phone and dialed 911, with shock and disbelief on his face. 'My wife is having a stroke,' he said. 'How long ago did this happen?' the person on the 911 line asked. 'She's having it now,' John replied. After answering a couple more questions from EMS, he managed to get me into my pajamas while I used my left arm to help put the lifeless right arm into the sleeve."

Emergency medical service (EMS) providers working in the community have a protocol for alerting the Emergency Department (ED) about a suspected stroke. When the EMTs arrived at Linda Newland's home, they made a quick assessment, and the team notified the Emergency Department at Baystate Wing Hospital that they were coming in with a patient suspected to be having a stroke. The care team in the ED quickly called a Stroke Alert and readied to care for Linda.

"It wasn't long before two angels from the EMS team were there, lifting me and somehow getting me down the stairs and into the ambulance," Linda says. "John drove behind them as the EMT, Lisa Hamill, tested my reactions: left side, OK; right side, nil. Then we arrived at Baystate Wing's Emergency Department, where more angels took over my treatment while discussing the situation with John."

Stroke is the fifth-leading cause of death and a leading cause of disability in the U.S. A stroke occurs when a blood ves-

sel that carries oxygen and nutrients to the brain is either blocked by a clot or bursts. When that happens, part of the brain cannot get the blood and oxygen it needs, so brain cells die. The entire team at Baystate Wing works closely with area EMS providers to immediately evaluate a patient with suspected stroke symptoms once they arrive at the hospital to expedite care, knowing that every minute counts.

"We are fortunate that Linda's husband recognized her concerning symptoms and immediately called for help, and our EMS team was then able to get her to us as fast as possible," says Dr. Michelle Holton, the Emergency Department physician who cared for Linda. "Once Linda arrived and we were able to evaluate

her, it was clear that she was a perfect candidate for thrombolitics, more commonly known as clot busters. For many patients, symptoms such as slurred speech, slight arm or leg weakness, significant dizziness, facial droop, and difficulty speaking, among others are attributed to other things or are ignored, and patients frequently present too late for us to intervene aggressively. This is why it is so important that these symptoms are taken seriously. We were so fortunate to be able to intervene quickly for Linda and to see her regain the function that she has."

A CT scan confirmed that Linda met the criteria for acute stroke treatment and TNK (tenecteplase), was given. TNK is a medication that can quickly dissolve the clots that cause many strokes. By opening a blocked blood vessel and restoring blood flow, TNK can reduce the damage to the brain that occurs during a stroke. To be effective, TNK and other drugs like it must be given within a few hours of the stroke symptoms beginning.

The TNK worked quickly. Linda smiled as she found she could lift her right leg and arm a little. When Dr. Holton dis-



sults similar to Linda's: she had great improvement very soon after the procedure and a complete recovery. These better results depend on many factors, but definitely, rapid recognition and 911 activation play a very important role."

A thrombectomy involves anesthetizing the patient and then inserting a thin, metallic, stent-like device into an artery in the leg. The neuroendovascular specialist then threads the device up to the blockage in the brain, where it opens to immediately restore blood circulation, eventually grabbing onto the clot and pulling it out. Until recently, clot-busting treatment was the only proven therapy to treat ischemic stroke. Now doctors nationwide are performing this advanced procedure, which has transformed care for those with an acute ischemic stroke. In western MA, the procedure is performed exclusively at Baystate Medical Center's state-of-the-art neuro-interventional laboratory.

"When I woke up at Baystate Medical Center, a smiling nurse put me through a test: 'Can you move your right leg? Your right arm? What is your name? Date of birth?' says Linda. "Then my beloved John was there, leaning over me as I spoke as well as I could through the oxygen mask. 'Well, we can take that off, now, so you can make out what she is saying,' the nurse said. As I formed some words, joy, and relief transformed John's face. I was back again! 'She'll speak better tomorrow morning,' the nurse said, 'but we'll wake her every hour tonight to check on her.' "Well worth the effort,' I thought."

Early stroke detection and treatment are key to improving survival, minimizing disability, and accelerating recovery times.

"The physician who gave me the MRI after my thrombectomy, marveled that in all the years they'd been giving MRIs,

they'd never seen such a minimal amount of damage with a major stroke," recalls Linda. I told John to go home and sleep, and the nurse heartily concurred, cautioning him against emotional collapse after the stressful night. He had been central to my quick treatment. If he hadn't been right with me at the time of my stroke, it would have been a sadder story. I'm forever grateful to all involved in my recovery. Every day is a gift from that devoted crew."

As soon as I got home, four days after the surgery, I picked up my violin," recounts Linda. "I can do it! Yes! Right arm, right hand, left hand - they all work! My life is back." A few days later, I started giving online lessons, and the week after that, I began teaching all 25 of my precious students in person again. My heartfelt thanks to all who made all these things possible."

Baystate Wing Hospital in Palmer and Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, where Linda received her care, has received the Get with the Guidelines - Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award from the American Heart Association for their commitment to ensuring stroke patients receive the most appropriate treatment according to nationally recognized, research-based guidelines, leading to more lives saved and reduced disability. In addition, Baystate Wing also received the American Heart Association's Target: Type 2 Diabetes™ Honor Roll award. Target: Type 2 Diabetes aims to ensure patients with Type 2 diabetes, who might be at higher risk for complications, receive the most up to date-evidence-based care when hospitalized due to stroke.

"We are grateful to our care teams at Baystate Wing Hospital and Baystate Medical Center who drive our success in delivering the very best care to our patients," says Karli Barrett, MS, RN, NE-BC, vice president and chief nursing officer/chief administrative officer of Baystate Wing Hospital. "This is an example of our team's hard work and commitment to providing the highest quality of care in the many communities served by Baystate Health."

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# Senator Markey maps need for climate action

*Following extreme weather events across the country*

BOSTON - Senator Edward Markey was joined on Oct. 15 in Boston by local officials and advocates to call for increased federal investment to bolster the climate resilience of regions at risk of sea level rise – exacerbated by devastation from climate change-fueled storms, as well as highlight ongoing resiliency projects in the state, following two devastating hurricanes in the southeastern United States that are expected to cost \$300 billion and have resulted in more than 250 deaths.

Senator Markey announced that over the past two years, Boston, Chelsea, and Revere have already secured more than \$75 million from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act for resiliency projects that include building resilient transportation corridors in Roxbury, greening the Chelsea Creek waterfront, and making the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Blue Line more flood resistant. In total, the commonwealth has secured approximately \$200 million for climate resiliency projects from those two laws so far.

Senator Markey was joined by Brian Swett, Chief Climate Officer for the City of Boston; Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata; Roseann Bongiovanni, Noemy Rodriguez, and John Walkey from GreenRoots; and Dwaigh Tyndal, Executive Director of Alternatives for Community and Environment.

“If we don’t drive down our emissions

as a country, we could see more than six feet of sea level rise by the end of the century. That’s sunny-day flooding in neighborhoods from East Boston to Back Bay. TD Garden wouldn’t be flooded with a sea of fans—it would be flooded by the sea itself. Back Bay will go back to the bay,” said Markey. “Our task is twofold. One, cut climate pollution by ushering in a clean energy revolution unlike any we’ve seen before, dismantling our dependence on fossil fuels. And two, prepare for the future by investing in resilient buildings and strong communities. Thanks in part to the Inflation Reduction Act and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, we are well on our way to meet that second goal. In Massachusetts, we don’t wait, we create.”

“Chelsea and East Boston, the two communities that we serve at GreenRoots, are frontline environmental justice communities that are disproportionately impacted by environmental assault. On a daily basis, environmental justice communities throughout the United States and in the Global South face increased frequency of severe storms, storm surge, sea level rise, drought, heat island impacts, wildfires and much more. We need federal leadership like that of Senator Markey’s to prioritize policies and investments in climate resilience and climate justice, an end to fossil fuel use, and implementing greater renewable, resilient energy,” said Roseann Bongiovanni, Executive Director of GreenRoots.

“Many of the people here have immigrated as a result of natural disasters in their home countries, and with climate change, we know that natural disasters are only going to be increasing in number. When this happens, we need to ask the questions,

‘Where are we going to go? What is going to happen to us?’ These are the questions and worries that many of us have, not just for East Boston, but all over the country. We are the first generation feeling the effects of climate change and we may be the last generation that can do something about it,” said Noemy Rodriguez, Waterfront Initiative Organizer at GreenRoots.

“We know that when climate change happens, the least among us are the first affected and the worst affected. We frequently say that people are a paycheck away from disaster. According to FEMA, just an inch of floodwater in a home causes roughly about \$25,000 in damages. There are over 400,000 Massachusetts residents living in the hundred-year flood zone which means more than a one in four chance of having a flood during a 30-year mortgage period. If home ownership is the route to generational wealth that we would leave to the next generation, we need to be planning and prepared for this,” said John Walkey, Director of Climate Justice & Waterfront Initiatives.

“Boston is deeply grateful for Senator Markey’s unwavering leadership in securing critical federal funds that are bolstering our city’s climate resilience. Thanks to our partners in the federal government, Boston has secured over \$60 million in grants for coastal resilience projects helping us protect our neighborhoods from rising sea levels and extreme storms. However, with the increasing frequency of extreme weather, much more work remains, and additional funding is essential to fully safeguard our city and its most vulnerable communities,” said Brian Swett, Chief Climate Officer for the City of Boston.

“We have a moral obligation to move quickly to identify all strategies and tools that are at our disposal to ensure that Boston’s forty-seven-mile coastline is resilient and to protect these residents. I want to thank Senator Markey for his leadership in the Senate, and President Biden’s leadership in securing these necessary federal funds that Boston is now being awarded, which will help protect our communities. This is our next big challenge. We need the resources, capital, and collaboration to adequately protect Boston. We need the vital investments coming down the pike from the federal government in both green and gray infrastructure to protect our future. I am hopeful, with the level of partnership and leadership on display here across all levels of government, advocacy groups and philanthropy, and I know that we will continue to lean in and get it done,” said Boston City Councilor Gabriela “Gigi” Coletta Zapata.

“This is a reminder, a call to arms, a warning and a reality check. We may have more resources than imagination to deal with this issue. We have all the policy, the information, and the possible solutions. The struggle now is to push beyond our imagination to do what we need to get this done. This is not going to be a part of the political cycle, or fundraising cycles, but part of the continual struggle and persistence that many of us are here today are taking part in,” said Dwaigh Tyndal, Executive Director of ACE.

The destruction of extreme weather events is disproportionately felt by black, brown, low-income, and immigrant com-

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ple of black swallowtail caterpillars on a volunteer 12” tall fennel plant growing out of the space between pavers in our walkway. I collected the caterpillars and put them in the house in a small aquarium with fennel leaves. Last year we found three black swallowtail caterpillars chrysalises in the garden, kept them inside a shed over the winter and in the spring tied the chrysalises to tree branches. All three hatched and flew away.”

**Fun facts about Canada geese**

The Brimfield resident also offered some facts about Canada geese he got from MassWildlife. Human intervention radically altered the status of this species within the Bay State. Before the 1930s, these geese rarely nested here, today many Canada geese are in this state year round.

The migratory population still pass through in the spring and fall and stop to rest during migration. Resident population are descendants of captive geese used by waterfowl hunters; live decoys were outlawed in the 1930s and captive birds were released. With no pattern of migration, these geese began nesting in Massachusetts. In the 1960s and early 1970s, MassWildlife moved geese from the coast into central and western Massachusetts to the applause of both hunters and non-hunters. A population explosion followed.

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## Tigers fall to Chaug in rare matchup

By Tim Peterson  
Sports Correspondent

WILBRAHAM—The 14 seniors listed on the Minnechaug Regional boys' varsity soccer roster have been teammates for many years and they didn't want to lose on senior night.

The Falcons, who held a slim 1-0 halftime lead against the South Hadley Tigers, managed to pull away during the final 15 minutes of the non-league match for a 4-0 shutout victory at Falcon Field, last Tuesday.

"All of the seniors have been playing soccer together since we were little kids and we're basically one big family," said Minnechaug senior Bryce Barlow, who contributed with a goal and an assist. "It's a dream come true to be playing soccer with the same bunch of guys for so long. I certainly won't forget this night."

Barlow was very surprised when he saw Minnechaug Regional Principal Stephen Hale wearing a blonde wig and his soccer jersey during the senior night match.

"I thought my mom was going to be wearing my jersey at tonight's game. It was very funny when I saw Mr. Hale wearing the wig and my jersey," Barlow said. "Mr. Hale is a family friend and I've known him since I was in the third grade. He attends all the school's events and is a great principal. He's a very good role model."

The other Falcons seniors, who were honored during a pre-game ceremony, are Ryan Ice, Mason Belcamino, Matt Ryan, Ryan Purchase, Kyle Atkin, Jordan Dietz, Thomas O'Toole, Robert Bustamante, Paul Diehl,

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Noah Carillon looks to collect a loose ball.



Matthew Gillis is pressured while dribbling.



Spencer Parson tries to steal the ball away.



Carlos David passes away ahead of pressure.



Anthony Adams kicks the ball away.

## Tigers defeat sound Rams in semifinals

SOUTH HADLEY – On Tuesday night, Allison Fleury scored twice for the Tigers in a 2-0 shutout of Southwick Regional School in the semifinals of the Class B Western Mass. Tournament.

It was the first time in several years the Tigers and Rams had matched up in tournament action. The two teams had some historic battles, including one that went to extra penalty kicks several years ago. But this time, Fleury was all that was needed to get a win for the Tigers. She scored in the first half on a shot off the goalie's hands, then got the second goal on a penalty kick thanks to a handball in the box.

The Tigers will have a rematch with Belchertown in the Western Mass. finals. The time, date, and location of that game was not available as of press time, but go to www.pviac.net for updated information and brackets.

## Granby edged by rival Monson

By Tim Peterson  
Sports Correspondent

MONSON—Hannah Murphy is the only junior listed on the Monson girls' varsity soccer roster.

Unless one of her classmates decides to join the varsity team next year, Murphy will have the spotlight all to herself during the Lady Mustangs 2025 senior day celebration.

Murphy made sure that the four current seniors had a very enjoyable experience on their senior day.

The Central Division contest versus Granby was tied 1-1 when Murphy scored a goal with a minute remaining in regulation. It wound up giving her team an exciting 2-1 victory on



Kalli White takes control and heads up the field.



Kaileena Smith chases down the ball.

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## T-Birds scored bounce-back win over Hartford

HARTFORD – The Springfield Thunderbirds (3-5-0-0) bounced back from a pair of defeats to finish the three-game weekend with a 5-2 win over the Hartford Wolf Pack (3-2-0-1) on Sunday at the XL Center.

The T-Birds faced challenges before the game even began, as seven lineup regulars were unavailable due to injury. Despite their shorthanded lineup, Steve Konowalchuk's T-Birds came out with a purpose, generating a pair of power plays in the opening half of the opening period, and forcing Louis Domingue to make many great saves in tight. Domingue's best work was when he reached back the paddle of his stick and pulled a loose puck dangerously close to the goal line.

The Wolf Pack, though, still managed to get on the board first, as top-line centerman Bo Groulx pounced on a loose puck in center, roared in on the right wing, and snapped a perfect wrist shot off the inside of the post behind Colten Ellis to make it a 1-0 game at 8:16.

That precise shot would be the only blemish on Ellis's record

in an opening period that saw the young T-Birds backstop deny 11 Hartford chances, including several on a pair of Wolf Pack power plays.

At the other end, the T-Birds' third line evened the slate less than three minutes after Groulx's opening marker as Drew Callin swooped in from behind Domingue's net and surprised the veteran with a wraparound through the legs to make it a 1-1 tie at 11:12.

The gutsy effort continued in the middle stanza, and Dalibor Dvorsky was rewarded at 8:52 with his third goal of the campaign. After skating the puck out of danger and entering the offensive zone, the 19-year-old pulled up on the left-wing boards and created a shooting lane. The rookie's flip shot into traffic found a home through Domingue's legs and gave Springfield its first lead of the day, 2-1, at 8:52.

Not even three minutes later, Tanner Dickinson entered the scoring realm as he took a beautiful setup from Michael Buchinger and lifted a fore-

hander over Domingue's stick at 11:08. Dickinson's first AHL goal of the season also marked Buchinger's first career point as a pro, and it gave Springfield a 3-1 lead into the third.

Just nine seconds into the final period, Springfield added to the lead as Hugh McGing spotted a wide-open Marcus Sylvegard at the net front for a tap-in. It tied for the fastest goal in any period in team history and propelled the T-Birds to a 4-1 advantage.

Ex-Hartford defenseman Hunter Skinner exacted some payback against his old team at 3:28, taking a drop from Dylan Peterson and rifling a wrister under the crossbar to build the lead up to 5-1.

Hartford mustered only one goal in response when Dylan Roobroeck stuffed a rebound through Ellis at 10:32. The Springfield goaltender put up his fourth consecutive start with just two goals allowed, stopping 27 shots for the game.

The T-Birds look to build upon the win on Friday night when they welcome the Bridgeport Islanders to the MassMutual Center for the first time this season. Puck drop is set for 7:05 p.m.



## Railers score shutout of Maine Mariners

PORTLAND, ME – The Worcester Railers HC (2-2-0-0 4pts) beat the Maine Mariners (1-4-0-0, 2pts), on Sunday afternoon by the final score of 4-0 in front of a crowd of 2,947 at Cross Insurance Arena. The Railers are back on the ice next at Norfolk Scope taking on the Norfolk Admirals on Wednesday, October 30th at 7:05 p.m. EST.

Worcester got the scoring started tonight with Justin Gill (1-2-3) breakaway goal 6:22 into the period. Seven minutes later at 13:33 Matthew Koppe-rod (1-0-1) finished backside to give the Railers a 2-0 lead at the end of the first. The Railers continued their scoring late in the second when Riley Piercey (1-0-1) got his first goal of the season. Piercey scored with two minutes remaining in the period extending Worcester's lead to 3-0. Worcester finished the scoring off on the player play with a power play goal from Mason Klee 8:41 into the third, cementing the Railers 4-0 win.

Worcester found the back of the net first tonight, as Justin Gill (1st) forced a turnover and

took it down the ice all alone scoring with his backhanded shot just 6:22 into the first. Matthew Koppe-rod (2nd) took an intercepted pass down the ice and scored off passes from Justin Gill and Jack Randl out in front 13:33 into the period. Neither team scored after Koppe-rod, ending the period with Worcester leading 2-0. Maine outshot Worcester 16-9.

The second period seemed as if it would come without a score from either team until the Railers extended their lead to 3-0 thanks to Riley Piercey (1st). Piercey broke the scoreless period 18 minutes in when he got one by Brad Arvanitis on the crossing dish from his teammate Justin Gill. Shots favored Worcester 12-11 in the second.

The Railers kept their great scoring night going in the third. Mason Klee (2nd) found the back of the net on the power play at 8:41 to make the Railers lead 4-0. The Mariners had a late power play opportunity, but the Railers penalty kill held strong on their perfect night. Shots favored Worcester 10-4 in the third and were even on the game 31-31.

### GRANBY from page 10

a warm and sunny fall afternoon at Larry Tassinari Field, last Monday (Oct. 21).

"Hannah is a very special soccer player and she's an extension of me," said Monson first-year head coach Larry Pagliaro, who was previously an assistant coach under Eric Degnan. "Whenever we're huddled in a circle, she's already talking with the other players before I do. She's going to be our only senior next year and she's already a tremendous leader."

The four Monson seniors, who were honored during a postgame ceremony, are Ella Corthell, Natalie Hull, Addison Peterson, and Emily Provost, who's the starting goalie.

"This season has been a little bit different for us, but the four seniors have continued to work very hard and they're very good leaders," Pagliaro added. "In the past, we would always have a large halftime lead, but we had to grind out a lot more games this season. We're not the favorites in every game anymore."

Corthell and Hull are starting defenders while Peterson is a midfielder.

"Emily is a fantastic goalie. Ella is a little more aggressive defensively than Natalie is, but they both do a very good job back there," Pagliaro added. "Addison is a very fast midfielder."

The Lady Mustangs, who are the defending Division 5 state champions, defeated Hopkins Academy, 3-1 on the road in a make-up game the following afternoon. They closed out the regular season with a 10-6 overall record and entered the Western Mass. Class C tournament as the second seed.

Granby (6-10), who also lost the first meeting of the regular season to Monson, 3-1, are the top-seeded team in the Western Mass. Class D tournament.

"I thought today's game was a hard fought battle between two very good soccer teams," said Granby head coach Bob Weaver. "We played much better during the second half. It's very frustrating losing 2-1."

The seven Granby seniors, who were recognized before the start of the match, are Autumn Sicard, Margaret Crawford, Molly Zumburski, Cassandra Flaherty,



Marcela Tapia dribbles up the field.

Olyvia Redmond, Mabel Carillon, and Lydia Kicza.

In their previous six meetings on the soccer pitch, the Lady Mustangs had outscored the Lady Rams, 38-6.

The Lady Mustangs held a slim 1-0 lead in the second meeting of the regular season with seven minutes remaining in regulation.

The Lady Rams tied the score when the ball got past Provost and sophomore Kaili White was in the right spot to fire a shot into the back of the net.

"When the goalie misplayed the ball, I just snuck in there and was able to score a goal," said White, who leads the Lady Rams with 19 goals this season. "It felt good to score the tying goal late in the second half. We were really hoping to score another goal after that. We haven't been able to beat Monson in the three years that I've been playing for the varsity soccer team."

Since she joined the varsity squad as an eighth grader, White has scored a total of 57 goals and has 14 assists.

"Kaili is an outstanding soccer player,



Olyvia Remond tries to settle the ball.

and she never gives upon a play," Weaver said. "Her second half goal gave us some momentum, but we couldn't take the lead."

The game tying goal was assisted by freshman McKenna Cudworth.

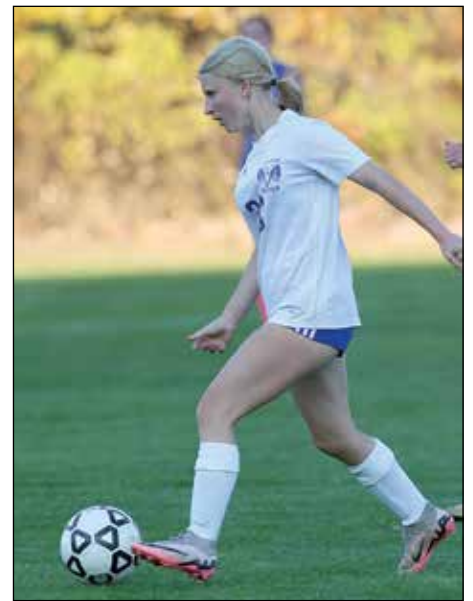
Just when it looked like the contest would end in a tie, Murphy received a pass from Chelsea Hull before putting a low shot into the right corner of the net past Granby sophomore goalie Meredith Bartosz (17 saves) with a minute left in regulation.

The only goal of the first half came on a corner kick during the 32nd minute.

Monson sophomore Avery Beaudoin sent the ball into the box from the left corner where Murphy headed it into the left corner of the net giving her team a 1-0 lead.

Granby did have a couple of chances to tie the score before halftime. Two shot attempts by White sailed high over the crossbar. Another shot taken by Crawford was deflected away by Provost.

The Lady Rams did score the tying goal late in the second half before Mur-



Turley photos by Gregory A. Scibelli

McKenna Cudworth is pursued by the opposition.



Margaret Crawford angles for the ball.

phy, who has scored more than 165 career goals, became the hero for the home team.

The third meeting of the season between the Central Division rivals could take place during the Division 5 state tournament.



## Sports

# Hall of Fame Series heads for Vegas

PHOENIX – Position Sports, in partnership with the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame and the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority (LVCVA), announced that the 2027 Hall of Fame Series Las Vegas will take place at the iconic Allegiant Stadium on November 12, 2027, marking the first-ever basketball game at the renowned stadium.

The historic event will feature two marquee matchups between elite men's basketball programs: Arizona vs. Duke and Indiana vs. Kansas. Both games will once again be showcased on TNT Sports' networks and platforms, with additional programming information to be announced at a later date.

These four teams represent

some of the most storied traditions in college basketball, with a combined 15 national championships, over 35 Hall of Famers, and a legion of passionate fans. The rivalry between Duke and Arizona, which will be on display in Tucson, Ariz., on November 22, as well as the timeless Kansas vs. Indiana matchup, is set to provide fans an unforgettable experience and signal a significant milestone in Las Vegas' sports history.

Allegiant Stadium, home of the NFL's Las Vegas Raiders and Super Bowl LVIII, will be hosting its first college basketball games, showcasing the versatility of the venue. The stadium will also serve as the site for the 2028 NCAA Men's Final Four,

further solidifying its position as a premier destination for top-tier sporting events.

The Hall of Fame Series, owned and operated by Position Sports, is a collection of multi-game, singular events that showcase several of the top collegiate basketball teams in exciting non-conference matchups played both domestically and abroad. The inaugural Hall of Fame Series took place in 2023 in Las Vegas, Charlotte, San Antonio, Toronto, and Phoenix, and the series continues its successful run in 2024 with upcoming stops in Las Vegas (November 4), Phoenix (November 14), Baltimore (November 15), and New York (December 14).

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Collin Meunier, Brady Suomala, Evan Bowler, and Joe Aguiar.

"Winning on senior night is always very special," said Minnechaug head coach John O'Keefe. "We have a bunch of seniors on this year's team. Everybody has accepted their roles. They just did their job in tonight's game."

The Falcons finished the regular season with a 9-5-2 overall record.

"We've qualified for both the Western Mass. Class A tournament and the Division 2 state tournament," O'Keefe added. "The kids are really excited about playing in the state tournament this year. Winning that tournament is their main goal."

South Hadley (10-4-2), who also qualified for both the Western Mass Class B and Division 4 state tournaments, finished tied for first place in the Moriarty Division standings with Frontier Regional. They posted a 6-0 home victory against league rival Easthampton two days later.

"We're now looking forward to playing our final regular season game on Thursday," said South Hadley head coach Mike Gauthier. "If we can win that game, we'll finished tied for first

place in the league standings with Frontier."

The seniors listed on the Tigers varsity roster are Jackson Keller, Carlos David, Payatt Kovacs, Jack Chagnon, Joe Sabourin, and Cooper Skibel.

"Three of our seniors are starters and three are reserve players," Gauthier added. "They've done a very good job for us this year."

It didn't take the Falcons very long to take a 1-0 lead in last Tuesday's match. Ryan fired a low shot that deflected off the left post before bouncing into the net past South Hadley junior goalie Noah Carillon (8 saves). Aguiar was credited with the assist.

Both teams only had a couple of scoring chances during the final 35 minutes of the opening half.

With a little less than ten minutes left in the first half, the ball came loose after the Tigers goalie tried to make the save. Barlow had a shot attempt, which was broken up by a defender.

Down at the other end of the field, Minnechaug junior goalie Chase Henderson only had to make three saves in posting his fourth shutout of the regular season.

"We do have a lockdown defense, and I only had to make a

couple of saves. It does feel very good to post a shutout, especially on senior night. Those guys always work very hard," Henderson said. "There was some pressure on me because we only had a one goal lead until late in the second half."

Early in the second half, South Hadley junior Matt Gillis split the defense before firing a shot on goal, which Henderson made a diving save on. Gillis also had a breakaway chance ten minutes later, but Henderson made another save preserving the shutout a little bit longer.

During the 65th minute, Barlow received a pass from Suomala before scoring his eighth goal of the regular season giving the home team a 2-0 advantage.

Four minutes later, Barlow was given the assist on Ryan's second goal of the match, which was a low shot into the left corner of the net.

The Falcons final goal was scored by junior Nathan Wesloski with seven minutes remaining in regulation.

Suomala was credited with the assist.

It was the first meeting on the soccer pitch between the two squads since the Falcons celebrated a 2-0 road win against the Tigers at the end of the 2021 regular season.

# Owls fall to Plymouth State

WESTFIELD – Plymouth State took advantage of three short fields in the first half to build a big lead, as the Panthers topped Westfield State 35-7 in a Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference game at Panther Field in Plymouth, N.H. on Saturday.

The Panthers capitalized on drives of 41, 39, and 40 yards, capped by two 2-yard TD runs from Willie Lombard sandwiched around a 3-yard plunge from Greg Walker to build a 21-0 halftime lead.

Westfield drops to 2-5, 2-4 in the MASCAC with the loss, while Plymouth evens its record at 3-3 overall and 3-3 in the league.

The Panthers tacked on a punt return TD and recovered a scoop-and-score fumble recovery on a 70 yard TD return by Nick Marcinowski to put the finishing touches on the win.

Westfield got a late 4-yard rushing touchdown from Matt Varteresian for the Owls lone score of the day. Defensive linemen Cade Nel-

son and Anthony Messoro led the Owls with five tackles each.



Plymouth got 12 tackles from Evan Wilson.

Westfield was limited to just 79 yards rushing on the day, led by 46 from Dylan Disabella. Conor Schlittler led the

Owls receivers with two catches for 36 yards. Westfield QB's combined to go 14-24 passing for 172 yards, led by Ryan Scott, who completed 10 of 17 for 125 yards.

Plymouth's offense was led by an efficient performance from Braden Lynn, who completed 13 of 17 passes for 144 yards. Mitchell Cripps was his top target with six catches for 47 yards. Walker finished with 27 yards on the ground.

Westfield actually outgained the Panthers, 251-197 yards on the day, and had 15 first downs to Plymouth's 10.

Westfield will have a quick turnaround for their next game, as the Owls travel to conference foe Mass Maritime for a rare Thursday night kickoff.

## PVPA holds lottery for 2nd semester

SOUTH HADLEY— Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School has reopened the application for the current 2024/2025 school year for Grades 7, 9, 10 & 11. A special lottery will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 17, with accepted students beginning to attend PVPA at the beginning of the second semester, on or around Jan. 23, 2025.

PVPA offers an Arts-focused, college preparatory education, with over 70 Arts classes in Dance, Music, Theater and Visual Arts available

to students in grades 7-12. As a public charter school, enrollment in PVPA is free and open to all Massachusetts students, no audition is required. If more applications are received than spaces available, admission will be determined by the lottery on Dec. 17.

Applications can be submitted until the deadline on Dec. 15, at 11:59pm. Applications are available at [www.pvpa.org/admissions.org](http://www.pvpa.org/admissions.org). The lottery will be open to the public via a

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our public safety accomplishments, and the challenges we all face as a community," Town Administrator Lisa Wong said.

Wong explained that this staffing study would become a data point for the town and provide information that is helpful to the community.

"I want to make sure... all four of us, our officers and our team, we are accessible," Wong said. "So come and find us... we want you to understand that... our goal is to be partners with you in this process."

"I want you to know and the public to know that... our police officers and our civilian staff do work every single day to continue to earn your trust and your confidence," said Chief Gunderson.

Chief Gunderson shared a presentation that highlights accomplishments, challenges, and more with the community in or-

der to be open and engage with them.

For the past twenty years, the department's staffing has remained the same and somewhat stagnant, yet the population of this community has only increased.

Because of this low staffing, the department has been struggling to ensure that the community is kept safe and secure.

"It's a very timely job," Gunderson said. "Training and strong policies are vital to reduce the liability on the town... the officers, and the departments. We take that very seriously."

Gunderson gave a report on increases in crimes, assaults, bomb threats, drugs, scam, and crisis calls, which have increased by 57% in the past 20 years. Digital crimes, identity theft, phishing, and online scams have risen in recent years, which is more than the department responds to.

"When other aspects of government reduce their services, unfortunately the burden often

falls on the police department," Gunderson said.

The police department works hard to ensure the safety of the community, and all who live in it. The department also works with victims of assault and domestic violence and providing security during elections.

The department also has plans for a comfort dog program, a TRIAD task force to assist senior citizens, drug overdose outreach and assistance, crisis intervention task force training, and so much more in order to make the community a safer place.

Gunderson shared other ways that the community can get a glimpse of what the department does in day-to-day

"We try to do a lot, we do a lot of outreach because we believe when we bridge those gaps without community, that that builds confidence within our community," Gunderson said. "People will feel safer, they'll have more confidence in us."

The conversations that need

to be had need to involve the community, from discussing the mental health crisis, how to help the youth within the community, and addressing the opiate and substance abuse crises within the communities.

### Presentation of the Staffing Study

"The mission of the South Hadley Police Department, working in partnership with the community, is to maintain social order and improve the quality of life within the Town of South Hadley," the mission statement said.

The goal of the police department is to meet the needs of the community, and that can be done through direct communication with the community and the department itself.

For local towns in the area, South Hadley has the lowest number of police officers per one thousand residents, and this poses many problems and safety concerns for all.

South Hadley also sees 800 calls handled by each officer, something that could be drastically lowered with more on the force.

In total, South Hadley has one chief, two lieutenants, six sergeants, three detectives, fifteen patrol officers, five dispatchers, 2 civilian staff members, and three specialty officers, with only thirty sworn.

Compared to other towns, where some have nearly double the number of officers at the department, this is problematic for many reasons, some including the problems of ensuring there are enough to respond to calls in the first place.

The department has put forward several recommendations, including the hiring of five new police officers, review the ability to civilianize positions, conduct a community survey in 2025, and consider a needs assessment of the police facility.



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Zoom link that will be shared on the PVPA website, and emailed to all applicants.

While most grades are currently full, PVPA has identified openings in grades 7 and 9. Applicants for grades 10 & 11 will be included in the lottery if openings are available and the waitlists for those grades are exhausted. All applicants will be notified by email at least a week prior to the lottery.

The applications for the 2025/2026 school year, open to all grades 7-12, will open Nov. 1.

All interested families are welcome to visit the school for a tour. Available dates and registration can be found at [www.pvpa.org/admissions](http://www.pvpa.org/admissions)

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munities, who are burdened by historical disinvestment and the compounded effects of legacy pollution and dangerous infrastructure sited in their neighborhoods. Under the Biden-Harris administration, including through the historic Inflation Reduction Act and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, federal funding has come to Massachusetts to help prevent the worsening impacts of climate change and support the Commonwealth's climate resilience efforts, but continued federal investment in resiliency and clean energy will be needed to help avoid worsening disasters and billion-dollar storm recoveries in the future.

Senator Markey has been working to ensure that Massachusetts is climate resilient and prepared for extreme weather events, which are only increasing in frequency due to climate change. On Oct. 4, Senator Markey joined Mayor Jennifer Macksey for a briefing on the Hoosic River Flood Mitigation Study, a project that aims to evaluate potential flood risk reduction measures and support development of a new flood mitigation system built with 21st-century engineering standards. Senator Markey led the effort to get the study included in the Water Resources Development Act, advocated for \$750,000 in funding for the Army Corps of Engineers this year, and has secured \$950,000 in the pending appropriations bill for Fiscal Year 2025.

In September, Senator Markey announced of \$472 million from the U.S. Department of Transportation to the MBTA to fully replace the North Station Draw One Bridge and renovate Platform F at North Station. The grant is the largest federal award the MBTA has won to date. The nearly half a billion-dollar grant will provide critical support for one of MBTA's top priority projects and a vital transportation asset to MBTA's north-side operations. It will also support more than 14,500 jobs, make the bridge more climate resilient by bringing it above projected sea-level rise, and lower emissions.

In August, on the second anniversary of the historic Inflation Reduction Act, Senator Markey launched his Climate Hub, a centralized site with resources to help stakeholders navigate opportunities from both the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). Together, these two laws have created the largest and most significant climate and clean energy investments in history, putting the United States on a path to address the climate crisis, repair historic harms to disadvantaged communities, create good-paying union jobs in the clean energy economy, and work towards a Green New Deal future.

**Elise Ollmann-Kahle**

SOUTH HADLEY — On Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024, our sweetest, most precious Elise, after facing a recurrence of cancer with grace and strength, passed at age 17 in the quiet of her room in the loving embrace of family and her cherished Golden Retriever Lyla.



After beating cancer in 2020, she had finally gotten back to "normal" life by her junior year at her beloved Williston Northampton School, playing tennis and volleyball, visiting colleges, earning academic accolades, mastering oil painting, traveling, attending prom, and spending time with a great friend group.

She has always been known as the sweetest, kindest person, eager to help out whenever she could and lift people's spirits. She wanted to save the oceans, animals, and, ultimately, as an MD researcher, find a cure for cancer. A gifted artist, she created many beautiful paintings, drawings, and character sketches, even turning her travel scrapbooking into a high art. Often dressed in charming pink outfits with bows in her honey blonde hair, she enjoyed making people laugh with her quick wit and wry sense of humor. She embodied a rare blend of grace and resilience that touched the hearts of all who knew her.

She spent her primary school years in Berlin, Germany where she became fluent in German in honor of her Grandfather Rudolf Ollmann, who had immigrated to the US in 1963. She also began her study of French, made especially meaningful by a discovery of new relatives in MN of French ancestry.

When she was 10 years old, she embarked with her mom on a year-long journey around the world, setting foot on five continents, trekking Patagonia,

feeding and bathing elephants in Thailand, marveling at ancient temples, delving into "kawaii" Harajuku, Japan, among many other adventures, which contributed to her artistic vision and shaped her worldview.

Elise is survived by her mom Susanne Ollmann, half-sisters Vicky and Izzy Kahle, Oma Sylvia Ollmann, Gran Joan Howard, Grandpa Vinny Brown, aunts Lisa Mair, Maureen Muller, Katie Ollmann, and uncles Mark Ollmann and Glen Mair, cousins Rachael and Will Mair and Conor and Jake Ollmann, lifelong best friend Than An Pham, loving godparents Tony Pellechio, Betsy Karasik, Jill Léger, and Robert Pincombe, as well as many dear friends and relatives in Germany. She is predeceased by her Opa Rudolf Ollmann, Grandpa Eberhard Muller-Kahle, father Mark Kahle, and cousin Kyle Ollmann.

Right up through the end, Elise remained profoundly grateful for her friends, family, prayer groups, extensive medical and emotional care team, and school community.

In Eastern MA, a small Catholic Service to honor Elise's life will be held Nov. 2 at 3 p.m. at the St. Benedict Abbey in Harvard, MA. In Western MA, a memorial service will be held Nov. 3 at 1 p.m. at the Williston Northampton School in Easthampton with a reception to follow in Reed.

All are invited to wear pink in honor of Elise's favorite color. In keeping with her wish, Elise's ashes will nourish a memorial tree selected for her in a protected forest in the Berkshires.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to [www.curethekids.org/givenow](http://www.curethekids.org/givenow).

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Scammers will often times call and ask for gift card or visa card with money on them to be sent to them or will tell you you've won a trip on a cruise.

However, it's important to remember that law enforcement cares, and other members of security from banks and the IRS want you to know that they are here for you.

"Take a minute, check, slow it down. Report what's happening. If we don't know about it, we can't help," said a special agent from the IRS, who works to help spread awareness of the dangers of online scams.

The IRS is here to protect you and your money, and doesn't send

the police to arrest you, an example of another type of scam in order to trick you into paying them.

Officer Alan Brooks came on to warn about bail scammers, who will also call over the phone to ask for cash or over-the-phone payment in order to release a family member or friend on bail.

However, police stations will never call you for bail, and you must go directly to the station.

"If it seems too good to be true, or sounds suspicious, call the police," Officer Brooks said. "This can happen to anyone, and its important to be aware of the dangers."

"Criminals are the most innovative people out there," an agent said. "Remember that when you receive any suspicious communications."

"They'll make you feel nervous, rushed, and try to keep you on the phone for a long time," said DA Rachel Webber about scammers.

The DA office represents Massachusetts in court and can give you legal advice if you are personally experiencing a crime, such as fraud and the theft of your money or identity.

At the end of it all, it's important to remember that scammers want you to feel afraid and will lie to get the money they want.

Granby is very well-informed when it comes to keeping people and their money safe, and the law enforcement members are here for you, and ready to take any call, no matter what.

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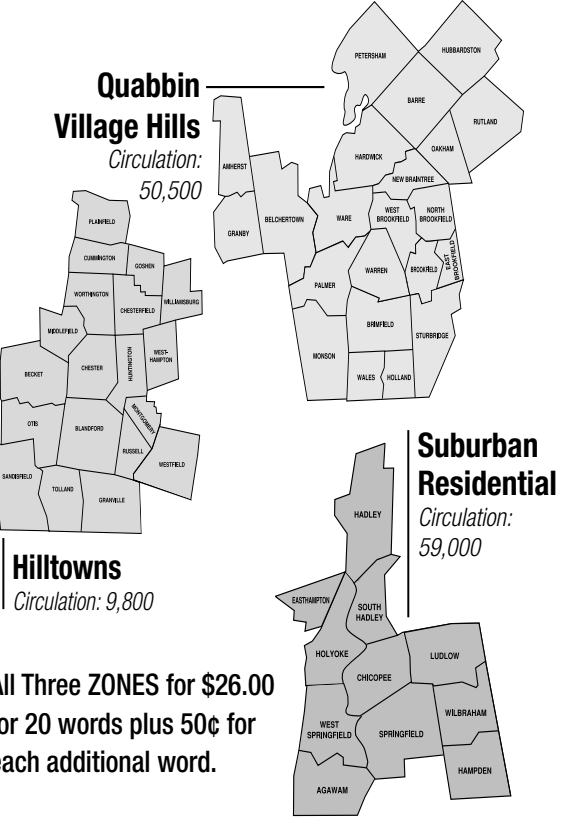
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## HELP WANTED

### TOWN OF WORTHINGTON

#### HIGHWAY POSITION OPENING

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### TOWN OF WORTHINGTON

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- Dancer's garments
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- Yemeni port
- Spanish doctors
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- Engine variant
- Makes more manageable
- Days (Spanish)
- Milliliter
- Spread out from
- With two replaceable hydrogen atoms
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- Equally
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- Big Blue
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- Central European river
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- Expression of sympathy

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- Autos
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## Public Notices

### NOTICE OF APPEAL Town of Granby Board of Appeals

Notice is hereby given that Properties Plus, LLC, owner Stephen Marion, of 119 West State Street has filed an appeal with the Board of Appeals of the Town of Granby against the decision of the Granby Building Commissioner dated September 20, 2024. The appeal concerns the denial of a permit for property located at 119 West State Street.

A public hearing will be held by the Board of Appeals on **Tuesday November 19, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.** at **1 Library Lane, Old Carnegie Library, top floor** to consider the appeal. All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.

The complete application and plan is available for public inspection during regular business hours (9:00AM - 3:00 PM, Monday-Thursday, and 9:00AM - 12:00 PM Fridays) at the Selectmen's

Office located in the Granby Senior Center Building, 2nd Floor, 10-B West State Street, Granby, MA 01033

In addition to the above hearings, the Board of Appeals may conduct other agenda items following said

hearings as time permits. This notice is given pursuant to Chapter 40A and Chapter 39, Section 23B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Kathleen Bronner, Chairman  
Granby Board of Appeals  
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► Community

# WestMass ElderCare, Knights of Columbus partner to serve free Thanksgiving dinner

CHICOPEE—WestMass ElderCare is proud to announce its continued partnership with the Knights of Columbus to bring Thanksgiving meals to those in need. For the 47th year, the Knights of Columbus will open their dining room at the Castle of Knights in Chicopee from 12 to 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day to serve a free, hearty Thanksgiving dinner. Additionally, meals will be delivered to individuals who are unable to leave their homes from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

This cherished tradition welcomes everyone, with no questions asked. “Come one, come all” is the message behind the initiative, which has been serving thousands of people each year. Before COVID-19, the event served as many as 3,400 people, and while participation dipped slightly last year, the organizers expect a significant increase this year, especially as families grapple with rising food prices.

The Knights of Columbus work tirelessly year-round to make this event possible, holding fundraisers to ensure that the Thanksgiving meal, which includes over 1,000 pounds of turkey and all the classic fixings, is fully funded.

Ron Grenier, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, shared his enthusiasm for the event, saying, “We look forward to it all year. All of us here feel great about it. More people in our organization get together to help out. We have a great time doing it.”



“We are honored to be part of such a long-standing tradition that brings comfort and community to so many,” said Lisa Lovell, Director of Nutrition at WestMass ElderCare. “The Knights of Columbus’ generosity is inspiring, and together, we’re able to reach people across the region to ensure they feel cared for this Thanksgiving.”

For those unable to attend in person, meal deliveries are available within the community. To order a meal for delivery, please contact the Knights of Columbus at 413-533-0938 or WestMass ElderCare at 413-538-9020 by

Nov. 20. If you would like to volunteer to help deliver meals, please contact the WestMass ElderCare Nutrition Department.

This annual event is a testament to the strength of the community and the dedication of those committed to ensuring everyone can enjoy a warm meal this Thanksgiving.

**About WestMass ElderCare:**

WestMass ElderCare (WMEC) has been serving the needs of older adults, individuals with disabilities, and their caregivers in Western Massachusetts for 50 years. Through its

comprehensive services, WMEC aims to support individuals in maintaining their independence and dignity at home and in the community.

**About Knights of Columbus:**

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal organization dedicated to serving communities through charitable initiatives. Each year, the Knights host events to support local families, including their long-standing Thanksgiving meal service in Chicopee.

## Handbag Bingo is back in town!

SOUTH HADLEY—Saturday, Nov. 9 marks the 4th year of South Hadley’s Handbag Bingo. Every year this event sells out and this year will be no exception as only a handful of tickets remain. All of this year’s proceeds will benefit the Buttery Brook Park improvement project. Tickets are \$40 per person. Contact Kim at ksprough@me.com if you’re interested in attending to confirm there are still tickets available.

## Holiday Bazaar

BELCHERTOWN—Come join in for fun and fellowship at the annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 2, at Hope United Methodist Church, 31 Main St. This is the chance to stock up on the famous Conkey jams and jellies. There will be beautiful hand crafted items, and tempting breads and baked goodies. Also be featuring our Holiday Cookie Shop. Come fill a bag with cookies for only \$7. There will be a Silent auction including a beautiful quilt and an assortment of other unique items. We will also be hosting a variety of vendors. Enjoy a morning snack with coffee and donuts, or grab a cup of soup and a finger sandwich for a quick lunch. Come and enjoy the best place to do some early Christmas shopping. The Bazaar runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the auction is from 9 a.m. until bidding closes at 2:30 p.m.

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