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SC updates on union contracts and paras

By Carly Phaneuf
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SOUTH HADLEY – When the School Committee met last week, its members heard once again about the continuing difficulty in attracting paraprofessionals.

“There is a shortage of paraprofessionals. The new ones coming in have no idea what they are doing because the school system has no training program,” said Lawrence Sullivan, a paraprofessional at the middle school addressing the committee during the public comments portion of the meeting.

Sullivan, who had served as a paraprofessional for 23 years, said that while the school committee and the union have come together to make it financially more enticing for paraprofessionals to work in the district, is not enough.

“Often within a day, the new hires are placed with our most vulnerable students with the highest academic and emotional needs. I think this is a disservice not only to our students but to the parents and new employees, most of whom have no experience in the school,” Sullivan said.

He suggested that, at the very least, new paraprofessionals should be shadowing a veteran paraprofessional for at least a week.

“We currently have a new (teacher’s aide) whose position should have someone with restraint training. They do not. That is a safety issue.

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Salvation Army volunteers get ready to load up family's cars with holiday presents as part of their Christmas giving initiatives.

SALVATION ARMY: a lifesaver for many families during the holidays and beyond

By Marcella Comerford
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(Submitted photo)

One of the many faces of the volunteers who ring bells for donations to the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign, which goes to help fund the food pantry, the Bridging the Gap program, and the emergency services program - all locally based.

The Salvation Army not only helps families have a safe, healthy, and easier holiday season, but is an organization that is there year-round for anyone and everyone who is struggling.

“Everybody knows about us, but I don’t think they know what we do,” says Social Ministries Manager for the Springfield office, Danielle LaTaille.

“We are a great resource for basic and emergency needs in the community, a one stop shop for individuals and families in need. We have a food pantry on site, we provide clothing and furniture vouchers to those who need it, case management and counseling,” says LaTaille.

The army does whatever it can to help, “If we don’t have what someone needs in house,

we work with the community to find the help they need, whether through an organization or something like a therapist,” LaTaille said.

LaTaille adds that the army also offers the Good Neighbor Energy Fund program, which gives folks a one time payment towards gas, electric, or oil bills, something that can be a struggle during the holidays and through the winter.

“Call the office or come in, we have people stop by looking for one thing, and find several opportunities and programs they can use,” LaTaille encourages.

LaTaille says those interested in any of the army’s programs should visit their current website at <https://springfield.salvation-army.org/>, call them at 413-733-1518, and are more than welcome to drop by the Springfield office at 170 Pearl Street.

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Youth writers recognized for speeches honoring veterans

By Tina Lesniak
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY - South Hadley VFW Post 3104 recently hosted a banquet to recognize the local finalists of its annual Voice of Democracy audio essay and Patriots Pen essay contests.

This year’s Voice of Democracy local finalists are high school students Alexandra “Sasha” Plotniak and Brady Currier, both of South Hadley, and Ethan Flamand of Ware.

The Voice of Democracy prompt asked students to re-

spond to the question of why is the veteran important.

The Patriot’s Pen winners are eighth graders Kate Phillips, Maya Lamirande, and Cooper Wall, all from South Hadley. The middle schoolers responded to the more personal theme: “My pledge to our veterans.”

Plotniak’s speech discussed the need for society to take care of veterans, especially in terms of their mental health, as they’ve taken care of freedom.

“Veterans spent their lives serving,” said Plotniak, a senior at South Hadley High School.

She looked forward to a time when veterans will be treated with the importance they deserve.

Plotniak decided to enter the contest after encouragement from her father, who is a veteran.

“I felt like I knew enough about the topic to write a good essay. I also knew that my dad would really appreciate it if I participated in this because it shows that I care about the risks he’s made during his time in the military. It felt nice to be a part of something that relates closely to my family,” said Plotniak.

Currier, a junior at South Hadley High School, wrote of his family’s experiences with the military, particularly those of his grandfather, and how those have shaped his view of veterans.

“Hearing those stories helped me understand the sacrifices that were made,” said Currier.

At the banquet, Post 3014 presented each of its finalists with certificates of recognition and monetary awards. The Patriot’s Pen finalists also read their speeches to those gathered. Since the high school finalists had read

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Lisa Wong's

• WEEKLY WRAP UP •

Public health

The state has announced another round of free COVID-19 tests and Personal Protective Equipment to municipalities via the local Boards of Health. Based on the population, South

Hadley can receive up to 9,000 iHealth Labs at-home rapid antigen tests in boxes of 2. This is a first come-first serve, so the town will place its order soon and then distribute these to departments.

Tests will be available at municipal buildings. Households will also be able to order four more free COVID test kits through the US Post Office at <https://special.usps.com/testkits>.

The Health Department was able to purchase equipment to assist residents who have hearing and visual impairments. Through a grant, table magnifiers and portable hearing devices have been distributed to town buildings and departments and are available for use now.

The Veterans Department has an example of CapTel phones that are provided to Veterans. These phones have the ability to caption conversations and are designed for people with hearing loss. To learn more, contact the Veterans office. www.captel.com/states/massachusetts

Financial

The rate has been certified by the Bureau of Accounts for South Hadley. The average single-family home will have a \$194.92 increase over the last fiscal year. The rates for the districts have not been certified yet.

The Housing Production Plan Community Forum attracted about 30 residents on Monday. This is part of the process to update the town's Housing Production Plan, which expires this year. The consultant, Outwith Studios, outlined the process, presented data, and then led smaller breakout discussions. Visit <https://shousingplan.org> to complete the survey.

Fiscal Year 2023 Tax Rates set

Fiscal 2023			
PROPOSED Tax Rates:		Rate	% change
Fiscal 2022 rates:	Town	\$15.42	-6.3 %
\$16.45	FD #1	\$ 2.13	4.9 %
\$ 2.03	FD #2	\$ 2.35	-7.1 %
\$ 2.53			
New Growth		\$ 256,077.00	
Tax Levy		\$ 31,964,192.68	
Debt Exclusion Total		\$ 1,042,424.00	
Maximum Allowable Levy Limit		\$ 31,969,657.00	
Excess Levy Capacity		\$ 5,464.32	
MRF = 95.67% Rate \$15.42 R&O 92.0350% CIP 7.9650%			

Learn how to line dance

SOUTH HADLEY -- Come to the Second Baptist Church from 5 to 7 p.m. every Tuesday night for beginner line dancing lessons. Lessons are held online and in person.

At 5 p.m., ultra beginner lessons will take place. Then from 5:30 to 6 p.m., regular

beginner lessons begin followed by requests and dancing.

The link to watch online is <https://liveloveline.com/jennifer-jones/home>. To sign-up, make an account first, then watch anytime without having to re-register. The video goes live at 5:30 p.m.

Picture this

Submit your very own photo to townreminder@turley.com for a chance to be featured as the photo of the week. Submissions can include nature, food, fashion, or landscape photos. Please send in your name, location of where the photo was taken, and any other information about the photo you wish to include. No professional background required.

Photo courtesy of Rachel Bellenoit
Pictured is a Barred owl sitting among the bare branches in Hadley. Bellenoit is a nature, wildlife, and fine art photographer who mainly enjoys photographing birds.



Events at the South Hadley Senior Center

The senior center is located at 45 Dayton St.

meal by noon on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

ber of the South Hadley Council on Aging.

Healthy Lifestyle Discussion

At 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 27, COA Board member and cardiac nurse, Marsh Chappel, will offer a workshop on living a healthy heart lifestyle. Chappel will address blood pressure, cholesterol, stroke, TIA's, and when to call 911. She will also discuss what information people should share with their doctors.

Meditation with Richard

At 3 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 29, come check out a new program that has everyone talking. Call the center at 413- 538-5030 ext. 3 to sign up.

New events for 2023

A new year means new events. Join in on drumming and movements, a therapeutic exercise program inspired by West African dance and drumming. This program will run from 1- 2 p.m. Tuesday afternoons starting Jan. 10. This is a 6-week series. Also in 2023, Gary Felder will return for a special presentation. Felder is a cosmologist and a Smith College Physics professor. He will speak about the new James Webb Space Telescope: what it has seen and what it hopes to see. The telescope was launched on Dec. 25 of last year.

Coffee & Conversation

At 11 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 30, come to have a coffee and a chat with the new board of health nurse, Maureen Couture.

Memory Café

At 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 28, make a winter-inspired vase and snowman craft. A program for those living with dementia and their caregivers. A complimentary lunch will be offered. Sign up for the Wednesday

At 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 6, have a coffee and a chat with Dick Matteson. Matteson is the director of the South Hadley Chorale, The Black Cat Theater, and the Loomis chorus at Loomis Village. He is also a board mem-

HCC to hold special registration express days

HOLYOKE -- Holyoke Community College will host two special "Registration Express" days for the spring 2023 semester, one on Saturday, Jan. 7, and another on Monday, Jan. 9, when prospective students can apply for admission, take the college placement test, meet with an academic adviser, register for classes, and set up financial aid - all in one day.

HCC's registration express event will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Jan. 7 and from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Jan. 9. Registration Express takes place on the first floor of the Campus Center on the main campus on 303 Homestead Ave. and virtually over Zoom.

The Spring 2023 semester begins Tuesday, Jan 17. HCC also has Flex Start dates on Feb. 6, spring start II, and March 20, spring start III. Full-term spring classes run for 14 weeks. Spring start II classes run for 12 weeks. Spring start III classes run for seven weeks.

"The new year brings the opportunity to make changes and to do new things. We're here to help students determine the right options for them and hope that by bringing all of the resources together in one place on these two days, students planning to come to college can make the most of their precious time. We have multiple options, so students can choose whatever works best for

them," said Mark Hudgik, HCC director of Admissions.

Those who can't make it in person on Jan. 7 or Jan. 9 can still participate on those days virtually through a Zoom link with HCC Admissions counselors or take advantage of two weeks of regular in-person registration express from Jan. 3 to Jan. 13.

The registration express Zoom link can be accessed through a link on the Registration Express page on the HCC website: hcc.edu/regexpress.

For more information, contact HCC Admissions at 413-552-2321 or at admissions@hcc.edu, visit HCC online at hcc.edu or take the next step at hcc.edu/sign-up-for-classes

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Nomination papers for town offices available in January

SOUTH HADLEY -- Nomination papers for the South Hadley Annual Town Election to be held on Tuesday, April 11, will be available in the Town Clerk's office beginning Monday, Jan. 9, for the following elected positions:

- Two Selectboard Members for terms of 3 years
- One School Committee Member for term of 1 year
- Two School Committee Members for terms of 3 years
- One Board of Assessors Member for term of 3 years
- Two Board of Health Members for terms of 3 years
- Three Library Trustees for terms of 3 years
- One Municipal Light Board Member for term of 3 years
- Two Planning Board Members for terms of 3 years

Eight Town Meeting Members for Precincts A, B, C, D, and E for terms of 3 years

One Precinct B Town Meeting Member for term of 1 year

One Precinct C Town Meeting Member for term of 2 years

One Precinct E Town Meeting Member for term of 1 year

Those seeking office must be registered to vote in South Hadley to run for town office.

All nomination papers with the required number of signatures (50 for town wide offices, 10 for town meeting members) need to be returned to the Town Clerk's Office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2023.

Please contact the Town Clerk's Office with any questions at 413-538-5030 ext. 6183.

Chorale resumes rehearsals and welcomes new singers

SOUTH HADLEY -- The South Hadley Chorale will resume rehearsals for its annual March concert from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 11 at All Saints' Church, 7 Woodbridge St. The program features Haydn's Lord Nelson Mass, plus works by Verdi and Donizetti. Rehearsals will continue on Wednesday evenings until the concert on Sunday, March

12. New singers are welcome to join. There are no auditions, although most singers have had some choral experience. The South Hadley Chorale is made up of 40 singers from 16 communities.

Masks and proofs of vaccination are required at this time. For more information, please visit www.southhadleychorale.org or call 413-533-3833.

Lviv National Philharmonic Orchestra of Ukraine to perform in Amherst

AMHERST -- The UMass Fine Arts Center has announced it is hosting the Lviv National Philharmonic of Ukraine, one of Europe's most storied orchestras, at this time of crisis for their nation.

This special program on Feb. 10 -- the orchestra's only performance in the Massachusetts area -- features Ukrainian immigrant artist Thomas de Hartmann's Violin Concerto, written as a plea for peace in the throes of World War II, along with Dvorak's Symphony no. 9 and Brahms' Tragic Overture.

Andriy Tchaikovsky, the featured soloist of the Thomas de Hartmann Violin Concerto, is a violinist who has played solos in philharmonics and concert venues throughout Europe and Latin America. He is also co-founder and creative director of the chamber orchestra of the Lviv National Theater of Opera and Ballet.

The Lviv National Philharmonic Orchestra of Ukraine, based in the medieval city of Lviv, was officially established in 1902.

Some of the most famous conductors in classical music have collaborated with the orchestra, including Kirill Kondrashin, Fuat Mansurov, Nathan Rakhlin, Gennady Rozhdestvensky, among many more. Theodore Kuchar was appointed the Principal Conductor of the Lviv



Photo courtesy

Lviv National Philharmonic Orchestra of Ukraine Conductor Theodore Kuchar.

National Philharmonic Orchestra of Ukraine in 2022.

The orchestra has toured extensively around the world, from Europe to The People's Republic of China. During the past several seasons they have completed highly acclaimed recordings for major international labels including Naxos, Toccata Classics and Brilliant Classics.

The performance will be held at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 10 at the Frederick C. Tillis Performance Hall in the Bromery Center for the Arts.

Tickets start at \$35 and patrons under 17 at \$10.

To purchase tickets, visit <https://fac.umass.edu/>

CORRECTION

The fire at 5 Ethan Circle in South Hadley is still under investigation. The fire was not caused by a dryer fire, as previously stated.

"South Hadley Fire District No.2 Fire Department would like to thank South Hadley Fire District One, Granby Fire Department, Hadley Fire Department, and the Westover Fire Department for their assistance," said South Hadley fire chief Todd Calkins.



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CLUES ACROSS

1. Take weapons away from
6. Soviet Socialist Republic
9. Most ancient Hindu scriptures
13. Actress Lathan
14. Baseball's strikeout king
15. British codebreaker Turing
16. One who lives by disreputable dealings
17. Tropical American plant
18. Opposite of right
19. Importance
21. Monetary units
22. Lawmen
23. Cool!
24. Affirmative answer
25. Thrust horse power (abbr.)
28. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
29. Muslim nobleman
31. About aviation
33. Scientific instrument
36. Protests strongly
38. Not polished
39. Grab
41. Alias
44. Large wrestler
45. Relative quantities
46. One who is big and awkward
48. Sunscreen rating
49. Atomic #90
51. Mock
52. Whales
54. Peoples
56. A state of being unclothed
60. Ottoman military commanders
61. Gatherer of fallen leaves
62. Norse personification of old age
63. Muslim mystic
64. German river
65. Measuring instrument
66. Have witnessed
67. Disallow
68. Proverb

CLUES DOWN

1. Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
2. The back side of the neck
3. A type of imine
4. Black bird
5. Partner to "Pa"
6. Puts together in time
7. Lucid
8. Transmits genetic information from DNA to the cytoplasm
9. Demonstrates the truth of
10. Ancient Greek City
11. Nishi language
12. Slang for fidgety
14. Southwestern farmers
17. Metric weight unit
20. Instant replay in soccer
21. Less polished
23. Popular pickup truck model
25. Slang for a cigarette
26. Large pile
27. Solid geometric figure
29. One from the Big Apple
30. Male admirers
32. Balsam is one
34. Local area network
35. Canadian law enforcers
37. Koran chapters
40. Cooperstown, NY museum (abbr.)
42. Certificate (abbr.)
43. An official who carries a mace of office
47. Briefly in fashion
49. Volcanic ash
50. Dutch city
52. Made of wood
53. Legendary golfer
55. Restaurant
56. None
57. Spanish city
58. Stony waste matter
59. Father
61. Confederate soldier
65. The ancient Egyptian sun god

Opinion

EDITORIAL

'Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus'

Eight-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon wrote a letter to the editor of New York's Sun, and the quick response was printed as an unsigned editorial Sept. 21, 1897. The work of veteran newsman Francis Pharcellus Church has since become history's most reprinted newspaper editorial, appearing in part or whole in dozens of languages in books, movies, and other editorials, and on posters and stamps

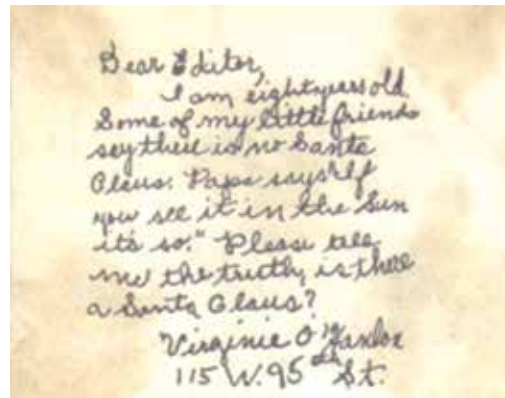
DEAR EDITOR: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says, 'If you see it in THE SUN it's so.'

Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

VIRGINIA O'HANLON,
115 WEST NINETY-FIFTH STREET.

VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.



Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIAS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRGINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.



The Garden Lady answers your poinsettia questions

Natalie sent in this question about her love-hate relationship with a popular Christmas plant, the poinsettia: "Each year I purchase a bright red poinsettia. It seems no sooner do I get it home and its leaves start curling. I think it's thirsty, so I water it. Before long the leaves yellow and fall off and the whole thing is a goner. Can you give me some pointers on the poinsettia, so that maybe I can enjoy my investment for more than a few days?"

I have tackled this question before, and unfortunately the poinsettia is not the easiest to care for - I guess as far as plants go it would be considered high maintenance.

Start off by purchasing a poinsettia that has dark green foliage all the way to the soil line. Color should completely cover the bracts on the upper portion of the plant.

Avoid plants whose flowers (located in the center of the bracts) show pollen. If pollen is evident, the plant is old.

Be wary of those that are displayed in plastic or paper sleeves or even those that are elbow to elbow. Poinsettias need room to spread out, and the longer they are cramped, the more likely it is that their quality will be impacted.

Wilted plants are also best avoided, as this may indicate more than dry soil alone.

Poinsettias are cold sensitive. Temperatures under fifty degrees for even a few minutes can damage the plant. Therefore, insert into a bag or protective sleeve for the ride home and do not leave in an unheated car for any length of time.

A friend recently went to a big chain store and was in shock to find the poinsettia display right near the door!

Once home, position the poinsettia in a location where it will receive indirect light for at least six hours a day. Avoid drafts, warm or cold, and place far enough away from windows to prevent the foliage from touching cold glass.

Chances are if you are comfortable inside, your poinsettia will be as well. Temperatures from 65-70 degrees during the day to around 55 at night will extend its life.

Perhaps the most challenging aspect of poinsettia care is knowing when to water.

Check the plant often and if the soil is dry, water until droplets leak through the drainage holes in the pot. Punch holes in decorative foil so that water won't accumulate there.

If you use a saucer dump the excess out after each watering so the plant won't reabsorb it and become waterlogged. Soil that remains soaking wet is likely to cause root rot.

A visual indication of this irreversible disease is curled, wilting foliage and bracts - probably this is what you are noticing.

By caring for your poinsettia in the manner described above you will be rewarded with a healthy plant for 6-8 weeks, even longer if you wish to enjoy it as a year-round houseplant.

Here is another poinsettia question.

This time it's from Marie, who is questioning the toxicity of the plant: "I remember reading a column of yours some years back that mentioned poinsettias are not truly poisonous. My friend keeps arguing that they are and that I should keep them away from my plant eating cat. Can you refresh my memory about this situation?"

Sure, I'd be happy to! You are not alone, many pet owners are leery of displaying the poinsettia for fear of accidental ingestion by their cat or dog.

Fear not, this plant is not the deadly poison it is rumored to be.

After extensive testing, it was determined that the consumption of poinsettia leaves typically causes only mild to moderate gastrointestinal tract irritation.

The American Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals recommends that while it is still a good idea to keep the poinsettia out of the reach of your pet to avoid stomach upset, there is little need to exclude it from your holiday decorating for fear of fatal exposure.

As far as other holiday plants go, I'd also keep pets away from sprigs of mistletoe and holly, both are potentially toxic to pets if eaten in large quantities. Amaryllis bulbs are another concern, especially for dogs who could potentially chew on them while at play.

For more information about these or other potentially toxic plants or substances, contact the National Animal Poison Control Center hotline 24 hours a day at 1-888-426-4435.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 30 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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Relaxed Recipes

Cheese dreams

By Carly Phaneuf
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When I was a kid, my dad rarely made us breakfast. He was always out the door and on his way to work well before the school bus came to pick us up. Sometimes on the weekends though, my brother and I were greeted with the scent of cinnamon and butter which meant only one thing; cheese dreams. The perfect combination of salty and sweet, this spin on classic french toast is wonderful for winter days.

Ingredients

- Two slices of soft bread, like white
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons of vanilla extract
- cup milk
- 2 slices of American cheese

Instructions

- Beat egg, vanilla, and cinnamon in a shallow dish then stir in milk.
- Dip bread in egg mixture, turning to coat both sides evenly.
- Cook one side of bread slices on a lightly greased nonstick griddle or skillet on medium heat until browned, flip.
- Add cheese to the brown side while the other side is browning.
- Cook until golden on all sides and the cheese is melted.
- Serve with maple syrup.

ARMY from page 1

And those people ringing bells in all kinds of weather with the red buckets starting the day after Thanksgiving through Christmas Eve - that, says Major David Moore of the Springfield office, is called The Red Kettle Campaign.

"This funds the food pantry, the Bridging the Gap program, the emergency services program, and helps us reach out to those in the community who are in need or struggling," Moore says.

Moore and LaTaille wish to thank the community for supporting the army, and urge people needing services to get in touch without hesitation.

The army is running a Love Beyond Christmas campaign, which helps families and individuals throughout the year, passing the spirit of giving along all year long.

"The donations we collect during the holiday season not only help us provide gifts to children who would otherwise go without, but they also help us provide



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food, shelter, and utility assistance to those who need it most every day of the year," their website says.

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ganization at any point in the year, or to seek assistance from the army, visit www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn, or contact the Springfield office at 413-733-1518.

SCHOOL from page 1

We need paraprofessional training for the welfare of everyone in the schools," Sullivan said.

School Committee Chair Allison Schlachter responded to Sullivan's concerns.

"I think it can be really confusing to know exactly where to go with different concerns, for both parents and staff. Although we do want to know about these things, the chain (of command) is to go to your supervisor and then the principal," Schlachter said.

After the principal is made aware of the issue and has tried to solve it, it moves up to the superintendent. The school committee would only get involved after many failed efforts, she said.

Schlachter said the committee has been developing a plan to make reporting concerns like this easier.

After public comments, Vice Chair Eric Friesner updated the committee on

the continuing discussions with the teachers' union.

"We met on the (Dec. 6) with representatives from unit A and discussed prep-time and religious beliefs. We made some headway and are a bit closer to coming to an agreement on those things," Friesner said. The group then met again on Dec. 12 for mediation.

"We discussed the other issues a bit but focused primarily on wages. Both sides are much closer now than we have been in the past," Friesner said.

Friesner and the group will meet again on Jan. 6 and again for mediation on Jan. 11., if the South Hadley Education Association confirms the dates.

Committee member Kyle Belanger then asked Friesner about the parapro-

fessional contracts.

"I was under the impression that we were ready to go for a special meeting for the para-contracts. I can't help but notice that it's not on the agenda for tonight," Belanger said. He wanted to make sure the paraprofessional received the money they earned before the holidays.

"The update on that is that it is still sitting with SHEA's unit E members," Friesner said.

The next school committee meeting will be at 6 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 5. The meetings are held online and are open to the public. Use this link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86927988632?pwd=QTNxekIyOTdoTjZzYVZyWkF0cjVOZz09>

WRITERS from page 1

theirs at the Veteran's Day ceremony, they did not read theirs at the banquet.

The winners are chosen by a committee of three active VFW Post 3104 members who review all the submissions and use a point system to choose the winners.

This year more than 30 middle and high school students submitted their essays for consideration.

"Post 3104 leads the district in the number of patriotic-themed submittals," said David Mendoza, member of Post 3104 and retired U.S. Air Force. "We ac-

tively engage with history teachers at the local middle school, by having local veterans come into the classroom and discuss the importance of the competition as well as sharing military experiences."

At the end of December, the district committee will choose which of the finalists move on to the next round. Scholarships are available at each of the levels, culminating with a chance to win at the national level a \$35,000 scholarship for high school students.

The essay contest began in 1947 as a way for high school students to express themselves about issues facing our veterans and democracy.



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WEBB weekly

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The first image taken by the James Webb Telescope, released on July 12.



Interstellar dust in spiral galaxies.

What a year for the Webb

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OUTERSPACE -- Almost a year ago today, Dec. 25, 2021, NASA released the James Webb telescope. Throughout the year, scientists were able to use old information from the Hubble telescope and combine it with new information from Webb, resulting in data and images that were never seen before. The James Webb Space Telescope took 30 years and \$10 billion to complete. Now, Webb has flown over 1.5 million kilometers away from Earth, viewed what is thought to be some of the first galaxies, and composited photos that are out of this world.

On Feb. 11, Webb saw its first stars after nearing completion of the first phase of the months-long process of aligning the observatory's primary mirror using the Near Infrared Camera (NIRCam) instrument.

The result was an image mosaic of 18 randomly organized dots of

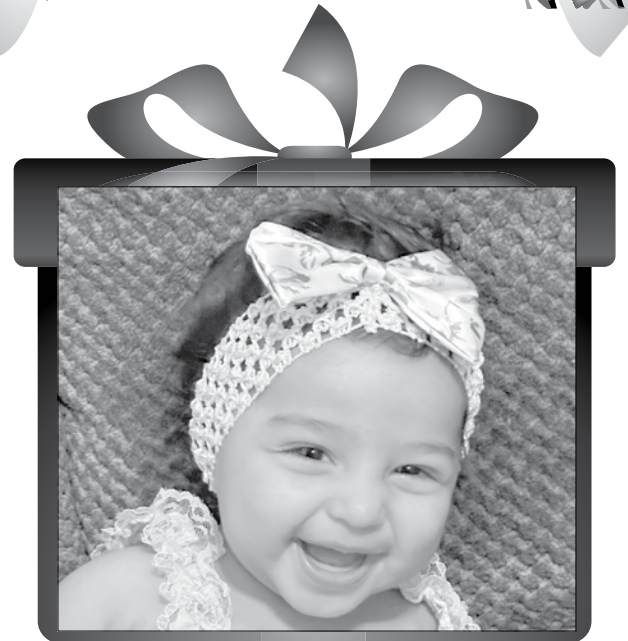
starlight, the product of Webb's unaligned mirror segments all reflecting light from the same star back at Webb's secondary mirror and into NIRCam's detectors.

Over the next month or so, the team gradually adjusted the mirror segments until the 18 images became a single star.

After many multi-instrument alignments and countless tests, Webb was ready to continue its viewing journey and NASA was ready to share this information with the pub-

lic. On July 12, the first full-color images taken by Webb were published. The striking image of a landscape of "mountains" and "valleys" speckled with glittering stars was actually the edge of a nearby, young, star-forming region called NGC 3324 in the Carina Nebula. Webb captured the photo in infrared light which revealed for the first time previously invisible areas of star birth.

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Webb photographed Jupiter and the spectra of several asteroids. These photos were captured to test the telescope's instruments before science operations officially began on July 12. The data demonstrated Webb's ability to track solar system targets and produce images and spectra with unprecedented detail.

Shortly after, spectacular images of faraway nebulas, home planets, interstellar dust, and star formations began surfacing. On Oct. 5, researchers traced light that was emitted by a bright white elliptical galaxy through a spiral

galaxy. As a result, NASA was able to identify the effects of interstellar dust in spiral galaxies. Webb's near-infrared data also showed the galaxy's longer, extremely dusty spiral arms in far more detail than before.

Over the last two months, NASA has used Webb to make leaps and bounds in the science community. On Dec. 14, Webb captured one of the first medium-deep wide-field images of the cosmos, featuring a region of the sky known as the North Ecliptic Pole.

"The Webb images far exceed what we expected from my simulations in the months prior to the first science observations. I was most surprised by the exquisite resolu-

tion. There are many objects that I never thought we would actually be able to see, including individual globular clusters around distant elliptical galaxies, knots of star formation within spiral galaxies, and thousands of faint galaxies in the background," said Jake Summers, a research assistant at ASU.

NASA plans to continue collecting data from Webb until at least 2024. New photos, blog posts, and information is posted weekly on NASA's website. Those who would like to view all of Webb's images must visit: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/nasawebbtlescope/albums/72177720300469752>.

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Timmy Laporte grabs two with this reverse layup.

Tigers take down Panthers

PALMER – Last Thursday night, the Tigers took to the court in the season opener. The boys basketball team was able to score early and often, defeating Palmer 64-26. Chase Mathers led the scoring with 12 points. Colin Quinn added 11 points. The Tigers had 10 players who registered points. With a win over Granby last weekend, the Tigers are out to a 2-0 start.



Brady Currier rises to the occasion with this bank shot.



Colin Quinn plows through the defense on his way to the net.



Jack Loughrey negates this shot with great defensive move.



Isiah James drives toward the basket.

Tigers, Rams participate in Knight-Hawk Classic



Granby's Leo Inoue tries to stay on his feet and avoid being taken down.



Brayden Koske tries to work his way out of trouble in a match.



Logan Luis goes for the pinfall.



Junior Ramsey gets the pinfall in a 195-pound match.



Eliza Speed locks up at 138 pounds for the Rams.



Liam Yates goes for the takedown.

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MDAR Bans Sale and Manufacture of Hemp-Derived Delta-8 Products

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The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture Resources has prohibited the sale and manufacture of any hemp-derived delta-8 products within the Commonwealth. Delta-8 THC is a psychoactive chemical found in cannabis, which includes both marijuana and hemp. Concentrated amounts of delta-8 THC are usually manufactured synthetically from hemp-derived CBD. Delta-8 TC remains a controlled substance because THC and other synthetically derived cannabinoids remain on the Controlled Substance Act. Delta-8 THC has psychoactive and intoxicating effects and may be dangerous to consumers. The FDA has received reports of adverse events experienced by patients who have consumed these products. The FDA advises consumers that products containing delta-8 THC have not been evaluated or approved by the FDA for safe use. All hemp-derived products containing delta-8 THC must be removed from Massachusetts marketplaces and manufacturing facilities.

Railers get sweep of Newfoundland

WORCESTER – There will be at least 22 more hockey games in the DCU Center — hopefully more including playoffs — but there might not be a better one than the Railers and Growlers played Sunday, Worcester winning by 4-1.

It was not a three-goal game, no matter the final score.

Worcester came back from a 1-0 deficit and had built a 3-1 lead with less than three minutes to play in the third period. However, Myles McGurty was called for interference at 17:36. Newfoundland pulled goalie Luke Cavallin and had two extra skaters but the Railers — thanks in large part to goaltender Henrik Tikkanen — held the lead until Brent Beaudoin hit an empty net with three seconds left.

It was a “Who cares what the Patriots score is, don’t leave your seat” kind of match.

Coach Jordan Smotherman said the people on the benches had that same feeling.

“Certainly, we’re right in the moment,” he said, “so it’s not as apparent to us, but as coaches and players, we feel it too. You know when a game is being played well.”

Nolan Vesey, Anthony Repaci, Colin Adams and Beaudoin had the Railers goals while Nolan Walker scored for Newfoundland.

One of the reasons the outcome was in doubt until the final minutes was goaltending. Both Cavallin and Tikkanen were terrific, denying great chance after great chance. Tikkanen made 33 saves, Cavallin 30.

“It could easily have been a 6-5 game,” Smotherman said of the goalies. “Teeks has come up big for us continuously, making the big save when we need it, and we rely on him.”

The victory allowed the Railers to sweep the two-game series here and move into a tie for first place in the North Division with Newfoundland. Both teams have 37 points in 26 games.

The first period ended with the score 0-0 for just the third time in Worcester’s 26 games. Newfoundland had an edge in shots on goal at 14-9 as the Railers did not have quite the same jump as early Saturday night. Tikkanen helped keep it scoreless with some good goaltending.

After going 0 for 14 in the first period, the Growlers scored on their first shot of the second period as Walker nicely finished a partial breakaway to put his team ahead at 1:06.

Newfoundland maintained that lead deep into the period but the quality of Worcester’s scoring chances improved as play went on. Repaci had a breakaway at 13:25 but couldn’t score. Then Vesey was sent in cleanly by Liam Coughlin at

14:32 and tied the game by beating Cavallin with a 20-foot wrist shot.

It was still 1-1 when Repaci scored at 2:17 of the third period. It was at a point where the game had a next-goal-wins feeling and snapped a little stretch where Repaci was getting chances but not scoring, like in the second period breakaway.

“That’s the thing,” he said. “You’ve just got to stay positive. If you keep getting tons of chances, eventually something’s gonna go in. You just have to stay with it. If I hadn’t been getting chances, then I would have been concerned.”

The goal was Repaci’s 28th all-time for the Railers. He is tied for fourth on that list; next up with 30 is Smotherman.

The game winner was set up when Beaudoin won a faceoff and got the puck to Blake Christensen. Cavallin stopped that shot but Repaci, in close, popped the rebound home. Adams made it 3-1 on a power play at 16:38 as he created some space for himself at the bottom of the right circle and beat Cavallin to the far side.

The four goals brought the Railers season total to 102. They are, to date, the best offensive team in Worcester pro history. It took them 26 games to hit triple figures. No other team in any other league hit 100 in fewer than 30 games.

Thunderbirds offense stalled at Utica

UTICA, N.Y. - The Springfield Thunderbirds (10-12-1-4) could not overcome an explosive offensive night by the Utica Comets (10-9-3-1) in a 7-3 Utica victory on Saturday night at Adirondack Bank Center.

Utica jumped to the offense immediately against a T-Birds team that had only allowed 11 first-period goals all season coming into Saturday’s action. Defenseman Nikita Okhotiuk launched a point slapper that found its way over Joel Hofer on the blocker side, giving Utica the 1-0 edge at 2:23.

Like Friday night, the home side had a big shot edge, 14-8, through the opening 20 minutes. A familiar face added to the Comets’ lead when Nolan Stevens took a centering pass from Joe Gambardella and snapped a forehand home to make it 2-0 at 14:48.

Things appeared even bleaker for the T-Birds when Nolan Foote squeaked a short-side shot through Hofer from the left side just 1:23 into the second, making it a 3-0 lead for the Comets.



Down, but not out, the Thunderbirds power play changed the tide at 8:26. Brady Lyle made a remarkable play to keep in a clearing attempt at the left point. The blue-liner immediately

threw the puck to the net, where Hugh McGing chopped a rebound through Nico Daws to make it 3-1.

The Comets’ penalty kill bounced back to keep the T-Birds two goals away, but a third Springfield power play brought another tally as Martin Frk fired a wrist shot from the point, creating a rebound off of Daws’ pad. Nikita Alexandrov was positioned perfectly in the right circle to beat Daws and bring the deficit to 3-2 at 13:46.

Stevens responded not-so-kindly just 32 seconds later, winning a board battle and eventually finding the puck on his stick to the left of Hofer, where he beat his former teammate for the second time, making it 4-2 at 14:18.

Not to be outdone, the T-Birds made their own luck to conclude a 19-shot barrage in the period. As he was being hit down to the ice, Drew Callin wildly snapped a shot toward the goal near the right corner that squeezed through Daws’ arm, restoring the one-goal game, 4-3, with just 1:45 left in the period.

Robbie Russo put the Thunderbirds’ comeback hopes on the backburner when he slapped a point shot home at the 7:44 mark of the third period, making it a 5-3 Utica lead. Michael Vukojevic followed with his first goal of the year at 12:10, and the Comets’ lead built to 6-3.

Sam Laberge added an empty-net marker to round out the scoring with just over four minutes remaining. Daws earned the victory despite allowing three goals on 32 shots.

Granby falls in opener

GRANBY – It took an extra week, but Granby boys basketball finally got its season underway with a game against South Hadley. The Tigers were the winners in that contest 70-45. The Rams struggled early in the game, scoring just four points in the opening frame. The Rams were led in the contest by Robert L’Abbee with 10 points. Riley Goodhind had nine points. There were points from 10 different players despite only managing 45 points for the game. Granby is 1-1 to start the regular season.

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LEAD SUPPORT STAFF Local agency is seeking a dependable person who has excellent leadership qualities, and who is self driven, and very dependable to provide planning activities, and who has the ability to support a young woman in the Palmer area, so she can continue to live independently in her own apartment. She requires assistance with: General Life Skills this innovative service model is driven by using a common sense approach, and being able to be self creative. Also, daily activity agency logs must be kept to accommodate State requirements. Meetings will be held from time to time with the agency and family. A CORI, driving record, and fingerprinting test are performed to meet all State Guidelines. Position part time 21 hours per week. Starting rate \$19.50 per hr. Applicant must be a responsible and dependable individual with reliable transportation. If interested please call Ed at (413)813-7226 or email usmarine1834@gmail.com

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Taino Restaurant provides a new Latino elder restaurant service

HOLYOKE -- Seniors in and around the Holyoke community can now enjoy authentic Latino cuisine at lunchtime through a new senior dining program offered by WestMass ElderCare.

WMEC has launched a Latino elder dining service at Taino Restaurant, located at 548 South St. Through this service, Taino provides a hot nutritious lunch meal to adults aged 60 and older from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Monday through Friday.

Staples on the menu include authentic Latino offerings such as yuca with garlic and onions, pulled pork, yellow rice with pigeon peas, and beef stew.

A voluntary, confidential donation of \$2.25 per meal is suggested for program participants.

Lisa Lovell, director of nutrition for WMEC, shared that the partnership with Taino helps WMEC fulfill an essential part of its mission.

"One of WMEC's strengths is the diversity of our staff and consumers, and we strive to provide services that reflect their culture and traditions. We are so pleased to provide an opportunity for older adults in our community to come together at Taino to enjoy delicious, authentic Latino cuisine," said Lovell.

Those interested in registering for the Latino elder restaurant service at Taino should call WestMass ElderCare at 413-538-9020 for more information. A WMEC staff member will be on-site at Taino from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday to sign up new participants.



WestMass ElderCare now offers seniors in and around the Holyoke community the opportunity to enjoy authentic Latino cuisine at lunchtime through a new senior dining program.

Town offices closed for the holidays

SOUTH HADLEY -- Town hall and the senior center will be closed on Monday, Dec. 26 and Monday, Jan. 2. The libraries will be closed Dec. 24 - Dec. 26 and Dec. 31 - Jan. 2

Holiday school book drive

SOUTH HADLEY -- Buy a book at Odyssey book store or donate between \$10- \$100 to help expand the libraries in South Hadley schools. Visit the store at 9 College St. or donate online at <https://www.odysseybks.com/odyssey-book-drive>.

Snow law reminders

SOUTH HADLEY -- Winter storm residential parking bans shall be declared, as necessary, by the Department of Public Works. When a winter storm residential parking ban is enacted, there is no on-street parking allowed on the following streets: Main Street, Bridge Street, Lamb Street, North Main Street, Bardwell Street, and Route 116. On all other streets, vehicles must park on the even side of streets on even days and on the

odd side of streets on odd days. All property owners are responsible for snow removal on all public sidewalks that abut their property. The Selectboard approves a list of sidewalks where snow is removed by the DPW. However, these sidewalks are typically done after the Town roads are plowed. Property owners that abut sidewalks that are on the DPW sidewalk list are not absolved of their responsibility for sidewalk maintenance.

The Town's snow and ice policies are shown in Appendix B on file in the Town offices.

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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 pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that on **January 25, 2023 at 12:00 PM** at 254 Old Lyman Road, South Hadley, MA 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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Veronica Sonner
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by William R Forget

Date: 12/19/2022

This notice has been given under the provisions of G.L. c. 255, Section 39A. 12/23, 12/30/2022, 01/06/2023

Town of Granby Massachusetts Conservation Commission

The Granby Conservation Commission will hold Public Hearings pursuant to the Wetland

Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) on **Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at*1 Library Lane-Old Carnegie Library-Top Floor** to consider the following:

1. **At 7:30 p.m. "RDA"** filed by Kathleen Maia (c/o Roy Johnson) see whether work depicted on plan(s) referenced are subject to the Wetlands Protection Act or subject to the jurisdiction of any municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw with regards to property located at 533 Amherst Road, and known as Map 1A-G-4 in the Town of Granby.

Members of the public can attend virtually by phone at +1 (312) 757-3121 using **Access Code: 282-289-421** or by visiting <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/282289421>.

Anyone wishing information and/or to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated. The complete materials (including text and

maps) relative to this "RDA" are available for inspection during regular business hours at the Selectmen's Office located in the Granby Senior Center Building, 2nd Floor, 10-B West State Street. Additionally, copies of the application may be inspected on the Conservation Commission's web page at www.granby-ma.gov.

William Shaheen, Chair Granby Conservation Commission
12/23/2022

Town of Granby Massachusetts Conservation Commission

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1. **At 7:30 p.m. "RDA"** filed by US Air Force-Westover Air Reserve Base

(WARB) see whether work depicted on plan(s) referenced are subject to the Wetlands Protection Act or subject to the jurisdiction of any municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw with regards to property located at 123 Morgan Street, and known as Map 5-D-1-4 in the Town of Granby.

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All Papers Will Deadline Thursday, Dec. 22 at Noon for Publication Dec. 27-30
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Happy New Year!

Town Reminder
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