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#### **MEMORIAL DAY**

## As town honors fallen soldiers, monument restoration planned

By Michael Harrison mharrison@turley.com

LUDLOW — Almost as soon as the town's oldest monument - a memorial to soldiers who defended the Union against Confederate insurgents during the Civil War - was toppled and destroyed by a wayward driver, the community was planning for its restoration.

Local leaders, from elected officials to veterans advocates and citizens, were aghast at the damage.

"It is our intent for the original piece to be put back together and a new foundation will be laid," Eric Segundo, town veterans agent, said. "We're waiting on insurance and estimates.'

Individuals and residents have reached out to help since the granite monument was toppled about 10 days ago. Cyrus Fisher, 37, of Springfield, is accused of running off the

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The Civil War monument dedicated in 1867 in Ludlow was toppled after being struck by a car May 13. Town officials say they are committed to the monument's meticulous restoration.

## **Public invited** to honor Ludlow's war dead

LUDLOW - There's no Memorial Day parade again this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the town of Ludlow is still marking the day by honoring local residents who gave their lives in service to the country. A town wreath-laying ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. Friday, May 28, beginning at Island Pond Cemetery, followed by ceremonies at the Portuguese Veterans Memorial, Sgt. Joshua Desforges Memorial, Veterans Park School and the Center Street Cemetery and Civil War Soldiers Monument (this part of the ceremony will proceed as planned despite the damage to the monument).

At each location, a wreath will be laid followed by a prayer for the fallen, an Honor Guard rifle salute, and "Taps." A service will be held at the Veterans Memorial on Memorial Day.

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

#### A TASTE OF HOME

## Cards, goodies headed to active duty military members



Students (from left) Jameson Bishop, Brennan Bishop, Haylo Braz, Gracie Ann Tuck, and Jalen Leonard with teacher Michele Manganaro-Thompson.

By Anne Marie Corrieri Correspondent

LUDLOW — Michele Manganaro-Thompson's third grade students at Chapin Street School recently participated in a project that transcended beyond daily classroom lessons.

Students created handmade cards and donated a variety of supplies to support U.S. military men and women stationed overseas.

The project evolved when Manganaro-Thompson learned of the request on social media from Ludlow resident Michelle

Goncalves, who was looking for a teacher who might like to have his or her class make cards for troops overseas in care of U.S. Army Lt. Col. Stephanie Radford, on deployment to Kuwait and Afghanistan. Radford and Goncalves' husband, Army LTC Matthew Goncalves, met during a military training session.

During their correspon-Manganaro-Thompson also learned she shared a special connection with LTC

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## The legacy of Sgt. Desforges lives on in Ludlow

By Jonah Snowden jsnowden@turley.com

LUDLOW — The town is getting ready to honor its war dead, beginning Friday and again on Monday on Memorial Day. The initial commemoration will be wreath-laying ceremonies at memorials for residents who gave their lives during military service, including one erected in memory of Sgt. Joshua D. Desforges.

Desforges, who died on May 12, 2010, while serving in Marja, Afghanistan, is often on the minds of his family and the Ludlow community for his bravery and sacrifice. His mother Arlene Desforges said while

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The late Sgt. Joshua D. Desforges, a Ludlow High graduate, shown serving with the U.S. Marines in Afghanistan. A wreath-laying ceremony will be held at a town memorial in his honor May 28.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

#### Teamwork behind effort to vaccinate homebound residents

LUDLOW — For months, Ludlow health officials and first responders have been a big part of the regional COVID-19 vaccination clinic set up in Palmer. Recently, they did some important work closer to home.

"We had our fully vaccinated Board of Health nurses, Ludlow firefighters/paramedics, and our

Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Lavoie set out to vaccinate our homebound patients in town," Martha Seed, public health program coordinator for the Ludlow Board of Health, said.

'We are very excited to work with the Ludlow Fire Department and the Palmer clinic to get our homebound population

vaccinated. They were able to vaccinate 14 people in threeand-a-half hours. Our residents and their families were very appreciative of this program. We were happy to serve those unable to obtain their vaccine at a

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### LUDLOW

#### **BUTCHER SHOP REOPENS**



Courtesy photo

LUDLOW — To mark the recent re-opening of JR Butcher Shoppe at 276 East Street, state Rep. Jake Oliveira presented an official citation from the Massachusetts House of Representatives to Jose Cordeiro (pictured here) and Alexandre Resende. JR Butcher Shoppe officially re-opened on April 15.

### PET OF THE WEEK

#### SISSY

I'm Sissy and I'm 6 years old. I live with my mom, Dianne Ingram in Ludlow. I am very shy, but I'm a very happy cat. My mom and I are soulmates for sure!"

Want to see your best pal in print? We feature your pets here every week. All pets are welcome (hint, hint – they don't have to be dogs or cats)! Email a high-resolution jpg of your pet with a little information to mharrison@turley.com.



### Sweet '71 Ludlow High 50th class reunion

LUDLOW \_ The Ludlow High School Class of 1971 will be celebrating its 50th class reunion this fall and is welcoming Ludlow High alumni of that year to attend. Classmates can attend one, two, or all three days of this weekend celebration, all happening in Ludlow:

Friday, Sept. 10, 2021 – Drinks and Snacks at the Iron Duke

Saturday, Sept. 11, 2021 – Dinner at the Villa Rose (with DJ Max Salvador) Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021 – Cookout at the Ludlow Fish and Game Club

The reunion committee has mailed 263 save the date cards. Classmates who did not receive a card can send a current mailing address and email address to sweet71lhs@gmail.com

The class also posts information on a closed Facebook group: Classmates – Sweet '71.

You must already be a Facebook member to join. Send a request to join the group page to Claire Vershon Wales also at sweet71lhs@gmail.com.



## New Blooms campaign officially launches this week

Blooms campaign kickoff

INDIAN ORCHARD — The Indian Orchard Citizens Council announced this week the launch of its fourth annual Neighborhood Beautification Campaign - "Indian Orchard Blooms" - as Mayor Dominic Sarno, and state Rep. Orlando Ramos join members of the Neighborhood Council in hanging the first of 200 flower baskets in Indian Orchard, and along Boston Road.

This launch will occur at 11 a.m. May 27 at the intersection of Parker Street and Boston Road.

"This popular neighborhood beautification campaign suffered a near fatal blow last year when the coronavirus pandemic forced businesses to shut down for three months," said Zaida Govan, president of the Indian Orchard Citizen's Council.

"As a result, the council lost almost half of our small business sponsors, as they were simply struggling to survive. But in our darkest hour last year, many of our Indian Orchard small businesses, local area residents, and elected officials rallied to our assistance.'

With the support of the businesses community and individuals, the IOCC was able to get out from under pandemic-caused financial

"The Indian Orchard Citizens Council was able to eliminate a \$12,000 deficit and ensured that 175 flower baskets were hung throughout Indian Orchard and along Boston Road," former state Rep. Paul Caron, who serves as chairman of the Blooms campaign, said.

"We strongly believe that these baskets served as a symbol of hope for many in our community that together, we will make it through this pandemic, and will continue to serve as a symbol of Indian Orchard's resilience," said Mari Tarpinian of Rick's Auto Body.

"I commend the Indian Orchard Citizen's Councils continued efforts as they launch their fourth annual Neighborhood Beautification campaign, the very successful Indian Orchard Blooms," Sarno said.

"I want to thank and acknowledge all of the individuals and businesses that have helped to make this



At 11 a.m. May 27, an annual tradition renews with the hanging of 'Indian Orchard Blooms' baskets.

such a popular event. I am proud to donate my part, too. Thanks to everyone's efforts, especially to the Indian Orchard Citizen's Council and IOCC President Zaida Govan for their continued vision in this beautification campaign for our neighborhood. These flowers are beautiful to look at and will help keep the neighborhood vibrant and to help recapture the foot traffic and patronage that was lost due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic. Beautification campaigns such as this go a long way in helping to jumpstart and boost our Springfield economy.'

Ramos also 'paid tribute to the program.

"I applaud the dedication and commitment of the Indian Orchard Citizens Council to this important neighborhood effort," he said.

'Through their efforts, their signature Indian Orchard Blooms campaign not only survived the 2020 Pandemic, but came back, bigger, better and stronger in 2021," Ramos

"This year's campaign includes 24 'Legacy Baskets' sponsored by the family and Friends of 14 men and women who helped make the

Indian Orchard neighborhood what it is today – a tight-knit community, that's a great place to raise a family," Govan said.

"Two-hundred hanging baskets of Nicaraguan geraniums and Vinca vines, should all be up hung, and planted, in the upcoming week, and will remain in full bloom through mid-October," Govan said.

Among this year's Legacy Baskets is one that was sponsored by the O'Brien family that is hung at the Godfrey Triangle honoring the 15 Indian Orchard residents that died in World War I.

"A fitting tribute for this Memorial Day," Caron said.

#### Want to get involved?

There still remains a few baskets that need to be sponsored. The cost of sponsoring a hanging flower basket is \$140 for the 20-week season. The price covers the cost of mounting, maintaining, and watering the baskets. Checks should be made payable to the Indian Orchard Citizens Council and mail to the IOCC, at PO Box 51593, Indian Orchard, MA, 01151.

Anyone interested in sponsoring a basket or who wants more information can contact Govan at 413-301-2533 or iocc.president@gmail.

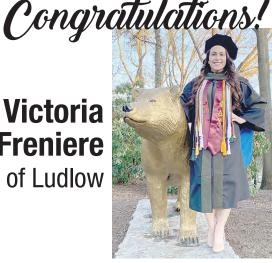




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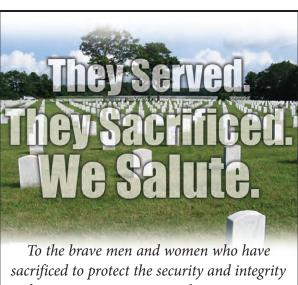
**Victoria Freniere** of Ludlow



In May 2017, Tori graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy Studies from Western New England University. She continued at WNE with her graduate studies. On May 16, 2021, she graduated Cum Laude and was awarded a PharmD degree. While pursuing her degrees, she was involved in many professional organizations. Most notably, she was; President of the Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Society and Vice President of the Pharmacy Governance Association.

She will start a year-long residency at NewYork Presbyterian Hospital in Manhattan this July, with the intent of pursuing a second year residency in pediatrics.

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#### REMEMBERING THE FALLEN

## Local World War I soldiers honored with 'Blooms' baskets

By Jonah Snowden jsnowden@turley.com

INDIAN ORCHARD – On Thursday, May 27, the fourth annual Indian Orchard Blooms Campaign will commence and some of the flowering baskets will be in honor of those who gave their lives in service of their county.

This year, the Indian Orchard Blooms Campaign has over 24 Legacy Baskets sponsored by local businesses and residents. Honorees include former longtime executive director of the IOCC Karen Leger, former Indian Orchard businessman Thomas Melikian and former owner of Popko Realty Julian Popko. There are also 'Blooms' in honor of those who fought in World War I.

Former Mass. state Rep. Paul Caron said these baskets will also ensure the Indian Orchard community regains some "normalcy" through things residents are used to seeing.

"I also tip my hat off to Zaida Govan and members of the Indian Orchard

Citizens Council for refusing to put the program on hold," Caron said.

"Last year, we had already ordered the baskets, paid for them, but we didn't have the money to pay for their ongoing maintenance. It was a team effort in the neighborhood council to refuse to let the program become victims of the pandemic."

One of the baskets, scheduled to be placed at the Godfrey Triangle Memorial, will pay tribute to the 15 Indian Orchard residents who lost their lives in World War I, known then as the "Great War" and the "War to End All Wars" because of its unprecedented ferocity and global death toll. Soldiers from the war who will honored include William Bodah, Albert Chenard, Wilfred Harry Dauphinais, Charles Deforge, Arthur Gokey, George William Hannon, Louis George Jarvis, Edgar Frederick Leab, Francis Joseph Lynch, Rene Honore Mongeon, Donald Gary Pero, Thomas Tyrell, Levi Joseph Vautrain, David Young, and Louis Moses Croteau.

This specific basket was sponsored by the O'Brien family.

Caron said he is thankful to the O'Brien family for sponsoring a legacy basket and honoring the memory of the 15 brave Indian Orchard residents who lost their lives in Word War I while also stating the importance of celebrating Memorial Day.

"They made the ultimate sacrifice for their country, and for its future generations," he said.

"As President John F. Kennedy said, 'The cost of freedom is always high, but Americans have always paid it'," Caron said.

"As beneficiaries of their sacred sacrifice, it is now our responsibility as Americans to never allow their sacrifices to be forgotten or taken for granted. These brave veterans sacrificed their lives for their country, to ensure that their fellow Americans, could continue to live in peace and freedom. This Memorial Day, we ought to recommit ourselves to their memory."

The campaign commencement will take place at 11 a.m. Springfield Mayor Domenic Sarno will join the Indian Orchard Citizens Council and lega-

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The Godfrey Triangle Memorial will be receiving a legacy basket in honor of the 15 Indian Orchard veterans and residents who lost their lives in World War I.

cy basket sponsors at the intersection of Parker Street and Boston Road in Springfield for the ceremonial hanging of the first flower basket.



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LUDLOW — Everyone who wants to celebrate the lives of William R. Falconer III and Georgiana M. Bourdeau are invited to an event that will be held 3:30-8:30 p.m. June 7 at the Ludlow Fish & Game Club Pavilion, 200 Sportsman Road, Ludlow.

Entertainment will be by DJ Gemini

Entertainment. The celebration will be catered by Richards Grinder.

All are welcome to join in this outdoor celebration. Feel free to come and go as you like.

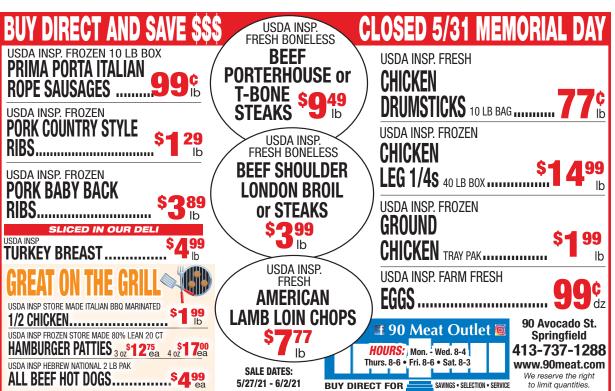
For more information, call Marie Ann Falconer at 413 433-6474 or Wendy Tetreaut at 860 684-6021.











The Ludlow Senior Center doors will be open on June 1, as with all municipal buildings in Town. However, there will be very limited programming and you will be required to sign up for each activity. We will also request that visitors wear masks to protect yourself, others and the staff. We ask that you respect each other's boundaries as well. We will continue to sanitize and will have plenty of sanitizer available.

While we are very excited to see everyone, the reality is we thought we had longer to plan. Please bear with us as we transition back to being open.

Transportation service is now available five days a week, Monday - Friday for in-town rides from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Big Y and Randall's shopping trips have returned to Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. A 24-hour advance notice is required and a reservation can be made by calling 583-3564.

Below is information on our Zoom classes, in-person activity, Channel 192 schedule and Grab and Go menu for the upcoming week. Please always remember we are here.

Zoom schedule. Please call Maria at 583-3564 for login information or to sign up

- Friday, May 28 at 11 a.m.: Zoom Trivia
- Tuesday, June 1 at 2 p.m.: Zoom Bingo
- Thursday, June 3 at 1p.m.: Zoom Wheel of Fortune

In-person schedule by appointment:

• Thursday, May 27: Tai Chi 9 a.m.

• Thursday, May 27: Book Club 1 p.m.

Center CLOSED Friday, May 28 and Monday, May 31

- Tuesday, June 1: Knitting 9-11
  - Thursday, June 3: Tai Chi 9 a.m.
  - Friday, June 4: Ceramics 9-11 a.m.
- Fitness room: Monday Friday 9 a.m. -3 p.m.

To book your appointment for in-person activities, please call 583-3564.

Channel 192 line up:

Monday – 9 a.m.: Move and Grove; 3 p.m.: Yoga

Tuesday - 9 a.m.: Chair Yoga; 3 p.m.: Today's Hot Topic!

Wednesday – 9 a.m.: Tai Chi; 3 p.m.: Zumba

Thursday - 9 a.m.: Today's Hot Topic!; 3 p.m.: Chair Yoga

Friday – 9 a.m.: NEW Boomer Boot Camp; 3 p.m.: Cooking Class

Saturday – 9 a.m.: Chair Yoga

#### Weekly lunch menu

Thursday, May 27 - BBQ Chicken-Memorial Day Lunch Tuesday, June 1 - Fish and Chips Wednesday, June 2: -Pork Chop

Thursday, June 3 - Veggie Lasagna

Reminder: PICK UP IS 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Reservations 24 hours in advance, 60+ and drive up to pick up. \$2 a meal. More info: 583-3564.

#### MARIO TURNS 100!



LUDLOW — Lifelong Ludlow resident Mario Arcobello turned 100 years old on May 19. State Rep. Jake Oliveira (7th Hampden) presented Mario with a citation from the Massachusetts House of Representatives to mark the occasion.

### New dog license option begins June 1

LUDLOW - Dog licenses for Ludlow residents expired March 31. You may still license your dog without incurring a late fee, which will be assesses starting June

You must have a valid rabies certificate to obtain your license.

Licenses are available in the Town Clerk's office 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday starting June 1. Residents have the option to obtain a license by mail or by using the Town Clerk drop box located behind Town Hall.

Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope, valid rabies certificate, along with a check payable to the Town of Ludlow to: Town Clerk, 488 Chapin Street, Ludlow, MA 01056.

Neutered/spayed dog is \$15.00, all other dogs are \$20. Late fees will be assessed with a \$10 fine after June 30.

If you have any questions, call the Town Clerk's office at 413-583-5600 ext.

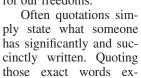


## **OPINION**

#### **GUEST COLUMN**

## **Quotes and notes for Memorial Day**

As Memorial Day approaches, families and friends are posting memorable and meaningful quotes and notes honoring loved ones who served in the military, and gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms.





By Joan E. B. Coombs

presses our thoughts and the original author is acknowledged. However, there are times when, even with research, the quest for the quote results in: "Author Unknown."

Picture this: an outstanding quote overlays multiple rows of the dog tags from different eras, worn by our United States servicemen and women. Its riveting message has shocking contrasts. Unexpectedly a gem of truth lies within less than 25 words. That singular, poignant sentence uses the words "precious metals." And, our minds usually conclude: gold, platinum and silver. Right? But, no, the "priceless metals" message resonates deeper.

Grabbing your complete attention, the poignant statement captures your breath:

"The most precious metals on earth are the Dog Tags of our warriors who made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our country's freedom." Author Unknown.

During our country's Civil War (1861-1865), identifying that war's casualties, amounting in the hundreds of thousands, became overwhelming. In 1906, Medals of America research indicated that the U.S. government decided that circular, imprinted aluminum discs would be worn as identification tags. By 1913 each of the military wore a half-dollar- sized disc, as a means of identification, around their necks, with the name, rank, company, regiment or corps.

Through World War I (1914-1918) Dog Tag issuances were protocol. In World War I (1939-1945) a new design, was issued in a rectangular shape. Notably during World War II, the nickname "Dog Tags" was officially adopted. Later, during the Vietnam War (1955-1975), the dog tags were also tied in boots. Today, dog tags are made of stainless steel and are still a significant part of the military requirements. (Source: Medals of America)

Several other Memorial Day noteworthy quotes also remind us of "The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier" in Washington, D.C. that is honored daily. The following quotes are by "Unknown Authors." Each one arouses a soul-stirring response:

"Home of the free because of the brave."

"We don't know them all, but we owe them all."

And, especially this Memorial Day weekend, when we see the American flag, may this quote be among the ones you remember and treasure:

"Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it."

God bless America and all those who fought and sacrificed their lives for our freedoms.

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#### **GUEST COLUMN**

## We're stronger as a country when more people vote

By Lee H. Hamilton
Guest columnist

There is a fight going on over the heart of our democracy, and I worry that democracy is losing. Over the last few months, several states have moved decisively to make it harder for their citizens to vote, and more are on tap. It's hard to tell yet whether this is just a blip or an actual reversal of the U.S.'s long trend of expanding voting access. Either way, it's cause for attention.

The earliest moves this year came in Iowa and Georgia, which made absentee voting harder and shifted some control over election processes from elections officials to partisan politicians themselves. Florida recently cut back on drop boxes and ratcheted up ID requirements for requesting an absentee ballot. Texas's legislature is moving forward with a bill that would hand power to partisan poll watchers, bar elections officials from mailing out absentee ballot applications and impose other limits. Ohio legislators want to limit drop boxes and reduce early in-person voting. Republican legislatures in Arkansas, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming have enacted restrictions, as well.

Over the long course of American history, we've tended to move the opposite direction: toward expanding people's ability to vote. Indeed, significant parts of our history revolved around who should be able to vote, since politicians always want to tilt the field in their favor. Originally, of course, the franchise was limited to white men with property. Then, over time, white men without property, Black men, women, Native Americans, non-English speakers, and citizens between the ages of 18 and 21, won the right to cast ballots.

To be sure, there are still plenty of people who are barred from voting by state laws. Some states don't let convicted felons vote; many states deny the vote to people with psychiatric disabilities, and sometimes, poll workers impose their own competency standards, regardless of what the law says. Most states impose a residency requirement. Often, you have to have lived there at least 30 days, and though all states allow homeless people to vote, sometimes they have trouble meeting the registration requirements.

These days, the battles tend to revolve less explicitly around who should be able

to vote and more around ease of voting. There is a strong argument to be made that this is just a different way of restricting the vote: Democrats made effective use of absentee ballots in the 2020 elections, for instance, so Republican legislatures have imposed limits on their use for next time, though there are states, like Florida, where absentees were a prime GOP electoral tool in earlier elections.

In general, voting rights advocates argue that making voting harder means that people who have historically turned out in smaller percentages will once again be at a disadvantage. Many people, over the course of a long career in politics, I've seen this first-hand, are intimidated by the voting process: showing up at a precinct, passing through a gauntlet of campaign signs and people with handouts, getting checked in, facing the prospect that they'll be humiliated by being turned away. Without encouragement, they opt not to show up at all. There are politicians who know this and take advantage of it.

As a democracy, the United States is stronger when as many people as possible can vote and the electorate reflects the actual makeup of the population. This has two beneficial effects: it ensures that our elected representatives reflect who we are; and it helps Americans not only feel a stake in the system, but believe that their voices are represented in the corridors of power. The opposite is also true. When people feel that efforts are being made to deny their participation, they write off the process and begin looking for other ways to affect politics and policy, including taking to the streets or developing sympathy for more authoritarian approaches to governing.

It is too early to say how this year's voting-restriction laws will turn out; many of them will likely end up in court. But even if the urge to limit voting is hardly new, it's dismaying that, well over two centuries since our founding, it remains so pervasive.

Lee Hamilton is a senior advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government; a Distinguished Scholar at the IU Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies; and a Professor of Practice at the IU O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

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These "make-at-home" mosaic tile trivet kits allow you to explore the art of stained glass mosaics from home. There is a limit of 12 participants, adults only please. Register on our

website to receive a link to the workshop via email on the day of the event.

### Movie Club VIRTUAL Meeting Tuesday, June 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for monthly discussions of classic movies! This month's feature is "Splash!" starring Tom Hanks and Daryl Hannah. Watch your movie at home with a DVD available for checkout at the library prior to the event then meet online or by phone to discuss. You do not need to be a club member to attend, but you must register to get the invite link which will be sent on the day of the meeting. There is a phone-in option available.

#### FOR TEENS

YA Jackbox Games Night, Thursdays 6:30-8 p.m.

#### **Summer Volunteer Program**

The library is accepting applications for rising sixth to 12th graders to work

1 hour a week helping shelve books, set up and break down for outdoor programs, and prep crafts. Visit the Young Adult Events tab of our website for more information.

#### FOR CHILDREN OR TEENS

## Godzilla Trivia Night! 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, on the library lawn and/or via Zoom

Godzilla-themed prizes awarded. Meets in person on the library lawn with virtual participation available as well. In case of rain the program happens virtually. Fo tweens, teens, and younger children with their familiae.

### Minecraft Club, Thursdays 3:30 p.m. For tweens and teens

### Roblox Club, Fridays 3-5 p.m. for ages 8-18

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#### FOR CHILDREN

Hybrid programs meet on the library lawn in good weather and via Zoom when raining; check our Facebook page the morning of the program for weather updates.

No Preschool Story time, Monday, library closed for Memorial Day

### Virtual Story Yoga, 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 1

Simple yoga poses & stories are woven together to create a fun, interactive virtual program for children 2 and older and their adults. Sponsored by Pathways for Parents CFCE.

Weekly Preschool Singing Group, 10:30-11 a.m. Tuesday, June 1

May Book & Craft Pairing: 3D Hot Air Balloons with books about colors!

Register for a book about colors and get a kit to make the craft when you pick it up!

## PV Implementing 'contemporary ideas'

LUDLOW — PV Financial is excited to not only announce some changes and additions to its team, but also introduce a new program aimed at helping people embark on successful financial journeys.

Over the next year, the company will be implementing contemporary ideas to bring PV Financial to the forefront of the financial industry while still holding onto our core values and retaining the same high-level service to which our clients are accustomed.

The PV team identified a need in the marketplace and designed a program geared toward guiding younger generations along their journeys to financial literacy and security.

PV Navigator is a membership-based program designed to give clients access to our financial advisors as they design their personalized plans for the future. Whether it's guiding someone through situations as small as learning how to save those few extra dollars each month or as big as how to best invest an inheritance, our Navigator team will set individuals on the right path.

With PV taking the lead on expanded offerings, it will allow some senior members to take some well-deserved time off to enjoy their hobbies, the company said.

Edward Sokolowski, PV's managing partner, is happy to announce that Joseph Leonczyk, one of PV's senior partners, has begun his journey toward retirement. Joe joined EQ Financial Consultants in 1997 and shifted to Palmer Goodell Financial Group, LLC, in 1999 along with Ed and Chuck Myers. Together, they quickly realized the need to provide a truly comprehensive approach to financial planning and opened the doors of Pioneer Valley Financial Group in 2002.

After 24 years in the business, Joe is taking a step back from the office. Along with the PV Financial Team, Joe will continue serving his clients while also now enjoying some more time with his family and friends.

While PV Financial is bringing in some fresh faces and new ideas, the team's unwavering commitment to helping clients and the community live better remains unchanged. PV Financial believes that in order to provide first-rate guidance, the relationship between investor and financial advisor must be grounded in trust.

PV will continue to provide its high-level service to its valued clients and the community for many years to come

"The old saying of how time flies when you're having fun is very appropriate here at PV Financial," Managing Partner Edward Sokolowski said.

"While most small, successful companies usually look for an exit strategy in selling their business to new ownership, PV is taking a different approach. After 29 years in the financial services industry, I believe that the next generation of employees should be given the opportunity to continue the tradition the

founding partners started by moving the company into an employee-owned business model. While I plan on being part of the leadership team over the next 10 to 15 years, the time has come for all twenty PV employees to help take the reins for the future. Our clients and community deserve the continued commitment of our employees and I look forward to many years of PV Financial being a cornerstone to all who it serves."

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Shown here (from left) are Chuck Myers, Ed Sokolowski, and Joe Leonczyk of PV Financial.





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#### **MEMORIAL DAY** from Page 1

road in a 2003 Toyota and through an iron fence and into the monument. Charges against Fisher are pending a hearing in Palmer District Court, according to Ludlow police. No explanation for the incident is still under investigation.

"It is not exactly known what caused Mr. Fisher to crash," Ludlow Police Dept. Lt. Michael Brennan said in an email Monday.

"However, it is apparent that the manner of the crash (crossing into the oncoming lane of travel and going off-roadway, no apparent braking, speeding, etc.) was clearly at least operating to endanger (negligence). The estimation of speed is determined by examining the known facts and circumstance of the crash (examining the collision damage to both vehicle and property after traveling off of the roadway). The speed limit in the area is 30 MPH. We estimate that based on the crash the vehicle was traveling faster than 30 MPH."

#### A delicate procedure

The town is committed to repairing



Wreath-laying ceremonies will be held in Ludlow May 28, including at the site of the recently-toppled Civil War monument, and a ceremony will be held 11 a.m. on Memorial Day in front of the Veterans Memorial.

the monument and that will take some time. A conservation specialist needs to be hired, along with other specialists and equipment, including a crane to lift the pieces into place. The process needs to adhere to state guidelines for historic restoration.

"If it was up to me, we'd get it up today," Segundo said.

"As much as we want that, we have to be careful. There are procedures. We're still waiting on estimates and insurance. The priority is on restore the monument to its original appearance."

#### 'A fitting memorial'

According to "A History of Ludlow Massachusetts 1774-1974 by Herbert L. McChesney, the monument was dedicated in 1867. It was a little over budget and erected in a slightly different location than originally planned, but the town was intent on honoring its "war dead," according to McChesney's book.

"Immediately after the Civil War, the residents of Ludlow began to give thought to the establishment of some fitting memorial to their war dead. Chauncey Buell and others presented a petition to this effect at the annual town meeting of March 1866 and the town voted to appoint a committee with authorization to contract for the erection of a suitable granite monument, the cost of which was not to exceed one thousand dollars."

The final cost, including an iron fence, was around \$1,300.

"The town committee evidently put a broad interpretation on the town meeting instructions regarding both the cost and the end location of the monument, since it was located on the green before the church, rather than in the cemetery as specified by the town meeting," Mc-Chesney wrote.

#### **DESFORGES** from Page 1

he was growing up, Joshua tried out many sports as an adolescent, but decided he would dedicate his life to service for his country.

He "never found his niche until he joined the Westover Young Marines when he was 13," Arlene Desforges said

"From then on, he always knew he wanted to be in the Marines. He signed up when he was 17 with written permission and left for boot camp after he graduated (high school in 2004)."

During his time in the U.S. Marine Corps, Desforges was deployed twice to Afghanistan, the first time in 2007, and kept in touch with his family by email and when he had access to a satellite phone. His family and the town have

worked to keep his legacy alive, including with a memorial and a tree behind Ludlow High School. His name appears on the Veteran's Memorial wall by Ludlow Bridge.

"The support from the community was incredible," Arlene said.

"We also felt we needed to give back, thus the Sgt. Desforges Scholarship that we give out. It means the world to us that he's in a few different places and I feel it brings awareness for those who fight for us and have served for us."

With Memorial Day fast approaching, Arlene also said it is important to honor other residents who served.

"If it wasn't for them, we would not be able to live the life we are able to," Arlene said. "It's not like this around the world."

#### **HOMEBOUND VAX** from Page 1

vaccination site."

The state has allocated all those vaccine doses the regional clinics need to serve their communities. Anyone in town who would like to be vaccinated

Show here (from left) are:
Jeff Lavoie, Ludlow deputy
fire chief; Matt Antunes,
Ludlow firefighter/paramedic;
Marianne Moura, Ludlow
Board of Health nurse;
Angela Kramer, Ludlow
Board of Health Nurse;
Aaron Mackenzie, Ludlow
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Jason Bienvenue, Ludlow
firefighter/paramedic.

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#### **SUPPLIES FOR TROOPS** from Page 1

Goncalves's parents — Darlene and Tony Goncalves are both retired Ludlow teachers. In addition, LTC Goncalves was also the LHS boys soccer team head coach for 32 years before retiring in 2008.

Manganaro-Thompson ed to take the request a little further and sent letters home to the families of her students and reached out to her own family members asking for donations to put together care packages. She was very proud to report that the response was extremely positive resulting in generous donations for this project.

When deciding on what supplies to donate, student Olivia Sanchez connected with her uncle to ask him what he would have wanted in a care package when serving overseas as a Sgt. in the U.S. Army.

"My uncle told me ramen noodles are the big favorite so I brought in boxes of those," said Olivia. "I also brought



Brennan Bishop works on his card for U.S. military members.

in baby wipes and beef jerky because he said those things were also something they liked to get.'

Gracie-Ann Tuck whose parents are U.S. Navy veterans and who's sister Tori Tuck is on active duty in the U. S. Navy, was also enthused.

"I'm glad we're doing this project," Gracie-Ann said.

"I think the people in the service who get our package and cards will be happy to know we are thinking of them and that we are proud of them all."

Students from military families talked from experience about the sacrifices that are made.

"The military people work so hard to help our country stay safe," said Lily Grassetti, whose father is a U.S Air Force veteran.

"They also make sacrifices for us, like leaving their families. We wanted them to know we appreciate what they do for us.'

When Travis Grimshaw, son of an active duty member of the U.S. Air Force, was asked what this project meant to him he responded, "It made me feel happy because the people serving away from home will know we are thinking of them when they get the box of supplies and cards we made."

His card had a flourish.

"I even put hearts on my card so they will know I care about them," Travis

Town of Ludlow Director of Veterans Services Eric Segundo said this project was an example of a great community caring event supporting service members

"As a veteran myself once deployed, it truly puts a smile on your face to receive a care package from back home while deployed," Segundo said.

Segundo also said due to a generous supporter in town, Ludlow VFW Post 3236 will pay for the cost of postage to ship the packages which currently averages approximately \$22 per box.



Teacher Michele Manganaro-Thompson with students (from left) Olivia Sanches. Travis Grimshaw, Lily Grassetti, Mason Ferabello, and Christopher Mathisen.

Olivia's heartfelt thoughts summarized the project.

"It kinda feels like we're celebrating Veterans Day, but it's not," she said.

"Mrs. Thompson just wanted us all to do something nice for the people who are in the service and away from their fami-



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## THE CLASSROOM

## For 56 years, federal program has given kids a Head Start

Rose Garden, President Lyndon B. Johnson announced to the nation the creation of Project Head Start. Since that ceremony in the White House's Rose Garden, the program has been celebrating Head Start's impact on the lives of millions of children and families across the country.

For the past 56 years, HCS Head Start, Inc., located in Holyoke, Chicopee, Springfield and Ludlow, has provided comprehensive early learning services to thousands of children living in Hampden County. This year also marks the 27th birthday of Early Head Start - which was ratified in 1994 to address the needs

On May 18, 1965, in the White House of low-income pregnant women, infants, and toddlers and the 52nd birthday for Migrant Seasonal Head Start, first established in 1969, for children from birth through age five, from families earning the majority of their income from agricultural labor.

> Janis Santos, CEO of the organization, began her career in Head Start by opening the Parkside Early Learning Center in Ludlow back in 1973.

> "As I celebrate my 48th year in Head Start, I am so grateful and proud to be a part of such a successful program," she

"Over the years, I have seen both

short- and long-term positive effects for Head Start children and their families." Hundreds of children have received their Head Start at Parkside over the years and there are even a few alums who currently, work for the agency.

The center has worked nonstop throughout the pandemic. Since March 2020, Parkside has continued to provide regular early education, mental health services, and emergency support through virtual platforms. HCS Head Start plans on transitioning from remote to in-person classrooms this fall.

"Head Start is family," according to the Parent Policy Council Chairperson, Wleh Rogers-Stanely.

"They have worked hard with my family to help my son strive to be the best that he can be and get a Head Start on his education."

Parent involvement is one of the main aspects of the program.

"It (the program) also increases parent engagement in their children's learning and they are better prepared to be parents to their own children, Santos

"There is nothing more rewarding to me than to see and hear the many many success stories of our Head Start children and families."

## Scholarship offer for agriculture-oriented students

The Hampden County Improvement League is awarding scholarships in the amount of up to \$1,000 to high school seniors who meet certain criteria. The applications are available at area high schools and are due June 21.

Recipients must be a resident of Hampden County for at least two years, be a good student and must show current or previous involvement in 4-H, an agricultural endeavor, or be a member of a farm family. The Hampden County Improvement League was established Jan. 25, 1913, to promote agriculture and farm family life in Hampden County.

HCIL is committed to encouraging youth to challenge themselves and work towards their potential by furthering their education after high school. To help meet this financial commitment the League established a scholarship fund in 1993. Scholarships are awarded annually in the amount of up to \$1,000 each. The recipient will continue to receive the award throughout his/her post-secondary education.

Call 413-786-1432 (Sue) or 413-575-1759 (Maryellen) for questions or more information, or see your school guidance counselor.

#### **ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS**

## Students asked to discuss community issues through the lens of COVID-19

Sen. Eric Lesser this week formally announced the winners of his annual high school essay contest.

This year's prompt invited high school students from the First Hampden and Hampshire district (Belchertown, Chicopee, East Longmeadow, Granby, Hampden, Longmeadow, Ludlow, Springfield, and Wilbraham) to look at a community issue through the lens of their experience of living and learning during the COVID-19 pan-

"In a time where it feels like everything is changing all at once, it's important to gauge the up-and-coming issues and see how the pandemic has shaped the thinking of students in our area," Lesser said.

"Our high school students are the perfect example of what it means to be the future generation with their fingers on the pulse of current events, and I hope this opportunity has encouraged them into wanting to take action and make a difference within their communities."

This year's winners and essay topics

1. La'Tasia Love, Springfield Central High School - Alternative Programs to Gang Membership for Young People



#### **Rory DiVenuto, Ludlow High School**

- 2. Rory DiVenuto, Ludlow High School - Curriculum Diversity to Improve Civic Discourse
- 3. Daphne Muhammad, Hampden County Charter School of Science East - Maternal Mortality

Essay participants will receive a citation from the Massachusetts State Senate and winners will be honored in a virtual Zoom ceremony to take place in

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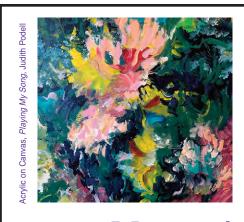
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## Lions finding success in 2



Christopher Fogg gets a spike for

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LUDLOW – For Ludlow High School boys volleyball, defeating teams like Agawam and Minnechaug has not happened in a long time. But this season, Ludlow owns wins over both teams, and are 3-3 so far this season. Ludlow is coming off two recent losses to Westfield and Chicopee Comprehensive, but hopes to rebound with their next matchup against West Springfield.



blockers.



Joseph Villano scores on this hit for the Lions.



Josh Provost tries to find a hole between opposing players.

## Hicks gets assist in Pioneers draw



Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com

Carlos Emery socks a free kick up the field.

**By Tim Peterson** Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW – Connor Hicks, of Monson, assisted on the Pioneers only goal against the Phantoms with 10 minutes remaining in regulation tying the score at 1-1. It wound up being the final score of last Friday night's home match.

"I've been playing soccer

for this team for two years and it felt very nice to be a starter in front of the home fans for the first time," said Hicks following the match. "It was a hard-fought battle tonight, and it was a good game for our fans to watch."

Hicks, who's also a member of the AIC men's soccer team, was one of the Pioneers starting defenders, along with Nicholas Obrrauch, who's from Rome,



teammate while continuing to dribble.

Italy, Carlos Emery, who's from Paysandu, Uruguay, and Federico Gutierrez, who's from Montevideo, Uruguay. Guillermo Deal and Maxi Viera, who's the Pioneers captain, are also from Montevideo, Uruguay.

"I'm the only defender who doesn't speak Spanish which

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## Buffone picks up another win at Monadnock



Todd Patnode picked up the win last Saturday night in the modified race.

WINCHESTER, N.H. – Teen sensation Cam Curtis stayed red-hot Saturday, May 22, at Monadnock Speedway, storming to his third Late Model Sportsman feature win in a row. This one was special.

In the Modified main, veteran star Todd Patnode scored his first victory of the young season. Street Stock ace Chris Buffone earned his third 2021 victory lap, Mini Stock ace Ray King used his second win to move all alone to the top of the points parade, and Nick

Houle rocked the Pure Stocks for his first win this year.

Young Gun Aaliyah Tacy made her own memories Saturday on the high banks, earning her first career victory.

It was only a year ago that someone dominated the LMS field like Cam Curtis is doing right now at Monadnock. That someone was, of course, Aaron Fellows. But while the Croydon star was 40 and had more

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## **OBITUARIES**

#### Emily Carol Pereira Thompson, 80

SPRING HILL, Fla. - Emily Carol Pereira Thompson, 80, passed away May 3, 2021, in Spring Hill, Fla. She was born in Ludlow on Jan. 21, 1941 and graduated from Ludlow High School. On New Year's Day 1962 she married Harold Thompson. Emily worked 20 years for the Lake City Board of Elec- Mazzuco of Spring Hill.



She is survived by two sons, John Thompson of Madison, Ohio, and Derick Thompson of Spring Hill; five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; a brother, Alvero Pereira of Ludlow; and a sister, Hazel Pereira Vermette

## Order spaghetti dinners from St. Elizabeth

LUDLOW — The St. Elizabeth Parish Curbside Spaghetti Supper will take place 5-6:30 p.m. June 12, at the Pastoral Center.

Cost is \$6 per meal (exact cash please) or check payable to Friends of St Elizabeth. Dinner is spaghetti with meat sauce, grated cheese, garlic bread, salad with creamy Italian dressing, and dessert.

To place an order, call St. Elizabeth Parish 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Monday through

## West Springfield drive-in open

WEST SPRINGFIELD – West Springfield Drive-In, in partnership with Eastern States Exposition, will be re-opened on The Big E Fairgrounds. The drive-in will feature two 45' by 60' screens and be able to accommodate 300 cars each, in a safe and socially distant family experience. The drive-in, located in the Gate 9 parking area, is authorized to show new release content, once available, as well as special livestream concerts and other events.

The drive-in is open on weekends through the springtime and then seven days per week during the summer season through Labor Day and movies will begin at a time consistent with sunset. Closing for The Big E, scheduled Sept. 17 to Oct. 3, the drive-in will then reopen October through December for holiday themed experiences. Movies will be announced weekly and ticket sales will be available at the time of the announcement. In addition, a full concession stand will also be available for guests to not only enjoy popcorn, but popular Fair foods such as fried dough, fried Oreos, and cotton

"We are pleased to bring this safe and socially distant family experience to the residents of West Springfield and the surrounding communities," said EJ Dean, President, FestEvents. "During the global pandemic, we successfully operated several drive-in theaters across the state of Massachusetts and we are grateful our partner, the Eastern States Exposition, is maximizing the use of the fairground space for the benefit of those in the community."

'Some may recall the Memorial Drive-In, just down the street. We are delighted to carry on that tradition of safe, family fun and look forward to working with EJ and the FestEvent team," said Gene Cassidy, Eastern States Exposition President and CEO. Visit wsdrivein.com for details or connect on Facebook: westspringfielddrivein.

#### **PIONEERS** from Page 11

makes it a little bit difficult at times back there," Hicks said. "I'm learning a lot from those guys and it's a lot of fun playing soccer with them."

Hicks had his own rooting section at last Friday's match.

"My family have been my biggest supporters since I began playing soccer 19 years ago. They haven't missed very many of my games. The atmosphere at the stadium is always very special. Everyone enjoys coming here and they always have a good time."

Hicks, who graduated from Monson High School in 2017, was a fiveyear member of the boys varsity soccer team. He helped the Mustangs win back-to-back Division 4 state championship titles in 2015 and 2016. Hicks, who was the hero of the 2016 state finals against Cohasset, scored a total of 32 goals during the final two seasons of his varsity career. He has scored a handful of goals at AIC where he's a mid-

"I normally play on the right wing at AIC," Hicks said. "I've started at right back in the last two matches for the Pioneers. I'm used to playing on that side Friday at 583-3467. For more, call Karen at 583-3081, John at 547-8971, or Jim at 547-8686.

> much playing time last season (2019), Conner didn't miss any practices," Molinari said. "He's been working very hard so far this season and deserves to be one of the starters. He has really improved a Hicks made his first career start on

May 15 in the Pioneers 1-0 shutout win at FC Malaga City, which is a new USL League Two club this season from Lagrangeville, New York.

The Pioneers had a 1-1-1 overall record following the home opener. They lost to the Boston Bolts in another road match in the season opener.

During the 30th minute of last Friday's home opener, it looked like Seacoast would be taking a 1-0 lead Mullen made an outstanding diving save on the low shot attempt by Frantz Pierrot and managed to deflect the ball away. Mullen was credited with a total of four

The Pioneers had a couple of chances late in the half, but the contest was still scoreless at the break.

The Phantoms, who arrived in Ludlow with a 2-0-0 season record, took a 1-0 lead following a free kick during the 69th minute. The free kick was taken from the right sideline by Jamie Davis and the ball sailed to the far post where Maxwell Murray booted it into the right corner of the goal.

A little more than ten minutes later, Hicks sent a pass into the box where Patrick Agyemang knocked it into the right corner of the goal tying the score.

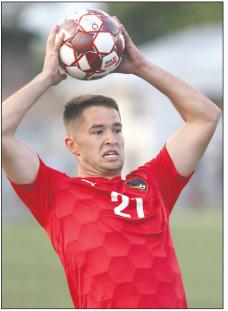
"I crossed the ball into the box to Pat and he finished off the play by scoring a goal." Hicks said. "It was actually my first career point as a member of the Pioneers."

Agyemang, who's from East Hartford, Connecticut, entered the match during the 73rd minute.

It was his first goal of the season. Ignacio Lerech, who's from Tucman, Argentina, netted the Pioneers goal late in the second half against FC Malaga City.

With a little more than five minutes remaining, a shot attempt by Gabriel Ganzer, who's a first-year Pioneers player from Taquarucu do Sul, Brazil was saved by Seacoast goalie Christian Gar-

The Pioneers are scheduled to play two more road matches against AC Connecticut (May 26) and Seacoast United (May 29) before returning to the friendly confines of Lusitano Stadium on June 4 to face FC Malaga City.



Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com

of the field and I'll play any position that coach (Federico) Molinari wants me to play. I really enjoy being a member of this soccer team."

Connor Hicks takes a throw-in

Molinari appreciates Hicks's dedication, and he earned his starting position.

"Even though he didn't get very

#### **RACING** from Page 11

than two decades of racing experience under his belt. Curtis is only 15.

Cory Plummer and Robert Hagar led the 23-car LMS lineup to the green as the 52-lap Dean Smith Memorial event got underway. Plummer led lap one but was then dumped from the point, with Exeter, N.H. hot shoe Frankie Eldredge then taking charge on the ensuing restart.

With a \$1,300 winner's purse and lots of lap money up for grabs, Eldredge kept the cash coming in for the next 23 laps, but Curtis, then done with conserving his tires, rocketed to the front, dominating the final 28 go-rounds to top the prestigious Smith Memorial event.

The win helped Curtis expand his points lead after four nights of racing. Eldredge completed his strong night's work in second, while Austin Brehio's race-long solid performance netted him third on the

There was no full moon Saturday looking down on Monadnock Speedway, a fact perhaps misunderstood by a portion of the Modified field. It took six cautions to get their 40-lapper completed.

Todd Patnode, charging from row six, took the lead from Kimmy Rivet on lap 19 and sailed off to his first win of the season. Cory Plummer passed Tyler Leary with the white flag in the air to come home sec-

Street Stock powerhouse Chris Buffone edged past Tim Wenzel on lap ten and then held him in his shadow the rest

of the way to score his third 2021 victory. With Wenzel strong in second, two-time 2020 winner Hillary Renaud came home

A week ago, Mini Stock rockers Gordon Farnum and Ray King sat on row five, with Farnum then blasting to victory. This week, with the potent pair now tied atop the points parade, they again started sideby-side in row five.

This time, it was King scoring the easy win. Cody Leblanc - all the way from Bethlehem, N.H., more than three hours away - was strong in second, and Kevin Cormier came home third. Farnum finished sixth on Saturday.

Pure Stocker Nick Houle finished off his impressive weekend by winning Saturday's 25-lapper. Third the night before at Claremont, Houle went tooth-and-nail with JD Stockwell over their last ten trips around the high banks to score the win.

Stockwell, rock solid all night, earned the runner-up hardware, with Kyle Robinson Newell impressive in third, just ahead of division strongman Chris Davis. Chris Higbee rounded out the top five after leading the first 15 laps.

Aaliyah Tacy kept Fast Eddie Petruskevicious in her shadow all the way to score her first-ever Young Guns victory. Teagan Edson was third under the checkers in her first career race.

Next Saturday, May 29, Monadnock Speedway will celebrate Memorial Day weekend with a special Teddy Bear Pools Street Stock 50-lapper, NHSTRA Modifieds, and much more. Post time is

#### **Monadnock Speedway** May 22 official results:

LATE MODEL SPORTSMEN, 52 LAPS: Camdyn Curtis ,Frankie Eldredge ,Austin Brehio,Robert Hagar,Hayden, Scott, Ryan Currier, Craig Smith, Robert Melvin Jr, William Kuhn, Cory Plummer.Rvan Bell.Dvlan Bodreau.Daniel Comeau, Nancy Muni Ruot, Justin Littlewood, Jason Maki, Cole Littlewood, Tyler Lescord, Scott Beck, Rocky Smith, Ricky Bly, Ben Poland, Christopher Jackman

NHSTRA MODIFIEDS: Todd Patnode, Cory Plummer, Tyler Leary, Matt Kimball, Aaron Fellows, Scott MacMichael, JT Cloutier, Chris Jackman, Eric LeClair, Kimmy Rivet, Bryan Chapin, Ben Byrne

STREET STOCKS: Chris Buffone, Tim Wenzel, Hillary Renaud, Nate Wenzel, Rupert Thompson, Keith Johnson, Paul Smith, Nathaniel Nunez, Scott Zilinsky, Chris Riendeau, (DNS) Leighton

MINI STOCKS: Ray King, Cody Leblanc, Kevin Cormier, Louie Maher, Kevin Clayton, Gordron Farnum, Kevin McKnight, Jeff Asselin, Mike Douglas, Jake Puchalski. 11. 57X-Patrick Houle, 15C-Trevor Carey, William Chaffee, Robert Kirker, Richard Whipple, Matthew Lambert, Deion Russell, Christopher Grove, (DNS) Josh Wright, (DNS) Ethan Marsh

PURE STOCKS: Nick Houle, JD Stockwell, Kyle Robinson Newell, Chris Davis, Chris Higbee, Jake Bosse, Jason LeRay, Kevin Willey, Jimmy Zellman, Damien Houle, 33-Tim Shepard, Brianna Patnode, Carter Chamberlin, James Decourey, Dakota Lanou, Reagan Buffum, Ryan Lawliss, Brittany Patnode, Cory Lofland, Damon Roy, (DNS) Steven Ze-

YOUNG GUNS: Aaliyah Tacy, Eddie Petruskevicius, Teagan Edson, Jeff Moffat Jr., Eddie Gomarlo.



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#### **EVENTS:**

FUNDRAISERS FOR LUDLOW HIGH SPORTS: Lion's Den Athletic Association, the all inclusive booster organization for Ludlow Athletics, has put together two upcoming fundraisers: Treads for the Track is a virtual 5K run/walk through May 31. This 5K can be done at your own place and own pace. Register on FamilyID at familyid.com/programs/treads-for-the-track-virtual-5k Registration includes T-shirt and water bottle, if registered before May 21. Submit times by noon May 31 to Idaa.ludlow@gmail.com to be eligible for prizes. All proceeds to benefit Ludlow High School Athletic facility improvements.

Also, Putt, Putt for Athletics, a mini golf fundraiser will be held May 30 at River Hollow Family Golf Center located at 15 Hospital Road, Monson. They are open from 9 a.m. to close and have mini golf, a driving range and ice cream! Come join us and support Ludlow Athletics for this family-friendly event. A portion of the day's proceeds will benefit the LDAA. Any questions please contact the LDAA at Idaa.ludlow@gmail.com.

POLANIE CLUB: The Polanie Club is holding a welcome back meeting Tuesday, June 8, at the Polish American Citizen's Club (Upstairs Hall) 355 East Street, Ludlow. All members are asked to please attend.

UPCOMING TAG SALE: The Ladies Auxiliary of Knights of Columbus Chapter 3535 will hold a tag sale 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 4-5 (no early birds) at 118 Winsor Street, Ludlow. Come join in the fun and purchase a "new to you treasure!"

Note: Rain date is the following weekend, June 11-12.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE: Everyone who wants to celebrate the lives of William R Falconer III and Georgiana M Bourdeau are invited to an event that will be held 3:30-8:30 p.m. June 7 at the Ludlow Fish & Game Club Pavilion, 200 Sportsman Road, Ludlow.

For more information, call Marie Ann Falconer at 413 433-6474 or Wendy Tetreaut at 860 684-6021.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER: The St. Elizabeth Parish Curbside Spaghetti Supper will take place 5-6:30 p.m. June 12, at the Pastoral Center. Cost is \$6 per meal (exact cash please) or check payable to Friends of St Elizabeth. To place an order, call St. Elizabeth Parish 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at 583-3467. For more, call Karen at 583-3081, John at 547-8971, or Jim at 547-8686.

LUDLOW HIGH CLASS REUNION: The Ludlow High School Class of 1971 will be celebrating its 50th class reunion this fall and is welcoming Ludlow High alumni of that year to attend. Classmates can attend one, two, or all three days of this weekend celebration, all happening in Ludlow. The reunion committee has mailed 263 save the date cards. Classmates who did not receive a card can send a current mailing address and email address to sweet71lhs@gmail.com

The class also posts information on a closed Facebook group: Classmates - Sweet '71.

You must already be a Facebook member to join. Send a request to join the group page to Claire Vershon Wales also at sweet71lhs@gmail.com.

#### **ONGOING:**

AQUACISE IS BACK: The Ludlow Community Center/Randall Boys & Girls Club at 91 Claudia's Wav.has brought back Aquacise 8-8:45 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Aquacise is a low-impact, full-body workout performed in the water to put less stress on your joints and muscles while building strength.

To reserve a spot visit ludlowbgc.org and click on Adult Programs, or call Matt Thompson at 413-583-2072, ext. 122. For updates on the facility, register on the website to receive Club emails. The Club continues to make health and safety its No. 1 priority to ensure all visitors who enter the building have a clean and safe environment.

FREE FOOD PROGRAM: The Massachusetts Military Support Foundation has found a way to get food to families that need it. The Farmers to Families program, set up by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is part of a Coronavirus Food Assistance Program that help people all over the nation and has a site in Springfield open to all residents. The program will supply food kits with fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy products and meat products that distributes package into family-sized boxes. You can register for your food kit at mmsfi.org. On the website choose "Springfield, Ma" as your pick up site and sign-up. Register for one week or all four with easy one time registration. Food kit includes fresh dairy, protein, and produce totaling 30+ pounds of food. Military families are encouraged to sign-up but registration is open to the public.

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

H.O.P.E. RECOVERY GROUP: Having Our Pathways Encouraged meetings are for those who have experience with addictions, grief, anxiety and depression, (including anxiety and depression due to COVID-19) and for loved ones who might need help in their recovery. This group is also for those who can help lead others in their recovery by example. This meeting in no way replaces professional therapies. It is a time for

sharing strength, encouragement and hope. No fees. Bring your own non-alcoholic beverage. Pre-packaged snacks are available. Small group structure based in basic Christian principles, concept, purposes and confidentiality. COVID-19 guidelines are observed. Masks required. 6:30-8 p.m. every Monday at Fellowship Hall in Faith Community Chapel, 485 East Street in Ludlow. Parking lot behind Chapel. Fellowship Hall entrance at back of Chapel. Seating is limited. To reserve yours, call 413- 519-4591.

WESTERN MASS RELICS SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE. Slow pitch with two divisions (50-plus and 65-plus). All games played at the Ludlow Fish & Game Club from May to Labor Day. Registration forms and information available at wmassrelics.

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

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

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

BOOK VS MOVIE JANUARY ALL MONTH LONG! Looking for some entertainment this winter? E-visit the Hubbard Library or come in to see their month-long display of book and movie pack combos available for check-out. Read the book then watch the movie and you decide, which is better? The combos are viewable on the library's website and Facebook page and you can request titles via phone or e-mail for curb-side pick-up, while supplies last! There are selections for all ages.

## Church DIRECTORY

#### **CHRIST THE KING CHURCH** 41 Warsaw Ave., Ludlow 413-583-2630

Pastor Rev. Raymond A. Soltys

Saturday Vigil Masses – 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday Masses - 7:30 a.m.; 8:45 a.m. (Polish); 10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Sunday Evening Mass - 5:30 p.m.

IMMACUAATE CONCEPTION CHURCH 25 Parker St, Indian Orchard, 413-543-3627

Pastor Rev. Jeffrey Ballou Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (closed on Wednesday) Saturday Vigil Mass—5:30 p.m. (English) Sunday Mass--10 a.m. (Polish/English) Monday through Saturday— 8 a.m. Vigil Mass for Holy Day of Obligation- 7 p.m. Holy Day of Obligation Masses— 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. Confessions: Saturday—5 p.m.-5:20 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** 438 Winsor St., Ludlow 413-583-2312 **Father Vitor Oliveira** Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses – 9 a.m. (Portuguese); 11 a.m. (English) Monday and Wednesday Morning Masses – 8:30 a.m. (Portuguese) Tuesday and Friday Masses – 5:30 p.m. (Portuguese) Saturday Vigil Mass – 4 p.m. (English) First Saturday of the Month – 8:30 a.m. For more information, visit ourladyoffatimaparish.org.

> **UNION CHURCH OF CHRIST** (United Church of Christ) 51 Center St., Ludlow 413-583-5717 Pastor: Rev. Jeffrey K. Erb

Worship Service and Sunday School: Sunday, 10 a.m. (Fellowship hour following) Office Hours: Wednesday, 9 a.m. to noon Choir Practice: Sunday, 9 a.m.

#### **FAITH COMMUNITY CHAPEL** 485 EAST ST. LUDLOW, MA 01056 413-583-7875

#### WWW.FAITHCOMMUNITYCHAPEL.ORG PASTOR JON P. SCOTT

Sunday Services: Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. OTHER PROGRAMS:

TUESDAYS @ 3:30 p.m. - MEN'S MEETING, St. Francis

TUESDAYS @ 7:00 p.m. - BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM WEDNESDAYS @ 7:00 p.m. -Ludlow Christian Fellowship meeting

in St. Francis Hall & on Zoom, Leader Hank Bastos (413-348-6487)

https://ludlowfellowship.org/ See Facebook for up to date schedules, Zoom meetings, and Facebook services:

Faith Community Chapel. A Church of the Nazarene @ faithcommunitychapel.org and

Ludlow Christian Fellowship (@ludlowfellowship)

ST. ELIZABETH PARISH 191 Hubbard St., Ludlow 413-583-3467

Pastor - Rev. Msgr. Homer P. Gosselin In Residence - Rev. Norman Bolton Deacons, Normand Grondin, Thomas Rickson, **Keith Davies** 

Office Hours - Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Visit our website at stelizabethludlow.org Like us on Facebook Follow us on Instagram **Check out our Parish App** 

Wednesday, May 26 - Daily Mass - 7:30 a.m. - (C), Bible Study 9 a.m. – (FLBH), Youth Group – 3:30 p.m. (JR), Scouts 6:30 p.m.- (FLBH/ER), Thursday, May 27 – Daily Mass – 7:30 a.m., Adoration with Bishop Byrne -6 p.m. -(C),

Friday, May 28 – Daily Mass – 7:30 a.m. – (C), Saturday, May 29 - Confessions - 2 p.m.- (JR), Mass -4 p.m. - (C)

Sunday, May 30 – Mass – 7:30 a.m., – (C), 9:15 a.m. Mass - (C), 11 a.m., Mass - (C), 5 p.m.- Mass - (C) Monday, May 31 – Daily Mass – 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 1 – Daily Mass – 7:30 a.m. – (C)

#### THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST **OF LATTER DAY SAINTS** 584 West St., Ludlow 413-583-8454

S Sunday services Sacrament Meeting 10- 11 A.M. Sunday school for adults, Young single adults(18-30) and teens (11-18)-1st & 3rd Sunday of the month from 11-12 noon

Adult Religious/Marriage and Parenting for Women-2nd & 4th Sunday of the month from 11-12 noon Adult Religious/Marriage and Parenting for Men- 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month from 11-12 noon Classes for Single Adults(18-30)- 2nd & 4th Sunday

of the month -11- 12 noon Classes for Young Men(11-18)- 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month 11-12 noon

Classes for Young Women (11-18)- 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month - 11-12 noon

Children's classes: Sunday school & singing time every Sunday(3-10) 11-12 noon Nursery provided for ages 18 month - 3 yr

#### ORCHARD COVENANT CHURCH 95 BERKSHIRE STREET **INDIAN ORCHARD, MA 01151** 413-543-4204

**Pastors Nick and Karen Munn** In-person Sunday Worship at 10am, or

Live stream from our website See www.orchardcovenant.org for more information.

FIRST CHURCH IN LUDLOW 859 Center St. Ludlow, MA 01056

413-583-3339 **Reverend Donald** Fenestre-Marek, Pastor

Sunday Services 9 am Website: www.ludlowfirst.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/firstchurchludlow/

> **CATHOLIC CHURCH** 45 Newbury St. **Ludlow, MA 01056** Phone: 413-583-2140 Pastor: Father Andriy Krip Liturgy schedule:

STS. PETER AND PAUL UKRAINIAN Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. Sunday 8 a.m

### **TRIPS IN 2021-'22**

The Polish American Veterans of Wilbraham presents Queen Esther in Lancaster, Pa. at Sight Sound Theater, Reserved Orchestra Seats up front.

Three-day tour Aug.t 25--27. Package includes Roundtrip Deluxe Motor Coach, wo nights at the Bird in Hand Inn,two breakfast buffets at the

Dinner 1 Best of Me a Comedy Musical at Ho-

Dinner 2 Miller's Smorgasbord, Bird in Hand Farmers Market

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Longwood Gardens (Lunch On your own) Day

Portchester Dinner on return home (meal on

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To reserve a seat, call Rich Gosciminski at 413-583-4610.

There is still space on the following trips being offered by Jim Martin: For 2021: San Antonio Holiday (Dec. 1-5), and for 2022: South Africa with Safaris & Victoria Falls (April 5-17), Danube River Cruise with the Oberammergau Passion Play (May 16-26) and Portugal and Its Islands (early September). For more information, please call 583-6339 or email jameslmartin47@gmail.com.

Editor's note: As towns, schools and clubs continue to assess the threat posed by coronavirus, many are making the decision to cancel or postpone their public events, often with little notice.

The Register will inform readers about cancellations when known and when the newspaper's weekly deadline will permit, but readers should be aware of the possibility that events featured in the printed newspaper, including those previewed in stories, briefs and on the calendar page, may be canceled without enough notice to print an update. The Register encourages readers to contact event coordinators and organizers to confirm that it is still taking place before attending.

## Uvitron had the 'cure' for vital COVID-19 nasal swab production

**By Jonah Snowden** *jsnowden@turley.com* 

WEST SPRINGFIELD – Manufacturer Uvitron International Inc., has aided in the production of 3D-printed, FDA-registered Nasopharyngeal NP Swabs for COVID-19 tests.

Director of Sales and Marketing Eugene Mikhaylichenko said about a year ago when the pandemic first began, there was a high demand for COVID tests. Another firm, Production 3D, reached out to Uvitron to assist with the overvaluing demand. Production 3D developed a plan to create the necessary testing supplies and partnered with

Uvitron to solve its production problem, which was to quickly cure the resin used in swab development.

Uvitron's UV Conveyor 40 Plus with the SkyRay 800 fulfilled the curing process for the Nasopharyngeal NP Swabs, Mikhaylichenko said.

"In order to bring out the qualities of the product, it has to be properly exposed to complete its chemical reactions inside. The light interacts with the photoinitiators and basically finishes the cure"

Uvitron still works with Production 3D, though swabs are needed at this stage of the pandemic.

"We only produce a portion of the

workflow, which consists of printing the resin into the swabs and completing the whole process with curing it," Mikhaylichenko said.

"The demand has slowed down, since the (rollout of the) vaccine, but I think there's still demand for the testing."

Mikhaylichenko said his firm is glad they "were part of the solution for customers," whose success depended on their systems.

"We were able to scale the production from, only a few thousand to a hundred thousand," Mikhaylichenko said.

"It definitely brings satisfaction and is fulfilling seeing in this fight against the pandemic, we were able to be contributors."

Uvitron President Brian Lavoie offered similar sentiments.

"We were able to really boost the performance of curing and get it all going faster than what they had," Lavoie said.

"Our systems are really good. They're a little more expensive, but any cases where people need to do mass amounts of post-curing of 3D printed objects, that's where we really come in.

Uvitron is located at 150 Front St., Unit 4 in West Springfield. To learn more about the development and manufacturing company, visit uvitron.com.





















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## Bastos, Santos join the PV Financial team in Ludlow main office

LUDLOW — Recently, PV Financial Group has had some new faces join its family, the company announced recently.

PV welcomed Antonio Bastos as retirement plan coordinator and Andrea Santos as digital marketing specialist. Both will be working in PV's main office located in Ludlow.

Upon graduating from Nichols College in Dudley, Massachusetts, with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management, Bastos accepted a job with Mass-Mutual Retirement Services. During his five years with the company, he represented and sold MassMutual's qualified retirement plan platform to small and mid-sized businesses.

Series 63 licenses while gaining beneficial knowledge and experience with qualified retirement plans.

At PV Financial, Bastos's role is to manage all the Qualified Retirement Plan clients. From day-to-day servicing to fielding all inquiries from retirement plan participants and plan trustees. He will also maintain relationships with retirement plan providers in the industry. Other responsibilities will include staying connected and up-to-date on new products, services, and ERISA compliance regulations so he can properly and confidently serve PV Financial's retirement plan clients and participants.

'By having Tony join the team at Bastos also obtained his Series 6 and PV Financial, we have committed to the







**Antonio Bastos** 

qualified retirement plan marketplace. As many local financial firms have been exiting this business, Tony will be able to fill the void and offer professional guidance to companies looking for quality advice for their retirement plans," Edward Sokolowski, PV's managing partner, said.

Santos graduated from Holyoke Community College with an associate's degree in business administration, as well as from Elms College with a bachelor's degree in business management and marketing. After graduating from Elms College, Santos accepted a job at Northwestern Mutual. During her four years with the company, she held the position of Director of Client Services where she was responsible for the oversight of new business insurance applications and investment accounts, as well as insurance underwriting correspondence. She also worked with clients directly on account inquiries and led the office's marketing

At PV Financial, Santos will be the digital marketing specialist. She will be the first point of contact for new and current clients who are a part of PV Financial's new program, PV Navigator. Other responsibilities include maintaining the program's website and social media accounts, staying up to date with the services provided within the program, maintaining relationships with the program's clients, and assisting the advisors with outreach.

"Having Andrea join our team is a major step in the future success of PV Financial," Sokolowski said.

"Andrea's talents in social media and client relationships will be a cornerstone to our newly launched investment program, PV Navigator. I look forward to the energy and focus Andrea will bring to our firm and the positive impact she will have on our clients."

For more information on PV Financial Group and its commitment to creating lasting legacies, visit pvfinancial.com or call 413-589-1500.

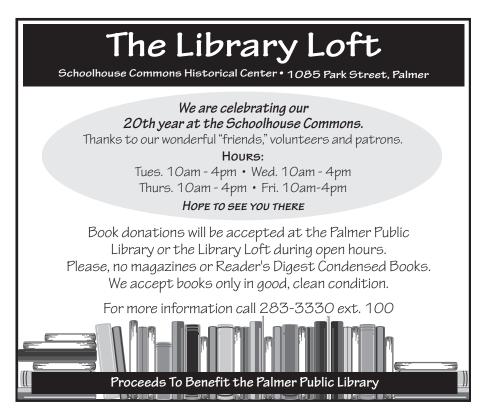
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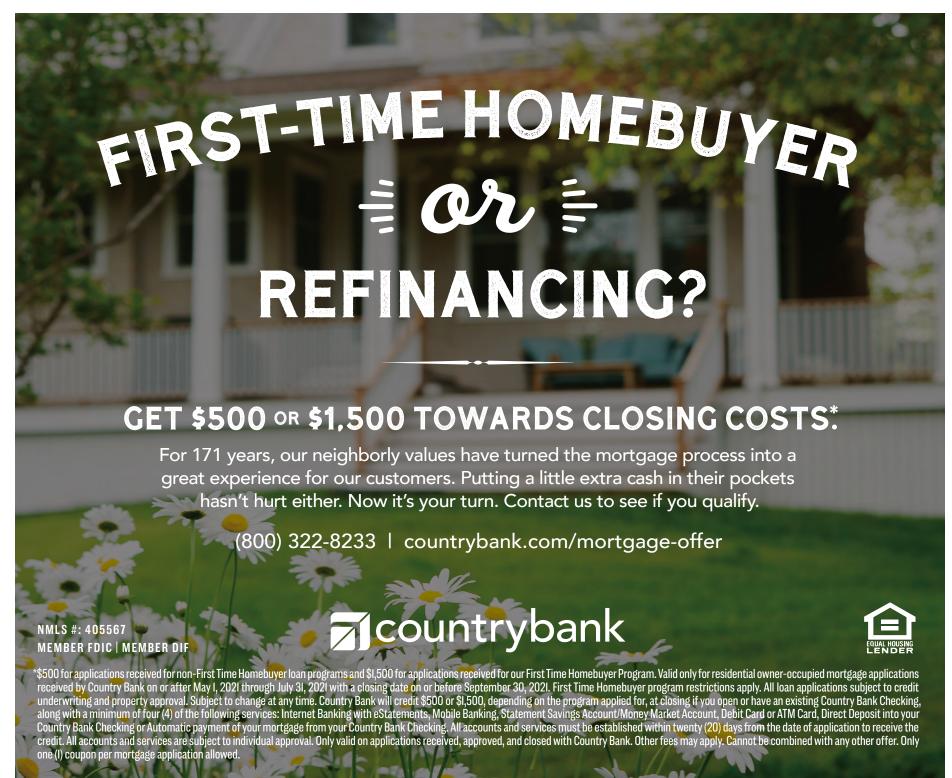
Turley Publications is liberal with regard to its business coverage polices, but we do have some standards folks need to understand. First, local businesses and merchants are just as much institutions in our towns as the library and schools. Without them, there are no towns.

We will feature coverage of local businesses that are new, have a major expansion, moving, closing, under new management or ownership, celebrating a milestone anniversary, or have been thrust into the news realm. Merchants can request that coverage through the editor, or for our existing advertising clients, through

For more information on business coverage for The Ludlow Register, please email ludlowregister@ turley.com.

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### PUBLIC NOTICES

#### LUDLOW CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE

The Ludlow Conservation Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing under W.P.A. (M.G.L. Ch. 131, § 40) in Ludlow Town Hall, 1st floor, hearing room 1 and 2, for Wednesday, June 2, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. for the Notice of Intent application of Matt and Ashley Ĉloutier, for the property located at 0 Bondsville Rd and 0 Knollwood Road, Ludlow, MA., Map 39, Parcel 23F, 23E, 59, 58, 57, 56. The subject of the meeting is: Construction of a single family home and associated features within Riverfront area.

Jason Martowski Chairman

\*\* In the event the meeting must be cancelled the hearing will be rescheduled for June 16, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

\*\*\* Please be advised that the Order of the Governor-Order suspending

certain provisions of the open meeting law, G.L. C. 30A, 20 which limits public access and allows remote participation.

\*\*\*\* Any comment and concerns should be in writing by mail or email.

Our email address is conservation@ludlow.ma.us and our mailing address is 488 Chapin St. Ludlow, MA 010560 5/26/2021

## LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT / ESTATE LOT

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a public hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** on the application of Mary Rarogiewicz of **125 Munsing Street** Ludlow, MA (Assessors' Map 18, Parcel 36) for: **estate lot**. The plans, if applicable, can be viewed on the Planning Board web site: www.ludlow.ma.us/ html/planning

\*COVID-19: Please be advised that by the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L.c. 30A, §20, relating to the 2020 novel Coronavirus outbreak emergency, the June 10, 2021 Ludlow Planning Board public hearing shall be physically closed to the public.

Alternative public access to this hearing shall be provided in the following manner:

This hearing will be conducted via conference call. Anyone wishing to participate remotely shall call (617) 758-8793 at above stated date and time.

The hearing will be available for viewing on Cable Access Channel 191. Instructions for Live Stream via LCTV's Website are available on the home page of the Town's Website.

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, June 24, 2021 @ 7:00PM.

Christopher Coelho Chairman 05/26, 06/02/2021

#### LEGAL NOTICE

The Ludlow Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, 488 Chapin Street, Board of Selectmen's Conference Room, third floor, on **Thursday**, **June 3**, 2021

at 6:00 pm on the application of Mount Vernon Group Architects - Christopher LeBlanc, on behalf of the Town of Ludlow, for the property located at 209/215 Fuller Street, Harris Brook Elementary School (Assessors Map 11C, Parcel 49, Zoning: Residential-A). The subject of the hearing is a Special Permit in reference to the Town of Ludlow Zoning Bylaws, 3.0.4 Fences. The applicant is requesting to install an 8' high vinyl fence in lieu of the 6' high chain link fence allowed by the zon-

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Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing shall be physically closed to the public.\*

Alternative public access to this hearing shall be provided in the following manner:

This hearing will be conducted via video conference and teleconference using Uber Conference. If you are using a computer with a camera for video go to www. uberconference.com/ludlow to join the hearing. If you would like to use a cell phone or land line for audio only (no video) please call 1-617-758-8793 to join the hearing. At the start of the hearing, the Chairman will announce those persons participating remotely and the information will be recorded in the minutes per 940 CMR 29.10 (7) (a-b).

The hearing will be available for viewing as soon as practical after the meeting via

LCTV programming and web-

Manny Lopes, Chairman 05/19, 05/26/2021

## LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT

/ HOME OCCUPATION

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a public hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 7:15 p.m. on the application of Sandra Auclair of 264B Fuller Street Ludlow, MA (Assessors' Map 11C, Parcel

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35A) for: **interior design**.

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Christopher Coelho Chairman

05/26, 06/02/2021

#### LEGAL NOTICE:

The Ludlow Board of Selectmen has scheduled a Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Hall, 488 Chapin Street Ludlow, MA on the application of Daniel E. Rae for a new Class II Motor Vehicle License for Autohaus of Ludlow, Inc. to be located at 730 Randall Road, Ludlow MA 01056.

William P. Rosenblum, Chairman

Ludlow Board of Selectmen 05/26/2021



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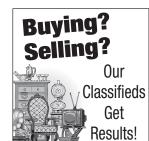
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## LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT / SITE PLAN

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#### LUDLOW CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE

The Ludlow Conser-vation Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing under W.P.A. (M.G.L. Ch. 131, § 40) in Ludlow Town Hall, 1st floor, hearing room 1 and 2, for Wednesday, June 2, 2021, at 6:40 p.m. for the Notice of Intent application of Peter

Ostrowski, for the property located at 0 Jerad Drive, Ludlow, MA., Map 41, Parcel 26D. The subject of the meeting is: Construction of a single-family home and associated features within a buffer

Jason Martowski Chairman

zone to a Ludlow By-law wet-

\*\* In the event the meeting must be cancelled the hearing

will be rescheduled for June 16, 2021 at 6:40 pm.

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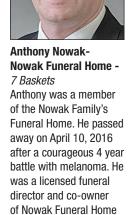
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with his sister. He was

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Massachusetts Funeral



Popko & Family -1 Basket Julian Popko was the owner of Popko Realty on Parker Street in Indian Orchard, and was a longtime active business owner that was involved in many community projects. Julian took pride in Indian Orchard, spearheading community beautification projects and was dedicated

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Julian Popko - Crystal



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Theodore 'Ted' Piwowarczyk by his dughter Delores Goraj - 1 Basket

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**Elaine Caron McClain -**Rose Derdarian/ by Paul Caron - 1 Basket her, daughter Marion Elaine McClain, while Merigian - 1 Basket Rose Derdarian, was a not a resident of Indian Orchard, she was the longtime Board member of the Indian Orchard older sister of former State Representative Paul Citizens Council, and an Caron, who represented important part of Indian Indian Orchard for Orchard's Armenian 20 years in the Community. Massachussetts House of Representatives. Former Representative Caron is

paying tribute to his older

sister, who unexpectedly

passed away in April,

Basket in her honor

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Orchard Library, in

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Karen Leger - IOCC -1 Basket Karen was the longtime Executive Director of the Indian Orchard Citizens Council for over 30 years and is credited for establishing the Indian Orchard Citizens Council as one of the most active and effective Neighborhood Councils in the city. She was the former National President, and

Treasurer, of the National

Neighborhoods U.S.A.

Association.



Armindo & Col. Antonio Rebelo - Maria Rebelo - 1 Basket

The Rebello family is sponsoring a legacy basket in memory of Armindo, and Colonel Antonio H Rebello. Armindo emigrated with his family from Portugal to Indian Orchard in the 1960s, eventually becoming a proud American citizen. Armindo, who died in 2011, was a construction worker, who loved gardening, winemaking, and the opportunities that his 'newly adopted country' provided to his family. His son, Antonio Rebello, was active in the community serving as a board member of the Indian Orchard Citizen's Council. before joining the United States Air Force, where he served his country for 29 years, rising to the ranks of Col..



Anthony Ravosa Sr. -Ravosa Family -1 Basket

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Welland Road.

their home, residing on



Pastor Morris Stimage-Norwood - Mrs. Jaqueline Stimage-Norwood & The **New Hope Church** Congregation - 1 basket Pastor Morris Stimage-Norwood was pastor of the Greater New Life Christian Center. Pastor Stimage-Norwood died in 2019 and his Congregation have sponsored a Legacy Basket in the 'Indian **Orchard Blooms** Campaign to pay tribute to his service. In 2011, he created the New Life Center for Recovery, which has the distinction of being the only church in Massachusetts that owns and operates a substance abuse, and mental health clinic, that is licensed by



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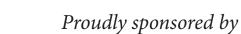




Thomas Melikian/ Atty. Mark Melikian & Family - 5 Baskets Thomas Melikian was a major Property owner, and active businessman in Indian Orchard who owned the Melikian Building at the intersection of Main St. & Parker St., and the Orchard Plaza, on Main Street, Tom also was a well known restaurateur, who owned and operated the Willow Glen Restaurant in East Longmeadow, and Horizon's Restaurant in Wilbraham. Tom was active in community life in Indian Orchard, and was a respected member of Indian Orchard's Armenian Community. Association.



Kevin O'Brien -O'Brien Family -1 Basket Kevin O'Brien was a lifeling Indian Orchard resident who was actively involved with the neighborhood's youth through the Boy Scouts of America. Association.





Antonio died in 2006.