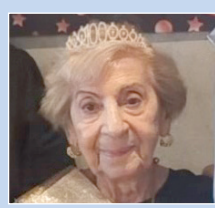




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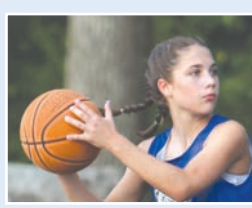
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We love being a part of this community and maybe even, in a small way, a part of your family.

We hope to be arriving each week at your home holding up that mirror, The Journal Register.

Sincerely,

Patrick Turley, CEO
Keith Turley, President
Turley Publications, Palmer

MONSON

Feline Fun Day at Westview Creamery

hosted by Here Today, Adopted Tomorrow

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MONSON – This weekend, the Westview Creamery hosted Here Today, Adopted Tomorrow for its annual Feline Fun Day.

The festival included visuals for photo storytelling, cat-inspired arts and crafts for people to participate in, a vendor fair with close to 40 crafters and artisans, and kittens for visitors to pet and visit with.

Co-owner of HTAT, Rachael Max, is originally from California, and went to graduate school at the University of Michigan before moving to the area to be closer to her husband's family.

"My mother and I are both animal lovers, and we always wanted to do something together," Max said. "We went to a place called Best Friends in Utah and we took a class on how to start your own animal sanctuary."

Feline Fun Day was sponsored by Savers Bank and Paw Plaza, and was hosted at Westview Farms Creamery.

"We've known the owners for many years, we're very friendly with them," Max said. "They're a really nice family that owns the creamery, and they've always been really generous to us."

When Max's mother, Barbara Horn, retired, the two of them looked for a piece of property on which they could pursue their dream. As believers in the No-Kill movement, they did not want to have cages and did not want to euthanize.

Max said that she and her mother settled on the region because it lacked places for people to bring animals.

"At the time animal control wasn't handling cats," Max added. "We really liked this big property and liked the building that was already here, so this is where we ended up settling."

At that point, Horn had been fostering dogs and Max had gotten into working with cats in graduate school. She found that she liked her volunteer work with the local humane society more than

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Photo by Marcelo Gusmão

The group from Here Today, Adopted Tomorrow held up kittens for Feline Fun Day, (from left) Cindy Zerdecki, Lynn Hutchinson, Rachael Max, and Kathryn Henry.

MONSON



Photo by Marcelo Gusmão

At this weekend's RockFest, Project 267 graced the stage at Pulaski Park. Inset, Glenn and Denise Ellithrope.

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MONSON – This weekend, Pulaski Park hosted its annual RockFest with shows on Friday and Saturday.

On Aug. 16, the park hosted

Back in Black, followed by Completely Unchained. On Aug. 17, Back in Black returned, and traded the stage with Project 267, Backstage Pass, and Kitchen Jam Live Music.

"It's the end of the summer season, people are trying to get away, but regardless of that, it was

a great turnout overall," said President of the St. Stanislaus Polish Club, Josh Hoy.

Hoy said that there was a bigger diversity of bands providing a greater range of sound compared to the years prior.

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Aqua Riders put on themed show to raise money for fellow skier

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HOLLAND – This weekend, the Aqua-Riders of Holland held their final show of the season to raise money for the medical expenses of a fellow water-skier.

Chairman of the Board of Directors, Greg Naples, said that the event was a great way to close out the season.

"We had a great summer, we got a lot of new members," Naples said. "Today's event was fantastic. The kids had a great time."

For their final show of the year, the Aqua-Riders created a themed show involving a kingdom

trying to save a jewel.

"This is the final show of the year, where these kids have been working all year long," Naples said. "We're able to incorporate all the kids into the show, even the little ones who are only able to ski on two skis or just barely get up, all the way up to the older guys who are going off the jump and barefooting."

Naples explained that the show was able to incorporate a lot of newer kids into the team.

"There's a process where there are a lot of old, experienced guys in the team," Naples said. "So we're constantly looking for a



Photo by Marcelo Gusmão

Alexa Weintraub, Sam Naples, and Sophia Joppas water-skied at the Hamilton Reservoir.

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PALMER

Quaboag River Music Festival moves to 13th World for fireworks

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PALMER – The Quaboag River Music Festival will be held at 13th World Fright Park Fairgrounds on Saturday, Sept. 21.

Formerly known as the Monson Food Truck Festival, the event has now rebranded and has moved to the fairgrounds on 1701 Park St. in Palmer. This new location is meant to be accessible to all the towns in the region, from Palmer and Monson, to Brimfield, Wales, Holland, Warren, West Warren, and the Brookfields.

"For the last four years, this committee, headed by founder and chairwoman Jeanne Bailey,

did this as a function in Monson, called the Monson Food Truck & Music Festival, which went on for four years," said Dot Jenkins.

"We had bands, food trucks, vendors, activities for children, we had beer and wine garden, and we did this for four years," Jenkins said. "Each year, we earmarked 100% of money earned to go toward charities, and the number one charity was the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute."

This year, there will be five musical acts performing from 12 noon to 9:45 p.m., including Jordyn Doyle, Exit 8, the Savage Brothers, Quaboag River Blues Band, The Good Ol' Boys, and Trailer Trash.

Bailey and Jenkins were also excited to announce that the festival would include a fireworks

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PALMER

Pathfinder Tech welcomes new principal

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PALMER – The nine towns serviced by Pathfinder Vocational Technical School welcomed Ryan Rege as the new principal.

As Interim Principal Brenda Turner steps down from the position she has filled for the last year, the school has welcomed Ryan Rege as the new principal. Rege was born and raised in Chicopee, and comes from a family of educators.

"Education was always a topic at the dinner table in my family," Rege said. "Both my parents were teachers and then administration. My father's side goes back four generations in education; my great-grandfather was the first principal of Chicopee Vocational School, before it was Chi-

copee Comprehensive School."

Though education is "in Rege's blood," as he put it, he said that as a young person he didn't expect to follow in his family's footsteps. He started his professional career working in restaurants as a dishwasher, and rose to the positions of line cook and eventually sous chef until a chance meeting sent him on the path to education.

"I ran into a family friend who, at the time, director at the Valley West School in Chicopee," Rege said. "He asked if I would be interested in coming in to substitute, as they were short-handed. I did that for a few days and loved working with students. After that, I didn't look back."

Rege went from a full-time



Ryan Rege

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MONSON

Planning Board continues plans for common driveway

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MONSON – This week, the Planning Board went over the proposed common driveway on Bradway Road, which was continued as the engineer brings the plans into compliance with town bylaws.

On Tuesday, Aug. 20, the board continued a public hearing for a special permit for a common access driveway between 25 Bradway Road and 27 Bradway Road. A copy of the plan is viewable at the Planning Board office during normal business hours.

The first hearing for this matter dates back to Oct. 17. Chris McClure, representing McClure Engineering, said that the applicant is seeking to build a house at 27 Bradway Road, and wants to create a common driveway so as not to disturb nearby wetlands.

"There are some wetlands on the road side of Bradway Road,"

McClure said, "so in an effort to not impact the resource area there, we're proposing a common driveway."

McClure said when he was last before the board, he was asked to identify where the proposed common driveway overlaps the existing driveway, which will be removed and replaced with an driveway to accommodate the two properties.

"The other items were to prevent any water from coming off the driveway and onto the town road," McClure said. "We have redesigned it so there's a half-percent slope coming off the road into the property and we added an additional drainage line that drains to the north with the water that flows up the road currently travels."

McClure said that the Conservation Commission has seen and approved these plans, and

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STUART

This is Stuart. He is two years old, and lives with Abby Rathbone. He's seen here reading the Pet of the Week feature in the Journal Register.

We feature your pets here. Is your fur friend a dog, cat, chicken, lizard, horse, bird, mouse...you get the point. Is there a pet you're fostering and trying to re-home? All pets are welcome! Email a high-resolution jpg of your pet with a little information to journalregister@turley.com.

Local to perform at Academy of Music

MONSON – Monson's own Peter J. Newland is performing with his band FAT and NRBQ at The Academy of Music on Saturday, Aug. 24. The two mythic rock bands with deep New England roots, will meet on stage for the first time in years. They will recreate a legendary double-bill from the '70s and celebrate the dawn of the Valley's original music scene.

NRBQ's origins trace back to the mid-1960s in Terry Adams' home in Kentucky. From the outset, Terry and his bandmates committed themselves to their own brand of eclectic, electric music. The Q didn't hail from Western MA, but for all the time they spent here, and the influence they brought to bear on the bands

and fans of the Valley musical community, they might as well have.

FAT, a psychedelic blues unit formed Monson in 1968. Led by songwriter/vocalist Peter J. Newland, they also blazed their own trail, writing all their own songs and bypassing the "cover band" business model. By 1969 both bands had major record deals, NRBQ with Columbia and FAT with RCA.

On Saturday, August 24, 2024, at the Academy of Music in Northampton, the Valley's versions of Beatles and Rolling Stones will meet head on one more time. Tickets available at the Academy of Music Box Office: boxoffice@aomtheatre.com.

Early voting notice for Palmer residents

PALMER – Early voting for the Sept. 3 State Primary will take place at the Palmer Town Clerk's office, 4417 Main St., at the following times:

Saturday, Aug. 24, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 29, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Election day is Tuesday, Sept. 3, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the usual polling location.

Happy 100th Birthday!



Submitted photos

Mary Esteves celebrated her birthday with Senior Center Director Jodi Zepke and Senator Jake Oliveira.



Senator Jake Oliveira presented an official citation in honor of Mary Esteves's birthday.



Submitted photo

Monson students showed off the supplies they got from the Summer Bus Tour, (from left) Cathy Gustafson, Jen Castonguay, Isaac, age 5, Owen, age 8, Hailey, age 10, and Lila, age 10.

Summer Bus Tour



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Canna Retreat receives commendation at grand opening

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PALMER – Last Thursday, Canna Retreat celebrated its grand opening with a ceremonial ribbon-cutting.

As part of the ceremony, the business's owner and founder, Mike Harris, was presented with commendations from the Senate and the House of Representatives. State Representative Todd Smola was present to personally commend Harris for his business, as was James Przypek from the Quabog Hills Chamber of Commerce.

To learn more about Canna Retreat, you can look them up on Facebook, send an email to CannaRetreat@gmail.com, or visit their website at CannaRetreat.com.



Mike Harris (left), pictured with Noah Green, received an official citation from the Senate on behalf of his business.



Mike Harris cut the ribbon in front of his business, Canna Retreat.

Photos by Marcelo Gusmão



Darren Driscoll and Dave Pastor palled around at the grand opening of Canna Retreat.



State Representative Todd Smola (right) presented an official citation from the House of Representatives to Mike Harris (left).



Dave Pastor played guitar to close out the ribbon-cutting ceremony.



Matt Barlas shared the rich history of the Gentleman Smugglers brand of cannabis.



Tyler Zerrenner shared information about supplier Glorious Cannabis Co.



Carly Van sold samples from Canna Retreat supplier, Nature's Heritage.

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Town of Monson announces early voting

MONSON—State Primary election will be on Sept. 3. Early voting will begin on Saturday, Aug. 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The schedule will be as follows:

- Monday, Aug. 26: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 27: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 28: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 29: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Friday, Aug. 30: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (last day for early voting).

Early voting will take place at the Town Office Building, Public Meeting Room located at 110 Main St.

Voting on Sept. 3 will take place at Quarry Hill Community School located at 43 Margaret St. in the Pool Entrance.

For inquiries please contact the Monson Town Clerk's office at 413-267-4115 or email us at townclerk@monson-ma.gov.

Baystate Wing Hospital is Nationally Recognized for its Commitment to Providing High-quality Stroke Care

The American Heart Association presents Get with The Guidelines - Stroke Gold Plus award for proven dedication to ensuring all stroke patients have access to best practices and life-saving care.

PALMER — Baystate Wing Hospital has received the American Heart Association's Get with The Guidelines - Stroke Gold Plus quality achievement award for its commitment to ensuring stroke patients receive the most appropriate treatment according to nationally recognized, research-based guidelines, ultimately leading to more lives saved and reduced disability.

Stroke is the #5 cause of death and a leading cause of disability in the U.S. A stroke occurs when a blood vessel that carries oxygen and nutrients to the brain is either blocked by a clot or bursts. When that happens, part of the brain cannot get the blood and oxygen it needs, so brain cells die. Early stroke detection and treatment are key to improving survival, minimizing disability, and accelerating recovery times.

Get with The Guidelines puts the expertise of the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association to work for hospitals nationwide, helping ensure patient care is aligned with the latest research- and evidence-based guidelines. Get with The Guidelines - Stroke is an in-hospital program for improving stroke care by promot-

ing consistent adherence to these guidelines, which can minimize the long-term effects of a stroke and even prevent death.

"Improving patient care at our community hospitals is our top priority," says Ron Bryant, president, Baystate Regional Hospitals. "The Get with The Guidelines recognition is a testament to the efforts of our team, who strive for excellence in stroke care. We are honored to provide comprehensive care to the patients living in the many communities we serve."

Each year, program participants qualify for the award by demonstrating how their organization has committed to providing quality care for stroke patients. In addition to following treatment guidelines, Get with The Guidelines participants educate patients to help them manage their health and recovery at home.

"Congratulations to Dr. Joe Sills, chief of Emergency Medicine at BWH, our Quality and Stroke Program teams, and all our colleagues throughout Baystate Wing Hospital who drive our success in delivering the very best care to our patients," added Karli Barrett, MS, RN, NE-BC, vice president and

chief nursing officer/ chief administrative officer of Baystate Wing Hospital. "This award recognizes the success of our ongoing commitment to delivering advanced stroke treatment to our patients quickly and safely. Our team works closely with area EMS providers to initiate a stroke alert when they recognize a patient with stroke symptoms in the field. Once they initiate that stroke alert, our team assembles to begin the stroke assessment and treatment the moment a patient arrives in our Emergency Department. This award also demonstrates the success of the team's hard work and validates our team's commitment to providing the highest quality of care in the many communities served by Baystate Wing Hospital."

In addition, Baystate Wing also received the American Heart Association's Target: Type 2 Diabetes Honor Roll award. Target: Type 2 Diabetes aims to ensure patients with Type 2 diabetes, who might be at higher risk for complications, receive the most up-to-date, evidence-based care when hospitalized due to stroke.

For more information visit Baystate Wing Hospital.

Chili Cookoff to benefit Wreaths Across America held this fall

MONSON — The town Patriotic Celebrations Committee, along with Monson Together, is hosting its second annual Chili Cookoff, with all benefits going toward Wreaths Across America.

The event will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28, at 3 p.m. at the American Legion post at 143 Palmer Road.

There will be chili, hot dogs, raffles, and music, and all proceeds will go to Wreaths Across America.

Grange offers barbecue dinner at fair on Aug. 24

WARE — Ware Grange is holding a Barbecue Dinner at the annual Grange Fair on Saturday, Aug. 24 from 4-5:30 p.m.

This year's dinner features a new menu, which includes pulled pork, chicken, brisket, baked beans, coleslaw, cornbread, drink and dessert for \$25. Eat outside under the tent or take out is available.

Reservations are required. Please call 413-284-1135 or email waregrange@comcast.net to make your reservations for the barbecue.

Country Bank announces promotions

PALME — Country Bank's President and CEO, Mary McGovern, is delighted to announce the promotion of five individuals within the organization. Each of these individuals, Dale Mazanec, Jason Mourao, Tori Graffam, Crystal Mansfield, and Ashlynn Fratoni, brings unique skills and experiences to the table, reflecting their dedication and significant contributions to our team.

Their journeys are a testament to our organization's potential for growth and success. Previously serving as Vice President, Dale Mazanec has been promoted to First Vice President, Asset Mitigation. With a decade of service at Country Bank and 35 in the financial services industry, Mazanec has established himself as a pillar of commitment and expertise. His thoughtful approach and positive attitude make him a true leader within the Bank, significantly improving our asset mitigation strategies and operations.

Jason Mourao has been appointed Assistant Vice President of Retail Lending Operations. Since joining Country Bank in 2019, Mourao has excelled in bringing a fresh perspective to the loan operations team. With ten years of banking experience as an Originator, Mourao's insights have

been invaluable in his management role. Mourao continues to enhance his skills while pursuing further education at the New England School for Financial Studies through The Massachusetts Bankers Association.

Tori Graffam has been promoted to Assistant Vice President, BSA/Fraud. Joining Country Bank in 2020, Tori has demonstrated exceptional vigilance in safeguarding the Bank and its customers. With over 35 years in banking, Graffam is highly respected for her deep knowledge and expertise in BSA/AML/OFAC regulations. She is a liaison, ensuring adherence to evolving regulatory requirements to protect the Bank and its stakeholders.

Crystal Mansfield assumes the role of Customer Experience Officer. With an impressive 23-year career at Country Bank, Mansfield has excelled across various roles, including sales, customer service, retail management, marketing, and data analytics. Known for her commitment to excellence and customer-centric approach, Mansfield leads by example, ensuring that customer voices are heard and valued throughout the Bank. Her dedication was recognized with the prestigious 2023 Presidents Platinum

Award.

Ashlynn Fratoni has been promoted to Lead Audit Officer. In her 3.5 years as Senior Auditor, Fratoni has consistently leveraged her extensive audit experience to drive process improvements and efficiency gains across the organization. Fratoni's leadership in audit operations reinforces Country Bank's commitment to operational excellence and regulatory compliance.

"Congratulations to Dale, Jason, Tori, Crystal, and Ashlynn. We are excited to announce their promotions, not just in recognition of their contributions to the Bank's success but also because each individual's history with the Bank demonstrates the various career paths available in community banking. We are committed to helping each of them and every team member identify their career goals and work with them to reach those objectives because we know that they make a difference to the Bank's overall success. We're pleased to be able to promote Dale, Jason, Tori, Crystal, and Ashlynn with their strong performance, hard work, and dedication to the Bank," said Miriam Siegel, First Senior Vice President, Chief Culture and Development Officer of Country Bank.



Submitted Photo Dan Moriarty, Monson Savings Bank president & CEO (center), proudly presents the \$2,000 donation to members of the East Longmeadow Veterans Memorial Committee.

MSB donates to veterans

MONSON — Monson Savings Bank President and CEO Dan Moriarty, recently met with members of the East Longmeadow Veterans Memorial Committee to present them with a \$2,000 donation on behalf of the Bank. The donation was made to support the construction of a Veterans Memorial in front of the town's Senior Center at 328 North Main St. This is the second contribution the Bank has made to this effort over the past few years, bringing their total contributions to \$12,000.

The East Longmeadow Veterans Memorial Committee was formed in 2017 with the mission of constructing a memorial in front of the East Longmeadow Senior Center. This memorial will honor

all veterans but will be dedicated to twenty-one East Longmeadow servicemen who gave their lives while defending our country. The target date for groundbreaking is June 2025. So far, the committee has raised \$335,000, they are hoping to raise another \$185,000. To learn more about upcoming fundraisers, please visit: <https://www.facebook.com/elvmc293>.

"I am very pleased to present this donation on behalf of the Bank," said Moriarty. "We are happy to be a part of the East Longmeadow Veterans Memorial Committee's mission to honor our local fallen heroes. The plans for the memorial are stunning and I look forward to seeing the final product very soon!"

DEADLINE

The Journal Register has changed its firm deadline for public submissions to Mondays. To get your submission in for that week's edition, email Editor at mharrison@turley.com or call the office at 413-283-8393 by noon on Mondays. We appreciate the cooperation of our readers.

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feeder system to bring people up and in.” Naples said that Aqua-Riders is “a different kind of organization,” and is built for families. “It’s not just, you drop your kids off at soccer practice or basketball practice and then cheer from the stands,” Naples said. “The families are involved, too.” “We spend a lot of time and effort on the off-season and during the year to make the show what it is,” said skier Alexa Weintraub. “We have a lot of supporting members that you don’t see on the water that make the team run.” Weintraub said that donations from the show would go to Pete Hagerty’s medical expenses. “As a team, we decided we have to do something to support our fellow Eastern Region skier, role model, and friend,” said a post on the team’s Facebook page. “Hagerty is one of the best jumpers in the world right now,” Weintraub said. “He got pretty injured at a national tournament last week, so all of our donations from the show are going to support him and his medical ex-

penses.” Weintraub said that the team sees “kids from six to 60” skiing, and praised it for being an intergenerational family sport. Naples’s own daughter, Sam, was at the event as well, which is not outside the norm for the group. Naples said that he often sees two or three generations of parents and grandparents involved in the sport. “The kids are skiing, and their grandparents are driving boats, or doing costumes, or coiling ropes,” Naples said. Naples said that he likes to describe the group as a “magic trick,” where, through

“sleight of hand,” he draws in audiences interested in water-skiing, “but what’s really going on behind the scenes is family, camaraderie, and togetherness.” Naples said that the organization comes together to support kids as they learn about leadership, how to work together, to communicate, as well as a chance for kids to learn to work with adults. The Aqua-Riders’ website is currently under construction, so if you’d like to see about signing up for next year’s season, the best way is to look them up under “Aqua Riders of Holland” on Facebook or Instagram.



The Aqua Riders of Holland are based out of 163 Mashapaug Road.



The motorboat zoomed off toward the target, pulling jet-skiers in its wake.



The Aqua-Riders show



A group of kids played on the dock at the Hamilton Reservoir after the show.

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Sitting together (from left) Chaise Archer, Melanie Carter, and David and Kathy Deniger.



Pam Wentworth won a raffle during the concert.



Maria Gomes and Bradley Forest enjoyed the show from lawn chairs.



The Kitchen Jam Live Music band performed under the pavillion in between sets at the main stage.



Keith Godek played guitar for his friends, Steve and Rowdy.



Project 267 performed at Pulaski Park for RockFest this weekend.

Photos by Marcelo Gusmão



Swade and Jonny James of Backstage Pass performed for an excited crowd at Pulaski Park.



Double D plays drums and provided backup vocals for Backstage Pass.



Backstage Pass rocked out this weekend for Pulaski Park's annual RockFest.

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The club has been holding RockFest at the park for, according to Hoy, at least 15 years.

"It's kind of graduated from being something where we just expanded our normal stage under the pavilion," Hoy said, "to, as you can see, renting these big stages out and making it a bigger production of an event."

Hoy said that the club does this in order to give the community as much value as possible for the \$25 entry fee.

"There's not a lot like this around here," Hoy said. "Sure, there are small town bars that have their entertainment, and that certainly has its place. I'm not knocking that at all. But I think this is something different from what people usually get out here."

Hoy mentioned that the revenue from taxes from the event would benefit the town. His wife, Melissa Hoy, added that this kind of local entertainment provides an asset to the community.

"It's a good use of the park," Josh Hoy said. "It's a good use of the space, because there's a lot of it. People come here and find out they could rent this place for their wedding, or birthday party, or Jack-and-Jill, or a company event."

The variety of stuff that happens up here and can happen up here is pretty huge."

Hoy said on Sept. 1, starting around 10 a.m., the park will be hosting a benefit car show for Mustangs and other show cars. Hoy said that the club is always looking for events to turn into "the nexus" of potential annual events.

"We're looking for stuff that can become a staple around here," Hoy said, "not just to drive business for us, but for the local businesses. When people come into town, they have to stop at a gas station, or grab something to eat if they haven't eaten here or we're not serving food."

Next year, the park will host an all-day Polish Festival on July 19, with a polka band to be determined.

"We will have a Polish theater group, and then a rock band with a native Polish speaker to close out the night," Melissa Hoy said. "We serve a lot of Polish food here, so we're trying to bring in some additional Polish specialties for that day and some vendors."

Hoy said that the club hopes to build that into an annual event as well in the hopes of driving more people into the polka scene.

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Briana Fuller and Beth Irwin from Fixation Crafts in Worcester brought Iris to Monson to celebrate Black Cat Appreciation Day.



Stephanie Najemy and Mikayla Leonard were chatting at the PrismArt booth.



Steph Martinelli's booth for Imagination Creation Crafts took part in Feline Fun Day.



Alexus Derosier from Alexus Creative Spark has an Etsy store and an Instagram page.

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what she was studying, and decided that she wanted to be doing more local work than international work.

"That culminated in us buying this property and opening this place," Max said.

This ended up being serendipitous for Max, whose husband had family in the area that he wanted to be closer to.

"He grew up in Spencer and had family in Connecticut," Max said. "So this is a good balance of where we were needed and where I had some roots. Also, my mother really wanted to move away from California and the hustle and bustle of Silicon Valley. This allowed us to start the dream of something different than what we were used to."

Max said that HTAT has been dedicated to helping the local cat population by providing low-cost spay and neuter services for cat-owners and partnering with local Animal Control offices.

"Most people, we discover, are good, and want to keep their animals," Max said. "They love their animals, they don't give them up because they don't want them anymore. One of the big misconceptions in animal welfare is that people don't want their animals anymore, but we've taken the other approach."

Max said that HTAT has partnered with nine towns, Brimfield, Holland, Monson, Palmer, Southbridge, Sturbridge, Wales, Ware, and Warren, to offer a reduced price on transporting cats for its spay and neutering program.

Each year, Here Today Adopted Tomorrow, helps over 1,500 pets and their people. So far, in 2024, HTAT has found loving homes for over 200 cats and has helped more than 300 cats receive low-cost spay and neuter care. Its Pet Food Pantry has served approximately 149,000 cat and 46,000 dog meals so far this year.

If you'd like to learn more about Here Today, Adopted Tomorrow, you can visit their website at HereTodaySanctuary.org.



Nicole Soncrant and Mark McGaughey came from Stoughton to help celebrate Feline Fun Day.



Isabel Polak had a booth with information from the Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences department from the University of Massachusetts.



Lisa DeMarey, Megan Brunelle, and Courtney DeMarey had homemade pet products on display, including catnip blankets.



Dara Battige (left) sat with her mother. Holly, under the tent for her company, Call It Macaroni.



Larry and Lorraine Goodreau, Richard Stanton, and Heidi DeSchenes sit under a tree to enjoy the festivities at Westview Creamery.

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Stochaj said his family has operated the E.J. Stochaj Insurance Agency for more than 49 years. He acquired Hometown Insurance in 2008 and Crimmins-Graveline Insurance agency in late 2020.

Stochaj described the businesses as "traditional, Main Street" insurance agencies.

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SOCCER

Pioneers, Mutiny wrap up great seasons

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW – The soccer aficionados from Ludlow and the surrounding communities had a lot of fun watching the New England Mutiny and the Western Mass. Pioneers play their home matches at Lusitano Stadium in Ludlow this summer.

“You really never know how things are going to go prior to the start of the regular season,” said Joe Ferrara during a recent interview. “Both teams had a great season.”



Turley photos by David Henry
Mamadi Jiana, a Chicopee High graduate, played with the Pioneers this summer.

Ferrara has several different titles, and he doesn't have very much free time during the soccer season.

He's the commissioner of the United Women's Soccer League and is the owner and Managing Director of the Mutiny, who have been playing their home matches at the 106 year old soccer stadium in Ludlow since 2019. He's also the General Manager of the Pioneers, who were founded in 1998.

Another person who didn't have very much free time this summer is Federico Molinari, who has been the Pioneers head coach for more than ten years. He was also the head coach of the Mutiny for the first time.

“I've watched Federico coach the Pioneers for the past several years, and he has a passion for the game of soccer,” Ferrara said. “He's one of the best soccer coaches that I've seen particularly on gamedays. He always makes the right tactical adjustments. He also runs a very good training session. I've received tremendous feedback from the players on both sides about him. I'm hoping that Federico can coach both teams again next year.”

The Mutiny finished the 2024 regular season with a perfect 8-0 record, while the Pioneers posted an 11-2-1 record.

The Mutiny began the U.W.S. playoffs with a 2-1 home win over Steel City FC on July 12. Two days later, they celebrated an exciting 1-0 victory against Sporting CT in the East Conference championship match. It was their final home match of the season.

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BASEBALL



Kyle Kaczuwka picks up a grounder to third.



Jarett Skowyra slings a throw across the diamond.



Niko Matthieu grabs a backhand.
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Brendan Hess picks up the ground ball.

Legion team has tough end to season

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD—With a bunch of returning players, the expectations were high for the Monson Post 241 Legion baseball team entering the 2024 campaign. Things just didn't turn out as planned for the Post 241 players and coaching staff this summer.

After finishing the regular season with a 6-10 record, tenth-seeded Monson bowed out of the District 3 Senior Division playoffs following a 10-0 first round loss to seventh-seeded East Springfield Post 420, which was played at Springfield Central's new turf baseball field late last month.

“It was kind of a disappointing season,” said Monson Post 241 manager Steve Tripp following the playoff loss. “We felt like we had a lot of talented players returning this season. We just didn't jell for

some unknown reason.”

Monson's six victories were against North Adams Post 125, Aldenville Post 337, Easthampton Post 224, West Springfield Post 207, and twice against Sheffield Post 340.

“We did lose a couple of close games against very good teams,” Tripp added. “We just struggled a little bit offensively.”

Monson lost twice to East Springfield during the regular season on the same field.

Both teams only had nine players show up for the playoff game.

Tripp has been the manager of the Monson Legion team for the past eight seasons. He's planning on returning next year.

“Our baseball program has grown a lot during the past eight years,” Tripp said. “We have a lot more sponsors now. Hopefully, we can continue to add sponsors next year, especially in Ware.”

The Monson Legion baseball players are from either Monson High School, Palmer High School, Ware High School and Pathfinder Tech.

“Even though the players are from different high schools, they did get along with each other very well,” Tripp said. “We do have a pretty good recruiting base.”

Seven of the 17 players listed on this year's Monson Legion roster will be too old to play for the legion baseball team next summer.

The four Monson players, who graduated from high school a year ago, are Austin Lagimoniere, Jesse Cygan, Dominic Allen, and James Delaney. The foursome have been members of the Monson Legion baseball team since 2021.

Delaney, who lives in Palmer, graduated from Belchertown High School as a school choice student in 2023. The righthander was Monson's starting pitcher in the playoff game against East Spring-

field (10-6-2).

Allen, who graduated from Palmer High School, was Delaney's batterymate. This past spring, he was a freshman catcher on the Westfield State University baseball team.

Lagimoniere, who started in centerfielder, and Cygan, who was the first baseman in the playoff game against East Springfield, attended Pathfinder Tech. The duo were members of the Pioneers varsity baseball team.

The other three Monson legion players who won't be returning next year are Hunter Griswold (Pathfinder Tech), John Mumper (Ware), and Dylan Sutkaitis (Ware). The trio didn't play in the playoff game.

Mumper's younger brother, Jason, will be one of the ten returning Legion players.

The other two returning play-

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SOCCER

Locals help lead Western Mass. to bronze

WALTHAM – The Western Mass. representative in the Bay State Games for girls soccer captured the bronze last month. Here is a look at a couple of their matchups during the games.

In the bronze medal game, West won 3-0 over Coastal. West had an early lead on Coastal and was able to hold it throughout the game. The three goals that solidified the bronze medal for West were made by Katie Gilhooly (Chicopee, Chicopee Comp HS), Fallon Clancy (Belchertown, Belchertown HS), and Maya Teller (Belchertown, Belchertown HS).

During the tourney, West scored a win over Central 4-0. In the matchup, Despite Central

taking some beautiful shots, the goalkeeper for West, Chloe Laizer (West Springfield, West Springfield HS) wouldn't let any past her. Kylie Marino (East Longmeadow, East Longmeadow HS), Allison Fleury (South Hadley, South Hadley HS), Gilhooly, and Clancy all made goals that ultimately led to their win.

In an early round game, West beat Coastal 5-1. Fleury had a great game with two assists and one goal. Both Brianna Ribeiro (Belchertown, Belchertown HS) and Megan McGrath (North Adams, Dury HS) had two goals. For Coastal, Savannah Parker (Lunenburg, Lunenburg HS) made the goal in their fight against West.

Palmer's summer season concludes

WILBRAHAM – The Palmer youth girls basketball team fell during the playoffs held the week of Aug. 5. Spec Pond Summer Basketball held its playoffs on the outdoor court in Wilbraham. Palmer has regularly participated in the league.

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Maya Rodrigues drives toward the hoop.



Anna King looks to get a shot off under pressure.



Addie Allard holds the ball back looking to pass.



Aria Nompleggi takes a shot.

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SUMMER EDITION

Candlepin League News

By Ryan Drago
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EAST BROOKFIELD – The summer league on Wednesday nights at Bogey Lanes has now completed with a champion crowned.

After a successful final week of league, Team Seven snuck into first place and ended the summer league with a record of 76-36. The Rolling Stones, who held on to first place for several weeks, fell to second place with a record of 71-41.

Team Nine finished in third place with a record of 66-46. Team Swish finished in fourth place with a record of 58-54. Clock Barn is in fifth place at 57-55. Split Smashers and Straight Shooters tied for sixth place with both

teams having a record of 56-56.

Gutter Snipes finished in eighth at 46-66, Gutter Dolls in ninth at 42-70 and Gutter Fingers finished in tenth at 32-80.

One of the final matches featured Straight Shooters bowling against Rolling Stones. In game one, Straight Shooters won by a score of 449-439. Phil Clough of Straight Shooters started off with a 113.

In game two, Straight Shooters won again by a score of 456-451. Clough almost matched his first game but scored 112. In game three, Straight Shooters swept Rolling Stones with a third consecutive win 484-422. Final score was 1389-1312 in favor of Straight Shooters.

Team Nine bowled against Gutter Fingers in the final week. In game

one, Team Nine won 456-447. In game two, Gutter Fingers won 489-465. Two members scored well over 100 to win game two. In game three, Gutter Fingers won the last game 454-433.

Gutter Fingers won total pinfall, 1370-1354.

Team Seven, in pursuit of the #1 seed, bowled against the Split Smashers. In game one, Team Seven defeated Split Smashers, 484-455. Tim Brayton of Team Seven started off with a 135.

In game two, Team Seven won again by a score of 458-441. Ethan Levy of Team Seven had the highest score on his team with a 114.

In game three, Team Seven won the last game 471-449 for a three-game sweep. Nate Fontaine of Split Smashers finished with a 134. Team Seven won total pinfall by a final score of

1413-1345.

Clock Barn bowled against Team Swish. In game one, Clock Barn won by a score of 439-423. In game two, Clock Barn scored 439 again and won game two against Team Swish who bowled 418. In game three, Team Swish won the last game 448-441.

Clock Barn won total pinfall by a final score of 1319-1289.

Gutter Snipes bowled against Gutter Dolls. In game one, Gutter Snipes won 438-411. In game two, Gutter Snipes won 426-414. In game three, Gutter Dolls won the last game 441-426. Gutter Snipes won total pinfall by a final score of 1290-1266.

Individual prizes and team prizes will be awarded during the league's fun night on Aug. 21.

Bonsignore grabs second-place finish in Thompson 150

THOMPSON, CT – The NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour returned to Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park on Wednesday night for the Thompson 150. Justin Bonsignore and the Kenneth Massa Motorsports team prepared a strong No. 51 Phoenix Communications Inc. entry, and Bonsignore came away with a strong second-place finish.

Bonsignore qualified third for the Thompson 150, then fell to fourth on the initial stint of the race. On the next restart, Bonsignore took second spot away, and never relinquished the position on the track again. After a pit stop, Bonsignore chased the back bumper of eventual winner Patrick Emerling for the remainder of the distance.

The runner-up finish was Bonsignore's eighth top-five of the season in the first 10 races. He also took the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour points lead heading for the final six races of the year.

"Patrick's car was really good," Bonsignore said. "Track position would have been nice if I could have got the lead on the restart, but we had a great car. I got stuck in lapped traffic a bit in the final 10 laps and the tires just kind of gave out there at the end. It's getting towards the late summer and it's good to start putting some strong runs together with great speed like we've had the last few weeks. We will move onto Oswego and try to go win the Classic."

Events announced for Hall of Fame weekend

SPRINGFIELD – The Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame announced additional details, including start times for key events, regarding the Class of 2024 Enshrinement Weekend.

The Class of 2024 celebration will culminate with the Enshrinement Ceremony on Sunday, October 13, in Springfield, Mass. – the Birthplace of Basketball. The Class was revealed in April and includes a total of 13 honorees.

Enshrinement Weekend will tip off at Mohegan Sun on Saturday, October 12, starting with the always-popular autograph session, followed by the headlining Tip-Off Celebration and Awards Gala. The Class of 2024 and over 40 returning Hall of Famers will then journey to Springfield, Mass. for the annual celebratory events taking place at the acclaimed Marriott Springfield Downtown as well as Springfield's Symphony Hall. Fans and guests are also encouraged to tour and visit the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame on Enshrinement Weekend.

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The following weekend, the Mutiny played in the U.W.S. National semifinals and championship match, which were held at All-High Stadium in Buffalo, New York.

The Mutiny didn't have very much trouble dispatching the Michigan Jaguars, who captured the U.W.S. Nationals title a year ago, in the semifinals. The final score of that match was 5-0.

"We performed very well in the semifinals," Ferrara said. "We were able to score a couple of early goals, which took the pressure off of us."

On that same night, Molinari and the Pioneers players were in Virginia playing Lionsbridge FC in a USL-Two playoff match. Unfortunately, the Pioneers season came to an end following a 2-1 loss.

Alec Hughes, who's a post-grad student listed on the UMass men's soccer team, led the Pioneers this summer with 17 goals. He's the USL-Two Golden Boot winner and was also named as the Player of the Year. He'll most likely be drafted by an MLS team

"Alec has really improved a lot in the two years that he's been playing for the Mutiny," Ferrara said. "He was a key player for us this year. I'm hoping he signs with a Pro team next year."

Scott Testori, who plays college soccer at UConn, chipped in with 12 goals. Jared Smith led the way with nine assists.

One of the Pioneers local players was Mamadi Jiani, who graduated from Chicopee High School. He scored four goals this season.

The Pioneers assistant coaches are Dennis Gomes, Jay Willis, and Thomas Duben.

Molinari, along with Duben, coached the Mutiny in the championship match the following night.

The Mutiny, who played in the U.W.S. finals for the first time, faced the Santa Clarita Blue Heat, who lost to the Jaguar in the 2023 championship match.

The score was tied 1-1 at the end of the first 45 minutes.

Mila Dillard, who lives in Chicopee and is a sophomore on the Pope Francis girls' soccer team, netted the Mutiny's goal during the 43rd minute. It was assisted by South Hadley's Alexis

Legowski.

The Mutiny took a 2-1 lead 25 minutes into the second following a goal by Chioma Okafor, which was also assisted by Legowski, who played college soccer at Northeastern University.

Okafor was one of the UConn women's soccer players listed on the Mutiny roster.

The Blue Heat scored the equalizer late in the second half and they wound up winning the title, 6-5, in a penalty shootout.

Following the championship match, Legowski, who signed with a professional team in Poland, was selected as the MVP of the U.W.S. National Tournament finals. The M.V.P. award was the trophy of a Buffalo.

"Alexis is now playing for a pro team in Poland, which is awesome," Ferrara said. "She played very well in the tournament and was selected as the M.V.P. of the championship game."

Legowski and Dillard were two of the players from Western Mass. listed on the Mutiny roster. The other local players were Maddie Theriault (Palmer), Hope Santaniello (Agawam), Sam Breton (Chicopee) Avery Klingensmith (Belchertown), Chan-

dlar Pedolczyk (Westfield), and Emma Pedolczyk (Westfield).

"I always want the best local high school soccer players to play for the Mutiny," Ferrara said. "It builds excitement and fanfare within the local community. The local players have been the core of our team during the past several years."

Santaniello, who plays college soccer at UMass-Lowell, is the only remaining Mutiny player from the 2019 squad.

Okafor, who's from Blantyre, Malawi, is listed as a junior on the UConn women's soccer roster. Several of her college teammates also played for the Mutiny this summer.

The UConn women's soccer coach is Margaret Rodriguez, who's a former Mutiny player.

Carey (Dorn) O'Brien, who's currently the associate head coach at UConn, played for the team when they were known as the Springfield Sirens.

"Margaret and Carey played soccer for me, and we've built a very good relationship over the years," Ferrara said. "We're allowed to have five players from a Division I school on our soccer roster. We are going to try our best to get the best players from UConn to play for us again next year. I'm looking forward to going to watch the UConn women's soccer team play this fall."

Okafor is only a junior, but she'll most likely be playing for a professional soccer team next year.

Cat Berry, who plays soccer at the University of South Carolina, only played in a couple of matches for the Mutiny at the beginning of the regular season, but she was also a fan favorite.

Before heading back to Ludlow from Buffalo, the Mutiny players and coaches visited Niagara Falls.

"The long bus ride home gave us the chance to reflect on the outstanding season," Ferrara said. "When we got back to the stadium, nobody wanted to say goodbye because they knew it would be their last time together as a team. It was a fantastic season."



next year. Turley photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com
Alexis Legowski, of South Hadley, was a regular in the Mutiny's lineup this season.

LEGION | from page 9

ers from Ware High School will be Nathan and Kyle Kaczuwka.

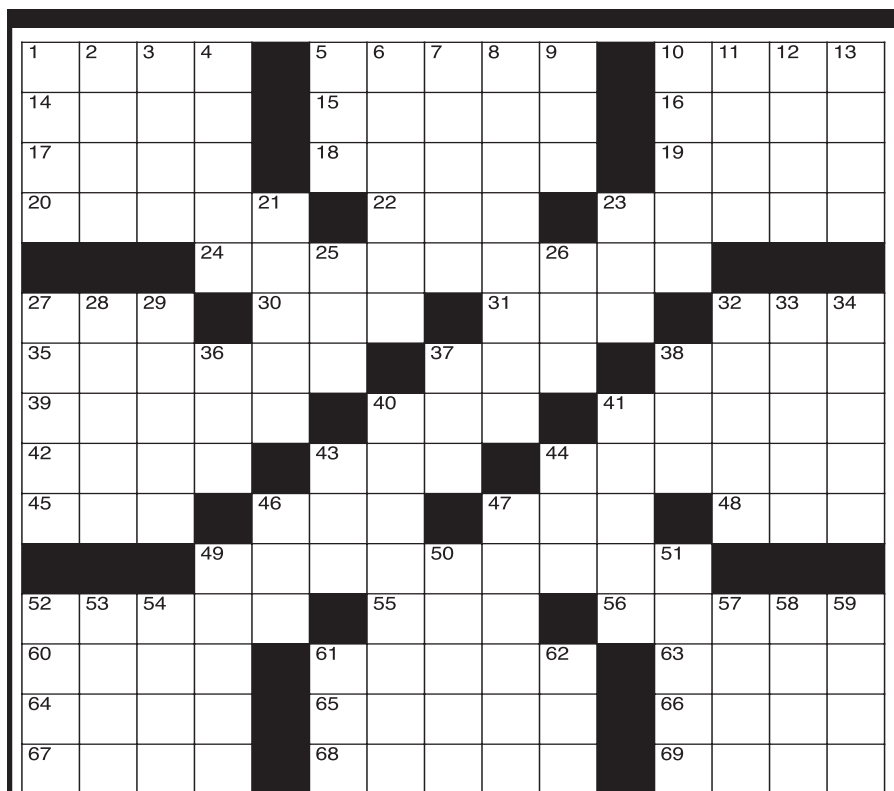
The baseball players from Monson High listed on the Legion roster are Niko Matthieu, Austin Meachum, and Shane Szado. They'll be eligible age wise to return next summer.

The returning players from Pathfinder Tech will be Jarrett Skowrya, and Brayden Mega.

The other current players from Palmer High School are Dylan Holbrook, and Brendan Hess,

Monson's only base hit in the play-off loss against East Springfield was an infield single by Hess with no outs in the fifth inning. They also had four walks and another batter reached first base following a fielding error.

The Post 241 assistant coaches are Bill Barry and Phil Gallo.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Mongolian city __ Bator
- 5. Coconut palms
- 10. Rounded knob
- 14. Japanese city
- 15. Type of sandwiches
- 16. A type of shape
- 17. Son of Shem
- 18. French modernist painter
- 19. Grandmother
- 20. Mammary gland of female cattle
- 22. Hill or rocky peak
- 23. Secret political clique
- 24. Songs to one's beloved
- 27. "Boardwalk Empire" actress Gretchen
- 30. Father
- 31. Chinese philosophical principle
- 32. Restrict the number or amount of
- 35. Combined into a single entity
- 37. Brother or sister
- 38. Evil spirit

- 39. Materials in the earth's crust
- 40. Partner to cheese
- 41. Of the sun
- 42. Baseball great Ty
- 43. After B
- 44. Place to relax on the beach
- 45. Folk singer DiFranco
- 46. Partly digested food
- 47. Small dog breed
- 48. Japanese honorific
- 49. Salts
- 52. Beard moss genus
- 55. Mountain pass
- 56. Type of sword
- 60. Albanian language
- 61. Metric weight unit
- 63. Italian Seaport
- 64. Longtime late night host
- 65. Extremely angry
- 66. Wading bird
- 67. Days in mid-month
- 68. Omitted from printed matter
- 69. Upper body part

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Two-toed sloth
- 2. Cooking ingredient
- 3. Iranian city
- 4. Accuses
- 5. Corrie
- 6. Delivered a speech
- 7. Collection of sacred books
- 8. Theatrical
- 9. Very fast airplane
- 10. Arm bones
- 11. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
- 12. __ fide: legit
- 13. Gemstone
- 21. Counsels
- 23. Corporate bigwig
- 25. Cool!
- 26. Touch lightly
- 27. Small Milky Way constellation
- 28. Satirical website
- 29. Border lines
- 32. Soft drinks
- 33. Capital of Guam

- 34. Six-membered ring (chemistry)
- 36. Bar bill
- 37. Car mechanics group
- 38. Notable Bill Murray character
- 40. Health care for the aged
- 41. Gurus
- 43. A passage with access only at one end
- 44. Reduce
- 46. Spy organization
- 47. The upper surface of the mouth
- 49. Plants of the lily family
- 50. Type of reef
- 51. Oral polio vaccine developer
- 52. Mottled citrus fruit
- 53. Lose
- 54. Former Brazilian NBAer
- 57. Baseball great Ruth
- 58. __ Clapton, musician
- 59. Chance
- 61. Spanish soldier
- 62. CNN's founder

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Nompleggi was a member of Palmer's youth basketball team that just wrapped up its season in the Spec Pond Summer Basketball League.
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Stephanie A. Pawlowski
Died August 13, 2024
Services August 20, 2024

Frederick Walch
Died August 14, 2024
Services August 29, 2024

Police/Fire

Fire Logs

MONSON

The Monson Fire Department responded to five fire calls and 20 emergency medical calls for the week of August 12-18.

- August 13 at 6:55 p.m. Responded to State Street for a furniture fire. Returned to service at 7:27 p.m.
- August 15 at 5:45 p.m. Responded to State Avenue for an illegal burn. Returned to service at 6:08 p.m.
- August 16 at 10:39 p.m. Responded to Main Street for a fire alarm activation. Returned to service at 11:19 p.m.
- August 16 at 11:39 p.m. Responded to Main Street for a fire alarm activation. Returned to service on August 17 at 1:00 a.m.
- August 17 at 5:19 p.m. Responded to Main Street for a fire alarm activation. Returned to service at 5:44 p.m.

THREE RIVERS

The Three Rivers Fire Department responded to seven calls for the week of August 11-17.

- August 11, the department responded to Maple Lane for an EMS call excluding vehicle accident with injury.
- August 11, the department responded to Front Street for a medical assist to assist an EMS crew.
- August 12, the department responded to Main Street for an alarm system sounding due to malfunction.
- August 12, the department responded to Maple Street for a medical assist to assist an EMS crew.
- August 12, the department responded to Calkins Road for a fire or other emergency.
- August 16, the department responded to Pleasant Street for a medical assist to assist an EMS crew.
- August 17, the department responded to Belanger Street for a smoke detector activation due to malfunction.

O B I T U A R I E S

Patricia A. Beaulieu, 1939-2024

MONSON – Patricia Ann (Kelley) Beaulieu, 84 passed away peacefully at home on Aug. 17, 2024 surrounded by loved ones. Patricia was born in Palmer, Oct. 4, 1939 to the late George J. and Lois (Gould) Kelley.

Patricia was a graduate of Monson High School, class of 1957 and continued her quest for learning throughout her life with a particular interest in American history. She was an avid reader, accomplished artist and crafts-person, passionate gardener, designer and a wonderful cook. Her many talents included, painting, drawing, sewing, embroidery, basket making, and gardening and she could rattle off Latin botanical names until her very last days.

“Trish” married Ron Beaulieu on Sept. 27, 1958 and their commitment and love continued for nearly 66 years. They continued to learn and grow together, nurturing a wonderful family and seven grandchildren, creating beautiful homes and experiences together, making many incredible friends, traveling, summering on Sebago Lake in Maine, wintering in Florida and always enjoying their shared love of music.

Patricia had many types of jobs in her lifetime including secretarial work at Mass Mutual, Monson Developmental Center and at Auvergne Perfume Co in East Longmeadow where her family recalls her returning from work smelling like an angel. She worked at her brother’s restaurant, Kelley’s and ran her own business, Colonial Variety in Monson for many years. Pat’s most beloved job though was working as an interpreter at Old Sturbridge Village where she combined her artistic talents and her love of history while also teaching others. Throughout her busy life, her priority was always her family whom she loved immensely and took wonderful care of.

Patricia leaves her loving husband and best friend, Ron Beaulieu, and their children; Suzanne Craig and her husband Adam of Falmouth, MA, Andrew Beaulieu and his fiancée Theresa Bodak of Monson and Scott Beaulieu and his wife Kelly of Westport, MA; grandchild-



dren, Andrew Beaulieu, Jason Craig, Jeremy Craig, Chad Beaulieu, Connor Beaulieu, Christopher Beaulieu and Luke Beaulieu; a brother, Michael Kelley of Monson as well as nieces, nephews, extended family members and many dear friends.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Lombard Funeral Home 3 Bridge St, Monson, MA. Visiting hours will be held Monday, Aug. 26, 2024 from 5-7 pm at the funeral home. A graveside service will be held Tuesday, Aug. 27 at 11 am at Bethany Cemetery on Bethany Road in Monson. Please gather directly at the cemetery.

Memorial contributions in Pat’s honor may be made to the Monson Fire Department-Ambulance Fund PO Box 335 Monson, MA. The family is very grateful for their kind and compassionate care during the times the ambulance service was needed.

For online condolences please visit www.lombardfuneralhome.com.

Peter J. Lloyd, Jr., 1968-2024

MONSON – Peter J. Lloyd, Jr., 55 passed away Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2024 surrounded by love of family. Peter was born in Ware, MA Sept. 28, 1968 to Peter J. Lloyd Sr. and Cynthia A (Tomaszewski) Lloyd. Pete grew up in Monson and was a graduate of Pathfinder Regional Technical High School, Class of 1987, electrical program. Pete went on to work for GML Construction in Indian Orchard as an Operating Engineer.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, hiking, being outside, walking the dogs. Pete also enjoyed gardening, taking care of his chickens, and splitting wood. He could fix just about anything and always had a project lined up to be worked on.

Pete’s laugh could fill a room with joy and he had an unmatched sense of humor and quick wit. He also had a love for

good food but wasn’t afraid to inform you it wasn’t up to par.

Pete leaves his daughters, Autumn Lloyd and Tyler Lloyd of Monson, his wife Kimberly (Bedore) Lloyd of Monson, his father, Peter J. Lloyd, Sr and his step mother, Bonnie of Monson; a brother, Shawn Lloyd and his wife Leslie of Palmer; a sister, Deborah McNaughton and her husband Paul of Hampden; nieces and nephews; Brennan Casey, Shea and Tagan McNaughton, Tani-sha Soya, Treyana Soya, Shawn Lloyd Jr, Desiree Hagen and great nephew, Gavin Gadreault. Peter is predeceased by his mother, Cynthia A. (Tomaszewski) Lloyd and his grandmother, Clothilda (Pobieglo) Tomaszewski, grandfather, Joseph Tomaszewski, grand-



father, John Lloyd and grandmother, Ruth (Holbrook) Lloyd

Arrangements have been entrusted to Lombard Funeral Home 3 Bridge St., Monson, MA. Visiting hours will be held Thursday, Aug. 22, 2024 from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. A Funeral Mass will be held Friday, Aug. 23, 2024. Gathering at the funeral home beginning at 9am with a procession to Divine Mercy Parish in Three Rivers for a 10 a.m. Mass. Burial will follow at Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Bondsville. For online condolences please visit www.lombardfuneralhome.com.

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Stephanie A. Pawlowski, 1925-2024

PALMER – Stephanie A. Pawlowski, 98, passed away August 13, 2024. She was born on December 16, 1925 in W. Warren, MA to the late John and Josephine (Stachowicz) Melnick. Stephanie worked for Sanderson McLeod for many years before retiring in 1988. Stephanie enjoyed roller skating in her younger years and most recently enjoyed visiting the casino and playing bingo. She was also an avid Boston

sports fan and enjoyed watching the Celtics, Red Sox, Patriots, and the WNBA CT Sun. Besides her parents, Stephanie was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Stanley Pawlowski, in 1966, and by her siblings, Wanda Dziura, Helen Orluk, Dorothy Nadolski, Steven Melnick, and John Mel-



nick, Jr. She will be dearly missed by her daughter, Pamela Salvas, as well as a niece and 4 nephews.

A graveside service was held Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 10:00am at St. Thomas Cemetery in Palmer. Please visit www.beersandstory.com to extend online condolences.

Frederick Walch, 1964-2024

THREE RIVERS – Frederick “Fred” Walch, 60, of Three Rivers, passed away Wednesday, August 14, at Baystate Wing Hospital, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Fred was born August 23, 1963, in Ludlow, MA to the late Richard and Yvonne (Vermette) Walch. His childhood was spent living in the quiet town of Brimfield, where he enjoyed playing pickup games with his neighborhood friends, as well as organized town sports. He graduated from Tantasqua High School in 1981 and continued his education at STCC, where he received his A.S. Degree in HVAC Technology. He began his career with Noonan Energy in Palmer, working his way up to Service Manager during his 18 years there before moving on to NEMSI for over 20 years. He was well-known in the HVAC community for his keen troubleshooting skills, expertise and dedication. These skills were certainly passed on to his son, who continues the tradition while op-

erating his own company.

Fred spent over 20 years playing softball in the Palmer league, where he met many life-long friends, and was well-known for his quiet demeanor, surprising power and understated sense of humor. He was a dedicated fan of the Red Sox, but a bigger fan of his beloved Patriots. He loved roller coasters, ice-fishing and golf, but really cherished spending time at gatherings with his family and friends, where he took great pride showcasing his fantastic cooking skills and sharing laughs.

Fred will be dearly missed by his two children that brought him immense pride, son Ryan (Rachel) of Ware and daughter Ashley (partner Justin) of Wilbraham, along with their mother Debbie of Wilbraham. He is survived by four siblings: Richard Walch (Lisa) of Palmer, Lorene Skaza



of Ludlow, Darlene Wood (Jeff) of East Brookfield and Susan Walch of Wales. He also leaves behind his beloved nieces and nephews: Susan, Peter, Elizabeth, Cameron, Alicia, Delaney and Mason. We know he will be missed by his many friends, especially his dear friend Sean Moynahan, whose unwavering support is appreciated by the family.

Family and friends are encouraged to attend his memorial service on Thursday, Aug. 29 at 11 a.m. at Brimfield Cemetery. A Celebration of Life gathering will follow later, starting 4 p.m. at The Elks Lodge in Ludlow, MA. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Dakin Humane Society, in recognition of Fred’s love of animals, especially his dogs. Please visit www.beersandstory.com to extend online condolences.

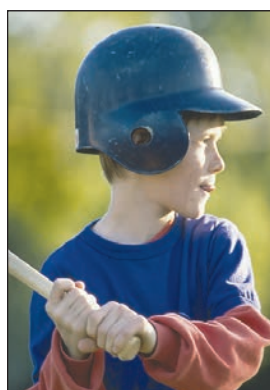
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position in Behavioral Intervention to a Culinary Arts position at Chicopee Comprehensive High School.

"I started as a vocational teacher, so that was the trajectory I was on," Rege said.

Rege got an Associate's Degree from Holyoke Community College, and pursued a Bachelor's Degree from Westfield State while teaching at Pathfinder.

Now, after some time out of the district, Rege has returned to Pathfinder to become Principal of the school.

"I'm thrilled to be back here, everyone's been incredibly welcoming," Rege said.

The new principal said he's spent the last month and a half in a "deep dive" in getting data and meeting with administration to get ready for the first days of school.

Rege said his plan is to take the time to listen and see what the school has been doing really well while he looks for opportunities to grow.

"That's the name of the game in education, there are always areas where you can do better, and we really strive for that," Rege said.

will be through lens of the school's mission statement and making solid, data-driven decisions for the school."

Rege talked about the struggles for this generation's students

"I hate to go back to COVID, but we certainly are seeing the effects of it in our students," Rege said.

Rege said that this has been achieved thanks to Pathfinder's robust support staff, and he looks forward to continuing those practices, as well as policies like the Beyond Pouches for students to keep their phones.

Rege said that he considers himself a collaborative-type leader, and that he likes to get a lot of input to make an educated decision.

He said he focuses on making decisions supported with data.

"It's hard to argue with solid data when making decisions," Rege said.

Rege said that he looks forward to helping the students in Pathfinder's ten towns prepare for careers as professionals in any career of their choosing, including vocational and academic pursuits.

"As long as students graduate searching for truth, prepared for careers in the future, as well as any failures or opportunities for growth, I think we've done our job here as educators," Rege said.

Finally, Rege was excited to announce that he has met Pathfinder's mascot and support dog, Scout.

"He's such a cute little guy, we're really excited to have him around," Rege said.

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mentioned it had reviewed the stormwater infrastructure and deemed it sufficient.

"Stormwater is addressed through a trench drain that's on the north side of the driveway," McClure said.

McClure mentioned there was a discussion about the need for space to turn around for emergency vehicles, and that the plans were submitted to the department for input.

"They said they do not need turnaround," McClure said.

The board members said

that despite the comments from the fire department, the town's bylaws still require it.

The board found that it could not grant the waiver, however, because of the town bylaws' stipulation that sections of the common drive over 12% be limited to 250 feet in length.

McClure agreed to take the designs back to bring them into compliance.

The plans were continued until the board's meeting next month.

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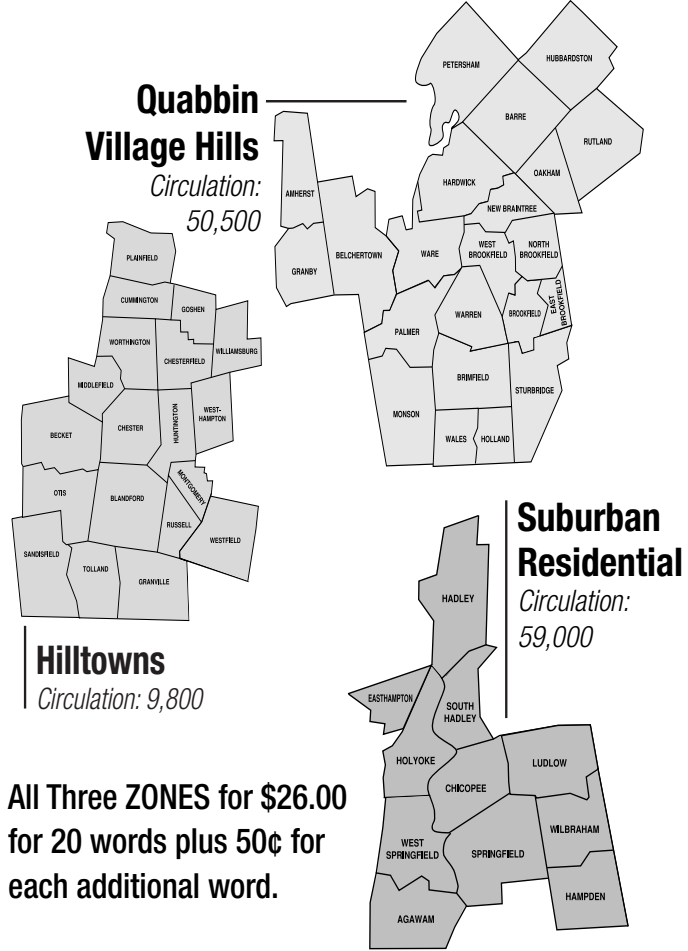
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