

obituary



Turley Photo by Karen A. Lewis

Recipients of the 2024 SEPAC Above and Beyond Awards from the Quabbin Regional School District.

SEPAC from page 1

"We encouraged nominating any and all QRSD staff including, but not limited to teachers, administrators, office managers, custodians, van and bus drivers, related service providers, paraprofessionals, interventionists and tutors," said Ugucioni.

Categories of the awards included Fostering Community, Differentiated Learning, Preparation Under Pressure, Increased Family Engagement, Exceeding Expectations and Making Learning Fun. Surveys were due back at the beginning of May and from there, a list of deserving teachers and staff was created along with special certificate recognitions.

In the case of Mallett, this year she was the recipient of two awards, both were for Exceeding Expectations. Prior to 2024, she received an award last year and one at the end of her first year at Quabbin.

"The best part of my job is building relationships with kids," Mallett said, who was grateful to be recognized. "The students in my classroom are like part of my family, and we are all very close. They are all so unique and each contribute so much in their own way to our classroom community. I love watching them learn how to take care of themselves and each other."

Quabbin seventh grade English teacher Nancee Roy received her second award this year.

"It is quite an honor to be recognized," Roy said, who was first awarded five years ago. "My goal as a teacher is to make connections

with my students and provide them with an environment where they feel safe and supported. When students know that you care about them as a person, they are more likely to take academic risks, which leads to greater success for them."

Recipients find out on the evening of the ceremony who nominated them.

"It is incredibly important for our educators and staff to be recognized especially in this way," said Quabbin Superintendent Colleen Mucha. "Children are complex and while we have data to tell us if students are making academic progress and we receive feedback about our instruction, it can be challenging to know if you're having an impact on the whole child. These awards represent both the academic impact and the personal impact. That's the intersection where the magic happens, and our educators work so hard to make that happen."

Mucha praised the work of SEPAC and encourages all families to check the organization out, as they are all inclusive and supportive to all students and families.

"Our (SEPAC) members are passionate about education and they are here to help families navigate some of the celebratory and challenging moments that may arise," said Mucha. "They strive to break down barriers for students and families with diverse learning needs. It's a great group."

SEPAC offers monthly meetings with a variety of guest speakers covering topics relevant to a wide range of students and their families. Over the current school year, SEPAC has hosted presentations with

Quinsigamond Community College, Q-Drug, Worcester Talking Book Library, Making Opportunities Count (MOC), Quabbin Unified Sports and others.

Those interested have the option to either attend in person or by zoom. Further information can be found on the Quabbin school website at <https://www.qrsd.org/departments/student-services>.

"SEPAC meetings are built around support available for families and the QRSD community," Ugucioni said. "In becoming involved in SEPAC, you will have a direct insight into the district's special education programming. Also, it will provide you with an additional resource group to help your child in the district."

Recipients of the 2024 Above and Beyond Awards include from Ruggles Lane School: Kristi Bliss, Kristi Haupt, Nikki Rice, Emma Madsen, Kristen Perrault, Alex Narkevicius, and Melissa Hobson, who received two awards for Differentiated Learning and Fostering Community; from Oakham Center School: Caroline Ludwig, Cait Foster, Brooke Graves, Chrissy Robillard, Karen Varney, Brianna Biggs and Casandra Stagiagis; from Hubbardston Center School: Carla Medeiros and Debi Tyler; from Hardwick Elementary School: Kylie Wilson and Mary Fleming; and from the middle and/or high school: Mike Groner, Nancee Roy, Melissa Hart, Jesslyn Lapati, Steve Nicora, Beth Olson, Nycole Majka, Shannon Harris, Katie Gaspar, Diane McMorrow and Lizz Mallett, recipient of two awards.

Robert "Bob" K. McLean, 84

WALES – Robert "Bob" K. McLean was born in his grandmother's house in Southbridge, Sept. 26, 1939.

He spent the majority of his childhood years in Wales, graduated from Tantasqua Regional High School and attended UMass Amherst and Quinsigamond College. He served in the U.S. Army from 1963-1965, Nike Air Defense, 4th Missile Battalion 62nd Artillery in Fort Bliss, Texas.

When he was discharged from the army in 1965, his sergeant told him he could apply for unemployment, where he was immediately told there was an opening at Wilton's.

Wilton's became a great point of pride for Bob, and is now a 133 year old business. He has been with the company for 59 years – since 1965 – when it produced knitted athletic uniforms for sports teams.

He bought the company in 1978, and has now owned it for 46 years. It was during his first summer at Wilton's that he met Elaine Konicki, and after knowing each other for just a few months they jumped headfirst into a marriage that has lasted them 58.5 prosperous years together.

Bob always had a lot of love for – and took the best care of – his family. He leaves behind his wife Elaine, daughter Nadina Pendleton of Ware, son Stephen McLean of Lithia, Florida and daughter Abby Wood of East Sandwich, as well as their spouses Brian, Jocelyn

and Tony, and his grandchildren Brian, Cassie, Ellie, Alexis, Hailey, Fen, Finian and Sam. He also leaves behind his sisters, Phyllis Nichols and her husband Roland, and Barbara Comptois, along with several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his mother Marion (Naylor) McLean, father Robert McLean, and sister Marion Eames. He also leaves behind his lifelong friend Roger Felton and a staff of the most dedicated employees who help to run Wilton's.

Bob was happiest on his farm in Wales. He loved spending time hiking in the woods, cultivating the land, walking the beach in Florida, and watching wildlife pass by, especially when accompanied by family.

He was an endless source of wisdom during life's greatest challenges and often reminded us that, "there is nothing new under the sun," and "this too shall pass."

Services have been entrusted to Lombard Funeral Home of Monson. Visiting hours will be held Monday, May 20, 2024, from 4-6 p.m. at the funeral home, burial will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to the Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary or the American Heart Association. For online condolences please visit www.lombardfuneral-home.com



Death notice

McLean, Robert "Bob" K.
Died May 15, 2024
Services May 20, 2024

Ware River News OBITUARY POLICY

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Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

PLANT SALE from page 8

Browse the plants and vendor booths, connect with old friends, visit the Hardwick Historical Society that will be open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. both days, and the 1906 Paige Memorial library which will be open from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. The library is holding an

on-going book sale on their lower level.

Both buildings are located near the common, a short walk from the plant sale venue. Bring your bicycle and tour some of the great riding routes in the east Quabbin area and scenic vistas preserved through the East Quabbin Land Trust such as

the Mandell Hill property located just one mile east of the Hardwick common (the church members will hold your plants for you), and top it all off with a bite to eat at Mimi's Coffee House overlooking the common.

All are welcome. This is a rain or shine event.

public notices

Notice of Public Hearing Planning Board LEGAL NOTICE SP-2024-08

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ware Planning Board, acting as the Special Permit Granting Authority, will hold a Public Hearing on **THURSDAY, June 6, 2024 at 7:05 PM** on the application of Johnny Medeiros for a Special Permit (SP-2024-08) for the use of Residence for a Customary Home Occupation for the online sale of automobiles under section 4.4.F.2, of the Zoning Bylaw, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 40A. Pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, this hearing will be conducted in person and via remote means, in accordance with applicable law. This means that members of the Planning Board as well as members of the public may access this meeting in person, or via virtual means. In person attendance will be held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, 126 Main Street, Town Hall, Ware, MA. It is possible that any or all members of the public body may attend remotely, with in-person attendance consisting of members of the public. The meeting may be accessed remotely via zoom. Go to <https://zoom.us/join> or join by phone. Phone Number: 929-205-6099; Meeting ID: 784 604 1861; Password: 01082.

SITE LOCATION: 146 West Main St. Ware MA. Said premises being further described in deeds recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, Book 14776, Page 112. Property is also identified as Assessor's Parcel # 55-0-29. Zoned: Suburban Residential (SR).

A complete copy of the application can be found at the Town Clerk's office and on the Planning & Community Development Department website under Recent Filings. Anyone interested or wishing to be heard on the application should appear at the time and place designated.

WARE PLANNING BOARD
Kenneth Crosby, Chairman
05/16, 05/23/2024

Hardwick Planning Board
Notice of Public Hearing
Notice is hereby given that the Hardwick Planning Board per Hardwick Zoning Bylaw, Sections 3.2.2.e and 5.0 will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 6:45 PM** at the **Municipal Office Building, 307 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01301**

This Hearing is regarding the application for Site Plan Approval by Kathryn Hosley to add an accessory apartment and three car garage to the residence at 158 Clapp Road, Hardwick. All interested parties are asked to attend.

Interested parties may also view this Legal Notice at <http://masspublicnotices.org>
Hardwick Planning Board
Jenna Garvey, Chair
05/23, 05/30/2024

TOWN OF WARE MASSACHUSETTS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ware Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 6:30 PM** pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. 131 c40. The hearing will include consideration of a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) filed by the Ware Housing Authority, for Buffer Zone activities associated with parking area, driveway, and walkway improvements at the 161 West Street apartment complex in Ware, Massachusetts. Said hearing will be held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall, 126 Main Street, Ware, MA 01082. To view the application and related plans, contact the Conservation office at 413.967.9648.

Pursuant to MGL Chapter 4, Section 13, a copy of this legal notice can be found on the Massachusetts Newspaper Publishers Association's (MNPA) website: <http://masspublicnotices.org>.
05/23/2024

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket Number: 24 SM 001927
ORDER OF NOTICE

To: **Danielle Souza; Christopher Souza**
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq).

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Specialty Underwriting And Residential Finance Trust Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-BC3

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Ware, numbered 5 Crescent Terrace, given by Danielle Souza, Christopher Souza to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Wilmington Finance, Inc., dated April 18, 2006, and recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 8695, Page 44, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act.

If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court

at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **July 1, 2024**, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.
Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on May 17, 2024.
Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
25818
05/23/2024

Hardwick Planning Board
Notice of Public Hearing
Notice is hereby given that the Hardwick Planning Board, acting as Special Permit Granting Authority for the Town of Hardwick, will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM** at the **Municipal Office Building, 307 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01301.**

Pursuant to Hardwick Zoning Bylaw Sections 3.2.6.1-3 and 4.0, this Hearing is regarding the application by Sunrun Installation Services for a Special Permit to install a ground-mounted 11.20KW Photovoltaic Array system at 1167 Lower Road, Hardwick. All interested parties are asked to attend.

Interested parties can also view this Legal Notice at <http://masspublicnotices.org>
Hardwick Planning Board

Jenna Garvey, Chair
05/23, 05/30/2024

Town of Warren Board of Selectmen
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, Sections 3 and 4, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm regarding an application from National Grid to remove fifteen (15) public shade trees located on Cronin Road.

The hearing will be held Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the Selectmen's meeting room 48 High Street, Warren, MA. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated or may submit a letter to the Board of Selectmen before the hearing so that it may be read into the hearing record. Correspondence should be sent to the Board of Selectmen at PO Box 609, Warren, MA, 01083.

Or join the meeting via Zoom at:

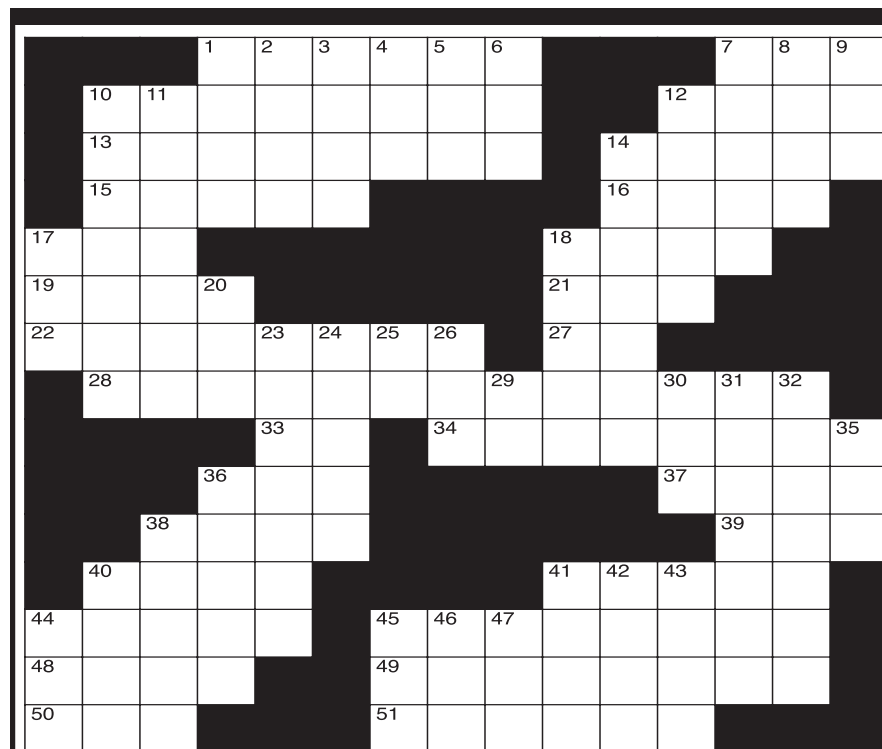
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The list of town trees

designated for removal are as follows: located on Cronin Road located between National Grid utility poles numbered 7 & 8, a 14 inch oak and a 32 inch oak; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 10 & 10-5, a 17 inch oak and a 12 inch birch; located across from National Grid utility pole 17, a 20" locust; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 18 & 19, a 14 inch maple; located between National Grid

utility poles numbered 19 & 20, two 8 inch cherry and a 30 inch maple; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 20 & 21, a 12 inch oak and an 8 inch maple; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 21 & 22, two 36 inch maple; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 22-5 & 23, a 40+ inch oak and a 14 inch pine.

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Please check the accuracy of your legal notice prior to submission (i.e., date, time, spelling). Also, be sure the requested publication date coincides with the purpose of the notice, or as the law demands. Thank you.



CLUES ACROSS

- Lunatic
- Doctor of Education
- Able to make amends
- Tight-knit group
- Gland
- Intestinal pouches
- Fungal spores
- Erstwhile
- Engine additive
- Nasal mucus
- Fit a horse with footwear
- Consumed
- Settle
- Larry and Curly's pal
- Basketball's GOAT
- Exclamation of surprise

CLUES DOWN

- How one feels
- American Nat'l Standards Institute
- Information
- Licensed for

- Keyboard key
- Born of
- Choose to represent
- Small European freshwater fish
- Everyone has their own
- Line from the center of a polygon
- Lebanese city
- Type of watercraft
- A way to twist
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Greek island
- Medical practitioner
- DeGaulle, French President
- Partner to "oohed"

- Atomic #52
- Santa's helper
- Rapper ___ Rule
- Month
- Word formed by rearranging letters
- Nullifies
- Young woman ready to enter society
- Unemployment
- Weight unit
- Formal party
- Computer language
- Residue formula in math
- Duty or responsibility
- Part of (abbr.)
- Time zone
- Body part
- Nucleic acid

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