

# Leah Bradley elected to board of directors

WORCESTER – The Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts announce the election of three new members to its Board of Directors.

Leah M. Bradley of North Brookfield, LCSW, CEO of Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance was one of the newly elected board of directors. The other two were Arthur O. DuBois of Uxbridge, LICSW, MSW, a licensed clinical social worker and Morgan A. Russell of Berlin, Esq., an attorney specializing in child welfare litigation and real estate transactions.

Five current directors were also re-elected to new three-year terms: Diane E. Gould, LICSW, MSW; Lindsay F. Greenfield, MBA; J. Michael Grenon, CIMA; Kathryn Y. Lee, MD and Carole M. Steen, MSA.

“We are thrilled to have both new and returning leaders from across the region helping to guide The Health

Foundation’s initiatives,” said Dr. Amie Shei, President and CEO of The Health Foundation. “The knowledge and dedication of each director allows us to be strategic in responding to the health needs of Central Massachusetts communities and ensures that we are optimizing our investments to improve health, address upstream social drivers of health and advance health equity.”

Bradley has dedicated her career to strengthening social services and housing stability across the region. At Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance, she leads a collaborative response to homelessness that fosters long-term housing stability through prevention, quality services, education and advocacy.



Leah Bradley

“It is an honor to join the Board of The Health Foundation,” said Bradley. “Their investments in the community continue to improve the systems of care for people in our community. I am excited to be

a voice at the table bringing housing expertise to The Health Foundation’s mission of addressing social drivers of health and advancing health equity.”

Bradley holds a Master’s Degree in social work from the University of Connecticut and a Bachelor’s Degree from Worcester State University. The North Brookfield resident has spent over two decades in strategic planning, system change and program development and her experience in housing stability will bring valuable

insight to the board.

The Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts is dedicated to improving the health of those who live or work in Central Massachusetts, with particular emphasis on vulnerable populations and unmet needs. Through its unique and impactful approach to grant making, The Health Foundation supports community-identified health issues, with health defined broadly to include social determinants of health and with a focus on promoting health equity.

As a health conversion foundation launched in 1999 following the sale of the not-for-profit HMO Central Massachusetts Health Care Inc., The Health Foundation’s grants have totaled over \$59 million to more than 230 unique organizations over its history. For more information, people may visit [www.thfcm.org](http://www.thfcm.org).

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of the Select Board Chair, he will ask a Fire Chief to participate. If there is a Fire Chief present, there would not be a need to have someone attend from the consulting firm present.

Municipal Resource Inc. will provide a list of questions to ask the candidates for the Select Board to choose the ones they want to use.

The Select Board voted not only to hold interviews on two different days, but to invite Barre’s Police Chief, Barre’s DPW Superintendent and a Fire

Chief from another town. They voted to hold the interviews on Wednesday, March 12 and Thursday, March 13 beginning at 5:30 p.m. each evening in the Selectmen’s Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Henry Woods Building, 40 West St. The public is welcome to attend the interviews. The interviews would be the only business conducted on these two dates.

Town Administrator Tammy Martin will notify the four candidates and get the interview questions from the consulting firm for the Select Board.

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Oakham Congregation Church where she was church organist. She was a small woman sitting in front of the towering pipes of the Hook organ, but she played with skill and ease. I was surprised to learn she was 82 years old.”

A group of women meet every Wednesday morning at the Barre Congregational Church and sew quilts for disaster victims or needy families. Shirley Lewis cuts the material. Barbara Potter, Kathy Johnson, Fay Flood, Grace Marconi, Lucille Bergin, Ruth Doyle, Judy McCaffrey and Hope Pobst sew the quilts. Olive Tuttle and Joyce Russell tie the layers together. On Feb. 16 Captains Scott and Susan Kelly from Athol Salvation Army received 17 quilts.

## 38 years (March 12, 1987)

Barre resident Gordon Robinson appeared before the Barre Board of Selectmen at their regular meeting on Monday, March 9 to voice his complaints about water runoff on Nicholas Road. Robinson, who lives on Nichols Road raised his driveway three inches higher than the road to keep the snow runoff from flooding his driveway and yard. Apparently, last year Nichols Road was graveled and graded. The end result was a four inch higher road – one inch higher than Robinson’s new driveway. Robinson complained that after having

spent “a couple of thousand dollars” on a home improvement, his driveway was flooded with water after last weekend’s thaw. Selectman Chair Earl Sample suggested that the matter be looked into by James Greenfield of the Highway Department.

The state announced this week that they intend to buy former Pioneer Valley Academy in New Braintree and convert it into a 500-bed medium security prison. The state had advertised for other sites, but only came up with one other site, an old factory in Colrain. Conserve Our Small Town members insisted this does not signal an end to the fight against the prison. At their weekly meeting, COST Steering Committee member Susan Reed said the state would not be able to acquire the site for at least 120 days while it does the feasibility study and the environmental impact study. Reed said it may be as many as nine months before the studies are completed.

Jessica Linda Harding became a United States citizen on Dec. 2, 1986 in Worcester. She was born in Seoul, South Korea on May 5, 1984. A few weeks later she came to live with a loving, caring family, Linda and Dwight Harding of Old Dana Road, Barre and their three other children. Jamie Lisa is 11 years old, Jeffrey Donald Andrew is 9 and Jason Dwight Clayton is 5. Jessica Linda will be 3 in May.

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to make room for more!

With our new set-up we usually collect 3-4 gallons per tree on a good day. When my kids were little they would graph just how much each tree produced!

Don’t let too many days go by before you begin to boil down your sap, though, or it will spoil.

For our evaporator we rigged up a commercial stainless steel pan that fits over a stone outdoor barbecue that came with the property. It has worked out quite well for us.

Whatever you decide to use, be wary of boiling indoors – I have heard horror stories of the sticky steam doing a great job of lifting kitchen wallpaper!

As I recall, my urban sister-in-law once boiled sap down on a gas camp stove out on her deck. We weren’t talking hundreds of gallons here, but just enough to show my nephew how it’s done!

I kept notes from the last time we tapped our trees. Once we had collected 21 gallons of sap to boil down. My husband started with about 15 gallons of sap in the pan and as the water evaporated he added more – there is a careful balance between scorching and adding too much, not easily explained unless you’ve had

the experience and monitored the candy thermometer.

Finish your syrup by no longer adding sap and waiting until the syrup is 7.1 degrees higher than boiling water. Then, syrup can be filtered and stored in sterile containers at 185 degrees or higher for proper seal.

Forty-three gallons of sap are needed to make 1 gallon of syrup. It takes about 7 hours of boiling to get that precious gallon if you use a rectangular pan 2 foot wide by 1 foot deep.

Let these statistics be your guide so that you won’t get in over your head the first time you try it. Nothing is worse than having sap go to waste because you are too darn tired to boil into the late hours of the night.

Nothing is better, however, than the first bite of maple syrup drenched blueberry pancakes the following morning!

*Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For 33 years she has held the position of staff horticulturist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to [pouimette@turley.com](mailto:pouimette@turley.com) with “Gardening Question” in the subject line.*

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to run the position opening in a state COA Newsletter, which is free. The COA has not had any responses for the position. They may also run a display ad or in another local newspaper.

The Select Board will meet next with the Board of Assessors, Board of Health and Parks and Recreation. They still have Cemetery Commission, Conservation

Commission, Board of Appeals and Historical Commission.

### Subcommittee appointments

Select Board member Michael Brunelle said the Quabbin Regional School District Committee needed two Oakham residents to serve on the Regional Agreement and Building Lease Subcommittee. Maribel LaRange, a QRSD Committee member, said Walter Nutter, the other

Oakham committee member would be serving on this subcommittee. The Board selected Clare Hendra to serve as she served on the previous subcommittee. A new resident, who was interested in volunteering, would be asked to be the silent member on the subcommittee.

### Password

Administrative Assistant LaRange asked the board if she should give out the new password to town employ-

ees and committees or put the passwords into the town owned computers herself. Select Board Chair Lucy Tessnau said she preferred to have the Administrative Assistant do it.

The town also now has a guest password separate from the secure town website. A \$172,075 grant will fund the cost to run another cable from the Police Station to the Fobes Memorial Library to Town Hall.

# Public Notices

## Town of Oakham Transfer of On-site Liquor License

The Oakham Board of Selectmen as the Local Licensing Authority will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, March 17, 2025 at 6 p.m.** in the Selectboard Meeting Room, 2 Coldbrook Rd., Oakham, MA pursuant to MA Gen. Laws Chapter 138 § 15A, on the transfer of the Application for licenses; and change of ownership from Golfers Arms, Inc, current owner Garrett Donlin, 1822, Old Turnpike Road, Oakham, MA to Quail Hollow Country Club, 1822 Turnpike Road, Oakham, MA and naming Carl Fitz as Owner/Manager.

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## MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF REAL ESTATE SALE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Bruce S. Bolivar and Brittani A. Beeso to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Freedom Mortgage Corporation, It’s successors and assigns, dated April 19, 2022 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 67451, Page 329, subsequently assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Freedom Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 69229, Page 133, subsequently assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for

Freedom Mortgage Corporation, It’s successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 69818, Page 265, subsequently assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Freedom Mortgage Corporation, It’s successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 69907, Page 189 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on March 13, 2025 at 58 Ruggles Street, Hardwick (Gilbertville), MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

That certain parcel of land in said Village of Wheelwright, being Lot No. 35, Plan Book 77 Plan 8, on a plan of lots of Wheelwright Properties, Inc. and Hardwick Realty Corporation in the village of Wheelwright, drawn by S. G. Atherton, C.E., dated August 9, 1933 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Ruggles Street, which point is distant two hundred (200) feet easterly from intersection of said southerly line of said Ruggles Street and the easterly line of Pine Street, as shown on said plan; thence southerly by land now or formerly of L.H. Ruggles, as shown on said plan two hundred fifty (250) feet to a point; thence turning and running easterly by a line parallel with said southerly line of Ruggles Street by land of Hardwick Realty Corporation one hundred (100) feet to a point

at the southwesterly corner of Lot No. 36 as shown on said plan; thence turning and running northeasterly two hundred fifty (250) feet by said Lot 36 to a point on said southerly line of Ruggles Street, which point is one hundred (100) feet distant from the point of beginning; thence turning and running westerly one hundred (100) feet by said southerly line of Ruggles Street to the point of beginning.

Together with the right to use the sewer with which said premises is now connected which sewer discharges upon land of said Hardwick Realty Corporation lying between the location of the Boston & Main Railroad and Ware River, it being specifically agreed and understood that there is no obligation on the part of the said Hardwick Realty Corporation to maintain the sewerage system.

For title see deed recorded herewith The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney’s fees and costs.

**TERMS OF SALE:** A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee’s attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

Freedom Mortgage Corporation Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys,

ORLANS LAW GROUP PLLC  
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Phone: (781) 790-7800  
23-011198  
02/20, 02/27, 03/06/2025

## Quabbin Regional School District PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING Quabbin Regional School District School Committee

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 71, Section 38N, the Quabbin Regional School District School Committee will hold a Public Hearing regarding the FY26 Budget on **Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Educational Support Center, 872 South Street, Barre, MA 01005. The public is invited to attend in person or via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. Please use the link below to join the presentation directly through Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting: [bit.ly/QuabbinRSDSC](https://bit.ly/QuabbinRSDSC)  
Meeting ID: 840 3950 2276  
Passcode: qNR6R0

A copy of the FY26 budget will be available for review on our website at [www.qrsd.org](http://www.qrsd.org) or at the Educational Support Center, 872 South Street, Barre, MA 01005 after 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2025.

\*\*Pursuant to Section 13 of Chapter 4 (enacted by Chapter 174 of the Acts of 2015, entitled An Act Relative to Electronic Publication of Certain Legal Notices), it is stated that the newspaper is to post on their website and on the MNPA website: [masspublicnotices.org](http://masspublicnotices.org) 02/27, 03/6/2025

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts NOTICE TO COMMERCIAL TIMBER OPERATORS

The Dept. of Conservation & Recreation, Division of Water Supply Protection, is offering for sale standing timber and cordwood located on the Quabbin and Wachusett Reservoirs and Ware River Watershed. For details, contact the Water Supply Protection Division Office on or before March 10, 2025 at 857-274-7090. 02/27/2025



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