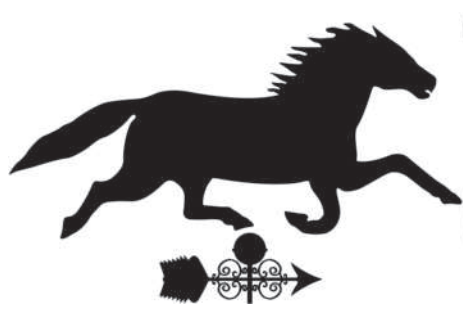




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Thursday, April 4, 2024

Rice Road 40B size issue comes to a head

Public hearing likely extended to June

MILLBURY — Members of the Millbury Board of Appeals challenged developer SJV Development on the height and size of the 17 Rice Road development, which comes in at 192 rental units in four story buildings more than 60 feet high on a slope that is higher than the surrounding neighborhood.

“It could be close to the highest building in town,” noted ZBA member Harold Proodian. “We build schools in town that we don’t go that high.”

While SJV representative James

Venincasa asked what could be done differently to “blunt the height issue,” he stood firm on the number of units and therefore the number of stories to the buildings.

“We are not willing to reduce down the unit count,” Venincasa said, although he said they would consider other changes that the board might suggest.

“We feel as though everything that we’ve provided, does show you that we can make 192 units work..., I don’t see the reason to reduce down

the unit count, if everything works,” Venincasa said. “The state is pushing for affordable housing; density is how you accomplish that.”

Venincasa lauded his company’s contribution to the town and the quality of their other projects in town.

Venincasa asked for a straw poll of the board on the building height and size, and received scattered comments. He discussed whether moving the building closest to abutter Cody Mathieu would help, which several members had mentioned.

Members remained concerned, a concern that one board member said could impact the project.

“That’s two votes very concerned about the height,” board of appeals member Adam Kobel said. “One more person concerned about that height, and you don’t get a waiver.”

Abutter Cody Mathieu has asked the board members to visit his property to view the site and understand the impact of the development on his property. A balloon test, where balloons the height of the proposed building are floated to help viewers visualize the impact, has also been suggested by the board.

Attorney Harold Lane, who

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**Three races contested in
Millbury Town Election**

MILLBURY — This year’s annual town election April 30 will include several contested races for the select board, planning board and school committee.

For the select board, five contestants are running for two seats. Incumbent Katherine McKenna will run again; Francis P. Desimone, Daniel R. Jakes, Nicholas J. Lazzaro and Amy M. Paquette-Riordan are all running as well. Each select board seat is for three years.

A hot race for two seats on the planning board pits former planning board member Terry Burke Doston (who lost to Tony Ngo in 2023) against incumbents Francis P. Desimone and Paul A. Piktelis.

The school committee has two seats up for election; incumbents Christopher Wilbur and Kristen M. Birch are running again, and Sean Michael Cooper is challenging for a seat on the board.

Francis P. Desimone is allowed to run for seats on both the planning board and the select board, but, if elected, can only serve on one of the boards, according to Town Clerk Jayne Davolio.

No one returned nomination papers to run for a one-year seat open on the school committee or for the one-year moderator position. At the town election, voters can write-in candidates for the moderator seat.

For the moderator seat, more than five write-in votes are necessary to be nominated; the top vote getter with more than five votes will be offered the position. If they decline, the issue will come before town meeting May 7.

For other boards, incumbents are the only candidates on the ballots: Jonatham M. Cammuso, is running again for a three-year stint on the board of assessors; John H. Dufresne, is

running again for a three-year stint on the board of health; Carol F. Burke and Keith A. St. Denis are running for three-year seats on the library board of trustees; Alecia Marie Cox Miller and Harold F. Proodian are running for two five-year seats on the re-development authority.

Voters can cast their ballots for the annual town election on Tuesday, April 30 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Millbury Memorial Junior/Senior High School. There are no mail-in ballots or early voting for this election, Voters may request an absentee ballot.

Candidates for contested seats are invited to share a 500-word candidate’s statement to be printed in the Chronicle’s April 25th issue. Statements are due April 19.



Melissa McKeon photo

Bunny bus!

MILLBURY — One Millbury fire truck turned into the Easter Bunny bus for the afternoon on Friday, as the Easter Bunny left the Fire Departments on Elm Street headquarters to make their way around town, traveling all the way to Shoppes at Blackstone Valley.

**Sutton magician sentenced to more than six years
in prison for child pornography offenses**

Defendant regularly performed for young children across New England for over 20 years

Submitted copy

BOSTON — A Sutton man who worked as a magician for over 20 years was sentenced March 28 in federal court in Boston for exploiting children in Cambodia.

Scott Jameson, 47, was sentenced

by U.S. District Court Judge Richard G. Stearns to 78 months in prison to be followed by five years of supervised release. Jameson was also ordered to pay \$20,000 in special assessments. In November 2024, Jameson pleaded guilty to one count of illicit sexual conduct in a

foreign place and one count of transportation of child pornography.

“Scott Jameson thought that by travelling overseas to Cambodia in order to sexually exploit children, he could get away with it. He was wrong,” said Acting United States Attorney Joshua S. Levy. “Sexual

exploitation of children is unconscionable, regardless of where the victims live. Our office works with international authorities regularly to make sure that individuals like Mr. Jameson are held accountable

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TOWN ELECTIONS 2024

Terry Burke Dotson running for Millbury planning board

Terry Burke Dotson has announced her candidacy for the Millbury Planning Board.

Dotson, who has lived in Millbury for 50 years, had several gaps in her residence to serve in the military, the Army National Guard, Air Force Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Corps, Dotson served in the military for 33 years, including service in Afghanistan.

Dotson has served five terms on the planning board; her last term ended in 2023 when she lost a re-election bid to Tony Ngo.

Dotson has an extensive record of service to the

town, serving nine years on the local housing partnership; three years on the water study committee; five years on the fair housing committee; five years on the electro-magnetic fields study committee; six years on the Millbury Youth Commission; six years on the ponds and lakes commission; and six years on the master plan committee. She also served as Millbury's delegate to the Central Mass Regional Planning Commission.

A full profile of each candidate will appear in The Chronicle's April 25 issue, prior to the April 30 election.



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Millbury Candidates Night April 11

MILLBURY — Millbury Candidates Night will be held on Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m. at the Millbury Memorial Junior/Senior High School in the Media Room. Candidates for Town Election will speak and answer questions. For additional information contact Kevin Johnson at 508-865-9802. This event is sponsored by the Millbury Democratic Town Committee.

Editorial policy for endorsement letters

With town election season upon us, The Millbury Sutton Chronicle would like to set forth its policy for endorsement letters. Each letter is limited to 250 words, no photographs. Please place the town and the name of the person being endorsed in the subject line. Email letters to: news@millburysutton.com and/or mmckeon@cherryroad.com. The Millbury Sutton Chronicle will make every effort to include all letters as and when submitted as space allows, and reserves the right to edit letters for grammar, spelling, clarity and inappropriate issues or language.

OPINION

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Your home, your town, your government

by **Melissa McKeon**
The Millbury-Sutton Chronicle

When I bought my first home, I was so wet behind the ears that it pains me now to look back on it: I had to be told that not every town provided public water and sewer; I didn't know until the inspector told us that there was the possibility of lead paint in my suburban Cape; and I didn't know anything about the town where I was buying a home that I might live in for the rest of my life. I had heard that the town's schools generally had a good reputation, but that's as far as it went.

Learning about the town one buys property in now seems to me one of the most important things one can

do. Perhaps because, since buying my own home, I've spent countless hours in select board, school committee and planning and zoning meetings in the Wachusett Region and now, in Millbury and Sutton, and I've learned a thing or two.

Probably most important has been that what these volunteer folks do in their meetings can have a far more profound effect on daily life in your town than most things that happen at a national level.

Financially, they decide, not only how high your taxes will go, but how much you'll pay for water and sewer and trash removal or disposal.

Planning and zoning will decide whether your property ends up next

to a full-scale development or a warehouse. Conservation, just as the word sounds, makes sure the natural resources around you are respected and protected, by builders and everyone else.

Recreation may decide how you spend your weekends and how your children spend their summer days, or how interested they become in sports.

For some of us, the decisions the library trustees make will make or break our experience there, for both leisure time and education.

And on the school committee level, if you have children, they'll decide everything about your child's experience in school, especially things that will make them love or hate school;

things that will encourage or discourage them from pursuing the future they want; things that will help them build a foundation for everything from loving books to building a skyscraper; things that will affect their mental health.

Almost everything you need to know about your town government, and how it can profoundly affect your everyday life, is found at these meetings. Watch a meeting sometime (they're recorded and easy to find). And with the town election coming, think carefully about who serves on these committees and how they run your town.

And if you ever decide to move, watch their meetings before you sign those papers.

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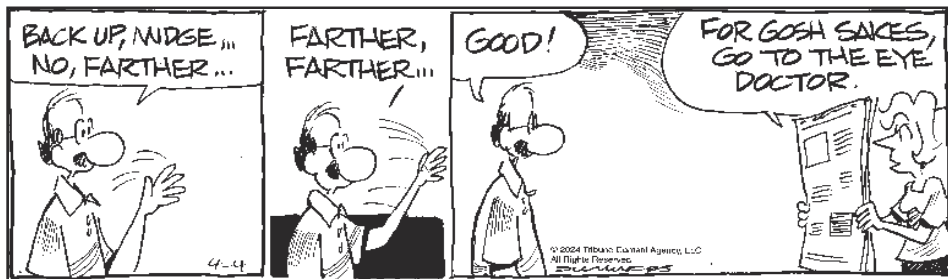
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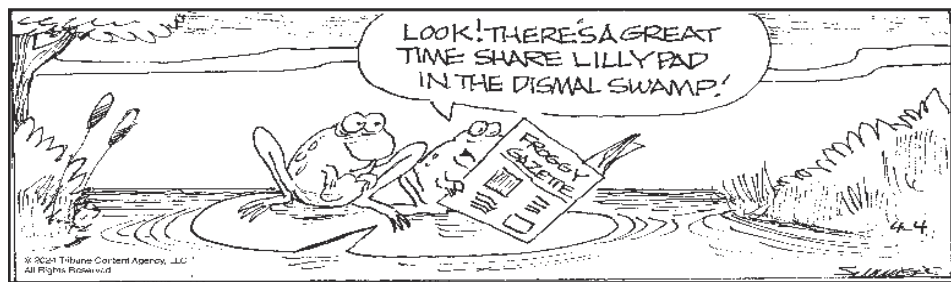
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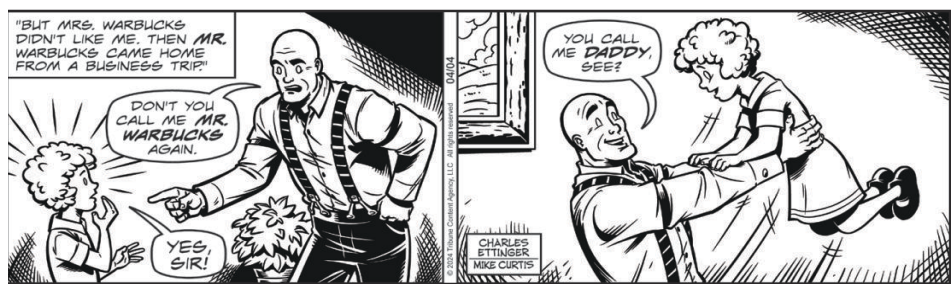
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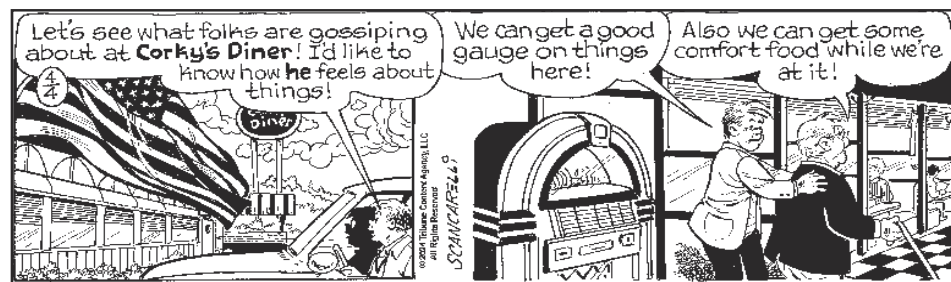
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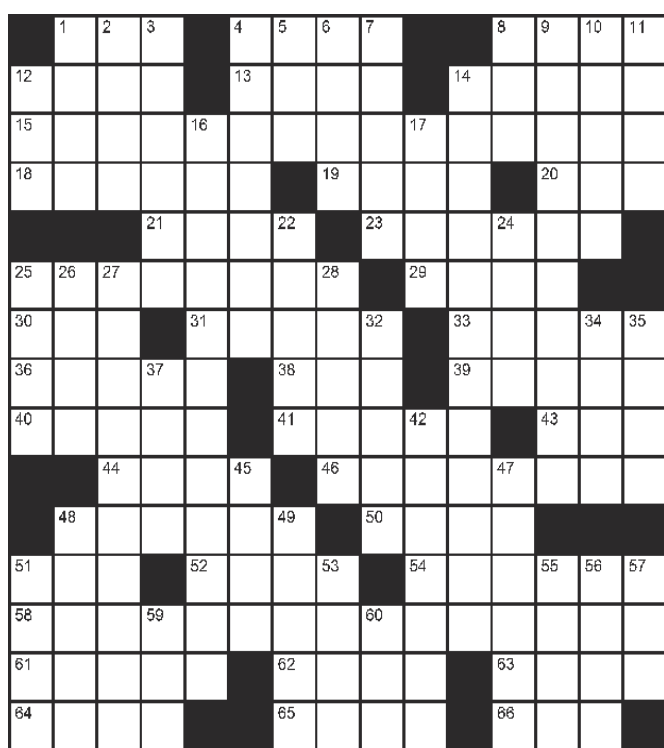
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THE Daily Commuter Puzzle by Stella Zawistowski

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- 1 1980s TV alien
 - 4 Needs to repay
 - 8 Poker counter
 - 12 Purple smoothie berry
 - 13 Tidy
 - 14 Part of a lamp
 - 15 Title for the UK's Catherine: 3 wds.
 - 18 Jewish holy texts
 - 19 Actress Spelling
 - 20 Back muscle, for short
 - 21 Allows
 - 23 Grilling spots
 - 25 Flowers
 - 29 Bay Area sch.
 - 30 Once around a track
 - 31 Details, for short
 - 33 Tests the weight of
 - 36 Starting squad
 - 38 "You ___ My Sunshine"
 - 39 Blood pumper
 - 40 High-IQ group
 - 41 Diameter halves
 - 43 Actress Farrow
 - 44 Takes a chair
 - 46 Temple of the gods
 - 48 Manatee
 - 50 Alliance that includes the U.S.
 - 51 "I've got it!"
 - 52 Jewish wedding dance
 - 54 Led up
 - 58 "Plastic" procedures: 2 wds.
 - 61 Crucifix
 - 62 Maker of soft balls
 - 63 "Would ___ to you?": 2 wds.
 - 64 Camper's shelter
 - 65 Tennis star Steffi
 - 66 One, in German
- DOWN**
- 1 Prefix with -polis
 - 2 Animal's shelter
 - 3 End-of-term exams
 - 4 Like flights with a layover: 2 wds.
 - 5 Film director Anderson
 - 6 "___ of Eden"
 - 7 Bend down
 - 8 "___-ching!"
 - 9 Place to honor legends: 3 wds.
 - 10 Creative flashes
 - 11 Annoying person
 - 12 Germane
 - 14 Versatile baseball player: 2 wds.
 - 16 Contests with checkmate: 2 wds.
 - 17 German Mrs.
 - 22 Smudge
 - 24 "Understood": 2 wds.
 - 25 Explosive sound
 - 26 Past due
 - 27 Legal hunting period: 2 wds.
 - 28 Remnant
 - 32 Family car
 - 34 Group of three
 - 35 Laurel of comedy
 - 37 Biggest continent
 - 42 Extremely annoyed: 3 wds.
 - 45 Schmutz in a chimney
 - 47 Sub or hero
 - 48 Seaside
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Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (04/04/24). Rake in a healthy bundle this year. Realize personal dreams with disciplined plans and actions. A personal transition next summer leads to exciting insights and plans this autumn. Your partnership shifts direction this winter, before springtime practices strengthen your physical performance. Conserve surplus resources.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 9 - Your luck in love improves immensely, with Venus in your sign. Take action for matters of the heart for the next month. You're irresistible.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - Enjoy private productivity. For four weeks, with Venus in Aries, fantasies abound. Discover hidden beauty from the past. Finish old jobs and relax peacefully.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - Today is an 8 - Friends make the world go around. Get public over a month, with Venus in Aries. Social activities benefit your career. Group collaborations thrive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Today is a 9 - Assume authority this month, with Venus in Aries. It's easier to advance your professional agenda. Take on greater leadership. Career advancement is distinctly possible.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is an 8 - Explore and discover new beauty this month, with Venus in Aries. Make travel plans and venture forth. Investigate subjects of curiosity, fascination and passion.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 9 - Generate increasing assets, income and wealth this month, with Venus in Aries. Budget carefully. Invest in family, home and beauty. Divert funds to savings.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is an 8 - Listen to intuition. Collaboration and partnership flower over the next month, with Venus in Aries. Things could get deliciously spicy. Follow your heart.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 9 - Find your rhythm. Move your body this month, with Venus in Aries. Physical action gets results. Your efforts seem energized. Get your heart pumping.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 9 - Creativity and passion fuse. You're especially lucky in love this month, with Venus in Aries. A powerful attraction pulls you toward someone beautiful.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 9 - Beautify your space. Settle into your lovely nest, with Venus in Aries over the next month. Share domestic bliss with family and friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is an 8 - Communication flourishes. Creative arts provide satisfying results, with Venus in Aries for a month. Write, publish and broadcast your messages from the heart.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 9 - Weave your special magic. This month can be especially lucrative, with Venus in Aries. Tend your garden with love for an abundant harvest.

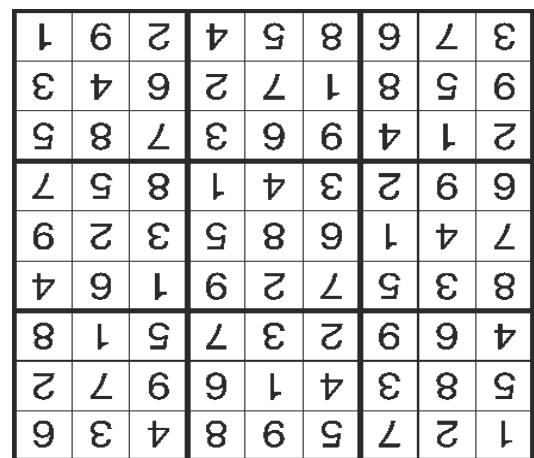
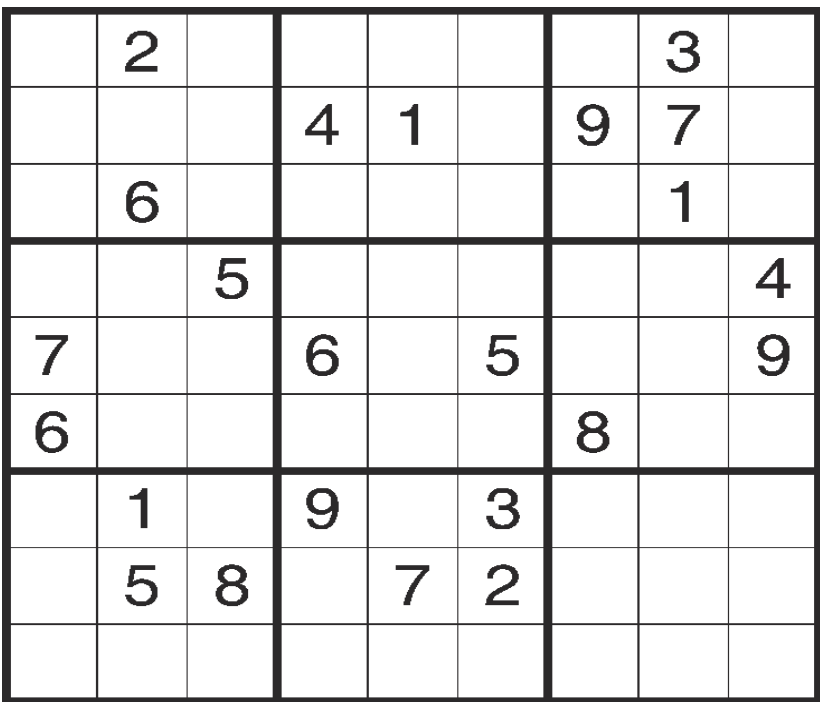
(Astrologer Nancy Black continues her mother Linda Black's legacy horoscopes column. She welcomes comments and questions on Twitter, @LindaCBlack. For more astrological interpretations like today's Gemini horoscope, visit Linda Black Astrology by clicking daily horoscopes, or go to www.nancyblack.com.)

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Solution to Thursday's puzzle

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk

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for their criminal conduct. We will not cease in our efforts to bring individuals who harm children to justice.”

“This predator with a passport traveled halfway around the world and engaged in illicit sexual conduct with a child and then brought back home evidence of that sexual abuse so he could relive it for his own sick gratification,” said Jodi Cohen, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Division. “Child sexual exploitation is abhorrent anywhere it occurs, and the FBI will continue to go after Americans who travel abroad for that purpose. We’re determined to bring them to justice for the damage they’ve done and prevent them from victimizing anyone else’s child.”

In early 2022, Action Pour Les Enfants (APLE), a Cambodian Non-Governmental Organization founded to prevent child sexual abuse and exploitation, contacted federal authorities in the United States to report that Jameson engaged in inappropriate behavior with minors

in Cambodia. An investigation revealed that, while in Cambodia, Jameson would provide gifts and money to children and their families. Children reported that he would visit the pagoda where they lived and sleep in a room with the children.

In September 2022, authorities in the United States were notified that Jameson, a dual citizen of the United States and Ireland, had again traveled from Boston to Cambodia in August 2022. Upon his return to the United States on Oct. 19, 2022, Jameson was stopped at Logan Airport. During a search of his belongings, a video was discovered which he produced during his most recent trip to Cambodia, depicting the genitals of a young boy who was approximately seven years old. Jameson admitted to creating the video and transferring it from his camera to a hard drive that he possessed when he was stopped at Logan Airport. Additionally, Jameson’s laptop revealed that it had been used to view images of child sexual exploitation material.

During a subsequent interview with law enforcement, Jameson stated that he worked as a magician

for over 20 years, regularly performing at libraries and private and family events across New England, usually for children as young as kindergarten age and up to the eighth grade.

Members of the public who have questions, concerns or information regarding this case should call 617-748-3274.

Acting U.S. Attorney Levy and FBI SAC Cohen made the announcement today. Valuable assistance in the investigation was provided by United States Customs and Border Protection, Homeland Security Investigations and the Sutton and Littleton Police Departments. Assistant U.S. Attorney Kristen

M. Noto of the Worcester Branch Office prosecuted the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by the U.S. Attorneys’ Offices and the DOJ’s Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit <https://www.justice.gov/psc>.

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641 HAYWARD ST
MANCHESTER, NH 03103
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TRAPHILL, NC 28685
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BRETT D NIVER
16 CARPENTER ROAD
WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588
2015 SUBARU FORESTER
JF25JAHCSFH545472

WESLEY MCDONAGH
42 BROADWAY 12-559
NEW YORK, NY 10004
2014 AUDI Q7
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CHELSI COLEMAN
121 GATEHOUSE DR EAST
WAREHAM, MA 02538
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BROOKFIELD, MA 01506
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DENISE ROMERO-BAEZ
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WORCESTER, MA 01605
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WBAAZ33463KP79288

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AUBURN, MA 01501
2006 MERCEDES-BENZ R350
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DONALD TAYLOR
1331 MAIN ST APT 3A
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RICHARD STEFANSKI
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2000 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL
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JOANNE ELISABETH AUBUCHONT
3 SWANSON AVE
AUBURN, MA 01501
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Sutton Planning Board
Public Hearing Notice
In accordance with the provisions of Section V.I.L. of the Sutton Zoning Bylaw – Accessory Apartment Special Permit, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the application of Alvin Winant of 52 Leland Hill Road. The applicant proposes to create an 800+/- sf. accessory apartment in an

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existing detached barn at the above location. The hearing will be held on Monday April 22, 2022 at 7:20 P.M. This meeting will be held in person at Town Hall or persons may also attend and participate virtually in the hearing by using the online Zoom application at: <https://zoom.us/join> or via phone at 1-929-205-6099 US (New York) **Meeting ID: 893 8111 7833** **Passcode: 725239**
An electronic file of the application materials can be viewed on the Town’s website at <https://www.suttonma.org> on the Planning Board page.
Robert S. Largess, Chair
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MILLBURY PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Millbury Municipal Code Title 3, Ch. 13.15, the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury, MA, on the application of Blabar Dozak LLC, property located at 115 & 229 West Main Street and 3-4 Burbank Street, Millbury, MA, to consider a major modification of the Notice of Decision for Special Permit, Site Plan Approval, and a Post-Construction Stormwater Management Permit, which was previously granted under Article 1, Section 14.11(a) of the Zoning Bylaws and Title 3, Chapter 13.15 of the Millbury Municipal Code. The Applicant seeks several modifications to the site layout, including, but not limited to, drainage, parking layout, retaining walls, and landscaping.

The application is available for inspection in the Planning Department, Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, during regular business hours. Anyone wishing to be heard on this application should appear at the time and place designated above. Richard Gosselin, Chairman
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Sutton Planning Board

Public Hearing Notice

In accordance with the provisions of the Sutton Zoning Bylaws, Section I.V.C. – Site Plan Review, and Section III A.4 – Table 1 G.3 - Use Special Permit, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the applications submitted by Ranger, Inc. of Sutton, MA for property located at 24 Oakhurst Road owned by Paul Tony, Northbridge, MA. The applicant proposes to construct a 9,600sf contractor building, parking and associated grading at this location.

This hearing is scheduled to take place on April 22, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. This meeting is hybrid and will be held at Sutton Town Hall in the 3rd floor meeting room and individuals may also participate remotely by using the online Zoom application at: <https://zoom.us/join> or via phone at 1-929-205-6099 US and (New York) **Meeting ID: 893 8111 7833** **Passcode: 725239**

A copy of the filing may be viewed at the office of the Town Clerk or by visiting the Planning Board page at <https://www.suttonma.org>.

Robert S. Largess, Jr., Chair
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Classified shoppers aren't desperate... just smart consumers that like to save money.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Hearing Notice
Sutton Planning Board

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, §81T, and the Sutton Subdivision Rules and Regulations, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the application of Alfred Daprato and Martyn Bowden of Sutton, MA. The application proposes to construct a 2-lot subdivision on land owned by the applicants at 18 and 20 Fuller Road.

The hearing will be held on April 22, 2024 at 7:40 P.M. This meeting will be held in person at Town Hall. Persons may also attend and participate virtually in the hearing by using the online Zoom application at: <https://zoom.us/join> or via phone at 1-929-205-6099 US (New York) **Meeting ID: 893 8111 7833** **Passcode: 725239**
A copy of the plan and application can be inspected in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Robert S. Largess Jr., Chair

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT

DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

Docket Number: 24 SM 001128

ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:

Melinda Burgess and Lorie Brigham

Quontic Bank

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Sutton, 59 Armsby Road, given by Lorie Brigham to Quontic Bank, dated April 8, 2022, and recorded in Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 67406, Page 201, 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 5/6/2024 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 3/21/2024.

Attest:
A TRUE COPY
ATTEST:
Deborah J. Patterson
RECORDER
Deborah J. Patterson Recorder

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Qualified buyers don't investigate every ad, just the ones that offer a good deal.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Aaron S. Deans to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for First National Bank of Arizona, dated November 18, 2005 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 37841, Page 160, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First National Bank of Arizona to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for GSA Home Equity Trust 2006-3, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-3, recorded on October 15, 2013, in Book No. 51626, at Page 229

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for First National Bank of Arizona to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the GSA Home Equity Trust 2006-3, Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2006-3, recorded on May 20, 2014, in Book No. 52337, at Page 145

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 5:00 PM on April 29, 2024, on the mortgaged premises located at 46 West Fountain Street, Milford, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

A certain tract or parcel of land situated in Milford, Worcester County, Massachusetts, with the building thereon, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on West Fountain Street at the southeasterly corner of Lot #1, on a plan hereinafter referred to, THENCE N. 14° 49' 06" W, one hundred twenty (120) feet, and bounded westerly by said Lot #1, to a point; THENCE N. 74° 30' 50" E. one hundred forty-eight and 62/100 (148.62) feet, and bounded northerly by Lot #20 on said plan, to a point on a proposed street known as Rose Lane; THENCE S. 02° 48' E. and bounded easterly by said Rose Lane one hundred thirty (130) feet to a point; THENCE by a curve to the right having a radius of 20 feet to a point on the northerly side of West Fountain Street and bounded southeasterly by the intersection of said Rose Lane and West Fountain Street, a distance of Thirty-one and 42/100 (31.42) feet; THENCE S. 87° 12' W, and bounded southerly by said West Fountain Street, one hundred (100) feet to the point of beginning. Meaning and intending to convey and hereby conveying Lot #19 as the same described on a plan entitled "Subdivision of land in Milford, Mass., owned by Anthony P. Deluca, scale 1"= 40'; May 1961, P. McNavin", recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 263, Page 104.

For mortgagor's(s) title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 37841, Page 158.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions,

PUBLIC NOTICE

easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

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

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR GSA HOME EQUITY TRUST 2006-3, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-3
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
22296

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT

DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

ORDER OF NOTICE

23 SM 003701

TO:

KWAKYE DOPOAH DEI

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c.50 § 3901 et seq.:

STEVEN A. ROSS, TRUSTEE OF QS LENDING THREE TRUST

Claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Sutton, numbered 15 Dewitt Road, given by KWAKYE DOPOAH DEI to Steven A. Ross, Trustee of QS LENDING THREE TRUST, dated January 26, 2023, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 68767, Page 254, has filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's 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 04/29/2024 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of non-compliance with the Act.

Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on 3/14/2024.

Attest:
A TRUE COPY
ATTEST:
Deborah J. Patterson
RECORDER

Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder

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MILLBURY POLICE LOG

Saturday, March 23

2:22 a.m. Motor vehicle violation, Worcester Providence Turnpike, arrest: Bruno Clortegui, 17 South Ct., Cherry Valley; operating under the influence of liquor; negligent operation of a motor vehicle

9:02 a.m. Suspicious auto, High St., logged

9:42 a.m. Property returned, Southbridge St., services rendered

12:26 a.m. 911 Accident property damage, Howe Ave., investigated

1:01 p.m. Larceny, Worcester Providence Turnpike, investigated

4:40 p.m. 911 Accident personal injury, Park Hill Ave and SW Cutoff, medical transport

5:22 p.m. Suspicious activity, Howe Ave., patrols advised

6:10 p.m. 911 Larceny, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

10:55 p.m. Commercial burglar alarm, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

Sunday, March 24

6:43 a.m. Protective custody, Dorothy Rd., arrest: Alicia O. Witkowski, 55 Dorothy Rd., Millbury; protective custody (alcohol)

7:44 a.m. Road/trees/tel/elec/wires, Auburn Rd., referred to other agency

8:26 a.m. Road/trees/tel/elec/wires, Auburn Rd., referred to other agency

8:38 a.m. Commercial burglar alarm, unfounded, Worcester Providence Turnpike,

9:50 a.m. Accident property damage, Providence St., investigated

10:02 a.m. Suspicious activity, Elm St., gone on arrival

10:13 a.m. Disabled auto, Sycamore St. and Rte. 146, investigated

3:29 p.m. Suspicious person, Millbury Ave., logged

5:15 p.m. Accident, hit and run, West St., logged

5:23 pm. Disabled auto, Elm St., services rendered

5:48 p.m. Shoplifting, Worcester Providence Turnpike, investigated

7:17 p.m. Road/trees/tel/elec/wires, Worcester Providence Turnpike, referred to other agency

8:02 p.m. Residential burglar alarm, Lincoln Ave., ext., unfounded

Monday, March 25

1:08 a.m. Suspicious activity, W. Main St., services rendered

3:44 a.m. Animal complaint, Herricks Lane, referred to other agency

5:11 a.m. Property found, Main St., logged

5:51 a.m. Commercial burglar alarm, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

6:24 a.m. Commercial burglar alarm, Worcester Providence Turnpike, patrols advised

9:41 a.m. Fraud/cc/larceny, Grafton Rd., investigated

10:07 a.m. Trespassing, Shoppes at Blackstone Valley, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

10:55 a.m. Trespassing, Grafton St., services rendered

1:44 p.m. Property lost, Millbury Ave., investigated

3:17 a.m. Fraud, W. Main St., investigated

3:20 p.m. Property lost, Abbott Place, investigated

3:48 p.m. 911 Accident with property damage, McCracken Rd., arrest: Gene R. Abbascia, 220 Providence Rd., South Grafton; operating under the influence of liquor, second offense; marked lanes violation

4:19 p.m. Suspicious auto, Martin St., logged

5:14 p.m. Larceny, Glover Rd., investigated

Tuesday, March 26

1:54 a.m. Suspicious auto, Riverlin St., services rendered

7:31 a.m. Suspicious auto, Canal St, services rendered

1:27 p.m. Property found, N. Main St., logged

4:55 p.m. Shoplifting, Kohl's, Worcester Providence Turnpike, investigated

9:24 p.m. Well-being check, Elm Ct., services rendered

Wednesday, March 27

1:14 a.m. Suspicious auto, Worcester Providence Turnpike, logged

6:52 p.m. Missing person/juvenile, Oak St., investigated

12:44 p.m. Property found, Millbury Ave, services rendered

2:04 p.m. Disabled auto, N. Main St, referred to other agency

4:45 p.m. Shoplifting, Dick's Sporting Goods, Worcester Providence Turnpike, investigated

4:55 p.m. Suspicious auto, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

9:37 p.m. Accident with property damage, Oak Pond Ave and Westview Ave., investigated

9:43 p.m. Suspicious auto, Miles St., gone on arrival

Thursday, March 28

1:47 a.m. Suspicious auto, Elm St. and Harris Place, logged

5:49 a.m. Motor vehicle violation, Canal St., arrest: Brendan J. Welsh, 1331 Main St., Worcester; operating a motor vehicle with license suspended; no inspection/sticker

7:18 a.m. Accident with property damage, Rte. 140, referred to other agency

8:04 a.m. Runaway, Grafton Rd.

investigated

8:32 a.m. 911 Accident property damage, Bank Hometown, Elm St., investigated

11:35 a.m. Accident with property damage, West St., investigated

5:34 p.m. Harassment, Curve St., logged

Friday, March 29

10:17 a.m. 911 Accident, property damage, Main St, investigated

10:20 a.m. Larceny, Worcester Providence Turnpike, investigated

3:23 a.m. Repossession, Worcester Providence Turnpike, logged

4:45 p.m. 911 Accident with property damage, Main St, investigated

5:34 p.m. Suspicious person, Howe Ave., gone on arrival

6:51 p.m. Commercial burglar alarm, Elm St., unfounded

7:22 p.m. Road/trees/tel/elec/wires, Rte. 146, gone on arrival

7:49 p.m. Accident, property damage, Providence St., logged per request

Arrests are not to be considered convictions. Persons whose names are mentioned in arrest records in these logs may have an acquittal mentioned in these logs upon proof of acquittal.

Millbury Police responded to 26 motor vehicles citations/warnings/investigations, 12 calls and 4 fire assist not otherwise mentioned in this log.

These logs are only a snapshot of the calls logged by the Millbury Police Department; routine area, school and business checks, traffic enforcement duties, court appearances, prisoner transports, follow-up investigations, BOLOs, assistance to other police departments and 911 misdials to which police presence was not necessary have been left out due to space considerations.



SUTTON POLICE LOG

Monday, March 25

6:29 a.m. Motor vehicle accident, car vs. deer, Whitins Rd., services rendered

9:13 a.m. House alarm, Sovereign Heights Rd., accidental/defective alarm

10:25 a.m. Motor vehicle accident, property damage only, Lackey Dam Rd., vehicle towed

11:00 am. Erratic operator, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

2:23 p.m. Disabled motor vehicle, Central Turnpike, services rendered

Tuesday, March 26

2:14 a.m. Suspicious activity, Worcester Providence Turnpike verbal warning

8:25 a.m. House alarm, West Sutton Rd., accidental/defective alarm

7:53 p.m. Motor vehicle accident, hit and run, Whitins Rd., unfounded

8:42 p.m. Disabled motor vehicle, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

Wednesday, March 27

10:26 a.m. 911 Erratic operator, Central Turnpike, unfounded

11:29 a.m. Well-being check, Central Turnpike, services rendered

12:05 p.m. Animal complaints, Worcester Providence Turnpike,

referred to other agency

12:10 p.m. Suspicious activity, Morse Rd., services rendered

4:43 p.m. Civil complaint, Central Turnpike, services rendered

5:36 p.m. Trespassing, Central Turnpike, services rendered

5:49 p.m. House alarm, Central Turnpike, services rendered

6:04 p.m. Disabled motor vehicle, Fuller Rd., services rendered

6:12 p.m. Disabled motor vehicle, Central Turnpike, services rendered

Thursday, March 28

8:55 a.m. Motor vehicle accident, property damage only, Providence Rd., patient refusal

10:00 am. Power outage/wires down, Horne Dr., referred to other agency

1:40 p.m. Suspicious activity, Providence Rd., services rendered

3:02 p.m. Suspicious activity, Uxbridge Rd., investigated

9:04 p.m. Disabled motor vehicle, arrest/citation: Dwayne White, 172 Pine ST., Pawtucket, RI; unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle; possession of Class E drug, two counts

Friday, March 29

11:25 a.m. 911 Suspicious activity, Barnett Rd., investigated

1:26 p.m. Suspicious activity, Ledge ST., services rendered

3:05 p.m. Motor vehicle accident, hit and run, Worcester Providence Turnpike investigated

4:20 p.m. Civil complaint, Central Turnpike services rendered

4:38 p.m. Motor vehicle accident, hit and run, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

7:05 p.m. Motor vehicle off roadway, Putnam Hill Rd. and Central Turnpike, vehicle towed

Saturday, March 30

3:29 a.m. Well-being check, Blackstone St., services rendered

6:09 a.m. Disabled motor vehicle, services rendered

1:37 p.m. Motor vehicle accident, property damage only, Manchaug Rd., services rendered

4:06 p.m. Erratic operator, Boston Rd. and Putnam Hill Rd., investigated

Sunday, March 31

1:09 a.m. House alarm, Ramshorn Rd., investigated

1:55 a.m. Suspicious activity, Putnam Hill Rd., services rendered

1:56 a.m. Suspicious activity, Shaw Farm, services rendered

2:02 a.m. Disturbance, -general, Worcester Providence Turnpike services rendered

7:55 a.m. House alarm, Welsh Rd., accidental/defective alarm

9:46 a.m. tree down, Century Farm Rd., referred to other agency

10:23 a.m. Stolen property/found, Town Farm Rd., services rendered

2:52 p.m. Well-being check, Ledge St., services rendered

2:59 p.m. Motor vehicle accident, personal injury, Joe Jenny, referred to other agency

10:25 p.m. Disabled motor vehicle, Worcester Providence Turnpike, services rendered

Arrests are not convictions. Persons whose names are mentioned in arrest records in these logs may have an acquittal mentioned in these logs upon proof of acquittal.

Sutton Police responded to 55 motor vehicles citations/warnings/investigations, 12 medical calls and 7 fire assists, that were not otherwise mentioned in this log.

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GOINGS ON

11th Annual Art Palette Contest

ValleyCAST, the arts and culture arm of Open Sky Community Services, will be exhibiting the 11th Annual Art Palette Contest at the Spaulding R. Aldrich Heritage Gallery, 50 Douglas Road, Whitinsville, through **April 21**. The Art Palette Contest features the creativity in the community from artists of all ages and abilities. Each artist is challenged to transform an ordinary wooden art palette into a unique work of art that will be displayed together on the gallery walls for all to enjoy.

Hikes with Blackstone Valley Heritage Corridor Trail Ambassadors

The following is a list of hikes in Massachusetts being led by volunteer Trail Ambassador Phil. Phil's hikes begin at 10 a.m. Find event details on our events calendar and the RSVP link.

Midstate Trail Hike – Part 1, Douglas; Saturday, **April 6**, Midstate Trail Hike – Part 2, Douglas; Saturday, **April 20**, Castle Hill Farm Hike, Whitinsville; Saturday, **May 4**, Mendon Town Forest Hike, Mendon; Saturday, **May 18**, Wallis Pond Loop Hike, Douglas; Saturday, **June 1**, Stowe Meadows Hike, Millbury; Saturday, **June 15**, Douglas State Forest Hike, Douglas.

RSVP at: Blackstone HeritageCorridor.org

MILLBURY

Flag painting fundraiser at Millbury First Congregational May 11

Millbury First Congregational Church, 148 West Main Street, Millbury will hold a paint class fundraiser on Saturday, May 11 at 3:00 p.m. Sue Dion will be teaching attendees how to complete an image of the American Flag in the night sky using acrylic paint. Painters will leave class with a patriotic painting ready to display for Memorial Day, Flag Day, Fourth of July, Veterans Day or any time of year. No experience is necessary, beginners welcome. The \$40 fee includes the class and all materials. Sign up at suedionart.com. You may contact Janice Fortin at 508-826-6381 with any questions or to assist with registration.

Spring Flea Market and Craft Fair

First Congregational Church on 148 West Main Street in Millbury is sponsoring a Flea Market and Craft Fair on Saturday, **May 4** from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Anyone wishing to reserve table space, please call Jeri Stead at 508-865-5371. The \$25 inside area consists of a large supper table plus a card table. An outside reservation is \$15 and those chancing the weather need to provide their own table.

“The Kitchen” will be selling coffee and muffins, and at lunch time, hot dogs will be served. There will also be a bakery table and a church

flea market table.

Guys and Dolls at the high school

Guys and Dolls will be playing at the high school Friday, **April 5** at 7 p.m., Saturday **April 6** at 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 7 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 students (anyone under 18), \$10 adults, and are available at the door or online at millburytheater.ludus.com.

Annual Town Election

The annual town election will be held **April 30**, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Millbury Memorial Junior/Senior High School. Nominations have already closed; offices voted upon will include:

- Select Board: two, three-year seats
- Board of Assessors: one, three-year seat
- School Committee: two, three-year seats
- School Committee, one, one-year seat
- Board of Health: one, three-year seat
- Planning Board: two, three-year seats
- Library Trustees: two, three-year seats
- Re-development Authority: two, five-year seats
- Moderator: one, three-year seat

Food Pantries

The following food pantries are available for residents:

Millbury Federated Church, 20 Main St., Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to noon, (508) 865-6274.

Millbury Senior Center, 1 River St., Mondays to Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., (508) 865-9247.

St. Vincent de Paul, St. Brigid's Church, 59 Main St., first Sunday of each month, 12:15 p.m.

Some forms and requirements must be met; emergency need available.

For other locations, call (508) 865-4710

Millbury Senior Center

The Millbury Senior Center has many services for seniors including: SHINE clinic, by phone anytime; podiatry clinic, 3rd Friday of each month; Memory Café, 4th Tuesday of each month. All three require appointments by calling 508-865-9154. Other drop-in activities include: Monday, light exercise, Mahjong, Zumba (starting 9/11); Tuesday, blood pressure clinic, Tai Chi, Cribbage; Wednesday, craft class, line dancing, social bingo; Thursday, yoga, coloring class, Pitch; Friday, shopping, light exercise. Lunch is offered every day. For more information about Senior Center activities, visit <https://www.millbury-ma.gov/senior-center/pages/classes-clinics>.

MILLBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Millbury Public

Library is located at 128 Elm St., (508) 865-1181. The website is www.millburylibrary.org.

Knitting group:

Wednesdays, 10-12

Story time: Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. Fingerplay and sensory playtime. Activities geared to ages 3 to 5, but all ages welcome. No registration required.

Solar Eclipses: Tracking the Shadow of the Moon:

Thursday, April 4 at 6 p.m. Family friendly presentation about solar eclipses and night sky objects that can be seen in the April skies using the library telescope. Presented by the Aldrich Astronomical Society. Sponsored by donations made to the Millbury Public Library.

She Can Do It: Real/Reel Women & Midcentury

Mysteries: Wednesday, April 10 at 6 p.m. Join authors Janet Raye Stevens and Sharon Healy-Yang for a multimedia event about 1940s women in real as well as “reel” life and the books and film that inspired their own 1940s mysteries. Registration required.

Financial Scams: How to Recognize and Avoid Them:

Thursday, April 11 at 6 p.m. Join Andrew Burgoyne from Fidelity Bank for an informative talk about common scams, how to spot them and stay clear of them. Registration required.

Science Heroes —

Saving the Earth Together: Saturday, April 13 at 11 a.m. An adventure about Professor Noble & the Science Heroes who must save their town and the planet from a super polluting mastermind. The audience helps the performer act out the tale. Sponsored by the Mary B. Grogan Grant.

Pokémon: Tuesday, April 16 at 3 p.m. Pokémon Day at the library. Registration is required.

Build a Maze: Wednesday, April 17 at 3 p.m. Help construct a life maze in the library using cardboard and Makedo tools in the Children's Room. Ages 8 to 12. Registration required.

3-D Print Club Special Event: Thursday, April 18, 3 p.m. Bring a canvas bag or t-shirt to create a 3D design using Tinkercad that you can iron on. For all ages. No registration required.

Calling Millbury Gardeners: April 23, 4 p.m. Come help build and maintain the Millbury Public Library's community sensory garden. Learn about the design, share your gardening knowledge, donate a bucket of compost or some plants. Looking for hardy plants that children can smell, touch and taste. Label donated plants. Garden beds will be in some shade but mostly sun. Sensory Garden funded by the Mary B. Grogan Grant and the Friends of the Millbury Public Library.

Book Club for Adults: Monday, April 29 at 4 p.m. Join the director for a

discussion of the novel, “A Life in Parts” by Bryan Cranston.” Registration required.

Epic Tales Writing Group:

Tuesday, April 30 at 6 p.m. For teen writers, Ages 13 to 18. No registration required. Join the group for writing time and support. Writing prompts available. Snacks and drinks allowed.

Seascapes: How to Pastel Paint:

Inspired by Winslow Homer with materials for adults and teens. Award-winning pastel artist Gregory John Maichack will present “Seascapes,” a pastel painting workshop for adults and teens 18+ on Thursday **April 25**, from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

SUTTON

Earth Day cleanup

Mark your calendars for the cleanup **April 6** (rain date **April 7**). Last year, volunteers collected around two tons of trash.

Waters Farm tractor pulls

Waters Farm has a full schedule of tractor pulls right through the fall: **April 14**, May 12, June 9, July 14, August 10 and 11, September 8, October 19 and 20 (Farm Days) and November 10.

History of the devastating 1924 Manchaug Village Fire

Join Christine Watkins of the Sutton Historical Society on **April 18** at Vaillancourt Folk Art, 9 Main Street, Manchaug, to hear about the 1924 fire on its 100th anniversary. Presentation will include photos, newspaper summaries, and eyewitness accounts.

Sutton Garden Club scholarship

Sutton High School students apply through the Guidance Office. Applicants from other high schools should submit a one-page, single-spaced word-processed letter by **April 30**, 2024 and mail it to Sutton Garden Club Scholarship Committee, 78 West Millbury Rd., Sutton, MA 01590.

Sutton Food Pantry

19 Hough Road, next to the Senior Center. Open Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. For questions, or for food assistance, call the Senior Center at (508) 234-0703. All donated items must be within the use-by-date. The pantry is not permitted to give out expired food.

Current needs include paper towels, laundry detergent (regular size), paper towels, hand soap, cooking oil, canned carrots, canned spinach, canned potatoes, brown rice, instant potatoes, canned pears, bottled juice, sugar in a box or plastic container, flour, BBQ sauce, Pop Tarts.

Bottle and Can Drop-Off

There are now three locations in town where redeemable bottles and cans may be dropped off: The Dudley Gendron American Legion post parking lot; Fire Station #3 in Wilkinsonville; and Main Street, Manchaug, across from Manchaug Mills. Proceeds will benefit

veterans' causes.

SUTTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Sutton Public Library is located at 4 Uxbridge Road, (508) 865-8752, www.suttonpubliclibrary.org.

Baby Storytime: Tuesdays 10:30-11 a.m. Join us for songs, rhymes and stories all geared towards babies 6-24 months and their caregivers. No registration required.

Wednesday and Thursday Storytime:

for Ages 1 to 5. 10:30 to 11 a.m. Join us for songs, rhymes, and stories all geared towards small children.

Storytime: Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. For ages 1-5 years old. Enjoy songs, rhymes and stories, all geared towards small children out on the common.

Pirate treasure hunt: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 4-5 p.m.; for ages 8 and up, pre-registration required.

Writing group: Second Thursday of the month, 6 to 7:45 p.m.

Morning yoga: Saturdays, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Sutton Town Hall, 3rd floor meeting room. For adults and teens ages 14 and up, no registration required

Book discussion groups for adults: The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christi Lefteri, Wednesday, **April 17** at 2 p.m. and Thursday, **April 18** at 6 p.m. Books available at the library circulation desk.

Adult crafts: Folded book vase, Tuesday, **April 23** 11:30 a.m. and again at 6:30 p.m.; also on Tuesday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Knots and Thoughts Fiber Club: Wednesday, **April 24** at 6:30 p.m. Come knit, crochet, press felt, cross-stitch, embroider or any other craft you like, Novices welcome.

Introduction to foraging: Thursday, **April 25** at 6 p.m. Learn to identify some common wild edibles in New England and how to prepare and preserve.

Sutton Senior Center

Cribbage, every Wednesday at 1 p.m. Beginners or experienced!

Sutton Serenaders: Every Tuesday, this chorus made up of seniors who rehearse at the Senior Center prepares to visit local nursing homes, senior centers and assisted living facilities. New members always welcome!

The Sutton Town Election will be held **Tuesday, May 28**.

Nomination papers are available for the board, committee or town official listed here: Town Moderator (one seat) 3-year-term (seat currently held by Kenneth Stewart); Select Board (two seats) 3-year-terms (seats currently held by Jonathan Anderson and Jesse Limanek); School Committee (two seats) 3-year-terms (seats currently held by Benjamin Gibbons and Paul Brennan); Planning Board (one seat) 3-year-term (seat currently held by Robert S. Largess, Jr.); Library Trustee (one seat) 3-year-term (seat currently held by Joanne Geneva)

Incumbents listed above have made no statement to the Chronicle regarding whether they will be running for re-election.

Please contact the Town Clerk's office at 508-865-8725 or l.caruso@town.sutton.ma.us with questions.



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EDUCATION

Sutton High Robotics places fifth in competition

WORCESTER — The Sutton High Robotics Team's earned fifth place at the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition in Science and Technology) competition at WPI March 30-31, helping to cement their spot to compete at the New England Championships April 3-6 in Springfield. The team finished second at URI earlier in March. If the team places high enough in the New England Championships, they'll qualify to compete at the national championships in Houston, Texas.

This year's FIRST competitions are music themed; Sutton's robot is named Crescendo.

Other notable items and awards earned by the Sutton team for the season so far are: (at URI) Dean's List Award nominee Nicholas Holbrook, Software Lead and Team Captain; (at WPI) Deans' List Award nominee Ian Lagunowich, Electrical/Chassis Lead and Team Captain, Woodie Flower Award nominee Todd Holbrook, Mentor.

The team is also 100% donor-funded by local businesses supporting STEAM: National Grid, Siemens EDA, DuPont, Avangrid, and Bullard House Pottery. If anyone is interested in supporting the team reference them on the Facebook page so the team can connect them with sponsorship information: <https://www.facebook.com/FIRSTTeam8544>.



Submitted photo



Charles Vaillancourt plays Hercules. April Brown photo



Lila Evans as Aphrodite sang to the audience. April Brown photo

Stories to stage wows with the classics

SUTTON — Stories to Stage, the elementary school production highlighted mythology this year, with student writers and performers as all the familiar figures

from classical mythology was held March 29 at the school.

All student are encouraged to submit their artwork, and all student participating write creative,

original stories inspire, in this case, by classical mythology. with the help of the Green Bean Project, a non-profit organization that specializes in promoting

mental health and social emotional learning through art education, creative curiosity and exploration. The stories have been woven into a full-length musical.

Area BVT Students Earn SkillsUSA Medals at District V Competition

BVT earns total of 36 Gold, 27 Silver, 31 Bronze, and 9 Sweeps

UPTON — Eleven Millbury and Sutton students who attend Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School (BVT) won medals at the SkillsUSA District V competition, held March 13.

MILLBURY Gold: Camden Darrell, CNC 2 Axis Turning Programmer; Mason Diosomito, Mechatronics; Dylan Fleming, Major Appliance Technology; and Jayden Quang, Mechatronics. **Silver:** Jack Kenary, Television (Video) Production. **Bronze:** Nicole Boucher, Health Knowledge Bowl; Wyatt Darrell, Mechatronics; Jonathan Tremblay, Diesel Equipment Technology. **SUTTON Gold:** Caroline Martin, Additive Manufacturing. **Silver:** Alexandra Nunnemacher, Painting & Design Technology. **Bronze:** Benjamin Hicks, Electronics Technology.

During the first of three SkillsUSA competitions, students test their vocational-technical competency by

competing with other trained career and technical education students from six vocational high schools. The competition allows students to demonstrate their vocational-technical education, skills, and knowledge with SkillsUSA employment and trade tests. Successfully demonstrating their knowledge in their career technical area of study, employability skills, and safety. 227 student competitors from BVT proudly claimed 36 gold, 27 silver, 31 bronze medals and swept 9 categories. 68 students will advance from districts to compete amongst the most talented vocational-technical students in the Commonwealth at the SkillsUSA Massachusetts State competition held at BVT in late April. An additional 43 students will go directly to the state competition, and 13 student delegates will represent BVT. The complete list of medalists is available at www.valleytech.k12.ma.us/skillsusa.

Flag painting fundraiser at Millbury First Congregational May 11

MILLBURY — Millbury First Congregational Church, 148 West Main Street, Millbury will hold a paint class fundraiser on Saturday, May 11 at 3:00 p.m. Sue Dion will be teaching attendees how to complete an image of the American Flag in the night sky using acrylic paint. Painters will leave class with a patriotic painting

ready to display for Memorial Day, Flag Day, Fourth of July, Veterans Day or any time of year. No experience is necessary, beginners welcome. The \$40 fee includes the class and all materials. Sign up at suedionart.com. You may contact Janice Fortin at 508-826-6381 with any questions or to assist with registration.

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Baseball and poetry change the life of Sutton writer

by **Melissa McKeon**,
The Millbury Sutton Chronicle

SUTTON — Cheryl Bonin was a social worker for 30 years and now looks back on her career through the lens of a writer: “The kind of writing I did, you couldn’t be creative,” she says. “It was, ‘Just the facts, ma’am.’”

Bonin might not have known the writer inside her but for a life-changing event: a few years ago, she was diagnosed with stage 4 metastatic breast cancer.

As part of her treatment, those who were overseeing her care suggested she find an outlet for her feelings.

“I decided to start writing, because it was cheaper than therapy,” she says.

The writing took the form of poetry and essays.

While Bonin had written in high school (the sort of teenage angst that many teens write), it had been a long time. But it was the beginning of Bonin finding, not just an outlet for a lot of feelings, but an important path. She found a poetry group at Booklover’s Gourmet in Webster and went to her first meeting with one poem. She found the folks there so welcoming and encouraging that she took their advice: “Write more!”

Bonin became involved with poetry events in the Worcester area, and finally submitted a

poem to the Worcester County Poetry Association contest, the Frank O’Hara contest.

The results were staggering to her: “I won first place!”

First prize was a \$25 check. She never cashed it. Now she looks at it as incentive.

That’s the point where two branches of Bonin’s life intersect.

She recalls growing up as the boy her father never had, and for that reason ending up being the one he shared his love of baseball with. She played baseball all the way through school and coached her daughter’s team, shared her love of baseball with her daughter, and experienced as much baseball fun as she could. She visited Cooperstown and met Jerry Remy, and through an event thrown by her husband’s employer, Coca Cola, got to play a little baseball at Fenway and touch the Green Wall.

And naturally, she was thrilled when Polar Park opened.

It was only a matter of time, of course, before Bonin’s love of poetry and her love of baseball intersected.

Last year she heard about the National Baseball Poetry contest taking place, and choosing Polar Park for its venue, no doubt because of the baseball poem of all time written here by Ernest Lawrence Thayer: Casey at the Bat.

Bonin knew she had to enter. She was one of 20 chosen to receive recognition from the contest. Her poem was published on BaseballBard.com, and she received a certificate.

She’s now a member of the organizing committee for the fledgling organization, which is entering its second year.

She encourages all who love baseball and poetry to enter (see sidebar).

But she also encourages teens who may have felt as she did, that they can’t write the kind of rhyming poetry they learn in school: it doesn’t have to be that way, there are no rules.

“Poetry is way more than just Shakespeare or what you learned in high school,” she says.



Cheryl Bonin at Polar Park for its first National Baseball Poetry Contest, where she was honored with a certificate. Submitted photo

Poets are invited to submit their baseball themed poems to a contest connected to the Second Annual National Baseball Poetry Festival. This festival will be held in Worcester, May 3-5, and involves a youth contest and one for adults. Winners must attend the Festival in order to be recognized on Saturday, May 4, 2024.

Fourth to 12th graders and Little Leaguers are eligible for the youth contest. Winners attending the Festival will receive a National Baseball Poetry Festival t-shirt! Winners will include up to 20 elementary school students, 20 middle school students, 20 high school students, and 20 Little Leaguers.

The adult categories include college age and adults. Winners (up to 20 per category—College/University and Adult 18+) will be published on BaseballBard.com (Founder, Mark Sickman), and winners attending the Festival will also receive a National Baseball Poetry Festival t-shirt!

Deadline to submit your poems is noon on April 17. Find all details about the Festival and submission requirements here: <https://baseballpoetryfest.org/>

Drone-naming contest spies a winner

SUTTON — Sutton PD’s own March Madness competition has yielded a winner! The department’s naming contest has chosen EYECU as the name for the new department drone. The contest was the result of Patrolman Donald Lemieux’s efforts. Lemieux enlisted Sutton’s fourth

graders to come up with names to suggest and then canvassed the town’s Facebook page friends to vote for the “Sweet 16” that were chosen as finalists. For motivation, Lemieux offered a prize: the student who suggested the winning name would receive an invitation to the police

station with their family and get a tour. After the tour, Lemieux will go outside and give the winner and their family a demonstration on how the drone works. Winner will also receive a t-shirt and their class will receive a pizza party. The winner came from Heather St. Pierre’s classroom.

Lemieux thanked Sutton elementary school principal Caitlin Paget, 4th grade teachers Karrie Perry, Kari Raffa, Kelly Whittier and Heather St. Pierre, as well as Sutton Police Chief Dennise Towle, Lieutenant Lisa Sullivan, Student Resource Officer Nick Bertone, and Tony’s Pizza.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Waters Farm

SUTTON — The annual Easter Egg Hunt at Waters Farm in Sutton, on Saturday, March 30, hosted by State Senator Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton) and his family was a rousing success. More than 500 families signed up for each session.



Maureen Power of Chepachet, RI, takes a picture of Kim and Myles Smyth with the Easter Bunny just before the egg hunt. Melissa McKeon photo



And they’re off! At the sound of the whistle, hundreds of children were released onto the field at Waters Farm to collect Easter eggs. Melissa McKeon photo

RICE ROAD

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represents several abutters to the project presented a PowerPoint citing many of the issues regularly raised about the project, including its scale in the neighborhood of single-family homes and the nearby railroad crossing which Lane called “unprotected.” Lane also highlighted the distance from the nearest abutter, the property belonging to Cody Mathieu. One part of the development is only 34 feet from the Mathieu

home. The nearest building of the development is up a slope and more than 60 feet high, looming over the Mathieus’ backyard.

Lane encouraged the board to “do the right thing,” and reject the project, likely sending it to the state’s Housing Appeals Committee if SJV appeals the rejection. Providence and Worcester Railroad representative Robert Garland also spoke at the meeting, saying the company was “strongly opposed to expanded use of the Rice Road railroad crossing.”

Garland said the increased traffic also increases the possibility

of accidents such as trains vs. cars and trains versus pedestrians. Garland said the company’s stance was that even one more car across the crossing was unacceptable.

Garland said the crossing is safe currently and maintained according to Federal Railroad Association standards.

In public commentary, Steve Stearns said he recalls gates that were formerly at the crossing, which he said is only 19 feet wide. Stearns said the gates were removed in 1979.

Pansy Sale April 4

MILLBURY — The Millbury Women’s Club is proud to be celebrating its 16th year selling pansies to support Pancreatic Cancer Alliance and its research at the UMass Medical School. MWC members will be on the town common on Thursday, April 4 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., across from the Millbury National Bank. In the event of

inclement weather, the sale will be held at the VFW on South Main Street in Millbury. Pre-orders are available and very much appreciated. Please call Mary Lou Mulhane at 508-865-9831.

Pancreatic Cancer is the 4th leading cause of cancer deaths. For more information visit the website: www.PancreaticAlliance.org

Garland said there is highway crossing program grant money that the town could apply for to install safety equipment at the crossing, such as gates. The board of appeals

has until the end of May to close the public hearing on the project unless the applicant agrees to an extension. The board will discuss extending the public hearing until June.

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