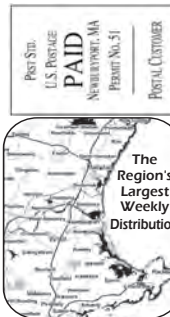


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From left, Board Member and Arlington Police Chief Julie Flaherty, Sgt. John Gavin, Marshal Matthew Simons, Lt. Gregory Whitney, and Vice President of MPAC Executive Board and Bridgewater Police Chief Christopher Delmonte (Photo Courtesy Newburyport Police Department)

Newburyport Police Re-Accreditation

submitted by City Marshal Mathew Simons

Newburyport Police Department NEWBURYPORT - City Marshal Matthew Simons is pleased to share that the Newburyport Police Department has been awarded re-accreditation by the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission (MPAC).

The department received the distinction during MPAC's meeting on June 11 in Marlborough. The department was first accredited in 2003, and this award marks the 8th time Newburyport Police has received re-accreditation.

Accreditation is a self-initiated,

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Newburyport Celebrated Juneteenth with Speeches, Poetry and Song, Organized by the YWCA



Arkida Saiwa wows the Juneteenth crowd at City Hall with her rendition of I Know Where I've Been. From left, Dr. Kenann McKenzie DeFranza, Newburyport High Students Milla Baptiste, state Sen. Bruce Tarr, Newburyport Mayor Sean Reardon, state Rep. Dawne Shand, and YWCA CEO Kate Slater. (Photo by Stewart Lytle)

Salisbury Town Manager Neil Harrington and Barrett Planning Group Work to Finalize Master Plan

SALISBURY - The Town of Salisbury is forging ahead with completion of its Master plan following the Salisbury Planning Board's adoption of Phase 2 last month.

The town has been working with the Barrett Planning Group, a planning and community development firm providing strategic, community-focused solutions across New

England.

With Phase 2 now adopted, the Master Plan moves into its completion phase as Barrett Planning Group prepares the full document incorporating both Phase 1 and Phase 2 recommendations. Once completed, the Town will use the plan as a guide to implementation over the next 10-20 years.

Phase 1 of the Master Plan update, completed in 2022, addressed land use, transportation, economic development, climate resiliency, and community health.

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Todd Newton with daughter Maddy, and store mascot Ollie.

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Georgetown Selectman Sues for Defamation

By Stewart Lytle, Sr. Reporter

GEORGETOWN - SelectBoard member Mike Donahue is suing at least two and possibly three town residents for calling him a "homophobe," which he believes cost him the 2023 election to serve on the school board.

Donahue ran third in the three-candidate race for a seat on the school committee, losing by about 188 votes.

The issue was Donahue's perceived opposition to displaying the Gay Pride flags in the Georgetown Middle School.

He is suing Kimberly Fair for \$50,000 in Salem Superior Court for

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Note/Recap re. Firing of ConCom Agent

In last week's edition we mistakenly printed the word "council" instead of "counsel" in reference to a law firm.

The article concerned the refusal on the part four out of five members of

the Georgetown SelectBoard to review the "process" by which Town Administrator Orlando Pacheco - without prior notification to the board, and apparently in conflict with the town's bylaws - fired the town's conservation agent.

Pacheco engaged an outside law firm to provide him with an opinion regarding his authority to hire and fire. That opinion has not been made public.

The matter has been highlighted by Selectman Mike Donahue who requested to know how the SelectBoard's administrator (their employee) could fire the agent without permission of the board.

The agent, Michele Grenier, was fired after being recorded discussing a matter with a member of the conservation commission in which she stated that she would like to tell the administrator (Pacheco) to do his f...ing job. Pacheco claims, despite repeating - with all letters - the admonishment of him in a termination of employment e-mail he sent to the agent (on a Friday morning when Town Hall was closed), that Grenier's comment about him was not the reason he fired her, rather, he claims she intentionally hid the recording from him. Grenier denies the accusation and her attorney has placed the town on notice for wrongful termination amongst other maltreatments.

Grenier and others have questioned the town administrator's expenditure of taxpayer funds to hire a private law firm - not traditional/respected town counsel - without permission of the SelectBoard, and keeping that opinion private. ♦



Local Business Spotlight: Instant Replays

by Kay Lee Ogden



This week's "spotlight" business is Instant Replays, a sports equipment - gently used - resale shop owned and operated by Todd Newton. Instant Replays is located under the Post Office building in Georgetown, at 64 Central Street. Phone: 978.352.8800.

Summer hours: Tues, Wed, Fri: 10 am - 5 pm Sat: 9am - 2 pm.

'It makes cents,' to shop there, and Todd will save you a ton of \$'s when you shop there, because he specializes in previously owned athletic equipment. He also takes pride in cleaning and sanitizing all items that he buys or trades in! He is also very particular about what he buys! His attitude is: "if you were a customer, would you want to buy it?" Great attitude so other customers realize that he will not buy or sell anything, not worthy of his store, protecting other customers!

Todd opened his business, in 1999, and purchased the business from another Georgetown favorite, Emily Taft, 27 years ago!

Instant Replays has been a favorite of parents and kids

for years, because he sells almost anything you could think of sports related, and his prices are much lower than retail stores, and you don't have to wait when ordering it! Parents love his store because, as the kiddos grow you can trade, buy, or sell, as they grow!!! And his prices are most affordable compared to the big box stores!

"Instant Replays Mascot Ollie." Ollie is a ten-year-old Boston terrier, he will take your shoes for a belly rub!!! Ollie has been treasured by the kids and customers for year. He is entertainment all on his own!

You will also see a picture of Todd's lovely daughter "Maddy," who also helped her father build his business. Now out of college and married, she's all grown up!

Instant Replays offers many brand-named items, in all various sports. Balls, bikes, a ton of gear of athletic equipment including: golf, skating, spikes, padding, every ball you can think of, wrestling, tennis, weight lifting, horse riding, helmets, lacrosse, hockey, snow and cross country skis, cleats ... this is the store that offers everything that you need in gently used equipment!

Todd loves what he does, watching the young children excited about their new choices, they leave happy and ready to play the game, and the parents are happy they have saved so much money! "I have met great people here, and I enjoy, what I do," Todd shared. "Centrally located right next to Crosby's, and tucked below the Post Office and offices, this has become a sort of town fixture, and it is extremely convenient for customers!"

Being in business as long as Todd has, he has an eye, and mind set of what people want and need. When you walk in his store, you are a person, not just a number. "I want my customers to be happy, feel satisfied, and feel like they got a good deal, and want to come back!"

He offers a 4% discount paying with cash and takes credit cards.

All sales are final, but trades are welcome, and he is always willing to make a deal. Remember you'll find the most interesting equipment there, i.e., parachutes for resistance training, and training ladders!

Instant Replays receives excellent reviews on Google, as well as its customers. "To honor all my customers, and new customers, I am offering the best deal ever: mention this story, through September 15th, and receive the following:

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\$10 off from: \$50.00 and up!

Drop in and visit and receive a free nail file (the best file ever) or a free pen!!! Hurry supplies won't last!!!

These articles are written to help inspire people to support our small local businesses, as being a small business is tough, and we need the communities' support! Please shop local!!!! ♦

DEFAMATION SUITS

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"defaming" him. The trial, expected to take at least three days, was set last week for Feb. 17.

In April, he also filed suit against former Georgetown School Committee chair Barbara Linares for an undisclosed sum, claiming he suffered a loss in reputation and other damages as the result of Linares saying he "spewed racism, misogyny (and) homophobia," his suit states.

The first-term selectman is also suing an unidentified person, "John Doe," who spoke in opposition of his candidacy at a school board meeting under the name "Michael Hawke,"

disguised in a large brim hat and a face mask. Linares and others allowed his unusual rant against Donahue in extended remarks. The unidentified man, according to the suit, accused Donahue of being a racist, anti-immigrant and a homophobe.

The Town Common is following these law suits, attended a hearing last week in the Fair case, and will try to interview the principals and the attorneys to keep our readers informed about these lawsuits and the underlying accusations against Donahue, a town official. If you have information on these accusations and election/voting attacks, please feel free to contact us by email at editor@thetowncommon.com. ♦

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Philippa Dunn Exhibits Her Art at Illume - Newburyport



By Stewart Lytle, Sr. Reporter

NEWBURYPORT – From the classroom at the Immaculate Conception School to the art gallery at Illume Bookstore on Market Square, Philippa Dunn brings her natural realistic paintings for all to enjoy.

The latest featured artist at Jen Perry’s Illume, Dunn is inspired by the time she spends by the sea. One of her larger paintings in this exhibition is of a battered and rusted metal buoy floating off the

coast of Maine.

To capture the scene, she paddle-boarded out to Buoy No. 7, fascinated by the sunlight on the water that made it seem it was floating in the ocean with no horizon. Only another buoy can be seen in the water behind.

Originally from the United Kingdom, Dunn was raised in countries across Europe, which helped shape her interests and style of art. Now settled with her family in New England, she teaches art to the stu-

dents of Immaculate Conception School and continues to take art classes and explore her own art.

Curator Elizabeth Loyane (left) and artist Philippa Dunn (Photo by Stewart Lytle)

ism, I create detailed and lifelike artworks that capture moments of joy, awe and inspiration,” she wrote. She invites all “to slow down and be pres-

ent in the space around you.” Dunn’s show will be on exhibit at Illume Books, 10 Market Square, through July. ♦

Local Happenings

Amesbury

- June 25th - Block Party at Heritage Park, Water Street, 5 - 8 pm
- June 27th - City Wide Yard Sale/Sidewalk Sales 8 am. - 3 p.m.
- June 28th: Pancakes at the Pines at Town Park Pines, 8 - 11 am
- June 29th: Line Dancing at Upper Millyard, 6-7 pm
- June 30th: Cruise Night at Gametime Lanes, 5 - 8 pm
- July 2nd: Live Music - Ryan Fitzsimmons @ Upper Millyard 6 - 8 pm
- July 4: Fireworks at Woodsom Farm 5:30- 10pm

Boxford

- June 30th at Noon: **Taco Tuesday** at Council on Aging. Sign up by THURS. JUNE 25th. No exception to late sign-ups.
- Council on Aging, 10 Elm St. 978-887-3591
- July 8th and 22nd: Summer BBQs at noon. **Reservations required** by Thursday the week before the BBQ. Cost of lunch is \$5.00. Council on Aging, 10 Elm St. 978-887-3591

Georgetown

- Summer Reading Programs at the Georgetown Peabody Library through August. We offer summer reading programs to children, teens, and adults!
- You can find more information about the library’s summer reading programs and summer events at our website: www.georgetownpl.org or stop by the library when we are open.
- Please call us at 978-352-5728 if you have any questions.
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Groveland

- Summer Reading Program at the Library**
- Summer means vacation time and more hours for reading. So, get ready to read and chances to win prizes for your efforts.

June marks the beginning of the annual summer reading program at the Langley-Adams Library. And it is for everyone! Adult readers should grab a bingo card on June 29 and start filling it out. Young readers may sign up at the Butterfly Kick-Off program on June 20. Sign-ups will continue over the summer, and the programs will end in August. Enjoy good books and support the many programs organized by our library staff this summer and have fun. Stay informed at langleyadamslib.org.

Haverhill

June 25th at 6 pm: Reverse Engineering an Antique Gown - But- tonwoods Museum, presented by Sarah Walsh & Lisa Neel. 240 Water St, Haverhill. Suggested donation \$20 to "Stitching History" Continued on page 4

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Merrimac

The Town of Merrimac will be hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Day on: June 27, 8 am to 12 pm, 104 Church Street

The event is open to West Newbury residents!

Full carload (25 lbs or gallons) is \$60

Half carload (10 lbs or gallons) is \$40

Quarter carload (3 lbs or gallons) is \$30

Cash or checks (payable to the Town of Merrimac) will be accepted.

If you have specific questions for the event, including specific items accepted at the event, please contact the Merrimac Board of Health at 978-346-4066.

Newburyport

Through Sat. June 27: National Juried Show at the Newburyport Art Association.

The 2026 National Juried Show is on view throughout the Sargent, Hills and Hartson galleries. An opening reception and awards presentation by juror James Stroud, will be held Saturday, June 6th, from 4-6pm with light refreshments and beverages. The event is free and open to the public. For a full list of exhibiting artists and artwork, please visit newburyportart.org. The exhibition coincides with the

Summer Gift Shop, with all members' original artwork in a variety of mediums, for sale under \$200 and no larger than 12" x 18". The Summer Gift Shop is through August 22nd.

New Hours: Wednesday through Sunday from 11:00am-5:00pm. The gallery is handicap accessible. More information, as well as an online gallery is available at newburyportart.org.

Founded in 1948, Newburyport Art, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, is dedicated to promoting and exhibiting members' work and to providing art education and access to the visual arts for the entire community. The gallery and events are free and open to the public.

At the Newburyport Library:

Monday, June 29th at 7 PM: Common Soldier, Uncommon Hero (VIRTUAL). We're thrilled to welcome historian Bruce E. Mowday to our virtual stage! He'll be discussing the common soldier and the condition of American troops at Valley Forge through Joseph Plum Martin and his diary. Virtual registration required.

Thursday, July 2nd at 5:30 PM: Abigail Adams and the Daughters of Liberty (IN PERSON). Join us for a unique blend of first-person performance and multimedia presentation. The year is 1774. Abigail Adams invites a group of women to Plymouth for a "Spinning Bee" at the home of James and Mercy Warren. The audience is part of the meeting where Abigail introduces several of the Revolutionary Women, such as historian and author Mercy Otis Warren,

poet Phillis Wheatly, and patriot Deborah Sampson. Registration required.

Tuesday, July 7th at 5:30 PM: Boston Tea Party History and Tasting (IN PERSON). Travel back to 1773 and experience history through taste! This engaging workshop brings the Boston Tea Party to life with a presentation and a tasting of select teas thrown into Boston Harbor. Registration required.

Rowley

June 27th: Community Greenfest 10 am to 2 pm on the Town Common

The Community Green Fest is free to attend and features 25+ vendors that invite participants of all ages to shop green goods, learn about local sustainability efforts, participate in hands-on activities that encourage green living and environmental awareness, and connect with nature.

At 11:00 am, the Center for Wildlife is sharing a few of their ambassador animals in a family-friendly presentation entitled "Birds of Prey: Our Talon-Ted Friends".

Throughout the day, attendees can visit a variety of educational exhibitors who will have hands-on activities for children and adults alike, including meeting native snakes, creating cyanotype art, crafting with Cape Ann Vernal Pond Team, exploring the impact of pollution on our watersheds with Mass Audubon and Parker River Clean Water Association, and more! Rowley residents will be treated to information on local produce, electric rebates, recycling options, and library services by chatting with representatives from local municipal departments and services.

To compliment all the learning, attendees can than shop a number of sustainable vendors, including local honey, native plants, ecofriendly jewelry, nature-themed children's books, sustainable craft supplies, upcycled kids toys, and more, all while grooving to live music and filling their bellies at the Fat Belly BBQ food truck. Follow Striving for Sustainability on Facebook and Instagram for up-to-date info on all the vendors! Thanks to generous funding from New England BioLabs, the Community Green Fest and its presentations are free to all!

Salisbury

FRI. June 26: 7:15 - 10PM Beach Party Music/Singing at Oceanfront State at the beach - free

SAT. June 27: 7:30 - 10 PM The B Street Bombers Oceanfront Stage at the beach - free

West Newbury

Please join us on Thursday, June 25th at 11:30 am for the Lunch and Learn Speaker Series! Dr. Bobby Kelly will be speaking on substance use awareness, risks and resources—particularly as they relate to older adults and families. A triple-board certified physician in Family Medicine, Addiction Medicine and Preventive Medicine, Dr. Kelly is currently Medical Director of Addictions Treatment Services at Beth Israel Lahey Health. The session will feature a brief presentation followed by discussion, focusing on recognizing substance use concerns, understanding risks (including medication access

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A detached garage at 79 Church St. in West Newbury (Photo courtesy West Newbury Fire Department)

West Newbury 2-Alarm Garage Fire

WEST NEWBURY – Fire Chief Michael Dwyer reports that the West Newbury Fire Department, with assistance from numerous mutual aid partners, extinguished a two-alarm fire in a detached garage on Sunday morning.

At approximately 8:50 a.m. on Sunday, June 21, the West Newbury Fire Department received multiple 911 calls reporting a garage fire at 79 Church St.

Upon arrival, firefighters found a detached garage fully involved in fire, with flames also extending to a vehicle outside the structure. Firefighters immediately began a defensive attack due to the extent of the fire and transmitted a second alarm to bring additional resources to the scene.

During firefighting operations, the garage roof collapsed. Crews continued to operate defensively and were able to quickly knock down the bulk of the fire, bringing the blaze under control at approximately 9:19 a.m.

The fire was confined to the detached garage and vehicle and did not spread to the nearby residence. No

injuries were reported.

Mutual aid was provided at the scene by the Newburyport, Groveland, Newbury, Georgetown, Amesbury and Merrimac Fire Departments. Atlantic Ambulance also responded. Station coverage was provided by the Georgetown, Newbury, Merrimac, Rowley and Boxford Fire Departments.

State Police assigned to the Massachusetts State Fire Marshal's Office responded to assist with the investigation. The West Newbury electrical inspector also responded to the scene. The cause of the fire remains under investigation by the West Newbury Fire Department, the West Newbury Police Department and the State Fire Marshal's Office.

"Thanks to the quick response of our firefighters and mutual aid partners, we were able to contain this fire to the garage and prevent it from spreading to the nearby home," said Chief Dwyer. "We are grateful that no one was injured and appreciate the assistance we received from surrounding departments." ♦

NBT POLICE

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lengthy, and comprehensive evaluation process that Newburyport Police completed in February 2026. This year's accreditation was initiated by Accreditation Manager Lt. Gregory Whitney and Assistant Accreditation Manager Sgt. John Gavin.

Participating departments complete an internal self-review and an external assessment by MPAC experts. The process is a voluntary evaluation by which police departments strive to meet and maintain the top standards of law enforcement. It is considered the best measure for a police department to compare itself against the established best practices around the country and region.

Accreditation is valid for three years and requires agencies to undergo reassessment to maintain their status. Re-accreditation follows a comprehensive on-site assessment conducted by a team of MPAC assessors, who reviewed more than 365 standards.

The Massachusetts Police Accreditation Program consists of 257 mandatory standards as well as 125 optional standards. In order to achieve accreditation status, the department was required to meet all applicable mandatory standards as well as 60% of the optional standards.

These carefully selected standards

reflect critical areas of police management, operations and technical support activities. They cover areas such as Jurisdiction and Mutual Aid, Collection and Preservation of Evidence, Communications, Working Conditions, Crime Analysis, Community Involvement, Financial Management, Internal Affairs, Juvenile Operations, Patrol Administration, Public Information, Records, Training, Traffic, Drug Enforcement and Victim/Witness Assistance.

"Accreditation is one of the tools for law enforcement agencies that shows their commitment to excellence and accountability," said Marshal Simons. "For officers and staff, it reinforces a culture of professionalism and preparedness, and for communities, it provides a confidence that we are dedicated to the highest level of service. I want to thank Lt. Whitney and Sgt. Gavin for their commitment and diligence in ensuring the Newburyport Police Department maintains the highest standards of policing."

MPAC-accredited agencies are required to maintain continuous compliance with established standards and adapt to evolving laws, policies and best practices.

The Newburyport Police Department is one of 121 accredited agencies among the 259 police departments in the MPAC accreditation and certification program. ♦

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Phase 2 focuses on four additional planning areas: housing; natural resources and open space; historic and cultural resources; and community facilities and services. The planning process included an inventory and assessment of existing conditions, identification of key issues and opportunities, and development of goals and implementation actions for each of the four focus areas. Community input gathered through multiple public engagement opportunities helped to inform priorities throughout the process.

"The Phase 2 elements build on the

foundation established in Phase 1 by completing the remaining components of the Master Plan," said Laurel Mire, Community Planner at Barrett Planning Group. "This is a key moment for Salisbury as the Town shapes how future growth, infrastructure needs, and resource protection are aligned. What people can expect moving forward is a continued focus on housing needs, protecting natural and historic resources, and strengthening amenities like the Rail Trail, all grounded in community input."

"Master Plans are critical tools for shaping a community's future, and Salisbury has evolved considerably since its last plan in 2008," said Neil

Harrington, Town Manager for the Town of Salisbury. "The work Barrett has led reflects that evolution and provides a clear vision to help guide the Town's growth and decision-making for years to come."

"Over the past year, the Salisbury community worked to create a vision for its future," said Isabella Sollazzo, Planning Assistant for the Town of Salisbury. "With Barrett's expertise, that vision has been translated into a Master Plan that will help guide the Town over the next decade."

Project materials, including the Phase 2 presentation and supporting documents, are available on the Town's project website. ♦

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August 13th- Merrimack Valley

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DEATH NOTICES

The loss of loved ones in our communities, compiled exclusively for The Town Common by Michelle Leininger.

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MaryBeth Lynes	Salem, MA	-
Craig Edward Klimaseski	Ipswich, MA	Campbell Funeral Home Ipswich, 978-356-3442
Frederick "Joe" Seely	Tewksbury, MA	-
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James R. Troisi	Lynn, MA	-
Thomas Edward Kennedy, III	Haverhill, MA	Driscoll Funeral Home & Cremation Service Haverhill, 978-374-0000
Celeste Christine	Haverhill, MA	-
Surendrabhai Pandya	Haverhill, MA	-
William G. DeMarco	Boxford, MA	Mackey Funeral Home Middleton, 978-774-0033
Nancy Marie (Jennings) Mulligan	Salem, MA	Murphy Funeral Home Salem, MA 978-744-0497
Regina Anne (Robbins) Flynn	Yarmouth, ME	-
Mary Theresa (Farinelli) Hagen	Salem, MA	O'Donnell Creations-Funerals-Celebrations, Salem, 978-744-2350
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NOTICE OF SALE – LAND OF LOW VALUE

Pursuant to an affidavit of land of low value issued by the Department of Revenue, recorded February 3, 2026, at the Essex South District Registry of Deeds in Book 43208, Page 531, in accordance with General Laws Chapter 60, Sections 79 to 80B inclusive, the following parcels of land of low value listed in said affidavit will be offered for sale at public auction on **Thursday, July 16, 2026, at 11:00 A.M. at the Salisbury Town Hall, Colchester Room, 5 Beach Road, Salisbury, MA 01952**, by Christine D. Caron, Treasurer of the Town of Salisbury. The parcels being offered for sale have been taken by the Town of Salisbury for non-payment of the taxes due thereon and are subject to tax title accounts, which have not been redeemed. The Treasurer reserves the right to remove any of these parcels from the auction if the tax titles are redeemed, or for any other reason. These parcels are being sold "As Is". Any individual interested in purchasing any of these parcels should conduct an independent investigation and inspection of the parcels before entering a bid. **The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. The minimum bid amount for each parcel will be announced prior to offering that parcel for sale and may be either higher or lower than the redemption amount listed below.** The successful bidder is required, as a condition of the sale to authorize the Treasurer to record his or her deed, and the successful bidder shall pay the expense of such recording at a cost of **\$155.00** in addition to the respective purchase price and an amount of **\$500.00** for legal services which is included in the redemption amount. All amounts must be paid in cash, bank check or money order **on or before Monday, July 27, 2026**. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, as a condition of the sale, to pay directly to the Collector of Taxes the 2027 real estate tax bill when due. If these amounts are not paid on or before Monday, July 27, 2026, the property will be deeded to the Town of Salisbury as provided by law.

Christine D. Caron
Treasurer of the Town of Salisbury

No.	Property	Redemption Amount
1	Great Meadows, Map 35, Lot 164	\$2,577.77
2	Great Meadows, Map 20 Lot 31	\$7,024.77
3	Forest Rd., Map 21, Lot 83	\$2,799.19
4	Great Meadows, Map 25, Lot 52	\$6,047.10
5	Little River, Map 26, Lot 17	\$5,208.94
6	Woodside, Map 26, Lot 21	\$7,730.48
7	Barberries, Map 27, Lot 67	\$1,378.95
8	Great Meadows, Map 26, Lot 19	\$8,019.33
9	Sheeps Rock, Map 26, Lot 31	\$6,722.84
10	Great Meadows, Map 29, Lot 16	\$9,133.63
11	Great Meadows, Map 26, Lot 30	\$6,102.41
12	Woodside, Map 25, Lot 48	\$8,728.57
13	Great Meadows, Map 26, Lot 39	\$12,600.74
14	Great Meadows, Map 29, Lot 31	\$6,622.84

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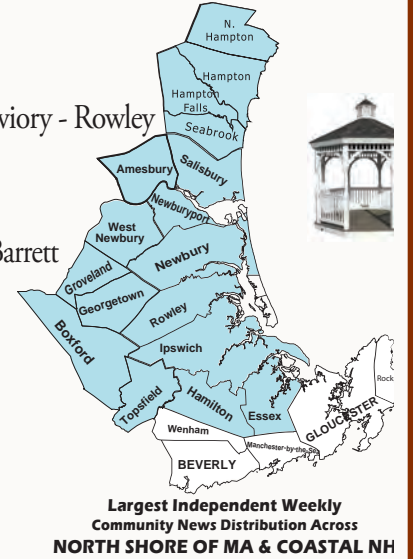
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on the beach.
They wash up

Question:
What looks like half a cat?

of the cat.
The other half

GARDEN NOTE:
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Super Crossword

PUZZLING PERJURY

ACROSS

- 1 Illuminated like quaint old streets
- 7 "Taxi" mechanic
- 12 Shut noisily
- 16 "If u ask me ..."
- 19 Full of mischief
- 20 Dam on the Nile
- 21 Very angry
- 23 What you may feel after doing something very bad
- 25 In a messy way
- 26 Be worthy of
- 27 Feudal sovereign
- 29 Big name in car rental
- 30 Bad-mouth
- 31 Currency in 60-Down
- 32 Hosp. zones
- 33 James of "Gunsmoke"
- 35 Sly plan
- 38 Somewhat
- 42 Shed for watercrafts
- 44 In — terms (not using technical jargon)

- 46 "Fernando" group
- 48 Ballet bend
- 49 Settle the bill
- 50 Bi- x four
- 51 Top 40 DJ
- 53 "My life — open book"
- 55 Clothing supporter
- 59 Smidgens
- 61 Wild West's Wyatt
- 65 North of Iran-Contra
- 66 Decks in a boxing ring
- 67 Mediocre
- 68 Loan shark
- 70 New York Giants legend
- 72 Certain cereal bran
- 74 In a macabre manner
- 75 Down East dweller
- 76 "Night" writer
- 77 PE place
- 79 Allayed
- 80 Wintour of fashion
- 81 Thus far
- 83 Major leaguer, e.g.
- 85 Endure
- 87 Fossil rock
- 89 Debt security

- 90 Biceps locale
- 93 Spiced tea
- 95 Dueling tool
- 96 Close enough to touch
- 100 People tending butting beasts
- 103 Hunger sign
- 105 Et — (and others)
- 106 Banked (on)
- 107 Diner bill
- 109 Gallery stuff
- 111 Get decayed
- 112 Terse confession
- 113 "Hold on just a minute!"
- 117 Planted "pet"
- 119 Nutty holiday dessert
- 122 Commit
- 125 Unsticks, as a sticker
- 126 Fifth wheel?
- 127 Caron of "Lil"
- 128 Letters before esses
- 129 Doing the job
- 130 1941 Oscar winner Mary
- 131 Park board

DOWN

- 1 They may be AWOL
- 2 Old Glory's home
- 3 Very eye-catching
- 4 Pick-me-up
- 5 Atoll part
- 6 E'en if
- 7 Señora, say
- 8 Court great Arthur
- 9 Little branch
- 10 "Citizen" of film
- 11 Trig measure
- 12 Cousin of a custard apple
- 13 "Casablanca" character Ilsa
- 14 ABA mem.
- 15 Med. scan
- 16 "Uncle!"
- 17 Actress McCarthy
- 18 Homeric epic
- 22 "A Bell for —" (1944 novel)
- 24 Hoppy brew
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- 30 Broadband inits.
- 31 Gossipy sort
- 33 Up for debate
- 34 Emu's cousin
- 36 Full of feeling

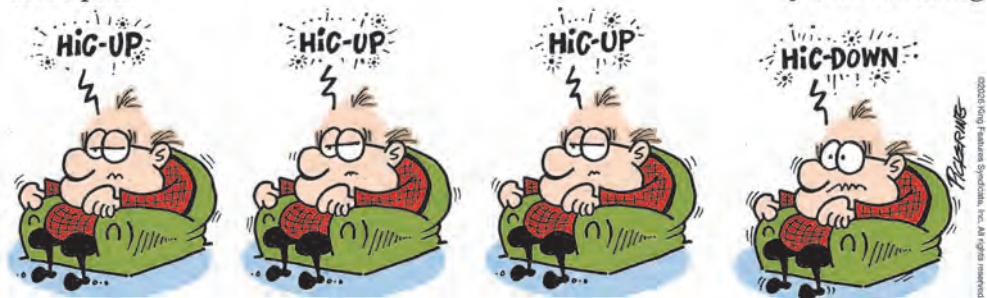
- 37 Bush knife
- 39 Fundraisers with food
- 40 Bridge beam
- 41 "Wipeout" channel
- 43 Et — (and others)
- 45 Descended
- 47 Vowel string
- 52 Color of a forest "carpet"
- 54 Computer system modeled on the human brain
- 55 Punctuation causing pausing
- 56 Fake fat brand
- 57 Wagering everything
- 58 Viscid
- 60 Japan's capital
- 62 Come about
- 63 Find new tenants for
- 64 Marvel superhero Kitty —
- 67 That gal
- 69 "Listen, pal!"
- 71 Threw away
- 73 Donate 10%
- 78 African land
- 82 Galaxy unit
- 83 Supplication
- 84 Hint of color
- 86 Dull hurt
- 88 Tablet extra
- 90 Great-grandfather of Nero
- 91 Certain stag or doe
- 92 Intentions to do evil
- 94 Phishing crime
- 97 TV antennas
- 98 Zagreb locale
- 99 Fedora or fez
- 101 — wave
- 102 — Paulo
- 104 Accumulate
- 108 Raft wood
- 110 Ruby-hued
- 113 Hotel room service, often
- 114 Helpful hints
- 115 Oven output
- 116 Irish money
- 117 Ontario tribe
- 118 Nylons, e.g.
- 120 Intel org.
- 121 Chili holder
- 123 Urban trains
- 124 Whack down

Amber Waves

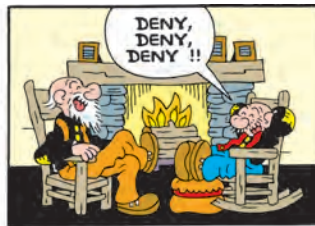
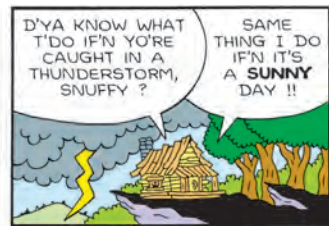
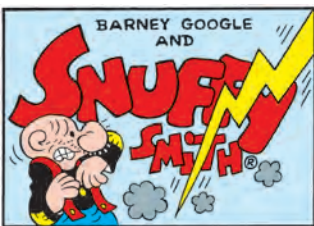


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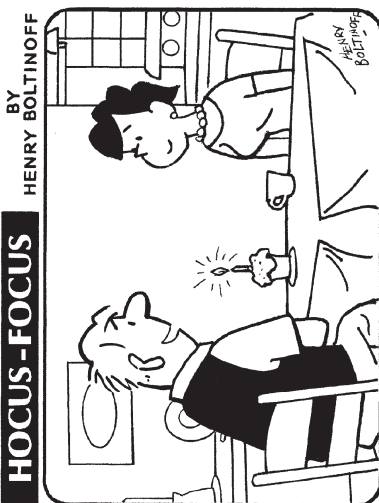
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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Weekly SUDOKU

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6	6	8	6	3	4	1	7	6
9	5	5	9	7	6	4	8	4

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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You are the only person you can
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A barking dog is often more useful
than a sleeping lion.
- Washington Irving

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Coady's Towing Service 139 Marston Street, Lawrence, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell or junk the following vehicles on or after July 16, 2026 starting at 10:00 am by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

- 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe VIN 1GNSKBK2C2FR590784
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- 2018 Chevrolet Traverse VIN 1GNEVFKW0JJ214873
- 2012 Ford Focus VIN 1FAHP3N24CL398994
- 2013 Ford Escape VIN 1FMCU9G9XDUD06661
- 2001 Honda Accord VIN 1GFCG65831A028897
- 2004 Honda Element VIN 5J6YH28534L007336
- 2014 Honda Civic VIN 2HGFB2F52EH529182
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- 2021 Tap Tao Pony VIN L9NT0BAE8M1303474
- 2001 Toyota Sienna VIN 4T3ZF13C41U333252
- 2012 Volkswagen Jetta VIN 3VW1K7AJ2CM345639

Vehicles are being stored at Coady's Towing Service and may be viewed by appointment only.

Signed
Coady's Towing Service

6/24, (7/1), (7/8)

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- 1. 2014 Fiat 500L VIN ZFBCFADH6EZ029638
- 2. 2017 Honda Accord VIN 1HGCR2F06HA197608
- 3. 2012 Toyota RAV4 VIN 2T3YF4DV8CW144698

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6/17, 6/24, (7/1)

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The scholarships, awarded during a heartfelt celebration of academic achievement and community spirit, will support Masco graduates in their pursuit of higher education at colleges, universities, and vocational institutions across the country. Funded by generous contributions from local families, businesses, civic organizations, and alumni, the awards

reflect a longstanding tradition of community investment in the future of its youth.

"We are incredibly proud to support these bright and deserving students as they embark on the next chapter of their educational journey," said Tim Hagan, Treasurer of the Masconomet Regional Scholarship Foundation. "The generosity of our donors and the strength of this community make these scholarships possible each year."

Founded in 1994, the Masconomet Regional Scholarship Foundation has awarded over \$3.8M dollars in scholarships to Masco graduates, honoring both

academic excellence and financial need over the last twenty years.

This year's recipients will attend a wide range of institutions, from small liberal arts colleges to major research universities, with fields of study spanning business, engineering, health sciences, education, the arts, and more.

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