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**— MAYA ANGELOU**

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# Mourning the fallen



*State Representative John Velis (left) speaks of his experiences as a veteran at the ceremony. Cindy Lacoste (right) was the Master of Ceremony for the day.* **(Photo by Peter Currier)**



*Hundreds of people gathered at Parker Memorial Park to watch the Memorial Day ceremony after the parade.* **(Photo by Peter Currier)**

**By PETER CURRIER**
***Correspondent***

WESTFIELD- The city held its annual Memorial Day Parade Monday morning, with 29 groups representing the branches of the military, elected officials, first responders and other public services.

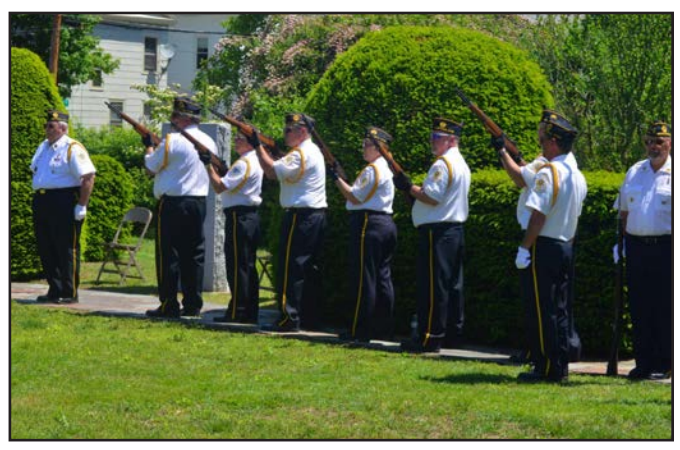
The parade began on North Elm Street near the Mestek property and continued south to their destination at Westfield Middle School. Once there, a ceremony was held across the street at Parker Memorial Park. The ceremony began with remarks from Master of Ceremony Cindy Lacoste, Past Commander of American Legion Post 124 in Westfield. She introduced Westfield High School band member Madison Curbello, who sang the National Anthem.

Paul Nimchick, Post 124 chaplain, delivered the invocation. Nimchick offered a message of not forgetting those who fought and died at home or abroad. Lacoste then spoke about the soldiers who fought and died in Europe in World War Two.

"On June 6, the world will observe the 75th anniversary of the Normandy invasion. Many Americans and citizens around the world will head to France and pay respects to the thousands of allied heroes who gave their lives to liberate a country and a continent," said Lacoste, "We continue to lose heroes everyday in places like Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, and military training accidents and missions around the world."

Lacoste then turned attention to Scott and Ilka Halliday, a Gold Star Family whose son, Christopher, was killed in Afghanistan in March of 2007. The Hallidays took part in the parade and were guests at the front of the ceremony.

What followed was a reading of Gov. Charlie Baker's official Memorial Day Proclamation by Allie Masciadrelli, the Westfield ambassador for Project 351. Project 351 is a program started by former Gov. Deval Patrick that helps young students



*Members of American Legion Post 124 perform a 21 gun salute near the conclusion of the ceremony.* **(Photo by Peter Currier)**

engage in community service.

State Sen. Donald F. Humason was a guest speaker for the event. He told of a recent session of the State Senate during which the senators ceased discussions and stood at their desks while saying out loud the names of those who died serving the country. He reflected on his father-in-law and great-grandfather, who both lost their lives serving in the Army.

"Today is Decoration Day, a day that we honor the fallen," said Humason, "whether we go to the cemeteries to place flowers, or to keep a good wish in our heart."

Mayor Brian P. Sullivan followed Humason as a guest speaker. Sullivan gave his thanks to those who serve in either

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# Russell Finance Committee to host forum June 1

**By AMY PORTER**
***Correspondent***

RUSSELL – Ruth Kennedy, chairman of the Russell Finance Committee has announced a town forum to be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 1 at Russell Town Hall.

The purpose of the forum will be to answer questions ahead of the Annual Town Meeting to be held on June 10.

Kennedy said the Finance Committee will have informational handouts for residents that Committee members will be prepared to explain. She said this year has been confusing because of the two different assessment methods for the Gateway Regional School District, the statutory or traditional method of assessment, and the alternative assessment which was voted for last year by all six towns, a requirement for passage. The statutory method of assessment requires support of four of the six towns for passage.

The statutory assessment bases the amount that each town must pay on the town census of students in the schools as of March 1. The alternative assessment ties each town to the same percentage increase as in the school budget, which is 1.97% for FY20. The reason the towns voted for the alternative assessment last year was to try to avoid the swings in assessments caused by the movement of a relatively few number of students into or out of each town.

Kennedy said this year, the town of Montgomery voted down the alternative assessment at their town meeting, which means the towns must revert to the statutory method. She said the Finance Committee was going to recommend a no vote on the alternative assessment, and a yes vote on the statutory assessment, before the Montgomery vote. She said this year and last year combined, Russell would have paid $300,000 more to the district in the alternative assessment than in the statutory assessment. She said under the statutory assessment this year, the increase for Gateway in the budget is $21,000 over last year.

Under the statutory assessment, Kennedy said they do not have to raise taxes. Under the alternative assessment, the tax increase would be



*Russell Finance Committee Chairman Ruth Kennedy.* **(WNG File Photo)**

approximately $1.40, she said, which the townspeople can't afford.

"We had no choice, we didn't have the money to cover it," Kennedy said about the Finance Committee's reason for not recommending the alternative assessment this year. However, she said, even if they had supported it, Montgomery's vote would have ended it for FY20.

One item the Finance committee is recommending is $180,000 for a new truck and snow plow for the Highway Dept., which they hope to pay for in installments. She said the old truck is now worth only $12,000 in trade-in value, and next year will have no value at all.

The Finance Committee is also recommending increasing the salary line in the Police Department., to allow for full-time hours over the summer. Kennedy said the town has a problem with people coming to town, parking anywhere and partying by the river, where they also swim in undesignated areas and leave trash behind. She said between the Russell Police Department and the State Police, they are cracking down on such activities, and allowing people who are traveling to stop for lunch instead, which she said they couldn't do before.

Kennedy said the auction of Strathmore Mill #2 was disappointing, because the $15,000 sale price did not cover $70,000 in back taxes that will now have to be written off. She said the sale is not finalized, but she is hopeful the buyer will invest in cleaning up the property, which is a Brownfields site, and make something happen. "My fingers are crossed," Kennedy said.

# Resources abound for those struggling with addiction

**By LORI SZEPELAK**
***Correspondent***

RUSSELL-Baystate Noble Hospital's community awareness day on the opioid crisis had a twofold mission – educate area residents on the local resources available and build relationships among like-minded organizations.

The free event, Overcoming Obstacles of the Opioid Epidemic, was conducted Saturday afternoon at Strathmore Park and was well attended, according to organizers.

"Through today's event, we are building on the relationships we already have with local organizations," said Tracy Clapp, BSN, RN manager and educator with Baystate Noble's case management department. Clapp added the hospital is committed to building partnerships to prevent and treat opioid addiction and related substance abuse throughout the region.

Michael Mansur of Westfield, who is a co-facilitator of the Alternatives to Suicide group that meets at the Episcopal Church of the Atonement in Westfield, echoed those sentiments.

"After six suicide attempts I was lucky I found the help I needed and now want to pay it forward," said Mansur.

The peer-run group, sponsored by



*Jennifer Panniello of Montgomery writes a message on a feather for the Wings of Hope memorial at Baystate Noble Hospital's community awareness day on the opioid epidemic on May 25. Panniello is a nurse in the hospital's emergency department.*

the Western Mass Recovery Learning Community, is by and for people who have struggled with suicidal thoughts or attempts. Mansur noted the gathering space on the church's third floor on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. allows people to come together to support each other, strategize alternatives, and talk openly about their despair and other challenges.

"People showed me how to save my life," said Mansur. "The group wants to help people with no judgment."

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***Lourdes Velez of Chicopee receives a packet of information during Baystate Noble Hospital's community awareness day on the opioid epidemic. Rosa Feldman, MSN, RN, director of the hospital's inpatient care services, and Tracy Clapp, BSN, RN manager and educator of the hospital's case management department, review the packet's contents.***

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*Huntington residents gather on the green Monday for Memorial Day ceremonies.*



*Members of the Huntington Fire Department lead the Memorial Day parade Monday morning.*

## *Huntington Memorial Day Services*

**PHOTOS BY MARC ST.ONGE**

## 22 STORM TEAM NEWS LOCAL FORECAST

**TONIGHT**



Showers & T-storms

48-49

| WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY |
|---|---|
|  |  |
| Partly Sunny. | Mostly Cloudy. |
| 68-71 | 71-74 |

Today, Showers, High near 59. Tonight, showers and possibly a thunderstorm before 11pm, then scattered showers. Some of the storms could produce heavy rain. Patchy fog before 9pm. Low around 48. Wednesday Partly sunny, with a high near 71. Wednesday Night, a chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 55. Thursday A chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 74. Thursday Night, showers likely, mainly before 1am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 57.

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| 5:21 AM | 8:18 PM | 14 hours 56 Minutes |
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## ODDS & ENDS

# Road closes when bee boxes fall off university truck

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Traffic was disrupted in a Washington state city when boxes holding thousands of bees fell off a truck.

The Moscow-Pullman Daily News reports the boxes fell off a Washington State University truck on Thursday morning in Pullman.

Pullman police took a call on the accident shortly after 7:30 a.m.

Police Chief Gary Jenkins says an officer at the scene described thousands of bees buzzing through the air while university employees put on protective gear and picked up the boxes.

A road was closed until just before 10 a.m.

The WSU Department of Entomology has a breeding program and research lab to study and protect bee populations.

## LOCAL LOTTERY

**LAST NIGHT'S NUMBERS**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**Lucky For Life**
15-37-43-46-47, Lucky Ball: 10
**MassCash**
15-18-29-30-33
**Mega Millions**
Estimated jackpot: $418 million
**Numbers Evening** 6-5-9-0
**Numbers Midday** 5-4-1-0
**Powerball**
Estimated jackpot: $325 million

THE LOTTERY

**CONNECTICUT**

**Cash 5**
07-09-14-15-23
**Lucky For Life**
15-37-43-46-47, Lucky Ball: 10
**Lucky Links Day**
01-05-08-09-11-16-19-21
**Lucky Links Night**
01-04-05-09-12-14-19-20
**Play3 Day** 7-0-5
**Play3 Night** 1-5-9
**Play4 Day** 4-5-9-2
**Play4 Night** 8-6-7-2

## TODAY IN HISTORY

**TODAY IS TUESDAY, MAY 28, THE 148TH DAY OF 2019. THERE ARE 217 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR.**

On May 28, 1977, 165 people were killed when fire raced through the Beverly Hills Supper Club in Southgate, Kentucky.

### ON THIS DATE:

In 1533, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Thomas Cranmer, declared the marriage of England's King Henry VIII to Anne Boleyn valid.

In 1863, the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment, made up of freed blacks, left Boston to fight for the Union in the Civil War.

In 1892, the Sierra Club was organized in San Francisco.

In 1912, the Senate Commerce Committee issued its report on the Titanic disaster that cited a "state of absolute unpreparedness," improperly tested safety equipment and an "indifference to danger" as some of the causes of an "unnecessary tragedy."

In 1918, American troops fought their first major battle during World War I as they launched an offensive against the German-held French village of Cantigny (kahn-tee-NYEE'); the Americans succeeded in capturing the village.

In 1929, the first all-color talking picture, "On with the Show!" produced by Warner Bros., opened in New York.

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt pushed a button in Washington signaling that vehicular traffic could begin crossing the just-opened Golden Gate Bridge in California. Neville Chamberlain became prime minister of Britain. In Nazi Germany, Volkswagen was founded by the German Labour Front.

In 1940, during World War II, the Belgian army surrendered to invading German forces.

In 1957, National League owners gave permission for the Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Giants to move to Los Angeles and San Francisco.

In 1964, the charter of the Palestine Liberation Organization was issued at the start of a meeting of the Palestine National Congress in Jerusalem.

In 1972, Edward, The Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the English throne to marry Wallis Warfield Simpson, died in Paris at age 77.

In 1987, to the embarrassment of Soviet officials, Mathias Rust, a young West German pilot, landed a private plane in Moscow's Red Square without authorization. (Rust was freed by the Soviets the following year.)

### TEN YEARS AGO:

A white New York City police officer killed an off-duty black colleague in a friendly fire incident in East Harlem. (A grand jury declined to indict Officer Andrew Dunton in the shooting of Officer Omar Edwards, who had drawn his gun and was chasing a man who had broken into his car.) Kavya Shivashankar, a 13-year-old girl from Kansas, spelled "Laodicean" (lukewarm or indifferent in religion or politics) to win the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

### FIVE YEARS AGO:

Seeking to redefine America's foreign policy for a post-war era, President Barack Obama told West Point graduates the United States remained the only nation with the capacity to lead on the world stage but argued it would be a mistake to channel that power into unrestrained military adventures. Maya Angelou, 86, a Renaissance woman who survived the harshest of childhoods to become a force on stage, screen and the printed page, died in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

### ONE YEAR AGO:

Speaking before an audience of Cabinet members, military leaders, veterans and families, President Donald Trump paid a Memorial Day tribute at Arlington National Cemetery, saying he came to honor "America's greatest heroes." The Golden State Warriors reached the NBA Finals with a win over the Houston Rockets; it was the fourth straight year the Warriors would meet the Cleveland Cavaliers in the finals.

### TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:

Actress Carroll Baker is 88. Producer-director Irwin Winkler is 88. Actor John Karlen is 86. Basketball Hall of Famer Jerry West is 81. Former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani is 75. Singer Gladys Knight is 75. Singer Billy Vera is 75. Singer John Fogerty (Creedance Clearwater Revival) is 74. Country musician Jerry Douglas is 63. Actor Louis Mustillo is 61. Former governor and U.S. Rep. Mark Sanford, R-S.C.., is 59. Actor Brandon Cruz (TV: "The Courtship of Eddie's Father") is 57. Country singer Phil Vassar is 55. Actress Christa Miller is 55. Singer-musician Chris Ballew (Presidents of the USA) is 54. Rapper Chubb Rock is 51. Singer Kylie Minogue (KY'-lee mihn-OHG') is 51. Actor Justin Kirk is 50. Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., is 48. Olympic gold medal figure skater Ekaterina Gordeeva is 48. Television personality Elisabeth Hasselbeck is 42. R&B singer Jaheim is 42. Actor Jake Johnson is 41. Actor Jesse Bradford is 40. Actress Monica Keena is 40. Actress Alexa Davalos is 37. Actress Megalyn Echikunwoke is 37. Pop singer Colbie Caillat is 34. Actress Carey Mulligan is 34. Actor Joseph Cross is 33.




*The Gateway Regional High School marching band makes its way down Russell's Main Street Monday, Memorial Day.*

# *Russell Memorial Day ceremonies*



*Flags wave as the parade passes by.*



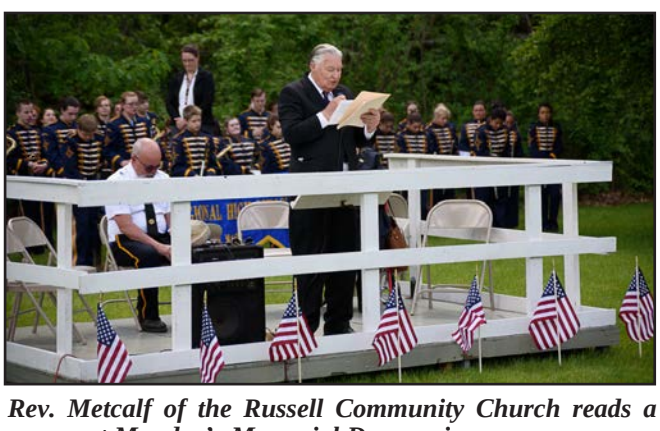
*Members of the Russell Fire Department in the parade.*



*The parade passes through Russell cemetery.*




*Local veterans Victor Desabrais and George Hallock after placing a wreath at Russell's Veterans Memorial.*



*Rev. Metcalf of the Russell Community Church reads a prayer at Monday's Memorial Day service.*

**PHOTOS BY MARC ST.ONGE**

## GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

### TUESDAY, MAY 28

**BLANDFORD:**
Selectboard Meeting at 7 pm

**TOLLAND:**
Board of Assessors at 10 am

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

**BLANDFORD:**
Fire Department Meeting at 7 pm

## Roman Catholic diocese suspends priest accused of misconduct

FALL RIVER, Mass. (AP) — A Roman Catholic diocese in Massachusetts says a longtime priest has been suspended amid an allegation of sexual misconduct.

The Herald News reports that Fall River Bishop Edgar Moreira da Cunha said in an email Sunday that Father Bruce Neylon, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, was removed from active ministry.

Da Cunha said an individual claimed Neylon had sexual contact with him on numerous occasions in the early 1980s, when the victim was aged 14 or 15. He said the victim was not a member of the parish to which Neylon was assigned at the time and the alleged abuse did not occur on church property.

Neylon has denied the allegation.

Da Cunha called the allegation "credible" and said the case was referred to the Bristol County District Attorney's office.

## Massachusetts speaker: No facial recognition at Statehouse

BOSTON (AP) — House Speaker Robert DeLeo is assuring visitors to the Massachusetts Statehouse they're not being subjected to facial recognition.

In a written statement, the Winthrop Democrat says: "There is no such technology used at the State House."

The comment was part of a longer statement DeLeo's office sent out late Thursday in response to students who had gathered at the Statehouse for several days to protest higher education costs.

One of the protesters said he was told by an unnamed official that the Statehouse uses facial recognition to match the faces of people who walk through public entrances with law enforcement databases.

DeLeo denies the use of facial recognition at the Statehouse.

The Statehouse has been ramping up security, recently adding additional security cameras throughout the building.

## Police: Suspect used meat cleaver in gas station robbery

STOUGHTON, Mass. (AP) — Police in Massachusetts are looking for a man they say used a meat cleaver to rob a gas station over the weekend.

Stoughton police on Facebook said a thin white man dressed all in black, including a mask and gloves, rode a bike to the Shell gas station's convenience store at about 1 a.m. Sunday.

The man brandished a meat cleaver, chased the clerk behind the counter and forced the worker to empty the cash register.

The suspect left with the cash and rode away on the bicycle.

Police used a dog to look for the suspect but were unable to locate him. He's described as a white male with a thin build, about 5-feet, 10-inches to 6-feet tall.

## Resources

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Alternative treatments were also well addressed at the event, including licensed holistic esthetician Christine Sgambati of The Longmeadow Salon offering hands-on Integrated Energy Therapy treatments, and Michelle A. McCarthy of West Springfield, a DoTerra wellness consultant, explaining the benefits of essential oils to overcome addictive behaviors.

"Certified therapeutic grade essential oils can help someone become empowered to heal and help themselves," said McCarthy. "I can say with confidence, 'Yes, there's an oil for that.'"

McCarthy's display included a variety of essential oils, ranging from bergamot which is used for all addictions as well as a way to break a relapse cycle, to orange which is a strong antidepressant.

Among the many highlights of the afternoon was a walking path to the pavilion area, allowing attendees to take a solemn moment and reflect on the lives lost to addiction. A quote from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention led the display stating – "In 2017, nearly 494,000 people in the United States (12-years-old or older) reported using heroin in the past year, which is an estimated rate of 0.2 per 100 persons. And in 2015, 81,326 emergency department visits occurred for unintentional, heroin-related poisonings in America, which is an estimated rate of almost 26 per 100,000 people."

Also, a Wings of Hope memorial encouraged persons to take a feather, write a name or message to a friend, family or community member who they had lost to addiction, and pin it on the cloth wings.

Jennifer Panniello, RN, of Montgomery, was among the first to write on a feather.

"I had reached out to my Facebook friends, asking if anyone had a message they would like posted," said Panniello, who works in Baystate Noble Hospital's emergency department. "A response came shortly after from a friend and the message has been placed on a feather."

Sisters Laila Duffy, 16, and Riana Duffy, 15, were watching over the Wings of Hope memorial and answering questions that arose. Both teens also placed messages on feathers.

"My message was 'always have hope,'" said Riana Duffy, adding she has seen fellow students at West Springfield High School struggle with addiction. "I feel once someone is involved in drugs they think it's their fate."

Laila Duffy echoed a similar sentiment.

"It's sad to see how many people are involved in drugs and alcohol at school," said Laila Duffy.

Clapp was joined by Rosa Feldman, MSN, RN, director of Baystate Noble's inpatient care services, who distributed an opioid awareness resource and support guide. The packet included instructions for using Narcan nasal spray, guidelines of the Good Samaritan Law when assisting a person who has overdosed, and a host of support groups including Narcotics Anonymous.

"The Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline is another important service," said Clapp. The Helpline can be reached at (800) 327-5050 or visit online at HelplineMA.org.



*Attendees of Baystate Noble Hospital's community awareness day on the opioid epidemic featured a solemn display by the Jack Jonah Foundation.*



*A small section of the Wall of Hope is seen that was on display at Baystate Noble Hospital's community awareness day on the opioid epidemic May 25.*

Rounding out the afternoon was a keynote address by Kirk Jonah from the Jack Jonah Foundation, based in West Springfield. Jonah discussed losing his teenage son to a heroin overdose and how the foundation's mission is to help raise awareness about this epidemic.

Throughout the afternoon, attendees were also welcome to write a message on the Wall of Hope, participate in the New England Mobile Axe Throwing display aimed at relieving stress, and children enjoyed field activities and inflatable "obstacle" courses.

Community partners on-site also included the Montgomery Fire Department, Narcotics Anonymous, Behavioral Health Network, Right Choice Health Group and the Mind Care Agency PC, Western Mass Recovery Learning Community, and Tapestry Health.

"All of our participants today are helping people to overcome obstacles and rise above the challenges they face," said Clapp.




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## Constituents and Legislators

**By NORMAN HALLS**
***Correspondent***

Once in a while I stop at the coffee shop and have some real discussions about who died, weather, sports, and today's topmost topic politics. They don't necessarily go together, but you get diverse thoughts and opinions about all of them. We were all in agreement, that Tim Conway was one of the funniest guys with his improvises. One major topic that came up for discussion was, ever wonder if our president and legislators really care about their constituencies? A common buzzword this session has been a disappointment over how little our elected representatives have accomplished, especially in the Senate. The discussion at the coffee shop is very knowable, attorney, former CEO, police chief, general contractor and a number of others. Good across a section of opinions.

"People have a negative view of Congress because they think it accomplishes little and is intent on waging noisy, partisan battles that usually end in stalemate. Pummeling Congress has been a popular national sport since the beginning of the republic, with everyone playing offense: the media, the public and even members themselves. Those negative attacks tend to feed on each other and grow." From the Rollcall Staff. Republicans are raising hopes in the campaign of winning the Senate majority come 2020 elections. What has the Senate majority, the Republican, done? Occasionally, McConnell allows the passage of a bill deemed sufficiently uncontroversial and of minimal importance. After the majority was lost in 2006, the party was handed what it saw as evidence of its impotence or signs that Democrats would never let Republican lawmakers be involved in the legislative process. Senate Republicans are hopeful it will not transpire again.

The survey from the E. M. Kennedy Institute, "asserts the results demonstrate a disconnect between voters and the U.S. senators who represent them. Voters express dissatisfaction with the performance of Congress and want senators who are responsive to the people they represent. At the same time, the data points to an American electorate that lacks basic knowledge about our political system."

Lee Drutman, The Atlantic wrote, "America's political institutions are suffering from profound decay. The political parties—especially the Republicans—have become so constrained by their activists and addicted to short-term one-upmanship that they are incapable of governing together. At the same time, the political power of the very wealthy and organized business interests has reached levels that undermine our legitimate expectations that the political system should be able to solve big problems and generate shared prosperity."

In 1889 wealthy businessman such as Rockefeller, Vanderbilt, Carnegie, Morgan, and others who needed to use the political process for their own ends tended to "purchase" political support rather than getting directly involved. Republicans were also known as the party of business. Today's common-sense approach, according to Lee Drutman; "for a long time, the dominant theory of the pundit class was that at some point, the center had to hold. The Republican Party couldn't keep becoming more extreme and continue to win elections. Eventually, moderate Republican voters would have to abandon the party. Democrats would win again."

"If, somehow, Democrats win a Senate majority and defeat President Trump, they'll have to make fundamental changes to the rules of the chamber — like ending the filibuster — if they want their agenda to move forward. And if they can't win a majority, Mitch McConnell may cripple a Democratic presidency from the start, blocking judicial and executive branch nominations in an even more extreme replay of his blockade of President Barack Obama's final Supreme Court nominee, Merrick Garland. Without the Senate in hand, Democrats could win the immediate fight against Donald Trump in 2020 but lose the larger battle against the Republican Party that supported and enabled him. The second problem is a set of long-term trends that will benefit the Republican Party as long as it maintains its holds on the least populated states and will burden the Democratic Party as long as it represents most of the densest, most diverse and fastest-growing major metropolitan areas in the country." Wrote Jamelle Bouie New York Times

Legislators are usually expected to represent their constituents' preferences. But many people argue that their legislative representatives diverge knowingly from their constituents' philosophies. To influence your legislator, state or federal, ask him/her how they can assist in sponsoring a Bill. You are now on the inside knowing the direction of your legislator.

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# COMMENT

# Councilor Flaherty: It's City Budget Time Again



**DAVID FLAHERTY**
***At-large City Councilor***

Happy Birthday Westfield! Let me start by congratulating everyone who was involved in the Westfield 350 Celebration activities. What an awesome job! You should all be very proud. Let me also congratulate the recent, and soon to be, College and High School students. I wish you the best as you take that next step in life.

Before I get into my budget discussion, I want to talk about some of the negative feedback, social media nonsense, and personal attacks that I and others have received in the last year or so. The level of misinformation and negativity is getting ridiculous. There are many people who are choosing not to get involved in local politics because they don't want to put up with the social media nonsense.

How does that help the city? Smart, talented, hard-working people, who would be willing to serve, but instead are saying "no thank you – why would I want to deal with that nonsense". Let's start with "who's responsible for what"? The City Council has been blamed for things that are clearly not within our scope of responsibilities. Westfield's form of government has the Mayor as Chief Executive, and dozens of boards and commissions that run, or are responsible, for various departments. All of these boards and commissions meet regularly and take input from the public. All of the board and commission members are listed on the City website. Problems with water? You need to see the Water Commission, Water Department, and DEP. Problems with schools? You need to see the Principals, Superintendent, or School Committee. Problems with Fire or Police? You need to see the Fire or Police Commission. Problems with road repairs? You need to ask the Mayor to allocate more money, or the DPW to take care of specific issues.

Problem with taxes? You need to SHOW UP and demand that budget increases be reduced or that money be used in a different manner. You need to talk with the Mayor or City Councilors. You need to contact your state reps to make sure that the state budget delivers the promised state aid. Now is the time. The budget will get approved before June 30th. Don't wait until after it's done to complain. There seems to be some confusion on a regular basis about how the City Council can fix the roads. Some people believe that we can just take money from another department or budget line item and move it to the road repair budget. It doesn't work that way. The way it works, BY LAW, is that the mayor proposes spending, and then the City Council can approve, deny, or reduce specific line items. City Council cannot increase line items. There are several City Councilors who want more money spent on roads, and for roads to be made a priority in the budget. Though we WANT this, we can't get make it happen without an appropriation request from the Mayor. The Mayor has to initiate spending. It's that simple. However, nothing is simple in our current financial situation. The Mayor clearly understands the will of the people, and the demands for many city services – including roads. Frankly, we don't have enough money. The Mayor faces great challenges every year just to come up with a budget. The pressures are truly great, and the money situation is very stressful.

For the last several years, the city has budgeted more than it's collected in taxes, fees, and state aid. The city has used one-time draws from savings to pay recurring growing operating expenses. The city has deferred payment for retiree benefits for decades. This isn't a sign of incompetence or scandalous behavior, it's what the Mayor has to do given the financial situation. It stinks. These actions have to be taken because it's nearly impossible to cut labor and benefits costs. The unions are rather strong in Massachusetts, and the residents and business owners would complain (egged on by the unions) if cuts were proposed to Schools, Fire, Police, or DPW. You can't even discuss enhancing job scopes, crosstraining, or sharing between other cities and towns without getting huge pushback. Eventually, we're going to hit a breaking point. Then things will change. Some of you are thinking a new Mayor and City Council will change things. I'd say maybe. The new Mayor and City Council is going to inherit newly signed three-year labor contracts. The new Mayor and City Council cannot change them. Unfortunately, I think we're going to hit the breaking point before we can make significant changes. That breaking point is about two years away at the current pace. For the last several years I've been warning about hitting the "Levy Ceiling". The "Levy Ceiling" is the maximum the city can collect in property taxes. Under Prop 2 ½, that ceiling equals 2.5% of the Total Assessed Value of all properties in the city. If you look at the chart below, you'll see that Total Assessed Value has been around $3.2 billion for the last ten years. It's very flat. Even with new development of all those highly promoted commercial developments, and new residential development or improvements, the Total Assessed Values have remained pretty flat. That means our Levy Ceiling has remained rather flat. Meanwhile, our actual taxes keep going up and up (as you can see on the chart). My estimate (in green on the chart) is that after this year, we'll be about $5 million away from hitting the Ceiling. That's about 2 years if we continue on the track we're on, and if property values don't increase significantly. In 2017, I made a big stink about this, and many of you hopefully remember that we made some dramatic one time budget decisions that resulted in a ZERO tax increase (on the chart, you'll see $1.06 million in new taxes for that year, but that is all from new development). You should also notice the impact that maneuver had on the Excess Levy Capacity column. You'll see that we now have about $3.5 million of wiggle room. That essentially gave us a bit more than a year more time until we hit the ceiling. Some people assume we can just vote for an override, and further that the majority of voters would support it. That is not correct. It's not allowed when the Levy Limit is at the Levy Ceiling. An override only allows a city to exceed the Levy Limit – not the Levy Ceiling. The only way to exceed the ceiling is for a ballot measure that approves a Debt Exclusion for a very particular purpose – for example, a new school. If you want to learn more about this complicated Prop 2 ½ law, please Google search for "Prop 2 ½ Levy Primer". You'll find a very well written explanation. So, what are the consequences of hitting the Levy Ceiling? Basically, the city cannot bring in new Property Tax revenue beyond 2.5% of the increase in Total Assessed Value. You can see from the chart that we've been dependent on new tax revenues in the $2.5 – $3.0 million per year range. That money is used to pay for increased costs of employees, benefits, pensions, increases in operating expenses, debt payments, etc… If we don't have that additional tax revenue, we'll have to make painful cuts, and yet certain expenses will still grow. For example, we are obligated to pay the pension plan 5.8% more each year. That's over a half million in increases every year in just that one line item. Where's the money going to come from? Want another $3 million in road work every year? Where's the money? Want employees to get cost of living increases plus steps? Where's the money? Expect the city to be able to pay higher costs for healthcare or retiree healthcare? Where's the money? Expect to build a new school or public safety complex? Where's the money? I know some of you are thinking MARIJUANA!!! That might help with a fraction of an annual baseline increase. Maybe that gives us another half-year before hitting the ceiling? Another thing to consider is that if property values decline, so will the Levy Ceiling. That means we'll take in less property tax revenue that we are now. Think about those consequences. What if the city had 5% less to spend on short notice? That's a real possibility given the values or property and the chaotic world we live in today. Some say, "Won't new commercial development help?" The short answer in "no". The Levy Ceiling only moves up at 2.5% of the increase in values – no matter if the property is taxed at the commercial or residential rate. So, it will take $40 million of NEW development to bring in $1 million in new property taxes. When was the last time you saw $40 million worth of new commercial construction in Westfield? If you want $3 million in new money, like the city has been accustomed to getting, you'd need $120 million in new development. Some employee groups think that their long-term health benefits are guaranteed and that the city will find a way to pay the $230+ million net present value that is "owed" to employees. I don't see how this is mathematically possible given the size of the obligation, the budget, and the constraints of Prop 2 ½. To give you an idea of the size of the problem, the city should be putting between $9 and $15 million per years into reserves to pay for the future health care obligations (depending on assumptions about costs of plans in future years, number of qualified employees, benefit levels, and returns on investment). It hasn't done that. I think the recent budget set aside a whopping $20,000. It's likely in the near-term that employee healthcare benefit programs will have to change. How to we solve this and/or slow down a collision with the Levy Ceiling?

First, control spending increases.

Second, make sure to tax property at full values, and collect all appropriate local fees and taxes.

Third, find ways to encourage responsible new development. Forth, pursue every nickel that we can get in state and federal funding, and be very aggressive when pursuing unfunded mandates. Fifth, ensure the Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreements are maximized and that appropriate city overhead is charged to special funds such as Ambulance, Water & Sewer, Stormwater, etc..

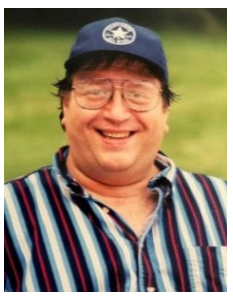
And, finally, preserve Stabilization and Free Cash reserve accounts to give us a buffer that can be used for emergencies when we have no other options. Back to this budget year. There have been reports about the School budget increasing by 3.1% but that it won't cost the city budget more money. Technically I guess that is accurate. Governor Baker, the House, and Senate seem to be willing to give all cities and towns a bump up in state aid to schools (Chapter 70). It's about time! What bothers me a bit is that for the last couple of years the School budget has grown faster than other parts of the budget, and we've taken money away from other priorities such as roads, Fire, Police, DPW, benefits, and IT in order to cover the schools. Another school has been closed, about 38 staff positions will be eliminated, and the unions believe they'd made "significant financial concessions". You'd think that the budget would decrease – not increase 3.1%! Further, from what I understand, that 3.1% increase was before any labor contract increases. Our student population is down over 750 students since I started on the City Council. School staff has decreased. Schools have closed. Yet, we're spending over $10 million more per year. The School Committee has to find ways to operated more efficiently, and has to work with other communities to aggressively pursue state aid for schools, special education, ESL, transportation, and special burdens assumed by gateway communities like Westfield. Another recent article touts "Mayor to Submit Balanced Budget". Technically, yes. But, that's the law. It's no surprise. He's counting it as balanced even though expenses exceed revenues, and we're deferring all of those long-term healthcare obligations. In order to get to a "balanced" position, he's going to have to increase taxes and fees, not make the appropriate investments in long-term obligations, AND probably use some savings (Free Cash or Stabilization). Once again, using one-time money for recurring growing operating expenses. I'm not sure you would consider your personal finances balanced if you deferred paying things, and you relied on lottery winnings or short-term debt to pay your regular bills. I haven't seen the budget yet, but I know the Mayor and his team are working hard on it. As I said above, this isn't an easy task. I know that. Even though I've made some strong statements above, I think Mayor Sullivan has done a fine job in many ways. Of course I don't agree with everything, but nobody agrees with me 100% of the time either. I understand his challenges. The new mayor, whomever that may be, will not have an easy job. There are no easy answers. Since we are in the budget season, and we know Mayor Sullivan is retiring, I'd love to see the Mayoral candidates speak out about this year's labor contracts and budget. After all, they are going the inherit them. I hope they come to the upcoming budget meetings and speak about what they would like to see. Maybe they can write some articles about how they would do things. Do they support the rumored 5+% labor contract increases? How do they envision solving some of our long-term financial problems? How do they think we can avoid hitting the Levy Ceiling? If we hit the Levy Ceiling, what do they see as the consequences? How will they adjust City spending priorities? How will they fix the roads, buildings, and other infrastructure? What will they do to attract new development? How will they weigh new development against preserving our natural resources and rural sections of town? Some of you like to see my guesses. I'm guessing at an operating budget of about $132 million, State Aid of about $45 million, local receipts (fees,

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# OBITUARIES

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## Ronald J. Rezzani



Ronald J. "Ron" Rezzani, Jr, 60, (1959-2019) passed away on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at Baystate Medical Center. He was born in Springfield to Ronald J. Rezzani, Sr. and the late Carol (Cardaropoli) Rezzani. Ron received his Bachelor's Degree from Bridgewater State and remained an active area board member for many years. He was employed as a Chemist in the paper industry, testing inks and dyes. Ron's real passion was scuba diving, an advanced open water diver, his favorite places to dive were, Folly Cove in Gloucester and Australia and Fiji, all with his "dive family". He traveled a lot and loved playing cards with friends. He is survived by his father, Ronald J. Rezzani, Sr. of Westfield, his sister, Marielana Blanchard and her husband Matthew of Bedford, NH, two nephews, Myles and Mason and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. A Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday at 1PM in the Firtion Adams FS, 76 Broad St. Westfield. Visiting hours will precede the service from 11-1PM in the funeral home.

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# POLICE LOGS

**WESTFIELD**
**Major crime and incident report**
**Tuesday, May 21, 2019**

**2:47 a.m.**: accident, Union Street at Eastwood Drive, a caller reports a motorcycle accident, the responding officer reports a moped crashed into a guardrail, the operator was transported to Baystate Medical Center and the moped was transported to the police impound yard;

**7:58 a.m.:** accident, West Silver Street, a caller reports a two-car crash, the responding officer reports one of the persons involved in a rear-end crash was transported to Baystate Noble Hospital and the vehicle was towed to the police impound yard;

**8:06 a.m.:** found property, Highland View Street, a caller reports a bicycle which does not belong to any neighborhood children has been left in her back yard, the bike was transported to the station for safe keeping;

**11:21 a.m.:** animal complaint, Westfield Animal Shelter, 178 Apremont Way, an animal control officer reports a crate containing three cats was left at the shelter;

**12:42 p.m.:** breaking and entering, Miller Street, a resident came to the station to report that his vehicle was broken into and property was stolen, the responding officer reports a laptop computer was stolen from the unsecured vehicle;

**4:23 p.m.:** fraud, Holland Avenue, resident came to the state to complain of fraudulent charges to his wife's credit card, the responding officer reports the victim reported finding charges on his wife's credit card statement which were not authorized;

**4:53 p.m.:** warrant service, West Road, a resident had complained earlier that a family member had made threats against family members who fled the residence, the suspect was not found but officers determined him to be the subject of an warrant issued in 2018 by Westfield District Court, officers returned to the man's address where they were admitted by family members, the suspect was awoken and advised that he was being arrested on the warrant but the man was unruly and attempted to resist officers emplacing handcuffs, the man kicked one officer before he was subdued, **Christian R. Lent,** 41, of 656 West Road, Westfield, was arrested for assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon ( a steel toed boot) and on the warrant;

**6:23 p.m.**: fire, Cleveland Avenue, a caller complains that a neighbor is burning, the responding firefighters report a resident was found to be during building materials and brush in a barrel, the resident was advised of the pertinent regulations and extinguished his fire;

**8:02 p.m.:** assist other police department, Southampton Road, State Police request assistance locating a person, 16 officers responded to assist with the search but the subject was not found;

**10:17 p.m.:** breaking and entering, East main Street, the manager of an East Main Street telephone sales business reports a window in the front of the store was smashed, the responding officer reports a glass front door was shattered and a rock was found nearby, the officer reports the security cables were cut on a row of cellular phones which were stolen, the store's security video was reviewed and the case was referred to the detective bureau.

**Monday, May 20, 2019**

**6:09 a.m.:** vandalism, Southwick Road, a caller from a Yankee Village business reports the front window of the business was smashed overnight but no entry was made to the business, a detective responded investigate the incident;

**2:32 p.m.:** fire, Elm Street, a caller reports smoke outside an Elm Street store, the responding firefighters report mulch was smoldering in the parking lot and the fire was extinguished;

**7:54 p.m.**: accident, Main Street at Free Street, multiple callers report a crash in which one vehicle came to rest on its side, the responding office reports that an operator experienced a medical emergency which caused him to lose control of his vehicle and strike a trailer, the vehicle became airborne and landed on its side, the operator was transported to Baystate Medical Center and the vehicle was towed to the police impound yard;

**6:24 p.m.:** found property, Ellsworth Street, a resident came to the station to report a bicycle has been left in his yard for a week, the bike was transported the station for safe keeping;

**6:47 p.m.**: disturbance, Municipal Playground, Hubbard Street, a caller reports a physical altercation on a basketball court, the responding officer reports that two male parties engaged in fisticuffs and one party suffered injuries but declined hospital treatment, the other party had left in a described vehicle which was found and stopped, the operator was found to be unlicensed, **Misael Yamil Maldonado Collazo,** 24, of 70 Glenwood St., Springfield, was arrested for unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, the owner of the vehicle was notified and came to take custody of it;

**7:25 p.m.:** fire, St. Paul Street, a caller complains that a neighbor is burning, the responding firefighters report the resident was advised of the pertinent regulations and extinguished his fire;

**9:50 p.m.**: larceny, Franklin Street, a West Springfield resident came to the station to report that his wallet is missing and he believes he dropped it on Franklin Street, the responding officer reports that the victim's credit card was fraudulently used twice locally.


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hotel & meals tax, excise tax, reimbursements, etc…) of about $15.5 million, and property taxes of about $77.5 million (about a $3 million increase). As mentioned above, the use of Free Cash or Stabilization to balance the operating budget or reduce taxes is not a good idea when we are so close to the Levy Ceiling. I hope the Mayor and City Council will take appropriate actions. Thank you for reading all of this. If anyone has any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to me at Flaherty.Westfield@gmail.com I hope you all had a great holiday weekend, and showed your respect and thanks to all of our service men and women, and their families, on Memorial Day. Dave Flaherty Westfield City Councilor Flaherty.Westfield@gmail.com

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## Illegal fireworks blamed for large brush fire on Cape Cod

FALMOUTH, Mass. (AP) — Authorities say an illegal Memorial Day weekend fireworks display is likely to blame for a brush fire that scorched five acres on Cape Cod.

Firefighters in Falmouth, Massachusetts, say the unauthorized display Saturday night appears to have sparked the blaze. No injuries were reported.

Crews responding to the scene near the Beagle Club found three large, separate fires burning in the wooded area around 11 p.m.

The Falmouth department says in a Facebook post that flames at one point came close to a neighborhood.

It says Falmouth police, Massachusetts State Police and the Barnstable County Sheriff's Office are investigating.

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# HEALTHFITNESS



*In this Friday, Jan. 18, 2019 file photo, a customer blows a cloud of smoke from a vape pipe at a local shop in Richmond, Va. Although e-cigarettes aren't considered as risky as regular cigarettes, new research published Monday, May 27, 2019, finds a clue that their flavorings may be bad for the heart.* **(AP Photo/Steve Helber)**

# Study suggests e-cigarette flavorings may pose heart risk

**By LAURAN NEERGAARD**
***Associated Press***

WASHINGTON (AP) — E-cigarettes aren't considered as risky as regular cigarettes, but researchers have found a clue that their flavorings may be bad for the heart.

Longtime smokers who can't kick the addiction sometimes switch to e-cigarettes, in hopes of avoiding the cancer-causing chemicals in tobacco smoke.

But cigarette smoking doesn't just cause lung cancer. It's a leading cause of heart attacks, too, and little is known about e-cigarettes and heart disease. Chemicals in the inhaled vapor may pose unique risks that are important to understand, especially as more and more teens take up vaping.

"It's not possible for me to go into a patient and strip their artery and test it" for a reaction to vaping, said Dr. Joseph Wu, director of Stanford University's cardiovascular institute.

So his team tried the next best thing for a study published Monday: In laboratory dishes, they grew cells that normally line healthy human blood vessels. They exposed the cells to six different e-cigarette flavorings, testing if the flavors — and not just the nicotine — caused any effects.

They also tracked what happened when those cells were bathed in blood taken from people right after they had an e-cigarette, the way chemicals from vaping would make their way to the cardiovascular system. They also compared the cells' exposure to blood from nonsmokers and people who smoked a regular cigarette.

Vaping and some flavorings, even without nicotine, triggered blood vessel dysfunction that can increase the risk of heart disease, the researchers reported in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology.

Cinnamon and menthol seemed the most toxic. But overall, cells showed signs of damage and were inflamed, less able to form new blood vessels or heal wounds.

Small laboratory studies like this one can't prove vaping really does harm, cautioned Dr. Jane Freedman of the University of Massachusetts, who wasn't involved in the research. But she said the work should spark additional safety testing.

The findings "suggest that even without the smoke of combustible cigarette products, there may be a smoldering fire of adverse health effects," she wrote in an accompanying editorial.

Another study at a recent heart meeting looked at health records to conclude e-cigarette users had a higher risk of heart attack than people who neither vape nor use tobacco products, but that, too, was only a clue, not proof.

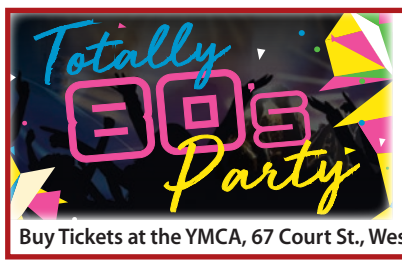
Wu's team plans additional studies. The researchers are working with so-called "iPS cells," ordinary cells taken from healthy volunteers and reprogrammed into a state where they can be grown into any type of tissue. Next up are tests of heart and brain tissue.

U.S. public health officials are alarmed by an explosion of underage vaping, but Wu said it's not just a question for teens. He worries about people who already have heart disease and may think switching from tobacco to e-cigarettes is enough protection.

"This is really a warning shot that people should not be complacent and think that these e-cigarettes are completely safe," Wu said.

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**BRIDGETT KELLY**

## In Crisis, A Belief There is Always Hope

Bursting with energy and positivity, Bridgett Kelly's outlook on and passion in life is infectious. As a clinician for BHN's Crisis Services division, she tends to meet people at their most vulnerable point, experiencing a crisis with little or no hope for the future. While this may deter some from entering the field, Bridgett sees her work as an opportunity to give back and use her own life experiences to help those in crisis— something to which she is no stranger herself.

Born in Tuskegee, Alabama, Bridgett, the second of seven sisters, moved to Springfield where they were raised. As a teenager attending school, Bridgett was told by teachers she would make a great social worker, seemingly solidified by a personality test she took that matched her responses with a career path in social services. At the time, she had no interest in such a career. Some years later, Bridgett recounts "a time of crisis in my life for nine straight months— nine months of total chaos," involving frequent substance use. When she had reached her breaking point, "I found out about recovery and my life was saved."

Upon successfully completing her recovery program, Bridgett developed a bond with those running the program, who immediately asked her to consider working with them. "When I got the phone call asking me to work for them, my first thought was, 'why me?'" she recounts. Though reluctant at first, Bridgett began her work in recovery— this time helping individuals get through the same crises she herself had so recently battled. As a self-proclaimed lifelong learner, Bridgett went back to school to finish her degree, a Master's in Social Work from Springfield College.

Now a crisis counselor at BHN, Bridgett still counsels individuals with addictions, though she also helps individuals with severe depression, anxiety, and other mental health crises. In reality, her role and impact expand much further than providing counseling. Three years ago, Bridgett began creating various support groups for women in the community. Hattitude is a group she created for women "in the spirit of sisterhood," where members can make hats that express their individuality. This group also holds regular 'empowerment meetings,' often bringing in guest speakers to talk about female empowerment and strength. Another group she leads is Women in Recovery Inc., which so far has 'adopted' a local school where members serve as mentors to students, helping them gain access to important community resources.

Reflecting on her journey here, Bridgett can now answer the question, 'why me?' "Looking back, I realize I went through that crisis in order to bring me back to what I was always meant to do," referencing the result of the personality test and her teachers' predictions. Now 28 years sober, Bridgett views her past crisis as a way to connect with others experiencing similar adversity. By giving back, "we give people a sense of hope, and with hope comes faith, and a lot of times that's just what somebody needs."


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# Honoring the fallen

***Southwick remembered and honored its fallen soldiers during its annual Memorial Day service May 27. A parade featuring town officials, police, fire, veterans, scout troops and Regional School band marked the event. See additional photos at thewestfieldnews.com.*** **(Hope E. Tremblay Photos)**








## Memorial Day

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the military or as first responders.

"Today is always an honor and a privilege to be the mayor of the City of Westfield. My job is to thank people," said Sullivan.

Sullivan thanked the police department for lining the streets during the parade and ceremony, and for being there when they are asked to help. He also thanked the 40 members of the Fire Department who marched in unity with veterans. Sullivan then pointed out the Hampden County Sheriffs Department, who participates in the parade each year. Only eight days removed from the city's 350th birthday celebrations, Sullivan thanked the community as a whole for coming out in droves and supporting the city.

City Councilor Brent B. Bean II was then called up to introduce his fellow councilors and other elected officials at the front.

The main speaker of the event was state Rep. John Velis, a U.S. Army Reserve Major who returned from a six-month tour in Afghanistan last year. Velis focused his speech on telling some of his stories from his multiple tours in Afghanistan. He spoke about the day he left the country in December of last year. As he was leaving, Velis happened upon a mural on the wall that read, "This is a tribute to all who have fallen during Operation Enduring Freedom. Live a life worthy of their sacrifice."

Velis said that the mural was placed their to remind those who are leaving that not everybody gets to go home.

"Today is that day of the year, Memorial Day, where the honor the ones who are not coming home," said Velis.

He told a story of an incident in Afghanistan that occurred while he was on a tour there. A group of U.S. soldiers were attacked and one of them stepped on an improvised explosive device and was killed. The IED damaged his body to the point where he could not officially be identified. There is a policy when a soldier cannot be identified as among the dead, a search must take place because they are considered missing. The search began and the U.S. troops were looking on one side of the river and the allied Afghan soldiers looked on the other. One U.S. soldier attempted to swim across the river to scold the Afghan troops for not looking hard enough, but he drowned in the process. Velis said that incident represented the lengths soldiers will go for their comrades.

The ceremony concluded with a 21-gun salute by members of American Legion Post 124. The salute was followed by taps, played by Westfield High School band member Hadleigh Leclair.



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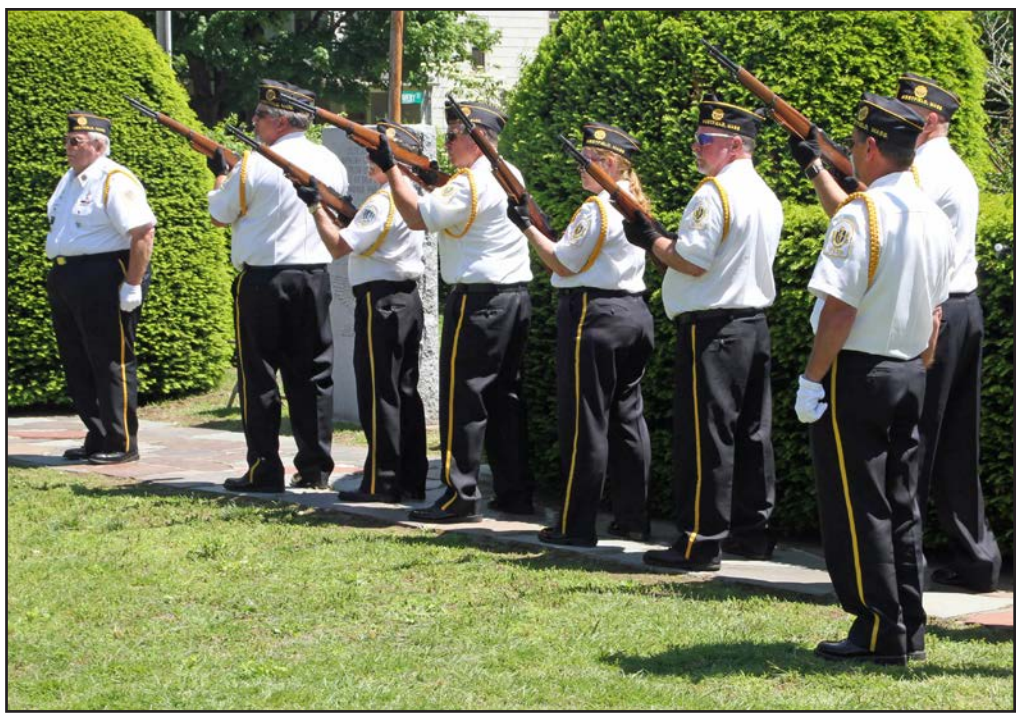


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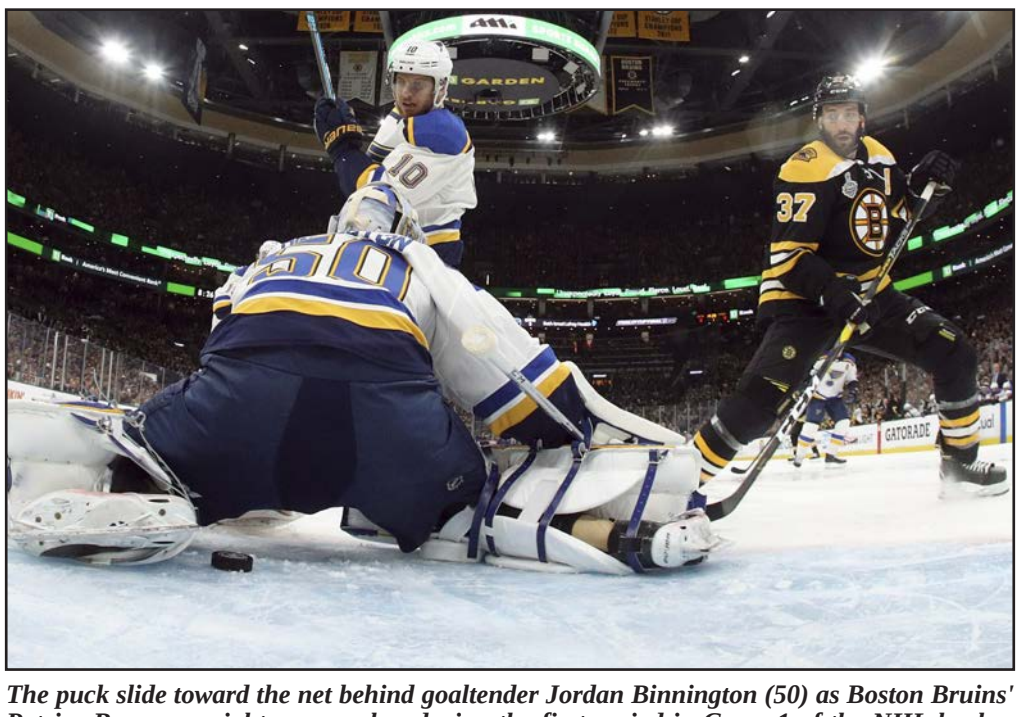






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# SPORTS



*The puck slide toward the net behind goaltender Jordan Binnington (50) as Boston Bruins' Patrice Bergeron, right, approaches during the first period in Game 1 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final, Monday, May 27, 2019, in Boston.* **(Bruce Bennett/Pool via AP)**



*St. Louis Blues goaltender Jordan Binnington reacts after giving up a goal to Boston Bruins' Charlie McAvoy during the second period in Game 1 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final, Monday, May 27, 2019, in Boston.* **(AP Photo/Michael Dwyer)**

## STANLEY CUP FINALS

# Lack of discipline catches up with Blues in 4-2 loss

**By KYLE HIGHTOWER**
***Associated Press***

BOSTON (AP) — The Blues spent most of the past week stressing how they couldn't afford to allow the Bruins to pile up power-play opportunities in the Stanley Cup Final.

That plan — and St. Louis' defensive discipline — slowly fell apart in their 4-2 loss in Game 1 on Monday night.

With the physicality high on both sides, the Blues were successful early in holding the Bruins' top players to few opportunities or power-play chances. The Bruins have been deadly with an advantage this postseason and entered the night with 34 percent success rate on power plays through the first three rounds.

But despite leading 2-0, St. Louis began to take penalties, giving life to a sluggish Bruins' offense.

"When that first goal went in, they got some momentum and made a big push there," goaltender Jordan Binnington said. "We held it to a tie game going into the third. It wasn't the outcome we wanted. We've got to figure it out and get right back at them for Game 2."

Ironically, the chances that Boston did eventually get came from its third and fourth lines, and culminated in a disastrous second period for St. Louis in which the Bruins scored a pair of goals to get back into the game.

Playing in his first Cup final, Binnington was able to play relatively relaxed in the first period, benefiting from some luck and well-placed sticks by his teammates as the Blues killed off the Bruins' first three power-play chances. When Marcus Johansson split two defenders and got a point-blank opportunity in the slot on Binnington, his shot careened off the post.



*St. Louis Blues' Brayden Schenn (10) stops the puck sliding toward the net behind goaltender Jordan Binnington (50) as Boston Bruins' Patrice Bergeron, right, approaches during the first period in Game 1 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final, Monday, May 27, 2019, in Boston.* **(Bruce Bennett/Pool via AP)**

Binnington's discipline and his luck didn't last.

After Connor Clifton got the Bruins on the board off a feed from Sean Kuraly, things began to unravel with 7:19 remaining during a wild second period in which Boston outshot St. Louis 18-3. Charlie McAvoy got into the middle of the Blues defense and slipped a wrist shot past Binnington with 23 seconds left in their fourth power play of the game. McAvoy was faster and simply outskated an increasingly fatigued St. Louis defense.

"We started to get spread out, weren't winning pucks and turned the puck over," Brayden Schenn said. "Whether it was by accident or we were nervous, we've just got to take care of it."

Binnington said he wasn't surprised to see the Bruins pushing the action with some of their unusual suspects.

"They've got some depth there and some offensive defensemen. It's the Stanley Cup Final, both teams are good," he said. "We've talented players, too. I think we need to find our game and we'll be alright."

Blues coach Craig Berube said turnovers were a big contributor to his team getting put into bad spots.

"The second period I don't think we skated very well," he said. "We got pucks, we just didn't skate. Turned them over. It gave them momentum."

Forward David Perron said the accumulation of penalties stunted almost everything they wanted to do offensively after taking the lead.

"When you get into penalty trouble, a lot of guys sit on the bench and it's hard to get going. That's what happened a little bit," Perron said.

St. Louis did its best to give Binnington more support in the third and the teams played relatively even during the first part of the period. That momentum changed after Sammy Blais was called for yet a penalty — the Blues' fifth of the game — with 6:32 remaining for interfering with Charlie Coyle.

The Bruins didn't get a goal out of that one. But using that momentum, Kuraly was able to finish off Noel Acciari's pass and put Boston in front for good.

Still, Berube said the message heading into Game 2 is a simple one: keep doing what they're doing — minus the mistakes.

"We've been real disciplined most of all playoffs, pretty much," he said. "We weren't tonight, obviously, with five penalties. We've got to be better there."



*St. Louis Blues head coach Craig Berube leads his team behind the bench during the second period in Game 1 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final against the Boston Bruins, Monday, May 27, 2019, in Boston.* **(AP Photo/Charles Krupa)**



*Boston Bruins' Sean Kuraly, left, scores a goal past St. Louis Blues goaltender Jordan Binnington during the third period in Game 1 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final, Monday, May 27, 2019, in Boston.* **(Bruce Bennett/Pool via AP)**

## HIGH SCHOOL STANDINGS, RESULTS

**GIRLS LACROSSE**
Westfield 10-6
St. Mary's 1-18

**BOYS LACROSSE**
Westfield 10-7
St. Mary's 4-4

**BOYS VOLLEYBALL**
Westfield 17-3
Southwick 10-10

**SOFTBALL**
Westfield 8-12
Southwick 11-1
Gateway 13-5

**BASEBALL**
Westfield 12-5
Southwick 9-7
Westfield Technical Academy 13-4
St. Mary's 4-11

**GIRLS TENNIS**
St. Mary's 6-12
Westfield 4-6-1

**BOYS TENNIS**
St. Mary's 4-10-1

**JV SOFTBALL**
St. Mary's 10-0

**FRIDAY'S RESULTS**
**BOYS VOLLEYBALL**
Westfield 3, Greater New Bedford 2
**BOYS TENNIS**
St. Mary's 3, Westfield 1
**GIRLS TENNIS**
Westfield 4, St. Mary's 1
**BASEBALL**
Southwick 11, St. Mary's 1
**SOFTBALL**
Gateway 25, Renaissance 2 (5 inn.)

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# 2019 HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SPRING SCHEDULE

## WESTFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

**Tues., May 28**
BASEBALL @ Taconic HS, 4:30 p.m.
JV BASEBALL @ Taconic, Crosby Elementary School, 4:30 p.m.
GIRLS LACROSSE vs. East Longmeadow, 4 p.m.
JV GIRLS LACROSSE vs. East Longmeadow, 5:30 p.m.
BOYS TENNIS vs. South Hadley, 4 p.m.

**Wed., May 29**
GIRLS TENNIS vs. Chicopee Comp, 4 p.m.
BOYS TENNIS vs. Chicopee Comp, 4 p.m.

**Thurs., May 30**
GIRLS LACROSSE @ Amherst, UMASS-Amherst, 4 p.m.

## SOUTHWICK-TOLLAND-GRANVILLE

**Mon., May 27**
SOFTBALL vs. Granby, Whalley Park, 7 p.m.

**Tues., May 28**
BASEBALL @ Monument Mountain, 4:30 p.m.
JV BASEBALL @ Monument Mountain, 4:30 p.m.
JV BOYS VOLLEYBALL @ Granby Jr./Sr. HS, 4:30 p.m.

**Wed., May 29**
SOFTBALL vs. Longmeadow, 4 p.m.
JV SOFTBALL vs. Longmeadow, 4 p.m.

**Thurs., May 30**
BASEBALL vs. Chicopee Comp, 3:30 p.m.
JV BASEBALL vs. Chicopee Comp, 3:30 p.m.
JV SOFTBALL vs. Central, 3:30 p.m.

**Fri., May 31**
JV BASEBALL vs. Sabis, 4 p.m.
BASEBALL vs. Sabis, Whalley Park, 7 p.m.

## ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL

**Tues., May 28**
BASEBALL vs. Granby, Bullens Field, 7 p.m.

**Thurs., May 30**
GIRLS TENNIS @ Mohawk Trail Regional HS, 3:30 p.m.

## WESTFIELD TECHNICAL ACADEMY

**Thurs., May 30**
SOFTBALL @ Pathfinder Regional-Vocational-Technical HS, 3:30 p.m.

## GATEWAY HIGH SCHOOL

**Tues., May 28**
BASEBALL @ Lee, Maple Street Complex, 4 p.m.
JV BASEBALL @ Lee HS, 4 p.m.
SOFTBALL @ Franklin Tech HS, 4 p.m.

**Wed., May 29**
SOFTBALL @ Smith Voke, Sheldon Field, 3 p.m.

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**Wed., May 29**
Westfield Starfires @ Bristol
**Fri., May 31**
Pittsfield @ Westfield Starfires
**Sat., June 1**
Westfield Starfires @ Bristol
**Sun., June 2**
Westfield Starfires @ Pittsfield
**Mon., June 3**
Pittsfield @ Westfield Starfires
**Tues., June 4**
Brockton @ Westfield Starfires
**Wed., June 5**
Bristol @ Westfield Starfires
**Thurs., June 6**
Westfield Starfires @ Worcester
**Fri., June 7**
Westfield Starfires @ Nashua
**Sat., June 8**
Bristol @ Westfield Starfires
**Sun., June 9**
Westfield Starfires @ North Shore
**Mon., June 10**
Westfield Starfires @ Nashua
**Wed., June 12**
Westfield Starfires @ Pittsfield
**Thurs., June 13**
North Shore @ Westfield Starfires
**Fri., June 14**
Westfield Starfires @ North Shore
**Sat., June 15**
Westfield Starfires @ Nashua
**Sun., June 16**
Nashua @ Westfield Starfires
**Mon., June 17**
Westfield Starfires @ Worcester
**Wed., June 19**
Brockton @ Westfield Starfires
**Thurs., June 20**
Westfield Starfires @ Brockton
**Fri., June 21**
Pittsfield @ Westfield Starfires
**Sun., June 23**
Bristol @ Westfield Starfires
**Mon., June 24**
Worcester @ Westfield Starfires
**Tues., June 25**
Pittsfield @ Westfield Starfires
**Wed., June 26**
Nashua @ Westfield Starfires
**Thurs., June 27**
Westfield Starfires @ Brockton
**Fri., June 28**
Westfield Starfires @ Worcester
**Sat., June 29**
Nashua @ Westfield Starfires
**Sun., June 30**
Brockton @ Westfield Starfires
**Tues., July 2**
North Shore @ Westfield Starfires
**Wed., July 3**
Brockton @ Westfield Starfires
**Fri., July 5**
North Shore @ Westfield Starfires
**Sat., July 6**
Worcester @ Westfield Starfires
**Sun., July 7**
Worcester @ Westfield Starfires
**Mon., July 8**
Westfield Starfires @ Pittsfield
**Tues., July 9**
Bristol @ Westfield Starfires

Today's Tip

# MASTER·STROKES

BY PHIL FRANKE WITH TOP 100 GOLF INSTRUCTORS

## Avoid A 'Death Grip'!




Talking about pressure, let's focus on your grip. One of the most common swing faults among amateurs is grip tension. Tension tends to start in your hands. I developed a grip pressure scale from 1 to 10 to help establish a foundation for the correct grip pressure. On this scale, a 10 is "super-tight" (squeezing the life out of the grip and restricting arm movement), and a 1 is "super-light" (the grip is falling out of your hands). Take a club and grip it at 10, then work your way down to about a 4. This is where most normal golf shots are played.

By Jim McLean, owner, Jim McLean Golf School, author of the best-selling books "The Slot Swing" and "The 8-Step Swing," illustrated by Phil Franke'

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# Indians take 3-game slide into matchup with Sox

**By The Associated Press**

Cleveland Indians (26-27, second in the AL Central) vs. Boston Red Sox (29-25, third in the AL East)

Boston; Tuesday, 7 p.m. EDT

LINE: Red Sox favored by 1 1/2 runs; over/under is 9 1/2 runs

BOTTOM LINE: Cleveland enters the matchup as losers of their last three games.

The Red Sox are 14-10 in home games. Boston ranks seventh in the MLB in hitting with a .258 batting average, Rafael Devers leads the team with an average of .327.

The Indians are 11-13 on the road. Cleveland is hitting a collective .223 this season, led by Francisco Lindor with an average of .285. The Red Sox won the last meeting 12-5. Rick Porcello notched his fourth victory and J.D. Martinez went 2-for-5 with two home runs and two RBIs for Boston. Jefry Rodriguez took his fifth loss for Cleveland.

TOP PERFORMERS: Xander Bogaerts leads the Red Sox with 24 extra base hits and is slugging .497. Devers is 15-for-40 with three doubles, four home runs and nine RBIs over the last 10 games for Boston.

Carlos Santana leads the Indians with eight home runs home runs and is slugging .458. Oscar Mercado is 10-for-27 with three doubles, a home run and four RBIs over the last 10 games for Cleveland.

LAST 10 GAMES: Red Sox: 6-4, .275 batting average, 3.66 ERA, outscored opponents by 15 runs

Indians: 3-7, .211 batting average, 4.85 ERA, outscored by 13 runs

Red Sox Injuries: Tyler Thornburg: 10-day IL (hip), David Price: day-to-day (flu-like symptoms), Brian Johnson: 10-day IL (elbow), Nathan Eovaldi: 10-day IL (elbow), Dustin Pedroia: 60-day IL (knee), Tzu-Wei Lin: 10-day IL (knee).

Indians Injuries: Danny Salazar: 60-day IL (shoulder), Corey Kluber: 10-day IL (arm), Mike Clevinger: 60-day IL (back), Bradley Zimmer: 10-day IL (shoulder), Tyler Naquin: 10-day IL (knee).

## MLB EXPANDED STANDINGS

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**East Division**

| | W | L | Pct | GB | WCGB | L10 | Str | Home | Away |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | 35 | 18 | .660 | — | — | 8-2 | W-1 | 18-10 | 17-8 |
| Tampa Bay | 32 | 19 | .627 | 2 | — | 6-4 | W-3 | 14-11 | 18-8 |
| Boston | 29 | 25 | .537 | 6½ | — | 6-4 | W-2 | 14-10 | 15-15 |
| Toronto | 21 | 33 | .389 | 14½ | 8 | 3-7 | L-1 | 10-18 | 11-15 |
| Baltimore | 17 | 37 | .315 | 18½ | 12 | 2-8 | W-1 | 7-19 | 10-18 |

**Central Division**

| | W | L | Pct | GB | WCGB | L10 | Str | Home | Away |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Minnesota | 36 | 17 | .679 | — | — | 8-2 | L-1 | 18-9 | 18-8 |
| Cleveland | 26 | 27 | .491 | 10 | 2½ | 3-7 | L-3 | 15-14 | 11-13 |
| Chicago | 23 | 29 | .442 | 12½ | 5 | 3-7 | L-3 | 11-13 | 12-16 |
| Detroit | 19 | 32 | .373 | 16 | 8½ | 1-8 | L-3 | 9-17 | 10-15 |
| Kansas City | 18 | 34 | .346 | 17½ | 10 | 3-7 | W-1 | 11-17 | 7-17 |

**West Division**

| | W | L | Pct | GB | WCGB | L10 | Str | Home | Away |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Houston | 36 | 19 | .655 | — | — | 6-4 | W-1 | 21-7 | 15-12 |
| Oakland | 29 | 25 | .537 | 6½ | — | 9-0 | W-10 | 18-10 | 11-15 |
| Texas | 25 | 26 | .490 | 9 | 2½ | 6-4 | L-3 | 17-8 | 8-18 |
| Los Angeles | 24 | 29 | .453 | 11 | 4½ | 4-6 | L-1 | 15-14 | 9-15 |
| Seattle | 24 | 32 | .429 | 12½ | 6 | 2-8 | W-1 | 11-14 | 13-18 |

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

**East Division**

| | W | L | Pct | GB | WCGB | L10 | Str | Home | Away |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Philadelphia | 31 | 22 | .585 | — | — | 7-3 | L-1 | 18-10 | 13-12 |
| Atlanta | 30 | 24 | .556 | 1½ | — | 7-3 | W-1 | 14-12 | 16-12 |
| New York | 26 | 27 | .491 | 5 | 3½ | 6-4 | L-1 | 15-9 | 11-18 |
| Washington | 22 | 32 | .407 | 9½ | 8 | 4-6 | L-1 | 13-15 | 9-17 |
| Miami | 17 | 34 | .333 | 13 | 11½ | 7-3 | W-1 | 9-17 | 8-17 |

**Central Division**

| | W | L | Pct | GB | WCGB | L10 | Str | Home | Away |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chicago | 30 | 22 | .577 | — | — | 4-6 | L-2 | 18-10 | 12-12 |
| Milwaukee | 31 | 24 | .564 | ½ | — | 5-5 | W-2 | 18-11 | 13-13 |
| Pittsburgh | 26 | 26 | .500 | 4 | 3 | 4-6 | L-1 | 10-14 | 16-12 |
| St. Louis | 26 | 26 | .500 | 4 | 3 | 3-7 | L-1 | 16-12 | 10-14 |
| Cincinnati | 25 | 29 | .463 | 6 | 5 | 5-5 | W-1 | 13-12 | 12-17 |

**West Division**

| | W | L | Pct | GB | WCGB | L10 | Str | Home | Away |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Los Angeles | 36 | 18 | .667 | — | — | 8-2 | W-4 | 20-6 | 16-12 |
| Arizona | 28 | 26 | .519 | 8 | 2 | 4-6 | L-1 | 11-13 | 17-13 |
| San Diego | 28 | 26 | .519 | 8 | 2 | 5-5 | L-2 | 14-14 | 14-12 |
| Colorado | 25 | 27 | .481 | 10 | 4 | 5-5 | W-2 | 12-12 | 13-15 |
| San Francisco | 21 | 31 | .404 | 14 | 8 | 3-7 | L-5 | 10-18 | 11-13 |

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**Sunday's Games**

Toronto 10, San Diego 1
N.Y. Mets 4, Detroit 3
Tampa Bay 6, Cleveland 3
Boston 4, Houston 1
Minnesota 7, Chicago White Sox 0
Kansas City 8, N.Y. Yankees 7, 10 innings
Colorado 8, Baltimore 7
L.A. Angels 7, Texas 6
Oakland 7, Seattle 1

**Monday's Games**

Chicago White Sox 1, Kansas City 1, 5 innings, susp.
Baltimore 5, Detroit 3
N.Y. Yankees 5, San Diego 2
Tampa Bay 8, Toronto 3
Houston 6, Chicago Cubs 5
Boston 12, Cleveland 5
Oakland 8, L.A. Angels 5
Milwaukee 5, Minnesota 4
Seattle 6, Texas 2

**Tuesday's Games**

Chicago White Sox 1, Kansas City 1, innings, susp.
San Diego (Lauer 3-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 3-3), 6:35 p.m.
Detroit (Boyd 4-4) at Baltimore (Bundy 2-5), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Plesac 0-0) at Boston (Price 2-2), 7:10 p.m.
Toronto (Richard 0-0) at Tampa Bay (Stanek 0-1), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Lester 3-3) at Houston (Martin 1-1), 8:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Keller 3-5) at Chicago White Sox (Giolito 6-1), 8:10 p.m., 2nd game
Milwaukee (Davies 5-0) at Minnesota (Perez 7-1), 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Tropeano 0-0) at Oakland (Montas 6-2), 10:07 p.m.
Texas (Sampson 2-3) at Seattle (Gonzales 5-4), 10:10 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**

San Diego (Paddack 4-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Paxton 3-2), 1:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Canning 2-1) at Oakland (Mengden 1-1), 3:37 p.m.
Texas (Smyly 1-3) at Seattle (LeBlanc 2-2), 3:40 p.m.
Cleveland (Bieber 3-2) at Boston (Weber 1-0), 6:10 p.m.
Detroit (Carpenter 0-2) at Baltimore (Means 5-4), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Thornton 1-4) at Tampa Bay (Snell 3-4), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 4-4) at Houston (Miley 5-2), 8:10 p.m.
Kansas City (TBD) at Chicago White Sox (Lopez 3-5), 8:10 p.m.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

**Sunday's Games**

Toronto 10, San Diego 1
N.Y. Mets 4, Detroit 3
L.A. Dodgers 11, Pittsburgh 7
Washington 9, Miami 6
Milwaukee 9, Philadelphia 1
Cincinnati 10, Chicago Cubs 2
Colorado 8, Baltimore 7
Arizona 6, San Francisco 2
Atlanta 4, St. Louis 3, 10 innings

**Monday's Games**

Miami 3, Washington 2
N.Y. Yankees 5, San Diego 2
Pittsburgh 8, Cincinnati 5, 1st game
Houston 6, Chicago Cubs 5
Colorado 4, Arizona 3, 11 innings
Cincinnati 8, Pittsburgh 1, 2nd game
Milwaukee 5, Minnesota 4
L.A. Dodgers 9, N.Y. Mets 5

**Tuesday's Games**

San Diego (Lauer 3-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 3-3), 6:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Lyles 5-1) at Cincinnati (Sims 0-0), 6:40 p.m.
St. Louis (Wainwright 4-4) at Philadelphia (Pivetta 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Samardzija 2-3) at Miami (Richards 1-5), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (Strasburg 4-3) at Atlanta (Fried 7-2), 7:20 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Lester 3-3) at Houston (Martin 1-1), 8:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Davies 5-0) at Minnesota (Perez 7-1), 8:10 p.m.
Arizona (Kelly 4-5) at Colorado (Senzatela 3-4), 8:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Matz 3-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Hill 1-1), 10:10 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**

Pittsburgh (Brault 1-1) at Cincinnati (DeSclafani 2-2), 12:35 p.m.
San Diego (Paddack 4-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Paxton 3-2), 1:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Cabrera 0-0) at Philadelphia (Nola 5-0), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 3-4) at Miami (Lopez 3-5), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (TBD) at Atlanta (Gausman 2-3), 7:20 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 4-4) at Houston (Miley 5-2), 8:10 p.m.
Arizona (Ray 4-1) at Colorado (Hoffman 0-1), 8:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Syndergaard 3-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Buehler 5-1), 10:10 p.m.

# Bill Buckner, forever known for October error, dies at 69

**By BEN WALKER**
***Associted Press***

Bill Buckner was an All-Star and batting champion, a gritty gamer who was welcome on any team.

A reliable fielder, too.

But a little grounder forever changed his legacy.

Buckner, who made one of the biggest blunders in baseball history when he let Mookie Wilson's trickler roll through his legs in the 1986 World Series, died Monday. He was 69.

"He deserved better," former Dodgers teammate Bobby Valentine tweeted .

Buckner died after a long battle with Lewy body dementia, his family said in a statement. The disease causes Alzheimer's-like symptoms along with movement and other problems.

Buckner made his major league debut as a teenager, played until he was 40 and amassed 2,715 hits in between. Yet for all he accomplished, it was his October error at first base that fans always remembered.

Trying for their first crown since 1918, the Boston Red Sox led the New York Mets 5-3 going into the bottom of the 10th inning in Game 6 at Shea Stadium. The Mets tied it with two outs, then Wilson hit a roller up the first base line that got past a gimpy Buckner, a misplay that let Ray Knight rush home from second base with the winning run.

The Red Sox lost 8-5 in Game 7, and their World Series drought continued until they won the championship in 2004.

In the aftermath of Boston's near-miss, Buckner became a target of fans in New England and beyond, his mistake shown over and over on highlight reels.

"You can look at that Series and point fingers in a whole bunch of different directions," Buckner said a decade ago. "We did the best we could to win there and it just didn't happen and I didn't feel like I deserved" so much blame.

A curious thing happened over time, too: He became pals with Wilson.

"I was saddened to hear about Bill's death," Wilson said in a statement. "We had developed a friendship that lasted well over 30 years. I felt badly for some of the things he went through. Bill was a great, great baseball player whose legacy should not be defined by one play."

But sure enough, several years ago when he made a guest appearance on the TV show "Curb Your Enthusiasm," the main gag involved star Larry David tossing a ball autographed by Wilson toward Buckner, who lets it get past him and out the window.

A footnote: While Buckner was long criticized for the error, many in baseball contend that even if the ball had been handled cleanly, the speedy Wilson would have beaten it anyway.

At Fenway Park on Monday, video clips of Buckner's 22-year career were shown on the scoreboard before the Red Sox hosted Cleveland. His picture was posted and there was a moment of silence, followed by applause from the crowd.

"I think it was a travesty the way he was last remembered," said 67-year-old Red Sox fan Blaine Macinnis from Wilmington, Massachusetts, in a box seat on the first base side. "It was a great injustice of how he ended it with that last play. It's a shame. That's how life is."

"Like when your own father dies, you don't want to remember all the bad things," he said.

Wearing a Red Sox T-shirt, 76-year-old Jim McDonnell from Littleton agreed.

"I think it's a shame how he was treated," he said.

Buckner was released by the Red Sox in the summer of 1987 and went on to play for the Angels and Royals. He returned to Boston for his final season in 1990, playing 22 games.

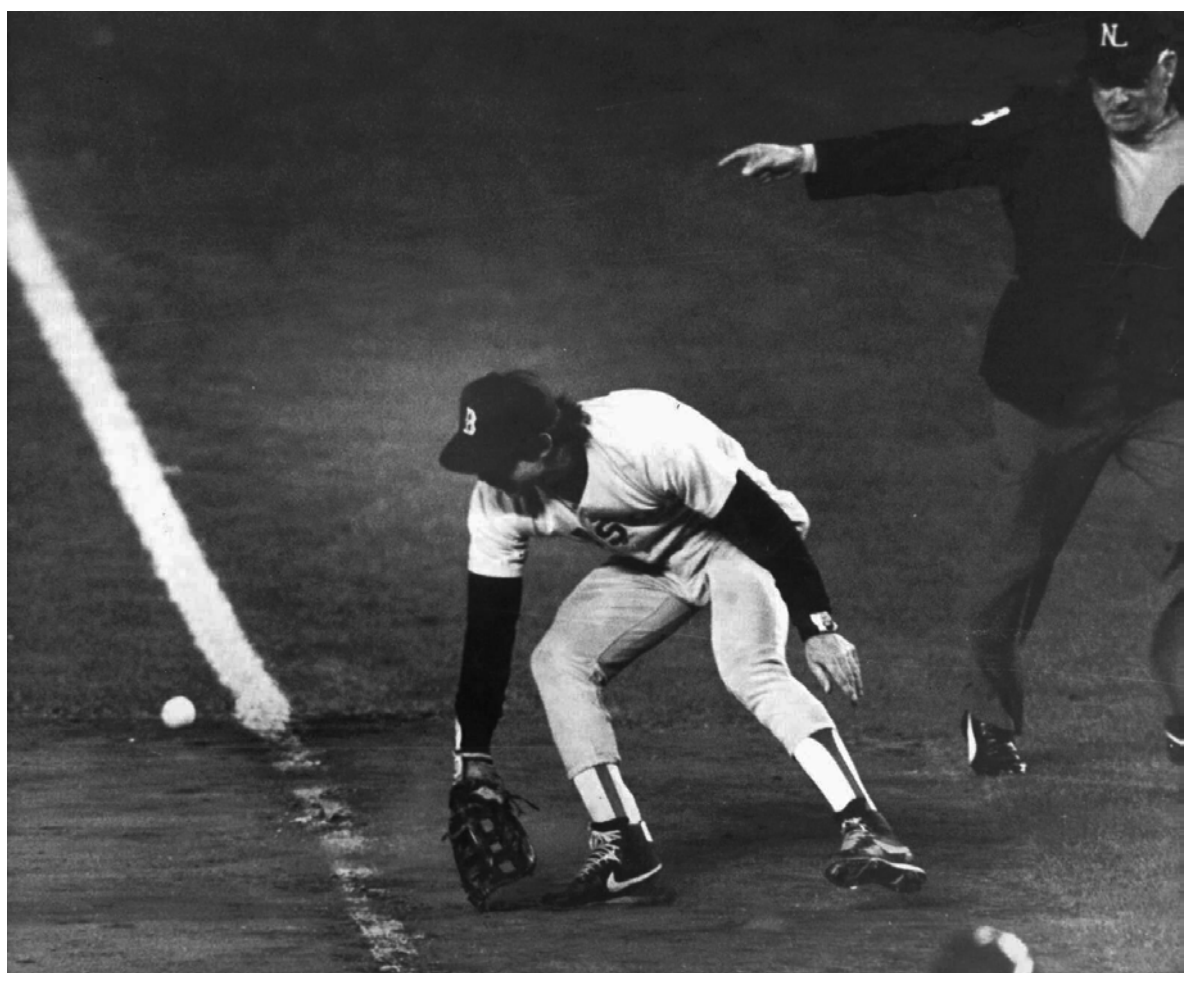
In 2008, Buckner finally accepted an invitation to throw out the first ball for the home opener at Fenway Park as the Red Sox celebrated winning another title.

Buckner drew loud cheers as he walked from the Green Monster in left field to the mound, and made his ceremonial toss to former teammate Dwight Evans.

Buckner said the moment was "probably about as emotional as it could get."

"I really had to forgive," he said later that day, "not the fans of Boston per se, but I would have to say, in my heart, I had to forgive the media for what they put me and my family through. So I've done that. I'm over that. And I'm just happy that I just try to think of the positive. The happy things."

Cleveland manager Terry Francona was the Red Sox skipper that afternoon.



***In this Oct. 25, 1986, file photo, Boston Red Sox first baseman Bill Buckner misplays the ball during during Game 6 of the World Series against the New York Mets. Buckner, a star hitter who became known for making one of the most infamous plays in major league history, has died. He was 69. Buckner's family said in a statement that he died Monday, May 27, 2019, after a long battle with dementia.*** **(Stan Grossfeld/The Boston Globe via AP, File)**

"I thought it was kind of a healing moment, it seemed, for a lot of people and for him, I hope," Francona said before Monday's game. "You have to be up here to understand how people take things that happen. I thought that was a really cool moment."

That moment was played on the videoboard during the fifth inning, drawing cheers.

In a statement, Red Sox chairman Tom Werner praised "Billy Buck," saying he "personified toughness and grit, and his determination to play through pain defines him far more than any single play ever could."

Tweeted former Boston teammate Wade Boggs: "OMG such a sad day can't put it in perspective with the only reason why we made it to the World Series in 86."

Buckner lived in Boise, Idaho, after he finished playing. He was the hitting coach for the Chicago Cubs' minor league affiliate in Boise in 2012-13 and owned three car dealerships and several commercial properties in Idaho.

Cubs chairman Tom Ricketts called Buckner a "great ballplayer and beloved member of the Cubs family." Cubs Hall of Famer Ferguson Jenkins praised Buckner for helping his charity foundation.

Hall of Fame manager Tom Lasorda of the Dodgers called Buckner "one of the best competitors I have ever seen."

Buckner made his big league debut with the Dodgers at 19 in 1969 and became a batting champ with the Cubs. He had a career .289 average and totaled over 100 RBIs in three seasons, twice with Boston. Buckner finished with 174 home runs and 1,208 RBIs and he was a fast outfielder, once stealing 31 bases.

An old-school player with a mustache, Buckner was eager to swing — he had 9,397 career at-bats and never struck out 40 times in a season and never walked more than 40 times in a year.

He is survived by his wife, Jodi, two daughters and one son.

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*AP freelance writer Ken Powtak in Boston contributed to this report.*

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# Dear Annie

By ANNIE LANE

## How to Stop Unwelcome Visit

**Dear Annie:** I have three grandchildren from my stepdaughter who live in another city. Their mom has said that she plans to come and visit with the kids this summer. One of the children has a lot of mental health issues. On a previous trip, "Sophie" stole several items worth quite a bit of money. When I mentioned this by phone on their drive back, my stepdaughter said she'd ask my grandchild. Needless to say, the child denied everything.

She also defaced a painting while visiting. I later found out that "Sophie" has stolen large sums of money from her father as well as from others. She has been violent and twice committed to a psych ward. This child is 13, and I have always suspected she could be violent. This was confirmed by the other grandmother.

I really don't want her to visit but don't know what to say to stop the visit. Help! -- Wary Grandmother

**Dear Grandmother**: If you really want to stop the visit, then be clear and honest: "No, you are not allowed to stay with me." Setting boundaries with loved ones and not wanting to expose yourself to violence or theft is nothing to feel bad about. Just be direct and upfront right away and tell her mother that Sophie is not allowed to stay with you. That does not mean that you don't want to have contact with her. Make it clear that you love your grandchild, as I am sure you do, but that you don't want to expose yourself to so much risk.

I would also have a talk with her parents and make sure that Sophie is getting proper mental health care. It sounds like she is very troubled and that her mother might be in denial.

**Dear Annie:** I can really relate to "Empathetic Grandma." My daughter also has an unusual dietary disorder that makes it challenging to navigate the snack table. We can offer alternatives, but it still leaves the child feeling deprived if they don't get to eat what the other children are eating. There is nothing like a crying toddler to make you aware of just how many children 's events involve food. Even storytime at the library ends with a snack. Are we afraid our children will starve to death if they are without food for over an hour? Our culture has taken on this notion that we cannot let our children experience hunger -- even for a few moments. Parents become panicked if their child says he is hungry and they have no food to immediately offer. What happened to saying: "Lunch will be in an hour. Save your appetite"? A large factor in the obesity epidemic is constant grazing. We are doing our children no favors by teaching them that an empty belly is a cause for fear, and that no event is worthwhile unless it includes food. -- Not a Snacker

**Dear No Snacking Allowed**: If you child has dietary restrictions, the most important thing is to be prepared. Bring snacks that your child can enjoy and not feel deprived. While young children are growing, it is recommended that they have three meals along with two healthy snacks. You are correct that constant snacking, especially on food without much nutritional value, can lead to obesity and health problems. The key is to space the snacks out accordingly so that they are not given too close to mealtimes.

**Dear Readers:** This Memorial Day, I wanted to take the time to thank all the men and women who are serving in the U.S. armed services. You are truly a gift to our country.

"Ask Me Anything: A Year of Advice From Dear Annie" is out now! Annie Lane's debut book -- featuring favorite columns on love, friendship, family and etiquette -- is available as a paperback and e-book. Visit http://www.creatorspublishing.com for more information. Send your questions for Annie Lane to dear-annie@creators.com.

## HINTS FROM HELOISE

### PUT THE FREEZE ON YOUR CARD!



Dear Readers: Have you ever been out on the town and MISPLACED YOUR CREDIT CARD?

Through many credit card companies' mobile phone apps, you can temporarily freeze your card. This will prevent unauthorized new charges online, over the phone and in store, cash advances and balance transfers onto the lost card.

Some activity will continue while the card is frozen: recurring bill payments, returns and payments will be credited to the card; interest will still accrue if you carry a balance; and other regular fees will still be charged.

When you find your card, simply unfreeze it through the app, and you're good to go. If you don't find the card, call the company for a replacement.

Check your card's specific rules for freezing the card. -- Heloise

### SOAP SAVER

Dear Heloise: We watch our pennies and look for ways to save. We buy large refills of hand soap, dish soap and window cleaner, and refill smaller containers for use.

A 90-ounce refill of dish soap costs just a little more than a 10-ounce bottle and is good for nine refills.

Regular hand soap can be used in the new foam dispensers by refilling with a mix of soap and water. -- J.C.S., North Palm Beach, Fla.

### UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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# TV Sports Listings

**Tuesday, May 28**

**COLLEGE GOLF (MEN'S)**

11 a.m.

GOLF — NCAA Men's Golf Championship: Team Match Play, quarterfinals, Fayetteville, Ark.

4 p.m.

GOLF — NCAA Men's Golf Championship: Team Match Play, semifinals, Fayetteville, Ark.

HIGH SCHOOL LACROSSE (BOY'S)

7 p.m.

ESPNU — GEICO Nationals Championship:

**MLB BASEBALL**

6:30 p.m.

MLB — San Diego at NY Yankees OR St. Louis at Philadelphia (7 p.m.)

10 p.m.

MLB — NY Mets at LA Dodgers OR Texas at Seattle

**SOCCER (MEN'S)**

2:30 p.m.

FS1 — FIFA U-20 World Cup: U.S. vs. Nigeria, Group D

**WNBA BASKETBALL**

7 p.m.

CBSSN — Indiana at Connecticut

# On The Tube




***In this May 2, 2019, file photo, "Jeopardy!" sensation James Holzhauer speaks after being presented with a key to the Las Vegas Strip in front of the Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas sign in Las Vegas. Holzhauer's "Jeopardy" winning streak is still going and he may be track to surpass Ken Jennings' record earnings in the next month.*** **(Caroline Brehman/ Las Vegas Review-Journal via AP, File)**

## 'Jeopardy' champ James Holzhauer nears Ken Jennings' record

LOS ANGELES (AP) — James Holzhauer's "Jeopardy" winning streak is still going and he may be on track to surpass Ken Jennings' record earnings in the next month.

Holzhauer on Monday won his 28th straight game with an additional $130,222 in winnings, the second highest single-day sum ever recorded on the show. The professional sports gambler from Las Vegas also holds the all-time record, which is $131,127.

Before his run, the previous episode record was $77,000 and was set by Roger Craig in 2010.

Holzhauer's total earnings are now at $2,195,557. That's $325,143 shy of Ken Jennings' $2,520,700, which he won in 74 episodes in 2004.

# 'Aladdin' soars, but 'Booksmart' barely passes at box office

**By LINDSEY BAHR**
***Associated Press***

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Moviegoers voted with their dollars and chose the familiar over the new this Memorial Day weekend. The Walt Disney Co.'s live-action remake of "Aladdin" crushed the competition at the box office, which included two new original R-rated films that opened as counterprogramming to the family pic: The critically acclaimed teen comedy "Booksmart" and the horror movie "Brightburn."

But the strategy didn't quite work. "Aladdin" did better than expected, grossing an estimated $86.1 million to take the top spot at the North American box office, according to studio estimates on Sunday. It'll likely pass $100 million by Monday. The others didn't even break $10 million.

"Aladdin," a musical-adventure directed by Guy Ritchie, stars Will Smith, Mena Massoud and Naomi Scott and draws heavily on the music and story of the 1992 animated film (the top earner of that year) that it's based on.

"We're delighted," said Cathleen Taff, Disney's president of theatrical distribution. "Between the fun action-adventure and spectacular music combined with the cast, which is so charming and has such great chemistry together, we've hit something that fans are embracing and walking out of wanting to share with others."

Audiences, who were 54% women and 51% families, gave the remake an A CinemaScore, which is much more promising for its continued success than the tepid critical reviews. The studio also got another metric with the newly launched verified Rotten Tomatoes audience rating. Over 7,000 people rated the film to give it a 93%.

"I'm so pleased that Rotten Tomatoes launched this, it means people bought the ticket. You can trust that people giving you the score actually sat through the movie," Taff said. "We couldn't ask for a better barometer of fan reception."

With an international gross of $121 million, "Aladdin" has already earned over $207 million globally. It cost a reported $183 million to produce.

The top few spots at the holiday box office were populated by known brands and sequels. "John Wick: Chapter 3 — Parabellum," now in its second weekend, placed second with $24.4 million. "Avengers: Endgame" took third with $16.8 million, and "Pokémon Detective Pikachu" landed in fourth with $13.3 million.

Original films are struggling to attract significant audiences at the moment. Sony's modestly budgeted horror movie "Brightburn" opened in fifth with $7.5 million. The James Gunn-produced film starring Elizabeth Banks puts a sinister spin on the Superman myth and has received mediocre reviews from critics.

A surprise for many, however, was "Booksmart," an Annapurna film distributed by United Artists Releasing, which debuted in sixth with only $6.5 million, despite excellent reviews and steady buzz from its SXSW film festival debut. Although in line with studio expectations going into the weekend, some had thought that this would be a summer breakout hit.

Olivia Wilde directed the film that stars Kaitlyn Dever and Beanie Feldstein as two teenage overachievers and rule-followers who decide to go to a party on their last night of high school. Many compared it to "Superbad," which opened in August 2007 to $33 million.

But despite all the hype, including a lot of celebrity endorsements on social media from the likes of Natalie Portman and Ryan Reynolds, audiences just didn't turn out for "Booksmart" in noteworthy numbers.

Wilde saw the writing on the wall Saturday and tried to change the course with a Twitter plea.

"Anyone out there saving @Booksmart for another day, consider making that day TODAY," Wilde wrote. "We are getting creamed by the big dogs out there and need your support. Don't give studios an excuse not to green-light movies made by and about women."

Those who did make it to "Booksmart" were mostly women (61 and under the age of 35 (74%). And the target 17-34 age group gave a more favorable exit score (an A) than audiences overall, who gave it a B+.

"People are in a popcorn mood," Comscore senior media analyst Paul Dergarabedian said. "Films trying to be more introspective and fresh are having a tougher time getting their head above water."

Still, he noted, to have three R-rated films in the top 6 ("Brightburn," "Booksmart" and "John Wick: Chapter 3") is impressive. And one limited release that did manage to connect was the Laurel Canyon music documentary "Echo in the Canyon," which earned an impressive $103,716 from two locations in Los Angeles. It expands to New York next week.

The deficit is still running around 9% for the year, but next weekend could chip away at that with a diverse set of new offerings including the Elton John biopic "Rocketman," "Godzilla: King of the Monsters" and the Octavia Spencer thriller "Ma."

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Comscore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Tuesday.

1."Aladdin," $86.1 million ($121 million international).

2."John Wick: Chapter 3 — Parabellum," $24.4 million ($24.8 million international).

3."Avengers: Endgame," $16.8 million ($15.3 million international).

4."Pokémon Detective Pikachu," $13.3 million ($24.3 million international).

5."Brightburn," $7.5 million ($4.5 million international).

6."Booksmart," $6.5 million.

7."A Dog's Journey," $4.1 million ($6.5 million international).

8."The Hustle," $3.8 million ($4.6 million international).

9."The Intruder," $2.3 million.

10."Long Shot," $1.6 million ($788,000 international).

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3. "Pokémon Detective Pikachu," $24.3 million.

4. "Avengers: Endgame," $15.3 million.

5. "A Dog's Journey," $6.5 million.

6. "The Gangster, The Cop, The Devil," $6.4 million.

7. "Rocketman," $6.4 million.

8. "Mayday Life 3D," $5.5 million.

9. "The Hustle," $4.6 million.

10. "Brightburn," $4.5 million.

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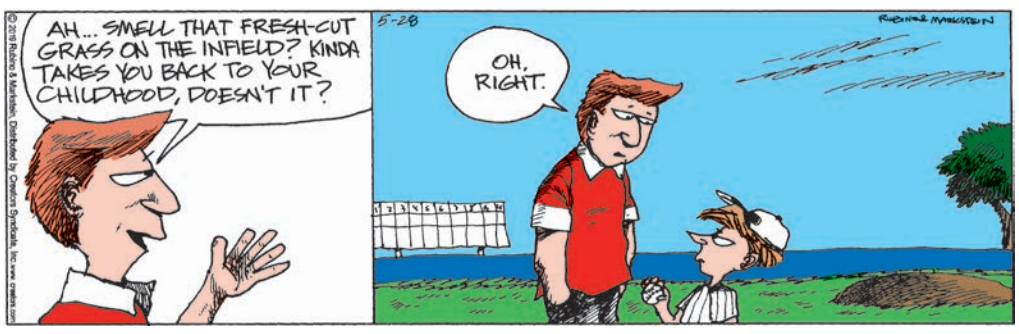

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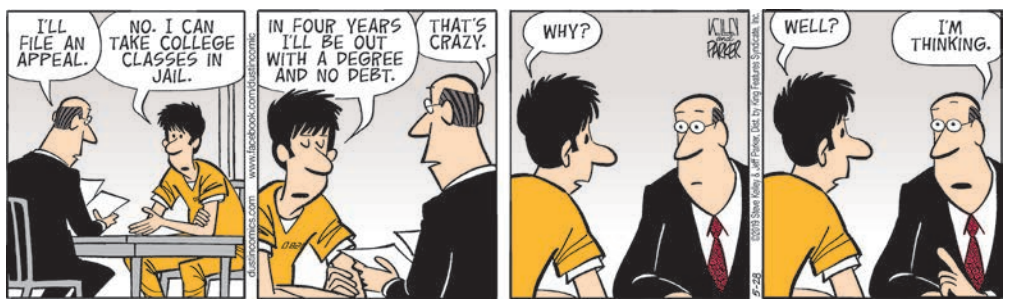

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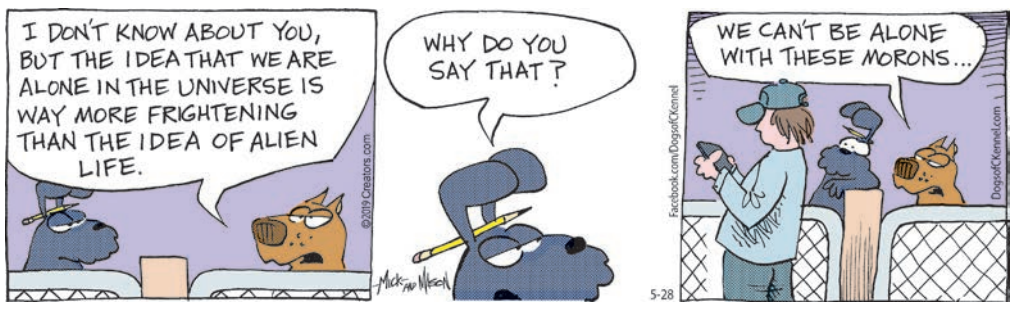

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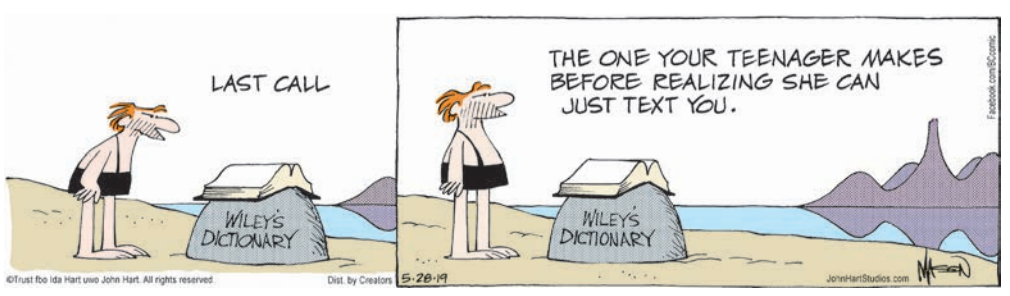

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## YOUR HOROSCOPE

By Jaqueline Bigar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, May 28, 2019:

This year, you grow into a new frame of reference as your mind expands. You'll draw more people toward you. If single, you seem to have a new selection of potential sweeties. Enjoy exploring. If you're attached, you and your partner continually challenge each other and grow in new ways. Your life together becomes even more dynamic. ARIES pushes you to achieve your goals.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ This morning, you might be taking a lot of time to deal with a behind-the-scenes matter. By midafternoon, you might opt to change your schedule, which could affect a meeting or work. Adapt; you'll be a lot happier. Tonight: To the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ In the morning, emphasize meetings or friendships. Zero in on what's important, as well as your choices. By afternoon, you might want to spend some downtime with a special friend or become a mini recluse. Tonight: Make it early.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You don't hesitate to take charge and move through a problem. You could feel as though you cannot get past a problem easily. Detach from the matter. Get feedback from a group of friends or advisers. Comments could be insightful. Tonight: Adapt plans to the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Your mind drifts to other topics and thoughts. You could be weighing the pros and cons of getting together with a special friend at a distance. Make it a visit of possibility. By afternoon, you become actively involved with the here and now. Tonight: To the wee hours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ One-on-one relating takes you down a new path. A partner plays a significant role in making an important decision. Reach out for a loved one or adviser at a distance. You get important and valuable feedback. Tonight: You could be too tired for your own good. Nap.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Consider the pros and cons of a personal matter. How you handle a problem could radically change because of what occurs in the morning. As a result of conversation, you discover a different perspective. You might be ready to make a change regarding a financial issue. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ In the morning, plunge into your work or project. By afternoon, touch base with a partner. You could be tightly tangled in an interaction with this person. During midafternoon, find out where others are coming from. After your discussion, make a decision. Tonight: Follow another's lead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Tap into your creativity when dealing with a child or loved one. You'll enjoy this time together. By afternoon, you plunge into work and get into a routine. Touch base with an associate you really care about and often work with. Tonight: To the wee hours.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You could be emotional this morning. During the afternoon, you get past this intensity and allow greater spontaneity. In a sense, you feel liberated and ready to deal with a big personality in your life. Handle what's on your mind directly. Tonight: Express your sense of humor.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Settle in; make time for a long conversation that you've been putting off. Once you air out your concerns, you'll feel far better. Head home early to relax and visit with a loved one. You connect in a unique manner. Tonight: Don't push.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Hold back spending, and don't push yourself as hard as you have been. Fatigue marks decisions made today. Instead, take your time, get opinions and weigh the pros and cons. You could find that your opinions transform. Tonight: Hang out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ You seem to have bloomed in front of another person's observing eye. You're aware of this person's interest in you, but you haven't allowed him or her to get close. You might want to experience how you feel around this person. Tonight: Make it your treat.

**BORN TODAY**

Attorney Rudy Giuliani (1944), Senator Marco Rubio (1971), singer/songwriter Gladys Knight (1944)

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# CONTRACT BRIDGE

## *Taking control*

North dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A Q 7 3
♥ K 2
♦ K Q 9 5
♣ 10 6 3

WEST
♠ 6
♥ J 9 7 3
♦ 8 6 4 2
♣ Q J 9 5

EAST
♠ 9 4 2
♥ 10 8 6 5 4
♦ A
♣ A K 7 4

SOUTH
♠ K J 10 8 5
♥ A Q
♦ J 10 7 3
♣ 8 2

The bidding:

| North | East | South | West |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 ♦ | Pass | 1 ♠ | Pass |
| 2 ♠ | Pass | 4 ♠ | |

Opening lead — queen of clubs.

**There are hands** where one defender is in a much better position than his partner to see the best chance to defeat the contract. In these cases, the player with the better perspective should take over, if possible, and direct the defense for his side.

**For example,** take this deal where West led the queen of clubs against four spades. East signaled with the seven and won the next club with the king. But when East then tried to cash his ace, South ruffed, drew trumps and conceded the ace of diamonds to make the contract.

**East was entirely at fault** for allowing four spades to be made. He merely went through the motions of defending, basing his hopes entirely on the possibility that South had three clubs instead of two.

**A much better plan** would have been to make use of the knowledge that West's queen-of-clubs lead indicated he also had the jack. With that in mind, East should have overtaken the queen with the king, cashed the ace of diamonds and then returned a low club to West's jack.

**This sequence of plays** by East would have made it clear that he had been dealt the singleton ace of diamonds, and would have made it easy for West to return a diamond at trick four to defeat the contract.

**It is true** that many players holding the East hand would mechanically play the seven of clubs at trick one, giving no thought whatever to the primary objective of every good defender: to defeat the contract. Over the long haul, such players would almost surely find themselves on the short end of the score.

**Tomorrow:** Picture bidding.

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# CROSSWORDS

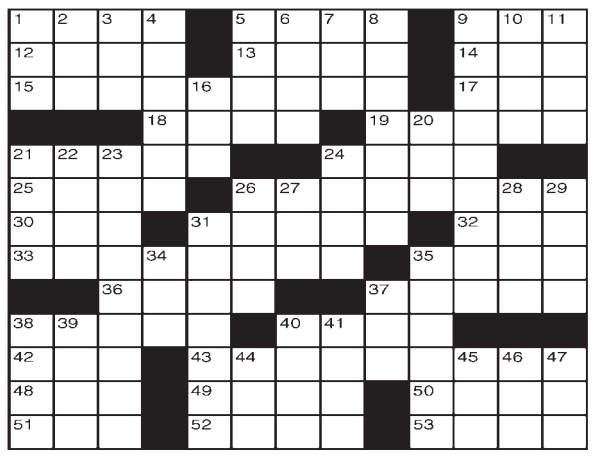
**ACROSS**
1 Modern taxi alternative
5 911 responders
9 ER workers
12 Zero, in tennis
13 Scurry
14 Actor Kilmer
15 Wharton Sch. offering
17 506, in old Rome
18 Charon's river
19 Speedy
21 Devil's domain
24 Toppled
25 Writer Quindlen
26 Circus gymnasts
30 Call — day
31 Kathy of "Misery"
32 Pro vote
33 "No worries ..."
35 GI dining hall
36 Cries of discovery
37 Third rock from the sun
38 Gantry of fiction
40 Stable diet
42 Napkin's place
43 Coll. entrance considerations
48 Oahu or Maui (Abbr.)
49 Military group
50 "A Doll's House" heroine
51 That lady
52 Tower city
53 Did the crawl

**DOWN**
1 Einstein's birthplace
2 Short 'do
3 Actress Longoria
4 It had a big part in the Bible
5 Jittery
6 "Das Kapital" author
7 Three, in Rome
8 Sound systems
9 Movie buff's purchase
10 Sitarist Shankar
11 Lost traction
16 Roswell visitors
20 Cleric's tunic
21 It grows on you
22 Initial chip
23 Crime lab specimen
24 Glenn of the Eagles
26 Very small batteries
27 Dol. fractions
28 Try out
29 Merit badge holder
31 Endures
34 Common title start
35 Brick workers
37 And so on (Abbr.)
38 Yale students
39 Cilium
40 Elevator name
41 "The Thin Man" dog
44 Blackbird
45 Tier
46 Epoch
47 Actor Waterston

**Solution time: 21 mins.**

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Saturday's answer 5-27



# CRYPTOQUIP

HFPE HKLIX ZWZQOSKXO GPII EFZ EKR KJJNGNPI IZPXZQ KJ XZPQ PSSO'C JPT GILS? PXWNGZ RQZCNXZTE.

**Saturday's Cryptoquip:** WHAT SHOULD BE THE FAVORITE FRUITY BEVERAGE OF CHURCH MEMBERS WHO AREN'T ORDAINED? LAYMAN-ADE.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals W

## LEGAL NOTICES

May 14, 21, 28, 2019

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE
OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Mark P. Quaglini and Jennifer M. Quaglini to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for, Mid-Island Mortgage Corp., its successors and assigns, dated May 6, 2009 and recorded with the Hampden County Registry of Deeds at Book 17777, Page 323 as affected by a Loan Modification recorded on August 25, 2014 in Said Registry of Deeds at Book 20400, Page 206, subsequently assigned to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as nominee for Mid-Island Mortgage Corp. its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Hampden County Registry of Deeds at Book 22257, Page 391 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on June 4, 2019 at 112 City View Road, Westfield, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in Westfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts being known as Lot #6 and Parcel "A" as shown on a plan entitled "Transfer of Property, Westfield, Massachusetts" by D. L. Bean, Inc., for David Herrick, dated July 28, 1986 and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 244, Page 105, to which plan reference is made for a more detailed description and bounded Northerly by City View Road as shown on said Plan;

Easterly by unnamed land approximately three hundred sixty-one and 00/100 (361.00) feet more or less as shown on said plan;

Southerly by land now or formerly of J. and T. Liguori, as shown on said plan; Westerly by Parcel "B" as shown on said plan;

Southerly by Lot #5 as shown on said plan;

and Westerly by Lot #5 as shown on said plan.

Subject to riparian rights of the public in the brook as shown on plan recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 226, Pages 78 and 79. Subject to a pipeline easement as shown on Plan recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 226, Page 78 and 79. Subject to conditions of Wetlands Protection Order. Being the same premises conveyed to the grantor herein by Deed dated February 9, 1998, and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 10159, Page 562.

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

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

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

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Present Holder of
said Mortgage,

By Its Attorneys,
ORLANS PC
PO Box 540540
Waltham, MA 02454
Phone: (781) 790-7800
18-015680

## LEGAL NOTICES

May 28, 2019

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS

TOWN OF GRANVILLE

OFFICE OF THE
TAX COLLECTOR

The owners or occupants of the following described parcels of land situated in the Town of Granville in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the public are hereby notified that the taxes thereon assessed for the year(s) hereinafter specified, according to the list committed to me as Tax Collector for the Town of Granville, by the Town Assessors of said Granville, remain unpaid, and that said parcels of land will be taken for the said Town of Granville on June 11, 2019, at 10:00 A.M. for the non-payment of said taxes and interest, if any, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

Owner: Frederick A. Day and
Helen F. Day.
Land in said Granville,
with any buildings thereon, at
0 Crest Lane, shown as
Assessor's Map 12-53-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.2983, P. 418.
2007 Taxes: $478.51
2008 Taxes: $1,122.24
2009 Taxes: $1,102.23
2010 Taxes: $1,118.88
2011 Taxes: $1,188.81
2012 Taxes: $1,200.80
2013 Taxes: $1,219.83
2014 Taxes: $1,276.28
2015 Taxes: $1,228.69
2016 Taxes: $1,244.20
2017 Taxes: $1,341.10
2018 Taxes: $1,447.69

Owner: James L. Meadows Jr.
and Wendy R. Meadows,
with any buildings thereon,
at 38 Wendy's Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 13-6-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.5694, P. 341.
2010 Taxes: $2,772.91
2011 Taxes: $2,922.06
2012 Taxes: $2,951.53
2014 Taxes: $2,684.62
2015 Taxes: $2,618.08
2016 Taxes: $2,651.12
2017 Taxes: $2,873.05

Owner: Forrest Devine,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Lovers Lane, shown as
Assessor's Map 12-5-1.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.14488, P. 581.
2015 Taxes: $796.16
2016 Taxes: $1,612.42
2017 Taxes: $3,006.50
2018 Taxes: $7,037.99

Owner: Timothy B. Horan
and Susan M. Horan,
with any buildings thereon,
at 28 Crest Lane, shown as
Assessor's Map 12-49-6.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.6577, P. 194.
2002 Taxes: $540.88
2003 Taxes: $547.46
2004 Taxes: $450.07
2005 Taxes: $455.60
2006 Taxes: $552.00
2007 Taxes: $488.06
2008 Taxes: $592.48
2009 Taxes: $581.90
2010 Taxes: $658.56
2011 Taxes: $699.72
2012 Taxes: $706.78
2013 Taxes: $734.47
2014 Taxes: $768.46
2015 Taxes: $762.07
2016 Taxes: $771.68
2017 Taxes: $831.78
2018 Taxes: $897.89

Owner: Karl Y. Hansen and
Donald H. Hansen,
with any buildings thereon,
at 153 Silver Street, shown as
Assessor's Map 18-39-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.916, P. 406.
2003 Taxes: $2,535.94
2004 Taxes: $2,459.40
2005 Taxes: $689.28
2006 Taxes: $2,409.60
2010 Taxes: $3,278.27
2011 Taxes: $1,704.38
2012 Taxes: $4,171.88
2017 Taxes: $1,965.08
2018 Taxes: $1,025.42

Owner: Terri L. Marshall,
with any buildings thereon,
at 282 Granby Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 18-52-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.16921, P. 510.
2010 Taxes: $1,160.02
2011 Taxes: $1,728.70
2016 Taxes: $885.05
2017 Taxes: $1,886.90
2018 Taxes: $2,041.42

Owner: Debra R. Rosenfield
and Barry K. Rosenfield,
with any buildings thereon,
at 353 South Lane, shown as
Assessor's Map 18-52-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.5667, P. 187.
2008 Taxes: $842.24
2009 Taxes: $1,648.20
2013 Taxes: $2,077.07
2015 Taxes: $1,089.94
2016 Taxes: $2,063.35
2018 Taxes: $2,528.19

Owner: Fleet National Bank,
Trustee under will of
Mary N. Drummond,
subsequent Donald W. Baker,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Silver St., shown as
Assessor's Map 22-7-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.14360, P. 36.
2005 Taxes: $68.00
2006 Taxes: $87.60
2007 Taxes: $78.50
2008 Taxes: $88.48
2009 Taxes: $86.90
2010 Taxes: $138.88
2011 Taxes: $147.56
2012 Taxes: $149.05
2013 Taxes: $83.49
2014 Taxes: $87.35
2015 Taxes: $79.88
2016 Taxes: $80.89
2017 Taxes: $87.19
2018 Taxes: $94.12

Owner: Nancy C. Petersen
and James F. Wackerbarth,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Granby Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-32-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.17206, P. 416.
2014 Taxes: $1,282.71
2015 Taxes: $1,237.57
2016 Taxes: $1,253.18

Owner: Nancy C. Petersen
and James F. Wackerbarth,
with any buildings thereon,
at 392 Granby Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-33-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.17206, P. 416.
2016 Taxes: $3,159.77
2018 Taxes: $2,149.07

Owner: David A. Czapracki,
with any buildings thereon,
at 428 Granby Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-34-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.14682, P. 508.
2005 Taxes: $1,823.76
2006 Taxes: $1,898.40
2007 Taxes: $1,737.92
2008 Taxes: $1,904.00
2009 Taxes: $1,890.23
2010 Taxes: $2,284.97
2011 Taxes: $2,414.49
2012 Taxes: $2,438.84
2013 Taxes: $1,211.56
2014 Taxes: $2,517.29
2015 Taxes: $2,473.66
2016 Taxes: $2,485.32
2017 Taxes: $2,684.49
2018 Taxes: $2,911.51

Owner: Wackerbarth Box
Manufacturing Co., Inc.,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Granby Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-38-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.11747, P. 227.
2012 Taxes: $304.11
2013 Taxes: $273.46
2014 Taxes: $286.12
2015 Taxes: $262.48
2016 Taxes: $265.79
2017 Taxes: $286.49
2018 Taxes: $309.26

Owner: Wackerbarth Box
Manufacturing Co., Inc.,
with any buildings thereon,
at 383 Granby Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-39-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.11747, P. 227.
2012 Taxes: $4,277.37
2013 Taxes: $7,087.92
2014 Taxes: $7,473.79
2015 Taxes: $7,335.01
2016 Taxes: $7,427.58
2017 Taxes: $8,094.54
2018 Taxes: $8,784.90

Owner: Jonathan Isner
and Annette Isner,
with any buildings thereon,
at 1587 Main Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 23-18-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.18961, P. 466.
2014 Taxes: $2,825.97
2015 Taxes: $2,731.35
2016 Taxes: $2,765.81
2017 Taxes: $3,228.45
2018 Taxes: $3,292.46

Owner: Pamela D. Wood,
subsequent Christopher J.
Wood,
with any buildings thereon,
at 25 Granby Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 27-71-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B. 21542, P. 546.
2008 Taxes: $1,668.95
2009 Taxes: $2,358.29
2010 Taxes: $2,526.22
2011 Taxes: $2,299.24
2012 Taxes: $2,636.82
2013 Taxes: $1,101.30
2014 Taxes: $1,186.99
2015 Taxes: $1,041.68
2016 Taxes: $1,064.29
2017 Taxes: $1,230.50
2018 Taxes: $1,508.27

Owner: Herbert H. Brooks
and Anthony A Brooks,
Trustees of Caroline Brooks
Revocable Trust, with
any buildings thereon,
at 34 Crest Lane, shown as
Assessor's Map 12-51-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.10993, P. 200.
2006 Taxes: $259.52
2007 Taxes: $839.24
2008 Taxes: $954.24
2009 Taxes: $937.20
2010 Taxes: $1,251.87
2011 Taxes: $1,188.81
2012 Taxes: $1,200.80
2013 Taxes: $1,040.60
2014 Taxes: $1,088.76
2015 Taxes: $1,087.94
2016 Taxes: $1,101.67
2017 Taxes: $1,195.78
2018 Taxes: $1,295.30

Owner: John Stopa,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Reagan Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 13-39-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.10349, P. 104.
2014 Taxes: $4,975.39
2015 Taxes: $6,568.95
2016 Taxes: $3,432.19
2017 Taxes: $7,176.92
2018 Taxes: $7,791.31

Owner: Bertram Martin
and Rita Martin,
with any buildings thereon,
at 1012 Main Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 13-40-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.3408, P. 130.
2014 Taxes: $2,810.32
2015 Taxes: $3,053.53
2016 Taxes: $3,226.23
2017 Taxes: $4,597.41
2018 Taxes: $4,733.46
2018 Taxes: $4,733.46

Owner: Joseph Rechel,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Main Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 14-8-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.2993, P. 130.
2002 Taxes: $409.36
2003 Taxes: $414.34
2004 Taxes: $340.63
2005 Taxes: $346.80
2006 Taxes: $396.00
2007 Taxes: $350.12
2008 Taxes: $407.68
2009 Taxes: $400.40
2010 Taxes: $348.32
2011 Taxes: $370.09
2012 Taxes: $373.82
2013 Taxes: $375.10
2014 Taxes: $392.46
2015 Taxes: $388.01
2016 Taxes: $205.54
2017 Taxes: $423.50

Owner: Daniel Dean and
Tarra Dean,
with any buildings thereon,
at 276 Crest Lane, shown as
Assessor's Map 16-25-3.
Hampden Registry of
Deeds B.13345, P. 506.
2009 Taxes: $1,029.60
2010 Taxes: $1,030.40
2011 Taxes: $1,094.80
2012 Taxes: $1,105.84
2013 Taxes: $1,049.07
2014 Taxes: $1,097.62
2015 Taxes: $1,063.85
2016 Taxes: $1,077.28
2017 Taxes: $1,162.56
2018 Taxes: $1,254.96

Owner: Thomas M. Monteith
and Virginia B. Monteith,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Silver Street, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-25-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.4007, P. 161.
2007 Taxes: $796.80
2008 Taxes: $1,003.52
2010 Taxes: $1,203.87
2014 Taxes: $1,078.10
2016 Taxes: $1,090.83
2017 Taxes: $1,180.00
2018 Taxes: $658.87

Owner: Thomas M. Monteith
and Virginia B. Monteith,
with any buildings thereon,
at 271 Silver Street, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-26-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.3600, P. 173.
2008 Taxes: $1,255.38
2010 Taxes: $1,441.24
2012 Taxes: $1,973.05
2014 Taxes: $1,859.66
2015 Taxes: $375.00
2016 Taxes: $314.00
2017 Taxes: $1,276.18
2018 Taxes: $722.28

Owner: Thomas M. Monteith,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Silver Street, shown as
Assessor's Map 22-31-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.10940, P. 344.
2007 Taxes: $77.56
2008 Taxes: $81.86
2009 Taxes: $81.62
2010 Taxes: $79.41
2017 Taxes: $143.99
2018 Taxes: $74.07

Owner: Ernest W. Sattler,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Hayes Road, shown as
Assessor's Map 27-2-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.2082, P.389.
2012 Taxes: $657.49
2014 Taxes: $639.33
2015 Taxes: $612.44
2017 Taxes: $447.93
2018 Taxes: $721.60

Owner: Ernest W. Sattler,
with any buildings thereon,
at 27 Beech Hill Road,
as shown as Assessor's Map
12-10-0.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.3240, P.299.
2013 Taxes: $1,530.40
2014 Taxes: $3,202.48
2015 Taxes: $3,111.02
2017 Taxes: $3,446.19
2018 Taxes: $3,856.56

Owner: Ernest W. Sattler,
with any buildings thereon,
at 0 Hartland Hollow Road,
shown as Assessor's Map
12-67-3.
Hampden Registry of Deeds
B.1853, P.525.
2008 Taxes: $2,320.12
2012 Taxes: $2,785.60
2013 Taxes: $3,220.48
2014 Taxes: $3,369.53
2015 Taxes: $3,149.63
2017 Taxes: $3,123.09
2018 Taxes: $3,371.31

May 28, 2019

(SEAL)

**COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS**

**County of Hampden
The Superior Court**

CIVIL DOCKET #1979CV00354

RE: **United Bank vs
Elaine D Gilmore**

**ORDER OF NOTICE
BY PUBLICATION**

TO: **Elaine D Gilmore,** an individual who, on information and belief, resides at 14 Melvin Road, Chester, MA 01011; **in the County of Hampden; all said Commonwealth;**

AND TO ALL PERSONS ENTITLED TO THE BENEFIT OF THE SERVICE MEMBERS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT OF 1940 AS AMENDED 2003 as amended:

United Bank, a Connecticut chartered bank with a usual place of business at 1645 Ellington Road, South Windsor, CT 06074

claiming to be the holder of mortgage covering real property situated at 14 Melvin Road, Chester,
MA (f/k/a 61 Round Hill Road, Chester, MA)

given by Elaine D Gilmore to United Bank, dated November 5, 2007

recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 17017, Page 364, has filed with said court a Complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry on and possession of the premises therein described and by exercise of the power of sale contained in said mortgage.

If are entitled to the benefits of the Service Members' Civil Relief Act of 1940, and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Springfield in said County on 07/01/2019 or before or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said Act.

Witness,
Judith Fabricant, Esquire,
Chief Justice of
The Superior Court,
at Springfield, Massachusetts,
this 20th day of May, 2019.

Laura S. Gentile,
Clerk of the Courts

By Mary C Cullinan
Assistant Clerk

## LEGAL NOTICES

May 28, 2019

Town of Southwick

The Southwick
Conservation Commission

will hold a public hearing under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act G.L.C. 131 § 40 and the Southwick Conservation Commission Regulations & Bylaw Chapter 182 and Chapter 450 for a Request for Determination. The project location is the New England National Scenic Trail at Rising Corner Road Trailhead, Southwick, MA 01077. To create a firm and stable parking area and trail to the boardwalk along with other site improvements. The Hearing will be held June 3, 2019 at Southwick Town Hall, 454 College Highway in the 2nd floor Land Use Hearing Room (rear entrance). The Conservation meeting starts at 7:00 PM. For further information please contact the Commission office at (431) 569-6907 between the hours of 10 to 2 Monday through Friday.

Christopher Pratt,
Chair for the Commission

May 23, 2019

To: The Estates of
Mary A. Woodworth
and Theresa M. Woodworth,
their heirs, successors and assigns, known or unknown, an action has been commenced against you in the Western Division Housing Court, Docket No. 19CV398 by the City of Westfield affecting the property at 40 Park Street, Westfield. The City is seeking the Court to appoint a receiver for this property to repair the property in order to make it fit for human habitation pursuant to G.L. c. 111, § 127I. If appointed and the receiver makes the property habitable, the receiver will request that the Court authorize it to sell such property free and clear of any property interests claimed or held by others and free and clear of all encumbrances of record.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon the City of Westfield Law Department, 59 Court Street, Westfield, MA 01085, and answer to the Petition to Enforce the State Sanitary Code. This matter is scheduled for a hearing on the Petition to Enforce the State Sanitary Code and for Appointment of a Receiver on June 10, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Western Division Housing Court, located at 37 Elm Street, Springfield, MA.

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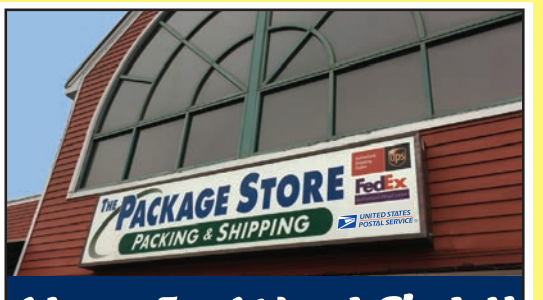
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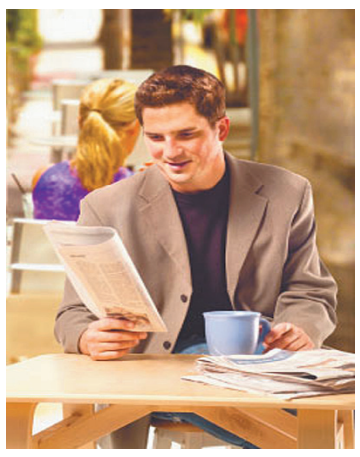
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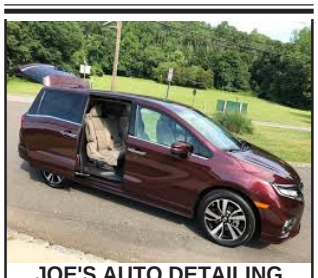
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