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The Medway Post Office located at 115 Main Street. Credit: Theresa Knapp

## **Town of Medway reels over** abrupt closure of Main Street post office

Town frustrated, USPS insists renewal not offered, landlord denies eviction

By J.D. O'GARA

of its Main St. location to Aug. 26.

Editor's note: After this story was finalized and going to press, Medway Post Office moved up the closing date

The Medway Post Office at 115 Main Street closed on Aug.

31 without any official notice to regular mail customers.

"I got a call from a resident who said the post office is closing at the end of the month," said Medway Town Manager

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## **Anne-Marie Gagnon** welcomed as new director of Millis **Council on Aging**

By Kaitlyn Richards STUDENT WRITER

The Millis Council on Aging has hired a new director for the Council. Anne-Marie Gagnon started her new position on Aug.

Gagnon comes to Millis with over 20 years of experience leading other local senior centers where she has worked with older adults in the fields of lifelong learning education, healthy aging, and volunteer services.

Shortly after she started last month, Gagnon said, "From my first week on the job, I can see that this is a special place and that the seniors and the Council on Aging



From left, Erin Underhill, Select Board Clerk; Victoria Schindler, Principal Assistant **Executive Office; Anne-Marie Gagnon,** new Council on Aging Director; and Karen Bouret DeMarzo, Assistant Town Administrator/HR Manager.

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Michael Boynton in mid-August. "The situation is frustrating, and some of it doesn't even make sense."

Boynton said the Town has been entertaining concept ideas with landowner The Meehan Group, which also owns abutting properties, for the better part of two years. "Included in these discussions have been the primary uses that are there, including a gas station and food as well as

#### **Post Office Relocation Process**

The Postal Service can relocate post offices from one place to another, typically within the same ZIP Code area, for reasons such as lease issues or space optimization. The relocation process consists of a concept study, public notification, and site selection. The Postal Service informs local officials and the public of the proposed relocation. Both may comment on and appeal the plan to relocate retail operations. Source: www.uspsoig.gova

a car wash and the post office. We'd been having very good conversations and deemed them very responsive to the Town."

Boynton is puzzled by the quick closure of the Main Street

"There does not seem to be any basis for the post office to be moving in any haste to vacate that site," said Boynton. "Is this the beginning of the [United States Post Office cost-cutting? If you're serious about not having a serious impact on the town, why is the Village Street Post Office not increasing their hours, and what do you propose to do about handicap accessibility? They're shipping their carriers to Bellingham, and that, again, begs the question, 'Why?"

Boynton said, "There's no obligation for them to talk to the Town, we have no control over this whatsoever, but it would be nice. There was zero communication. Our expectation was they had no reason to leave - they were going to be phased into a [different] location at their site. The developer had been very transparent with anything they've presented to us."

#### **USPS** response

USPS representatives said it is closing the Main Street location because "our current lease on this property expires August 31 and is not being offered for renewal," according to Steve Doherty, Strategic Communications Specialist for USPS. "The Bellingham Post Office has adequate capacity to absorb the mail volume from Medway.'

He said delivery to Medway mail customers will not be affected, though packages will have to be retrieved from Bellingham.

Doherty said no layoffs are planned as part of this move, and the USPS' 'Delivering for America' plan "does not include any plans to close Post Offices."

The Delivering for America plan is a 10-year strategy established in 2021 to guide "the transformation of the United States Postal Service from an organization in financial and operational crisis to one that is selfsustaining and high-performing." Read more at bit.ly/USPS\_DeliveringForAmerica

## **Landlord response**

The Meehan Group adamantly denies evicting the post office from the Main Street loca-



As of press time there was still no notice to customers on the front door that the Medway Post Office at 115 Main St. would close on Aug. 31. Credit: Theresa Knapp

"Those allegations are absolutely erroneous, causing substantial harm to the potential developer," said Tariq "Ty"

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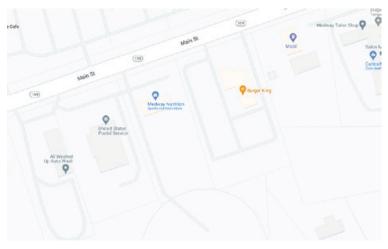
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Fayyad, Development and Acquisitions Manager for The Meehan Group, which has yet to finalize plans for the parcel.

The project before the town is

has not been one plan that did not account for the post office. Every single plan had the post office location somewhere, and further, all those plans were developed in a way that this development would go forward in a phased sense," said Fayyad.

"They're great tenants, we



The parcels involved in the proposed "111 Main Street" project are captured here, from 1 Elm St. (corner of Elm St. and Main St.), up to 107 Main St. (Mobil), down to Kelley St. (at current dead end), over to Elm St. Source: Google maps

"111 Main Street" and includes a total of 13 parcels on Main, Elm, and Kelley Streets. It lists the applicant as "Tariq Fayyad, Rte 85 Realty Trust" in Mendon; and shows Rte 85 Realty Trust as the owner of all parcels except one, "Map 40, Lot 73," which is the parcel on which the post office sits; that parcel is owned by "Milford East Main Street LLC" in Millis whose principal is Patricia Mechan

"Over these two years, there

want to keep them, and we want to relocate them into one of the new buildings," he said, adding the developer "has spent substantial funds on all of our engineering plans on this concern."

Fayyad said, "We reached out to JLL [the brokerage firm for USPS] saying we were ready to extend the lease to the desired two-year extension. However, we wanted a clause within the lease that simply allowed us to relocate them if the development was ready."

The email, copied to Medway Postmaster Matthew Afonso, and shared with Local Town Pages, also requested the Post Office, upon signing the lease extension, initiate the Post Office Relocation Process [see sidebar], whether its ultimate intention is to stay at the Main Street location or move.

Fayyad said, "JLL then reached out to us via email saying they're not willing to negotiate the 2-year extension...Then we reached back out saying we're willing to let them stay there as Tenants-at-Will, and they didn't respond back after that."

In a previous JLL email (also shared with Local Town Pages), Fayyad was told USPS has to go through a specific, lengthy legal process to move a location, and that, even if evicted, could legally stay for up to two years. He expressed frustration at the sudden move to Bellingham.

"JLL's desire to relocate is regrettable," said Fayyad, "We tried to keep [USPS] as tenants, but if they want to leave, we can't force them to stay."

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board members really care about what happens here. We are looking forward to continuing to improve on what is offered, that will

be an ongoing goal for me, and we have a lot of good work ahead of us."

Gagnon is also very passionate about "purposeful aging," the idea of providing opportu-

nities for older adults to age with dignity and independence with the hope of finding activities to fill their days with new information, volunteer experiences, and friendships.

"I am so excited to be a part of the Millis community. It takes a commitment and skills of a team to bring the Senior Center to life and for that I am grateful for the staff, the drivers, and the volunteers at the Millis Council on Aging. Together, I am confident we will bring a high level of service and social programming to our residents."

The Senior Center is an extremely important part of the Millis community. Gagnon hopes more Millis residents will visit the Senior Center which is in Town Hall. They offer many exercise opportunities such as Tai Chi and yoga. The Senior Center

## Residents invited to coffee hour with Gagnon on Sept. 7

New Council on Aging Director Anne-Marie Gagnon will host a community coffee hour on Wed., Sept. 7, at 9 a.m. at the Senior Center located inside the Veterans Memorial Building.

also holds many different events for older adults to stay active in the community. One of the important services it offers is the SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Everyone – on Medicare) program.

"SHINE offers free counseling sessions on Medicare options at the Senior Center by appointment," said Gagnon. And with Medicare Open Enrollment beginning in October, she encourages "every senior to take a look at their Part D drug plan and to make an appointment to discuss options that could save them money."

# How to access postal services

As of Sept. 1, Medway residents can conduct postal business at the:

Medway Village Post Office location, 137 Village St., Mon. through Fri., 9 a.m. to noon (counter and lobby hours, no bulk mail accepted);

Bellingham Post Office, 111 Mechanic St., Bellingham - open Mon. through Fri., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sat., 9 a.m. to noon (bulk mail hours limited); or

Any other open USPS location.





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#### **Postal Workers Union** response

The abruptness of the closure and lack of town notification concerns Keith Richards, president of the Central Massachusetts Area American Postal Workers Union, Local 4553.

He said, "I have 3-4 employees I represent in that office, and I see it as I represent the people of Medway, too. If I put myself in their shoes, I would hate what is going on right now at the Medway Post Office."

The union representative maintains that, under Title 39 of the Federal Code of Regulations, Section 241.3, the USPS is mandated to "give two-months' notice to every single citizen of that town of a discontinued post office, and they're supposed to send out questionnaires and flyers to all of them [USPS customers] for their general input. Also, they haven't conducted a feasibility study and have held no town meetings to keep everyone informed as they should."

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Richards said, "I know if I lived in Medway, I wouldn't want to be forced to go to Bellingham to pick up a package, express mail, certified letter or, mail [held] from vacation."

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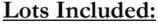
At press time, only the Medway P.O. box holders (approximately 250) had been notified of the closing in a letter that said the "Medway Post Office will be suspended at the close of business on Thursday, August 31st, 2023," according to Richards. Those boxes will be transferred to the Medway Village Post Office. Regular mail customers had not yet received notification and

people to wait inside to conduct business and process passports - I foresee it as being a safety issue."

#### **Local government** response

Medway Select Board member Dennis Crowley echoes those concerns and is particularly worried that the parking for the non-ADA-compliant location "backs into a busy Village Street."

Crowley confirmed the town had no knowledge of the Post Office closing and decried the subsequent misinformation spread on social media. "What happens is that misconceptions get printed on the 'Friends of Medway' Facebook page, and that's unfortunate. A lot [of



117 Main Street, Map: 40, Lot 71 115A Main Street, Map: 40, Lot 72 115 Main Street, Map: 40, Lot 73 113 Main Street, Map: 40, Lot 74 111 Main Street, Map: 40, Lot 75 107 Main Street, Map: 40, Lot 76 119 Main Street, Map 48, Lot 46 119A Main Street, Map 48, Lot 47 119B, Main Street, Map 48, Lot 47-1 1 Elm Street, Map 48, Lot 47-2 3 Elm Street, Map 48, Lot 47-3 0 Kelley Street, Map 49, Lot 32-1 26 Kelley Street, Map 49, Lot 32

no notice had been posted at the Main Street location.

Richards said the Medway Village location "is not a feasible location to move a 4,000 squarefoot facility...and to add over 200 more P.O. Box customers to that location with no handicapped access and only two parking spots - not to mention how small the lobby is and lack of room for

posts] are blaming the Town, but...we didn't know a thing."

Crowley recently timed his drive to the Bellingham Post Office at "19 minutes and eight sets of lights. Moving Medway residents' postal services to Bellingham is really an inconvenience."



town include parcels on Main, Elm, and Kelley Streets. Source: www. townofmedway.org

Above, The Medway Village Street Post Office location will remain open but with limited hours and limited services. Credit: Theresa Knapp

#### **State government** response

A spokesperson for Sen. Karen E. Spilka said, "The Senate President has been in touch with local officials in Medway regarding the closure of the Main Street branch, and she is hopeful that the parties involved can reach an agreement so that Medway residents have access to a full-service post office in their community and all of the important resources it offers."

#### **Federal government** response

Matt Bonaccorsi, Communications Director and Senior Advisor to U.S. Rep. James P. McGovern, said "Congressman McGovern has been in touch directly with the Town of Medway and immediately reached out to USPS leadership to express his concerns after learning about the potential closure of the Medway Post Office on Main Street.

"He believes it's vital that people continue to have the convenience and accessibility of a fully functional USPS location in Medway, and he opposes any closure or relocation that would make it harder for Medway residents to access vital USPS services."

#### **USPS** rebuttal

As of press time, the USPS did not waver from its original position. When pressed about The Meehan Group's statements, Doherty reiterated, "We were notified that our lease will expire August 31 and would not be renewed. That is what prompted the move to Bellingham...There has been no violation of any regulations in this process.'

Theresa Knapp contributed to, and edited, this story





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# 'Friday Night Done Right' offers Medway youth in grades 5-8 a fun and safe environment to socialize

For quite some time, some youth advocates in Medway have talked about a way to provide Medway youth with a protected environment which would keep them safe in a substance-free environment while also providing a fun experience.

'SUP Medway's new program "Friday Night Done Right" hopes to do just that.

"SUP Medway decided that by providing youth with a free drop-in program, it will provide them with a fun environment where they have the ability to engage in fun activities, while also keeping them safe from substances, such as nicotine and alcohol," says Gabby Giannelli, one of the organizers with 'SUP Medway, which is overseeing the initiative.

'SUP Medway has been in existence since Feb. 2021. It is a substance use prevention community coalition whose mission is to engage in collaborative community work focused on the reduction and prevention of youth substance use.

The "Friday Night Done Right" program is a collaboration between the MSPTO (Medway Secondary Parent & Teacher Organization), Community Education, Parks and Recreation, and Medway Public Schools to offer Medway youth in grades 5 to 8 to drop in on Friday nights between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. for pizza and fun.

The program will take place in the Medway High School cafeteria and on the back patio of the cafeteria.

The program is funded with federal grant money, and will be run by the collaborating entities as well as "adult volunteer chaperones from around the community who would be willing to give three hours of their time to help run the event," said Giannelli.

How it works?

Medway youth in grades 5 to 8 can be dropped off at the Medway High School Cafeteria anytime between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Youth will enjoy time with other youth that are in their age group. They will be able to engage in all types of activities such as lawn games, inflatable obstacle courses, arts and crafts, video games, sports, and social time; and will be provided with free pizza for dinner. The program is designed as a dropin program so youth can come and engage in activities they like, and parents are able to have a night out knowing their children are engaging in all sorts of fun and safe activities with their peers, and being supervised (at no cost to the families).

Program dates include Sept. 29, Nov. 10 and Dec. 15.

'SUP Medway has other programs as well including "HYPE" (Healthy Young People Empowerment) which is an afterschool



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student group held at Medway Middle School once a week on Tuesdays starting in October. The goal of this extracurricular activity is to help build youth leaders who are empowered to advocate on issues of health and wellness, and encourage healthy choices among their peers.

Says Giannelli, "Encouraging positive development in youth is a primary prevention method as young leaders tend to make better choices personally, serve as examples to peers, and stand up for what they know is right such as speaking up about big companies who market addictive vape products to youth."

For more information about 'SUP Medway, or to learn more about volunteering to chaperone at Friday Night Done Right, contact info@supmedway.com



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## Who is ready for a hayride?

This Spring the Medway Community Farm (MCF) acquired a hay wagon to resurrect hayrides in Medway. Right now it is just four wheels and a flat top and it will be transformed into a full hav wagon with the generous donation from the  $\widetilde{\text{Medway}}$  Lions. The Medway Lions Club was able to purchase the wagon thanks to the generous Bottle and Can donations that we receive each month. This is just one of the many ways the Medway Lions give back to the community as all money collected from bottles and cans stays in Medway. The Lions look forward to joining the farm in using the wagon at

many events. The MCF is beyond excited for this new ride and cannot wait to debut it at Farm Fest on Saturday September 16, 2023 from 12 – 4 PM at 50 Winthrop Street. It will be one of the many family friendly attractions at the event including a hot air balloon, kids activity center, a live band, sing along for the kids, and of course food! They will also have a beer & cider garden for those interested.

If you are looking to try out locally grown food, the MCF offers Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) shares! If you buy now, the share price will be prorated for the rest of the year. This is a great way to try them now and get ready for full shares next year! If you are not ready for a share yet, swing by and check out all the different offerings at the farm stand.

Be on the lookout for information for a great fundraising event in October at Thayer House. The farm will be hosting An Autumn Night Out – a farm-to-fork event featuring locally-grown food, beer, wine, signature cocktails, a band, and more!

Press release submitted by Medway Community Farm

## Endicott College names studentathletes to Spring 2023 Dean's List

A total of 370 Endicott College club and varsity student-athletes were named to the 2023 Spring Semester Dean's List.

Highlighting the group of 370 honorees were 64 student-athletes who achieved a 4.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) for the semester.

In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no grade below a "C," have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

Area students include:

Medway: Caroline Calnan, Nursing Hope Deckers, Nursing

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Abraham Chetsas, Political Science Grace Jewett, Nursing William Johnson, Applied Mathematics Samantha Payne, Nursing: Accelerated BS

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## Ryan Augusta is Medway High School's new assistant principal

Medway High School Principal John Murray is pleased to announce that Ryan Augusta has been hired as a new assistant principal at

Augusta began in his role on Aug. 28. He will work alongside Lori Stattenfield, who also began as assistant principal in July.

"Ryan comes to us with significant experience in school administration and special education in Franklin, Westport and Newton," said Murray. "He is an excellent collaborator and will make great connections with our students, staff and families."

Since 2018, Augusta worked as assistant principal for student services at Franklin High School. He assisted in day-to-day operations of the school, as well as supported approximately 40 teachers across

all grade levels, oversaw the master schedule, and collaborated with staff to facilitate MCAS and AP

From 2016-2018, Augusta was vice principal at Westport Jr. Sr. High School. He also previously worked as a special education teacher at Newton South High School

"I am honored and excited to be joining the Medway High School community for the new school year," Augusta said. "I am very much looking forward to getting to know all of the faculty and staff within the school and district, as well as meeting new students and families. Medway has been so welcoming already. I feel very fortunate to have this opportunity within the school and district. Roll 'Stangs!"

Augusta holds a Master of Education in higher education ad-



Ryan Augusta has been hired as an assistant principal for Medway High School. He will begin in the role on Aug. 28. (Photo Courtesy Medway Public Schools).

ministration from Northeastern University, and a bachelor's degree in special education from Eastern Nazarene College. He also holds an administrative licensure from Boston University.

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This year we saw an increase in participation that far exceeded our expectations. Without the help of the following donors and volunteers, this program would not have been possible: Friends of the Medway Public Library, Medway Lions, Middlesex Savings Bank, Restaurant 45, Roche Bros, Shaw's, Stop & Shop, BJ's Wholesale Club, Team Rice Realty, Medway Jewelers, Connections Physical Therapy, Medway Oil & Propane Inc., Lane Mc-Namara LLP, Garelick Farms, Shear Magic, TLC Cleaners, Charles River Bank, Fasolino Landscape, Market Basket, Medway Cafe, Russo Insurance Agency, Inc, Popularis Construction Inc, Uno Pizzeria and Grill, Subway, Needham Bank, Congress Asset Management, and anonymous donors.

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## Keep an Eye Out For Signs of a Rodent Infestation This Fall

WPC Pest and Termite Control and the National Pest Management Association are sharing the top seven signs that rodents have taken up residence in your home

It's that time of year again football season, trips to your local farm, and crisp, fall your favorite pumpkin spice-

weather.

But before you break out

flavored treats, it's important to remember to keep alert for uninvited guests looking to join in on the fun. As temperatures begin

WPC Pest Control, in partnership with the National Pest Management Association, is sharing signs homeowners should look out for that could signal a rodent infestation.

"Disgusting odors that permiate from insulation in attic's and basement's are a sure sign that rodents are present", said Jim Mazzuchelli, owner of WPC Pest and Termite Control.

While rodent infestations are common throughout the year, they are particularly troublesome as colder weather arrives and food sources diminish. These stark changes to their environment make homes the ideal spot for them to hide out in.

Rodents are able to transmit more than 35 diseases to humans, posing a serious health threat to you and your family should they find their way into your homes insulation. Contamination from urine and droppings will cause serious respiratory issues, such as the deadly Hantavirus.

To help keep your family protected this fall, WPC Pest Control is offering FREE rodent inspections and suggestions on decontaminating your home.

WPC Pest and the NPMA have identified the following top seven tell-tale signs of a rodent infestation:

- Droppings: Finding droppings in the home is one of the most common signs of a rodent infestation. Homeowners often find these where food is stored, such as kitchen cabinets or pantries, as well as under sinks, inside chewed cardboard boxes and along baseboards.
- Gnaw marks: Rodents will chew through almost any type of material to obtain food or water, causing serious damage to a home. Rats are also known to gnaw on wires behind walls, potentially resulting in dangerous house fires.
- Nests: Rodents prefer to hide in dark, secluded areas of the home and will use any materials available to build their nest. If you see items such as paper products or cotton strewn about,

it might be a sign of a rodent infestation.

- Tracks or rub marks: As rats follow a trail between their nest and food sources throughout a home, they will often leave dark grease or dirt marks along walls and floorboards.
- Strange noises: Hearing strange noises at night could be attributed to a family of mice scurrying about the house, between the walls and up in attics and crawlspaces.
- An actual rodent: Mice are known to reproduce quickly, as a female house mouse can give birth to a half dozen babies every three weeks or up to 35 young per year. Chances are, if you see one mouse in the house, there are more hidden behind the walls!
- Contamination: Oders and staining of ceiling tiles and basement insulation is a sign of what could be droppings and urine caused by nesting rodents having their young.

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To be balanced, here are the benefits per advocates:

- Easier FAFSA application process with a reduced number of questions.
- The Federal Pell Grant expands to more students and will link eligibility to family size and the federal poverty level.
- The Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) has been replaced by the Student Aid Index (SAI).

This last one is interesting because SAI is based on a comprehensive database of education costs that includes tuition and fees, room and board, and other living expenses. The index also includes data on financial aid awarded to students, such as grants, scholarships, and loans.

By calculating the average cost of college for a given school and comparing it to the average amount of financial aid awarded, the index can provide a more accurate estimate of the student's EFC and help make more informed decisions about which school to attend.



Glenn Brown, CFP

Ok, enough of the accolades, let's get to the complications and impact.

Two Different Views. Both students and parents must create a Student Aid Account to get an FSA ID before completing the form. Previously a shared sign-on allowed for a singular view, now each completes their respective sections and continuity becomes more challenging.

No longer does the most capable parent complete. For divorced or separated parents, the one providing greater financial support over past calendar year must now complete the FAFSA. Yes, not the parent most engaged to ensure accuracy and meet deadlines, but the one who provides the most money. So much for a fiduciary process.

Paying for two or more kids in college at same time? Who cares. The number of students a family has enrolled in college will no longer factor into the FAFSA calculation.

You aren't selling the farm or small business you've built, but if you had to...? The net worth of family farms and small businesses with under 100 employees will now be required as part of the application. Maybe having to sell is a strong ask, but borrowing against isn't - otherwise, why ask now?

All applicants, especially Early Action / Early Decision (EA/ED), your school's deadlines will be before FAFSA opens. Historically, FAFSA opens October 1 and EA/ED deadlines followed in mid-October through November. Per the federal government, this year FAFSA has "an anticipated December 2023 launch date." The colleges aren't waiting around, they're keeping October and November EA/ED application deadlines, including CSS Profile

chools.

For example, state university UMass-Amherst has a Early Action deadline of November 5 and Regular Decision of January 15, but the FAFSA priority deadline is March 1 and state deadline for Massachusetts is May 1.

CSS Profile school Williams College states, "The FAFSA is not an initial requirement for the 2024-2025 academic year, given the uncertainty of the FAFSA Simplification Act application timeline. Enrolled students will be required to complete the FAFSA by May 15th."

So don't prioritize completing the FAFSA before submitting your college applications this year.

Instead work on the admissions application now, continue

your student's building of a relationship with the university's local academic recruiter and stay focused on Return On Investment (ROI) during the selection process.

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## **Electrical boxes ignite Medway streets**

## Public art project shines light on local artists and community values

By Sofia Mercier Student Writer

The Medway Cultural Council has created a new public art program to brighten up the streets of Medway. The program was designed to uplift Medway artists to paint something that fits Medway's values. A contest was

held to decide who would paint the six boxes around town. Artwork proposals were sent to the MCC and then blindly voted on.

Artist Aoife Bergeron had the opportunity to paint their design this summer. Bergeron graduated from Medway High School in 2021 and is now a rising junior at Montserrat College of Art. They have been drawing and painting since preschool, but only began taking themselves seriously in 2015 when they were in the 6th grade. As they grew up, they explored different mediums and built their skill. One of their recent favorite paintings is "of a Disney channel TV show set...I got to have fun with it and use fluorescent paint and glitter to make it a correct and convincing image."

Bergeron's piece is located at

the Main Street entrance to the Medway Commons shopping plaza. The goal of the piece was to add a pop of color to a formerly dull box, to make someone smile while stopped at the light. The landscape is a rainbow gradient that uses flat colors and sharp lines to highlight the different shades, and features people engaging in various outdoor activities such as biking, roller blading, and kayaking, to name a few. On the east side of the box is an

"Entering Medway" sign, which cars coming into town from Millis can see.

Bergeron said, "I know everyone in Medway loves Choate Park, so I featured different outdoor activities that people partake in at Choate and around town." Unfortunately, the electric box was too small for their imagination. "I would have totally put the playground and baseball and many more activities if I had more room!"

After being selected to paint a box, Bergeron got to work. The design, originally done on an Adobe computer program, had to be revised as they continued to paint. They made their artistic decisions based on where each side of the box faced and what sides of the road would view the work

Upon completion, Bergeron reflected on their work. "My piece shows how everyone in Medway exists alongside each other and can enjoy our public spaces together."

Other artists chosen for the program include Crystal Buckley, Katherine Amankra, and Yihong Zhou, who were also able to bring brightness to Medway, highlighting its many talents and building a stronger community.







From left, Rising 7th grader Katherine Amankrah stands next to her fairytale-themed painting Credit: Medway Cultural Arts Council; "Sun Bun" by Crystal Buckley honors Paul McInnis in the Rabbit Hill Historic District. Credit: Medway Cultural Arts Council; Aoife poses next to their finished piece. Credit: Aoife Bergeron



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By Gina Woelfel

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## Needham Class of '63 planning 50th reunion

The Needham High School Class of 1963 will celebrate its 60th reunion on Sept. 23, 2023, at the Village Club in Needham from 3-7pm. For more details and reservation information, visit needhamhighschoolclassof1963.com or contact George Hoffmeister at 617-842-0782.



## **Living Healthy**

## **Computer Vision Syndrome**

By: Roger M. Kaldawy, M.D. Milford Franklin Eye Center

As our scholars go back to schools and colleges, more and more time is spent every day using computer screens and our eyes are paying the price. Research shows that 25 to 93 percent of computer users experience a problem so common there's a name for it: Computer Vision Syndrome. Symptoms include decreased or blurred vision, burning or stinging eyes, sensitivity to light, headaches and back and neck pain.

Computer Vision Syndrome is more common if we exceed 2 hours of continuous computer screen time a day. The most common causes of this syndrome include improper viewing angle or distance from the screen, glare on the computer screen, extended computer use, staring without blinking and uncorrected vision problems.

The good news is that these problems are easy to fix, and identifying and treating the underlying cause usually eliminates this syndrome. Here what you can do:

## 1. Adjust your viewing angle

Studies have found the angle of gaze plays a key role in this syndrome. The angle used for computer work is different from that used for reading or writing. As a result, the requirements for focusing and moving the eyes place additional demands on the visual system when using a computer. To achieve the best angle, the center of the monitor should be placed 20 to 28 inches from your eyes and 4 to 5 inches below eye level. Reference materials should be positioned so they can be seen without moving your head to look from the document to the screen.

#### 2. Reduce glare

Letters on a computer screen are not as clear as letters on a printed page. Your eyes will work harder if there is too little contrast between letters and background or glare on the screen. This can result in sensitivity to light that can worsen under highwattage fluorescent or flickering lights. Position your screen to avoid glare from overhead lights or windows. Close the blinds on your windows or switch to lower-watt bulbs in your desk lamp. If you cannot change the lighting to minimize glare, buy a glare filter for your monitor.

#### 3. Rest your eyes

When using a computer for an extended period of



time, rest your eyes periodically to prevent eyestrain. Every 20 minutes, look away from your computer to a distant object for 20 seconds. This will give your eyes a chance to refocus. After two hours of continual computer use, rest your eyes for 15 minutes.

#### 4. Blink often

Our eyes need lubrication to see well. This is accomplished by a blinking reflex and leads to production of moisture (tears) on the surface of the eyes. People normally blink about 18 times a minute, but computer users tend to blink only one-fourth as often. This increases the chance of developing dry eye. To lessen this risk, blink more often, and refresh your eyes periodically with lubricating eye drops.

#### 5. Get your eyes checked

Uncorrected vision problems—farsightedness or astigmatism, problems focusing or coordinating the eyes and eye changes associated with aging—can contribute to eye strain and musculoskeletal pain. Even if you don't need glasses for daily activities, you may need them for computer use. If you wear glasses or contacts and need to tilt your head or lean toward the screen to see it clearly, your lens prescription may not be right for computer use. Having the correct prescription can help prevent pain in the neck, shoulders or back resulting from contorting the body to see the screen.



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## Millis Cultural Council seeks funding proposals

## Proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs due Oct. 16

The Millis Cultural Council has set an October 16 deadline for organizations, schools and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities in the community using the online application form. The form for the FY24 grant cycle will be available on the Mass Cultural Council website starting September 1. Application forms and more information about the online application are available at www. mass-culture.org.

Please also check the Millis Cultural Council Facebook page for more details and updates.

The mission of the Millis Cultural Council is to promote excellence, access, and diversity in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences in order to enhance the quality of life in our community. The MCC strives

to achieve these goals through the funding of local arts projects and programs with grants, and by hosting special events in Millis that are free and open to the public to benefit the Millis community. Special priority is given to new applicants from the town of Millis, so anyone considering a community project that would fit the Cultural Council's criteria is encouraged to apply.

In 2023, the Millis Cultural Council will distribute over \$8,000 in grants. Funded projects in 2023 included artist Amy Adams' presentation, Painting Venus, a senior mural project at Millis Middle/High School, a Celtic Celebration performance, a Charles River Chorale concert, a concert by the Charles River Sinfonietta, a senior screenprinting project, the Niagra Coffee Haus 2023 Concert Series, a magic show, a concert by Pamela Means, a paint party by Tatianya Keating and the Town of Millis Summer Concert Series, among others. Find the full list of FY23 awards at https://massculturalcouncil.org/local-council/millis/ . This coming year's approved grants can support a similar variety of cultural and arts projects and activities in Millis -- including exhibits, festivals, field trips,

short-term artist residencies or

performances in schools, work-

shops and lectures.

Decisions about which activities to support are made at the community level by a board of community volunteers appointed by the Millis Select Board. The council is currently seeking new members. To encourage diversity and new volunteers, each member can only serve on the council for a maximum of six years. Visitors are welcome to join in and help plan future events and help decide on funding priorities for the future. The Millis Cultural Council is open to all Millis residents – no artistic talent required!

More information about the annual grant funding and the MCC can be found at www. mass-culture.org and on the Millis town website at www.millis.

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## **Calling All Millis Gardeners!**

## Sept. meeting of Millis Garden Club could determine its future

The Millis Garden Club will be holding a very important strategy meeting on Sept. 12 at 2 p.m.in the Millis Public Library's Roche Bros. Room. This meeting is open to all past and present members and to anyone in the community who enjoys the work of the club around the town.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the future of the club. Due to several factors, including natural attrition, the health and

age of many members, and the effect of the pandemic, the club is finding it difficult to maintain its presence in the town.

Areas we maintain include the "Welcome to Millis" garden on Rte. 109, the garden at the fork of Village St. and Rtw.115; and seasonal flower containers at the library, the Veterans Memorial Building, Exchange Street, and the Millis Fire Station. We also have offered annual scholarships

to Millis seniors who are planning to study areas pertaining to plant science, the environment, or related fields.

You do not need to have a "green thumb" to participate, only a willingness to help carry on the work of the Garden Club. We hope to see you there!

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#### **EYES**

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## **Arigna Irish Pub and Coal Fire Kitchen**

A high-energy restaurant with huge portions and a huge personality

BY JANE LEBAK

Bellingham is all fired up about its newest restaurant, Arigna Irish Pub and Coal Fire Kitchen.

Owner Gordon Hyde describes Arigna as, "a higher end Irish sports bar with really good food and service. We have a coal fire pizza oven, and we're named after Arigna, a coal mining town in Ireland."

Hyde has lived in Bellingham since 2006. He operates two other Arigna locations in Rhode Island, so for his third, he chose to stay close to home.

The vibe is energetic, with several HDTVs in the dining area and a top-notch sound system. The decor features beautiful exposed stonework, a portrait wall of Irish sports heroes, and a larger-than-life mural depicting the miners of Arigna.

With spacious high-top booths, Arigna gives diners plenty of room for pizza trays and multiple appetizers. The menu ranges from pub standards like fish and chips or burgers to Irish specialties like bangers and mash, hog wings, and Irish tater kegs.

Hyde stresses the size of the portions. "We make them big because people like that."



Co-owner Ryan Blaney, who grew up in Holliston, adds, "We've got a scratch-cook kitchen using fresh ingredients all made in house. As a result, we pride ourselves on having guests who visit twice a week and not once a month."

General Manager Mariah Vega says, "Our service here, from start to finish, is nothing short of an excellent yet memorable dining experience. Customers love our hand cut fries, coal fire seasoned vegetables, coal fire seasoned wings, homemade soups, daily food specials, and best of all, our famous 'PB & J Bomb.'"

What's a Peanut butter and Jelly Bomb? "Signature deep fried peanut butter and jelly sandwich, rolled in cinnamon sugar & served with vanilla ice cream and raspberry sauce." Definitely worth the trip.

Arigna's Rebel County Banquet Room is airy and spacious, with colorful pictures of famous musicians ringing the room. The banquet room can host up to 65 people, and it has a





private bar and buffet. Bookings are already filling up for holiday parties, but it's also useful for overflow seating.

Vega says, "When an entire baseball team called to ask if we could find places for thirty people...? Yes, we did. Easily."

Naturally, reservations are much preferred to the abrupt arrival of a party of thirty. Reservations can be made over the phone and soon will be available through the website.

Beginning in October, the Rebel County Banquet Room will showcase live music on Friday nights. The restaurant went the extra mile with the sound system, ensuring its plug-and-play tech will allow musicians to plug right into the network for high performance results—and a fun evening for guests.

Arigna is the only location in the area showing UFC events, and the bar area TVs show most of the big games. Hyde says, "We're eager for football season to start again. That's always a good time."

Hyde says, "We make sure everyone enjoys themselves when they come, whether it's a group of friends enjoying a spontaneous lunch or folks hanging out at the bar watching the game. We offer 27 different draught beers, and with 50 seats around the bar in addition to the 130 in the restaurant, we've got space for everyone."

Regular customers can take advantage of the Arigna Rewards Program. Customers earn points for every purchase, and they can redeem 200 points for \$10.00 off.

Arigna offers a full menu, 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. from Sunday to Wednesday, and on Thursday through Saturday until 10 p.m. On Fridays and Saturdays, they also feature a late-night menu until midnight, including all the pizzas and most of the appetizers.

"I love it here," says Hyde.
"Every day is different. I meet
a lot of people and get to know
the community."

Blaney agrees. "We bring a premium experience that you typically find in a major metropolitan area, but with all the conveniences of being your local gathering spot."

Arigna offers curbside pickup and Grubhub, and soon will offer Doordash. To check out menu, visit https://www.arignairishpub.com or stop by 799 South Main Street (Route 126) in the Bellingham Marketplace.

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On Thursday, September 28th the film we'll be showing is Saving Mr. Banks.

Southeastern MA Community Concert Band

Join us at the Center on Monday, September 18th from 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM to listen to the Southeastern MA Community Band. This event is free but please sign up for planning purposes. 508-533-3210

#### **PLAINVILLE CASINO TRIP**

Join us on Tuesday, September 12th for a return trip to the Plainridge Park Casino in Plainville, MA. The bus will leave the Center at 10:00 AM and return at 2:00 PM. Space is limited; call or stop by the Center to sign up. 508-533-3210

#### **FUEL ASSISTANCE**

If you were approved for Fuel Assistance last year, you will be

receiving a pre-printed application form in the Fall from SMOC (South Middlesex Opportunity Council) for the 2023-2024 heating season. To avoid delays in receiving your benefits, gather all your documents early and schedule an appointment with the Outreach department. We will review everything with you so you can submit your renewal application. If you don't receive your form by August 31st, contact Outreach. Note, the process for new applicants begins November 1, 2023.

#### **MEDICARE 101**

Turning 65 soon or retiring and in need of health insurance through Medicare? If so, please join Jean Roy, SHINE Councilor for Medway and Judy Higgins, SHINE Councilor from Bellingham, on Tuesday, September 19th @ 6:00 pm at the Bellingham Library located on 100 Blackstone Street. The basics of Medicare will be reviewed. Call the Bellingham Senior Center @ 508 966-0398 to reserve a spot.

#### **Fashion Era Presentation**

Join us on Wednesday, September 6th @ 11:00 am as we travel through the fascinating decades of the '30's, '40's and '50's and enjoy a glimpse into that golden age of fashion! Presented by Ren Antonowicz. Please call or stop by to sign up.

#### **The Yellow Dot Program**

Come learn about this free program offered by the Norfolk Sheriff's Office. This program provides quick access to first responders to critical medical information about the occupants of the automobile. Representatives from the Sheriff's office will be at the center on Wednesday, September 13th @ 9:30 am to explain the details of the program and enroll people. Limited space so reserve a spot today.

#### Flu Clinic

On Thursday, September 21st from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, the Milford Central Pharmacy will be holding a flu clinic at the center. For more information, contact the Medway Health De-



Medway firefighter graduates from State Fire Academy: On Aug. 18, Medway firefighter Matthew St. Clair was one of 23 local firefighters to graduate from the State Fire Academy.

partment @ 508-533-3206.

## **Veterans Agent Meet and Greet**

Come to the center to meet our newest veteran agent, Richard Sabonjain, for informal conversation and information on Thursday, September 14th @ 12:00 pm. Lunch (optional) is available at the Oakland Café. Sign up at the center to join.

#### **Lego Lunch**

Join us for lunch (\$5.00) on Tuesday, September 19th at Noon for lunch and Lego contest! Work with your table mates to build your best creation and will a prize! All welcome. Sign up required.

#### **Town Wide Yard Sale**

On Saturday, September 23rd, the Friends of Elders will be participating in the town wide yard sale with proceeds to benefit the Friends. Come by the center, rain or shine, and support a great cause!

## **Breakfast has reopened!**

Drop in by on Wednesdays from 7:30 am to 9:30 am for a delicious breakfast! Lunch is also provided every Tuesday and Thursday for eat in or takeout. All meals are \$5.00. Lunch needs to be preordered by calling the center.



## Medway High School Class of 2023 Top Graduates Recognized by Tri-County Regional Chamber

Principal John Murray is pleased to share that the top 10% of Medway's Class of 2023 graduates have been recognized by the Tri-County Regional Chamber.

The Tri-County Regional Chamber Annual Honor Scholars Program celebrates the academic achievements of graduating seniors ranked in the top 10% of their class from 11 local high schools.

The students were recognized for this achievement with a special breakfast at school ear-

lier this month.

"We are so proud of these graduates for their hard work and achievements during their time as Medway High School students, and we are excited to see what their futures bring," Principal Murray said. "We would also like to thank the Tri-County Regional Chamber for its recognition of these students."

Medway High School's honorees, in alphabetical order, are:

**Isabelle Basso:** Isabelle will attend UMass Amherst to

study math and secondary education. Her advice for younger students is to try everything, noting that it will help them find something they like and helps make the high school experience.

**Gabrielle Beyzerov:** Gabrielle will attend American University to study psychology. Her advice for younger students is to communicate with teachers and be honest about their needs.

**Reagan Chiplock:** Reagan plans to attend Boston College to study Applied Psychology.

Her favorite high school memory is going to playoff games, especially basketball.

Noah Der Garabedian: Noah will attend the University of Maryland to study computer science. His favorite memories from high school are from Friday night football games and being part of the team.

**Julia Evers:** Julia will attend Northeastern University to study political science and international affairs. Her favorite high school memory is attending the Best Buddies Prom.

Best Buddies is an international nonprofit that provides opportunities for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

**Julia Francis:** Julia plans to attend UMass Amherst to study psychology. Her favorite activity in high school was being a part of the Women in STEM organization and the community it provides.

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# New Members welcome to Charles River Chorale open rehearsals in Sept.

The Charles River Chorale will soon begin rehearsals for its Fall 2023 season and is actively recruiting new members who are seeking a new community and musical opportunity.

The non-audition chorale group will begin open rehearsals on Tuesday, September 19. from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ, 142 Exchange St., Millis. Two additional open rehearsals will take place on September 26th and October 3rd to allow interested new members an opportunity to explore the chorale opportunity.

Under the leadership of director Ashley Nelson-Oneschuk, the Charles River Chorale is entering its 40th year as a non-profit 501(c)3 chorale. Nelson-Oneschuk, a music professional in her 8th year with the Charles River Chorale, is also the choral director for Medway High School. Her goal for the chorale is "focused on cultivating a joyful community first, with excellent musical experiences as the vessel to achieve this."

Charles River Chorale members hail from many area communities and range in age from teenagers to octogenarians. The group holds winter and spring concerts, with the Winter 2023 concert planned for Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 2:00pm at Medway High School. The theme of the Winter 2023 concert is Joy to the World, Celebrations from around the Globe. This program will feature music celebrating cultures and seasonal events across the globe, including Chinese New Year, Kwanzaa, Christmas, Hanukkah, Diwali and

The Charles River Chorale rehearses on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ in Millis. Membership dues for the non-profit organization

support operating costs. There are no dues for high school students, and scholarships based on need are available. There is also a separate children's choir for children in Grades 2 through 6.

For more information about the organization and the upcoming open rehearsals, visit https://www.charlesriverchorale.com. Those who are interested in joining the chorale for the start of the season on September 19th are asked to complete a short sign-up document via either the attached QR code or by using the following link – https://forms.gle/9GY3nfGJgtV9tsFk7. Sponsorships and advertising opportunities are also available.

Press release submitted by the organization







#### **TOP GRADS**

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**Luke Frauton:** Luke will attend Worcester Polytechnic Institute to study data science, and will also play baseball. He played quarterback for the Medway Mustangs and his favorite memory from high school is Friday football games.

**Kathryn Gage:** Kathryn will attend the University of Pittsburgh to study neuroscience on the pre-med track. Her favorite high school memory was going on the Disney World trip with the band.

**Jaeda Gorman:** Jaeda will attend the College of the Holy Cross to study neuroscience. Her favorite high school memory was her AP Environmental Science course with teacher David Perry.

**Mia Hsieh:** Mia will attend the University of Pittsburgh to study nursing. Her favorite memories from high school are playing sports and going to games. She participated in lacrosse, volleyball and indoor track.

**Mary Keating:** Mary plans to attend Boston College in the Carroll School of Management. Her favorite memory from high school is participating in athletics and traveling to playoff games.

**Nora Kempner:** Nora plans to attend Boston University for theatre design and production, and will also be a student in the Honors College. Her advice for younger students is to be yourself, do what you want to do, and wear the funky pants! She notes, if you try to fit in, you won't be happy.

**Zhiwen Liu:** Zhiwen will attend Boston University to study mechanical engineering. He is also considering a path to a Master's in Business Adminis-

tration or other graduate school program. His advice for younger students is to get involved in anything and if you don't find something right away, you will. He says you will find people with the same passions and you can learn a lot in four years from them and others around you.

**Sydney Maurer:** Sydney plans to attend Simmons University and complete the 3+1 Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Master of Arts in Public Policy program. Her advice to younger students is to take AP classes that you're interested in – it's more difficult to do well in them if you don't care about the content.

**Haley MacLeod:** Haley will attend the University of Virginia to study human biology. Her favorite memory is playing ice hockey, and her advice to younger students is also to play ice hockey!

**Kelly Nicklas:** Kelly plans to attend the University of Pennsylvania to study philosophy, political science and economics. Her favorite memory from high school is her AP Language and Composition class because she liked the class and her teacher.

**Destiny Ojukwu:** Destiny will attend Yale University and plans to study neuroscience and African American Studies. She is also considering pre-med. Her advice for younger students is to advocate for yourself. She says it can be easy for people from marginalized backgrounds to feel like their voice doesn't matter, but their voices matter and their perspective matters.

Meredith Petersen:
Meredith will attend UMass
Dartmouth's College of Arts
& Sciences. Her favorite high
school memory was playing
Urleen in the school's production
of "Footloose."

**Arni Potnis:** Arni will attend UMass Amherst to study biomedical engineering and premed. Her advice for students is to not be afraid to try new things because they may be surprised.

**Charlie Ross:** Charlie will attend Boston College to study math. His advice for younger students is to stay on top of things.

He notes the importance of having a to-do list, which helped encourage him to get things done.

As part of their recognition, Principal Murray provided each student with a certificate. The Tri-County Regional Chamber will also provide each student with Keepsake Booklets listing their names and schools, congratulatory messages from friends, family, businesses, and faculty, and other messages of support and inspiration. They will also receive a certificate from the Chamber, and citations from State Senators and State Representatives.

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## **Sports**

## Millis' Hill eager to compete after serious grid injury

## Receiver/linebacker, a senior captain

By KEN HAMWEY Staff Sports Writer



Nick Hill is an honor-roll student who hopes to enroll at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va., and major in business administration.

When Millis High's Nick Hill lines up for the first snap of the football season on Sept. 8 against Tri County Vocational, it will be a very special time. And it will also be a highly emotional moment for the senior co-captain.

The 17-year-old Hill missed his entire junior season after a very promising sophomore year. A fractured tibia and three torn ligaments in his right knee during a pre-season scrimmage against Nipmuc Regional last year ended what coach Bob Martellio thought would be a dynamic junior campaign for the two-way player who splits time between slot receiver and linebacker.

"Nick was set to start on offense and defense," Martellio said. "On the 20th play against Nipmuc, he suffered the injuries. And, to his credit, he never missed watching us practice or play games. His teammates showed their respect by voting for him to be a captain."

Hill has been away from game action for 13 months but he's ready now. Very ready.

"I know I'll be excited," he said. "I'll be psyched. I just plan to have fun and to compete. I won't think about getting hurt. That's in my past."

After surgery on his knee ligaments a year ago, Hill has undergone a long and exhausting stretch of physical therapy. The torn ligaments did not involve his ACL.

"No surgery was needed for my tibia (lower leg)," Hill said. "But, I had to wear a hip-toankle brace for four months that prohibited me from bending my leg. Therapy for my knee included bending, strength exercises and agility drills. I finished physical therapy a month before pre-season practice."

Hill knew if he went all out

with his therapy, he'd be able to play again.

"There was a time when I said 'why me.' I was in bed and couldn't get up. But rehab has been amazing, my knee feels great, and my movement is normal."

Here's the kind of effort and ability Millis will get with Hill playing linebacker: In a game against Case High of Swansea in his sophomore season, Hill finished with 15 tackles and also competed on special teams in a 49-0 Mohawk victory.

"I like being a receiver because you can break open a game with a key catch," Hill said. "I also like playing either linebacker or defensive end because it involves lots of strategy, a lot of thinking. You have to rely on athleticism, too."

Martellio likes Hill's intensity and his desire to excel. "Nick works hard and is an emotional leader who stresses accountability," he emphasized. "On the field, he runs good routes, has good hands and is always in position. He's an assignment-based player whose mental toughness makes him special. That ingredient got him through a long rehab stint."

The 6-foot-1, 185-pounder, who started playing football at 12, combines an aggressive style that can evolve into a finesse approach. "I'm eager to pursue and hit on defense and I try to use finesse on offense by running good routs and holding on to the ball."

A native of Millis, Hill's goals this season include a plus .500 season, contending for the Tri Valley League Small Division title, and qualifying for the playoffs.

"We're a young team with a blend of seniors with experience," he offered. "I just want to show people what we can do and who we are. I also want to be a high-quality captain who helps mentor younger players. And I want to show I can bounce back and compile some meaningful stats."

Hill's elevation to captain is his top thrill in football. "It means a lot when your teammates want you as a leader," he noted. "When I was injured, I wanted the players to know how



Nick Hill missed his junior season after fracturing his tibia and tearing three ligaments in his right knee during a pre-season scrimmage against Nipmuc Regional.

much I cared about them and the team. I'll lead by example, by being vocal and help wherever I'm needed."

Hill, who's also a pitcher on the baseball team, is a fan of his coach. "I really like the way Coach Martellio motivates the team," he noted. "He's supportive and he really encouraged me during my rehab. He knows the game and he knows strategy."

Two teammates whom Hill admires are senior co-captain Jackson Glynn (tackle/defensive end) and senior Adam Hart (receiver/safety).

"Jackson is a leader who's very athletic and relies on a strong work ethic," Hill said. "He missed a few games last year because of a shoulder injury. He can block and tackle. Adam is a solid two-way player. He's got speed, runs good routes and hits hard."

Hill's athletic philosophy is all about realizing his potential. "If we strive to maximize our potential, then we'll send a message to our opponents while we're winning," he said.

Hill has learned some valuable life lessons from athletics and one that stands out after his year off from football is "overcoming adversity."

"During rehab, I learned that resiliency is important," he emphasized. "The injury helped me to develop mental toughness. Sports also help players to become good leaders and teammates and to set meaningful goals."

Calling his parents (Adam and Jackie) role models for their support and encouragement, Hill also points to three coaches who've been very beneficial in his development on the gridiron — Martellio, line coach Brian Kraby and middle school coach Jason Gonzales.

An honor-roll student who hopes to enroll at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va., Hill plans on majoring in busi-

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## **Sports**

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#### How to protect yourself from Internet scams and fraudulent schemes.

The FBI says protect your computer2 by keeping systems and software up to date and install a strong reputable anti-virus program. Also, keep your operating system up to date, and turn your computer off when it's not

for antivirus, antispyware, and firewall software services, but the safety they provide makes it well worth the cost. Be careful when connecting to a public Wi-Fi network and create a strong and unique passphrase for each online account you hold and change them regularly. If you've been the victim of a scam, file a complaint with your local/state police department's cybercrime unit and file a complaint with the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3).3

#### **Forewarned is** forearmed.

The more you know about escams and fraudulent schemes, the safer vou will feel. Another way to protect yourself is by going to the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC's) 4 website. Its function is to protect America's consumers by educating and taking consumer complaints on everything from identity theft to unwanted telemarketing solicitations by phone or by email. It runs the National Do Not Call Registry,5 which you should sign up for. Once you are on the donot-call list for at least 31 days, the calls/emails should stop, and if they don't then you can file a complaint with the FTC.

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ness administration.

However, before his college days begin, he has something to prove. He wants to excel in football and baseball after a difficult and complex injury. His summer workout schedule was a testament to his relentless approach to athletics.

"I lifted weights and did a lot of running," he said. "I also helped lead captains' practices and worked on team bonding."

After more than a year away from football, Nick Hill's first play from scrimmage at Welch Field in Millis on Sept. 8 will be

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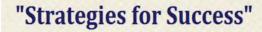
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#### Ashland Select Board denies request to place Spencer statue on town property

A 3-2 vote of the Ashland Select Board denied a request to place a bronze statue of Spencer (2009-2023), the official dog of the 126th Boston Marathon, on the lawn of the Ashland Community Center, just a stick's throw away from where he used to cheer on Marathon runners.

Spencer's owner, Rich Powers of Holliston, made a presentation to the Select Board on July 12 where he said, "Spencer had been cheering on the Marathon since about 2015 out there, and runners would stop. He had quite the modest following until 2018 when it was the most disgusting weather



out there...but Spencer and I were out there and he was wearing my raincoat and we stood and cheered the runners and the reaction from the runners was incredible...and he became like an icon right after that, he was definitely a symbol of perseverance."

A GoFundMe account has been set up to raise the  $$50,\!000$  needed for the project. The statue will be sculpted by Buccacio Sculpture Services in Canton. For more information, visit www.gofundme.com/f/statue-of-spencer-bostonmarathonofficial-dog. Powers is in talks with a retail location in Ashland.

For the full story, visit www.ashlandtownnews.com

# HOPPING BROOK PARK

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## **555 Hopping Brook** deliberations underway

## Watch Local Town Pages for updates

By Theresa Knapp

In July, the Holliston Planning Board closed the public hearing on a special permit proposed by CRG Integrated Real Estate Solutions to build a 550,000 square foot warehouse at 555 Hopping Brook Park.

The board was scheduled to start its deliberations on Aug. 31 at 6:30 p.m., which was after press time. Local Town Pages will attend the hearing and share its reporting as soon as possible at www.millismedwaynews.com and on Facebook at @MedwayMillisTownNews

The board has until Sept. 20 to issue a final decision.

All town documents related to the project can be found at bit.ly/ HollistonPlanningBoard555

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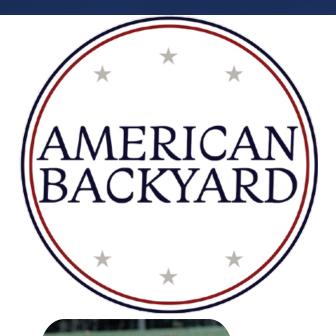
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## **Millis Police Logs**

Between July 19 and Aug. 18 (press time), the Millis Police Department spent a great deal of time on traffic control and motor vehicle stops, plus responding to disturbances and assisting citizens and other agencies. In addition, entries are of note include:

July 19 at 12:49am, Teresa Dr., carbon monoxide alarm, services rendered

July 19 at 9am, Main St., disabled motor vehicle, logged

July 20 at 6:12am, Glen Ellen Blvd, burglar alarm, building check

July 20 at 10:34am, Pleasant St., suspicious activity, building check

July 20 at 12:39pm, Dover Rd, burglar alarm, building check

July 21 at 10pm, Dover Rd, master box, logged

July 21 at 10:20pm, Main St., burglar alarm, building check

July 22 at 2:14pm, Park Rd,

burglar alarm, false alarm

July 25 at 9:27pm, Orchard St., disturbance, could not locate

July 26 at 12:12pm, Main St., larceny/forgery/fraud, logged

July 28 at 11:02am, Exchange & Plain St., disturbance, de-escalated

July 28 at 1:41pm, Evergreen Ter., brush fire, investigated

July 30 at 4:21pm, Village & Pleasant St., motor vehicle accident with injuries, vehicle towed

July 31 at 1pm, Kennedy Ter., suspicious activity, logged

July 31 at 5:20pm, Ridge St., suspicious activity, logged

Aug. 1 at 3:21pm, Stoney Brook Dr., found/lost property, logged

Aug. 1 at 10:07pm, Union St., disturbance, logged

Aug. 1 at 10:20pm, Acorn Pl., disturbance, peace restored

Aug. 2 at 2:45pm, Main St., motor vehicle accident with injuries, logged

Aug. 2 at 4:35pm, Tara Ter., motor vehicle accident with injuries, logged

Aug 4, 7:28pm, Union & Adams St., motor vehicle accident with injuries, transported to hospital

Aug. 5 at 6:19pm, Crestview Dr., disturbance, logged

Aug. 5 at 11:38pm, assist other agency, Holliston Police Dept., services rendered

Aug. 8 at 4:37pm, Exchange St., soliciting, logged

Aug. 9 at 7:03pm, Exchange St., hazmat incident, services rendered

Aug. 11 at 3:29pm, Forest Rd., suspicious activity, logged

Aug. 12 at 2:50am, Ticonderoga Ln., larceny/forgery/fraud, logged



Aug. 12 at 5:50am, Norfolk Rd., vandalism, logged

Aug. 12 at 1:31pm, Ridge St., suspicious activity, building check

Aug. 13 at 6:42pm, Pine View, disturbance, de-escalated

Aug. 14 at 7:11pm, Ridge St. & Auburn Rd., motor vehicle accident with injuries, logged

Aug. 16 at 12:19pm, Heritage

Path, carbo monoxide alarm, services rendered

Aug. 17 at 1:56pm, Beech St., soliciting, logged

Aug. 18 at 2:01pm, Stoney Brook Dr., fire/other, logged

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## Real Estate Corner

## Rep. Arena-DeRosa Supports \$56.2 billion FY24 State Budget

Representative James Arena-DeRosa of the 8th Middlesex District (Holliston, Hopkinton, Sherborn, and precincts two and three of Millis), voted in favor of the state's \$56.2 billion dollar bud-

get, which passed the legislature on July 31st.

"This budget is a historic in-

curity, and affordability for the Commonwealth", said Representative Arena-DeRosa. "I am particularly excited about the passage of free universal school meals, so that no student goes hungry while in class. This measure is expected to save each family \$1,200 per student, making this a win for students, families, and school districts

vestment in education, food se-

Other budget items aimed at combatting food insecurity include:

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\$5 million for the Healthy Incentives Program (HIP)

\$2 million for Community Food Security Direct Assistance

\$35.6 million for the Massachusetts Emergency Food Assistance Program (MEFAP)

Higher education was also a focus of this budget, with \$50 million allocated towards the goal of free community college by the fall of 2024. Of this, \$20 million was secured for MassReconnect free community college for students 25 and older, and \$18 million directed towards financial assistance for nursing students.

The legislature also set aside \$581 million for tax relief in anticipation of a conference report expected some time this fall.

Local school districts benefitted greatly from the increased Chapter 70 funding in this budget, with the minimum per pupil aid doubling from \$30 to \$60. In total over \$27 million in Chapter 70 funding was secured for schools in the 8th Middlesex District and \$4.3 million in unrestricted general government aid was secured for local town services. Representative Arena-DeRosa also successfully advocated for

\$25,000 for a new transportation vehicle for the Millis Senior Center and \$25,000 towards the position of Economic Development Officer in both the Town of Holliston and Hopkinton.

Representative Arena-DeRosa was proud to work alongside the legislative delegation of the 8th Middlesex District which includes Senate President Karen Spilka, Senator Becca Rausch, and Representative Marcus Vaughn. He also sends his thanks to the many local elected officials who were instrumental in communicating the fiscal needs of each community. "We are fortunate to have so many dedicated local officials who made it easy for the legislative delegation to advocate for our towns in this budget. These collaborations are essential to ensuring the state is meeting the needs of our communities".

Please contact jeffrey.meyers@ma-house.gov with any questions.

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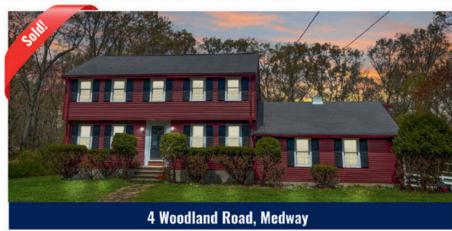
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## Medway residents earn academic honors from Florida Tech

The following Medway residents have been named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List at Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, FL.

- Emily Matheson
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To be included on the Dean's List, a student must complete 12 or more graded credits in a semester with a semester grade point average of at least 3.4.

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## Beware Driving on Flooded Roads, AAA Warns

As storms that cause heavy localized flooding continue to batter Massachusetts this summer, AAA is warning drivers to never drive on a flooded road. All too often, people underestimate the depth or force of flood waters and find themselves stranded and facing costly auto repairs, or worse.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, half of all flood-related drownings occur when a vehicle is driven into flood water. Just 12 inches of rushing water to lift a car and carry it away. Large SUVs and trucks can be moved in just two feet of water.

Even what looks like shallow flood water can be hazardous and hide dips in the roadway, or mud that could cause a car to get stuck. Rushing floodwaters can also undermine the roadway and the weight of a moving car can cause a roadway collapse. Flood water can also contain hazardous chemicals and conceal downed power lines, complicating rescue efforts when first responders are called to save people trapped in their cars

AAA offers these reminders:

- Just six inches of water can cause you to lose control of your car and stall an engine.
- Seek higher ground. Stalled cars can be swept away if flood waters continue to rise.
- Never ignore warning signs or road blocks. Local first responders put them there because people regularly get stranded in those locations.
- Pay attention to emergency weather alerts and take them seriously. A road can become flooded within minutes of a downpour.
- Be especially careful at night when it's even harder to recognize flood dangers.

- Don't feel pressured into driving through flood waters just because other people are doing it.
- After driving through deep water, your brakes will be wet and might not perform as expected right away. Gently apply the brakes and brake early and gently to dry them off.
- Hot brake rotors can warp when they come in contact with cold flood water.
- Always ask yourself: Can I turn around and find another route? A longer drive is better than a totaled car and putting your life at risk.

AAA Northeast is a not-for-profit auto club with 67 offices in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, New Hampshire and New York, providing more than 6 million local AAA members with travel, insurance, finance, and auto-related services.

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08/09/2023	9 Country Lane	\$405,000
08/07/2023	20 Holbrook Street	\$890,000
08/04/2023	6 Newton Lane	\$1.11 mil
08/04/2023	26 Timber Crest Dr, Lot 16	\$991,480
08/03/2023	7 Wildebrook Road	\$890,000
07/26/2023	21 Lincoln Street	\$525,000
07/24/2023	34 Timber Crest Dr, Lot 20	\$980,335
07/21/2023	38 Gorwin Drive	\$543,000
07/21/2023	5 Charles View Lane	\$750,000
07/20/2023	14 Sanford St, Unit 61	\$380,000
07/20/2023	4 Lantern Lane	\$825,000
07/19/2023	18 Waterside Run	\$744,900

Date	Millis	Amount
08/11/2023	9 Timberline Road	\$675,000
08/04/2023	259 Plain Street	\$649,900
08/03/2023	30 Ticonderoga Lane	\$710,000
08/03/2023	412 Village Street	\$550,000
08/01/2023	1 Pine House Road	\$995,000
08/01/2023	9 Apple Rock Road	\$901,000
07/31/2023	219 Farm Street	\$630,000
07/31/2023	30 Forest Road	\$806,000
07/28/2023	6 Pine View	\$352,000
07/27/2023	52 Ricahrdson Dr, Unit 290	\$800,247
07/26/2023	14 Himelfarb Street	\$785,000

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