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Puppets with a purpose

By Isabell Macrina
Hometown Weekly Reporter

Sherborn Library brought a warm feeling to a snowy day hosting the Caravan Puppets during their Winter-fest event, Puppets with a Purpose. The Community Room became a crowded theater packed with kids and adults to enjoy a good old-fashioned puppet show and support a good cause with their donations.

Caravan Puppets focuses on bringing creativity and kindness to children (and adults honestly) through the creative story telling media of puppets. Between classic tales and original stories, there is something for everyone. On Saturday, the puppeteers showed classic tales that the kids in the crowd loved. They started with “The Fox and the Grapes,” one of Aesop’s Fables which they taught the kids was a story with a moral lesson at the end. The children laughed at Foxy Woxy disparaging the grapes, and saw that

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Girls’ swim team wins Sectionals

By Community Contributor

The Dover Sherborn girls swim team entered the MIAA South Sectional Championship with high expectations after finishing second in 2025 and they achieved

their goal of taking first place by securing an impressive 235 points. This victory marked the program’s first time claiming the top spot since becoming an independent team. The Raiders were guided by senior captains

Nora Olson, Vivian Ma and Clara Lombard whose leadership established the tone during the season and especially during the championship meet.

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HOMETOWN
Weekly Weather
Forecast

Thu 12	36°/16°		30%
Fri 13	34°/18°		24%
Sat 14	36°/16°		24%
Sun 15	36°/16°		23%
Mon 16	38°/19°		16%
Tue 17	41°/23°		24%
Wed 18	40°/24°		50%



Ronan Sullivan gets the shot off.

PHOTOS BY MEGHAN FOLEY

By Meghan Foley
Hometown Weekly Sports Reporter

On February 3rd, the boys’ basketball team earned a big win against the Medfield Big Blue. Entering the game, the Raiders had a regular season record of 7–7 while Medfield boasted a 13–1, and they had also beaten the Raiders 58–46 at the beginning of the season.

However, by the time the first half came to an end, the Raiders were breathing down

Medfield’s neck with a score of 34–35. Giulian Mariano made two three-pointers, and Sam Weitzman and Stephen Saber both made good layups, Weitzman blowing by the defense and Saber catching the ball before putting it up on his. Nash Johnson made a pass to Joel Sterling, who passed it back to him for a bucket. Mariano had a big play when he intercepted a pass and drove to the hoop for a layup. Weitzman made a

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Beautifully made puppets bring the story of *The Lion and The Mouse* to life for all to enjoy.



The kids get in on the show, playing the pigs and holding their house up from the *Big Bad Wolf*.

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envy and making people feel bad for what they have is never kind. “The Three Little Pigs” was up next and, of course, they needed little pigs! Kids from the crowd joined the show to be the pigs and hold up their houses, and everyone got up to dance at the end to “Who’s Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf” strummed on guitar. Finally, they told the tale of the Lion and the Mouse, where appearances don’t matter, it’s what on the inside that counts. With brilliantly made puppets and humorous acting, the storytelling engaged even the adults in the audience.

Beyond the puppet show, the event sought to bring joy to the long-term hospital stay patients of UMass Memorial Hospital. Through either being too weak, not having care-



Writing “get well soon” in another language can bridge that gap between people, and coming from a kid it means so much more.

givers, or ongoing treatments, these patients are facing obstacles stopping them from being discharged from the hospital. These people have been in the hospital for over two weeks, and if you have ever stayed in the hospital for a bit of time you know it can feel uncomfortable and how you miss the comforts of home. The Friends of Sherborn Library want to change

that. They asked people to donate items like décor for the rooms, comfort items like blankets, better quality toiletries than the hospital can provide, and mindfulness activities to keep their minds engaged like coloring books, crosswords, music, games, books, and even more!

The kids got involved in the care too! They put together the baskets, making sure each one had a lotion, book, and more, which was a great way to show them the power of a kind action. There were also blank cards laid out for the kids to decorate and write “get well soon” in and papers showing how to write it in other languages for the kids to follow so everyone, regardless of language, can get a bit of care. They also made small hearts for Valentine’s Day, just to spread a little love.

Combining the joyous storytelling of puppets with a great cause made a beautifully unique event. Donations are still open until next Friday, February 20th, so drop off what you can at the Sherborn Library and make a patient’s day brighter.

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Senior Corner

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Dover COA Weekly Schedule

Friday, February 13th 9:30am Sculpt & Stretch - Studio/Zoom 11:00am Valentine’s Day Social - Community Room 1:00pm Mah Jongg - Common Room Holiday 7:15am Movement - Zoom	9:00am Line Dancing - Studio 12:30pm Grab and Go Wednesday, February 18th 9:30am Sculpt & Stretch - Studio 11:00am Cooking with Roberta - Community Room Thursday, February 19th 11:00am Tech Class - Activity Room
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Sherborn COA Weekly Schedule

Friday, February 13th 9:00-9:45am Cardio Core and More (Zoom) 12:00-1:30pm Men’s Group Monday, February 16th President’s Day - Town Hall Is Closed Tuesday, February 17th 9:00-9:45am Tone and Stretch 11:00am-12:00pm Book Group 2:30-4:30pm Open Art Studio - Get Your Creative Juices Flowing	Wednesday, February 18th 9:30am-12:00pm Community Coffee Bar 10:00am-12:00pm Play Mahjong 1:00-2:00pm Tai Chi Thursday, February 19th 9:00-10:00am Weekly Walk - Meet us at the Trail 12:00-1:30pm Thursday Café 12:00-1:00 The Power of Protest Images in the Black Freedom Movement 2:00-4:00pm Lifetime Learning - Creative Writing and Afternoon Tea
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, February 12
Join Public Health Nurse Emily Dellaglio, RN, for a discussion on simple ways to make 2026 healthier and happier. She’ll cover nutrition, staying active, better sleep, stress management, and setting achievable goals. No appointments needed but you can sign up for an email reminder below. This event begins at 11am and it’s at the Medfield Public Library. Registration is required.
Grab someone you love and spend the evening at the Dover Town Library for a “couples” paint night. Participants will be tasked with painting their partner-no peeking! Registration is required, please register in pairs. This event begins at 6pm.
Romance & Rhinestones: Bedazzling Craft Night & Author Talk with Katie Walsh at the Westwood Public Library. Registration is required. This event begins at 7pm.

Tuesday, February 17
Lunar New Year Crafternoon: Drop in and make a Lunar New Year themed craft, including making paper lanterns! Sherborn Library, 4 Sanger St., Sherborn, from 2:30-4:00.
An evening of queer crafting & community for LGBTQ+ adults & allies! Craft supplies and snacks provided, but feel free to bring a craft you’re already working on! Screening Love Simon (2018). This event begins at 6:30pm at the Westwood Public Library. Registration is required.
Nailed It or Failed It: Valentine’s Cupcake Challenge. You’ll try to replicate a surprise Valentine-themed design—whether it turns out picture-perfect or delightfully disastrous, the goal is to have fun. For ages 12-17 years old, no baking experience required, materials provided. Dover Library, 56 Dedham St., Dover. 4:00-5:00.
Learn about the owls of New England and beyond. Mark and Marcia from Eyes on Owls will share the field marks, signs and naturalist’s skills that you can use to find wild owls without disturbing them. Next, you meet six live owls (from small to huge) up close. Everyone participates in

a hooting lesson and learns tips on how to attract and protect owls near you. Two sessions: 5:00-6:00 or 7:00-8:00 at the Wellesley Free Library, 530 Washington St., Wellesley. Space limited, registration required.

Wednesday, February 18
Join us for a fun and engaging art class where you’ll learn to draw your favorite Pokémon characters, including Pikachu! Pop up Art School will guide you with step-by-step instructions using basic shapes, making it easy for all skill levels. As you draw, enjoy playing Pokémon trivia and showcase your knowledge. Perfect for Pokémon fans and budding artists alike! This program is for children ages 7 and up, and registration is required. The program will last 90 minutes, and caregivers must remain in the library for the duration of the 90 minutes, and caregivers must remain in the library for the duration of the program. Limited spaces, register on the Walpole Public Library’s website. 11:00am-12:30pm, 143 School St., Walpole.

Thursday, February 19
The Power of Protest Images in the Black Freedom Movement: This program is co-sponsored by the COA and the Friends of the Sherborn Library. Please register by either calling the COA at 508-651-7858 or emailing coa@sherbornma.org. 12:00-2:00 in the Community Room, Sherborn Library, 4 Sanger St., Sherborn.

Friday, February 20
The Needham Public Library shows Wicked For Good. Space limited, please register at the library’s website. Library Community Room Needham Free Public Library 1139 Highland Avenue, Needham. 2:00-4:45

Friday, February 20th
Evan Haller: Music at the Blissful. This is a free program, open to children of all ages and

their adults. 11:00am, 143 School St., Walpole.

K-Pop Demon Hunters Party: Enjoy some Soda Pop while playing Golden games! Show us How It’s Done as you Takedown demons, play Pin the Tongue on Derpy, and more. This is What It Sounds Like when you and Your Idol(s) are Free! 2:00-4:00, 660 High St., Westwood

Sunday, February 22
Music Through the Decades with David Polansky at 2pm at the Needham Free Public Library. Registration is required.

Tuesday, February 24
S.M.A.R.T. Goal Setting for Nutrition with Medfield physician and certified sports nutritionist, Dr. Kylee Eagles. Change your habits to change your life! In our first session on January 6th, Dr. Eagles gave us some basic nutrition education and helped us all set our own personal nutrition goals using the S.M.A.R.T. method. In this session, Dr. Eagles will do a deeper dive into some wellness education plus an assessment of our progress and help tweaking those S.M.A.R.T. goals if need be. Don’t worry if you missed Session 1. You will still get a lot of coming to this one! 6:00-7:30 in the Conference Room at Medfield Library, 468 Main St., Medfield. Please register online at the Medfield Library website.

Wednesday, February 25
Burglary at the Louvre - How Can Writers Top This? Mystery authors Connie Berry, Lane Stone, Nina Wachsman, and M. A. Monnin will examine the public’s fascination with the recent burglary of Napoleonic jewels at the Louvre and discuss how as authors they have used the same elements in their books. 7:00-8:00, takes place virtually, registration required, which can be found on the Sherborn Library’s website.

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Ways parents can support children and teachers during cold and flu season

(BPT) - Kids of all ages are enjoying their time in the classroom, learning and socializing in person again. While the focus is on making friends and growing their skills, they also might be picking up a few less desirable things, like germs. Cold and flu season is upon us, but parents can take steps so kids can feel their best and don't have to miss school due to illness.

"It's so important to my husband Sean and me that our children are in the classroom to learn, grow and thrive," said Catherine Giudici Lowe, graphic designer, reality show star and mom of three. "We are still learning how to best support them during this exciting life chapter and we're practicing different tips to help our children stay healthy and have a successful school year."

Her top tips for helping keep children, educators and schools thriving throughout cold and flu season include:

Encourage healthy habits every day

Through the peak of the pandemic, your family probably focused on healthy habits like washing their hands, covering their coughs and sneezes, and throwing out used tissues. These tips are ingrained in your household, but continue to remind your children that they still need to follow these best practices while in school. Teachers and

classmates will appreciate it during peak cold and flu season!

Make handwashing a set routine

If your son or daughter takes the bus to and from school, they are exposed to a host of germs on public transportation. Encourage your children to wash their hands as soon as they get to school. Additionally, to help prevent the spread of illness-causing germs in the home, make handwashing with soap after school a house rule.

Help teachers

It is no surprise that teachers often use their own money and resources when schools cannot meet classroom needs. While at the start of the year classrooms may be stocked with tissues, paper towels and sanitary supplies, these items run out quickly. Be proactive and show your teacher a little love by checking in to see how you can help refresh classroom supplies throughout the year.

Disinfect surfaces around the house

To help prevent the spread of illness-causing germs in school and at home, clean and disinfect kids' school supplies like backpacks and lunchboxes, as well as

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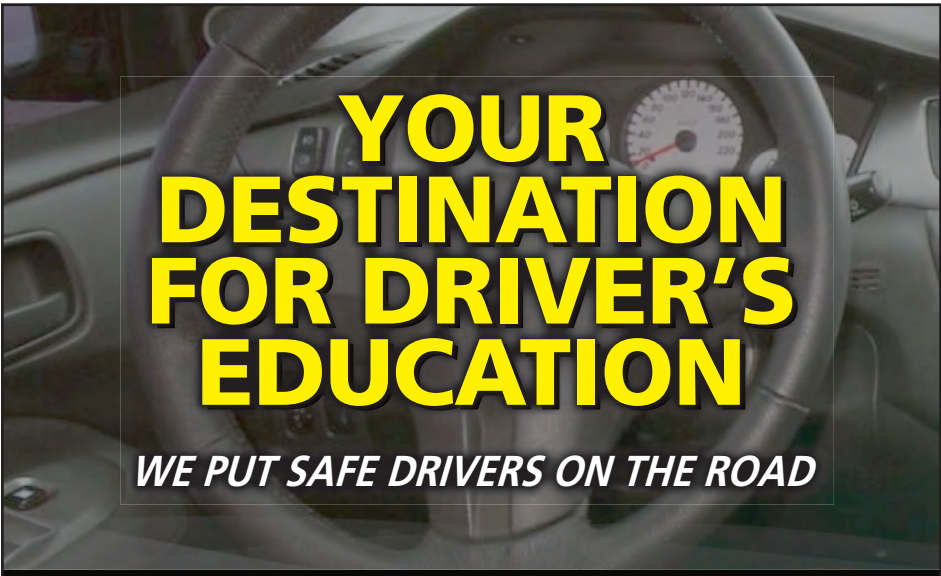


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surfaces the kids touch after they return from school. Lysol Disinfecting Wipes and Disinfecting Spray are a convenient way to disinfect school items and surfaces. Check out [Lysol.com/HERE](https://www.lysol.com/HERE) for more resources and tips for parents during cold and flu season.

Apply for free wipes for your school

Of course, disinfecting supplies are also great for teachers to use in the classroom. Lysol partners with Frontline Impact Project, which allows teachers who apply to receive free disinfecting supplies for their classroom. Teachers can learn more at FrontlineImpact.org/Request-Wipes.



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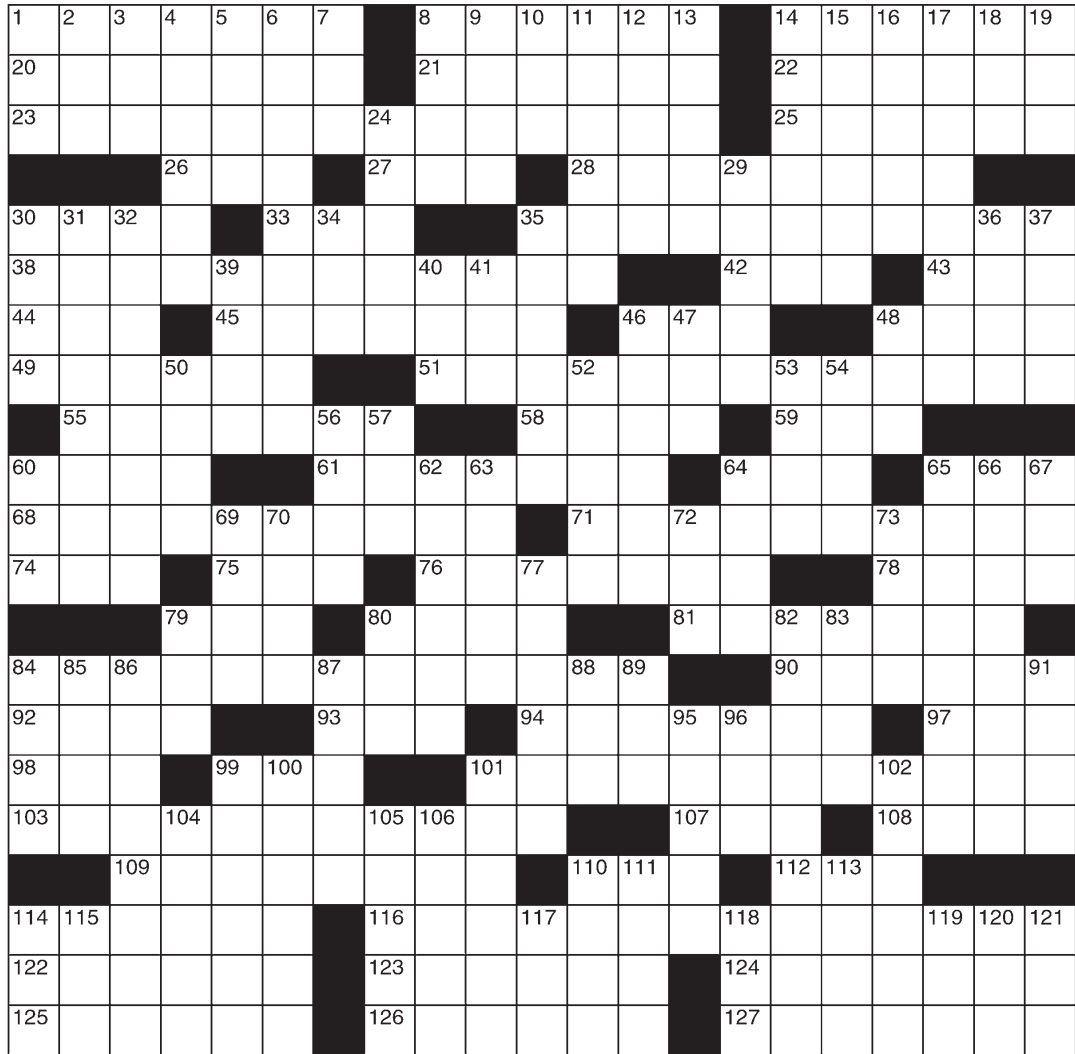
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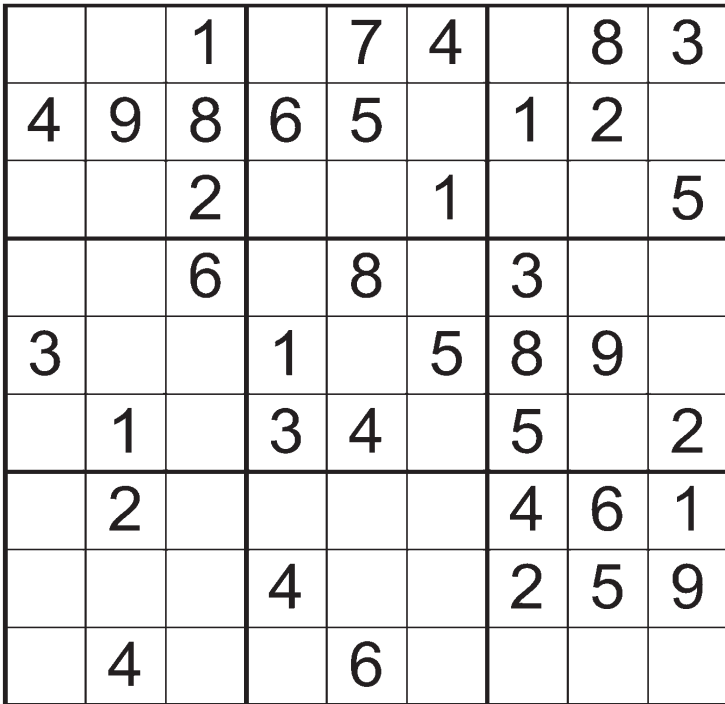
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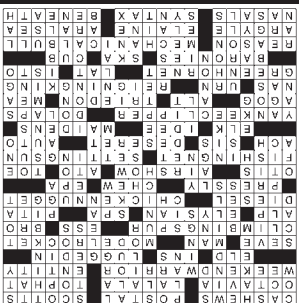
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2. Arms are longer. 3. Pocket is different. 4. Log is different.
5. Earflap is longer. 6. Rabbit's ear is moved.



Puzzles4Kids
by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

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SWIM TEAM
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The team's relay performances were key to their overall success. Olson, Lombard and sophomores Raina Wu and Dakota Callahan took first place in the 200 freestyle relay and finished in second place in the 400 free relay. The 200 medley relay team finished in fourth place and was comprised of Olson, senior Alison Sham, sophomore Norah Yang and freshman Katherine Zhang.

Individually, Raina Wu was a standout, winning the 100 free and placing

fourth in the 100 backstroke. Senior Abigail Kube contributed with a fourth place finish in diving, while Callahan placed second in the 200 free and fourth in the 500 free. Norah Yang earned third place in the 100 breaststroke, and Katherine Zhang finished eighth in the 100 butterfly. Additional notable performances came from Vivian Ma in the 100 breaststroke and freshman Emma Cogswell, who competed in the 200 individual medley and the 500 free.

The team's success was a testament to the dedication and teamwork of

all involved. Coach Carly Eckles remarked, "The girls set the goal of winning sectionals at the end of last season and that set the tone for the start of the season. These girls make my job fun when they are this invested in the success of their team. There is a big group of this post season team who have siblings who swam for DSSD over the past 11 years; they've lived through the ups and downs and rebuilding that is required for the success we've found the past two years. The team wouldn't be where we are without the current athletes, the alumni, the parents, or school."



Raiders celebrate their win.



Oliver Van Rhijn blocks a Medfield shot.

BASKETBALL
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rebound and took the ball from a Medfield player, and not long after the quarter ended with the Raiders now up 54-47.

In the fourth quarter, Dover-Sherborn steadily moved farther ahead. Stephen Saber made a three-pointer and later Oliver Van Rhijn had an excellent block against an attempted Medfield three-pointer. The Raiders scored another three-pointer, Stephen Saber managed to keep the ball inbounds on another play, and in the final 30 seconds of the game, Grant Debin made one last shot, and cemented the final score: 78-54.

The Raiders will be at



Grant Debin keeps soft knees and his eyes on the ball.

Millis High School (6-12) this evening at 6:30 after beating them 65-60 in mid-January. Then they will play their final game at home on Monday, February 16th at 5:00 against Wayland High (5-11) for

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Animal Complaint - Services Rendered
Location/Address: Willow St.
Narrative: Sick goat.

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Suspicious Activity - Information Taken
Location/Address: Shady Ln.

Narrative: RP reports receiving a scam call from a private phone number stating he missed jury duty and was subject to arrest. Scam caller identified self as Sgt. from Boston Federal Court. RP stated his name, address, and phone number were known to the caller. No additional personal information was disclosed and no financial loss incurred. RP provided with ID protection recourse information.

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Animal Lost/Missing - Area Checked / GOA
Location/Address: Farm St.
Sherborn res. Reports black lab with cone on neck running in the roadway.

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Assist Citizen - Services Rendered
Location/Address: Main St.
Narrative: Walk in states he is locked out of his house. Officer to assist. Access gained.

SHERBORN 1/26/26-2/1/26

Motor Vehicle Collision - Report Follows
Location/Address: Main St. and Woodland St.
Refer to Accident: 26SHE-23-AC

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Motor Vehicle Collision - Report Follows
Location/Address: Kendall Ave.
Refer to Accident: 26SHE-25-AC

Sherborn seeks new forest volunteers

For over 25 years, a dedicated group of volunteers has supported the Sherborn Town Forest Committee by cutting and splitting firewood. The wood is delivered to residents, with a preference for senior citizens.

This effort have been vital for the management and maintenance of the Town Forest. Now, as many long-time volunteers are aging, the group is in urgent need of new, younger volunteers to continue this important community service.

The funds raised from Volunteers are asked to

Currently a member at-large vacancy exists on the Sherborn Affordable Housing Trust

This member at-large appointment is made by the Sherborn Select Board. The purpose of the Trust is to provide for the preservation and creation of affordable housing in the Town of Sherborn for the benefit of low- and moderate-income households. In furtherance of this purpose, the Trustees are hereby authorized, to acquire by gift, purchase, or otherwise real property, personal property, or money, both tangible and intangible, of every sort and description; to use such property, both real and personal, and money in such manner as the Trustees shall deem most appropriate to carry out such purpose, provided however, that all property and money held by the Trust and tenet earnings thereof shall be used exclusively for the preservation and creation in the Town of Sherborn of affordable housing for the purposes for which this Trust was formed.

The Trust is made up of five or seven members appointed by the Select Board for two-year terms. The Trust consists of one (1) Select Board member and one member appointed as a representative of the Planning Board and the Land Acquisition Committee.

If you are interested in applying for the member at large vacancy, please email Diane.Moore@Sherbornma.org for an application for consideration of appointment.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF DOVER

INVITATION TO BID TOWN WIDE ROADWAY RESURFACING

The Town of Dover will accept bids for the Town Wide Roadway Resurfacing.

Specifications may be requested from the Department of Public Works. Call 508-785-0058 x 115, or email agemma@doverma.gov.

Sealed bids shall be accepted at the office of the Director of Public Works, 2 Dedham Street, Dover MA 02030 until **Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 11:00am**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

The Town of Dover reserves the right to waive any informalities, reject any or all bids, or to accept any total bid or unit price which it deems to be in the best interest of the Town of Dover.

2x3 Town of Dover - Resurfacing 2-12-26

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TOWN OF DOVER

In accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40, section 32, notice is hereby given that:

Article 1 voted at the Special Town Meeting held on September 29, 2025 has been approved by the Attorney General's Office on January 6, 2026 and is available for public inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk.

Article 1: To amend the Zoning Map by adding the MBTA Communities Multi-Family Overlay District consisting of 9.957 acres on Tisdale Drive (also known as County Court); and (2) amend its Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 185-50 By-Right MBTA Communities Multi-Family Overlay District

Claims of invalidity by reason of any defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment may only be made within 90 days of the second publication.

Felicia S. Hoffman, CMMC
Dover Town Clerk

2x3.5 Town of Dover - Dover Town Clerk 2-5-26

2-5-26 & 2-12-26 HTW

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF DOVER

DEDHAM STREET CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Town of Dover, MA (Owner) invites Bidders to submit ELECTRONIC sealed Bids for the Dedham Street Culvert Replacement Contract No. 2026-DSCR which includes the replacement of an existing culvert on Dedham Street. Work shall commence by May 1st, 2026. Substantial Completion: within 90 days. Final Completion: within 120 days. Bidding is per MGL Chapter 30 s39M. Prevailing wage rates per MGL c149 s26 to 27D inclusive issued by Dept. of Labor Standards.

Request electronic Bidding Documents (no cost) on or after February 12th, 2026 at 9:00 AM electronically at www.biddocsonline.com or at Nashoba Blue, Inc., at 433 Main Street, Hudson, MA 01749.

Bidders must be MassDOT prequalified in the class of work of "Bridges - Culverts" for the Project with an estimated value of \$600,000 in order to be eligible to Bid.

Non-mandatory pre-bid conference: 11:00 AM local time on February 24th, 2026.

Electronic Bids will be received until 11:00 a.m. local time on March 5th, 2026 through BidDocs ONLINE only (www.biddocsonline.com) with Bid security of 5% of total Bid. Hard copy bids will not be accepted. Bids will then be publicly opened online.

2x4 Town of Dover - CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT 2-12-26

2-12-26 HTW

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF DOVER

DOVER BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 138, Section 15A, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Dover will hold a Public Hearing on **Thursday, March 5, 2026 at 6:30 PM via Zoom** on an **Application for a Change of Officers/Directors/ LLC Managers and an Issuance/Transfer of Stock/New Stockholder for the Swami Ne Sang Corporation, d/b/a Dover Wine Company**, 16 Springdale Avenue, Dover, MA 02030 with a plan on file in the Selectmen's office. This Public Hearing will be held remotely, and interested parties should follow the instructions found on the Board of Selectmen meeting agenda posted online at www.doverma.gov in advance of the Hearing.

Dover Board of Selectmen

2x3 Town of Dover - Dover Wine Company 2-12-26

2-12-26 HTW

LEGAL NOTICE

DOVER-SHERBORN REGIONAL SCHOOLS

ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

MGL C.149 OVER \$150K

The Dover-Sherborn Regional Schools (DSRS), the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the Dover-Sherborn Regional Schools Roof Restoration Project in Dover, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by Gorman Richardson Lewis Architects, Inc. The Project consists of: The installation of a new fluid applied roof restoration system over the existing 2-ply modified bitumen roof and installation of new skylights. Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §26 to 27H inclusive.

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available for pick-up www.biddocsonline.com (electronically and hardcopy requested) or at Nashoba Blue, Inc. at 433 Main Street, Hudson, MA 01749 (978-568-1167). THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Pre-bid Conference/Site Visits is scheduled for Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 3:30 PM EST at 9 Junction Street, Dover, MA. Filed Sub-bids for the Metal Window trade will be received until 2:00PM EST on Friday, February 27, 2026 and publicly opened online, forthwith.

General Bids will be received until 2:00 PM EST on Friday, March 6, 2026, and publicly opened, forthwith online.

DSRS reserves the right to reject any and all responses, to waive informalities and to award in the best interest of DSRS.

2x4.5 Town of Dover - School Roof Restoration 2-12-26

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Tangerini, Charles & Tangerini, Sarah	Nedell, Thomas & Boozang, Patricia	10 Pederzini Dr, Medfield	\$1690000
23 Yale LLC	Robbins, Anne F & Robbins, Arthur	23 Yale Rd, Needham	\$1000000
Bulterys, Philip L & Leung, Nicole Y	Greenfield, Kimberly	37 Rivard Rd, Needham	\$1425000
Burke, Amelia	Kirby, Marianne F	1202 Greendale Ave #108, Needham	\$585000
Chokel, Chad & Yang, Yoojung	Schwartz, Stuart & Schwartz, Corey S	56 Lantern Ln, Needham	\$2850000
Gerber, Leslie & Gerber, Jonathan	Karen B Shapiro RET & Shapiro, Karen B	48 Taylor St, Needham	\$1500000
Kristen E Weber RET & Weber, Kristen E	119 Belle Lane Rt & Bass, Michael A	119 Belle Ln, Needham	\$6200000
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Waltzman, Mark	Riley, Susan F	20 Gage St, Needham	\$950000
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DS AI Coda Performs at an eighth Annual A Cappella Night to Remember



DS AI Coda takes the stage.

By Samantha Drumm
Hometown Weekly Staff

On Friday, February 6th, students from Dover-Sherborn, Medfield Middle, Medfield High, Westwood, Weston, and even Tufts University gathered, joined by a common passion—performing a full set of songs with only their voices.

The evening marked Medfield High’s Eighth Annual A Cappella Night, hosted by Medfield’s own Soundwaves and their fearless chorus leader, Anne Marie Tremblay.

After Medfield opened the evening with a cover

of Whitney Houston’s “I Wanna Dance With Somebody,” the evening’s celebrations ensued.

Westwood’s ensemble, Passing Notes, was the first to perform, delivering covers of two familiar favorites—Adele’s “Set Fire to the Rain” and Shawn Mendes’ “Stitches”—bringing audience members to tap their feet to the beat.

Medfield Seniors Yasmina Bird and Sophia O’Toole took the stage as the evening’s emcees, peppering the breaks between each group’s set with delightfully hokey puns, playing on the titles

that each ensemble sang.

DS AI Coda, Dover-Sherborn’s own A Cappella group, followed up with a rendition of Lake Street Dive’s “Dance With A Stranger” and Daniel Ceaser’s “Best Part,” inspiring a feel-good sentiment among the audience.

With the help of their fellow students, Bird and O’Toole took the stage between performances to offer opportunities for audience participation that left the crowd in fits of adoring giggles.

Senior Ryan Small, Soundwaves’ resident beatboxer, taught the entire

audience to beatbox before pulling up two eager volunteers to show off the skill. Another break in the music offered a few students the chance to show Medfield their moves with a thrilling dance battle.

Weston’s Town Criers inspired similar fits of giggles when they called Anne Marie Tremblay, Medfield’s Chorus Director, to sit center stage as the all-boys group delivered an impassioned love ballad. The audience didn’t attempt to suppress laughter as the song’s lead soloist stared up at Tremblay with mock-adoration as he took a knee.

Blake Middle School’s Crescendos showed their budding talent with a cover of Bruno Mars’ “Just the Way You Are.” Hopefully, some of the Crescendos are soon-to-be Soundwaves!

Medfield’s own Soundwaves closed out the local students segment of the performance, with three consecutive performances with impressive execution in collaboration, vocals, and student-organized chore-

ography. Students shifted methodically around the stage as lead soloist Annie Fratallilo was chased around the stage by a troop of well-sung zombies as the group covered “Thriller,” complete with the song’s creepy voiceover delivered by Conor Guiney that solidified the spooky mood. Students coupled up as Ava Morrison belted a heartfelt ballad before the students closed out the show with their cover of a Queen medley. The students fearlessly plunged into covering Queen’s masterpiece: Bohemian Rhapsody, pleasantly mashed with “Somebody to Love”. But the Performance wouldn’t be complete without the astounding choreography, organized by the evening’s emcees, who both starred as soloists for the song.

After the students had taken their seats, Tufts University’s Beezlebubs headlined the evening, inspiring students and audience members alike. The Beezlebubs’ ability to synchronize vocals, choreography, and a spark of

casual comedy as natural performers showed us all the rewards of sticking with performing A Cappella.

The Beezlebubs were not only thankful for their audience but also grateful to be greeted with so much budding talent from the previous performances.

“I would never have had the confidence to do this at your age,” said one Beezlebug as he took the center stage. “It’s so inspiring to see young people pursuing their hobbies and their dreams.”

It’s more than safe to say Medfield’s eighth A Cappella Night was an inspiring success. Though the event won’t recur until this time next year, it will be well worth your time to keep an eye out for upcoming events and plan to be in attendance to see the groups gather again next year.

Future event information can be found in the Hometown Weekly’s Community Calendar; we hope to see you in attendance!

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PETS OF THE WEEK

MEET ARTHUR - MEDFIELD ANIMAL SHELTER

Arthur is a sensitive, 100 lb gentle giant. He can be shy with strangers, especially some men, and needs a patient owner who will let him approach on his own terms. Once he trusts you, he is incredibly affectionate and loyal. He is a gentle and smart pup who keeps “four on the floor” even when excited. When Playtime Pet Resort in Norwell contacted us to offer a 3-week board-and-train program for several Medfield Shelter dogs, we jumped at the opportunity to send Arthur. They have been working with him on building his confidence, basic obedience, and leash manners. Based on the trainer’s assessment and the little we know about his background, we think an adult home on the quieter side would be the best fit for him. In addition to being cautious around men at



first, he is also afraid of sticks. He loves playing in the snow, rope toys, and cuddling. He was rescued by Boston Animal Control after being found in a urine and feces-filled basement without food and with a water bowl

that was frozen solid. It breaks our hearts to know he suffered, and we want the very best for him. The first step in our adoption process is to fill out an adoption application: medfieldshelter.com/adopt

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