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Deven Careau (white) and Ty Jeune battle for the ball

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Redemption for the Raiders at Gillette

By Meghan Foley
Hometown Weekly Sports Reporter

Last Thursday, the boys varsity soccer

team went to Gillette Stadium for their rematch against the Medfield Warriors after losing to them 2-0 early in September. Their

game followed the same matchup between the girls' teams, in which the Warriors shut out the Raiders 5-0.

The beginning of the game didn't look hopeful for the Raiders after Medfield's Sebastian Brooke scored off of an assist by teammate Max Tillmann at only 1:12 in.

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HOMETOWN Weekly Weather Forecast

Thu 23	61°/40°		6%
Fri 24	58°/39°		10%
Sat 25	57°/42°		24%
Sun 26	56°/39°		24%
Mon 27	61°/40°		17%
Tue 28	62°/40°		24%
Wed 29	62°/44°		20%

Spooky cooking class at DTL

by Elizabeth Connolly
Hometown Weekly Reporter

Just in time for Halloween, children were recently invited to the Dover Town Library (DTL) for a seasonal treat and story. The event took place in the community room, which was decorated with purple tablecloths that looked perfectly festive with the black chairs. The activity was recommended for children ages three and up, and there was a great turnout. Everyone seemed very excited to participate.

The book that was read aloud was *Creepy Pair of Underwear!* by Aaron Reynolds. It was a charming story about a bunny named Jasper that saw some really cool underwear while out shopping one day with his mom. He begged to get them, but she felt that he wasn't ready for such a creepy pair. He



proclaimed that he wasn't a little bunny anymore, but a big rabbit and could handle the creepiness. Unfortunately, he came to find out that he might've been wrong about that. Humorous and light, the plot was ideal for the different ages in attendance.

The cooking portion of the class involved turning a chocolate sandwich cookie into a spider. Individual plates with cookies and pretzel sticks were laid out on the tables,

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Real estate activity continues to rise

Norfolk County Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell reported that real estate activity in Norfolk County continued its upward trend in September 2025, with notable increases in mortgage recordings and property transactions compared to the same period last year.

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds recorded a total of 9,511 documents in September 2025. This represents an 11% increase from September 2024, but a 5% decrease from August 2025.

"The increase in overall document recordings compared to last September is a strong indicator of continued engagement in the real estate market," stated

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along with bowls of chocolate icing. The icing was used as a glue to turn the pretzels into spider legs. Once the legs were in place, a pair of edible eyeballs could be fastened to the front, turning the cookie into a tasty, adorable little spider.

DTL offers many wonderful classes and events like this one. November’s calendar includes a K Pop Demon Hunters singalong party, tween craft night, teen painting night, felted wine bottle gift bag making geared towards adults, and their famous Super Awesome Fun Time, which, though suitable for all ages, is a big hit with local toddlers. For information on upcoming events and programs visit dover-townlibrary.org.



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Norfolk County Register of Deeds, William P. O’Donnell. “This continued engagement and momentum in the market reflects confidence among buyers, sellers, and lenders. Although it must be noted that the increase in September of 2025 was less than that of August 2025.”

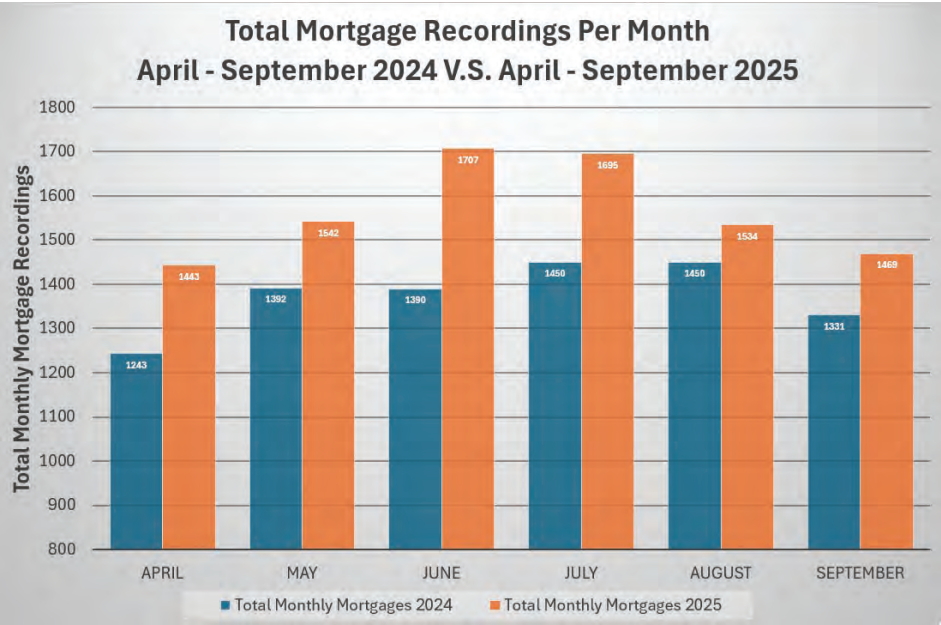
The total number of deeds recorded for September 2025, which includes both commercial and residential real estate sales and transfers, was 1,396, up 7% from September 2024, but

local real estate landscape and suggests that Norfolk County remains a desirable place to live and work.”

In addition to increased deed recordings, lending activity also saw growth. A total of 1,469 mortgages were recorded in September 2025, up 10% from September 2024, though down 4% from August 2025. The total dollar amount of mortgage indebtedness recorded in September was \$1,286,464,631, a 61% increase compared to the \$797,674,694 recorded in September 2024.

The average sale price of commercial and residential properties in September 2025 was \$967,211.86, an increase of 1% from September 2024, and a 6% decrease from August of this year. The total dollar volume of commercial and residential sales in September was \$661.6 million, a 5% increase compared to September of last year.

“The slight increase in average sale price compared to last year may reflect increased demand and competition in certain area communities,” noted



down 10% from August 2025. Looking at just real estate sales, 684 properties were sold in September, representing a 5% increase compared to the same time last year.

“The year-over-year growth in property sales shows that the market remains active,” noted Register O’Donnell. “Buyers and sellers continue to move forward with transactions despite broader economic conditions. This steady level of activity demonstrates confidence in the

“The growth in mortgage recordings compared to last year shows a large number of people are still successfully navigating the market to secure financing,” said Register O’Donnell. “Alongside this increase in mortgage recordings there was also a significant rise in the total amount of borrowing and investment. This reflects that residents remain committed to making substantial financial investments in their current properties, as well as purchasing new homes.”

Register O’Donnell. “However, it is encouraging to see values holding steady. This consistency in pricing could help individuals who have been saving and waiting for the right time to enter the market.”

Foreclosure activity in September 2025 remained low. There were 6 foreclosure deeds recorded as a result of mortgage foreclosures taking place in Norfolk County, down from the 7 recorded in September 2024. Additionally, 23 notices to foreclose were filed, a decrease from the 28 notices recorded in September of last year.

“There is no question that this reduction in the number of foreclosures and notices to foreclose is good news,” said Register O’Donnell. “However, we must remember that foreclosure activity affects real people and I would urge anyone struggling to pay their mortgage or who knows someone who is struggling to contact one of the non-profit organizations listed on our website, www.norfolkdeeds.org.”

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds continues to partner with local non-profits such as Quincy Community Action Programs (617-479-8181 x376), NeighborWorks Housing Solutions (508-587-0950), and the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Consumer Advocacy and Response Division (CARD) at 617-727-8400 to assist residents in need.

Register O’Donnell concluded, “The September 2025 data shows meaningful increases in several key areas compared to September 2024,” said Register O’Donnell. “These trends reflect a market that remains both active and resilient. The continued growth in transactions and lending activity highlights the desirability of Norfolk County. We hope to see this momentum continue in the months ahead as more individuals and families pursue opportunities to invest in their communities.”

To learn more about these and other Registry of Deeds events and initiatives like us on Facebook at facebook.com/NorfolkDeeds, or follow us on X at x.com/NorfolkDeeds and Instagram at instagram.com/NorfolkDeeds.

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Thursday, October 23

Beginning Watercolor for Adults at the Medfield Public Library. This event begins at 5:30pm and registration is required.

The Great Abolitionist - Charles Sumner and the Fight for a more perfect union. Stephen Puleo will be giving this historical talk at the Walpole Public Library at 7pm.

Friday, October 24

Haunted Hayride at Norfolk Aggie High

School in Walpole. This begins at 6pm.

Saturday, October 25

Pumpkin Decorating (three sessions) at Green's Field in Needham. Registration is required and the first session begins at 9am.

Spooky Walk (Two Sessions) at Greene's Field in Needham. The first session begins at 10:45am and registration is required.

Charles River School Fair in Dover. This event begins at 11am.

Halloween at University Station in

Westwood. This event begins at 11am.

Falloween at Stone Field in Walpole. This event begins at 11am.

Sensory Friendly Trunk-or-treat at the Bierman Autism Center. Registration is required but this event begins at 11am.

Hale-O-Ween at Hale Education. Registration is required. There are two sessions: one at 1pm and the other at 4pm.

Volante Farms' Pumpkin Fest in Needham at 1pm.

Illuminate Lantern Parade at the Bellfodge Arts Center. This event takes

Festival of Trees returns November 28

Massachusetts Horticultural Society's beloved Festival of Trees returns for its 17th year, opening on Friday, November 28, 2025 (Black Friday), and running through Sunday, December 28, 2025 at the Garden at Elm Bank. Each year, this cherished holiday tradition welcomes more than 17,000 guests to stroll through glittering gardens, marvel at model trains, and take part in a one-of-a-kind holiday tree raffle.

Timed-entry tickets must be purchased in advance and are now on sale at www.masshort.org/festival-of-trees.

Visitors will be immersed in a winter wonderland of lights and horticultural

displays—from glowing tulips and illuminated wooden towers to the sparkling Italianate fountain and Hartley Botanic glasshouse. Inside, the much-loved Snow Village fills an entire room with model trains weaving through miniature villages, holiday scenes, and whimsical landscapes. Snow Village, a gift from Bill and Ellen Meagher, is lovingly maintained throughout the year by the Bay State Model Railroad Museum.

Festival of Trees is made possible by the enthusiasm of dozens of volunteers who bring the gardens to life each season. Volunteer Deb Barnet, now entering her third year, first joined

by helping assemble s'mores kits for guests and quickly became hooked. "I love seeing the look of awe on people's faces when they see the trees and trains for the first time," she said. "It's so much fun watching the kids run from tree to tree, trying to decide which one they like best. The adults do the same, but they don't run!" Deb has now participated in nearly every volunteer role at the Festival and says it's "just plain fun" to be part of the holiday magic.

The historic Hunnewell carriage house transforms into a wonderland of 70+ decorated holiday trees, each designed and donated by local businesses, garden

clubs, and families. Among the longtime participants is Loretta Carrigan, who has been decorating a tree for sixteen years—nearly since the Festival's inception. "I enjoy decorating a tree each year for a good cause," Loretta said. "My theme changes every year depending on what decorations I find most interesting. I collect all year long—it's so much fun! A lot of my friends, relatives, neighbors, and garden club members come to see my tree each year." Her creativity and dedication embody the community spirit that makes the Festival such a beloved tradition.

Proceeds from the Festival support MHS's mission to connect people to plants, gardens, and the natural world.

Tickets range from \$15–\$22 for members and \$22–\$27 for non-members, depending on peak timing. Youth tickets (ages 3–17) are \$8–\$10, children of MHS members are \$5, and children two and under are free. Paid tickets include a cup of hot cocoa at admission and a s'mores kit for roasting by the firepits. Tickets sell quickly for peak weekends and evenings — guests are encouraged to purchase early. Additional information and timed-entry tickets can be found at www.masshort.org/festival-of-trees.

Sunday, October 26 at 12:30 PM. \$12 per person includes movie and deli sandwich lunch. For more information, visit www.iacwalpole.org

McIver Series 2025: Reiki Master & Teacher Alyssa Kazin, MSW - "Strength and Stress Relief for First Responders and Individuals" at the Needham Free Public Library. This event begins at 2pm and registration is required.

Monday, October 27

Halloween Luminaries for Kids at the Dover Town Library. This event begins at 3:30pm.

Halloween Henna at the Walpole Public Library. This is for ages 10+ and begins at 3:30pm

Tuesday, October 28

Marty Gitlin - The Dynasty and

Beyond: History of the Super Celtics at the Needham Free Public Library. This event takes place at 7:30pm and registration is required.

Wednesday, October 29

History at Play: Rendezvous with Rachel Revere, hosted by Judith Kalaora at the Walpole Public Library. This event begins at 7pm.

Friday, October 31

Kids Halloween Costume Parade at the Sherborn Library. This event begins at 10:30am.

Halloween Storytime and Parade at the Westwood Public Library. This event begins at 11am and registration is required.

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Motor Vehicle Collision - Report Follows

Vicinity of: S Main St

Refer to Accident: 25SHE-95-AC

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Motor Vehicle Stop - Report Follows

Vicinity of: N Main St @Hunting Ln

Refer to Summons: 25SHE-196-AR

Charges: Number plate violation to conceal ID, unregistered motor vehicle.

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Motor Vehicle Collision - Report Follows

Location/Address: Elliot St

Refer to Summons: 25SHE-197-AR

Charges: OUI, negligent operation of MV, marked lanes violation, unlicensed operation of MV.

Refer to Accident: 25SHE-96-AC

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Motor Vehicle Collision - Report Follows

Location/Address: Washington St

Refer to Accident: 25SHE-97-AC

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Motor Vehicle Stop - Report Follows

Location/Address: Deerfield Rd

Refer to Arrest: 25SHE-198-AR

Charges: Unlicensed operation of MV, uninsured MV, unregistered MV, OP MV with registration revoked, license suspended for OUI/CDL/MVH

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Motor Vehicle Stop - Report Follows

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38% of Americans say cash feels more 'real' than digital money

(BPT) - Close to 2 in 5 Americans (38%) say cash feels more "real" than digital money: It's a tangible reminder of value, and remains a permanent part of their financial toolkit (27%). Yet, new Empower research shows that in practice, physical dollar bills may be fading from daily life: 1 in 5 say they use cash only a few times per year, and just 18% use it daily. Still, a quarter often find themselves in situations where they wish they had cash on hand.

Its popularity may be dictated by what's going on in the economy, as a quarter (25%) view cash as a "safety net" currency

in times of financial downturns, and 1 in 5 Americans have increased their physical cash holdings in the past year due to market uncertainty.

Cash in a digital age

While a third (35%) say they are mostly cashless, for close to 1 in 5 Americans (19%), dollar bills remain a trusted form of payment - something they actively use and keep in significant amounts. Overall, 40% of people feel safer keeping some cash on hand in case of emergencies or

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tech outages.

Nearly a quarter say they use cash for privacy (21%) in an AI-driven, digital world. The same amount also turn to cash when they want to limit their spending for the day (24%). A third say they're more likely to make impulse purchases with digital payments (33%), and spend more without the natural guardrail of cash (27%).

With the shift toward digital payments (e.g., debit cards, credit cards, mobile wallets, etc.), 27% say they are more likely to pay bills and save automatically. More than a quarter have better awareness of their spending patterns (27%) and spend less because they can track everything digitally (22%). Close to 1 in 5 admit that if cash disappeared, they'd spend less (17%).

Currency in action

The average person holds between \$51 and \$100 in their "wallet," consistent with the \$66 cash average from last year's study. Gen X is the only generation that carries more cash, averaging between \$101 and \$200.

Half use their physical money for tips (48%), while a third use it to get a discount for paying in cash (34%).

Other scenarios where Americans are most likely to use cash:

- * When paying small local businesses that don't accept cards (46%)
- When splitting costs with friends at a restaurant (30%)
- Paying for parking meters or tolls (24%)
- For emergency expenses (22%)
- At retailers or grocery stores (21%)
- When traveling abroad (18%)
- Paying for gas (16%)
- Paying for a kid's allowance (16%)

Generational shifts: Piggy banks to digital wallets

For many people, cash is tied to their earliest memories about money: 41% say their first financial experiences involved physical cash, not digital payments. Nearly a third understood the value of cash at an early age (32%) and learned to save by

setting aside dollar bills before they ever used a bank account (28%).

Yet, today, money etiquette is changing: 35% say younger generations are skipping physical cash entirely and going straight to digital money. Overall, 37% say each generation relies less on cash than the one before it. Close to a quarter predict their own children will grow up with little or no cash experience (22%).

Money moves

When it comes to where Americans keep their liquid savings, half keep it in a checking account. Over a third keep money in a standard savings account (33%), and the same share holds physical cash at home (35%), as many still want instant, tangible access to their funds.

Nearly 3 in 10 have moved money into high-yield savings accounts (29%), while a quarter rely on money market accounts (24%). For some, the strategy is a balance - 20% split evenly between accounts and physical cash - while others lean on more traditional products like certificates of deposit (18%).

When asked how they'd allocate \$10,000 today, most Americans balance digital returns with physical reassurance:

- * 55% would deposit it in a high-yield savings account
- * 47% would pay down debt
- * 41% would invest in stocks for long-term growth
- * 40% would keep it as cash for easy access
- * 29% would use it for real estate or a property purchase
- * 27% would buy bonds or Treasury bills
- * 22% would spend the money on education or skills development to boost earning potential
- * 22% would buy precious metals like gold or silver

Even in a digital-first world, nearly half the population sees value in liquidity, flexibility, and the physical assurance of cash.

Methodology:

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How to benefit from financial planning at any life stage

(BPT) - No matter your stage in life's journey, it's never too early or late to make financial plans. For military families especially, planning helps you withstand major transitions and gives you confidence about the future. From your first Permanent Change of Station (PCS) to deployment and separation, you'll have many decisions to make and high-priority items on your to-do list, including managing your finances.

Financial Planning Month is the perfect time to work on setting goals for your financial future. Here are tips to get you started.

Begin with the basics: Savings

Developing a savings plan is a great place to start. Even when you're starting out in your career, developing the habit of setting money aside from each paycheck can help you build an emergency fund for unexpected events. One approach is to open a separate savings account for that purpose and have a small portion of each paycheck automatically deposited into that account, so you don't even have to think about it.

How much should you strive to save for an emergency fund? Many experts recommend saving 3-6 months' living expenses to provide a cushion in case of job loss, unanticipated repairs or other unexpected needs.

"The amount of money needed to maintain financial security can vary widely depending on your individual circumstances," says Jaspreet Chawla, senior vice president of member and deposit products at Navy Federal Credit Union. "That's why it's essential to assess your personal financial situation. If you're able, try to consistently set aside a portion of each paycheck and aim to save even more, when possible, to build a stronger safety net."

If you're unsure what goal is best for you, Navy Federal offers free online calculators to help you determine the amount of emergency funds you'll need to keep your finances secure, plus tips on creating the fund and what it takes to reach your goals.

You can also find ways to make your savings work harder for you than a traditional savings account using options like a Money Market Savings Account or Certificates, both of which typically offer higher



interest rates to help boost your savings.

Household budgeting

While it may sound scary, budgeting is simply knowing how much money is coming in (your income) and how much is going out (your expenses). The key to a good budget is understanding the difference between necessary expenses, such as rent and utilities, insurance, groceries and transportation, versus discretionary spending like entertainment, dining out and vacations. It's also important to remember that some necessary expenses can fluctuate, such as utilities at different times of the year.

Financial institutions frequently offer online tools to help make budgeting and expense management easier. Navy Federal offers My MakingCents, a free tool to help members manage their money. It allows members to see all their accounts in one place, track spending by category, build custom budgets, and manage subscription services. The goal is to simplify budgeting for members, especially for things like subscription services, that are often easy to overlook or unintentionally overspend on.

As you review your expenses, be sure to include paying down debt as a necessary cost, since less debt will save money on interest down the road. You may find that you sometimes need to reduce discretionary spending and/or find ways to increase household income to help manage your costs so you can keep putting money toward savings and debt repayment.

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"Budgeting starts with knowing your numbers," says Thomas Racca, manager of personal finance management at Navy Federal. "Your budget should work with your life, not against it. Flexibility is key."

Racca recommends starting with the essentials: "Track your fixed costs first - things like rent, mortgage, car payments and insurance. Then look at your past spending to get a realistic average for variable expenses like groceries, dining out and gas. That's where you'll find opportunities to adjust." One of his top tips is to "treat savings like a bill. Pay yourself first, every month. Even small amounts add up over time and build financial confidence."

Retirement planning

Whether retirement is years away or just around the corner, the earlier you start saving for your retirement, the more confident you can be when you approach that milestone. Each retirement plan type offers different benefits that can elevate your retirement savings.

Both Traditional and Roth Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) help diversify your retirement savings approach and allow you to contribute up to the limit at any time while you're earning income.

* Traditional IRA is recommended if you're expecting to be in the same or lower tax bracket when taking withdrawals, and contributions are potentially tax-deductible. You'll enjoy tax-deferred growth now and pay taxes on withdrawals when you retire.

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Estate planning

Planning for your loved ones' future is important for protecting your assets, so your heirs won't overpay taxes - and to ensure your wishes are honored. A well-crafted estate plan can reduce the time, stress and financial burden if the unexpected happens.

Common estate planning documents include a will, trust, guardianship designations, financial powers of attorney and advance directives for medical decisions - also known as a living will. These tools work together to provide clarity and control

over how your assets and care are managed.

Expert personalized guidance

Whatever stage you are at in life, it's natural to have questions about your best next steps. To take the guesswork out of financial planning, Navy Federal Investment Services can help make your vision a reality, using either their online Digital Investor tool, or by meeting with one of their Financial Advisors.

At any stage - transitioning to civilian life, getting married, beginning a family, saving for college or eyeing retirement - developing a concrete financial plan makes all the difference.

"Your financial goals may shift over your career and lifetime, and what you consider a financial accomplishment today could easily evolve with changing circumstances," says Michael Dale, vice president of investment services at Navy Federal Investment Services. "That's why maintaining a relationship with a trusted financial advisor or institution is key and ensures your financial strategy adapts with you, so you're always making the most of your money."

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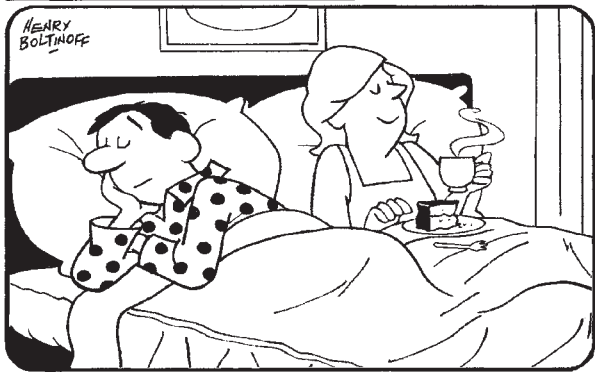
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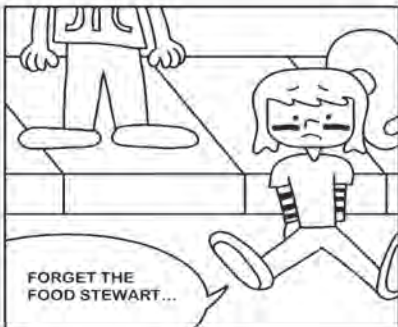
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RIDDLE SEARCH – LET'S MAKE COOKIES!

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: *Who sells cookies to goblins on Halloween?*

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BUTTER
CANDY
CHEESE
CHOCOLATES
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EGGS
FIGS
FLOUR
FRUIT
JAM
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Riddle answer: _____

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THE NIGHT BEFORE

ACROSS

- 1 For the stock issue price
6 Low voices
12 Test version
16 Aykroyd of "Coneheads"
19 Small wine or oil container
20 "Fighting" NCAA team
21 Epochs
22 Logging tool
23 * Fourth-day gifts in a Yuletide song
25 * Warming Yuletide drink
27 Earthen cooking pot
28 Bedazzled
29 Suffix with art
31 President Reagan
32 * Flying Yuletide team
34 * Leafy Yuletide door decoration
37 Tooth: Prefix
38 Fashion flair
40 Shared by us
41 Soften
45 Fed, e.g.
47 High trains
48 Ill. neighbor
49 Religious branches
50 Figure skater Dorothy
54 Some toy batteries

- 55 * Much-anticipated Yuletide visitor
57 * Yuletide tinsel, ornaments and lights
59 Wray of "King Kong"
60 Circular square dance maneuver
61 Actress Reid
62 Keeps pelting
64 Eat away (at)
66 Backup strategy
68 * Plant hung up for Yuletide
70 Jessica of "King Kong"
75 Roaring cat
77 Bombardier's attack
79 Paper pack
80 Quality evoking pity
84 In time past
85 * Phrase from the Yuletide carol "Silent Night"
87 * What "it's lovely weather for" in a Yuletide tune
90 NFL scores
91 To a huge degree
92 Church cries

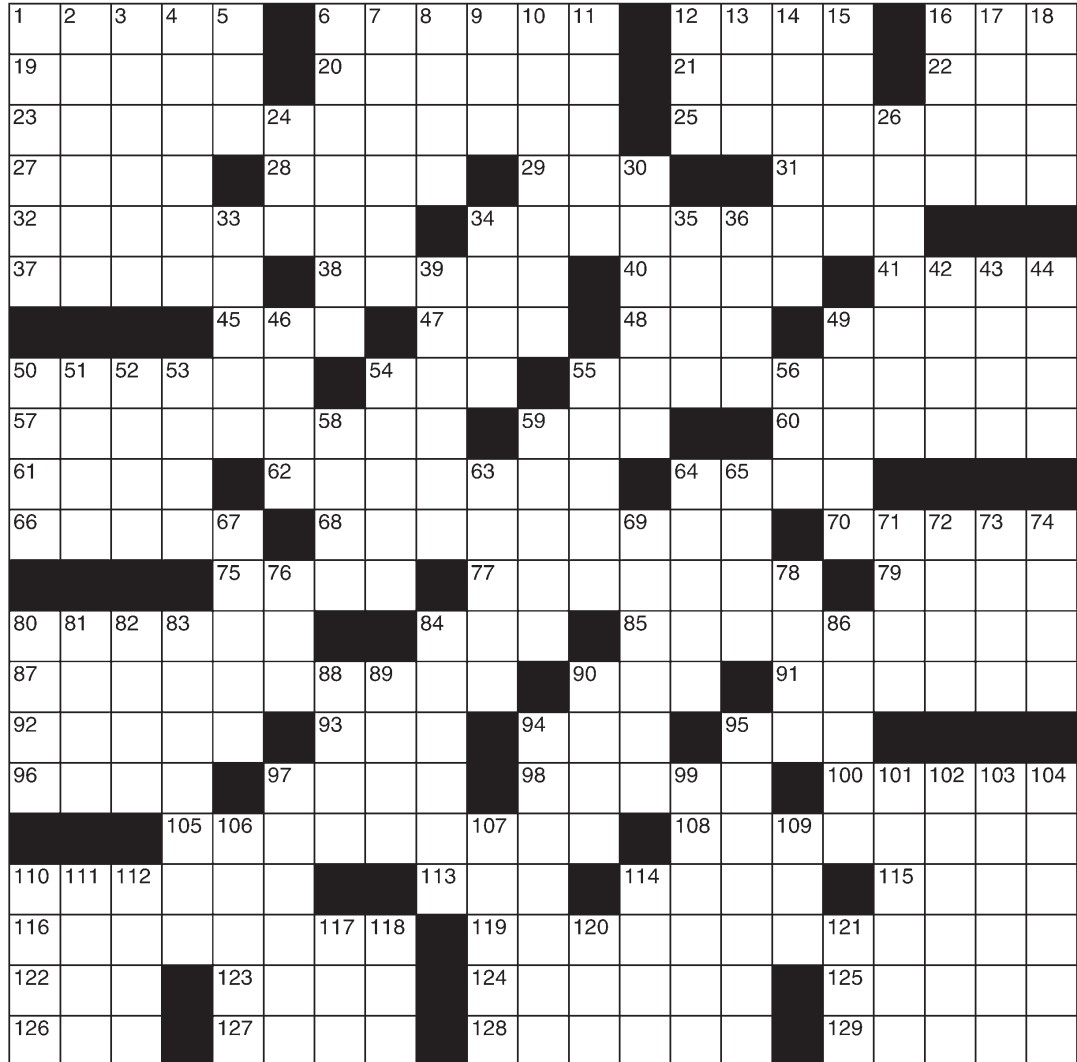
- 93 Nav. leader
94 Be litigious
95 Buddy
96 Zesty taste
97 Intl. 1940s conflict
98 Misstep
100 Edge along
105 * Yuletide tree, e.g.
108 * Time off for Yuletide, say
110 "Scram!"
113 Office tel. add-on
114 — fire under (stirred up)
115 Make — for it (try fleeing)
116 * Scrooge in a Yuletide classic
119 Apt phrase spelled out by the first letters of the answers to the starred clues
122 Spock's pointy part
123 Toon frames
124 Tough trial
125 Capital of Ghana
126 Seeded loaf
127 Jenner of reality TV
128 Subtle distinction
129 Detested

DOWN

- 1 Honda model
2 Seat of Ireland's County Kerry
3 Arrive at a stop, as a bus
4 Tilted
5 Camping gear retailer
6 Conference for UC Davis
7 Einstein or Camus
8 Lost traction
9 Knightly title
10 Alternatives to escaroles
11 Spacek of "Carrie"
12 Scrooge's cry
13 Vanity
14 "Neon" fishes
15 Chichi scarf
16 Father, to a wee tot
17 Skating jump
18 "Adorkable" sort, perhaps
24 Scot's denial
26 Wearing stilettos, say
30 Involving give-and-take
33 — for "Murder" (Hitchcock film)
34 Troubles
35 Totally spoil

- 36 Word before while
39 Brewing fungi
42 Brazilian juice berry
43 Kind of poker
44 Canadian gas station name
46 Smooth but unconvincing
49 Meanie's look
50 URL opener
51 Asia's — Sea
52 Actress Sorvino
53 One-named supermodel
54 Once more
55 More reasonable
56 Oral health org.
58 Pixar title fish
59 Book leaf
63 Rocket part
64 Targets
65 Astrophysicist — deGrasse Tyson
67 Online journals
69 Wall Street worker
71 Circle parts
72 In tidy order
73 Chutzpah
74 TV trophy
76 "Sorta"
78 Opera queen
80 Jr.'s exam

- 81 — mater
82 Adolescent
83 Be determined by
84 Be a fan of
86 Chip topper
88 Texters' playful growl
89 "Yeah, dude"
90 Rotate
94 Transparent, informally
95 Empty talk
97 "Buddy Holly" rock band
99 Egg-holding capsule
101 Lake that feeds the Mississippi
102 Fortright
103 Paris art museum
104 Group of nine
106 Sweater type
107 Parolee, e.g.
109 Vid recorder
110 Bar brew
111 Auction site
112 Richard of "First Knight"
114 Legal claim
117 Roth of horror films
118 Web feed format inits.
120 Dietary std.
121 Sigh of relief

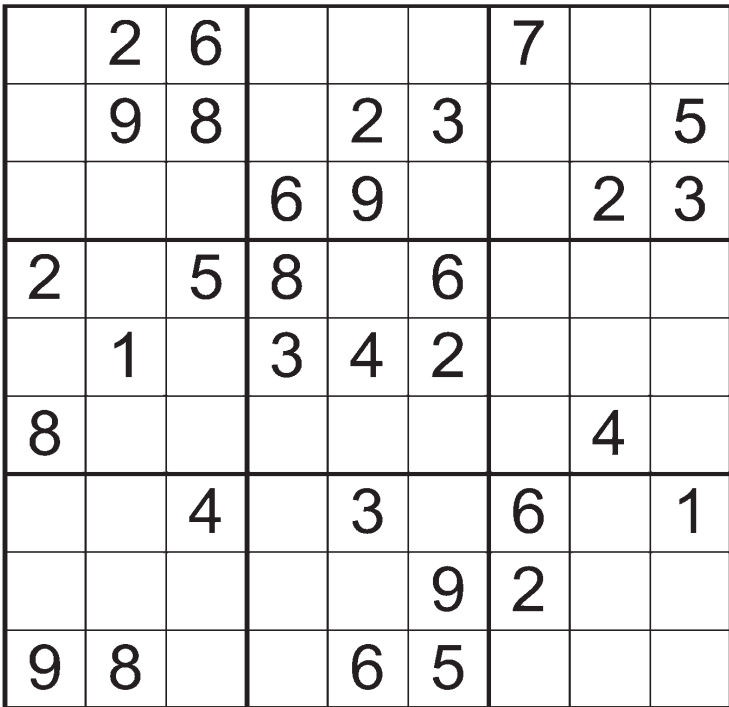


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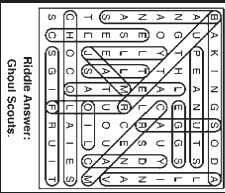
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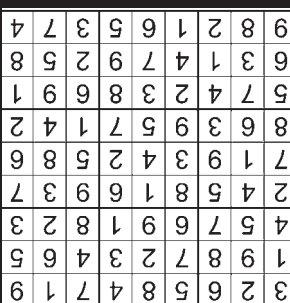
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ANSWERS TO THIS WEEK'S PUZZLES:

Differences: 1. Cake is reversed. 2. Cup is different. 3. Pillow is behind edge of other pillow. 4. Picture is moved. 5. Finger is moved. 6. Nightgown strap is moved.



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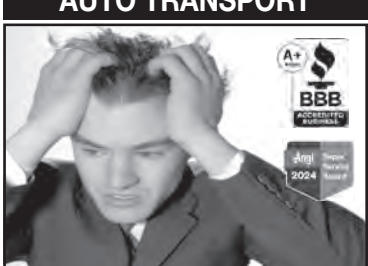
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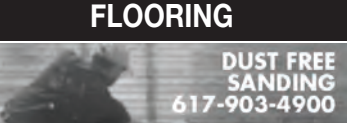
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About five minutes later, Brooke took another shot but goalie Patrick Driscoll made the save. The Raiders made a few attempts to tie the score, the closest of which was a goal by Caio Dos Santos and Scott Cronin that had been offside. Not long after, however, Dover-Sherborn got their first legitimate goal when senior midfielder Winston Bunn brought the ball down the field off of a goal kick by Driscoll. Bunn and senior forward Miller Polak then did a give-and-go and Bunn sped through two Medfield defenders and took a small touch past the goalie, firing off a shot that went in at the very top of the net. Bunn had another attempt ten minutes later but was not successful, while defender Ahbhi Sharma scored off of an out-of-bounds pass from Dos Santos.

still tied 1–1, the Warriors again took the lead in the opening minutes after making their way down the field with a few passes. Down in the corner, Brooke sent a cross in front of the net where Tillmann headed it in.

About ten minutes later, the Raiders responded when midfielder William Sarhaddi took a corner kick and sent the ball to teammate Hamilton Tsen, who directed the ball into the net. Sarhaddi earned his second assist only three minutes later when he placed a free kick in front of the net to midfielder Scott Cronin to put away despite tight defense from the Warriors. These quick two goals suddenly put the Raiders in the lead, 3–2.

While both going for a high ball on another play, Medfield’s goalie Elliot Leong and senior midfielder Wesley Bunn collided in the box and

were slow to get up, but both remained in the game.

A devastating moment came for the Warriors when it looked like they could tie the score once again: Brooke caught a pass at the top of the Raiders’ box and managed to get by the goalie, who had come sliding out. It appeared that Brooke had a shot on an empty net from just feet away, and excited Medfield fans and players were crushed when defenders Nash Johnson and Hamilton Tsen came from the side and were able to block the ball.

In the final minutes of the game, Driscoll made a final save and the Raiders held their lead, 3–2.

The Raider’s next game will be at home tomorrow at 4:00, and their full schedule can be found at: www.arbiterlive.com.



Nash Johnson (left) and Tsen Hamilton (middle) block shot on open net



Slide tackle by Nash Johnson



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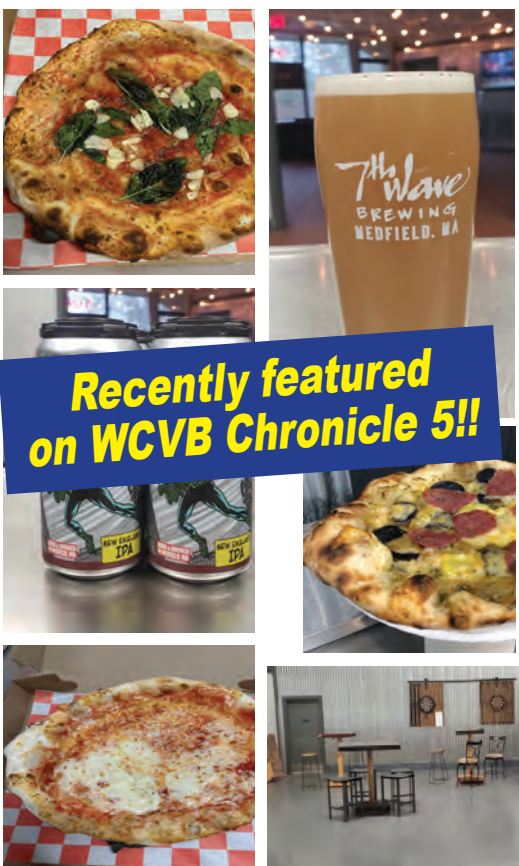
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Patrick Driscoll



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#2025-20: The petition of Gerardo Ortiz-Jaime for renewal of a Special Permit under Section 240-3.2.5 to operate a landscape business at 19 Western Avenue which is in a Residence B district.

#2025-21: The petition of Andre Barros for renewal of a Special Permit under Section 240-3.2.5 to operate a landscape business at 41 Perry Street which is in a Residence B district.

#2025-22: The petition of Christina Davock for a Finding from 240-1.4.6 for an addition & deck modifications to a pre-existing, non-conforming dwelling on a pre-existing, non-conforming lot at 20 Lake Street which is in a Residence A district.

#2025-23: The petition of Theresa & Eric Luskin for a Variance from Section 240-4.2 to construct a 10' x 12' garden shed on a pre-existing, non-conforming lot at 263 Western Ave which is a Residence B district.

Zoom information will be available on the Town's website by Thursday, November 6, 2025.

2x7 Sherborn Town - Public Hearing Notice 10-23-25

HTW 10-23-25 & 10-30-25

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Dover Conservation Commission ZOOM Meeting

There will be a public hearing using Zoom technology by the Dover Conservation Commission on Wednesday, 11/05/25 at 7:35 PM to consider the Determination of Applicability filed by Karon Skinner Catrone on behalf of Dapo Olagbaju, 14 Meadowbrook Road, for proposed replacement of a failed septic system within the 100-foot wetland buffer zone in an area subject to The State Wetlands Protection Act, Dover Wetlands Protection Bylaw/Rules and Regulations.

This public hearing will be held remotely and instructions for public participation will be posted on the Conservation Commission Agenda, which can be viewed at www.doverma.gov 48 hours in advance of hearing, or by emailing dtakacs@doverma.gov or calling 508-785-0032x233

Said meeting is open to the public and is held pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40, and the Dover Wetlands Protection Bylaw.

Amey Moot, Secretary

2x4 Town of Dover - 14 Meadowbrook Rd 10-23-25

HTW 10-23-25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF DOVER

Planning Board and Tree Warden

Notice is given by the Planning Board and the Tree Warden under the provisions of MGL Chapter 40 Section 15C, MGL Chapter 87 and Dover Rules and Regulations Chapter 245 that a joint public hearing will be conducted on Monday - November 3, 2025 at 7:00 PM on ZOOM.

Webinar ID: 839 3527 0503

To Attend the Meeting Please Use this Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83935270503>

To Attend the Meeting Please Call: 1 646 931 3860

The Planning Board and Tree Warden will review a Scenic Way Application from Phillip McGowan, Manager 152 Walpole Street LLC for alterations (Tree Removal, Retaining Wall Alterations and Drainage) within the Scenic Way at 152 Walpole Street consisting of 44,349 Sq. Ft. shown on Assessors' Map 24 as Parcel 138

To review the Application please visit the Planning Board Office at the Dover Town House - 5 Springdale Avenue in Dover, MA 02030 on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30AM to 5:00PM or on Tuesday from 8:30AM to 7:00PM. Please contact the Planning Board office at 508-785-0032 ext. 240 or planning@doverma.gov with questions or comments.

2x4 Town of Dover - 152 Walpole St 10-16-25

HTW 10-16-25 & 10-23-25

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Dover, Massachusetts will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 7:10 PM through Remote Participation (Zoom) on the application of the Town of Dover for a special permit under the River and Stream Protection Section of the Zoning Bylaws (Section 185-29), subject to such conditions as the Board may require. The Town will redesign and replace the Wilsondale Street culvert over Powissett Brook.

Anyone interested or wishing to be heard should follow the instructions found on the agenda posted online for this hearing at doverma.gov. Copies of the Application may be viewed at the Town Clerk's office during its regular hours.

George Chimento

2x3 Town of Dover - River and Stream 10-16-25

HTW 10-16-25 & 10-23-25

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Town of Dover Board of Health

Notice is hereby given pursuant to M.G.L. c. 111, § 31 that the Dover Board of Health will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 3, 2025, at 7 PM via Zoom. The Board is proposing changes to:

Chapter 220 Smoking; Sale of Tobacco and Nicotine Delivery Products

The Dover Board of Health proposes to adopt The Nicotine-Free Generation policy, which would become effective January 1, 2026, prohibiting the sale of tobacco or e-cigarette products to individuals born on or after January 1, 2005. The adopted policy language is as follows: "Prohibition of Sales - No person, firm, corporation, establishment, or agency shall sell tobacco or e-cigarette products to anyone born on or after 1/1/2005."

The purpose of this amendment is to protect the health of Dover residents by reducing youth access to tobacco and nicotine products and preventing addiction in future generations.

Any person wishing to be heard on the matter should appear at the date and time listed above. The link to the meeting will be provided on the Town website. Comments can also be forwarded to BOH@doverma.gov prior to the hearing or you can contact the office directly at 508-785-0032 ext. 232. A copy of the proposed changes to the regulation can also be obtained upon request.

**Jason Belmonte, R.S, CHO, CP-FS
Health Director**

2x5.5 Town of Dover - BOH Tobacco and Nicotine 10-23-25

10-23-25 & 10-30-25 HTW

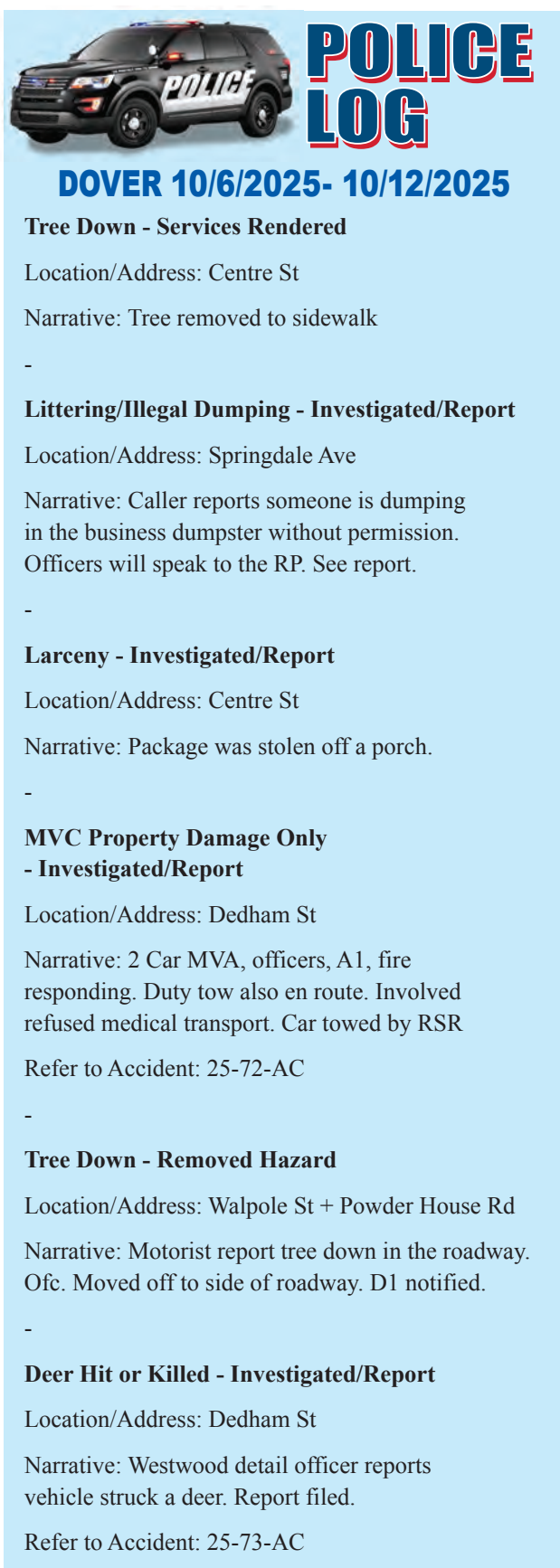
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Raiders beat Warriors 3-2



Raiders on the jumbotron



Sherborn Library announces Annual Jack- o-Lantern competition

The Sherborn Library is thrilled to announce its 6th Annual Jack-o-Lantern Competition, a spooktacular community event that brings creativity and Halloween spirit to the heart of town. Families and individuals of all ages are encouraged to participate by carving their most imaginative pumpkins for public display and voting.

The popular event transforms the library's Weezie's Patio into a glowing gallery of ghoulish and brilliant designs. The competition timeline is as follows:

- **Pumpkin Pick-Up:** October 18-25 (excluding Sunday, October 19). Participants can reserve a free pumpkin (one per family) through the library, available first-come, first-served while supplies last. Participants are also welcome to use their own pumpkins.
- **Drop-Off Carved Pumpkins:** October 24, 25, & 27. Artists should bring their carved, candle-ready masterpieces to the library.

Each entry must be labeled with the artist's name on the bottom and include a creative title for their jack-o-lantern.

- **Public Viewing & Voting:** October 28-29, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The community is invited to walk the glowing lineup on Weezy's Patio outside the Children's Wing and vote for their favorite creations.
- **Pumpkin Reclaim:** October 30-31. Participants can collect their jack-o-lanterns to take home for their own Halloween displays.

The library extends a special thank you to the Friends of the Sherborn Library for their generous support in supplying the pumpkins for this event.

Spectators are welcome and encouraged to attend the viewing nights to enjoy the Halloween spirit. For more details and to register for a pumpkin, please visit the Sherborn Library website or contact the Children's Department.

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