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COMMUNITY ISSUES IN THE 3RD QUARTER OF 2015

What were some of the issues in our community? Read on.

**ADAM HOME RAID REVEALS PLANNED TERROR ATTACK:**

The estranged son of a respected Boston police captain was arrested July 4th by FBI agents as part of a counter-terrorism operation against alleged ISIS-inspired domestic terrorists. 23 year old Alexander Ciccolo, of Adams, was taken into custody on gun charges after buying two pistols and two rifles from an undercover FBI confidential informant. It was later revealed that Ciccolo was planning an attack at an unnamed University, and wanted to broadcast student execution over the internet.

**FOURTH TRIAL FOR WILLIAM DEMAGAL:**

The Mayoral Race started off as a three-candidate race between Incumbent Mayor Richard Alcombright, former long-time mayor John Barrett III, and local artist and developer Eric Rudd. Barrett served 26 years as mayor before being defeated by Alcombright. The preliminary election on September 22<sup>nd</sup> whittled the race down to two candidates – Alcombright and Barrett III, setting up a contentions run-up the November 3<sup>rd</sup> general election. Eric Rudd had dismal support at the polls during the preliminary. Barret actually beat Alcombright in every Ward. Voter turnout was however very low.

**BMC NORTH CONTINUES TO EXPAND SERVICES:**

Berkshire Health Systems announced in September the creation of a community-focused Neighborhood for Health at its Northern Berkshire campus, an expansion of services there that includes mental health, addiction and chronic illness treatment. The new services, under the Neighborhood for Health umbrella, will provide treatment for those with long-term physical health issues, as well as underscore prevention and the overall quality of life for those in the community.

**ADAMS-CHESHIRE SCHOOL DISTRICT LOOKS TO BRING LANESBOROUGH IN:**

The town of Lanesborough could save \$1.6 million a year by joining the Adams-Cheshire Regional School District according to officials. That possibility is gaining momentum as 4<sup>th</sup> quarter begins to get underway.

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**Public Service Locally Produced Programs**

**WNAW PRODUCES TWO 30 MIN WEEKLY  
PROGRAMS CALLED "COMMUNITY INSIGHT"  
AND "SPOTLIGHT" ALLOWING GOVERNMENT  
OFFICIALS AND LEADERS TO CONNECT WITH  
OUR COMMUNITY.**

**WNAW COMMUNITY INSIGHT Interviews with local officials and representatives. Thursdays 8:30-9 AM; rebroadcast Sundays at 8 AM**

7/9: Tony Mazzuco & Kelly Rice; Summer Events in Adams

7/23: Gail Cariddi, 1st Berkshire District State Rep.

7/30: Adams Town Administrator Tony Mazzuco

8/6: Julie Hannum, BCC Open House at McCann Tech

8/13: Danielle Thomas, Berkshire Chamber of Commerce (Fall Foliage Parade)

8/27: St. John Paul 2 Parish, Adams; Spiritual Renewal Mission—Rev. Steve Montesanti & Deacon Greg

9/10: “Voices for Recovery” 2015 Rally-Walk-Vigil; Kenna Waterman, Wendy Penner & Sue Deeley.

9/24: Gail Cariddi, 1st Berkshire District State Rep.

Also: 30 minute **Conversations with Candidates** running in North Adams Preliminary Mayoral Election (8:30 AM)

9/14: Richard Alcombright

9/17: Eric Rudd

9/18: John Barrett III

**"WNAW SPOTLIGHT", Airing Mondays 8:30-9 AM.**

**Interviews with local newsmakers on topics of interest to the community.**

- 7/6: Laura Baran; Jimmy's Ride to benefit Berkshire Co. Kids Place
- 7/13: Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum; Colleen Janz, Exec. Dir.
- 7/14: AYJ Fund (Children's Brain Cancer)—Joe & Kathy Arabia
- 7/20: BFAIR Mini-Golf Tourney; Jennifer Civello
- 7/27: Adams Agricultural Fair—Betty Randall
- 8/3: St. Vincent DePaul Soc'y, N.Adams Chapter—Deacon Bruce Ziter & Steve Pickering
- 8/10: North Adams Downtown Celebration—Suzy Helme, Dir. Of Community Events; and Motorama—Joe Dean, co-organizer
- 8/17: Village Ambulance—Shawn Godfrey
- 9/21: Suzy Helme, North Adams Dir. Of Community Events—Fall Foliage Festival Events
- 9/28: Danielle Thomas, Berkshire Chamber of Commerce Fall Foliage Parade Director-  
- Parade preview

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**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**This is a sample of public service  
announcements presented on WNAW during the  
3rd Quarter of 2015. Announcement are rotated  
twice hourly throughout the day from 6am - 7pm.  
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### NEWS

This is a sample of news copy presented on the air on the air during a normal broadcast day.

The Berkshire News Network provides extensive and rounded coverage of stories throughout Berkshire County. Stories are shared between stations on a routine basis.

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NA 07-02-15

### **BERKSHIRE DA SAYS PAIR ARE PART OF A LARGER INVESTIGATION (All)**

Two Springfield men are both being held on significant bail following arraignments in Berkshire Superior Court Wednesday on narcotics and conspiracy charges. Berkshire District Attorney David Capeless declined to provide details about the men's arrests and their cases. The Berkshire Eagle reports that 39 year old Rashaan Bryant pleaded not guilty to charges of trafficking in heroin, trafficking in cocaine, and two counts of conspiracy to violate drug laws. He was ordered held on \$50,000 bail by Judge Mary-Lou Rup. 26 year old Rafael Santos pleaded not guilty to three counts of conspiracy to violate drug laws and was ordered held on \$20,000 bail. Both men are accused of conspiring with others to sell cocaine and heroin in Berkshire County between December of last year and April this year, and Bryant is accused of selling cocaine and heroin during that same period of time. Both men are due back in court for pre-trial hearings in November.

### **VILLAGE AMBULANCE ADDS WHEELCHAIR LIFTS (NA)**

Village Ambulance Service is now transporting mobility-impaired clients as part of a new non-emergency medical transport service. IBerkshires.com reports that the service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and is available for medical and non-medical travel. The service grew out of a partnership between Village Ambulance and Williams College, which saw an increased need for transportation to the hospital, especially after nearby North Adams Regional Hospital closed in 2014.

### **BERKSHIRE EAGLE PARENT COMPANY, DIGITAL FIRST, CUTS NEW ENGLAND STAFF (All)**

The subsidiary of a media giant that generates around \$1.4 billion in revenues from its 800-plus digital and online platforms swooped through *The Berkshire Eagle*, the only daily newspaper left in the Berkshires, and its other regional newspapers last Friday and wiped out numerous positions. The Berkshire Edge.com reports that according to anonymous sources at *The Eagle*, New England Newspapers, Inc., subsidiary of Denver-based Digital First Media, also "released" employees on Monday at *The Eagle*, *The Brattleboro Reformer*, *The Bennington Banner* and *The Manchester Journal*. Digital First controls 160 weekly and 76 daily newspapers, including the *San Jose Mercury News* and *The Denver Post*. Of the five employees laid off from *The Eagle*, one was the editor of *Berkshires Week*, Kate Abbott, leading to speculation that the weekly magazine will no longer be published. Others laid off were a security guard, a marketing employee and an IT systems worker.

### **BIG Y DONATES 50,000 POUNDS OF PET FOOD TO LOCAL SHELTERS (All)**

Big Y Foods has donated more than 50,000 pounds of pet food and supplies to more than 50 different local animal shelters. The food and supplies were compiled during Big Y's "May is Pet Month" initiative, which ran in all 61 Big Y stores from April 30th-May 31st. Shoppers were encouraged to purchase food and other supplies for a local shelter during that time period. Each Big Y chose a local pet shelter to donate items to. Big Y operates Berkshire markets in Adams, Great Barrington, Lee, North Adams and Pittsfield.



**NA 07-09-15**

**FOX FOUND TO BE RABID (NA)**

The State Lab in Jamaica Plain has confirmed that the fox killed on Sunday in North Adams was positive for rabies. Police are asking residents in the immediate areas around Chantilly and Versaille avenues to be on the lookout for any animals acting irregular. The signs can range from disoriented, to falling over, to coming too close to humans. Pet owners should confirm their pets are up to date on their rabies vaccine because the disease can be easily spread through saliva contact. You may not realize your pet has come into contact with a rabid animal. Anyone who had contact with this rabid fox should call 617-983-6800 for the rabies control program at the state Department of Agriculture.

**VICTIM OF PITTSFIELD SHOOTING UPGRADED TO STABLE CONDITION (P – interest)**

The most seriously wounded victim in Saturday's shooting in Pittsfield continues to improve at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, according to officials there. The 20-year-old man, who has not been identified, was upgraded from critical to stable condition. Five people were shot – one fatally, in the incident that occurred in a vacant lot on Linden Street about 11pm Saturday.

**BAIL REDUCED FOR NORTH ADAMS MAN WHO ALLEGEDLY RECEIVED DRUGS BY MAIL (NA)**

Bail has been reduced for a North Adams man accused of receiving methamphetamine in the mail with plans to distribute it. The Berkshire Eagle reports that 53 year old Mark Ring was being held on \$15,000 bail following May arraignment in Berkshire Superior Court on a lone count of possession of crystal methamphetamine with intent to distribute (second offense). That bail was reduced to \$7,000 cash or \$70,000 surety by agreement between prosecutors and Ring's attorney, Ring was arrested on April 7th after picking up the package from the Post Office. He is due back in court on August 19th for a pre-trial hearing.

**NORTH ADAMS, FREIGHT YARD PUB SETTLE PARKING LAWSUIT (NA)**

The North Adams Redevelopment Authority and its tenant Freight Yard Pub have reached a settlement after having "exhausted every appeal" over a lawsuit initiated by FYP in 2011. IBerkshires.com reports that the authority on Monday voted unanimously to pay the restaurant, operating as Bay State Hospitality Group Inc., a sum of \$287,574. The restaurant has agreed to place a sum of \$42,416 in escrow to secure one year's payment of rent.

**ADAMS-CHESHIRE SETS OVERRIDE INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS (NA)**

The Selectmen and members of the Adams-Cheshire Regional School Committee on Tuesday set dates and procedures to better inform the public of the need for a Proposition 2 1/2 override to fund the school budget. IBerkshires.com reports that School Committee Chairman Paul Butler said there will be meetings Thursday, July 23rd, and Monday, July 27th, in the Cheshire Elementary School auditorium. Both meetings will be at 6:30.

NA 07-10-15

#### **FBI, LOCAL OFFICIALS MUM ON ADAMS RAID (NA)**

Nearly a week after the FBI, local police and firefighters descended on an Adams home on the Fourth of July, officials remain tight-lipped about the nature of the operation — and residents remain concerned. Local first responders and members of an FBI Emergency Response Team were seen repeatedly entering and leaving the house at 10 Murray St. on Saturday evening. The Berkshire Eagle reports that a spokeswoman for the FBI in Boston confirmed that the bureau had conducted "court-authorized activity" at that address. She declined to elaborate. Local police and fire officials also have declined to comment on the investigation. Residents reported seeing authorities remove many boxes from the home.

#### **NORTH ADAMS BEACH PARTY SET FOR THIS AFTERNOON (NA)**

The 17th annual North Adams Eagle Street Beach Party will be held today night beginning at 3:30. About 125 tons of sand donated by Specialty Minerals is being spread by the Department of Public Works along the historic one-way street to create a community sculpture. The sand will later be stored for use at Fish Pond's beach. The beach event has become a summer staple in the city after it was started by artist Eric Rudd in 1999. It starts with the family friendly event from 3:30 to 5:30pm, followed by 6th annual Evening Fiesta for adults from 7 to 10pm.

#### **MCLA SETS 'AGGRESSIVE' SCHEDULE FOR 2ND PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH (NA)**

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts is hoping to have a new president in place by winter. IBerkshires.com reports that the trustees yesterday approved a new search committee with the goal of having candidates on campus by late fall. Cynthia Brown, vice president of academic affairs, has been serving as interim president since the departure of President Mary Grant last year to become chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Asheville. The college's choice to replace her, Greg Summers of the University of Wisconsin, declined the post for personal reasons after a months-long search.

#### **PLANNED REVICED TO WRECK WORN DOWN MILL HOUSES (NA)**

A row of dilapidated houses on Houghton Street in North Adams again is facing the wrecking ball. The Berkshire Eagle reports that at the request of Mayor Richard Alcombright, the Historical Commission voted on Wednesday to lift a one-year stay of demolition, which was set to expire August 21st. The buildings had been scheduled for demolition last summer, but commission member Alan Horbal and others fought to save the homes, once used to house workers in local mills, to convert them into a walk-through museum.

#### **CLARKSBURG BRIDGE PROJECT BIDS OVER BUDGET (NA)**

Clarksburg Town officials are hoping the third time's a charm for Gates Avenue. IBerkshires.com is reporting that the town's select board on Wednesday night voted to rebid the project after last week's bids once again came in too high. Town Administrator Carl McKinney said last week's bid came in at \$525,000, not significantly lower than the bids received in the first round. A second bid could not be considered because the contractor is not currently on the state-certified list. The town has been trying to replace the old culvert for several years.

NA 07-15-15

#### **ADAMS TERROR SUSPECT ORDERED HELD UNTIL TRIAL (All)**

The Adams man the federal government suspects of hatching a terror plot will be imprisoned until his trial. 23 year old Alexander Ciccolo was in federal court yesterday afternoon for a detention hearing. Ciccolo was ordered to remain behind bars while he awaits trial due to him being a flight risk and a danger to the community. Ciccolo was plotting to commit an act of domestic terrorism by detonating a bomb at a university. Prosecutors say Alexander Ciccolo also received four guns from a person cooperating with the FBI. He was arrested July 4th. His father, a veteran police Captain in Boston, alerted the FBI after his son said he wanted to join the Islamic State group. The police captain was not in court for his son's detention hearing yesterday.

#### **ADAMS PARKS COMMISSION ASKS BART FOR FIELD COMPENSATION (NA)**

The Adams Parks Commission wants the Berkshire Arts and Technology Charter Public School to provide compensation for the use of town sports fields. IBerkshires.com reports that BArT Assistant Principal Miles Wheat on Monday night asked for field use for the school's various sports practice and physical education classes. The commissioners however felt there should some compensation for the use of Valley Street and Russell fields. BArT, located near the busy Commercial Street corner with Park and Center streets, has no fields of its own. The commission tabled the request and asked Wheat to find a contract or agreement that exists between the town and the school.

#### **MULTIMILLION PROJECT ENVISIONED FOR CARIDDI MILL IN NORTH ADAMS (NA)**

A proposed multi-million dollar project could transform the Cariddi in Mill North Adams into a commercial, hospitality and retail center located directly between two of the biggest cultural attractions in New England — Mass MoCA and The Clark. The Berkshire Eagle reports that Greylock Works, a limited liability company, is seeking to purchase and reclaim the 342,000-square-foot mill at 508 State St. and the 7.8 acres it sits on, according to a public notice posted in The Berkshire Eagle by the Cain, Hibbard & Myers law firm. The mill was put up for sale, with an asking price of \$1.2 million, in October 2013. North Adams Mayor Richard Alcombright says the plans for the building are creative and hold a lot of potential.

#### **CITY COUNCIL OK'S END OF YEAT TRANSFERS (NA)**

The North Adams City Council last night approved the transfer of just over \$488,548 in available funds to balance overspent accounts in the fiscal 2015 budget. Iberkshires.com reports that monies were taken from salary and expense accounts in General Government, Public Safety, Public Services and unclassified. The largest account transfer was to snow & ice for \$127,058.12 and the smallest \$112.27 to the retirement of debt. Mayor Richard Alcombright and City Auditor David Fierro briefly reviewed the numbers, noting that battling the winter weather had accrued the most overages in terms of expenses and salaries.

NA 07-16-15

### **NO BAIL FOR CICCOL (All)**

After his arrest on July 4, an Adams man suspected of plotting a terrorist attack told investigators the Islamic State terror group is doing "good work," and people who are executed by the organization are "criminals; the lowest of the low." The Berkshire Eagle reports that a recording of those statements, made by Alexander Ciccolo during his interrogation, was played during a detention hearing on Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Springfield. The 23 year old Adams man was ordered held without bail pending his trial on a charge of illegal possession of a firearm by a felon. He is also expected to face further charges. He was arrested near his home on Murray Street in Adams after accepting four weapons — two Glock handguns and a pair of automatic rifles — from an FBI informant.

### **CHESHIRE SELECTMEN EYE OPTIONS FOR CLOSED SAND MILL BRIDGE (NA)**

The Cheshire Selectmen have agreed upon a solution for the Sand Mill Road Bridge but will wait to secure the funds before making an official decision. IBerkshires.com reports that Town Administrator Mark Webber told the board on Tuesday night that he received estimates on three scenarios for the bridge, which received a failing grade from the state in early spring and was shut down. Webber suggested the second option, which calls for a partial reconstruction of the bridge. The third option would be to completely repair the bridge at a cost of nearly \$500,000, which the town cannot afford. Residents near the bridge have been forced to take a four-mile detour.

### **SANDRA THOMAS BRINGS NEW DIRECTION FOR WILLIAMSTOWN FILM FESTIVAL (NA)**

Big changes are coming to the Williamstown Film Festival for its 17th year. The Berkshire Eagle is reporting that new leadership, a new name and a new focus will grace the event, slated to run from October 15th to the 18th, in various Northern Berkshire venues. Sandra Thomas, the organization's new managing director, replaces longtime executive director Steve Lawson. A complete lineup and schedule of events will be announced around Labor Day, according to Thomas.

### **CLARK COMMUNITY CELEBRATION PLANNED (NA)**

The Clark Art Institute is inviting the community to a free celebration honoring Felde and Dena Hardyman Director Michael Conforti on Tuesday, July 21st at 6 pm, in conjunction with the free performance by fifties band Daddy-O! on the hill adjacent to the Clark Center. Free ice cream will be served. Visitors may bring a picnic or purchase barbecue fare. Conforti, who has served as director since November 1994, has been widely credited for his transformational leadership of the Institute and is recognized as a leading innovator and advocate in the museum community.

**NA 07-17-15**

**NORTH ADAMS AND ADAMS GET SHARE OF \$26M IN BLOCK GRANT FUNDS (NA)**

Governor Baker's administration has awarded \$26 million in federally-funded grants to fund housing, transportation and other initiatives in dozens of smaller cities and towns around the state. The Community Development Block Grants are awarded to municipalities on a competitive basis to supplement local aid in the state budget. Baker handed out 33 block grants covering 65 cities and towns. The city of North Adams and the town of Adams are among the grant recipients. North Adams has been awarded \$825,000 and the town of Adams is receiving nearly \$581,000. The governor says the grant money will help communities "solve local problems with local solutions."

**KEY QUESTIONED UNANSWERED IN TERRORISM CASE (NA – interest)**

After this week's court proceedings in Springfield, we know a lot more about the FBI investigation that had residents of Adams asking questions for more than a week. IBerkshires.com reports that there is much we still do not know about the United States v. Alexander Ciccolo. The biggest unknown at this point may be the charges that Ciccolo ultimately will face. The only count against the 23-year-old Adams man and estranged son of a Boston Police captain so far is possession of a firearm by a felon.

**NEW BERKSHIRE COUNTY EDUCATION TASK FORCE TO MEET SATURDAY (NA, P)**

As a response to a combination of challenges facing Berkshire County school districts, a series of summit meetings involving educational and municipal leaders begins this weekend to seek a range of possible solutions. The Berkshire Eagle reports that according to John Hockridge, Berkshire Division chairman of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees and a member of the North Adams School Committee – the newly formed Berkshire County Education Task Force will explore options, from doing nothing to sharing services and even realigning school district boundaries. Hockridge will lead the first public meeting of the group at 9 a.m. Saturday at Nessacus Regional Middle School in Dalton. In North Berkshire, the Adams-Cheshire, North Adams and Mount Greylock districts have been hard hit by the budget squeeze.

**WEST NILE VIRUS FOUND IN SHEFFIELD MOSQUITO (GB – All Interest)**

Health officials say West Nile virus has been found in a mosquito in Massachusetts for the first time this year. The state Department of Public Health announced yesterday that the infected mosquito was collected July 8th in the southern Berkshire town of Sheffield. There have been no human or animal cases of West Nile virus in the state this year. There were six human cases of West Nile virus in the state last year.

**UNEMPLOYMENT REMAIN AT 4.6 PERCENT IN JUNE (All)**

The state's total unemployment rate remained at 4.6 percent in June, according to the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development. The new preliminary job estimates from the Bureau of Labor Statistics indicate Massachusetts gained 10,500 jobs in June, marking the tenth consecutive month of jobs gains. During the past four months, Massachusetts has added 38,900 jobs. Over the year, the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell 1.1 percent from 5.7 percent in June 2014. The unemployment rate in Massachusetts peaked in September 2009 at 8.8 percent.



**NA 07-21-15**

**NORTH ADAMS MAYORS FITNESS CHALLENGED DEEMED SUCCESS (NA)**

Although losing to Pittsfield by nearly 100 points, the North Adams Mayor's Fitness Challenge was still deemed a success. IBerkshires.com reports that Mass in Motion Project Coordinator Amanda Chilson announced the results of the 10-week long fitness challenge over the weekend. In its second year, the challenge took on a bigger scope with Pittsfield joining in on the competition. Pittsfield won the challenge with an average of 1,237 points, but North Adams was right behind with 1,134. North Adams Mayor Richard Alcombright said that even though North Adams trailed by 100 points, the challenge still accomplished what it was supposed to do: get people thinking more about their health.

**MEETINGS SET TO DISCUSS SUSTAINABLE MT. GREYLOCK SCHOOL PROJECT (NA)  
(Charrette is pronounced – Shuh-RETT)**

The Williamstown Mount Greylock School Building Committee is inviting the public to share its ideas on how to incorporate sustainable elements into the design of the school building project. IBerkshires.com reports that the committee, which currently is choosing between two renovation/addition plans and one new construction design to advance to the Massachusetts School Building Authority, will host a "green building charrette" on Wednesday and Thursday at the school. The charrette will be facilitated by members of the architectural design team from Design Partnership of Cambridge. Attendees at Wednesday's meeting will work in groups to brainstorm strategies that will contribute to building and site sustainability and efficiency.

**ENVIRONMENTALISTS, SOLAR INDUSTRY PUSH FOR NET METERING INCREASE (AII)**

Utility companies have nearly hit the statewide net-metering cap and now environmentalists and the solar industry are pushing to raise it again. IBerkshires.com reports that Net Metering is a program that requires utility companies to buy unused energy produced by alternative or sustainable energy. The cap limits the amount the utility is required to buy from the sources and is currently around 5 percent of the total generation. With utility companies buying all that they are required to now, the financial incentive to build a large array has all but disappeared, leaving many proposed solar projects in limbo. Utility companies no longer need to buy the excess energy produced from large solar arrays, making the projects less financially feasible.

**CHESHIRE SETS INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS ON OVERRIDE (NA)**

The town and school officials in Cheshire are hosting two informational meetings on the upcoming override vote. Residents are encouraged to attend. IBerkshires.com reports that the meetings about the upcoming Proposition 2 1/2 override vote will take place this Thursday this week and on Monday next week in Cheshire. Both meetings will take place at 6:30 p.m. in the Cheshire Elementary School cafeteria. The forums are for the public to ask town and Adams-Cheshire Regional School District officials about the school budget and consequences of a rejected override.

NA 07-22-15

### **JUDGE WON'T MOVE TRIALS OF 2 MEN IN UMASS DORM RAPE CASE (All)**

A judge has refused to move the trials of the last two defendants accused of raping a University of Massachusetts Amherst student almost three years ago. Attorneys for 21-year-old Adam Liccardi of Pittsfield and 20-year-old Caleb Womack of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, say they can't get fair trials in Hampshire County because of extensive media coverage. Liccardi's trial is to begin August 24th. Two other men have been convicted and sentenced to prison for raping the student in her dorm room in October 2012. Liccardi and the two previously convicted men said the sex was consensual. Womack denies having sex with the woman. None of the men were UMass students, but all knew the woman.

### **ADAMS-CHESHIRE WELCOMES NEW TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR (NA)**

Superintendent Kristen Gordon introduced the Adams-Cheshire Regional School Committee to new Director of Technology, Mark Kline on Monday. IBerkshires.com reports that Kline presented some of the changes he would like to make this fall. Gordon said that when the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education evaluated the district, it urged the district to bring someone in who could help unify the district's technology. Gordon said Kline has been on the job two weeks and, being a teacher in the past, has a great knowledge of how to implement technology in the classroom for both teachers and students.

### **COLGROVE PROJECT ON BUDGET BUT NOT ON TIME (NA)**

The new elementary school in North Adams continues to stay on budget, but not on time. The new Colegrove Park Elementary School was expected to be "substantially complete" by today, but officials say it's actually months from being ready. IBerkshires.com reports that the city was told in May that the \$29.7 million renovation of the old Drury High School would likely not be ready for opening this fall. General contractor PDS Engineering & Construction Inc. had initially set a new date of August 16th, but that date is no longer viable. School officials are still planning to begin the school year with the new redistricting in place with Colegrove pupils starting the year at Sullivan School.

### **LONG TIME BERKSHIRE EAGLE SPORTS EDITOR DIES (All)**

Former longtime sports editor at The Berkshire Eagle, Brian Sullivan, has died. The Eagle reports that according to Sullivan's family, he died at home on Monday night at the age of 62. Sullivan began his award-winning career at The Berkshire Eagle in June 1984, also serving as a copy editor and columnist during his 27-year tenure. Sullivan also served as a paraprofessional in Pittsfield Public Schools, and more recently in Central Berkshire Regional Schools.

### **WILLIAMSTOWN ELEMENTARY TO ADD ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL (NA)**

The Williamstown School Committee has approved the creation of an assistant principal's position at the K-through-6 school. IBerkshires.com reports that according to School Committee Chairman Dan Caplinger, the change was prompted by a suggestion from the school's new superintendent. The school has been bucking the declining regional trend the last couple of years with increased enrollment — partly because of recent early retirement packages offered the town's largest employer, Williams College, and the influx of younger faculty and staff that has brought.

NA 08-03-15

### **FIRST RESPONDERS RECEIVE TACTICAL TRAINING AT DRURY HIGH SCHOOL (NA)**

Dozens of police, fire and emergency medical services personnel from around the county were at Drury High School on Saturday morning for an emergency response training exercise. IBerkshires.com is reporting that Trooper Sean Barry, a member of the state police STOP Team conducted the "Tactical EMS" exercise along with Amalio Jusino of North Adams Ambulance Service, the vice chairman of the Northern Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee. The first responders were led through a series of scenarios based on the premise that a shooting had taken place in the school building. The specific drills on Saturday dealt with a shooter on scene, but Barry said the skills taught could be applied in a number of different situations.

### **NORTHERN BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COALITION NAMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (NA, P)**

The board of the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition has named Adam Hinds as executive director of the coalition beginning September 1st. Hinds comes from the directorship of Pittsfield Community Connection. He says that he will remain centrally involved as chair of the Pittsfield programs Steering Committee. Hinds is replacing long-time director and founder Alan Bashevkin, who resigned after 29 years.

### **STAKES HIGH FOR CHESHIRE OVERRIDE VOTE; OFFICIALS WARY OF APATHY (NA)**

When Cheshire rejected a Proposition 2 1/2 override vote on school funding in June, only 18 percent of residents turned out to the polls. The Berkshire Eagle reports that this week, the town again will ask voters to approve an override to appropriate \$2.59 million to fund the Adams-Cheshire Regional School District next year. But despite efforts to raise awareness in the town about the importance approving the override, officials remain concerned that residents don't appreciate the consequences of another rejection. Should the second override fail, the budget will go to a districtwide vote.

### **FALL FOLIAGE FESTIVAL CALLING ON ALL GRAND MARSHALS (NA)**

The annual North Adams Fall Foliage Festival Parade will celebrate its own history as the theme of its 60th anniversary. IBerkshires.com reports that the festival, the Berkshire Chamber of Commerce, and the city of North Adams are celebrating the hard work that has gone into the parade over the years by inviting all past parade grand marshals to lead the parade which is scheduled to take place on Sunday, October 4th. The 60th anniversary theme will emphasize the rich history of the parade and focus on the amazing community that continues to be dedicated to the success of the annual event.

### **VOLUNTEERS CLEAN UP AT NORTH ADAMS' FIRST ANNUAL APPALACHIAN TRAIL DAY (NA)**

After cleaning up parts of the Appalachian Trail that run through the city of North Adams, volunteers enjoyed food and music at the first annual North Adams Appalachian Trail Celebration. IBerkshires.com reports that City Councilor Joshua Moran, who spearheaded the project, said the group of nine started early in the morning and later met at Greylock School for a cookout with volunteers and hikers coming down from the trail. Moran is pushing for the city to become designated as an Appalachian Trail Community. The Appalachian Trail Conservancy is expected to rule on the city's application in November.



NA 08-07-15

#### **NO BAIL FOR ADAMS MAN WHO ALLEGEDLY ASSAULTED DALTON OFFICERS (NA)**

An Adams man was ordered held without bail for allegedly assaulting Dalton Police officers following drunken driving stop last month. The Berkshire Eagle reports that 33 year old Jason Smith, of First Street, made suicidal statements and injured two officers in a violent struggle while he was in custody. One officer called it, "the most violent behavior," he'd seen in a 13-year career. According to court document, Smith, who also is facing assault and other charges stemming from an Adams incident in June, is a veteran who served two tours of duty in Iraq and possibly suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder.

#### **MCLA CHANGES LEADERS; BROWN'S NAME IN PRESIDENTIAL POOL (NA)**

The leadership at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts will switch this month to allow Cynthia Brown, the current interim president, to become a candidate for the college's 12th president. IBerkshires.com reports that the board of trustees yesterday named Trustee James Clemmer as interim beginning on August 14th. Brown will resume her duties as vice president of academic affairs. She joined the college in that post in 2009. Brown has been leading the college since the departure of Mary Grant last year to become chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Asheville.

#### **BRPC SEEKING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATUS (All)**

The Berkshire Regional Planning Commission is hoping to make the entire county the state's ninth "economic development district." IBerkshires.com is reporting that the designation through the U.S. Economic Development Agency and would increase the odds of projects in the county to receive grant funding. Many districts receive annual funds to implement the countywide economic development strategy and, while there is a waiting list for the funding each year, a new board would oversee that activity.

#### **MASS MOCA FALL SEASON INCLUDES FREE DAYS, FRESHGRASS (NA)**

Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art will be kicking off the next in its series of free days for North Adams residents by partnering with the Fall Foliage Festival. The museum will have free admission — and serve up thousands of hot dogs — on Sunday, October 4th, which is parade day in the city. IBerkshires.com reports that beginning in October and through next spring, every 4th of the month, "Mass MoCA will be free to all our neighbors in North Adams." The first of the free days happens to fall on the Fall Foliage Festival, creating an opportunity to introduce to the museum to the wider community. The free days going forward will be a continuation of the popular program instituted earlier this year for local residents.

#### **COURT STRIKES DOWN MASSACHUSETTS LAW BARRING FALSE CAMPAIGN STATEMENTS (All)**

A Massachusetts law that makes it a crime to publish false statements about political candidates is unconstitutional, the state's highest court ruled yesterday. The justices, in a unanimous 31-page decision, said the 1946 law was "inconsistent with the fundamental right of free speech." In striking down the law, the court also dismissed a criminal complaint that was filed against Melissa Lucas, the treasurer of the Jobs First PAC.

NA 08-13-15

#### **HADLEY OVERPASS RECONSTRUCTION OFFICIALLY COMPLETE (NA)**

It's finally finished. After eight years, two mayors, three governors, seven secretaries of transportation, at least three missed deadlines and \$35 million, the Hadley Overpass reconstruction came officially to an end at 1 p.m. on Wednesday. |Berkshires.com reports that there was no ribbon cutting but a few officials and representatives from the state Department of Transportation and contractors gathered under a tent with Mayor Richard Alcombright and MassDOT Secretary Stephanie Pollack to mark the bridge's completion. J.H. Maxymillian Inc. was the contractor and Ryan-Biggs Associates PC the structural engineering firm contractor.

#### **JOHN BARRETT III TAKES OUT NOMINATION PAPERS FOR NORTH ADAMS MAYOR (NA)**

Former North Adams Mayor John Barrett III quietly took the first step toward a potential run for mayor on Wednesday by pulling nomination papers. Barrett, who served as the city's mayor for 26 consecutive years, lost the post to current Mayor Richard Alcombright in the 2009 general election. The Berkshire Eagle reports that Alcombright has already announced his intentions to run for a fourth term this year. With a week left before the deadline, a total of five potential candidates have now taken out papers: Alcombright, Barrett, artist and real estate developer Eric Rudd, Richard David Greene, and Nik Lareau. Papers must be returned to the city clerk with 50 signatures by 5 p.m. on Aug. 20; thus far, Rudd is the only certified mayoral candidate. Barrett is expected to make a formal announcement sometime in the weeks ahead.

#### **NORTHERN BERKSHIRE PAIR SENT TO STATE PRISON FOR 'HORRIFIC BEATING' (NA)**

Three men who took part in what the victim's father called a "horrific beating" in Adams last December, each pleaded guilty to their charges in Berkshire Superior Court yesterday. 39 year old Daniel Chao of Adams and 25 year old Thomas Barrett of Savoy were each sentenced to up to four years in state prison followed by probation for their roles in the attack. A third defendant, 25 year old Dean St. Jacques of North Adams intervened in the assault — though still participated in it — and cooperated with authorities, including leading them to a weapon used during the beating. He received a sentence of one year of probation. The three men admitted that on December 27th, the victim had gotten involved in a fight with Barrett in the parking lot of The Grille on Summer Street in Adams. Barrett and Chao will serve their sentences at the Massachusetts Correctional Institution in Walpole.

#### **MOTHER, SON FROM NORTH ADAMS FACE DRUG CHARGES (NA)**

A mother and son were arrested Tuesday after police seized several grams of raw heroin during a search of their North Adams Franklin Street home. The Berkshire Eagle reports that members of the Berkshire County Drug Task Force found approximately two grams of loose heroin powder in the bedroom of 26 year old Wyatt Demo along with unused wax baggies ready for packaging. His mother, 57 year old Kim Laflamme was allegedly holding heroin, Suboxone, and marijuana in her purse atop the living room recliner. The two had been under investigation by the task force since July.

NA 08-14-15

### **ADAMS-ANTHONY CENTER DISCUSS ECONOMIC PROSPECTS (NA)**

The Adams-Anthony Center for Political, Economic & Social Discourse held its first meeting focusing on economic prospects for the town of Adams. IBerkshires.com reports that Adams native and president of the center William Kolis told the full GAR Memorial Hall on Tuesday that he hopes the free speech forum can grow to be a premier forum in the state and perhaps country and can instill some forward momentum in Adams. The next meeting the center will hold will focus on promoting the arts in Adams.

### **WILLIAMSTOWN PLANNING BOARD DISCUSSES IDEAS FOR LESS RESTRICTIVE ZONING (NA)**

The Williamstown Planning Board on Tuesday continued to discuss whether and how it should propose easing the town's residential development regulations. IBerkshires.com reports that one of the areas the board is eyeing: new rules that would allow for more multifamily housing units. Planning Board Chairwoman Amy Jeschawitz noted that the last conventional multifamily development allowed in Williamstown was the Hemlock Brook complex in 1984. In the last year alone, three multifamily developments have been permitted, but each was a special case: the Cable Mills overlay district on Water Street, the subsidized housing at Highland Woods and the mixed-use Mather House apartments on North Street.

### **VOTERS IN POWNAL TO DECIDE FATE OF CONTROVERSIAL SOLAR ARRAY (NA)**

A meeting slated for Monday will determine the fate of a controversial solar array on land owned by a local water system in Pownal, Vermont. The Berkshire Eagle reports that residents within the Pownal Fire District No. 2 will be asked to approve entering into a contract with a solar developer for the array, which would be sited on land next to Route 346. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the lower level meeting room of the Pownal American Legion Post 90.

### **SELECTMEN TOUR VISITORS CENTER (NA)**

Selectmen in Adams toured the Visitors Center on Wednesday to look at problems and potential improvements to the building. IBerkshires.com reports that the board has been reviewing town facilities during its workshop meetings this summer at the behest of Town Administrator Tony Mazucco. The main concern the Selectmen had on Wednesday was a request from Police Chief Richard Tarsa to post "No Trespassing" from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. to discourage people from loitering and to give the police more authority when dealing with loiterers.

### **WINDSOR LAKE SHUT DOWN FOR E. COLI (NA)**

Windsor Lake in North Adams was closed to the public yesterday due to a positive test for E. coli in the water. The test results by the Health Department showed E. coli levels that were unacceptable. The lake has been immediately shut down and Mayor Richard Alcombright has been notified of the test results. Lake staff, lifeguards, and park police will be preventing visitors from swimming and explaining that the lake has been closed until further testing can be made. The playground, fields and picnic areas remain open. There will be no charge for parking if visitors wish to use those amenities. According to the Health Department, the lake will remain closed until readings taken from multiple locations around the lake determine that the levels of E. coli have returned to an acceptable level.

**NA 08-19-15**

**WILD OATS MARKET EMPLOYEE ALLEGEDLY USED BOMB THREAT TO GET OUT OF WORK (NA)**

A Wild Oats Market employee and a friend are facing charges they concocted a bomb threat at the Williamstown store on June 4th so the worker could get out of work early. The Berkshire Eagle reports that 21 year old Emily Sziribik, who works at the Route 2 grocery store, and 21 year old Jacob Shea, both of Bennington, Vermont, allegedly cooked up the plan so they could hang out together, according to police. Sziribik and Shea pleaded not guilty in Northern Berkshire District Court yesterday to single counts of making a bomb threat. They were each released on their personal recognizance and scheduled to appear in court on September 30th for a pre-trial hearing.

**PRESSURE PUT ON CONTRACTOR TO FINISH SCHOOL PROJECT (NA)**

With unexpected delays and expenditures mounting on the Colegrove Park Elementary School project, the city of North Adams is ramping up the pressure on the general contractor to ensure the renovation is completed in time for the second half of the school year. The Berkshire Eagle reports that while the contractor says the delays were unavoidable, school officials and the project manager insist the company should have planned for such unforeseen problems. The renovation of the former Silvio O. Conte Middle School initially was scheduled to be done July 23rd and open for the upcoming school year. But workers have encountered a series of problems that have pushed that completion date back to October, forcing the district to temporarily find space for students at other schools.

**RESIDENTS EXPRESS CONCERN OVER NORTH ADAMS SKATEBOARD PARK (NA)**

Some neighbors in the State Street area of North Adams have an opinion on the proposed skateboard park at the Noel Field Athletic Complex. They say – great idea, but not in my neighborhood. Iberkshires.com reports that Robert Davis, who owns property across from where the BMX/skateboard park is planned, delivered a letter on behalf nearly two dozen residents to the Parks and Recreation Commission on Monday. He said he and his neighbors were not against the city developing a skateboard park, but did not think the Noel Field parking lot was the most suitable place for safety and other reasons. The City Council in June approved applying for a state Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities Program grant for the nearly \$700,000 project.

**NORTH ADAMS LIBRARY FACING MAINTENANCE ISSUES (NA)**

The North Adams public library needs a generator and new environmental controls to keep its circulation and archival materials in shape. Iberkshires.com reports that the items are on a list of maintenance projects that library officials say they cannot afford and are hoping the city can help with. Library Director Mindy Hackner told the library trustees on Monday that City Hall sent her a loss-control spreadsheet, used as an insurance tool, with maintenance suggestions on it. Some of the items have been completed, but after speaking with the city electrician, she said the trustees should consider the purchase a battery-operated generator to prevent the sprinklers from turning on when the power goes out is critical.

**NA 08-24-15**

**TRIAL BEGINS FOR 3RD OF 4 ACCUSED OF 2012 UMASS DORM RAPE (All)**

The trial of the third of four men charged with raping a student in a University of Massachusetts dorm is beginning. Jury selection is scheduled to take place today for 20-year-old Adam Liccardi. He has pleaded not guilty to four counts of rape. The student told police she was raped in October 2012 by Liccardi and his three friends from Pittsfield. The woman said she told them not to visit. Another student let them in. The other three were charged with three counts of rape. Emmanuel Bile (BEE-Lay) and Justin King, both 21, were convicted and are serving prison sentences. Twenty-year-old Caleb Womack still faces trial. The woman said she drank alcohol and smoked marijuana with them but didn't consent to sex. The case led UMass to tighten dorm security.

**WILLIAMSTOWN PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MOVES AHEAD WITH STATION REPAIRS (NA)**

The Williamstown Fire District on Wednesday decided to move forward with two projects to repair its outdated facility. IBerkshires.com reports that the three-person Prudential Committee, which oversees the district, voted unanimously to repair the front wall and driveway of the Water Street station. The district two years ago was stymied when it twice attempted to buy a Main Street parcel to build a new fire station. Left with a facility that the department believes is too small and inadequate to meet its needs the Prudential Committee finds itself in the position of having to put more money into the station.

**MCLA'S BOWMAN HALL TO OPEN IN SEPTEMBER (NA)**

Students and faculty returning to the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts this fall semester will be in for a big surprise. IBerkshires.com reports that with final-hour projects being finished up in Bowman Hall, the newly renovated building will be open for the first day of the term. According to officials, the \$15 million renovation project houses a reimagining of the building that still will be used primarily as a classroom building.

**ADAMS, MOUNT GREYLOCK DISTRICT TAXPAYERS INVITED TO THREE SCHOOL FORUM (NA)**

North county taxpayers are invited to a forum. While most of the kids may have another week to enjoy the waning days of summer vacation, their parents and other voters are invited to three public forums focused on the present and possible future state of education in North Berkshire. IBerkerkshries.com reports that the first forum is Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Berkshire Arts and Technology Charter Public School in Adams.

**BTRA TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON SERVICE EFFICIENCIES (All)**

The Berkshire Regional Transit Authority is planning on holding a public hearing on Wednesday. The focus of the hearing will be service efficiencies recommended in the Regional Transportation Plan. The general public is invited to attend the one day presentation, which will be the final opportunity to submit comments to be included in the document's addendum. The BRTA will display a power point presentation and will also make printed copies available upon request. The hearing will take place Wednesday from 11:30am to 1:30pm in the second floor BRTA board room.



NA 08-26-15

### **COURT ADJOURNED AFTER PANIC ATTACK IN RAPE TRIAL (All)**

Jurors heard from two witness's yesterday morning at the trial of 21 year old Adam Liccardi of Pittsfield, but adjourned after the defendant was taken to Cooley Dickinson Hospital, suffering from a reported panic attack. The Springfield Republican is reporting that the attack did not occur while in the courtroom. Liccardi appeared briefly before court adjourned at 3 p.m., and a hospital spokeswoman confirmed at 4:20 p.m. that he was being evaluated in the Emergency Department. His condition was not available. Two other men involved in the rape case have already been convicted. 21 year old Emmanuel Bile and 21 year old Justin King, both of Pittsfield, are serving terms of eight to 10 years and eight and 12 years respectively. 20 year old Caleb Womack, of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, is scheduled to be tried next.

### **WOMAN, 83, ESCAPES SERIOUS HARM AFTER NORTH ADAMS WRECK (NA)**

A Chicopee woman escaped serious injuries on Saturday evening after her car struck a utility pole on the Mohawk Trail. The Berkshire Eagle reports that 83 year old Olivette Beaudoin was heading west on Route 2 (Mohawk Trail) in the area of Stryker Road near the Florida town line about 7:20 p.m. when she veered off of the road and struck a utility pole, according to North Adams Police. The impact caused significant damage to the pole and brought down wires across the road. Beaudoin was transported to Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield, where she was treated for her injuries and released.

### **CHESHIRE BARRACKS COMMANDER HONORED AT RETIREMENT (NA, P)**

State Police Lt. William Blackmer Jr. of North Adams was honored on Saturday night for his nearly 40 years of service in law enforcement to the state and its citizens. IBerkshires.com reports that Blackmer had led the Cheshire Barracks since 2008, capping 31 years with the state police. He retired at the end of June. Dozens of emergency responders, family and friends were on hand at the Bounti-Fare to usher the lieutenant into his retirement.

### **OUTGOING CLARK DIRECTOR MICHAEL CONFORTI CURATED ERA OF PROGRESS (NA)**

Michael Conforti retires as director of the Clark Art Institute in Williamstown praised by colleagues for transforming a regional museum for a rich man's art collection into a global visual-studies center whose exhibitions nudge art history into new directions. The Berkshire Eagle reports that in appreciation, trustees, benefactors and staff have donated \$6.5 million to have the west pavilion of the new visitor center he saw built named after him. Conforti plans to remain in Williamstown, which, he often quips, has more art scholars per capita than anyplace else. Former trustees chairman Francis Oakley will act as interim director.

### **NEW ENGLAND PUBLIC RADIO OPENS BERKSHIRE BUREAU (All)**

New England Public Radio opened its first Berkshire County bureau y yesterday. IBerkshires.com reports that the radio station opened offices in the Central Station Business Center in Pittsfield, the same building that houses 1Berkshire, in a partnership with Berkshire Community College. Station and BCC officials were joined yesterday with employees from the Berkshire Chamber of Commerce to cut the ribbon on the new office space. The non-profit covers Western and Central Massachusetts and operates nine stations that reach Berkshire County but has never had a reporting presence here.

**NA 08-28-15**

### **LICCARDI ADMITTED TO SEX ACT (All)**

A University of Massachusetts police detective described to jurors in Adam Liccardi's rape trial yesterday how the defendant's account of what happened in a dorm room on October 13, 2012, evolved over the course of a one-hour interview. Liccardi, Emmanuel T. Bile Jr., Justin A. King, all 21, and Caleb Womack, 20, have been accused of raping an 18-year-old woman, whom they knew, while she was intoxicated and was sometimes unconscious. Bile and King have been tried and convicted; Womack has not been tried yet. The Berkshire eagle reports that UMass Police Detective Kevin Shaw said that during an unrecorded interview in October of 2012, Liccardi at first did not mention his involvement in sexual activity with the woman. But when asked directly which of the four men participated, Liccardi described taking part in a sex act himself.

### **ADAMS INVITING RESIDENTS TO GET INVOLVED IN STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS (NA)**

Adams Town Administrator Tony Mazzucco said the town will call for community input during upcoming strategic planning sessions. IBerkshires.com reports that Mazzucco said the town will hold open strategic planning starting this September that will allow the community to share their vision of the town for the upcoming years. Meetings will take place at Hoosac Valley High School and will be facilitated by the Collins Center for Public Management out of the University of Massachusetts at Boston. The Collins Center representatives will explain the process, help the town find a mission statement for the plan, and help pinpoint the community's vision and goals of the town over the next five years.

### **BARRETT LAYS OUT MAYORAL PLATFORM (NA)**

Nearly six years after he left the corner office, John Barrett III says he is seeking a 14th mayoral term to get North Adams "headed back in the right direction." The Berkshire Eagle reports that Barrett, who served as the city's mayor for 26 years from 1984 until 2010, will challenge incumbent Mayor Richard Alcombright and local developer and artist Eric Rudd for a two-year term this fall. Barrett stresses that he is not running against Alcombright as a person, but the priorities and policies of his administration. Since he left office, Barrett said that the average homeowner's tax bill has increased sizably while property values have dropped, though precious little funding has been poured into the city's decaying infrastructure.

### **NORTH ADAMS HOSTS FIFTH ANNUAL MOTORAMA ON SUNDAY (NA)**

The city of North Adams will host its fifth annual Motorama on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Main, Holden and Eagle streets will all be closed to all but pedestrian traffic as downtown North Adams fills with cars, trucks, motorcycles, snowmobiles, tractors and more. Anything with a motor is welcome. In addition to looking at meticulously restored and maintained vehicles, attendees can enjoy live music, 50/50 raffles, food, and shopping. Last year's Motorama brought more than 400 vehicles to the streets of North Adams, and this year the city hopes to draw closer to 500. In the case of extreme inclement weather, the rain date is Saturday, September 5th.

NA 09-01-15

### **JURORS IN UMASS RAPE TRIAL SET TO BEGIN DELIBERATIONS (All)**

Jurors in the rape trial of Adam Liccardi begin deliberations today after hearing the defendant deny yesterday his role in the alleged gang rape of a student at the UMass Amherst in 2012. Liccardi testified yesterday that the woman he is accused of raping initiated sex with him and one of his co-defendants, but was then raped by Emmanuel Bile, a third co-defendant in the case. Bile and King have been tried and convicted, and are serving state prison sentences. Jurors in Bile's trial deliberated for 10 hours over two days, while a jury convicted King after deliberating for less than six hours.

### **BEST BUY LEAVING BERKSHIRE MALL (All)**

Best Buy has announced that it will be closing its store in the Berkshire Mall in Lanesborough at the end of October. According to company spokeswoman Carly Charlson, the national electronics chain has decided not to renew its lease with the owners of the mall. The store will close its doors when the current lease expires at the close of business on October 31st. The Best Buy store in the mall has 63 total employees, and 28 of them are full-time. Charlson says the employees have been notified and will be given the opportunity to seek employment at another Best Buy store, or be given a severance package. JC Penney, Macy's, Sears and Target are the malls remaining anchor retailers.

### **WARM SPELL AS STUDENTS RETURN (All)**

As students begin to return to school in the Berkshires, forecasters are predicting another warm spell. The Berkshire Eagle reports that as the calendar flips to September, daylight is two hours shorter than in late June, but the lazy, hazy days of summer are rolling out for a weeklong encore. Forecasters at the National Weather Service predict that the most persistent warm spell of the season will linger through the Labor Day weekend. The long-range outlook from Accuweather.com calls for above-normal warmth and limited rainfall right through September and beyond.

### **TRACTOR-TRAILERS STUCK UNDER NORTH ADAMS TRESTLE TWICE IN ONE MONTH (NA)**

A section of Church Street North Adams was blocked off for nearly three hours yesterday afternoon after yet another tractor-trailer got stuck under the railroad trestle. IBerkshires.com reports that a trailer hauling 25,000 pounds of machined metal, reportedly for a Disney ride, became wedged under the trestle at about 4:15 p.m. after leaving Morrison Berkshire on Church Street. The delivery was on its way to Minneapolis. Traffic was blocked between Davenport Street and Ashland Street. The truck was pulled out from under the trestle shortly before 7pm.

### **FREIGHT YARD ATTORNEYS FILE MOTION TO BEGIN COLLECTIONS (NA)**

The Freight Yard Pub in North Adams is asking a judge to allow it to make collections efforts for nearly \$300,000 against the Redevelopment Authority. IBerkshires.com reports that the request comes in the wake of the City Council's rejection on August 11th to help pay for the judgement against the authority. The restaurant, operating as Bay State Hospitality Group Inc., won a Superior Court case last fall against the authority, a semi-independent governmental body that oversees Western Gateway Heritage State Park and certain sections of the downtown.

NA 09-01-15



NA 09-03-15

### **3RD MAN CONVICTED IN 2012 UMASS DORM RAPE CASE (All)**

A Pittsfield man has been convicted of raping a University of Massachusetts freshman in her Amherst dorm room nearly three years ago. A jury yesterday found 21-year-old Adam Liccardi guilty of two counts of aggravated rape and one count of rape. He was acquitted of one count of aggravated rape. Liccardi's lawyer has said the sex was consensual. Liccardi will be held without bail until his sentencing October 6th. He is the third to be convicted in the case. 21 year old Emmanuel Bile Jr. and 21 year old Justin King — both of Pittsfield — were convicted earlier this year. A fourth man, 20 year old Caleb Womack of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, is still facing trial. The four defendants, then all either 17 or 18, were charged with raping the woman in October 2012.

### **BMC NORTH EXPANDS SERVICES WITH OUT-PATIENT PREVENTION AND TREATMENT (NA)**

Berkshire Health Systems has announced the creation of a community-focused Neighborhood for Health at its Northern Berkshire campus, an expansion of services there that includes mental health, addiction and chronic illness treatment. The Berkshire Eagle reports that the new services, under the Neighborhood for Health umbrella, will provide treatment for those with long-term physical health issues, as well as underscore prevention and the overall quality of life for those in the community. The Neighborhood for Health will not only look to help those with physical illnesses, but have a focus on behavioral health needs as well, in a collaboration with the Brien Center.

### **WILLIAMSTOWN PLANNING BOARD ENCOURAGES WAUBEEKA HOTEL PROPOSAL (NA)**

The Williamstown Planning Board on Tuesday encouraged the owner of Waubeeka Golf Links to continue looking at whether he could situate a hotel on his Route 7 property. |Berkshires.com reports that Michael Deep went to the board to ask whether it would be in favor of creating a zoning change that would allow a developer to operate a hotel on the site, currently zoned in the Rural Residential District. While the board stopped short of taking a vote in favor of the proposition, several members expressed their support in principle for the project.

### **ADAMS-CHESHIRE HOPES FOR LANESBOROUGH REFERENDUM BY WINTER (NA)**

Adams Town Administrator Tony Mazzucco says he thinks Lanesborough could decide by early December if it would want begin the process of combining school districts with Adams-Cheshire Regional School District. |Berkshires.com reports that Mazzucco told the Selectmen yesterday that he recently met with officials from Lanesborough and Mount Greylock Regional School District to discuss ways to provide information to the public. After sending letters to Lanesborough and Williamstown asking to begin conversations on reorganizing school districts, last week Adams-Cheshire presented to Lanesborough residents the financial and educational benefits of joining the district.

NA 09-08-15

#### **ADAMS BOARD OF HEALTH HEARS OF SEWAGE, LEAD COMPLAINTS (NA)**

Adams Code Enforcement Officer Scott Koczela said the 10 Murray property that housed alleged terrorist Alexander Ciccolo this summer is still giving the town trouble. IBerkshires.com reports that Koczela told the Board of Health last week that a broken sewer pipe that spewed sewage into the sidewalk was repaired, but it needs to be replaced. Koczela said the property owner had until the end of August to respond to the town's demands and clean up the contaminated basement and replace the broken line. He said the owner has only called Town Hall to complain and will be brought back to court.

#### **NEW MT. GREYLOCK SCHOOL DESIGN BEGINS (NA)**

Plans for a renovated Mount Greylock Regional High School will take shape this fall as officials work to meet a December deadline. The Berkshire Eagle reports that the School Building Committee on Thursday last week gave Design Partnership of Cambridge the green light to create schematic designs for a renovation of its aging 1960s building. The project sent to the MSBA for consideration calls for a new, three-story academic wing on the front, or east side, of the existing building. Much of the existing school would be torn down. Early estimates peg the total cost to the district at roughly \$42.7 million.

#### **ADAMS BOARD OF HEALTH CONSIDERING COMMUNICATION EFFORTS (NA)**

The Board of Health in Adams wants to hold a workshop to focus on better communication after cuts were made to the department. IBerkshires.com reports that board member Bruce Shepley urged his counterparts last week to hold the workshop to combat the miscommunication among the board members and administration. According to Shepley, there are huge gaps, huge misunderstandings, and a high level of lack of communication. He pointed to last month's meeting that had to be canceled because there were issues posting the agenda.

#### **BERKSHIRE MALL OWNERS SEE BEST BUY CLOSING AS AN OPPORTUNITY (All)**

The owners of the Berkshire Mall say they have no plans to sell the county's largest retail shopping complex, and see Best Buy's pending departure October 31st as an "opportunity" to add new retail clients. The Berkshire Eagle reports that Best Buy also declined to renew its lease on its store in the Hampshire Mall in Hadley, which will be closing on the same day as the Berkshire Mall outlet. The owners of the Berkshire Mall say they are "in discussions with several retailers at the moment who have expressed strong interest in the Best Buy space.

#### **NET ZERO HOUSING COMMUNITY PROPOSED (NA)**

A net zero co-housing community focused on recreating the close neighborhood experience of the past is being planned in the city of North Adams. IBerkshires.com reports that Jane Shiyah, a retired school counselor and founder of the Northern Berkshire Co-housing Community explained that co-housing could be a new way to live in North County. She said co-housing homes are clustered around shared common areas and buildings that allow people to live together in economically and environmentally sustainable homes in a traditional, tight-knit, diverse community.

NA 09-10-15

### **REDEVELOPMENT PLANS RELEASED FOR NORTH ADAMS' MOTEL (NA)**

A development group that includes a member of the band Wilco is planning to transform the dated Redwood Motel on Route 2 in North Adams into "destination lodging." IBerkshires.com reports that the plans are to demolish the west wing of the motel and a garage. The office and innkeeper's residence and an 11-room wing will be gutted and/or renovated with updates to the interior and exterior. A rear deck will be built along the length of the buildings and the office and garage space will be converted into a lobby and lounge. Three new lodging buildings will be constructed for a total number of 40 rooms on the north side of the property.

### **RALLY, WALK AND VIGIL TO ADDRESS OPIOID ADDICTION AND RECOVERY (NA)**

Two local organizations are joining together with the City of North Adams on Saturday to raise awareness about addiction, substance abuse and recovery resources in the region. The Berkshire Eagle reports that Josh Bressette Commit to Save A Life and the Rx/Heroin Work Group of the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition will hold the Voices for Recovery rally, walk and vigil from 4 to 8 p.m. The rally and vigil will be centered at Noel Field, with a Recovery Walk through downtown North Adams at 5:30 p.m. The rally will include live music, food, and family friendly activities as well as informational tables and resources.

### **NORTH ADAMS COUNCIL REVIEWS ZONING CHANGE (NA)**

The North Adams City Council will meet with the Planning Board in two weeks to move forward a zoning ordinance that will allow homeowners to rebuild on nonconforming lots. IBerkshires.com reports that the issue had been brought forward by City Councilor Wayne Wilkinson, a professional appraiser, some months ago and was recommended by the General Government Committee in June. The changes would allow a homeowner – within limits, to rebuild on a nonconforming lot — one that did meet the regulated dimensions and frontage for construction.

### **MACY'S PLANS TO CLOSE UP TO 40 STORES; FATE OF BERKSHIRE MALL STORE UNCLEAR (All)**

The Macy's department store chain has announced that it plans to close between 35 and 40 underperforming stores nationwide by early 2016. The fate of the Macy's store in the Berkshire mall was unclear as of yesterday. A statement from the company says that it will announce the individual store closures at a "later date" following a "careful analysis" that is already underway. The uncertainty about the local Macy's store comes amid the recent announcement that Best Buy is closing its store in the mall on October 31st.

### **ENERGY COALITION LAUNCHES IN BERKSHIRES (All)**

Mass Power Forward, a new statewide energy coalition, launched its local efforts in the city on Wednesday, advocating clean energy and conservation projects and opposing new fossil fuel infrastructure. The Berkshire eagle reports that a Pittsfield press conference outside Kinder Morgan's offices at 137 North St. was one of five similar events the group hosted around the state yesterday. Others occurred in Boston, Fall River, Holyoke, West Peabody and Weymouth.

**NA 09-15-15**

### **MAYORAL CANDIDATE HEALTHCARE FORUM TONIGHT (NA)**

The future of healthcare in the northern Berkshire region has been in question since the former North Adams Regional Hospital abruptly closed in March of last year. Now, for the first time since the hospital's closure, residents will have a chance to hear from candidates in a mayoral election on the subject, tonight at the American Legion Post 125 on American Legion Drive in North Adams. Incumbent Mayor Richard Alcombright, former mayor John Barrett III and developer Eric Rudd will all be taking questions from a panel of residents and from the audience during a forum moderated by Adams Town Moderator Ed Driscoll from 7pm to 8:30pm.

### **NORTH ADAMS MAYORAL CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS RESUME THURSDAY (NA)**

The City of North Adams will be going to the polls on Tuesday of next week to narrow the field of mayoral candidates down from three to two. The candidates are incumbent Mayor Richard Alcombright, former long-time mayor, John Barret III, and local artist and developer Eric Rudd. (Our sister station) AM1230 WNAW began its series of interviews with the candidates yesterday with incumbent Mayor Richard Alcombright. Eric Rudd will be in the studio on Thursday, and John Barrett III will be in on Friday morning. Both interviews will take place at 8:30am.

### **NORTH ADAMS ANODIZING PLANT TO CLOSE (NA)**

Colonial Anodizing in North Adams is expected to close its doors by the end of the month, putting about 35 people out of work. IBerkshires.com reports that employees were informed on August 25th of the closure, according to Keith Gros, director of human resources for parent company Keymark Corporation. Gros said the company had made "significant investment" in the plant at 59 Hodges Cross Road since assuming the operations last year but sales have failed to develop as expected. The anodizing plant has struggled for nearly a decade.

### **LONG TIME SPORTS COACH DIES (NA)**

Dennis George Strizzi was remembered yesterday as a "straight shooter" and a "really, really good person" by the high school coaches who benefited from his contributions to youth sports in Northern Berkshire County. IBerkshires.com reports that Strizzi died at his Williamstown home at the age of 67. For more than 25 years, he was a coach for the Lanesborough Tigers youth football team, helping lay the foundation for successful seasons for the Mount Greylock Regional School team. He also was a supporter of youth baseball in Williamstown and Lanesborough.

### **COALITION FORUM BRAINSTORMS TOPICS, CHANGE OF PROCESS (NA)**

Every September, the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition meets to discuss what topics to focus on over the next nine months. This year, a lot of conversation revolved around the process of the meetings in addition to the topics themselves. IBerkshires.com reports that in his first monthly forum as NBCC's executive director, Adam Hinds asked the room of more than 100 representatives of human and social services agencies, educational institutions and other nonprofits to offer suggestions for future meeting topics. He introduced Friday's meeting by offering his mind as open to all idea, taking the advice of former director Alan Bashevkin.

NA 09-16-15

#### **NORTH ADAMS MAYORAL CANDIDATES DEBATE HOSPITAL CLOSURE, FUTURE OF HEALTH CARE (NA)**

The city of North Adams's three mayoral candidates sparred last night over how the closure of North Adams Regional Hospital was handled in 2014 and over the future of health care in the Northern Berkshires. The Berkshire Eagle reports that the exchange came during a candidate forum sponsored by the North County Cares Coalition, a local organization backed by the Massachusetts Nurses Association that advocates for the restoration of in-patient services in North Adams. Residents packed American Legion Post 125 to hear the candidates answer questions prepared by the organization and a few from the crowd. Mayor Richard Alcombright, former Mayor John Barrett III, and local artist and developer Eric Rudd discussed the months leading up to the March 2014 closure of North Adams Regional Hospital through the present-day services provided by Berkshire Health Systems.

#### **DIALYSIS UNIT TO OPEN AT BMC NORTH (NA)**

Renal Dialysis care soon will be available closer to home for Northern Berkshire residents. The Berkshire Eagle reports that Berkshire Health Systems announced yesterday that it intends to open a nine-chair dialysis care center at its Northern Berkshire Campus by the summer 2016, giving North County patients easy access to the treatment for the first time. BHS, parent of Berkshire Medical Center, intends to invest \$2 million on the dialysis center, which will be housed in the ground floor of the Ambulatory Care Center. Dialysis — an hours-long treatment that helps remove toxins from the body for patients whose kidneys are no longer able to do so — was not available at the former North Adams Regional Hospital.

#### **NORTH ADAMS PLANNERS OK REDWOOD REDO, NEW STATE ROAD GAS STATION (NA)**

Plans to transform the North Adams Redwood Motel into a contemporary motor court was approved by the Planning Board on Monday. IBerkshires.com reports that the motel concept was one of several applications that brought out abutters for an unusually well-attended meeting. Two other projects, however, ran into more vocal complaints from abutters: Ernest Perry's plans to open "Odds & Ends," a secondhand store at the former LaValley Oil Co. at 118 Eagle Street and Summit Distributing LLC's to demolish the old Gibb's station at 330 State Road for a new convenience store and gas station.

#### **CHAPTER 90 FUNDS NOT MEETING ADAMS' NEEDS (NA)**

Adams Director of Public Works Joe Bettis says Chapter 90 funds are not keeping up with the town's roads and infrastructure needs. IBerkshires.com reports that he used for example the south section of Route 8, which could cost \$600,000, about double what the town gets each year in state road funds. Bettis made his presentation last Wednesday, during the Selectmen's workshop at the town garage. He would like to add the south section of Route 8 to the town's list of projects and begin paying for engineering. Town Administrator Tony Mazzucco said that the next phase of the Ashuwillticook Rail Trail to Lime Street will cost the town between \$100,000 and \$200,000.



NA 09-17-15

#### **PLANS FOR REGIONAL EMERGENCY MASS SHELTERING SITES UNDERWAY (All)**

Plans for large shelters to be created for emergency situations are underway and Berkshire Regional Planning Commission needs qualified volunteers to man them. IBerkshires.com reports that planner Eammon Coughlin is in the process of developing mass sheltering plans for South, central, and North counties. The issue so far is that there doesn't seem to be enough qualified volunteers to staff each with at least four people. Coughlin told the Central Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee yesterday that they are severely lacking on getting a minimum of four volunteers per shelter.

#### **COLEGROVE PARK SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION WOES IRONED OUT (NA)**

After months at loggerheads with the general contractor renovating Colegrove Park Elementary School, North Adams officials on Monday said significant progress has been made in recent weeks. The Berkshire Eagle reports that although the current completion date of October 26th is three months past the initial July target, Mayor Richard Alcombright signaled to the School Building Committee that there has been a breakthrough with the contractor, Connecticut-based general contractor PDS Engineering and Construction. Over two previous committee meetings this summer, PDS has clashed with city officials and the project manager over project delays.

#### **ADAMS CEMETERY COMMISSION MAY LIMIT SATURDAY BURIALS (NA)**

The Adams Cemetery Commission may limit Saturday burials at the cemetery per workers' request. IBerkshires.com reports that Deputy Director of Public Works David Nuvallie told the commission last week that some workers had asked if there was a cut off for weekend burials. Nuvallie said there was an influx of Saturday burials over the Sept. 12-13 weekend, with one starting at 2:30. The commission decided to go back to its regulations and discuss adding a time limit at the next meeting.

#### **MOUNT GREYLOCK BUILDING COMMITTEE WEIGHS HVAC OPTIONS (NA)**

While the Mount Greylock Regional School Committee tries to hold the district together, the School Building Committee continues to put together plans for a renovated junior-senior high school. IBerkshires.com reports that at its most recent meeting, the committee focused largely on the mechanical systems for the addition/renovation project the district has proposed to the Massachusetts School Building Authority. Michael Walsh of Canton's Consulting Engineering Services took the committee members through a number of options for heating, ventilation and air conditioning. The committee is expected to revisit the important decision at its September 24th meeting.

#### **NORTH ADAMS MAYORAL CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS RESUME TODAY (NA)**

The City of North Adams will be going to the polls on Tuesday to narrow the field of mayoral candidates down from three to two. The candidates are incumbent Mayor Richard Alcombright, former long-time mayor, John Barret III, and local artist and developer Eric Rudd. (Our sister station) AM1230 WNAW continues its series of interviews with the candidates this morning with local artist and developer, Eric Rudd. John Barrett III will be in tomorrow morning. Both interviews will take place at 8:30am.

NA 09-21-15

#### **MCLA DORM EVACUATED AFTER DETECTED ODOR (NA)**

More than two dozen students were evacuated on Saturday night from a Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts dormitory after a strong, unknown odor was detected in the building. The Berkshire Eagle reports that according to college spokeswoman Bernadette Alden, the North Adams Fire Department was alerted at about 5:30 p.m. in connection with the smell, which emanated from the Berkshire Towers residence hall. Students were immediately evacuated to the Venable Hall Gymnasium, assisted by members of the campus public safety department and North Adams Ambulance Service. The odor was not immediately identified, so the Regional Hazardous Materials team was contacted. A total of 27 students exhibiting symptoms of throat irritation were transported to Berkshire Health Systems North or the college's Wellness Center for evaluation. All students have since returned to campus.

#### **MCLA AND NORTH ADAMS POLICE URGE STUDENTS TO TAKE STEPS FOR SAFETY (NA)**

A series of reported assaults and other crimes near the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts campus have the school increasing efforts to educate students on safety. The Berkshire Eagle reports that last month marked the beginning of the new school year, and the college has since issued three public safety alerts — including two so far this month — to students regarding alleged assaults, burglaries and robberies in the campus area. In each of the alerts, the alleged crimes were not detailed and exact locations were not given. It is unclear what injuries, if any, were suffered in the alleged assaults, or what was stolen in the burglaries. The college has passed the investigations into the string of incidents over to the North Adams Police Department.

#### **ADAMS SELECTMEN APPROVE RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS (NA)**

The Adams Selectmen approved the transfer of funds for increased insurance at the Memorial Building, blight removal, and other projects. IBerkshires.com reports that Town Administrator Tony Mazzucco asked the Selectmen on Wednesday for a \$3,200 transfer from the reserve fund, which is used for unforeseen expenses, to the Property and Casualty Insurance fund for an increase insurance after an adjuster toured the building. Chairman Richard Blanchard asked if Mazzucco could gather insurance quotes for closing the building down. Mazzucco said he anticipates it would cost substantially more but he would look into it.

#### **MOUNT GREYLOCK, LANESBOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS SEEK PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL (NA)**

Mount Greylock and Lanesborough school districts want a proposal for collaboration from the Adams-Cheshire Regional School District by October 1st. The Berkshire Eagle reports that a letter sent Monday and signed by the two school committees' chairwomen and the districts' shared superintendent states they "see no educational benefit" to dissolving the Mount Greylock Regional School District and sending Lanesborough students to Hoosac Valley Middle and High School in Cheshire. The letter was sent to Adams Town Administrator Tony Mazzucco and Adams-Cheshire Regional School Committee Chairman Paul Butler, and was signed by Greene, Lanesborough School Committee Chairwoman Regina DiLego and Williamstown-Lanesborough Public Schools Superintendent Douglas Dias.

NA 09-22-15

### **NORTH ADAMS GOING TO THE POLLS TODAY (NA)**

The City of North Adam goes to the polls today for a mayoral preliminary election. Residents have an interesting decision to make today between three candidates. They are the incumbent Richard Alcombright, former long-time mayor John Barrett III, and local artist and developer Eric Rudd. During interviews last week each candidate was asked about the city's finances. Mayor Alcombright was quick to refer to what he was left with when he was first elected...

: 23 Alcombright – Cue: started the problem

Former Mayor Barrett responded in kind...

: 19 Barrett – Cue: three-point-eight million dollars

Eric Rudd talked about taking the city in a new direction financially...

: 20 Rudd – Cue: over and over again

The voters will narrow the race down to two candidates today that will face off in November. The Polls in North Adams are open from 9am until 7pm.

### **NORTH ADAMS GOING TO THE POLLS TODAY – short version (NA)**

North Adams goes to the polls today for a preliminary election. On the ballot are three candidates for mayor. Two will be left standing for the general election in November. The candidates are incumbent Richard Alcombright, former long-time mayor John Barrett III, and local artist and developer, Eric Rudd. The poll are open from 9am to 7pm.

### **PITTSFIELD GOING TO THE POLLS TOMORROW (P)**

The City of Pittsfield goes to the polls today. Voters in a mayoral preliminary election will knock down to two – four candidates that are on the ballot. The candidates are incumbent Mayor Dan Bianchi, City Clerk Linda Tyer, Craig Gaetani, and Donna Walto. The polls in Pittsfield are open from 8am to 8pm.

### **NAPD TEACHES SEVENTH-GRADERS ABOUT CYBERBULLYING (NA)**

Sullivan Elementary School seventh-graders listen to anti-bullying lessons from the North Adams Police Department. IBerkshires.com reports that Officers from the North Adams Police Department presented the dangers of cyberbullying - and bullying in general - to Sullivan Elementary School seventh-graders. Teacher James Holmes said the bullying unit falls into the "Second Step" curriculum, a research-based classroom social skills program for children aimed at reducing impulsive and aggressive behavior while increasing social competence.



## AUGUST 2015 WNAW COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

### PSA KILL 8/5

The Concerts at Windsoor Lake continue for another summer of fantastic music and great family fun. This Weds, the Matchstick Architects (w/Tom Conklin) will play for your enjoyment. Concerts at Windsoor Lake are every Wednesday at 6:30pm through Sept 2nd (except Aug. 12). Bring blankets or chairs; Concessions are available, but you're welcome to bring your own food. Parking is free, and swimming, fishing, kayaking, and canoeing are allowed at the lake. For more info call 664-6180 or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

### PSA KILL 8/6

Northern Berkshire Retirees Club will meet at 10am this Thursday (August 6<sup>th</sup>) at the Greylock Community Club. Tickets will be available for the August 20th picnic. The price of tickets will be \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. Coffee and doughnuts will be available. Any questions call 743-9476 or 663-9263. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

### PSA KILL 8/7

Friday night is Movie Night in Adams! Free family movies will be shown on the Town Hall Lawn each Friday through August 14. Bring your chairs and blankets and enjoy the show! This week, the movie "Dolphin Tale 2" will be shown at dusk. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

### PSA KILL 8/9

The Town of Adams free concert series continues this Sunday at the Adams Visitor Center, with an Open Mic Night from 4-6 PM. The free concerts will run every Sunday through August 23rd. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or

look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

### PSA KILL 8/29

Soul Sisters and Brothers will host a multi-team Relay for Life tag sale on Saturday August 29 from 9-3. It'll be at 217 Main Street, Williamstown and ALL ARE WELCOME. Interested teams should please contact Sharon at 822-1087. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

### PSA KILL 8/8

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "70th Anniversary of Atomic Bomb Series: The Bomb, the Legacy" on Saturday August 8th at 3pm. August 6th and 9th marks the 70th anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. This illustrated lecture will take us back to the first use of the atomic bomb in warfare and its consequences. The Park is just south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

### PSA KILL 8/12

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of Berkshire County is hosting a Paint and Sip fundraiser with Progressive Palette at UCP's North Adams office at 535 Curran Hwy on August 13 at 6pm. You can sign-up for the \$40 event at [www.progressivepalette.com](http://www.progressivepalette.com). Light snacks and refreshments will be served and a door prize for a \$25 gift certificate to Public Eat & Drink will be given away. For more info call 413-588-2864. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

### PSA KILL 8/11

The Friends of the North Adams Public Library thank everyone for their donations to the upcoming book sale. Donations are still being accepted until Tuesday Aug. 11. They look forward to seeing you at St. Elizabeth's Parish Center for the book sale Friday and Saturday Sept. 25-26 from 9-4. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL AUG 12

North Adams' annual Downtown Celebration is almost here! It's coming up Wednesday, August 12, from 5:30 - 9 PM. An outdoor festival/community expo featuring vendors, food, music, performances, and more. There will be no parking allowed on Main or Eagle Street after 1pm on that day. Cars that remain parked on these streets will be towed at the owner's expense. For more info please contact: Suzy Helme, Director of Community Events at 664-6180 or email: [tounism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tounism@northadams-ma.gov) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/29

First Baptist Church, North Adams will hold a Church-Wide Tag Sale on Saturday, August 29 from 8-3 at the Greylock Community Club Pavilion on State Road, North Adams. Proceeds will go to benefit the community and church activities. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/12

Berkshire Community College will offer an Open House on Wednesday, August 12th from 3-8 PM at McCann Technical High School. Learn about BCC programs and fall evening classes held at McCann. Skills assessment, advising and registration services offered. Financial aid appointments available from 4:30 - 6. For more information, call 413-528-4521. Walk-ins welcome. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/15

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "Super Volcano" this Saturday at 3pm. The program will investigate ancient super volcanoes and the prospect of future occurrences (like Yellowstone National Park) and their consequences for the planet and humanity. The Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/16

The Town of Adams free concert series continues this Sunday at the Adams Visitor Center, with "Phil 'n the Void" playing from 4-6 PM. The

free concerts will run every Sunday through August 23rd. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/19

The Concerts at Windsor Lake continue for another summer of fantastic music and great family fun. There's no concert this week due to the Downtown Celebration but next Weds Aug. 19, Patrick Gray Jr. will play for your enjoyment. Concerts at Windsor Lake are every Wednesday at 6:30pm through Sept 2nd. Bring blankets or chairs. Concessions are available, but you're welcome to bring your own food. Parking is free. For more info call 664-6180 or email [tounism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tounism@northadams-ma.gov) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/14

Friday night is Movie Night in Adams! This week, the last in their summer series of Free family movies will be shown on the Town Hall Lawn at dusk. Bring your chairs and blankets and enjoy the feature "Annie" this Friday night. For more Adams events, check out their website [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/19

The Northern Berkshire YMCA will hold Wellness Wednesday on Aug. 19 from 4-6 PM. Visit the Y for Blood pressure screenings by Berkshire Health Systems, Eye Screenings from the Lions Club, a Life coaching booth by Embrace Your Life, info on tobacco cessation and education programs, YMCA back-to-school programs and more! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/16

There will be an All U Can Eat Breakfast, sponsored by Naomi Chapter No. 17, Order of Eastern Star, this Sunday from 8-11:30 at the Masonic Building, 172 Church St., North Adams. \$8 for adults and \$4 for kids under 10 will get you Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fries, French Toast & Pancakes including their Special Pancake of the Month - Blueberry! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/15

All Saints Episcopal Church in North Adams is inviting the community to an Open House and Parish House Rededication this Saturday from 11 am to 2 pm. There'll be refreshments, a movie showing in the new 2nd floor media center, and tours of the building for those interested. At 2 pm, Rev. Mary Frances Curns will preside over a rededication of the newly restored Parish House. All are welcome! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/21

There is just one more free "Music at the Mansion" concert this year on the North Adams Public Library lawn. It's this Friday (Aug. 21) as local favorite the J.P. Murphy Band plays starting at 6 pm. Bring a chair or blanket and enjoy the free concert! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/28

Come celebrate the full moon with a night of drawing under the stars at the Clark Art Institute on Friday, August 28 from 7-10 PM. You will be provided with drawing boards and oil pastels, and a half-hour lesson from local artist Frank Gregory, followed by individual assistance in capturing a night scene. Light refreshments will be served. Please call 458-0410 to register. In the event of rain, the program will be canceled. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/21

The Friends of the Adams Free Library Book Sale is this Wednesday from 8:30-5, Thursday Noon-7 and Friday 9-5. A great selection of nearly new, used and donated adult and children's books, paperbacks, magazines and other items will be available. Freshly baked items and raffle tickets for gift baskets will also be on sale. It'll be in the lower Miller Annex, so please enter on Merrose Street. For information call: 743-8345. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/23

The Peter A.Cook VFW Post 9144, Clarksburg will hold its monthly Pancake-French Toast Breakfast this Sunday from 7-11 at the Post Home, 144 River Rd. (Rte. 8). Price is \$7 per person for pancakes, French toast, sausage, juice and coffee. Proceeds will be donated to the Clarksburg Town Hall Façade Fund, to repair and improve the town

hall entrance where the Veterans Memorial plaque is located. Parking is available across the street at Town Hall. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/23

The Town of Adams free summer concert series wraps up this Sunday at the Adams Visitor Center, with "WYKYD" playing from 4-7 PM. Food and drinks will be available for purchase from Bounti-Fare. For more events in the Town of Adams, check out their website [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/25

Local veteran and Berkshire Humane Soc'y volunteer Dr. Michelle Gorbout (Pascarelli) has been diagnosed with Stage 4 Pancreatic cancer. To help with expenses, her friends and family will be hosting a Ziti Dinner Fundraiser at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish Center in North Adams, on Tuesday August 25th from 4-7PM. You can eat in or take out; there will also be a Chinese Auction, bake sale, 50/50 raffle and more at the dinner. All funds raised will go directly to Michelle and her family to assist with her medical expenses. For more info or to volunteer to help please contact Ashley Gilvey, 413-684-4156; email: [ashleyvinn131@yahoo.com](mailto:ashleyvinn131@yahoo.com). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/27

Ladies are invited to join the Thursday Night Women's League at Greylock Bowl and Golf in North Adams. There will be a League meeting August 27 at 6:30 PM at the bowling alley. Bowling begins September 3rd at 6:30. The teams are made up of 3 bowlers - create your own team or sign up individually. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/1

The St. Elizabeth Rosary Society will meet on September 1st 6pm in the Parish Center. New members are welcome. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/22

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "Dimension X: A Flatland Reading" on Saturday August 22nd at 3pm. Western Gateway Heritage State Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Info: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/22

Local historian Paul W. Marino will lead a walking tour of North Adams' Center Street this Saturday. It starts at 2:30 at the corner of Center and Marshall Streets, under the overpass. The walk also includes a look at Eagle Street, as well as North Church Street and Monument Square. Dress for the weather, wear sun block, a good pair of walking shoes and a hat with a wide brim, carry some water, bring the kids and "be prepared to have your ears talked off". Rain or high winds will cancel the walk. For information, Marino can be reached at 413-207-1344. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/23

The Clark Art Institute and IS183 Art School of the Berkshires have joined forces to present "Nature in Line and Color," a class exploring techniques of outdoor painting, on Sunday, August 23 from 10 to 4. Students should meet at the Lunder Center at Stone Hill on the Clark's campus. There is a fee for the class. For more information and to register, visit [www.IS183.org](http://www.IS183.org) or call 413-298-5252 Ext. 100. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/29

Head to the Mt. Greylock Visitor Center for Full Moon Campfire Ghost Stories! Join Park Interpreter Mike on Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> from 7-9:30 for an evening of spooky ghost stories to celebrate the mysteries of Mount Greylock. You'll be able to share stories of your own too. The rain or shine event is FREE for all ages. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. For more info call (413) 499-4262. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/30

Motorama returns for its 5th year in North Adams, even bigger and better! On Sunday Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> from 9AM-3PM, Main, Holden and Eagle Streets will be closed to all but pedestrian traffic as downtown North Adams fills with hundreds of cars, trucks, motorcycles, snowmobiles and tractors. A celebration of all things motorized, the day offers fun for everyone. You can enjoy music, 50/50 raffles, food, shopping and more! For info call 664-6180 or go to [www.northadamsmotorama.com](http://www.northadamsmotorama.com) If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/26

The Concerts at Windsor Lake continue Weds. Aug 26 with "Flannel Dan and the Parhandie Band" playing for your enjoyment. Concerts at Windsor Lake are every Wednesday at 6:30pm through Sept 2nd. Bring blankets or chairs; Parking is free. For more info call 664-6180 or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/28

PopCares' 3rd annual Golf Tournament is Sat. August 29<sup>th</sup> at Forest Park Country Club, Adams. It's 4 man captain and crew, \$40 per person for 9 holes of golf, lunch, prizes and raffles. Tee times are from 8-Noon. To sign up, call or visit Forest Park Country Club, go to [www.PopCares.org](http://www.PopCares.org) and pay with the donation option and include your info and your tee time request, or call PopCares at 413-281-1094. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/29

The Drury High School Band will hold its annual car wash fundraiser Saturday Aug. 29 from 9-2 at Carr Hardware, State Road in North Adams. It's \$5.00 per vehicle and all proceeds will help support the band's planned trip to Washington DC in 2016, as well as band programs and events throughout the year. The Drury Band Front will also be holding a bake sale. Tickets are available in advance from any member of the band or at the car wash. For advance tickets or more info call Tom at 664-4932 or email [drurybandparents@gmail.com](mailto:drurybandparents@gmail.com). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/3

Thinking about BCC? Berkshire Community College will offer English and math skills assessment on Thursday, September 3rd at 5 PM at McCann Technical High School, 70 Hodges Cross Road in North Adams. For an appointment, please call 413-236-1655. Advising and registration services will also be available. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/27

DownStreet Art, a program of MCLA's Berkshire Cultural Resource Center, continues this Thursday with the third DownStreet Art Thursday of the 2015 season, from 6-9 PM. The evening will include permanent and pop-up gallery exhibition openings, temporary installations, performances and community events. For more information on specific events and exhibits go to [www.downstreetart.org](http://www.downstreetart.org). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/29

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "Endangered ... Eye to Eye" on Saturday August 29th at 3pm. The program will investigate some of the earth's unique endangered species and the history of how humans have taken on the role of guardians. Western Gateway Heritage State Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/28

The Clark Art Institute offers a day of fun and free admission on Friday, August 28 from 10 to 5, as part of the Highland Street Foundation's Free Fun Friday initiative. Gallery admission is free to all. The Clark is located at 225 South St., Williamstown. For more information, visit [clarkart.edu](http://clarkart.edu) or call 458 2303. For a complete list of "Free Fun Friday" participating organizations, visit [www.highlandstreet.org](http://www.highlandstreet.org). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/31

The Friends of the North Adams Library will meet Monday August 31st at 3:30 PM in the community room at the Library. These meetings are

open to the public and those interested are encouraged to attend. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/2

Voter registration deadline for the Sept. 22 North Adams Preliminary City Election is Wednesday Sept. 2. This will be the last day to register to vote or make changes to the voter's lists. The City Clerk's office in City Hall will be open from 8 AM to 8PM on that day. To be eligible to vote a person must be 18 years of age or older on or before Election Day (Sept. 22, 2015), a citizen of the United States and a resident of North Adams. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/9

Court Margaret, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, will hold its 1st meeting of the new year on Weds. Sept. 9th at 6 PM, in St. Elizabeth's Parish Center in North Adams. A covered dish supper is planned by the officers, and the Court's itinerary for the year will be presented. Also, a silent bake sale is in progress. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/12

Josh Bressetta Commit to Save a Life and the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition will present the "Voices for Recovery 2015 Rally-Walk-Vigil" on Sat. Sept. 12 from 4-8 PM at Noel Field in North Adams. It's a community event to help raise awareness for recovery from substance abuse. It will include entertainment, activities for kids, a community walk, special guest speakers and a candlelight vigil. Food will be available for purchase. For more info, contact Weryd Penner at [wpenner@nbccoalition.org](mailto:wpenner@nbccoalition.org). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.



PSA KILL 8/30

This Sunday, Zumba in the Berkshires is teaming up with local hair stylists for the 4th Annual Hair-A-Thon. Free back to school haircuts will be provided from 1-4 PM at Union Station, 69 Union Street, North Adams, so that those who otherwise may not have been able to afford back to school haircuts for their children can send them back in style. All school age kids welcome!! For info call 663-0225. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/2

North Adams' Concerts at Windsor Lake present local favorites "Champaigne Jam" on Weds. Sept 2 at 6:30pm. Bring your picnic blankets or chairs, some snacks or a picnic dinner if you'd like, and enjoy the show! Parking is free. For more info call 664-6180 or email tourism@northadams-ma.gov . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/3

Northern Berkshire Retirees Club will meet at 10 AM Thursday September 3rd at the Greylock Community Club on State Rd., North Adams. Patricia Walsh from the Environmental Police will be the guest speaker. Coffee and doughnuts will be available. Any questions call 743-9476 or 663-9263. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/5

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "Beyond Words: A History of Writing" on Saturday September 5th at 3pm. The program will explore one of humanity's greatest inventions, these symbols that mimic what we say and think. Western Gateway Heritage State Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/6

Marc Simpson, former American Art curator at the Clark Art Institute, presents the lecture "The Mingling Blues of Mist and Night: Whistler's Nocturnes" on Sunday, September 6 at 3 pm at the Lunder Center at Stone Hill on the Clark's campus. The lecture coincides with the Clark's

exhibition Whistler's Mother: Grey, Black, and White, on view through September 27. For more information, visit [www.clarkart.edu](http://www.clarkart.edu) or call 458-2303. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/7

MCLA Center for Service and Citizenship is once again hosting a "School Supply Drive" to benefit local elementary school students. The community is invited to participate. Items needed include pencils and erasers, mechanical pencils, notebooks and journals, folders and binders, notebook paper, rulers, calculators, markers and crayons. Collection boxes will be in the Campus Center Marketplace, the MCLA Book Store, at the Information Desk in the Campus Center and on the third floor of the Campus Center. Donations may be brought to the Feigenbaum Center for Science and Innovation, room 132. The School Supply Drive will continue through Sept. 7. For more info contact Christopher at 662-5384. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/8

On Weds. Sept 9, Sweet Brook Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, 1561 Cold Spring Road, Williamstown will host a seminar on "Obtaining Social Security Disability Income: An Overview for Health Care Professionals". Registration/Continental Breakfast will run from 8-8:30 AM followed by the program from 8:30-10:30. Professional credits are available. For more info on fees and registration go to [www.berkshireahcc.org](http://www.berkshireahcc.org) or call 413-447-2417. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/11

"Mangia, Mangia!" Adams Community Bank's Walk To End Alzheimer's Team invites you and your friends to join them on Friday, Sept. 11th at the Richmond Grille in the Holiday Inn, North Adams From 5:30pm -8:30pm you'll enjoy Italian food stations, red and white sangrias, as well as a complimentary Italian wine tasting provided by Martignetti Wine Company from 5:30-7:30. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at any one of the Bank's 7 branch locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

## **SEPTEMBER 2015 WNAW COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD**

PSA KILL 9/14

Drury High School, Class of "52" is holding a Luncheon Reunion on Wed. Sept.16th at Noon at the Boston Seafood Restaurant. For more info. please call Shirley at 663-5516, Jean at 663-6070 or Betty at 662-2606. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/11

The Northern Berkshire Community Coalition's September Needs Assessment Forum will focus on identifying emerging and urgent issues in our community. Everyone in Northern Berkshire is invited and encouraged to bring their topics for discussion to the forum on Friday, September 11th, 10 to Noon, at the First Baptist Church in North Adams. Please use the Eagle Street entrance, and please bring a non-perishable item to benefit The Friendship Center Food pantry. Childcare can be available if you contact the Coalition office before September 7th. For more info, contact Liz Boland at 663-7588. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/14

The Northern Berkshire YMCA and Berkshire Health Systems announce a new program titled Matter of Balance which helps participants prevent and reduce their risk of falls. Class dates are Mondays and Tuesdays from Sept. 14-Oct. 6. at the UNO Community Center, 157 River St. in North Adams. Class size is limited. Registration is required. Please call 664-5057. This program is funded in part by a grant from Elder Services of Berkshire County, Inc. and the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/14

Wind-Up Fest is looking for volunteers! Presented by the Williamstown Film Festival, Wind-Up Fest is a nonfiction film and media festival that explores nonfiction in its many forms. It will run from Thurs. Oct. 15

through Sunday, Oct. 18. Volunteer opportunities are available before and during the festival. Please call Rebecca at 458-9700, Ext. 1 or email [windupfest@gmail.com](mailto:windupfest@gmail.com). Look for more info at [www.wind-up.org](http://www.wind-up.org). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/12

American Legion Post 29 will host a Steamship Round Dinner this Saturday at the Post Home, 120 Tunnel Street, Readsboro, VT. They'll have Hot Dogs, Hamburgers & Clam Chowder from Noon to 5 plus a Horseshow tournament at 1:00. Dinner served from 5 to 7PM, with a live band & outside bar. Tickets are \$20 for all day or \$5 for the band only. Tickets available at the Post Home or call Jeremy at 802-753-6785. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/12

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "The High Note...The Science & Culture of Music", this Saturday at 3pm. The Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/12

The Giant Tag Sale at the First Congregational Church of Williamstown will take place this Saturday from 9 am-2 pm in the church's Community Hall, 906 Main Street (Rt 2) in Williamstown. Plan to come early if you want first crack at the bargains on furniture, electronics, dishware and kitchen accessories, toys and games, lamps, rugs and more. There will be a special room for jewelry and antiques. The money raised goes directly to keeping the church in good condition for both congregational and community activities. The church is handicap accessible. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/17

The Adams Council on Aging will be hosting its 4th annual "Living Well Expo" on Thursday September 17th from 2-5 PM at the Senior &



Visitor Center at 3 Hoosac Street, Adams. Various local community agencies will have information on hand. There will be food, live music by Champagne Jam, raffles and door prizes. There is no cost for the event. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/21

Absentee ballots for the September 22nd North Adams Preliminary Election are now available at the City Clerk's Office. If you are unable to vote on Election Day you may stop by the office and vote any time during office hours, which are Mon-Fri. 8:00am to 4:30pm. If you cannot physically come in then you can send a request to have a ballot mailed to you, but please be sure to allow ample time for mailing. Absentee ballots are available until Noon Monday Sept 21. Ballots must be returned to the City Clerk's Office before the close of the polls. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/9

Summer weather wants to linger and so there will be 1 more free Concert at Windsor Lake! Tonight from 6:30-8 The Eagles Band will wrap up the series for this season. Pack a picnic, bring a chair or blanket, and enjoy the show. Parking is free, and swimming, fishing, kayaking, and canoeing are allowed at the lake. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/12

MCLA'S Berkshire Cultural Resource Center is bringing the 11-member Williamsburg Salsa Orchestra to town as the first performance of the 2015-16 "MCLA Presents!" season. They'll play this Saturday at 3 PM outside on the MCLA Quad, in front of newly renovated Bowman Hall. Tickets available online at [www.mcla.ticketleap.edu](http://www.mcla.ticketleap.edu) :\$12 for general admission, \$8 for MCLA Alumni, \$5 for staff and faculty and non-MCLA students, \$2 for MCLA students. "MCLA Presents!" members receive free admission. For more info, call 662-5320, or go to [www.mcla.edu/presents](http://www.mcla.edu/presents) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/13

"Color Change and Meaning in the Paintings of Vincent van Gogh," a free public lecture by Ann Hoenigswald, Senior Conservator of

Paintings at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC, will be held at the Clark Art Institute this Sunday at 3 pm. The lecture, which coincides with the final day of the Van Gogh and Nature exhibition, will be held at the Clark's Lunder Center at Stone Hill. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/22

Certified yoga instructor Mary Edgerton leads a series of yoga classes specially designed for seniors on Tuesdays, Sept. 22 and 29, and Oct. 6 and 13 at 11 am at the Clark Art Institute. Classes will be held at the Hunter Studio in the Lunder Center at Stone Hill on the Clark's campus. The cost is \$40 for all four classes (\$30 for Clark members), or drop in for \$12 per class (\$8 members). Visit [www.clarkart.edu](http://www.clarkart.edu) or call 458-0524 to register. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/25

On Saturday, September 26, Berkshire County Arc's Down Syndrome Family Group will host the ninth annual "Buddy Walk of the Berkshires". It's to promote awareness and inclusion of people with Down syndrome and to fundraise for those with Down syndrome who reside in Berkshire County. Registration starts at 10 AM at Craneville Elementary School in Dalton. The walk starts at 11, followed by a family BBQ with music, raffles and children's activities. Registration is free. For more info contact Jessica at 413-464-7262, ext. 12 or [jdennis@bcarc.org](mailto:jdennis@bcarc.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/26

The Friends of the North Adams Public Library will hold their annual Book Sale on Friday and Saturday Sept. 25-26 from 9-4 at St. Elizabeth's Parish Center. Come and explore the thousands of clean, well-sorted books, taste some delicious baked goods and help support your local library. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/1

This year celebrates 60 years of the Northern Berkshire Fall Foliage Parade. For its 60th year the parade theme encompasses any theme from the past 59 years. All past Grand Marshals are invited to return this year to lead the parade on Sunday Oct. 4. Any past Fall Foliage

Queens or Parade banner carriers are also invited to walk in this year's parade. And if you'd like to make this your 1<sup>st</sup> parade as a banner carrier, the committee would love to hear from you. Participant applications are available at [www.fallfoliageparade.com](http://www.fallfoliageparade.com) . For more information contact: Danielle Thomas at 413-499-4000, ext. 126 or Suzy Helme at 664-6180, or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/12

Local historian Paul W. Marino will lead a walking tour of North Adams' Hill Side Cemetery tomorrow (Sat). It will cover the north section only. It starts at 2:30 at the top of the hill off Brown Street. Dress for the weather, wear sun block, a good pair of walking shoes and a hat with a wide brim, carry some water, bring the kids and "be prepared to have your ears talked off". Rain or high winds will cancel the walk. For information, Marino can be reached at 413-207-1344. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/20

In honor of Car Free Week and the Clean Air Challenge, Mass DCR will host a free bike safety and repair program. It'll be on Sat., Sept 20 from 11-1 at the end of the Ashuwillticook Bike Trail next to the Adams Visitors Center on Hoosac St. Flats, brakes, gears, safety and security are some of the topics you'll learn about. Be sure to bring your helmet—and your bike. Good for all ages, but all children must be accompanied by an adult. Rain date is Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>. For more info or in case of inclement weather, call Jude at 413-499-4262 or email [jude.stull@state.ma.us](mailto:jude.stull@state.ma.us) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/27

PopCares 4Th Annual Chicken Dinner and Live Auction will be on Sat., October 3rd from 5:30-Midnight at Bounti-Fare in Adams. Tickets are \$25 each and must be purchased in advance. They're expected to sell out quickly so call 413-281-1094 today or go to [www.PopCares.org](http://www.PopCares.org) and pay with the donation option. Bed sure to include your info and amount of tickets you will need. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/15

The North County Cares Coalition will host a North Adams Mayoral Candidates Forum at the American Legion on the Future of Health Care and the Economy in Northern Berkshire County. It will be this Tuesday, Sept. 15 from 7-to 8:30 PM. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/17

This Friday at 11 AM take a "Discover Greylock Hike" with Mt. Greylock State Reservation Park Interpreter Mike, and you'll explore many of the exciting and hidden treasures of Mount Greylock. Be prepared for the weather, wear sturdy footwear; bring a lunch, bug spray and drinking water. The hike is free; for more info call 413-499-4262. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/17

MCLA will observe the 228th anniversary of the enactment of the U.S. Constitution this Thursday, with a talk by Bruce K. Miller, a professor at Western New England University's School of Law. Miller's talk is titled, "Does the Constitution Protect Religious Objections to Accommodating LGBT Rights?" It's at 5 p.m. in Murdock Hall, room 218 and is free and open to the public. For more info, go to [www.mcla.edu](http://www.mcla.edu) or call 662-5549. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/19

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an Autumn Equinox Astronomy illustrated lecture: "Outreach: Space Probes" on Saturday September 19th at 3pm. The lecture will trace the history of space probes and what they have discovered about our Universe and about us. The Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/20

There will be an All U Can Eat Breakfast, sponsored by Naomi Chapter No. 17, Order of Eastern Star, this Sunday from 8-11:30 at the Masonic Building, 172 Church St., North Adams. \$8 for adults and \$4 for kids under 10 will get you Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fries, French Toast & Pancakes including their Special Pancake of the

Month -Apple, and more! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/22

The Hoosac Valley High School Guidance Dept. invites parents and guardians to College Night, Tuesday Sept. 22 at 6 PM in the Hoosac Valley Resource Center. Valuable information including how to navigate the college board, step by step college application instructions and other important topics will be discussed. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/22

The Preliminary Election for Mayor of North Adams is Tuesday Sept. 22. Polls will be open from 9 AM-7 PM at St. Elizabeth's Parish Center for wards 1,2,3 and 5, and at the Greylock School in Ward 4. Absentee ballots are available from the City Clerk's office until Noon Monday, and must be returned by the close of the polls on Tuesday. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/23

North Adams Commons Nursing & Rehabilitation Center will be hosting an event on Wednesday, Sept. 23 from 10-Noon on Fall Prevention and Awareness. Longtime physical therapist Robin Nassif will be leading a couple of group exercises in the lobby to help people prevent falls, a leading cause of injury and even death among those 65 and older. You are welcome to attend part or all of the session. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/23

UCP of Berkshire County is offering a free workshop called "Powerful Tools for Caregivers" for anyone who might be a full-time or part-time caregiver to a child or adult with physical or developmental disabilities, or senior relatives. The series runs for 6 Wednesdays starting Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 5:30pm at UCP's Pittsfield office at 208 West St. For more info or to register, contact Cindy Smith-Corbett at 664-9345, ext. 23 or email [csmith-corbett@ucpberkshire.org](mailto:csmith-corbett@ucpberkshire.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.



PSA KILL 9/24

You're invited to "Get down with Downstreet Art" one last time this season this coming Thursday, Sept. 24, from 6-9 PM. The final DownStreet Art Thursday of 2015 will include permanent and pop-up gallery receptions, performances and many special events, all free and open to the public. DownStreet Art is a program of MCLA's Berkshire Cultural Resource Center. For more info go to [www.downstreetart.org](http://www.downstreetart.org). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/26

Williams College Museum of Art will feature artist Jon Rubin as the Annual Plonsker Family Lecturer in Contemporary Art. The public lecture will take place on Saturday, Sept. 26, at 3 p.m. in WCMA's Lawrence Auditorium. This event is free and open to the public. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/30

The annual Fall Foliage Festival Ziti Supper will take place Wednesday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> from 4-7pm at St. Elizabeth's Parish Center, North Adams. Tickets are \$8, \$7 for seniors & children 12 and under.

(Note: the Dinner IS WEDS this year, not Thursday as in prior years)

If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/23

A film series that focuses on social change will kick off on Wednesday, Sept. 23, at Images Cinema with a showing of The Punk Singer at 7 PM. The Social Change Film Series is being hosted by the Davis Center at Williams College, and will feature a different film each month. Faculty will hold a discussion after each film. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/26

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "The Strange & Curious Museum" this Saturday at 3PM. It will investigate the sometimes strange and curious artifacts and specimens housed in museums around the world.

Western Gateway Heritage State Park is just south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/27

Clarksburg VFW will hold a Pancake Breakfast this Sunday from 7-11 at the Post Home, 144 River Rd. (Rte. 8). \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 5. Parking is available across the street at Town Hall. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/26

North Adams will host the Annual Northern Berkshire Fall Electronic Recycling & Paper Shredding Event, this Saturday from 9AM-1PM at the Steeple City Plaza parking lot adjacent to All Saints Episcopal Church. "Everything with a plug, working or not" may be recycled. Fees will be 5 to \$15 for most electronics and 10 to \$90 for TV's and large items. Paper Shredding will also be offered on-site from 10-1, by the bag or truckload. A free-will donation is requested. Proceeds will support All Saints Episcopal Church. This is open to all residents, schools and businesses in North Adams, Adams, Williamstown and surrounding communities. For more details, email [allsaintsberkshires@verizon.net](mailto:allsaintsberkshires@verizon.net) or go online to [www.allsaintsberkshires.org](http://www.allsaintsberkshires.org). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/27

You're invited to the annual Fall Festival at the Hopkins Forest in Williamstown, this Sunday from 1 to 4. This free event celebrates the changing of the seasons and the bounty of our wooded environments and features music, apple butter and cider production, refreshments, an active honey bee hive, and children's activities including a crafts table and more. You'll find Hopkins Forest at the junction of Northwest Hill Road and Bulkley Street in Williamstown. For more info call 597-4353. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/28

The Friends of the North Adams Library will meet Monday Sept 28th at 3:30 PM in the community room at the Library. These meetings are open to the public and those interested are encouraged to attend. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/1

Author and Williams College alum Jeff Speck will appear at Williams and MCLA in back-to-back appearances that focus on his book, "Walkable City: How Downtown Can Save America, One Step at a Time." He'll be at Williams' Lawrence Hall on Weds. Sept 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 and at MCLA's Church Street Center Auditorium at 7 PM Thurs. Oct. 1. Speck will sign copies of his book, "Walkable City" following each lecture. Both events are free and open to the public. For more info, go to [www.mcla.edu](http://www.mcla.edu) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/22

**TONIGHT AT BOUNTI FARE 4:30-7:30:** A spaghetti supper to benefit the Noah William Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund. (Noah's the 8 yr.old who was killed in a traffic accident in June). Tickets are \$10 each, with special family pricing available. There will also be a 50-50 and raffles for gift baskets and a recliner. For more info on this & future events go to [www.noahbrownscholarship.com](http://www.noahbrownscholarship.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/10

Sweet Brook Rehabilitation & Nursing Center is hosting its inaugural Fall Festival from 10 to 3 on Saturday, October 10th at the facility, 1561 Cold Spring Road (Route 7). The event is free and open to the public, and will include food and refreshments, like apple cider, chili, burgers, hot dogs, popcorn and more. For the kids, there will be a bouncy house, games, face painting and more. For more info, contact Sweet Brook at 458-8127 or log onto [www.sweetbrookberkshires.com](http://www.sweetbrookberkshires.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/26

Join the United Neighborhood Organization from Noon-2 this Saturday for their Annual Community Block Party at the community pizza oven in the garden across from the Porches Inn on River St. All are welcome and it's free! Just bring your smile and community spirit and celebrate with some brick oven pizza. For more info call 663-7588 or go to [www.facebook.com/nbcccoalition](http://www.facebook.com/nbcccoalition) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/27

As part of the Fall Foliage Festival of Events, the Children's Races and Family Fair take place this Sunday from 10-Noon at Noel Field on State Street, North Adams. Race registration will be at 10:30. Coordinated by The Youth Center Inc. and BCAC, this free event is open to all ages, with race categories for various age groups, and awards for group winners. The fair includes obstacle courses, games, give-a-ways, entertainment, and food. Children's Fair booths are hosted by local community organizations. For more details call 663-9062. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/26

This Saturday is Drug Take Back Day, time for the Prescription Rx Round-up!. Community coalitions from across the county have joined forces to host the event. The North county drop-off location is the Adams Police Station, at 4 School St., from 10 AM-2 PM. Drop off boxes are also available anytime at the Adams, North Adams and Williamstown police stations. Anyone with unused, unwanted and expired prescription, over-the-counter and controlled medications should stop by to dispose of them safely. Personal needles are also accepted in puncture proof plastic containers. For more info, contact Wendy Penner at [wpenner@nbccoalition.org](mailto:wpenner@nbccoalition.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/29

On Tuesday September 29 at 7 PM there will be a College Prep Information Night at the Williams Inn. Joshua Mendel, senior associate director of Admissions at MCLA , will present an information session on all aspects of the college search and application process. The free event is being sponsored by Adams Community Bank. Registration is requested by calling Kris Bona at 749-1165 or email: [kbona@adamscommunity.com](mailto:kbona@adamscommunity.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/26

The Annual ABC (A Better Community) Clothing Sale is this Saturday from 9- 2 at the First Congregational Church, on Main St (Rte. 2) in Williamstown. Great clothes and great prices! This year's Clothing Sale will benefit five local charities. For more info go to [www.facebook.com/abcclothingsale](http://www.facebook.com/abcclothingsale) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/30

BerkshireWorks Annual Job Fair will be held on September 30th from 9 am-1 pm at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, One West Street in Pittsfield. Free & open to the public, it's a great opportunity to meet with hiring managers from a variety of area organizations and businesses. No registration necessary. Bring copies of your resume and dress for success. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 9/29

The last day that the Workers Assistance Center in North Adams is scheduled to be open is Wednesday, September 30th. The North Adams Regional Hospital Workers' Assistance Center is open Mondays through Thursdays, 9 to 2, and for those affected by the NARH layoffs it's open Fridays 9 to 2 for job search assistance. Services include resume critique, interview preparation, career counseling, online job application assistance, and more. Walk-ins welcome! Come to Room 101 in North Adams City Hall or call 413-672-0097. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/30

The Berkshire Food Project in North Adams needs volunteers! Volunteers are needed between the hours of 9-2 each Monday-Friday. You can choose which day and how many hours you have available. Get more information by calling Valerie or Sally at 664-7378. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/2

The Fall Foliage Festival's Annual Children's Parade is this Friday in Downtown North Adams. Children from throughout the Northern Berkshires are encouraged to make costumes and enter the parade. This year's theme celebrates the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fall Foliage Parade. Participants must arrive at the corner of Main and Eagle streets at 5 PM. Parade begins at 5:30 and will proceed along Main St. to City Hall where ribbons will be awarded. Group and float winners will be invited to participate in the Fall Foliage Parade on Sunday. For info call (413) 346-7196 or look under "Things to do" at [www.explorenorthadams.com](http://www.explorenorthadams.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.



PSA KILL 10/3

This Saturday, the North Adams Farmers Market invites you to Bring Your Dog to the Market. It runs from 9AM-1PM in the Municipal Parking Lot at the corner of Marshall Street and St. Anthony Drive. Special market vendors will include animal rescue agencies and animal-themed products. As always, you can find fresh fruits and vegetables, cheese, canned goods, baked goods, eggs, and meat. For more information or a schedule of events, look under "Things to do" at [www.explorenorthadams.com](http://www.explorenorthadams.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/3

Be sure to visit the Fall Foliage Craft Fair this Saturday in Downtown North Adams. It will set up on Main St. between Holden & Eagle from 9-3. Shop at dozens of local artisan and crafter booths while enjoying a fall day in the Berkshires. For info please call 413-664-6180 or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/3

The Fraternal Order of Eagles will be holding a Tag Sale at their lodge, 515 Curran Highway, North Adams. It's this Saturday from 9-1. All proceeds go to local charities. Call 664-9043 for more info. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/3

While you're out enjoying the Fall Foliage Festival events this Saturday don't forget about the Fall Bazaar at VFW Post 996, on the Mohawk Trail in North Adams. It'll run from 10-3 with something for everyone: Chinese Auction, Fish Bowl, Raffles, Baked Goods, Fried Dough, Hot Dogs & more! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/3

North Adams' Fall Foliage Festival of Events continues this Saturday with the 6th Annual Dog Parade. Registration starts at 10 AM at Veterans Memorial Park at the corner of Eagle Street and Route 2. The

parade starts at 10:30, winding up at the North Adams Farmers Market. It's FREE but donations to local animal rescues are accepted. Owners are encouraged to make costumes inspired by any theme from the past 59 years of the Fall Foliage Parade. Ribbons will be given to all participants and special prizes will be awarded. Winners will be invited to march in the Fall Foliage Parade on Sunday. For a list of Festival events, look under "Things to do" at [www.explorenorthadams.com](http://www.explorenorthadams.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/3

The 7<sup>th</sup> annual Fall Bazaar at the Stamford Community Church is this Saturday from 10-5. Enjoy the silent auction, Chinese auctions for both kids and adults, tag sale, many raffles, hand-crafted items and much more. There will be children's games, a fish bowl and popcorn. Come for lunch of hot soups, hot dogs and desserts . The Church Boutique will be open too, from 9-1. Rain or shine, it's all under cover! Stamford Community Church is at 1059 Main Rd., Stamford VT. If it's happening in the Berkshires, or nearby southern VT, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 11/21

Starting this Sat. Oct.3 and every Saturday through Nov.21 you'll be able to tour the Blackinton Mansion (now the North Adams Public Library) and find out about its historic past. Each tour will start at 2PM at the Church St. entrance, and take about 90 minutes. Tours are \$5 per person with funds going to the Library Building Fund through the Friends of the North Adams Public Library. Tour group sizes will be limited so reservations are suggested. Please call Mindy or Robin at the Library: 662-3133. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/1

Northern Berkshire Retirees Club will meet at 10 AM this Thursday at the Greylock Community Club on State Road. There will be a guest speaker, and coffee and doughnuts will be available. Any questions call 743-9476 or 663-9263. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/1

The United Neighborhood Organization (UNO), the oldest neighborhood association in Northern Berkshires, will be celebrating their 25th anniversary this Thursday from 5 to 7 PM at their Community Center on River St. It will be an opportunity for all past and present residents of UNO to come together to celebrate the hard work, share memories, and dream about what the future could hold. Cake and other light refreshments will be served. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/3

As part of Massachusetts Archaeology Month, the DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "Archaeology and the Atomic Bomb, this Saturday at 3pm. (2015 marks the 70th Anniversary of the Atomic Bomb and archeologists are working to document the era). The Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/10

Relay For Life team Soul Sisters and Brothers will hold Tag Sales on October 3rd and 10th from 9-2, weather permitting, at 217 Main Street, Williamstown. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/6

St. Elizabeth Rosary Society will meet on Oct 6 at 6pm in the Parish Center. New members are welcome. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/16

The Northern Berkshire Community Coalition will host the Fall Neighborlies celebration on Wednesday, October 21st from 5 to 6:30 PM at the Congregation Beth Israel Synagogue, 53 Lois Street in North Adams. Residents are invited to nominate people of all ages who have performed acts of kindness or made a positive difference in their lives, in their neighborhoods or in their community. Nominations will be accepted through Oct. 17. Please visit [www.nbccoalition.org](http://www.nbccoalition.org) for more details or call Annie Rodgers at NBCC: 663-7588 for more information. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/16

Northern Berkshire Habitat for Humanity is having its annual Fall Harvest Supper, at 6 PM Saturday, October 17 at the First Congregational Church on Main Street in Williamstown. Enjoy a fresh, local farm-sourced buffet and great entertainment. Tickets are \$25 each or 2 for \$40; \$15 each for children under 12. They're available at several locations including First Congregational Church in Williamstown and at Habitat's office in North Adams, 61 Main Street, Suite 244. Call 664-4440 for more information. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/3

The Cheshire United Methodist Church, 197 Church St., will be holding its annual Harvest Bazaar this Saturday from 9-2. It will include a silent auction with bidding open until 1:00, tables of handcrafts, books, videos, CD's, baked goods and a tag sale. Lunch will be served from 11:30-1. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/5

The Williamstown Grange #366 will present the 2015-16 Community Citizen Award to Valerie Schwarz, director of the Berkshire Food Project on Wednesday Oct.7 at Sheep Hill on Route 7 South in Williamstown. A covered dish supper will be served at 6:30. To RSVP call Nancy at 663-6083 by Monday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/7

The '62 Center for Theatre and Dance at Williams College will host the Taiwanese performance group "A Moving Sound," from Oct. 6-8. The group will lead a tai chi and dance workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 4:10 PM on the '62 Center's MainStage. They will perform on Thurs., Oct. 8, at 7 PM in the Adams Memorial Theatre. Both events are free and open to the public. The Oct.7 tai chi and dance workshop requires an online registration at [www.asian-studies.williams.edu](http://www.asian-studies.williams.edu). The Oct. 8 performance requires tickets from the Williams '62 Center Box Office, open Tues-Sat, 1-5 PM or call (413) 597-2425. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/6

The UNITY Program of the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition is once again offering their Youth Leadership Program and Teen Writing Workshop. All UNITY programs are free and open to young people ages 14-19 that attend school or live in northern Berkshire County. They are still accepting sign ups for this year's programs, which begin Oct 6 and 7. For more info call 663-7588 or visit [www.nbccoalition.org](http://www.nbccoalition.org) If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/9

The MCLA Wind Ensemble is inviting members of the community to join them. All local residents, from high school age and up, are welcome to join. The group meets on Tuesday evenings, 6:30-7:30 on the first floor of the MCLA Church Street Center. The ensemble will perform its Annual Winter Concert on Monday, Dec. 7. For more information contact the Department of Fine and Performing Arts, 662-5255 or email [fpa@mcla.edu](mailto:fpa@mcla.edu) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.



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PSA KILL 8/31

The Salvation Army on River St., North Adams is hosting a canned goods pantry every Monday and Wednesday from 11AM-Noon, and Tuesdays from 1-2 PM. Please bring an ID with you when you come in. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/3

Have some fun on the 4<sup>th</sup> in Williamstown! Celebrate America's birthday (and the town's 250<sup>th</sup>!) with a 2.50K Birthday Fun Run/Walk starting at 9:30 from Nature's Closet on Spring St. The Hometown Parade starts on Southworth St. at 11 AM & makes its way to the Spring St. Parking lot for a free community BBQ and concert by the Patriot Brass Band. And at 1:30 at the Chapin Library, actors from the Williamstown Theatre Festival present a reading of our nation's Founding Documents. The Farmers Market will also be open from 9-1 as usual Saturday in the Spring St. parking lot. For more info, or to join the parade, contact Williamstown Chamber of Commerce at 458-9077 or email [info@williamstownchamber.com](mailto:info@williamstownchamber.com). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/26

Williamstown's 9<sup>th</sup> annual Family Flicks Under the Stars outdoor film series will take place on Sunday evenings in July. Presented by Images Cinema, the free movies will be shown at sundown on the Morgan Lawn at the top of Spring St. Concessions will be sold or you may bring your own theater snacks. In case of rain, films will be shown at Images at 8 PM. Outdoor yoga will also be offered at 7 PM, weather permitting. Scheduled features are:

7/5: Pitch Perfect                      7/12: Fantastic Mr. Fox

7/19: Viva Las Vegas                  7/26: Pretty in Pink

If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/28

Free live concerts return to the Clark Art Institute every Tuesday in July at 6 pm. Bands will play on a hill adjacent to the Clark Center. Barbecue fare will be for sale; concertgoers may also bring picnic meals to enjoy on the grounds. Kicking off the series on July 7 is Girl Howdy, a five-piece honky-tonk dance band; On July 14, it's funk and jam band Primate Fiasco; Daddy-O! plays 50's-style rock and roll, doo-wop and R-and-B on July 21; and the series wraps on July 28 with gypsy swing, jazz and fusion band Occidental Gypsy. More info at [www.clarkart.edu](http://www.clarkart.edu) or call 458-2303. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/2

American Legion Post 90 in Pownal VT announces there will be no bingo this Thursday July 2, due to the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. It will resume next Thursday. If it's happening in the Berkshires or nearby Southern VT, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/3

BRTA fixed route buses will be running on a regular schedule on Friday July 3rd. However, there will be no BRTA bus service on Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, and the Administrative Office will be closed both Friday and Saturday. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/4

The Department of Conservation & Recreation's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present "The Glorious Fourth ... A History" on Saturday July 4th at 3pm. Celebrate the Fourth of July with a star spangled illustrated lecture exploring its glorious history. Western Gateway Heritage State Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/6

The Adams Free Library invites you to join them on Tuesday, July 7th for the "Zoo on the Go." This free outreach program from the Zoo in Forest Park provides live animals, biofacts, and fun hands-on learning for children ages 5 and up. Registration is required and space is

limited, so please call the library at 743-8345 or stop in to register for this program. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/9

Court Margaret Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold its annual indoor picnic on Thursday July 9 at 1 PM in St. Elizabeth's parish center. Please bring your own lunch to enjoy; beverages will be provided. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/8

The Concerts at Windsor Lake are back for another summer of fantastic music and great family fun. This year's concerts continue this Weds. July 8 at 6:30 with Moonshine Holler. The series runs every Wednesday at 6:30pm through Sept 2nd (except Aug. 12). Bring blankets or chairs; Concessions are available, but you're welcome to bring your own food. Parking is free, and swimming, fishing, kayaking, and canoeing are allowed at the lake. For more info call 664-6180 or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/17

The AYJ Fund- Dana Farber Mini Golf Tournament will be held at The Range in North Adams on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> starting at Noon. This family friendly event is being held to support children's brain cancer research, and is part of Jimmy Fund Golf, one of the largest organized golf programs in the U.S. It is open to the public and will also feature Fatboys Hot Dog Cart, face painting, a Chinese auction, and more. Registration is \$ 12 the day of the event. To sign up or for more info, please contact Kathy Arabia at 413-652-1602, or visit [www.AYJfund.org](http://www.AYJfund.org) or look for "AYJ Fund" on Facebook. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/10

Signups for Northern Berkshire Community Coalition's Summer Neighborhood Basketball League are underway! This is a free, non-competitive league for boys & girls ages 8-12 & 13-16. All games will be played outside at neighborhood courts during the month of July. Transportation can be provided. Sign up by calling Liz Boland at 663-

7588 or email at [lboland@nbccoalition.org](mailto:lboland@nbccoalition.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/10

Visit Downtown North Adams on July 10 to experience the Eagle St. Beach! More than 250,000 pounds of sand, donated by Specialty Minerals and delivered by the City of North Adams will be spread curb to curb for the entire length of Eagle Street. The family-friendly beach party with sand sculpting and more runs from 3:30 – 6:30 and the adult-oriented fiesta, complete with margaritas served on the beach, takes place from 7-10pm. For more information go online to [www.explorenorthadams.com](http://www.explorenorthadams.com) or call the North Adams Office of Community Events: 664-6180. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/30

The Mass. DCR's Clarksburg State Park offers Nature Walks on Thursdays at 10AM during the month of July. You're invited to experience the history, beauty and diversity of nature with a series of interpreter-guided history & nature walks around the Pond at Clarksburg State Park. All walks meet at the Pond. Clarksburg State Park is located at 1199 Middle Road in Clarksburg. Info: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/25

View the stars from the summit of Mount Greylock on Saturday, July 25 from 9-11 PM. The program is FREE, wheelchair accessible, appropriate for all ages and cancelled only if there is heavy cloud cover or rain. Check [www.mtgreylockstarparty.org](http://www.mtgreylockstarparty.org) after 1 PM on the 25th for status. Wear warm clothing for cool evening temperatures. Flashlights for walking are recommended. Meet on the summit near the War Memorial Tower. A number of telescopes will be available for use, with the help of the Amherst Area Amateur Astronomers. For more info call the Mt. Greylock Visitor Center: (413) 499-4262. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/8

The Family Center of Northern Berkshire County is having its Book Mobile program again this summer. Each child who comes can pick out

a free book to keep. This week's schedule takes it to Lanesboro Elementary School, Weds. July 8th from Noon-12:30; then to Cheshire Elementary School from 1-1:30. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/11

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present "Trinity - 70th anniversary", this Saturday July 11th at 3pm. This illustrated lecture will take us back 70 years to the beginning of the atomic age with the testing of the first Atomic Bomb - code name Trinity. That early morning test in a New Mexico desert changed the world forever. Western Gateway Heritage State Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/11

The Drury High School Band will be holding a summer bottle drive fundraiser this Saturday July 11th from 9am-1:30 pm. Band members and band parents will be canvassing North Adams neighborhoods picking up cans in order to fundraise for the band's upcoming trip to Washington DC in 2016. Bottles and cans can also be dropped off at the Northern Berkshire Container Redemption Center on Massachusetts Ave. during those times. Bottle and can pick up can also be requested by calling Tom Bernard at 664-4932 or emailing [drurybandparents@gmail.com](mailto:drurybandparents@gmail.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/11

"Cars for Kids" charity car, truck and motorcycle show to benefit Berkshire Co. Kids' Place will be held rain or shine this Saturday July 11 from 8:30 AM-1 PM at Jiminy Peak in Hancock. All cars, trucks and cycles are welcome for a \$15 registration fee, starting at 8 AM. The public is welcome free of charge to check out the show, which will have food and beverages, DJ music, a bake sale, bucket raffle, 50-50 and more. The event is being organized by Corvettes of Berkshire so for more info you can Email: [info@corvettesofberkshire.org](mailto:info@corvettesofberkshire.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.



PSA KILL 7/18

Williamstown Rural Lands Foundation, 671 Cold Springs Road has free nature programs for adults and children of all ages. Saturdays July 11 and 18 from 10am-12noon a naturalist will be available for Drop-in Nature Discovery programs. And Saturday afternoons, a series of interpretive hikes will explore the natural and cultural history of the diverse ecosystems protected by the Williamstown Rural Lands Foundation. For more info go to [www.wrlf.org](http://www.wrlf.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/10

Friends of the North Adams Public Library present "Music at the Mansion", a series of free summer concerts on the lawn of the library. On Friday July 10 at 6 PM, enjoy the sounds of Champagne Jam. Bring a chair or blanket, maybe a picnic dinner or your dancing shoes and enjoy the show! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/11

Stamford Community Church BOUTIQUE will be open this Saturday July 11 from 9-Noon, featuring gently used summer clothing, dishes and books. Proceeds will benefit the missions. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/12

The Town of Adams free concert series kicks off this Sunday at the Adams Visitor Center, with the band WYKYD playing from 4-7 PM. As an Opening Day special, food and drinks from the Adams Ale House will be available for purchase. The free concerts will run every Sunday through August 23rd. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/14

The Family Center of Northern Berkshire County is continuing its Book Mobile program again this summer, with 30 minute stops scheduled in each community. Each child who comes can pick out a free book to keep. This week's schedule takes it to Williamstown Elementary School on July 13th at 2:00 and Hancock Elementary School at 3 PM. Then Tuesday July 14th the Bookmobile will stop at 10 AM at CT Plunkett School in Adams, and at Noon at the Emma Miller School in

Savoy. Visits to North Adams and Clarksburg are planned for later in the week. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/16

The Family Center of Northern Berkshire County is continuing its Book Mobile program again this summer, with 30 minute stops scheduled in each community. Each child who comes can pick out a free book to keep. This week's schedule includes stops on Weds. July 15th at 1:00 at Mohawk Forest Apartments in N. Adams and 2 PM at the UNO Community Center in N. Adams. The Bookmobile will also visit Clarksburg Elementary School Thursday July 16th at 10 AM. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/16

Adams Free Library will celebrate the Summer Reading Program by presenting Parents' Choice Award winning performers Davis Bates & Roger Tincknell in "A Song and Story Celebration". Appropriate for all ages, it'll be at the Adams Free Library on Thursday, July 16 starting at 6:30 pm. For more information call 743-8345. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/17

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of Berkshire County is holding its 17th Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser on Monday, August 3rd at Berkshire Hills Country Club in Pittsfield. Players can sign up as individuals or as a team of four. The \$130 per-golfer entry fee includes green fees, golf cart, lunch, buffet dinner and gift bag. This year UCP has added a \$30 dinner only ticket. Additional sponsorships are also available. The deadline to register is Friday, July 17 or until all slots are filled. For more info call Kristen Baker or Joni Thomas, 413-442-1562 or visit [www.ucpberkshire.org](http://www.ucpberkshire.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/26

The LaFesta Baseball Exchange is celebrating 25 years of youth baseball between North Adams/Adams Babe Ruth players and the Boston North End Dodgers. Games will be played at Joe Wolfe Field Sat. July 25 at 6 PM and Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM. Everyone is invited to see some great baseball, and a special invitation is going out to all

LaFesta baseball alumni and their families to participate in opening ceremonies before the game on July 25<sup>th</sup>. Call George Canales for more info: 664-6542. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/7

BFAIR's 5th Annual Miniature Golf Tournament will be on Saturday, August 8, at The Range in North Adams. The fundraiser includes lunch, a t-shirt, and a round of miniature golf, plus raffle prizes from local merchants and businesses. Golf start times will be 11:30am and 1pm. Register as a team of two, or individually: \$25 for adults, \$10 for children, ages 6-12, and children under 5 play for free. To sponsor the Tournament or to register to play, visit [www.bfair.org](http://www.bfair.org) or call them at 664-9382. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/10

The Williams College Summer Theatre Lab is back for its 11th season in residence at the CenterStage of the '62 Center for Theatre and Dance. Featuring works created, produced and performed by Williams students in collaboration with visiting artists and alumni professionals, performances are free and open to the public. The season ends with Open Lab Weekend, a festival of productions and projects that takes place on August 13th, 14th, and 15th. For more info, contact the Lab at [WCSTLAB@gmail.com](mailto:WCSTLAB@gmail.com) or look for them on Facebook: WCSTL. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/30

Friends of the North Adams Public Library are accepting donations of books, CDs, DVDs and audio books for their annual sale on Sept. 25-26 at St. Elizabeth of Hungary parish hall. Donations, clean and in good condition, may be dropped off at the library before Sept. 1 during regular library hours. If you'd like to help out before or during the sale, volunteer forms will be available after August 1<sup>st</sup>. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/11

An ice cream fundraiser to benefit the Stamford Volunteer Fire Department will be held this Saturday from 5- 8 PM at the Stamford

Fire House on Stebbins Lane in Stamford. There will be ice cream cones, hot fudge and mocha sundaes to purchase. Come treat yourself and support your volunteer firemen! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 10/4

The Adams Farmers and Artisans Market opens THIS SUNDAY 7/12 and will be open every Sunday from 9-1 at the Adams Visitors Center, through Oct. 4. Stop by and check out the variety of locally grown and produced items. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/18

The Florida Volunteer Fireman's Association is sponsoring their 4th Annual Pig Roast on Saturday, July 18th beginning at 3 PM at the Greylock Community Club, 548 State Road, North Adams. There will be children's activities and horseshoes. On the menu: pork, corn, macaroni salad, baked beans, corn bread and cake. (hot dog or hamburger can be substituted for pork). Tickets are \$10 per person and are available from any Florida firefighter or by calling 664-9014. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/15

The Concerts at Windsor Lake are back for another summer of fantastic music and great family fun. This Weds. at 6:30, Rakish Paddy plays for your enjoyment. The series runs every Wednesday at 6:30pm through Sept 2nd (except Aug. 12). Bring blankets or chairs; Concessions are available, but you're welcome to bring your own food. Parking is free, and swimming, fishing, kayaking, and canoeing are allowed at the lake. For more info call 664-6180 or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/16

There's family fun in Cheshire this Thurs. evening as the Cheshire Community Association presents a Summer Music Block Party, from 6-8 PM at Town Hall Center. Enjoy music from David Grover, Linda Worster and Puggy Demary, roving clown Clyde D. Scope, plus a free raffle for great local items. Food and ice cream will be for sale. Park

at St. Mary's Church, bring your lawn chairs out and have fun! Call 413-717-0673 for more info. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/18

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present the illustrated lecture, "Look! It's a Bird? ... It's a Plane? ... It's SuperFish!" on Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM. The program will explore the natural history of flying fish. Western Gateway Heritage State Park is located south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/19

The Town of Adams free concert series continues this Sunday at the Adams Visitor Center, with Tom Corrigan and Friends playing from 4-6 PM. The concerts will run every Sunday through August 23rd. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/19

There will be an All U Can Eat Breakfast, sponsored by Naomi Chapter No. 17, Order of Eastern Star, this Sunday July 19 from 8-11:30 at the Masonic Building, 172 Church St., North Adams. \$8 for adults and \$4 for kids under 10 will get you Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fries, French Toast & Pancakes including their Special Pancake of the Month - Hawaiian ! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/22

As part of their children's summer reading program, you're invited to the Adams Free Library as they host Jody Scalise- "Motion Man". Be prepared for a morning of physical comedy, magic, mime, illusion, circus and more. This event will be held at the Adams Free Library on Wednesday July 22 at 10:30 am. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.



PSA KILL 7/25

The 20th annual Jimmy Bernardo Memorial Ride will be Saturday July 25. It's to benefit Berkshire County Kids Place. Bike registration and check in begins at 9 AM at Kids Place, 63 Wendell Ave., Pittsfield, and the ride begins at 11AM sharp. Pre-registration is encouraged online at [www.kidsplaceonline.org](http://www.kidsplaceonline.org) . The day will also include a post-ride party at Bousquet from Noon-6, with food, drink and live music by 5 great local bands including Whiskey City and WYKYD. The party is free to registered riders, and \$5 per person for the general public or \$20 per family of 2 adults and up to 4 kids. For more info call 413-499-2800. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/25

As part of Adams' Susan B. Anthony Days, the 32<sup>ND</sup> annual Pedal and Plod Road Race is scheduled for Sunday July 26th. Pre-registration is closed but race day registration will be at the Masonic Temple on Center St. starting at 7 AM. The race begins at 8:30 from the Adams Town Common. For info call 743-8300 Ext. 176 or go to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/20

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual North Adams Masonic Fishing Derby is coming up on Saturday Aug. 22 from 8AM-3 PM on Windsor Lake ("Fish Pond") in North Adams. Open to all ages, prizes will be awarded in 3 categories: 7 yrs. old and younger, age 8-13 and 14 and up. Entry is \$8 per person. Please call 413-652-5467. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/29

The Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum, 67 East Rd., Adams holds a Children's Story and Craft Hour at 11 AM Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> and then every Saturday in August. The Museum is open Thursdays through Mondays 10 AM -4 PM; stop by or call 743-7121 for info. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/17

This Friday, Northern Berkshire Neighbor's Community Outreach group is hosting a fundraiser to benefit the future Northern Berkshire Teen Center. It will be held at the American Legion from 6 to 10 PM, and will include live local music, light fare, and a raffle. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance by contacting Annie Rodgers at 663-7588. The cost is \$10 for general admission and \$5 for students/seniors. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/18

Local historian Paul W. Marino will lead a walking tour of North Adams' Veazie Street neighborhood on Saturday, July 18. It starts at 2:30 at the corner of Veazie and River Streets. Dress for the weather, wear sun block, a good pair of walking shoes and a hat with a wide brim, carry some water, bring the kids and "be prepared to have your ears talked off". Rain or high winds will cancel the walk. For information, Marino can be reached at 413-207-1344. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/18

Hike the historic route of American naturalist and writer, Henry David Thoreau to the summit of Mount Greylock This Saturday at 10 am. Led by Lauren Stevens, the event is FREE. Meet at the Mount Greylock State Reservation, Notch Road gate parking lot, 300 feet up from the intersections of Reservoir and Notch Roads, off Route 2 in North Adams. Recommended for ages teen to adult. For more info, call (413) 499-4262, or visit [www.massparks.org](http://www.massparks.org). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/22

The Concerts at Windsor Lake are back for another summer of fantastic music and great family fun. This Weds. at 6:30, the J.P. Murphy Band plays for your enjoyment. The series runs every Wednesday at 6:30pm through Sept 2nd (except Aug. 12). Bring blankets or chairs; Concessions are available, but you're welcome to bring your own food. Parking is free, and swimming, fishing, kayaking, and canoeing are allowed at the lake. For more info call 664-6180 or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov). If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/24

Friday night is Movie Night in Adams! Free family movies will be shown on the Town Hall Lawn at dusk , from July 24-August 14. Bring your chairs and blankets and enjoy the show! For Opening Night this Friday, come early at 6 PM for some extra fun before the movie "Big Hero 6" is shown at dusk. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/27

As part of Adams' Susan B. Anthony Days celebration, the Annual Street Fair returns to Park Street on Monday July 27. From 6-9 PM the street is closed to traffic and filled with vendors, music, food, games and fun for the family. Rain date is Tuesday 7/28. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/1

"Buy a Bike for Kids" at the North Adams Police Bike Auction, Sat. Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> at the North Adams Armory (Royal Ave. entrance). Preview is at 9:30 for the 10 AM auction featuring assorted bikes, bike parts and other items, all as is, no refunds. Roy Burdick will be your auctioneer. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/25

The North Adams S.W.A.T. (Students Winning At Technology) Robotics Team is having a car wash to raise money to continue their elementary robotics team for the 2015-2016 school year. It's this Sat. from 10-2 at Carr Hardware, State Road, North Adams. Cost: \$5. For more info, please call (413) 652-1260. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/25

The Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum, 67 East Rd., Adams has a big day planned for this Saturday. At Noon the Museum will host the Grand Opening of a Postcard exhibit from Susan B's time. Refreshments will be offered. Then at 3 PM at the Adams Visitors

Center there will be a concert of "Music of the Era" performed by Diane Taraz. Call the Museum at 743-7121 for info. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/26

The Peter A. Cook VFW Post 9144 will hold its monthly Pancake-French Toast Breakfast this Sunday from 7-11 at the Post Home, 144 River Rd. (Rte. 8), Clarksburg. Price is \$7 per person, with all proceeds going to area youth activities. Parking is available across the street at Town Hall. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/26

The Town of Adams free concert series continues this Sunday at the Adams Visitor Center, with "Bits and Pieces" playing from 4-6 PM. The free concerts will run every Sunday through August 23rd. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/27

State Senator Ben Downing will host his next Coffee & Conversation public forum in Williamstown at the David & Joyce Milne Public Library, 1095 Main Street, on Monday, July 27, from 2-4 PM. The Senator provides free coffee and refreshments for those who attend. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/28

As part of Adams' Susan B. Anthony Days celebration, Colleen Janz, Director of the Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum will give a talk on "Temperance-the Doorway to Suffrage". It'll be at the Adams Free Library on Tuesday July 28 at 5 PM. It's free and open to the public. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/2

Mill City Productions presents their annual cabaret, "Painting by Musical Numbers", July 30th-Aug. 1st at 8pm, with a matinee performance on Sunday, August 2nd at 2pm. Performances will take place at Mill City's Theatre at Building 4N (next to the Visitor's Center) in the Western Gateway Heritage State Park in North Adams. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$8 for students/seniors. Tickets are available at the door or can be purchased in advance by visiting [www.millcityproductions.org](http://www.millcityproductions.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/12

You're invited to be a part of the JP2 5K Family Fun Run and 1 Mile Walk to benefit the St. Vincent DePaul Society, North Adams chapter. It's on Saturday August 15 starting at 9 AM at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church, Marshall St., North Adams. There will also be a pancake breakfast and family fun with a bounce house, games, face painting and more. Register online at [www.berkshirerunningcenter.com](http://www.berkshirerunningcenter.com) or look for JP2FamilyFunRun on Facebook for more info. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/25

The Adams-Cheshire Lassie League will be conducting a town-wide canvass this Saturday. From 9-Noon, travel softball players will be going door to door throughout Adams and Cheshire to solicit donations for the league. They will also be stationed at various businesses. All donations will be greatly appreciated. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/30

On Thursday July 30, MCLA Gallery 51 will celebrate the second DownStreet Art Thursday of the summer with the opening of a two-person exhibition featuring the work of artists Rocco Scary and Margaret Noel. An opening reception will be held on Thursday from 6-9PM. It's free and open to the public. The exhibition will remain on display through Aug. 23. MCLA Gallery 51 is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week at 51 Main St., North Adams. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/3

The Adams Community Bank Walk to End Alzheimer's Team will be hosting a fun night out with the talented Progressive Palette duo of



Kira and Sarah. It's "Painting for a Cause", Tuesday, August 4 from 6-8 PM at Cheshire Rod and Gun Club. \$40 includes 2 hours of painting, all supplies, and light appetizers. All proceeds will be donated to the Walk to End Alzheimer's. For tickets and info go to [www.progressivepalette.com](http://www.progressivepalette.com) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/29

The Concerts at Windsor Lake continue for another summer of fantastic music and great family fun. This Weds. at 6:30, the Bang-On-A-Can All-Stars come over from Mass MoCa to make their annual appearance in the free concert series. Concerts at Windsor Lake are every Wednesday at 6:30pm through Sept 2nd (except Aug. 12). Bring blankets or chairs; Concessions are available, but you're welcome to bring your own food. Parking is free, and swimming, fishing, kayaking, and canoeing are allowed at the lake. For more info call 664-6180 or email [tourism@northadams-ma.gov](mailto:tourism@northadams-ma.gov) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/29

As part of Adams' Susan B. Anthony Days celebration, the Adams Historical Society will present "Past Life of Town Hall". The program will be at 6 PM Wednesday at Town Hall. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/30

Students of Drury High School summer STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math) Academy are asking local businesses or individuals to consider donating new or gently used books geared towards grades K through 6 for the Family Place program, Backpacks for Success. The program collects backpacks and school supplies for local North Adams families and children in need. Donations will be accepted until Thursday July 30. Drop box locations include: Drury High School Main Office , 1130 South Church St, North Adams; The Family Place, 61 Main St. Suite 218, North Adams; and Common Folk Artists Collective, 85 Main St, North Adams. For more info please contact Ms. Shafer at Drury High School: 662-3240. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/1

The 1<sup>st</sup> annual North Adams Appalachian Trail Celebration will be this Saturday starting at 9:30 at Greylock Elementary School. You'll get a chance to see the Trail Maintenance Project and take a guided Trail Hike to the Sherman Brook campsite. Then at Noon back at Greylock School there will be an Appalachian Trail community presentation, lunchtime grill session, "Leave no Trace" activities and conversations with thru hikers. Live music will be provided by "Common Folk." If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/1

The BOUTIQUE at Stamford Community Church will be open from 9-Noon this Saturday, featuring gently used clothing and assorted household items. Proceeds go to benefit the missions. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/8

The Adams Farmers and Artisans Market still has spaces for local growers to feature their produce. The market is open every Sunday from 9-1 outside the Adams Visitors Center. For more info, contact Market Manager Deb Dunlap at Adams Town Hall, 743-8300 Ext.100 or email: [ddunlap@town.adams.ma.us](mailto:ddunlap@town.adams.ma.us) . Applications are available online on the Town Events Page at [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/15

The Drury High School Class of 1962 is planning a 53rd class luncheon Thursday August 20 at noon at Boston Seafoods Restaurant, Oasis Plaza in North Adams. Classmates wishing to register please call Justyna at 663-7146. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/22

Village Ambulance Service will host a free community CPR workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 22 and Sunday, August 23 at the Williamstown Youth Center. Anyone in the community can stop in for a free 1 hour CPR class. Call 458-4889 for more info. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/2

The Town of Adams free concert series continues this Sunday at the Adams Visitor Center, with Pete Boyd playing from 4-6 PM. The free concerts will run every Sunday through August 23rd. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/31

Friday night is Movie Night in Adams! Free family movies will be shown on the Town Hall Lawn each Friday through August 14. Bring your chairs and blankets and enjoy the show! This week, the movie "Paddington" will be shown at dusk. For a full listing of town events this summer go online to [www.town.adams.ma.us](http://www.town.adams.ma.us) or look for the Adams Summer of Fun calendars, available at Town Hall, the Adams Visitors Center and other locations. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/29

The Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum, 67 East Rd., Adams holds a Children's Story and Craft Hour at 11 AM every Saturday in August. The Museum is open Thursdays through Mondays 10 AM -4 PM; stop by or call 743-7121 for info. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/8

St. John Paul 2 Parish in Adams will be holding a 2 day Tag Sale and Book Sale on Friday Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> from 9-1 and Sat. Aug 8<sup>th</sup> 8-3 in the Notre Dame School lower hall. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/7

The Family Place is hosting a back-to-school event for kids entering K through 6th grade at local northern Berkshire elementary schools. Students and their parents will receive a free backpack filled with school supplies. "Back-Packed for Success" for families living in Florida & Savoy will be at Gabriel Abbott Elementary School, 56 North County Road, Florida on Tuesday, August 11 from 5:30 to 6:30pm. The event for families living in Williamstown, North Adams, Clarksburg, Adams

and Cheshire will be at The Family Place, 61 Main Street, North Adams on Thursday, August 13 from 1-3. Pre-registration is required, so please call The Family Place at 663-7588 by Friday, August 7. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/1

The DCR's Visitors Museum at Western Gateway Heritage State Park will present an illustrated lecture: "70th Anniversary of Atomic Bomb Series: U.S.S. Indianapolis" on Saturday August 1st at 3pm. The program will revisit the last voyage of the U.S.S. Indianapolis – the ship that delivered the atomic bomb destined for Japan to the Air Force base on Tinian Island in the Pacific. The Park is just south of the Hadley Overpass on Route 8 in North Adams. The Visitors Museum is in building #4. Information: 663-6312. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/11

Williams College invites you to experience the wonders of our universe at the Milham Planetarium, located on Main St. inside the Old Hopkins Observatory at Williams College. Astronomy students at the college will host free shows for the public on Tuesday and Thursday evenings through Aug.11. For reservations (recommended) contact Michele at (413) 597-2188 or email: [mcr4@williams.edu](mailto:mcr4@williams.edu). Others will be admitted as space permits. Large groups should call for special appointments. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 7/30

DownStreet Art Thursday, a program of the Berkshire Cultural Resource Center at MCLA, is this Thursday, July 30 from 4 to 9 PM in downtown North Adams. The evening will include permanent and pop-up gallery exhibition openings, performances, community events, and music from Bang On A Can and "Flannel Dan and the Panhandle Band." DownStreet Art Thursdays continue on the last Thursday of each month through Sept. For more information on events, go to [www.downstreetart.org](http://www.downstreetart.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/10

The Adams Community Bank Walk to End Alzheimer's Team will benefit from a Dining To Donate event at The Rainbow Shack in Adams on Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. From 2-9 PM, the Rainbow Shack will graciously donate 15% of each guest check to the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Just stop by, have a cool treat and help the cause! If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/4

On Tuesday, August 4th, neighborhoods throughout North Adams and Adams will join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "32nd Annual National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event. Local events featuring family activities, food and police and fire department representatives are planned in Adams at Renfrew Park from 4-7 pm; and in North Adams at the UNO Playground on Bracewell Avenue, 5-7 pm; Greylock Valley Back Field, 6-8; Mohawk Forest, 4:30 - 6:30; and Brayton Hill, from 4-8. For more info contact: Annie Rodgers, Northern Berkshire Community Coalition-- 663-7588. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/1

There will be an Ice Cream Social this Saturday at Wild Oats Market, Main St., Williamstown to benefit the Williamstown Youth Center. \$5 per adult / \$3 per child for children 12 years and younger. Stop by from 1-4 PM Saturday to make-your-own-sundae and support the Williamstown Youth Center. If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.

PSA KILL 8/2

The 41<sup>ST</sup> Adams Agricultural Fair is this Friday-Sunday at Bowe Field, just off Rt. 8, Adams. All of your favorite fair events and more! Farm and livestock exhibits and displays, Prince and Princess contest, rides, games, plenty of music, entertainment and food all weekend, and of course the Demo Derby at 2 PM Sunday. Adult admission is \$6 on Friday and Saturday, \$7 on Sunday, a three-day adult pass is \$15, and children under 10 are \$2. Parking is free. NO PETS allowed, except service dogs. For more info and a full schedule of events go to [www.adams-agricultural-fair.org](http://www.adams-agricultural-fair.org) . If it's happening in the Berkshires, you'll hear about it on WNAW Radio 1230.