

Education

Local National Guard soldier receives new rank, new responsibilities

SOUTH HADLEY - Major General Ray Shields, the adjutant general for the state of New York, has announced the recent promotion of members of the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their capability for additional responsibility and leadership.

Gregory Antunes, of South Hadley, is assigned to the Company A, 3rd Battalion, 142nd Aviation Regiment, according to a press statement, and received a promotion on July 24 to the rank of staff sergeant.

Army National Guard promotions are based on a soldier's overall performance, demonstrated leadership abilities, professionalism, and future development potential, the press statement reads.

These promotions recognize the "best qualified Soldiers for a career in the New York Army National Guard."

"Army National Guard Citizen soldiers who serve our state and nation are eligible for monthly pay, educational benefits (from the state and federal government), travel across the globe, technical and leadership training, health and dental insurance and contributions towards retirement programs similar to a 401(k)," the press statement reads.

For more information about the New York Army National Guard, visit dmna.ny.gov or www.1800goguard.com.

High school senior announced as semifinalist for National Merit Scholarship Program

SOUTH HADLEY - High school student Caleb Cox has been announced as a semifinalist for a national scholarship opportunity.

Officials of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation have announced the names of more than 16,000 semifinalists in the 69th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

These "academically talented high school seniors" have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some

7,140 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$28 million that will be offered next spring, according to a press statement. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the finalist level of the competition.

About 95 percent of the semifinalists are expected to attain finalist standing, and approximately half of the finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar title.



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Holyoke Community College's Campus Center

HCC announces dean's list for summer 2023

REGION - Several local students have been announced to Holyoke Community College's dean's list for summer 2023.

Each semester, Holyoke Community College (HCC) recognizes "superior scholarship" through the dean's list, the school released. A student is placed on

the dean's list if their GPA is 3.2 or higher. The students listed below have earned dean's list honors:

- Granby:** Olivia Lauren Hinkley
- South Hadley:** Della Froeberg, Nicole Marie Theroux, Dominick Michael Valentine.

Community Newspaper EDITOR WANTED

Turley Publications is looking for a "hands on" energetic candidate who loves telling stories to be the editor for two weekly publications. This position will include managing and coaching a small news staff that will provide the community with a great local newspaper.

The editor will need to cover local government and events while representing the newspaper at public venues.

The successful candidate will have strong community journalism skills and is also expected to gather news and write stories for the two papers as well as for other occasional companywide publications.

This is a job for a self-starter who has a vision for growing and connecting with our valued readers, and who thoroughly enjoys community journalism.

This full-time position with flexible schedule is based in our Palmer office at 24 Water St., this is not a remote position.

Qualifications should include:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience
- Willingness to mentor a staff writer and correspondents
- Editing experience and ability to write clean copy in a fast-paced, deadline-driven environment
- Proficiency in Associated Press style
- Management experience and/or experience managing content for a print publication.

Please send resume and writing examples to:

Eileen Kennedy, Executive Editor
24 Water St., Palmer, MA 01069
or email directly to ekennedy@turley.com

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING Housing Production Plan (HPP) Update

The South Hadley Planning Board will hold a virtual public hearing on **Monday, September 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** to discuss the draft Housing Production Plan update.

The public hearing will be conducted online using the Zoom Webinar platform and persons may join the meeting by either joining Zoom Webinar or by phone. The log-in information is as follows:

URL to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84479765864?pwd=SGpYORpWSs0a0FIa1NrK0g3aFIBdz09>

Or join by phone: +1 (646) 558 8656

Webinar ID: 844 7976 5864
Passcode: 616858

The draft plan and related documents can be found online here: <https://southhadley.org/1372/Housing-Production-Plan>.

Alternatively, hard copies of the documents may be viewed at the South Hadley Senior Center, the South Hadley Public Library, the Gaylord Memorial Library or the South Hadley Planning

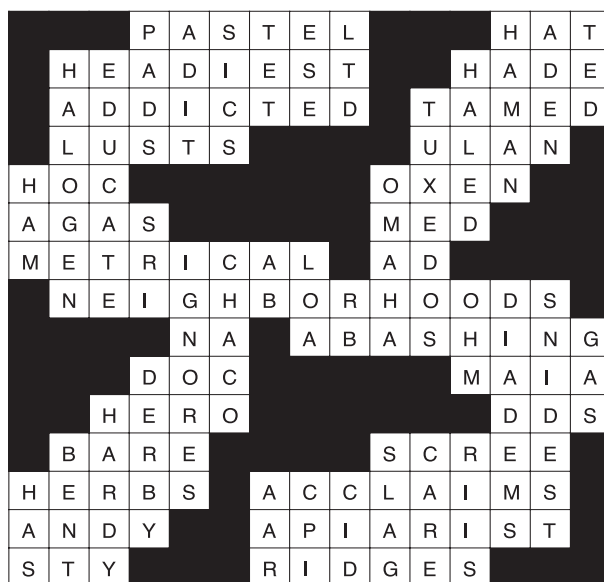
and Conservation Department office.

Any person interested in, or wishing to be heard, should join the hearing at the time and in the manner designated. This meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 which extends the March 2020 Governor's Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law MGL Ch. 30A Sec. 20 until March 31, 2025.

Joanna Brown, Clerk
South Hadley Planning Board

09/08, 09/15, 2023

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One is a free, brief **Death Notice** listing the name of deceased, date of death and funeral date and place.

The other is a **Paid Obituary**, costing \$225, which allows families to publish extended death notice information of their own choice and may include a photograph. **Death Notices & Paid Obituaries** should be submitted through a funeral home to: obits@turley.com.

Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

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