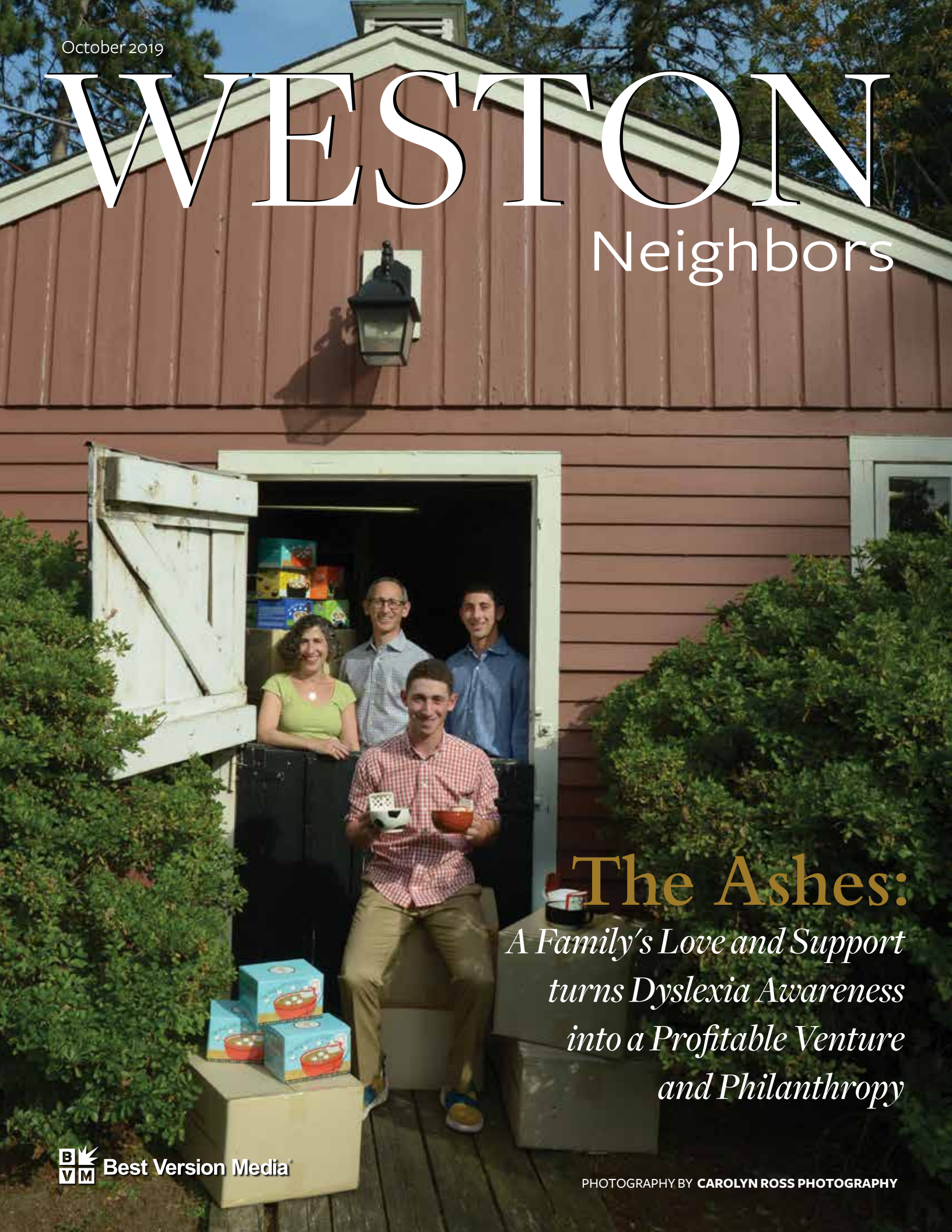


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Dear Residents,

Carolyn Ross



Hello everyone, and welcome to the October edition of Weston Neighbors! October translates into the "eighth month" in the original Roman calendar. It is also associated with autumn or fall and hosts a multitude of holidays, most notably Halloween. Halloween in Weston is simply amazing! Neighborhoods go all out with decorations, scary scenes and volumes of candy. Brook Road and Westland Road are the highlights, with tons of kids and families walking in these neighborhoods to trick or treat.

There is also nothing better than autumn in New England with the celebration of the harvest, the foliage and apple picking. October signifies, a month of change; the leaves turn color and the air turns crisper.

Coincidentally, change is the theme for this issue. Our small town has witnessed so much change in the past few months; it's mind-boggling. Over the last few months we have seen the opening of five new businesses, the most technically advanced innovation center in all of MetroWest, and now the spawning of a new environmental sustainability group in Weston. In this issue, you will read about yet another group of passionate residents who care deeply about an important town-wide issue and took action to clean up our environment in order to sustain Weston's beauty.

A call to action and getting involved to bring awareness to an important cause, is the theme of our feature story. Inside read about how Max Ash, who grew up with dyslexia, figured out a way to bring awareness to this learning disability through his entrepreneurial spirit and turned his creative idea into a remarkably profitable business while donating to multiple non-profits.

Times are a changing in Weston, and if you want to get involved in the community, the opportunities are vast. These monumental changes to our town, takes a village. Connection to one another, helps create positive change. Weston Neighbors is that connection between neighbors. We are eager to help share your cause, your story and your ideas with your neighbors. We hope you will continue to let us bring these stories to light.

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Join us on October 12th on the Weston Town Green as we host the Weston Pumpkin Festival! It's sure to be a "spook-tacular" event with live music, silent auction, tasty treats, kids games and of course pumpkin carving!

This annual October event on the Town Green raises money for Camp Sunshine, a camp in Maine for children suffering from life-threatening illnesses.

**Time:** 12:00 pm - 4 pm

Pumpkin Carving open to the public

**Cost:** Free to attend, pumpkins and food are for purchase

Wed., October 16

## Protect Yourself from Scams

@Weston COA at the Community Center

District Attorney Marian Ryan will discuss how to keep safe and protect yourself from scams. The discussion will focus on scams and crimes against older adults and offer advice about commonly used ruses, including the grandparent scam, lottery, IRS and home improvement scams. She'll advise you to act on your suspicions and contact trusted family members, friends or authorities if you feel you may have been a victim of crime. DA Marian Ryan served for 18 years as the chief of the Middle-

sex District Attorney's Office Elder and Disabled Unit, which prosecutes those who commit crimes against older adults and disabled persons.

**Time:** 10 am

For information or to register contact the COA at 781-786-6280.

Wed., October 30

## Weston Gives Back in Greater Boston

@Greater Boston Food Bank

Play a critical role in helping to end hunger. Be one of more than 24,000 volunteers who every year help sort, pack, label, and distribute food to hungry families across Eastern Massachusetts.

**Time:** 4 pm - 8 pm

For further information and to register, contact the COA at 781-786-6280.

Cancellation deadline: Oct. 28. Transportation provided, adults of any age welcome. Coming soon a trip to volunteer at Rosie's Place!!

Mondays, October 21 - December 2

## Opera Appreciation Series

@Weston COA at the Community Center

Join opera instructor Ron Williams in exploring a different opera and composer each week, including masterpieces by Puccini, Verdi and Britten. Each class includes an overview and discussion of the opera and composer, followed by an hour of viewing and listening

to edited versions of the opera. Ron Williams maintains a private voice studio in Natick and has performed in opera houses throughout the US and Europe.

**Time:** 10 am -12 pm

For further information and to register, contact the COA at 781-786-6280.

Wed., October 30

## Ravioli Cooking Class Trip at Sur La Table

@Weston COA at the Community Center

Making fresh ravioli at home is easier than you think. Learn how to mix fresh pasta dough that you'll use to make 2 different filled raviolis: pumpkin with brown butter & sage and 3 cheese with pancetta & tomato sauce.

10 -person minimum to run the class.

Limit 20

**Time:** 11 am - 3 pm

**Cost:** \$65 payable at registration

For further information and to register, contact the COA at 781-786-6280.

Cancellation deadline: October 28.

Mon., October 28

## Failure to Plan is Planning to Fail

@Weston COA at the Community Center

Attorney Maana P. Hickson of Rubin Hay PC discuss basic estate planning. She will review how a handful of documents can help you ensure the right person is making medical and financial decisions for you, if you're unable to for a period of time. Maana will go over how simple advanced planning through wills and trusts can save families thousands of dollars and help avoid the lengthy probate process. There will be an opportunity for questions and answers at the end of the presentation.

**Time:** 1 pm

For further information and to register, contact the COA at 781-786-6280.

Sat., November 23

## Habitat for Humanity

@ Weston COA at the Community Center

Contribute your time during this one-day volunteer opportunity to build or repair a home in the Boston area. You don't need past building experience or specific skills to volunteer.

Cancellation deadline: Nov. 21

For further information and to register, contact the COA at 781-786-6280. ❖

# Roasted Cauliflower: Your New Fall Favorite

By Marilyn Hirsch

Technically speaking, fall is upon us. We may enjoy some lingering warmth in our days, but most nights, there's a bit of a nip in the air. Foodwise, it's time to move on. Not from local produce, not yet. Just into some more seasonal selections, the flavors of fall.

When the temperatures begin to dip, my veggie taste buds turn to roasting. Roasting is easy and relatively quick. It also brings out the best in many cool-weather vegetables, concentrating their flavors and leaving them tender and slightly singed or scorched.

Cauliflower is one of my favorite candidates for roasting. It crisps up well while staying tender and sweet. Roasted cauliflower also looks great, since the little florets retain their charming "mini tree" shape. But looks and taste aren't the only things cauliflower has going for it. High in fiber, antioxidants and vitamins B and C, this veggie is also a superfood. A bit surprising, given its lack of the intense color many of us associate with superior health benefits in veggies and fruits.

Originally from the Mediterranean region and popular in Asia for centuries before reaching Europe in the 16th century, cauliflower found its way to North America in the late 17th century. Now California produces almost 90% of the cauliflower in the United States. However, Weston's own Land's Sake farm often grows it, too, and October is when they harvest the crop.

If all this info doesn't have you craving cauliflower just yet, check out the easy recipe below. Roasted with red onion, leeks, garlic and thyme, cauliflower might become your new "go to" for the season!

## Roasted Cauliflower, Leek and Red Onion

Serves 4

2-lb cauliflower, cored, cut into 1-1 1/2-inch florets and rinsed  
1 medium red onion, peeled, halved and cut into 1/2-inch slices



leek, outer leaves discarded, rinsed carefully and cut into 1/2-inch slices  
12-16 garlic cloves, peeled  
4 sprigs fresh thyme  
1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil  
Kosher or sea salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Place vegetables and thyme into a large bowl. Drizzle with olive oil, sprinkle generously with salt and pepper. Toss to coat. 2. Transfer everything to a large rimmed baking sheet; spread into a single layer. 3. Roast, stirring occasionally, under tender and brown in spots, 25-35 minutes. 4. Taste and season with more salt and pepper if desired. Serve hot. ❖

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# Sustaining Weston, Step by Step

## A Map to Weston's Sustainable Future

By Katharina Wilkins

In January of 2018, a few residents who cared deeply about environmental sustainability gathered in the dining room of a Weston home. A sentiment of hope, concern and urgency united them – each saw much potential for environmental action, too little of it happening, and several had grown frustrated working on individual efforts to make a difference in Weston. They were immediately encouraged by the realization that a group of residents full of momentum, passion, and a strong desire to change the status quo had found each other and hit ‘critical mass’ to make a difference.

The group continued to meet, and contemplated a first campaign with real impact, an educational component, and a specific goal that could be achieved. Should we bring a petition related to trash and recycling to Town Meeting, focus on sustainability in the schools, or engage in a Gas Leaks campaign? Ultimately, the group decided to rally around the project



of seeking to establish a Sustainability Committee for Weston – realizing that lasting change requires long-term strategic thinking, and a mechanism in place to act and make change happen. A subgroup worked hard over several months to learn about sustainability efforts made by those who came before; Weston had an Energy Baseline Committee that gained the town ‘Green Community’ status and received several grants.

While Weston has always been a strong proponent of land conservation and stewardship, our group soon came to realize that Weston still had many opportunities to achieve further environmental progress: energy use and greenhouse gas emissions, trash and recycling management, and water usage were among the topics needing the most improvement. The group summarized its findings and presented them to the Board of Selectmen (BoS) in April 2018. The presentation was met with a very receptive audience and wide support, and the town commissioned a task force to formulate the official charge of the soon-to-be established Sustainability Committee (SusCom).

With this first success under their belt, the original group of residents concerned about environmental issues continued to grow, and slowly formalized itself into the Sustainable Weston Action Group (SWAG). In addition to advocating for the SusCom, the group has hosted two Annual Weston Town Cleanups, successfully lobbied for and supported the execution of the Weston Gas Leaks Audit, hosted several educational events around climate change, and collaborated with schools, town groups, committees and officials, all in the short time since that first winter meeting.

In parallel with SWAGs’s work, community members were recruited to volunteer on the SusCom and several responded to the call. The committee began to work in the fall of 2018, identifying opportunities immediately. It soon became appar-

ent that the formulation of a Sustainability Action Plan would be one of the Committee’s first priorities – to define measurable goals for Weston and map out paths to achieve those goals. Along the way, the committee has monitored the many available grant opportunities, and so far secured two grants in 2019 – one to help with monitoring and improving our energy use in municipal buildings, and a more substantial grant to participate in the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program. The MVP program enables towns to prepare for climate-related vulnerabilities and engages the community in identifying the topics most relevant to each municipality. The SusCom looks forward to working with a professional team in the planning phase of the MVP program, and anticipates much participation from the Weston public, town departments, boards, committees and community groups.

The two groups, SWAG and SusCom, are sometimes confused, as their creation occurred almost concurrently. Yet, they have separate missions and are able to act and implement change in different ways. Each group has opportunities and projects that are best explored collaboratively.

One example is the recently completed Gas Leaks Audit. A SWAG campaign team worked to raise awareness of the gas leak problem in Weston’s old infrastructure, and to educate residents about the significant health, safety and environmental risks associated with leaking methane (an extremely potent greenhouse gas). The team recommended that Weston engage in a town-wide independent gas leaks audit. SusCom recommended the audit’s implementation when the Board of Selectmen (BoS) was asked for their financial support, and the Town agreed to fund the audit. SWAG then actively managed

the audit’s completion, and again communicated the results to town officials and the wider public. Many more leaks were identified than those recorded by National Grid, and many of them are deemed environmentally significant, meriting a swift response. Currently the town and SWAG are working together to push National Grid to address those leaks, but also to support legislative efforts aimed at increasing oversight on gas utilities in MA, and ultimately, at transforming our energy system. One of those efforts is a proposed town resolution stating Weston’s support of the FUTURE bill, more stringent legislation governing gas leaks and the transition to non-fossil fuel sources, which was drafted together by SWAG and SusCom, and is about to be presented to the BoS for their consideration.

While the work on the gas leaks campaign continues, SWAG is looking forward to its next campaign, which aims to bring community choice aggregation (CCA) to Weston. CCA has the goal of giving residents access to ‘green’ electricity and allowing residents to lower their carbon footprints while offering competitive and stable rates. SWAG is supported in this effort by the SusCom and town staff, and a related article will be in the Special Town Meeting warrant this December. We hope Weston residents will vote to support this cost-effective way of reducing our greenhouse gas emissions.

Weston neighbors who are inspired to join this local movement are very much invited to attend an upcoming SWAG meeting (held at 9:15 am on the second Thursday of each month at the Weston library) or to attend SusCom meetings (typically 1st and 3rd Tuesday night at town hall). There is much urgency and opportunity for work under the wide umbrella of sustainability, and Weston will benefit greatly when the community rallies together to do it. ❖

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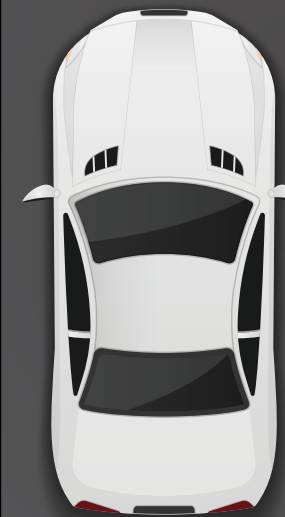
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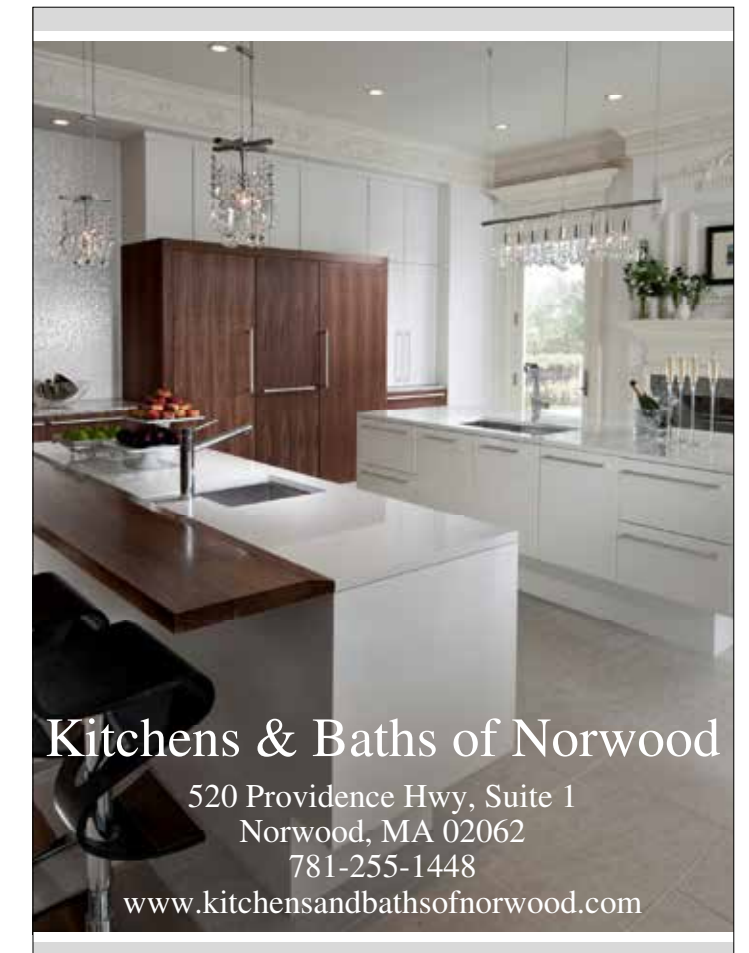


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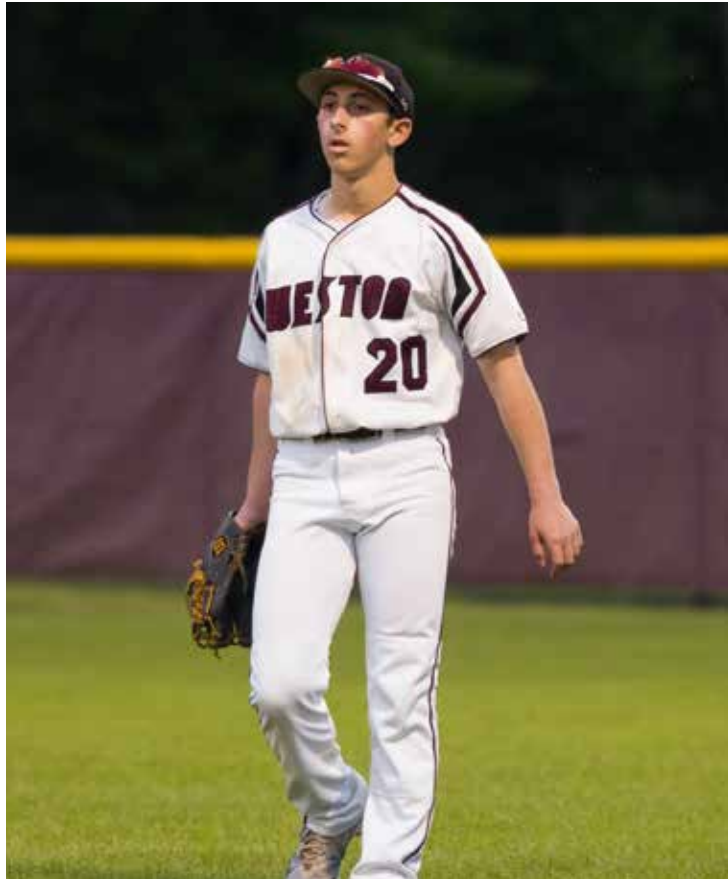
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# The Ashes:

*A Family's Love and Support turns Dyslexia Awareness into a Profitable Venture and Philanthropy*



By Helaine Block  
Photography by Jennifer Ash and Carolyn Ross

Our monthly family feature stories introduce you to a Weston family and we learn a bit about their history and how they selected Weston as a place to call home. Thus far, our focus has been on the parents and with this issue, we share with you, the success of our local youth. Meet 15-year-old Max Ash, chief creator of MAX'IS Creations, Inc., an innovative ceramic mug business he has grown into a remarkably profitable business selling over 100,000 mugs to date!

Max credits his parents Jennifer and Ronald and older brother, Sam with providing him with the love and unconditional support to help him grow his business and continue its increasing profitability, while donating thousands of dollars annually to various philanthropic organizations.



Currently a freshman at the Landmark School in Beverly, Max is an avid golfer and a member of the varsity golf team. In his younger years, he attended the Carroll School, a Lincoln-based independent day school for students who have been diagnosed with learning disabilities such as dyslexia. In the fall of 2012, while in art class as an eight-year-old second grader, Max was working on his unique creation of a ceramic mug, and had the ingenious idea to add a basketball hoop for tossing marshmallows into hot cocoa. Dyslex-

ia tends to manifest itself by presenting language and/or reading challenges; yet often there may be significant cognitive strengths with some dyslexics.

Both Jen and Ron had a gut feeling Max was on to something with his creatively designed mug and sure enough, Max was issued his first patent for "The Mug with a Hoop ®" from The United States Patent and Trademark Office in 2015 at the age of 10. Jen commented, "This has turned out to be an amazing opportunity to showcase dyslexic advantage and the intelligence and ingenuity of people like Max who happen to think and learn differently. Max looked at a ball of clay and came up with an idea that no one else ever thought of... what has turned out to be a million-dollar idea. By sharing his story and giving back to non-profits such as Understood.org we hope to inspire other families to look beyond test scores and traditional measures of early academic success to investigate their child's strengths and talents." Understood.org is a non-profit with a mission to assist parents whose children are struggling with learning and attention issues.

As a diehard basketball fan and lover of chocolate, it seemed natural that Max would launch his business with a basketball mug. MAX'IS Creations, Inc. has expanded to include baseball, football, hockey and soccer mugs. Mugs are top selling products

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Jen grew up in Weston and eventually returned with Ron to her hometown in 2002, after living in downtown Boston, Brookline and Newton. During her junior year at Brandeis University, while pursuing a double major in psychology and sociology she met Ron, an anthropology major from Napa, CA. The pair graduated in 1991 and married in 1993. Ron went on to earn a Masters of Health Administration from the Medical College of Virginia in 1994 and Jen graduated in 1997 from Boston University with both a master's and doctorate

degree in Clinical Psychology. Jen is an organizational consulting psychologist and founder of, Psipher Consulting LLC, a Boston-based leadership and management consultancy, where she serves as a trusted advisor to chief executives and senior leaders. Ron has built his career at Massachusetts General Hospital, where he is the Senior Administrative Director of Neurosurgery and is celebrating his twentieth year at this world-renowned medical institution.

Ron was active in Weston Little League when his boys were younger and served as Safety Officer, and on the Board of Directors of Weston Little League from 2010-2014. Sam's passion and natural talent for baseball, has earned him a spot on Weston High School's Varsity Baseball team since his sophomore year. He just began his senior year and is a member of the National Honor Society and co-founder/co-president of the high school investment club. Sam may be the only person in town with a personal collection of Monopoly games and is proud to claim that he has over 40 editions of one of the most popular board games in history.

Weston has been the perfect fit for the Ash family. The small-town feel, friendly residents and excellent school system has made for a lovely place to settle and raise the boys. For the past decade they have resided in the Case Estate Area, which is part of the Case's Corner Historic District, which is listed with the National Register of Historic Places. MAX'IS Creations, Inc. has also found a home in Weston. "Kids like me see the world differently and the world is lucky that we do. My parents and teachers understand how my brain learns. I am understood. Imagine what other good ideas our world will have when all kids who think and learn differently are understood." commented Max. ❖

## Artist Of the Month

By Anne Plaisance

**A**ward winning painter Anne Plaisance, is a French artist who moved from Paris to Weston with her husband and their two daughters in 2015. She received a Master's Degree in International Trade from La Sorbonne in Paris, France and a harp diploma from the Aubervilliers-La Courneuve Dance & Music Conservatory. She worked in Poland for major advertisement agencies and opened her own company in 2005, while also being the Communications Director in a leading real estate company.

In 2010, she changed her path to become a painter, and worked as a designer for a luxury jewelry brand -1480. Since then, she took part in more than 100 exhibitions internationally, received several grants from the Cambridge Arts Council and the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Her artworks can be found in private collections internationally (London, Milan, Paris, Warsaw, Dubai, Kyoto, Boston, etc..), and were featured among others in the Boston Globe, Harper's Bazaar, Elle Decoration, Artscope (cover), on TV, radio and online.

She uses a diverse array of media, which is constantly



evolving: painting, installation, sculpture, collages, sketch-books, video, photography, paper, canvas, cloth, tears, dolls, Louis Vuitton bags, clay, barbed wire, old 18th century missal, maps, and furniture among others.

Her art deals with gender issues, social justice, women empowerment (she organized art workshops for survivors of domestic violence in a shelter in Cambridge). She's now curating a show at the Art Complex Museum in Duxbury (opening April 2020).

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# A Beacon of Local Educational Initiatives

By John Marchiony

On Saturday, September 21st, the Rotary Club of Weston and Wayland hosted its 25th Annual Antique and Classic Car Show on the Town Green in the center of Weston. This long-standing event has provided a gathering place for the community while also generating nearly \$700,000 which is used for scholarship support of college-bound students from Weston and Wayland, as well as many community service projects including the sapling distribution to first graders, food for the homeless at Bristol Lodge, disaster relief aid to Puerto Rico, and production and distribution of the opioid safety yellow fliers sent to all residents in Weston and Wayland.

While the car show is prominent and visible, the Rotary Club is also integrally involved in providing community service opportunities locally, regionally, and across the world. Each month, club members, along with committed community volunteers, serve at the Bristol Lodge soup kitchen in Waltham for the last several years, most of the food has been prepared



In May, Elizabeth Micolisin, Valentina Micolisin, Kimya Jalinous, Jenna Brandaleone, Cameron Sins, Jackie Liu, Jessica Bargamian, Allison Kirk, Charlotte Salitsky, Porter Moody, and Charlie Marchiony were recognized with the Rotary Rising Youth Leadership Award.

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Many of the students who volunteer with the Rotary Club are members of the Interact Club at Weston and Wayland High schools, which produce their own community service initiatives. In 2019, the Weston Interact Club held its first annual 5K Fun Run, also to benefit Bristol Lodge. Many of the leaders of the Interact Clubs have participated in the two and a half day, Rotary Youth Leadership Award conference, held annually in June at a prominent Massachusetts University. To select those sponsored attendees, the Rotary Club conducts the Rising Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) program throughout the school year. Nominations open in September for any sophomore who lives or studies in Wayland or Weston and had demonstrated commitment to community service.

The Rotary Club also celebrates and socializes regularly. In addition to weekly meetings at the Weston Golf Club over a three-course dinner (a great value!), the Club and guests come together annually for LobsterFest in the summer, a Holiday Party with "full contact" Yankee Swap in December, Valentine's Day, and the Scholarship Celebration Dinner in June.

Anyone can participate in any Rotary Club event or community service project. To see what's going on, visit our calendar for interesting events at [www.westonwaylandrotary.org](http://www.westonwaylandrotary.org), or contact the president of the club, Richard DeVito, Jr. via e-mail [president@WestonWaylandrotary.org](mailto:president@WestonWaylandrotary.org).

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# Weston Drama Workshop

Registration Now Open for Summer 2020!

By Becca Mayersohn

Weston Drama Workshop (WDW), a nonprofit youth summer theater organization based out of Regis College Fine Arts Center, recently opened registration for their Summer 2020 programs. WDW, a mainstay of the Weston community since 1962, closed its 57th season at the end of July after two weeks of performances of Matilda, Spring Awakening, Legally Blonde, The Wolves, and a pilot production of Disney's Finding Nemo Jr.

Season 58 will be comprised of five productions starring local students, from those entering Grade 6 up to age 23. Show titles will be announced as the school year progresses, and auditions for registrants will occur in May. WDW's younger participants—Grade 6 through Grade 9—are eligible for the Morning Program, culminating in a mainstage musical, as well as the Afternoon Program, which will stage a one-act Theater for Young Audiences production. The Afternoon Program is currently full and a waitlist is being maintained.

Older performers, Grade 9 through age 23, are eligible for the Evening Program and may be placed in one of three productions: two mainstage musicals and one black box play. Guaranteed placement spots are full, but interested parties can still register for the Audition Only list. Rising 10th graders are also invited to register for the Teen Conservatory, a targeted workshop-style program in which participants will study topics ranging from acting theory to dance.

WDW has also announced the debut of a brand-new initiative, WDW Kids, a creative arts program for rising 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. Budding performers will receive full days anchored in the arts, with topics such as acting, costume design, and improvisational theater. The program will be rooted in a show: Disney's Lion King Experience.

All programs will run from early-to-mid June through late July, 2020. For further information on programs and registration, as well as a season calendar, visit [www.westondramaworkshop.org](http://www.westondramaworkshop.org).

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# What's happening at the Josiah Smith Tavern?

By Pamela Fox

In the summer of 2007, the Town of Weston restored the exterior of the historic 1757 Josiah Smith Tavern, prominently located across from the Town Green. But finding an acceptable use was a more difficult challenge, one that has occupied town committees and consultants for more than a decade.

At Special Town Meeting on December 3, residents will be asked to take the final step in this long process—the vote for construction fees. For those unfamiliar with the building, the Friends of the Josiah Smith Tavern will hold an Open House on Saturday, October 12, from 10 to 2. Volunteers will be available to explain the plan to restore the tavern as a restaurant and space for three community non-profits.

The 105-seat restaurant will be located in the barn and connector, while the main building will house the Weston Historical Society, Women's Community League, and Weston Forest & Trail Association. The second floor community room, which holds 50, will be available for rental by individuals and groups for lectures, meetings, dinners, and special events.

The Friends of the Josiah Smith Tavern submitted this winning proposal and will lease the building from the town. According to Adrienne Giske, president of the Friends, the 501-c-3 non-profit organization was established in 2015 "to find uses for the tavern that would be acceptable to residents and financially sustainable over time." Money for building maintenance will come from the restaurant and three

non-profits and from community room rentals. A part-time paid manager will be hired.

Engineers and architects are now working to complete the design and estimate construction costs. One major expense is a rear addition with elevator, rear stairway, and restrooms, all of which are necessary to meet contemporary building codes. Also required are major structural repairs, fire suppression, hand-capped accessible entrances, a new septic system, new HVAC and electrical systems, a parking lot, and site landscaping.

Money to fund the restoration will come from Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds collected by the town every year by means of a 3% surcharge on property taxes. The CPA was passed by the state in 2000 to allow communities to tax themselves to raise money for open space and recreation, historic preservation, and affordable housing. In the first years of the program, the state match was 100%, a percentage that has gone down but still adds state funds to the town's CPA balance. From the beginning, restoration of the Josiah Smith Tavern was the town's highest priority for historic preservation, and money for this use has accumulated in the fund.

The Weston Historical Society and Women's Community League moved out of the building in late May. The society's collections of Weston-related objects, photographs, books, documents, and memorabilia will be housed in the basement of St. Julia Church until the restoration is complete. The society will have four rooms in the restored tavern for its headquarters.

Weston acquired ownership of the tavern in 1985 from the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities (now Historic New England), which holds a 450+ year preservation restriction limiting changes on both the exterior and interior. This restriction limited potential uses, as did the fact that most residents wanted the town to continue to own the building, rather than allowing it pass into private ownership.

One use consistently favored by many was a "farm to table" restaurant. In 2008, Town Meeting voted to grant a liquor license to the Josiah Smith Tavern Corporation, which will hold the license on behalf of the selectman. This is the first and only license to serve alcohol in the formerly dry town of Weston. The restaurateur will get a code-compliant empty space and will pay for all kitchen equipment and furnishings. ❖

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240 Ridgeway Rd	6	3	1F/1H	\$925,000	\$928,000
2 Raynor Rd	8	3	2F/1H	\$948,800	\$940,000
855 Boston Post Rd	10	5	2F/1H	\$1,050,000	\$1,005,000
638 Wellesley St	7	3	3F/0H	\$1,149,000	\$1,035,000
46 Rolling Ln	12	5	4F/0H	\$1,275,000	\$1,150,000
105 Cherry Brook Rd	11	5	2F/1H	\$1,395,000	\$1,300,000
64 Country Dr	11	6	3F/1H	\$1,695,000	\$1,400,000
44 Hubbard Rd	9	4	3F/1H	\$1,745,000	\$1,702,000
32 Ledgewood Rd	12	5	5F/1H	\$1,749,000	\$1,635,500
210 Ridgeway Rd	11	5	3F/1H	\$1,795,000	\$1,720,000
97 Meadowbrook Rd	9	4	4F/1H	\$2,285,000	\$2,250,000
101 Concord Rd	14	5	5F/2H	\$2,295,000	\$2,300,000
90 Sunset Rd	9	4	3F/1H	\$2,295,000	\$2,162,500
15 Laurel Rd	15	6	7F/1H	\$3,995,000	\$3,700,000
7 Ware St	18	5	7F/1H	\$4,195,000	\$3,780,000
21 Robin Rd	17	5	7F/2H	\$4,350,000	\$4,150,000
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