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## **OSV** speaker series starts with teacher of the year

STURBRIDGE – Old Sturbridge Village will host the first program in its 2018 Speaker Series on Thursday, April 5. Sydney Chaffee, America's 2017 Teacher of the Year and a humanities teacher at Boston's Codman Academy, will give a presentation at the living history museum.

Chaffee takes risks every day to improve learning for all of her students. In the classroom, she strives to create lessons that demonstrate how education can be a transformative tool for social justice, and she encourages her students to see themselves as having the power to make change in the world based on lessons from the past.

"Education must be authentic. There is no use in studying history if we believe it to be static and irrelevant to the future,"



she says. "Authentic learn-ing enables students to see and create connections in the world around them."

She tries to infuse the hard work of learning with joy, not only in her classroom but throughout the school. For example, she is the coordinator of a school-wide Community

Circle every Thursday where all students in the school come together to celebrate successes, share good news and dig into serious conversations

together.
Don't miss what is sure

together.

Don't miss what is sure to be an inspiring lecture for all concerned about the state of education in America today. Chaffee's appearance is of special interest to students, teachers, and families of the Old Sturbridge Academy, the charter public school at Old Sturbridge Village that opened last year.

A reception with the speaker, including refreshments and a cash bar, opens at 6 p.m., and the lecture will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are available online at www.osv.org, or at the door for \$12 per person (\$10 for Old Sturbridge Village members). For additional details, call 508-347-0290.

### Open Space, Recreation process to begin

STURBRIDGE
The town of Sturbridge
Planning Department and
Open Space Committee
are in the process of
updaing the current Open
Space and Recreation
Plan that expires this
May. An Open Space
and Recreation Plan is a
document that provides a
plan for the "green infrastructure" of a community. This "green infrastructure" includes things such
as water supply protecvisitors alike.

Open spaces provide habitat for native plants and animals that cannot live in urban and solurban environments. Large tracts are particularly important to native species and can creat habitat areas, which are typically undisturbed (relatively pristine) areas with good wildlife movement corridors, and they provide optimal cover, food, and water resources. Open space can be used to preserve unique and sensitive natural features, including but not limited to the mountains and hills, large rock formations, native landscape, and archeological and historical sites.

Open spaces also provide recreational opportunities by furnishing or making available suitable areas for hiking, bliking, horseback riding, hunting, fishing, camping, and bird watching, organized sports and other activities. nur" includes things such as water supply protection, open land, working farms and forests, wildlife habitats, parks, ball fields, recreation areas, rrails and greenways. Just as the town plans for schools, roads, water and wastewater infrastructure, locations for housing, and commercial and industrial areas to enhance the economic vitality of a community, the green infrastructure is equally important and requires

infrastructure is equally important and requires careful planning. Open space and recreational resources elevate the quality of life for residents and add to the appeal of a community.

It is important that the town has adequate areas for recreation as the town strives to create healthy communities that provide activities and resources for all ages.
In other words, many

of the things that help define the town's character are associated with open space and recreation areas. The town would like residents to be part of

like residents to be part of this process. It is trying to gather public input from all age groups for this important project.

There are several ways you can participate in this planning process. The first is by completing our survey online at www.survey monkey. com/r/Sturbridge-OSRP by March 30. The second way to get involved is to eater our photo contest: simply send us a picture of your favorite

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### **Knitting group**

WEST BROOK-FIELD - The Merriam-Gilbert Public Library hosts a knitting group every Wednesday at 10 a.m. The library is locat-ed at 3 West Main St.

to meet

Story time, rhyme time start up

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- It's sign-up time for
two pres-school programs
that are held at the East
Brookfield Public Library
every Thursday morning, One class is Toddler
Rhythm & Rhyme for ages
18 months to 3-years-old
and incorporates music,
movement, story and

crafts and is held from 9.45 - 10:15 a.m. The other class is Pre-School Storytime, for ages 3 to 5, with music, stories, crafts and games from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Call the Library at 508-867-7928 or come in to, sign up. The library is located at 122 Connie Mack Drive.

and add to the appeal of a community.

Legally protected open space is important in order that, as a community experiences growth, there will always be natural areas for humans and wildlife. Open space helps provide crucial protection for the town's freshwater and groundwater resources, and serves as the backbone of the local landscape for residents and

### Soap-making workshop scheduled for March 27

STURBRIDGE at 6:30 p.m. Those
Thee Joshua who attend will get
Hyde Library, at to make bunnies and
306 Main St., will ducks in baskets
offer a soap making workshop with pre-registration is
forme Arakelian on
Tuesday, March 27, 508-347-2512.



Open Wed.-Sat. 4:30 p.m. Sun. 12:00 p.m. Reservations Suggested

Baked Stuffed Haddock, Pot Roast, Baked Ham, Roast Turkey and more... All dinners and buffet include choice of soup du jour or unlimited salad bar, potato, vegetable, homemade bread and complimentary dish of ice cream.

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Students at Yantasqua Regional High School wore black and handed out black butterflies in hi people that were killed in the Parkland, Florida school shooting a month age.

WALKOUT I FROM
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Sent Camden Rowe, Lauren Lafond
and Kaylee Olander lead
the group through the
moment of silence and
gave a small speech At
10 a.m. students walked
out into the common
are cutside of the school
to hold 17 minutes of
silence.

At the start of each At the start of each minute, one of the students would read off one of the names of the Parkland victims as well as fact about their life to dedicate the next minute to them.

as lact about minute dedicate the next minute to them. "Because this was such a desired movement in our community, we decided to talk about it at in color community, we decided to talk about it at a student council meeting and I actually brought up the idea to have the individual minutes be dedicated to one of the victims of the shooting." staff knowe. "It was decided that I should just kind of do this, then I extended it to Kaylee and Lauren because I know that they are also motivated individuals on the topic and they are caugally as passionate."

The students worked

The students worked The students worked with administration to make sure that students exiting the huilding would be safe during the walk our, Sturbridge police officers were on campus throughout the walk-our.

After the moment of stlence, Rowe, Lafond and Olander read their speeches.

66 I think it went really well. We are the future, so we out. 'think it went really well," said Olander. "We are the future, so we should have a voice in this. Enough is enough, that's all."
Following the speeches, some students could be heard discussing victims of the Parkland shooting as well as some of their own concerns about gun violence.

Tantasqua Regional

make noise and no longer be silent about the issue of gun violence or school shootings. Students were asked to write responses about why they chose to participate in the walk

about gun violence.
Tantasqua RegionalHigh School Principal
Mike Lucas said in a letter to the community the
event is a student event
by students for students.
"This is an opportunity to have our students
model effective communication, civic and civil
responsibility, respect for
others, the acceptance of
disparate points of view,

others, the acceptance of disparate points of view, and the articulation of thoughts and ideas - all of which are part of our core values," Lucas worde. Lucas said he was proud of how the students handled themselves. "It's impacted them, and they have concerns about their safety just as much as the faculty and staff members do," said Lucas. Tantasqua is an

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KAYLEE OLANDER

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"We have made this through today," said Lafond. "This is the first-ever stu-dent walk-out that took is the first-ever student walk-out that took place at Tamasqua High School; in addition we are all part of a generation, that, despite being young, refuses to remain unheard. By standing in solidarity and not only loon of 17, but all victims of gun violence and school shootings, we are paving the way for change and bringing attention to an issue that has gone unnoticed and remains unresolved."

Afterward, the three seniors urged their peers to remember the victims of gun violence, but Cougress has the power to be able to prevent further gun violence, "Most importantly, continue to stand up, speak out and walk out for what you believe in," said Ohandar.

Students were asked at the end of the speech to

Tantasqua is an ALICE-trained school and only allows people into the school through

into the school through one entrance.

In addition to the walk-out, at lunches during the week. Student Council members offered students the chance to sign a banner that will be mailed to Parkland-High School. Student Council members also sales also sales at the state of the students and the sales are sales as a sales at the sales are sales as a sales are sales are sales as a sales are sal

School. Student Council members also absect for the walk out as a way to home the 17 victims.

Rows said he felt motivated by the high school survivors of the Parkland shooting and the way that they helped plan a national walk out. "The way that they we conducted themselves, we wish to follow suit." Rows said. "We'd like to say that we were equally

Rowe said. "We'd like io say that we were equally as confident. I think we finally reached the time where the younger gene-ration is going to be heard and actually can speak for themselves, and will be respected for that because it's us that are being affected. All I have to say is 'never again.'"

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POLICE LOGS

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Between March 12
and March 19, Brookfield
poice made one arrest
Taryl L. Myers, 48, of
68 Town Farm Rond,
Brookfield, was arrested
on March 18 on a warrant.
Police made 18 motor
vehicle stops, 13 building checks, two wolfarc
checks, two investigations, three motor vehicle
investigations, performed
community policing once,
radar three times, traffic
control twice, served one
prisoner meal, served two
summonses, served one
warrant and assisted three
citizens. Police responded
to three reports of school
zone traffic, three lockouts, one animal call, two

Between March 5 and March 19, East Brookfield police made one arrest. Athas Tsongalis of 21 Salisbury St., Worcester, was arrested on March 5

was arrested on Murch 5 for operating under the influence of alcohol and negligent operation of a motor vehicle. Police made 24 motor vehicle stops, 47 building and property checks, six welfare checks, one records check, one investigation, two motor vehicle investigations, one notification, performed radar 10 times, traffic control once and assisted three citizens. They responded citizens. They responded to three complaints about motor vehicle opera-

reports of phone calls, four motor vehicle accidents, one snow ban or parking violation, one complaint, one complaint, one complaint about motor vehicle operations, one safety hazard, one report of forgary or fraud and one alarm. They appeared for court-related matters twice and two officers were nite.

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There were 10 911 calls. Of these, six were for medical emergencies, one was for a welfare check, one was for a welfare check, one was for a complaint about motor whiche operations, one was for a report of suspicious activity and one was a hang-up call. Brookfield police assisted monother segments. two other agencies.

#### **FAST BROOKFIELD**

tions, three motor vehicle accidents, five reports of suspicious activity, nine reports of phone calls, one calsarm, one report of utility issues, one carbon monoxide alarm, one report of a threat, two medical emergencies, one animal call, seven parking complaints and one fire alarm. They appeared for court-related matters twice and officers were initiated six times.

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#### WEST **BROOKFIELD**

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volucia investigations, performed traffic conrot twice, 25, directed
patrols, fire alarm testman one, radar twice,
served two summonses,
served two warrants,
provided general information seven times and
assisted one critizen.
Police responded to two
alarms, two complaints,
one report of gunshots,
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OPEN SPACE 1 FROM PAGE 7 copen space or recreation area in town — it could be an image of scenery or a photo of an activity as it is taking place. The third way is to attend the town's Public Forum in Paige Hall of the Poblick House on April 11 at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served and residents will be able to vote on the place. The public for the public will be able to vote on the place of the public for the public will be able to vote on the place.

and offer their input on things that are important to them.

The photo contest is

The photo contest is asking residents to sub-mit their original photos of their favorite open space or recreation areas in town, which could be chosen to be used in the town's 2018 Open Space and Recreation Plan. The photo with the most voics will be featured on the cover page of the plan. There is no entry fee and it is open to Sturbridge

residents of all ages. Prizes

residents of all ages. Prizes will awarded to the winners of each age group. The groups are under 13, 13 to 19, 20 to 34, 35 to 64 and those 65 and older. Email photo submissions should be sent to sturbridge.photo@gmail.com. The email should also contain the submister's name, age, photo file and the location where the photo was taken. Advone photo was taken. Anyone with questions should conact jbubon@town.stur-bridge.ma.us.



