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## Spirit fully on display at Relay for Life

By DAVID RAINVILLE  
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GREENFIELD — This year's Franklin County Relay For Life brought in nearly a quarter-million dollars for the fight against cancer.

For 21 hours, members of 73 teams walked and ran countless laps around the Franklin County

Fairgrounds' track, as volunteers busily tallied the thousands upon thousands the teams raised. While teams mustered their members for a cool-down lap, volunteers checked over their totals. This year, the Relay brought in \$230,000.

"The best year we had was 2008, before the recession," said volunteer accountant Michael Nelson. "That year, we brought in about \$450,000.

■ This year, the Relay brought in \$230,000 in the fight against cancer.

We still bring in more than \$200,000 each year."

One thing the recession didn't decrease was the participants' spir-

its. Every year's relay has a theme, and each year, teams spend hours crafting decorations for their campsites, only to do it again the next spring for something else. Last year's theme was right at home on the fairgrounds — "cirque du relay" had everyone bringing out their biggest best. This year's theme was "road work," and some teams made hand-painted traffic signs like "STOP

cancer," while others turned their camps into job-sites, and donned hardhats and reflective vests.

And other teams did their own thing. Take Parrotheads For a Cure, for example.

They set up a tiki-bar and slipped on Hawaiian shirts, grilling up "cheeseburgers in paradise" and

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## OH THAT WINNING FEELING



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Turners Falls softball players are all smiles during the championship trophy presentation after the Indians rallied to beat Granby, 7-6, in the Western Mass. Division III championship at the UMass Softball Complex in Amherst. Turners advances to the state semifinals on Tuesday at 3 p.m. against Assabet Valley of Marlborough. For more on the game, see story, Page B1.

## Undoing health law may be messy

By RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It sounds like a silver lining. Even if the Supreme Court overturns President Barack Obama's health care law, employers can keep offering popular coverage for the young adult children of their workers.

But here's the catch: The parents' taxes would go up.

That's only one of the messy potential ripple effects when the Supreme Court delivers its verdict on the Affordable Care Act this month. The law affects most major components of the U.S. health care system in its effort to extend coverage to millions of uninsured people.

Because the legislation is so complicated, an orderly unwinding would prove difficult if it were overturned entirely or in part.

Better Medicare prescription benefits, currently saving hundreds of dollars for older people with high drug costs, would be suspended. Ditto for preventive care with no co-payments, now available to retirees and working families alike.

Partially overturning the law could leave hospitals, insurers and other service providers on the hook for tax increases and spending cuts without the law's promise of more paying customers to offset losses.

If the law is upheld, other kinds of complications could result.

The nation is so divided that states led by Republicans are largely unprepared to carry out critical requirements such as creating insurance markets. Things may not settle down.

"At the end of the day, I don't think any of the major players in the health insurance industry or the provider community really wants to see the whole thing overturned," said Christine Ferguson, a health policy expert who was commissioner of public health in Massachusetts when Mitt Romney was governor.

"Even though this is not the most ideal solution, at least it is moving us forward, and it does infuse some money into the system for coverage," said Ferguson, now at George Washington University. As the GOP presidential candidate, Romney has pledged to wipe Obama's law off the books. But he defends his Massachusetts law that served as a prototype for Obama's.

While it's unclear how the justices will rule, oral

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## Proactive past hurts Whately State not recognizing town's energy work

By KATHLEEN MCKIERNAN  
Recorder Staff

WHATELY — Whately is too green to be green.

While neighboring towns of Conway and Sunderland have submitted applications to become designated as official state Green Communities in time for this year's May 22 deadline, Whately cannot qualify and has not applied.

The main reason is the town cannot reduce

its energy usage by 20 percent in the next five years — one of the five benchmarks a town must meet for the program.

The Green Community Grant Program "is detrimental to towns who already have taken action to reduce energy costs," said Town Clerk Lynn Sibley. "We've been making improvements to the elementary school over the years, but we can't count that. Because we were proactive in the past, we can't become a green community."

The Green Communities Designation and

Grant Program — an initiative of the state Department of Energy Resources — provides funding to qualified municipalities for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

The program, born out of the 2008 Green Communities Act, is designed to help the state decrease its use of fossil fuels and harmful emissions that increase global warming.

To date, the program has helped 86 cities and towns earn the designation. More than \$15

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## An active interest in all kinds of pickles

The world's in a pickle, and Addie Rose Holland is doubly involved in helping with what just might be solutions.

"I joke that there couldn't be anything less related than climate research and pickle-making," says the 32-year-old Montague woman best known around these parts as a partner in Real Pickles, the Greenfield business that put "green" back into pickle-making. "But I do think a connection is there."

Holland, the business partner and since 1999 life partner of Real Pickles founder Dan Rosenberg — they're getting married this week — works at the Wells Street pickle factory a day or two a week, working on the website, on special projects and as part of the three-member management team that guides the 11-year-old company.

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But although she worked in the pickle kitchen until about 2007, slicing cucumbers, making brine, shredding cabbage, mixing spices and packing the organic products into jars, Holland's now playing a role at the University of Massachusetts Climate System Research Center, cooking up ways of responding to a planet that's heating up.

In the spring of 2009, she even traveled to Lake El'gygytyn in

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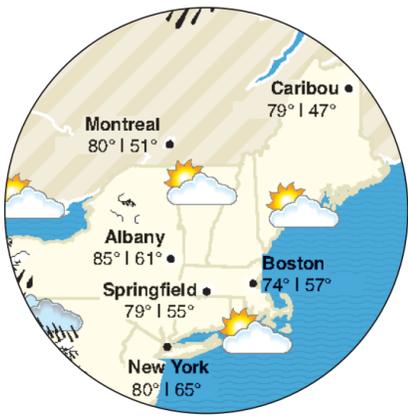


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Addie Holland with one the Real Pickles' signature garlic dills with barrel working behind her in the factory on Wells Street in Greenfield. The 32-year-old Montague woman is playing a role at the University of Massachusetts Climate System Research Center, cooking up ways of responding to a planet that's heating up.

# Weather

## PIONEER VALLEY FORECAST



TODAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
79 / 55 20%*	78 / 62 20%	66 / 60 50%	72 / 56 30%	77 / 57 30%	81 / 59 20%
Partly cloudy with high temperatures in the upper 70s.	Mostly cloudy with high temperatures in the upper 70s.	Chance of thunderstorms throughout the day with high temperatures in the mid 60s.	A few showers possible with high temperatures in the low 70s.	Isolated thunderstorm possible with high temperatures in the upper 70s.	Partly cloudy with high temperatures in the low 80s.

\*CHANCE OF PRECIPITATION

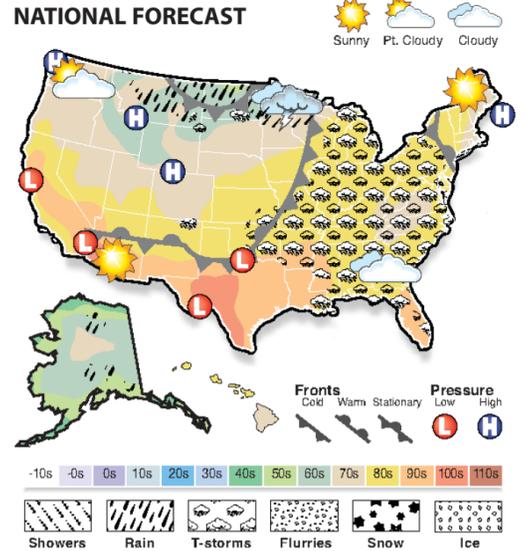


### Outdoor brunch

Grayson Bishop, 3½, enjoys his meal outside the Blue Rock Cafe on Bridge Street in Shelburne Falls on Sunday.

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Peter MacDonald

### NATIONAL FORECAST



### ALMANAC

#### Today's Sun

Rises at 5:29 a.m. Sets at 8:12 p.m.

#### Temperature (Sunday at 7 a.m for previous 24 hours):

High 73 F 22.8 C  
Low 53 F 11.6 C

#### Same day last year

High 86 F 30 C  
Low 62 F 16.7 C

#### Precipitation (Sunday at 7 a.m for previous 24 hours):

0



Last Quarter Today  
New Moon June 19  
First Quarter June 26  
Full Moon July 3

Weather data recorded by the Greenfield Department of Public Works

### IN THE NIGHT SKY

by James Cambias

Lyrid meteor shower peaks Thursday through Saturday, best seen around midnight. At 9 p.m., Mercury may be visible on the western horizon. Mars appears in the southwest, and Saturn is due south with Spica just below it. The star Arcturus appears above Saturn as the sky darkens. In the east the "Summer Triangle" becomes visible, with Vega halfway up the sky, Deneb low in the northeast, and Altair rising due east. Red Antares is low in the southeast. Midnight finds Mars low in the west, with Saturn and Spica in the southwest and Antares due south. Mars sets at 1 a.m., and Saturn follows an hour later. Just before dawn Jupiter may be visible low in the east. The International Space crosses the sky from west to northeast at 9:29 p.m. today.

## Moisture continues to be in our weather pattern

### What is going on?

Nearly 30 inches of rain have fallen in two days across the Gulf Coast causing excessive flooding in many communities such as Pensacola, Mobile, and New Orleans. To put 30 inches of rain in perspective, that amount of precipitation would be equal to around 25 feet of snow in two days or, about to the second floor of Wilson's in downtown Greenfield. All of this wetness happened while the West, especially Colorado, is fighting numerous brush and forest fires due to very dry conditions.

And here, week after week where clouds rule over the sun with frequent showers, some in downpours, seem to pop up at a moments notice. And in Maine, flooding rains have caused serious problems in parts of the state. Go to, youtube.com, and type in, Oklahoma City hail-

### SUNNY DAYS

by Tom Bevacqua

storm, May 29, and you will see what the southern Plains have been dealing with lately. Is it Mother Nature gone wild or is probably just normal? My take, just about normal especially for this time of the year, although all that rain in the South is much to much.

Our weather should be fairly close to normal this week with a nice day today and again tomorrow. According to horticulturists, six or more hours a day constitutes full sun and we should see that for the next two days. Full sun here has been tough to get lately. Then, here come the clouds again with the chance of showers and thunderstorms Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Temperatures this week should be

noticeably warmer than last week with the upper 70s to mid 80s a good bet. Oh yeah, the humidity will be on the increase by mid week so get ready for that, ring around the color once again.

Tom Bevacqua is a long-time television meteorologist in this area, appearing on Channel 3 in Springfield. He holds a bachelors degree in Physical Geography and History from the University of North Dakota, and a masters degree in Sociology from Southern Connecticut State, and teaches meteorology at Greenfield High School.



BEVACQUA

## Pickles: Her work

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northeastern Siberia for two months of research toward the geosciences master's degree from UMass. Three hundred miles from an outpost on the Arctic Ocean, accessible only by helicopter, Holland was part of a UMass-led international team that was drilling for sediment samples from what had once been a crater created 3½ million years ago by a meteorite.

Because of an unusually dry climate there, she says, glaciers never formed to would scour out layers of sediment, so it's "super-rare" for its continuous record of sedimentation — a record of geological chemistry, of the variety and number of organisms in the lake and lots more. The researchers, from a variety of disciplines, were looking for lots of data. A key for Holland was to see whether the lake was covered with ice year-

round, or whether temperatures back through the millenia caused seasonal breakups periodically.

Back in Amherst, she worked on test core samples of lake sediments, analyzing the molecular remains of the organisms from long ago to find preserved clues about climate.

"A few questions guided my thesis, and like many studies, the questions didn't necessarily get answered," confesses Holland, who completed her degree in 2010, before she returned to the work on innovative yet timeless pickle recipes. "But other questions were generated. A few conclusions were useful to the Lake El'gygytyn community, but I like to think they also contributed to the larger community of scientists that work on lake research."

And at the Climate System Research Center, where Holland now works part-time as outreach coordinator, there are also researchers analyzing layers of speleothem, cave formations where calcium carbonate and other deposits convey the history of climate over time, as well as meteorological data from Mount Kilimanjaro, modeling climate scenarios from past and future and studying sedimentary records of hurricanes in New England over the last millennium. And more.

To help engage researchers from a host of disciplines at other UMass campuses and institutions beyond, Holland has developed and maintains a NEclimate.org website and

a New England Climate Colloquium speaker series over the past two years, with a graduate seminar attached.

"It's a way to increase communication and collaboration in an interdisciplinary way around climate research," she said.

That reaching out is due to get a lot more elaborate this fall as the new Northeast Climate Science Center sets up shop at the Amherst campus, under the auspices of the U.S. Department of Interior and U.S. Geological Survey. That will bring in research from five other host universities in a 22-state region, and other universities as well, to share work on climate research.

Back in Greenfield, where Real Pickles moved in 2009 to its own 6,500-square-foot factory topped with a kilowatt photovoltaic array on its roof, Holland and Rosenberg — who moved here from Somerville in 2001 specifically to start up a pickle business based on a natural fermentation process — are gearing up for another season of converting about 200,000 pounds of organic vegetables from a 30-mile radius into award-winning products.

Its employees are on vacation, gearing up for the coming harvest, but there are blue barrels of fermenting sauerkraut, red cabbage and tomatillo hot sauce — all using a natural lactic-acid fermentation process that dates back thousands of years but went out of fashion when industrial food production

begin using vinegar and pasteurization instead.

"We moved here because we decided this was a good area for food, and we knew it fairly well," Holland said, "because we used to drive out here most weekends from Somerville to go contra dancing."

Apart from the nutritional benefits of naturally fermented, organic pickles, Rosenberg says he wanted "to promote a new kind of food system — one that's local and regional in scale, organic whenever possible and based on small farms and small businesses rather than big corporations."

And that, Holland suggests, is the pickle connection with her work toward stopping climate change.

"Real Pickles is really focused on being a leader in supporting a regional food system," she says, pointing to cucumbers that travel a total of maybe seven miles from Atlas Farm in Deerfield to the Wells Street factory and then to local stores like Green Fields Market and Foster's Supermarket.

The products — which for two consecutive years have taken top honors at the Good Food Award — also are sold at 350 stores around the Northeast, including Whole Foods Supermarkets, but the company is committed to limiting its marketing area and the size of distributors it works with as a way of controlling its own growth.

"We feel that's really an important direction food production needs to go, in a real

sense to cut down carbon emissions," but for lots of other reasons, too. "I don't see Real Pickles' mission as stopping climate change. But I do see our mission supporting a good direction in the climate trend.

But if this seems like a chilly-dilly sort of argument, it does run a little deeper.

"It's not just about miles traveled," Holland says. "The bigger impact is coming from the money generated by Real Pickles staying in this community instead of being gobbled up by big corporations, whose interests in general are not allowed to have any mission beyond growing the business for their shareholders."

And while that may not directly warm up the planet, she says, the out-of-control growth that drives many industries seems to play a role in decisions that aren't in the interests of people, their communities or the planet.

"From a Real Pickles perspective, we see so many businesses that whether they want to or not grow to point where they can't remain a small business anymore," Holland said.

On the Web: [www.realpickles.com](http://www.realpickles.com)  
[www.geo.umass.edu/climate/climate.html](http://www.geo.umass.edu/climate/climate.html)

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## Lotteries

### Sunday's daily numbers

MASSACHUSETTS (Evening): 6944  
Payoffs/\$1 bet  
EXACT ORDER  
Four digits \$5,501  
Three digits \$770  
Two digits \$66  
Any digit \$7  
ANY ORDER  
All four digits \$458  
First three digits \$128  
Last three digits \$257  
MASSACHUSETTS (Mid-day): 2452  
Payoffs/\$1 bet  
EXACT ORDER  
Four digits \$5,600  
Three digits \$784  
Two digits \$67  
Any digit \$7  
ANY ORDER  
All four digits \$467  
First three digits \$131  
Last three digits \$131  
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND:  
Three digit (day): 973  
Four digit (day): 7426  
Three digit (eve): 567  
Four digit (eve): 1810  
CONNECTICUT  
Play 3 Day: 716  
Play 4 Day: 8338

### Saturday's daily numbers

MASSACHUSETTS (Evening): 2771  
Payoffs/\$1 bet  
EXACT ORDER  
Four digits \$5,280  
Three digits \$739  
Two digits \$63  
Any digit \$6  
ANY ORDER  
All four digits \$440  
First three digits \$246  
Last three digits \$246  
MASSACHUSETTS (Mid-day): 1441  
Payoffs/\$1 bet

### EXACT ORDER

Four digits \$4,824  
Three digits \$675  
Two digits \$58  
Any digit \$6  
ANY ORDER  
All four digits \$804  
First three digits \$225  
Last three digits \$225  
Megabucks Doubler: 18-19-24-27-36-37  
MassCash: 1-5-9-21-32  
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND:  
Three digit (day): 446  
Four digit (day): 7780  
Three digit (eve): 259  
Four digit (eve): 4357  
Megabucks Plus: 5-11-20-28-41  
Bonus ball: 4  
Powerball: 18-22-45-56-57  
Power Ball: 27  
CONNECTICUT:  
Play 3 Day: 138  
Play 4 Day: 7983  
Play 3 Night: 646  
Play 4 Night: 7555  
Cash: 5: 3-4-11-23-29  
Friday's numbers:  
MASSACHUSETTS:  
Mega Millions: 4-9-34-40-48  
Mega Ball: 25  
Mass Cash: 2-8-17-20-31  
CONNECTICUT:  
Play 3 Night: 104  
Play 4 Night: 4426  
Cash 5: 7-26-28-33-34  
Lotto: 3-9-10-18-31-43  
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## Law: Undoing could be messy

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arguments did not go well for the Obama administration. The central issue is whether the government can require individuals to have health insurance and fine them if they don't.

That mandate takes effect in 2014, at the same time that the law would prohibit insurance companies from denying coverage to people with existing health problems. Most experts say the coverage guarantee would balloon costs unless virtually all people joined the insurance pool.

Opponents say Congress overstepped its constitutional authority by issuing the insurance mandate. The administration says the requirement is permissible because it serves to regulate interstate commerce. Most people already are insured. The law provides subsidies

to help uninsured middle-class households pay premiums and expands Medicaid to pick up more low-income people.

The coverage for young adults up to age 26 on a parent's health insurance is a popular provision that no one's arguing about. A report last week from the Commonwealth Fund estimated that 6.6 million young adults have taken advantage of the benefit, while a new Gallup survey showed the uninsured rate for people age 18-25 continues to decline, down to 23 percent from 28 percent when the law took effect.

Families will be watching to see if their 20-somethings transitioning to the work world will get to keep that newfound security.

Because the benefit is a winner with consumers, experts say many employers and insurers would look for ways to keep offering it even if there's no legal requirement to do so.

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