

Athol Police Log

Tuesday

7:03 a.m. - Caller reports back windshield of vehicle smashed out, Lenox Street. Information taken for report. Rear windshield was smashed with a baseball bat. No items taken.

7:23 a.m. - Caller reports vehicle window smashed, West Royalston Road. Driver's side window and front windshield smashed with a baseball bat. No items taken.

7:30 a.m. - Summons served, Exchange Street.

7:49 a.m. - Caller reports mailbox damaged over night, Riceville Road. Others found damaged as well.

8:25 a.m. - Athol Fire Department reports tractor trailer obstructing traffic, Main Street and Bearsden Road.

8:52 a.m. - Follow-up, Shore Drive. Attempt made to locate subject. Subject later went to station and spoke with officer. Property to be removed.

8:58 a.m. - Traffic stop, Daniel Shays Highway. Verbal warning for speeding.

9:06 a.m. - Follow-up, Pleasant Street. Officer investigating larceny of \$200 headphones.

9:08 a.m. - Caller requests to speak to officer about rights, Silver Lake Street. Spoke to two subjects regarding rental issues. Both advised to speak to landlord, as it is a landlord/tenant dispute.

9:28 a.m. - Follow-up, Main Street. Statements taken.

9:50 a.m. - Walk-in requests to speak to officer about incident. Statement and banking information obtained and passed onto investigating officer.

9:50 a.m. - Officer checking on goose that appears to be injured, Highland Street. Goose appeared to have injured leg and went into pond and was swimming. Animal control officer

who have been continuously running a generator at residence, Walnut Street. Area checked; generator running quietly and could barely be heard from road.

5:23 p.m. - Caller requests officer respond for unwanted female party involved in a verbal altercation with another party, Main Street. Wants party sent on way. Assisted with removal of subject. On arrival, male party was leaving. Male party advised to remain away from property.

5:45 p.m. - Caller reports suspicious parties, Main Street. Spoke with three male subjects who were acting suspiciously in front of store in a manner that caused caller to believe they were selling drugs. Parties denied drug dealing. Matter under investigation.

6:20 p.m. - Caller requests to speak to officer as children from neighboring house threw mud on her house, Cass Circle. Also thrown at Dumpster while children were playing. No damage. Children with parents who were to handle matter.

6:55 p.m. - Caller requests to speak to officer about issue with neighboring kids spitting on his vehicle, Prospect Street. Party later called back to report someone etched words into paint on truck and entire incident was on tape. Matter under investigation.

7:24 p.m. - Walk-in reports being threatened by another party over the phone, Wellington Street. Advised to seek harassment prevention order (HPO) through Orange District Court.

7:33 p.m. - Caller reports large black bear in her front yard, Doe Valley Road. No immediate danger, as no persons or animals were outside. Bear left and did not return while of-

Browser's 'Back Corner' to host authors May 24

ATHOL — Bruce's Browser, 1497 Main St., will host Aaron Ellison and Elizabeth Farnsworth in "The Back Corner" on Friday, May 24, at 6:30 p.m., for a discussion of their latest releases.

Ellison is a senior research fellow in ecology at Harvard University's Harvard Forest and adjunct research professor of biology and environmental conservation at the University of Massachusetts. Farnsworth is senior research ecologist at the New England Wild Flower Society.

"Field Guide to Ants of New England is the first user-friendly regional guide devoted to ants — the "little things that run the world." Lavishly illustrated with more than 500 line drawings, 300-plus photographs, and regional distribution maps as composite illustrations for every species, this guide will introduce amateur and professional naturalists and biologists, teachers and students, and environmental managers and pest-control professionals to more than 140 ant species found in the northeastern United States and eastern Canada.

The detailed drawings and species descriptions, together with the high-magnification photographs, will allow anyone to identify and learn about ants and their diversi-

ty, ecology, life histories, and beauty. In addition, the book includes sections on collecting ants, ant ecology and evolution, natural history, and patterns of geographic distribution and diversity to help readers gain a greater understanding and appreciation of ants.

Edward O. Wilson, University Research Professor Emeritus, Harvard University says, "This ground-breaking field guide not only contributes to our basic knowledge of ants, but places the ants of New England within reach of those interested in the natural history of the region."

Sean Menke, Lake Forest College biology professor and researcher comments, "This goes beyond any ant book that has come before it and puts it in line with the popular and best bird books on the market ... readable and easy to use by non-experts."

"Earth Matters: Essays on the Nature of the Pioneer Valley" brings together columns from the Hitchcock Center for the Environment. Farnsworth provided the illustrations for the book.

Mushroom growing presentation

ATHOL — Susan Paquet, daughter of North Quabbin Garden Club member Linda Paquet, will give a presentation on growing and harvesting gourmet mushrooms on

Little Piggies fundraiser