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Dinner Meetings

1st Thursdays quarterly

6 P.M. open menu!


Business Meeting


3rd Sundays 2-4 pm

President's Message



Dear Altrusans,

We've made it to March and daylight savings time which means more  and warmth is on it's way.

I have a correction from our last Newsletter: we did get the grant from the Cultural Council Grant from Bridgewater for our service project of providing Memory Kits to the Bridgewater Council on Aging.  The Service Committee will be meeting later in March to get the ball rolling on creating them.

This past Saturday myself, Gisela, Lorelei, her sister April, and Lucia volunteered at the Region 5 Science Fair to support Pat with this monumental event. I was in awe again of the talent and intelligence of these high school students. It was a fun and exhausting day, more exhausting for Pat but still a good day.

April 19th we will host Debbie Lemieux, our District One guest, for lunch before our business meeting. The 99 Restaurant at noon time is when we will meet and hopefully it will be warm enough for us to walk to building for our meeting.

April showers will bring us May flowers along with Passover and Easter. I wish all who celebrate these holidays a joyous and upliftig day.



In Service,
 Jenn

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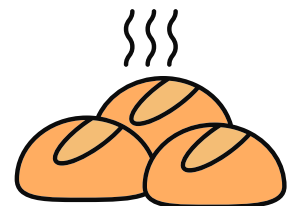


Towne Tavern & Tap East Bridgewater review from Cheri

I recently went to Towne Tavern & Tap in East Bridgewater with a group of friends. This location is the newest one for the Towne Tavern group of Restaurants. It is conveniently located on Route 18. 175 N. Bedford St. East Bridgewater Ma. The parking lot is easy to get in and out of, but does fill up fast. If you can't find a spot, or don't feel like parking your car yourself, they do offer free valet parking . I did end up using the free valet, a first for me, and will definitely take advantage of the service again.

We had a short wait to be seated, which we expected. Surprisingly, we were told it would be a thirty minute wait, and were sooner than the estimated wait time. Our waitress was very nice. She let us take our time looking over the menu while taking in the atmosphere of the restaurant. We ordered an appetizer of their freshly baked house rolls. They were warm, and soft with garlic butter on top. Absolutely amazing! I had the honey chicken sandwich for my meal and that was great too. Although I don't remember everyone else's meal orders, we all left happy and full.

I highly recommend giving Towne Tavern & Tap in East Bridgewater a try.



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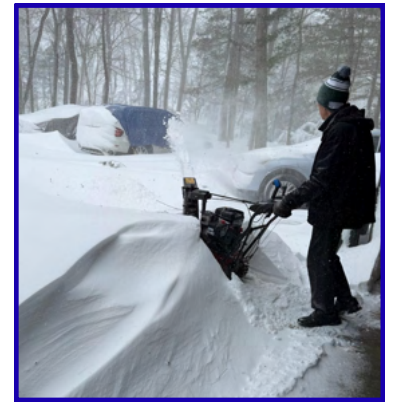
Blizzard of 2026

Scenes around Plymouth County



Let's play a game:
Guess how many cars
are under the snow?

What's a person
to do if the snow
is higher than
the snow
blower?



Did some animal
walk over to the
tree and knock it
over?



Scenes from Brockton:

L: The quiet of the street from Lorelei

R: The aftermath from Cheri

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Joan's adventures to reach her chickens



Ford F150 parked in front of a snow pile for scale

Sue: Not sure who can get to my front door?

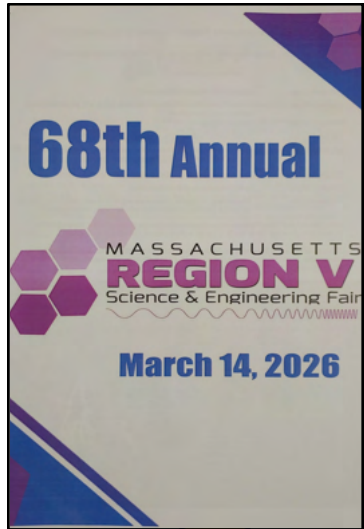


Kim missed the snow while in AZ but shared a picture of Hanover



AND a picture of her actual view in AZ

Altrusans Getting It Done



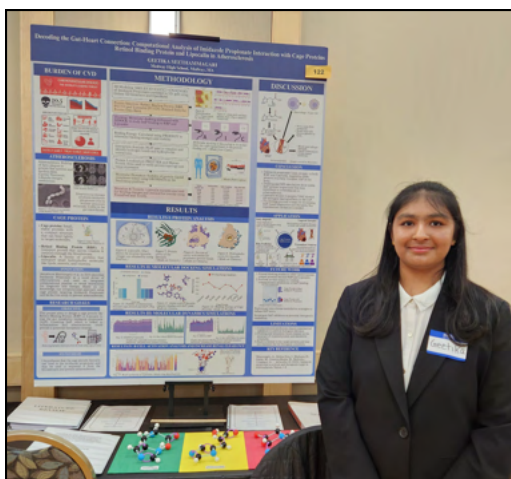
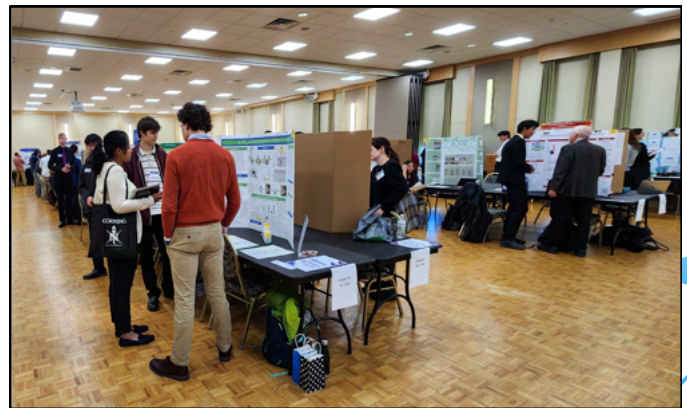
Volunteering March 14, 2026

We were happy to send volunteers again to help Pat with the 68th Region V Science Fair at Bridgewater State University. The fair had 151 students competing from 38 schools.



Early morning crew.

L-R: Jenn, Lorelei, Gizela, April (Lorelei's sister) & Pat



Wrapping up the long day.

L-R: Lucia, Pat & Gizela



Sunday, April 19: Business Meeting
2:00-4:00
Bridgewater Access Cable
80 Spring St. Bridgewater
District Visitor: Debbie Lemieux

Friday, May 1- Sunday, May 3
Altrusa District One
Spring Conference
Sheraton Nashua
Nashua, NH
Information now available in DSB

Sunday, May 31: Business Meeting
2:00-4:00
Bridgewater Access Cable
80 Spring St. Bridgewater
Rescheduled due to Meat Raffle

Sunday, May 17
Meat Raffle
Ben's POURHouse & Grill
39 E Main St, Avon, MA 02322
2:00-5:00 PM

Sunday, June 21: Business Meeting
2:00-4:00
Bridgewater Access Cable
80 Spring St. Bridgewater



March 11	Lucia Shannon
April 12	Joan Osborne

Key 2026 Dates

March 15 Submit awards to District for Mamie L Bass (service), Letha H Brown (literacy), Nina Calhoun (international) and Gaby Crepeau (leadership)

March 30 Early Bird registration for Spring Conference ends

April 1 Send in Delegates/Alternates names to District for Conference

April 7 World Health Day

April 11 Altrusa Anniversary (1917)

April 22 Earth Day

2026 Fall Workshop will be held at the Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport, ME. Save the date: Saturday, November 14, 2026

