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Karl Hakkarainen
 An autumn afternoon



Sandra was the first to notice the bright red head of the very big bird in the thick woods on the camp road. Then, I saw the second one. Big birds. About the size of a crow. As our car approached, one flew across the road. Unlike a crow, this bird kept its wings tight against its body. After a few minutes, ...
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Joe Andrasik
 A Simple Act of Kindness



A simple act of kindness goes along with you. Do you remember your parents telling you this? In my house it was "Do unto others as you would like done unto you." What ever it was it was promoting selflessness amongst everyone. I know you probably think that I am completely crazy, or your wondering where ...
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Jessica Rollins Mercier
 Lighten up



I have become a fan of WCVB Channel 5 on Facebook. Today, I was greeted with an announcement that the names of the top party schools have been released, Georgia is #1.

While this whole top party school thing is sort of a fun list that means little; MANY people are expressing huge worry about the ...
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Barbara Friedman
 Local Author visits the Forbush



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Saddle UP City to Saddle holds reunion

By Sandy Meindersma CORRESPONDENT

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RUTLAND — The City to Saddle mission is much broader than its name implies.

Its first goal is to give economically disadvantaged children access to the pleasures and benefits of horseback riding, but it also seeks to use the children's love of horses to enrich their whole lives.

At Mesa Farm, some of the participants from this summer's City to Saddle program were on hand Oct. 16 demonstrating all that they had learned. The activities for the reunion also included pony rides, a horse trivia game and petting pens, and harvesting potatoes from the garden and making french fries.

The campers had a lot to say about their experience.

"If you want a horse to go faster, you kick them a little bit," Erotea Bytyai, 9, said. "I like Dixie — she's calm."

Tony Ho, 13, said he learned that horses are very sensitive.

"I like vaulting," Delines Candelaria, 12, said. "I like to ride Jackie because she's big and she's easy to ride with."

In addition to spending a week at camp at Mesa Farm, Delines was the lucky winner of a week of sleepaway horse camp in Vermont, which was raffled off as a fundraiser for the 501(c)3 organization.

Fifty-five children from across the state participated in this year's City to Saddle summer camp program, which took place in several barns across the state. Twenty campers came to Mesa Farm, where they learned about the horses, how to ride and how to care for the animals.



Boys and girls from Autumn Woods Apartments in Worcester take a hayride Oct. 16 during a City to Saddle summer program reunion and fundraiser at Mesa Farm. Fifty-five children from cities across the state participated in the equestrian program this past summer. (T&G Staff/TOM RETTIG)

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Barbara Zenker,
 CO-FOUNDER OF CITY TO SADDLE

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Look around and you discover something interesting about the people that live and work in Westminister. What do you think a conservation agent would do in his spare time? Become a mystery writer? Why not, says Rob N. Maki. He is working as the Westminister conservation agent part-time, but he has a passion ...

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Denyse Dar
the battle
against the
creativity crisis



recently, Newsweek carried an article on "The Creativity Crisis" grazed over why creativity is important and how it is in serious decline. i started this blog in an effort to help others not only begin to accept their creativity but to try to foster it. while the world at large prefers to see us "artistic ...

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Rani Colbert
Hidy-Ho Here
comes the snow!



So my first real New England winter storm started Dec. 11th and left me and thousands of others without power for days and some say, still no power. Given this is the Rutland blog, you all know perfectly well what storm I am talking about. I must say, I have never seen anything like it. The individual ...

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Peter Cook
Blood in the
Water in
November



The election this year is going to be historic. For Democrats it will be devastating. In the House of Representatives we could have a historic shift. The record stands at 74 seats changing hands in 1922. We could easily see that matched and beaten this year, particularly if the GOP wins more than one ...

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Barbara Zenker of Weston, who is one of the co-founders of City to Saddle, said it costs approximately \$600 per child for a week of camp.

"And that's even though the barns give us a discount on the tuition," she said. "We don't think big numbers — we hope the programs will grow into year-round programs.

"Some barns offer year-round lessons for our campers, and this year we're doing a winter-ride pilot program, that will be a neighborhood enrichment program, with horse stories, journaling about horses, and of course field trips to the barn. There's no end to what can be done."



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Paxton

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