

# Three Charlton students to attend Boy's State Conference



Henry Weiland



Eli Harmon



Trevor Wallace

CHARLTON — The Charlton American Legion Post 391 is pleased to announce the selection of three Charlton high school students as delegates to represent the Charlton American Legion and Shepherd Hill Reg'l High School at the 2021 Massachusetts Boy's State Conference.

Henry Weiland and Eli Harmon, both members of

the Senior class, and Trevor Wallace, a Junior; all students of SHRHS and residents of the town of Charlton, were recently selected after a careful and deliberate interview process.

The three young men will join with other rising high school juniors from across the state for a week-long camp from June 12 to June 18 at Stonehill College in Easton, where they will study the

workings of the government and the legal system as part of an American Legion tradition that dates back to 1935. Boy's State is considered one of the most respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for high school students.

The main goal of the Boy's State program is to increase awareness among young leaders about their responsibility

to their peers and themselves to participate in the democratic process. A large part of the program is devoted to the organization and operation of mock municipal and state government. During the week all students are required to attend classes in government, law, and economics.

Weiland is Class Treasurer and Class Salutatorian of the Senior Class and will be attending Harvard University next year. Henry participated in Track and cross country during his four years at Shepherd Hill. He is the son of Paul and Amy Schwalbe of Charlton and Philip Weiland of Huron, Ohio.

Harmon is a member of the Senior Class and is the Captain of the Track and Cross Country teams at Shepherd Hill. Eli plans on attending Assumption University in the fall. He is the son of Len and Janet Harmon of Charlton.

Wallace is Class Valedictorian of the Junior class and a member of the school's National Honor Society. Trevor participated in Varsity Track, TriM music society and the school band. He is the son of Devon and Bonnie Wallace of Charlton.

All of the students who took part in the interview process were from Charlton and were recommended by their teachers as well as their guidance departments.

It is fitting that this experience of Boys State should give them their first glimpse of the issues they will face on a larger scale as they grow into adults and voting citizens. In the past, the program has produced a U.S. President, Senators, Congressmen, Governors, attorneys and leaders in the business world throughout the nation.

## Nursing student shines spotlight on vital role of school nurses

CHARLTON — Angela Letourneau of Auburn applauds the work of the school nurses at Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School.

In a letter she sent to the Academy Director Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN, Letourneau expressed gratitude at the opportunity to observe school nurses Deborah Grenier, RN and Lynn Coleman, RN. Both school nurses have risen to the occasion since the pandemic began last year. In addition to the school nurses' traditional responsibilities, they manage and monitor COVID-19.

Although hesitant at first, Letourneau thought school nursing was probably a field she would not be interested in. After spending two full days of school nurse observation, her

opinion has changed.

Letourneau stated, "I have a completely new outlook, and what a wonderful experience it was to observe the school nurses."

Grenier and Coleman were both "welcoming and amazing!" enthusiastically shared Letourneau. The school nurses "share a unique bond with the students and it melts my heart," said Letourneau.

For Bay Path Regional Vocational High School students, the school nurses' office is "a safe place to come get medical attention or just to have an ear that's open to listening to them," said Letourneau.

Further, Letourneau added that with school nursing, "there is a lot more than giving a student a Band-

Aid, or anything else they came in for. It is getting to know each student and their specific needs and problems."

Grenier and Coleman completely impressed Letourneau with the great relationship they had not just with each other but with everyone at the Bay Path community. The school nurses care for physical and mental health including care coordination. Letourneau's school nurse observation experience highlighted the complex and important job of the school nurses and showed their ability to adapt to challenging circumstances to care for students and the Bay Path community.

Letourneau is a 1998 graduate of North High School in Worcester. She obtained her Nursing Assistant Certificate from the American Red Cross in 1999, a Phlebotomy Certificate from Quinsigamond Community College in 2002, EMT-B Certificate from METCA in 2008 and most recently, Care Manager Training Certificate in 2018 from All Care Plus Pharmacy in Northborough. She works as an Anesthesia Technician at Shields



Angela Letourneau

Surgery Center in Shrewsbury. She is the Chair of the 2021 Cohort's UNICEF Club.

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