

*Certain types of hearing loss may require a hearing instrument model that is not appropriate for the trial. Hearing evaluation required. See clinic for details. Only available for selected hearing instruments. Buy one Phonak Audéo™ PRC™ Infinite 70 or 90 level hearing aid at retail price and get another of the same make and model 50% off. Discount is based on inpatient purchase. This limited-time offer may not be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion. New orders only. Private pay only (not combinable with insurance or network). Not available on all levels of technology. **With \$89 payment to start, a total of \$2,901 will be financed at 19.99% APR on approved credit for 48-months. Additional upgrades and other financing options are available. Terms are subject to change without notice and other restrictions may apply. See office for details. Offers expire 08/31/25.

Formerly True North
525 Main Street, Acton
181 Wells Avenue Suite 100, Newton

BUY 1 GET 1

50% OFF

Buy one Phonak Audeo Sphere[®] Infinio 70 or 90 hearing aid and get one 50% off!

EXCLUSIVE FINANCING

STARTING AS LOW AS

\$89/month²

HURRY! OFFERS EXPIRE 08/01/25

MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025 | MILFORDDAILYNEWS.COM

PART OF THE USA TODAY NETWORK

Caroline Bunnell
The MetroWest Daily News
USA TODAY NETWORK

The Ireland company selected by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to rebuild and operate 18 highway service plazas throughout the state says it's ready to get to work.

Dublin-based Applegreen said it's investing \$750 million to rebuild nine plazas and renovate the other nine. The

work is expected to be completed over a three-year period (2026-28). Construction on the first six sites will begin Jan. 1.

"We design, we build, and then we operate these plazas," Applegreen co-founder and Chairman Bob Etchingham said. "We have relationships with all the major food brands. We focus (on that) pretty much exclusively — 95% of our revenue (comes) from food and beverage and travel plazas. That is what we do."

No two consecutive plazas will be closed at the same time, he said.

"We're committed to building world-class travel plazas in the state of Massachusetts," Etchingham continued. "We see these as locations where an impression is formed by visitors of the state, and

they need to be right up there with the very best that is available.”

Applegreen owns more than 400 sites in the United States, United Kingdom and Ireland. The company has nine state contracts in the United States and more than 700 branded food and beverage outlets across global brands.

Waltham company urges MassDOT to reconsider decision

MassDOT's awarding of the contract to Applegreen, which followed an 18-month process and included five other bidders, did not come without criticism.

See PLAZAS, Page 2A



The Natick service plaza on the eastbound side of the Mass Pike (Interstate 90) is among those scheduled to be rebuilt as part of a \$750 million project by Dublin-based Applegreen.

ART ILLMAN/DAILY NEWS AND WICKED LOCAL

“We’re committed to building world-class travel plazas in the state of Massachusetts.”

Bob Etchingham
Applegreen co-founder and chairman

A group of people are enjoying a day in a park. On the left, two children on bicycles and an adult on a bicycle are riding along a path. On the right, a man is sitting on a bench, playing an acoustic guitar. In the background, there is a large, ornate building and a tall, white monument.

Street Performer Nancy, of Ashland, receives applause from young bicyclists on the Natick Common on July 8. Nancy was practicing for an open microphone night at the Morse Institute Library later that evening.

ART ILLMAN/DAILY NEWS AND WICKED LOCAL

**UMASS MEMORIAL
MEDICAL CENTER**

Regulators OK merger with Marlborough Hospital

Alison Kunitz
State House News Service

Public health regulators approved the merger of UMass Memorial Medical Center and Marlborough Hospital on July 9, with the licensing overhaul deepening an existing affiliation that's expected to improve patient care and reduce operating costs.

The UMass Memorial Health system encompasses UMMC, an academic medical center, and four community hospitals, including the 79-bed Marlborough Hospital. All hospitals in the system are licensed independently, and Marlborough Hospital is the smallest of the facilities, said Dennis Renaud, director of the Determination of Need program at the Department of Public Health.

The Public Health Council approved UMass Memorial Health's DoN application for a transfer of ownership, allowing Marlborough Hospital to become a licensed campus of UMMC. Marlborough Hospital, while formerly

See MERGER, Page 2A



Kevin Meehan
Owner

**IF YOU CAN
DREAM IT
YOU CAN
DRIVE IT!**

HUGE SELECTION

OF TARIFF FREE

NEW AND USED VEHICLES ON OUR LOTS READY FOR DELIVERY!

<p>2021 FORD EXPLORER NEW Retail Price: \$48,185</p> <p>#TP5628 • XLT TRIM, 4X4, NAV, 18" ALLOYS, 2.3L ECOBOOST WHOLESALE PRICE: \$30,677</p> <p style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; text-align: center;">SAVE \$17,500 OFF RETAIL! PAYMENTS AS LOW AS \$110/WK</p> <p>2023 CHEVY COLORADO NEW Retail Price: \$42,870</p> <p>#C47256L • LT RIM, TURBO, CREW CAB, ALLOYS, 7' LCD WHOLESALE PRICE: \$34,677</p> <p style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; text-align: center;">SAVE \$8,200 OFF RETAIL! PAYMENTS AS LOW AS \$124/WK</p> <p>2023 DODGE CHARGER NEW Retail Price: \$34,755</p> <p>#D15141 • SXT TRIM, 3.6L V6, 17" ALLOYS, APPLE CARPLAY WHOLESALE PRICE: \$22,377</p> <p style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; text-align: center;">SAVE \$12,400 OFF RETAIL! PAYMENTS AS LOW AS \$81/WK</p>	<p>2021 TOYOTA RAV4 LE NEW Retail Price: \$34,280</p> <p>#TP5417 • HYBRID, ALLOYS, AWD, GOLD CERTIFIED, 2.5L WHOLESALE PRICE: \$27,377</p> <p style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; text-align: center;">SAVE \$6,900 OFF RETAIL! PAYMENTS AS LOW AS \$99/WK</p> <p>2021 JEEP RENEGADE NEW Retail Price: \$28,560</p> <p>#D15091 • LATITUDE TRIM, APPLE CARPLAY, MOONROOF WHOLESALE PRICE: \$18,977</p> <p style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; text-align: center;">SAVE \$9,600 OFF RETAIL! PAYMENTS AS LOW AS \$68/WK</p> <p>2023 RAM 1500 4X4 NEW Retail Price: \$46,760</p> <p>#TP5427 • HEATED SEATS, V6, 18" ALLOYS, NIGHT EDITION WHOLESALE PRICE: \$33,677</p> <p style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; text-align: center;">SAVE \$13,100 OFF RETAIL! PAYMENTS AS LOW AS \$120/WK</p>
---	---



SALE ENDS 07/16/2025. Cannot be combined with any other discount or promotion and must use dealer source financing. Some restrictions apply, see us for details. Weekly payments calculated with an estimated down payment of \$2,999 cash or trade. Selling price includes all applicable rebates and incentives including our \$1,000 Imperial trade assistance bonus for a qualifying 2015 or newer trades. See us for details. Advertized price does not include tax, title, registration or documentation fee. Vehicle must be paid in full and take same day delivery. Amount may be adjusted for mileage, wear and tear, and options. New retail price based on MSRP of new models. Not valid with prior sales. Not responsible for typographical errors. Photos are for illustration purposes only. Call 1-800-526-2886 to set up an appointment to test drive.

IMPERIAL CARS.com

8-18 UXBRIDGE RD., MENDON | 300 FORTUNE BLVD., MILFORD

800-526-2886 • IMPERIALCARS.COM

NOW SERVICING ALL MAKES AND MODELS | MON-TH 9-9, FRI & SAT 9-6, SUN 12-6

WE SELL
MORE,
SO YOU
SAVE
MORE!!!

Subscriber-only eNewspaper

The eNewspaper is an electronic copy of your print newspaper. Enjoy every page by going to milforddailynews.com/enewspaper or scan this code on your mobile device. You will also find late news and sports in the bonus sections. Check it out today!



Volume 138 | No. 164
Home delivery: 888-697-2737
News tips: 508-634-7562
©2025 **\$2.**



\$2.00