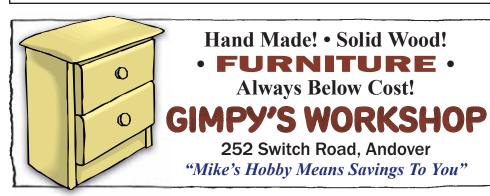


arry Chase, who took this picture of a robin sitting in a colorful chokeberry bush and about to eat a red chokeberry, hopes the robin knows what it is getting into.





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The headstone of Ellen Flanders Tuttle is shown here covered with moss and lichen at Lake View Cemetery. Caption and photo: Donna Baker-Hartwell

Reader Offers Helpful Cemetery Headstone Cleaning Solution

Donna Baker-Hartwell East Andover

After reading the coverage in the October *Beacon* of volunteers working to clean the headstones in our town cemeteries, I was inspired to clean some of our family stones. Many thanks to those folks for their hard work. It can be a difficult task when stones have decades/centuries of lichen growing on them.

I thought that *Beacon* readers would appreciate a solution I found to make this task easier. I asked John Howe, Building Product Specialist at Belletetes, for help. He was enthusiastic about the use of "Wet and Forget," an environmentally safe solution. I have applied two heavy sprays onto the moss covered stones. John says all that is needed is a "brushing off" come springtime. I can hardly wait to see the results!



John Howe, Building Product Specialist at Belletetes, poses with the magical solution for headstone cleaning, in front of a painting by his father, Townsend Howe.

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