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Recreation Department Wins Red Sox Outing

Bourne Recreation Department has secured a number of tickets to see the Red Sox versus the Toronto Blue Jays on Tuesday, July 15, at Fenway Park. The cost is \$72 per ticket, including transportation. The bus will depart from the Sagamore Park and ride lot no later than 6:30 AM.

Day seats are located in the field roof box, section 39. For more information, visit www.bournerec.com. Registration begins online, starting May 5, at 7 AM. Tickets must be paid in full at time of registration. For more information, visit www.bournerec.com.

Women's Club Luncheon

The General Federation of Women's Clubs, Bourne Women's Club, will meet on Wednesday, May 7, at Crain Hall of the United Methodist Church, 100 South Road in Bourne Village. The meeting starts at noon with a luncheon, followed by a brief business meeting. The installation of officers for 2014-2016 will be held. A special guest will be the president of GFWC Massachusetts, Lynn Sullivan. Those interested in joining should call 508-759-



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The former Cape Gallery II furniture store on MacArthur Boulevard is being renovated and will soon be the new home of Gendron Construction.

Builder Buys, Renovates Former Furniture Store

By MICHAEL J. RAUSCH

For nearly two years, the building that formerly housed the Cape Gallery II furniture store on MacArthur Boulevard south just before the Otis Rotary has sat empty. That is about to change. Local contractor Robert J. Gendron, of Gendron Construction, recently bought the building, and renovations are currently underway.

Mr. Gendron said that his plans are to make one half of the 20,000-square-foot building his company's headquarters, and lease the remaining space in the other half of the building.

Mr. Gendron said that he closed on the sale of the building in early March and renovations began April 15. He said that he expects to be done with the exterior work by June 1, and at that point he will start negotiations with potential renters. He hopes to have tenants in place by July 1 and the building's interior ready for them to move in by the first

of August.

A native of Bourne who graduated from Bourne High School in 2000, Mr. Gendron attended the University of Massachusetts Amherst where he majored in finance. He spent a few years working in Boston after graduating from UMass, but then decided to move back home to Bourne. He lives on Diandy Road in Sagamore Beach with his wife, Gina, a 1st grade teacher at Bourne Elementary School. His construction firm's offices are currently in Raynham, but he is eager to establish headquarters in his hometown, he said.

"Bourne is a great town to do business in," he said.

He added that, along with his roots being in Bourne, the business-friendly climate was one of the reasons he chose to do business here.

Mr. Gendron said that he has not entertained anyone interested in leasing space in the building yet, so it is difficult



The furniture store's sign is still out in front of the building on MacArthur Boulevard.

for him to speculate on what types of businesses the building might be home to. He said that he is trying to dress the building up first before starting to talk to people, and he wants to create a contemporary work space that will draw a high end clientele.

"The ultimate goal is to invest in Bourne and to kind of clean up the area," he said.

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