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Southbridge Savings Bank Executive Vice President & COO Retiring After 33 Years  
Elected to Bank Board of Directors Executive Committee

**Southbridge-** After over 33 years of service, Janet E. Garon will be retiring from Southbridge Savings Bank. “Anyone who knows me knows I am a planner. How many people give a five year notice?” stated Mrs. Garon. “Seriously though, I will miss the staff and customers very much. I have made many friends and have many great memories.”

On December 10, 2009 from 9 am to 3 pm, the Main Office will hold a reception to welcome customers and members of the community to wish Mrs. Garon well.

Mrs. Garon started with the bank in May of 1976 as a teller. In 1978 she then became Head of Consumer Lending and held that position until becoming Executive Vice President in 1993. Mrs. Garon was elected to the Bank’s Board of Directors in 1994.

In addition to her longtime employment at Southbridge Savings, Bank Mrs. Garon has been very active in the community. Some examples of her involvement include delivering Tri-Valley Meals on Wheels since 2001, Board of Director of United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge & Charlton, Board Member of Blanchard Means Foundation, Board of Director of Rehabilitative Resources, Inc., Board of Director of The Last Green Valley, Co-Chairman of Southbridge FEST, Treasurer of Festival of Giving Trees and Overseer of Old Sturbridge Village.

Mrs. Garon also has a passion for politics and has held several positions in different capacities. Janet is currently a Massachusetts Republican State Committee Woman and

was appointed to the Quinebaug & Shetucket Rivers Valley Heritage District Commission, a position appointed by Governor Mitt Romney.

“Although we are sad to see Janet leave us we wish her happiness in her retirement,” stated Philip Pettinelli, CEO and President of Southbridge Savings Bank. I have worked shoulder to shoulder with Janet for these 33 years and have valued her opinions and contributions in making Southbridge Savings Bank a strong community based organization. I am pleased that she has been elected by the Board of Directors to become a member of the Bank’s Executive Committee.”

Southbridge Savings Bank currently has 10 convenient locations located throughout Central Massachusetts to meet your personal and business needs, with four branches open seven days a week. For more information about Southbridge Savings Bank or any its products and services, please call 1-800-939-9103 or visit the website at [www.southbridgesavingsbank.com](http://www.southbridgesavingsbank.com).