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Painted rocks spread the news of Belmont's anniversary

BY DONNA RHODES

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BELMONT – As part of the celebration for Belmont's 150th Anniversary, several residents took on a painted rock project in 2019, with the rocks announcing the anniversary to all who

found them. Gretta Olson-Wilder was Belmont's Events Coordinator over the past year and said they borrowed the idea of painted rocks from a seacoast town and looked forward learning where they SEE **ROCKS**, PAGE A7

Residents of Belmont painted these special 150th anniversary rocks last spring and have enjoyed learning where they have been found so far through posts on the selectmen's Facebook page.

Northfield Public Works department asks for cooperation this winter

BY DONNA RHODES

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NORTHFIELD – With the arrival of winter weather, Northfield Public Works Superintendent Andy Buteau wanted to make residents aware of some of the problems his department encounters each year and ask for their cooperation as his crews work to keep the roads safe for all.

"The problem is simply that a lot of people don't know what they should or shouldn't do when it snows," Buteau said.

For one, many may not realize there is an ordinance against depositing materials, including snow, in the roads, Article II of the Northfield Highway Ordinance reads that it shall be a violation for anyone to "deposit or cause to be deposited any material within the boundaries of the Town roads, drainage ditches, right of ways, sidewalks or any other Town owned or maintained parcel in such a manner so as to obstruct their use, create a hazardous travel condition or impede the line of sight for either pedestrian or vehicular traffic." Violations can result in a \$100/day fine, applicable for each day a

violation may continue.

"We ask people not to plow across a road but there are some instances where they may not have any other choice because of the way their driveway is set up. I can understand that. When you do have to plow across though, you need to make sure you then clear all of that snow out of the road," said Bu-

After the first snowstorm in November he personally spotted two people shoveling and blowing snow from their driveways directly into the roads that had just been plowed and treated. Putting snow back onto a road can cause a hazard for drivers as it freezes into a solid line of snow, or melts enough to create an icy condition and violators can be subject to that \$100 fine.

Mailboxes are another issue every winter and Buteau assures everyone that his plow truck drivers don't intend to hit them; at times it cannot be avoided. Some people have moved their mailboxes closer to the road so the Post Office has easier access. but that. Buteau said. leaves it susceptible to a hit from the plow. He advises mailboxes be SEE **NORTHFIELD**, PAGE A7

Gala supports work of Franklin VNA & Hospice FRANKLIN — A supportive crowd gathered on Saturday, December 14th to make merry and support the work of the Franklin VNA & Hospice at La Piece event space in Tilton, NH. The evening included a full holiday party with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a three-course dinner, followed by dancing, games and si-

lent auction.

"We were so fortunate to have the support of Franklin Savings Bank to make the night a success," says Tabitha Dowd, Executive Director of the Franklin VNA & Hospice, "Not only did they come on as a major sponsor, but they donated their tickets so some of the teachers at the Winnisquam High School could have a fantastic evening out!"

The Gala was held at La Piece in Tilton, an



Several Winnisquam Regional High School teachers attended the event with the tickets donated to them by Franklin Savings Bank.

exclusive event space with river views and exposed beams. Franklin VNA & Hospice was excited to be able to partner with them, and very grateful for the support.

"Without Anna and her team we wouldn't have been able to do

it," says Dowd. "She recognized the importance of home health care and home hospice, from the economic advantages of holistic care in the home, to community services, such as vaccination, & healthcare education. Community health is a necessary underpinning for every other social good. Anna, as a community leader, wanted to help us raise awareness about our work and raise funds to help support it."

All the funds raised from the evening, including the silent auction, will help to support the home care and home hospice work of Franklin VNA & Hospice, which serves 14 towns in central New Hampshire.

In addition to Franklin Savings Bank and La Piece, sponsors included Watts Water Technologies, The Laconia Daily Sun, Pro-Care HospiceCare, The Edwards CPA Group, Berry Dunn, and Atlantic Parking Services, who also provided the valet parking during the evening.

"We are grateful to work in and with a community who believe that improving the health, and health care literacy of the community, is a crucial part of making the world a better place. Our supporters understand that healthcare in our community is interconnected—that future for each one of us— and those we love, is tied to the fate of others. Supporting our work to help people heal in their homes, or help those on Hospice die with dignity and is truly a way to embrace the spirit of the season; treating people where SEE VNA, PAGE A7

Crews tackle garage fire in Northfield

BY DONNA RHODES

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NORTHFIELD The report of a garage fire at 2 Glines Rd. in Northfield at 10:06 a.m. last Thursday morning brought firefighters from three communities to the scene when Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS personnel became concerned about flames possibly spreading to the nearby residence.

"The first crews observed a fully involved detached garage that was in close proximity to the main home," Deputy Fire Chief Tm Joubert reported. "A first alarm was immediately requested due to the potential of the fire spreading to the house, and the SEE FIRE, PAGE A7



Under frigid weather conditions, crews from Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS, Franklin and Belmont departments worked quickly to put out a fire in a Northfield garage that threatened the nearby residence last Thursday.

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Monday, Dec. 30 Chess Club, 2-5 p.m. After-School Board Game Club, 4 to 6 p.m.

Many students are on winter break but it is still a good time to try out some games! We will have a bunch of different games perfect for groups, solo, or one-on-one! Join us to try out some games you may have never heard of but will love!

Tuesday, Dec. 31

Spanish Club, 10 a.m. Patron Appreciation Day, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

We will be closing at 2 p.m. today. Join us from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for a potluck patron appreciation time so we can thank our patrons and look forward to 2020 together!

Pen to Paper Planners, noon

Our Instagram #HM-LHYGGE photo challenge of the day is #Todolist so join us and share your last to-do list of the year! Bring your planner or journal, favorite pens, and supplies to our first Pen to Paper Planners group. We'll have washi tape, stickers, and highlighters to share as we discuss planner and journal organization ideas, too.

Wednesday, Jan. 1 Closed for the holiday

- Happy New Year!

Thursday, Jan. 2 Coffee & Cocoa Hour,

Warm up with a cup of coffee or cocoa while supplies last.

Friday, Jan. 3

Sit & Knit, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

New Items

"Murder at Madingley Grange" by Caroline Graham

"Cinderella, Liberator" by Rebecca Solnit

"Winterkill" by Kate A. Boorman

"Mustache Baby Meets His Match" by Bridget Heos

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January Highlights at Hall Memorial Library Tilton/Northfield

Library Closed for holiday observances on

the following dates: Wednesday, Jan. 1 Monday, Jan. 20

Art on Display

"The Peace in the World"

Celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Fermata Arts Foundation (2008-2018), Hall Memorial Library is hosting a traveling exhibition of children's drawings that will be seen around New England states from January of 2018 until January of 2021. Children's art from Tashkent. Uzbekistan will be on display for the month of January 2020 and we invite you to view the exhibition by students ages 10 to 14 years old. Brought to us through the Fermata Arts Foundation Program, 24 Brentwood Drive, Avon, Connecticut 06001. www.fermata-arts.org

Hall Memorial Library's Winter Reading

and Hygge Challenge Dec. 23 – Feb. 29

It's not too late to participate! While you must post daily to complete the Instagram Photo-A-Day Challenge, the Reading and Hygge Challenges may be done anytime before the end of February.

What is Hygge? Hygge (pronounced hueguh) is a Danish word used when acknowledging a feeling or moment, as cozy, charming, or special.

How do I sign-up? No registration is required. Simply grab a packet that includes your punch card and 3 challenge sheets.

One challenge sheet is for Hygge, one for reading, and one is a photo-a-day challenge.

How do I complete the challenge?

Your punch card has 20 snowflakes on it. To complete the Hygge and p.m.

Reading challenge you Coffee & Cocoa Hour must complete 10 from Join us for a cozy coffee each checklist. As you and cocoa hour while complete them you can supplies last at 6 p.m. bring in the checklist

and your punch card

to get it punched. Once

you have all 20 punch-

es, turn in your card for

a free book and small

prize. Write your name

on the back and you will

be entered to win a raf-

Challenge takes place

on Instagram and you

get one entry in a sepa-

rate raffle per photo you

take and post with the

hashtag #HMLHYGGE.

Anyone who completes

the photo challenge will

be entered to win an ex-

Weekly Adult Pro-

Chess Club - Mon-

Spanish Club - Tues-

Sewing - Tuesdays at

Tech Tuesdays from

Sit and Knit - Friday

2-4 p.m. - Get help from

Jenna with your device.

Weekly Programs for

Children

days at 10:30 a.m.

TIME***

Jan. 8

Jan. 15

Jan. 22

Jan. 29

New

Storytime - Wednes-

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Board Game Club -

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January Calendar of

Events

Thursday the 2nd, 6

will love! (Grades 3+)

Not sure what to do

Mondays at 4 p.m.

After-School

days from 10-11:30 a.m.

tra great prize!

days from 2-5 p.m.

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10 a.m.

from 2-5 p.m.

Photo-A-Day

fle prize.

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Tuesday the 7th, 3-4 p.m.

Self-Care Session for Teens - Teens, join us for an hour of self-care each week we will be practicing a different self-care technique.

Wednesday the 8th, noon

Scrabble in the Afternoon - A great way to spend a day... friends and a leisurely game. Adults Only.

Wednesday the 8th, 4:30 p.m.

Reading with Jellyroll - Drop in and sign up to read to a lovely dog, Jellyroll!

Thursday the 9th, 3-4

Craft Time for Teens Candleholders. Free craft time for ages 12 -

Thursday the 9th, 6 p.m.

Craft Time for Adults Candle Making. Learn to make candles with Nancy Smart. Adults only. Sign up at the circulation desk or call 286-8971 to register. \$10 material fee due at class.

Saturday the 11th, 10:30 a.m.

Babytime: Movement and Music - Join us for fun and giggles as we move, sing, and explore through music and movement! No registration required for this free group class for ages 0-2 with a caregiver. We will enjoy early literacy development through stories, songs, and rhymes and your little ones will experience the world through sound, dance, and bond-

Monday the 13th, 5

ing with you.

Trustees Meeting -Open to the public

Monday the 13th, 6

The Bookers - 1920s Theme Books

Choose a book related to the 1920s. We will discuss what we have read, looking back at 1920s literature and history as we look forward to the 2020s.

Tuesday the 14th, 3 to 4 p.m.

Self-Care Session for Teens - see above for details

Thursday the 16th, 6

p.m. Cozy Corner Chat -Meet in our own library hyggekrog or show off your own if you participated in the Hygge Photo-a-day Challenge! Enjoy a cup of coffee or cocoa with us while supplies last.

Monday the 20th -Closed

Tuesday the 21st, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Self-Care Session for Teens - see above for details

Wednesday the 22nd, 4:30 p.m.

Reading with Jellyroll - see above for details

Thursday the 23rd, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Craft Time for Teens Ages - Origami Star Crafts for ages 12 - 18.

Thursday the 23rd, 6 p.m.

Pen to Paper Planners: #GOAL - The Photo-A-Day Challenge theme is goals. This month, we'll discuss ours and all things planners & journals at our Pen to Paper Planners group. Join us for a fun hour to show off your planner or get started on using one. Bring a notebook or planner, favorite supplies, and we'll share washi and other fun stationery supplies.

Friday the 24th, 11

Pen to Paper Planners: #GOAL - A time during the day for planner/journalers. See above for more details.

Saturday the 25th, 10:30 a.m.

Babytime: Movement and Music - see above for details

Monday the 27th, 6 plishment, dium Carolyn Rose

A Gallery is a mediumship event in front of an audience. Readings are not guaranteed but messages received through Carolyn Rose will often resonate for various members of the audience, even if not directed to them specifically. Being a witness to these messages can be a heart-warming experience. This free event is recommended for

adults. Carolyn offers both in-home galleries or private appointments at her Chichester office, Wild Woman Wellness Center.

Monday the 27th, 6

Crime Junkies Book Group - "I'll Be Gone in the Dark" - Michelle McNamara

"For more than ten years, a mysterious and violent predator committed fifty sexual assaults in Northern California before moving south, where he perpetrated ten sadistic murders. Then he disappeared, eluding capture by multiple police forces and some of the best detectives in the area. Three decades later, Michelle McNamara, a true crime journalist who created the popular website TrueCrimeDiary.com, determined to find the violent psychopath she called "the Golden State Killer." Michelle pored over police reports, interviewed victims, and embedded herself in the online communities that were as obsessed with the case as she was.

It is also a portrait of a woman's obsession and her unflagging pursuit of the truth. Utterly original and compelling, it has been hailed as a modern true crime classic-one which fulfilled Michelle's dream: helping unmask the Golden State Killer." (Amazon)

Tuesday the 28th,

Noon Book Group Becoming by Michelle Obama

"In a life filled with meaning and accom-Michelle m. - Gallery with Me- Obama has emerged as one of the most iconic and compelling women of our era. In her memoir, a work of deep reflection and mesmerizing storytelling, she invites readers into her world. From her childhood on the South Side of Chicago to her years as an executive balancing the demands of motherhood and work, to her time spent at the world's most famous SEE **HIGHLIGHTS**, PAGE A7

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NORTHFIELD POLICE LOG

NORTHFIELD — During the time frame of Dec. 9-15, the Northfield Police Department received 311 calls for service some of which include:

14 Assists to other Agencies

11 Motor Vehicle Complaints/Checks

15 Motor Vehicle Stops

4 Suspicious Activities

Animal Complaints, Dog Bite, Burglar Alarm Activations, Civil Matters, Criminal Mischief, Criminal Trespass, Road Hazards, Noise Complaints, Harassment, Motor Vehicle Accident, Motor Vehicle Lockout, Harassment, Scam, Sex Offender Registrations, Unwanted Subject, Welfare Checks, Wanted Subjects and Missing Person.

Taken into custody was Jeremy Michael, 45, of Northfield on a warrant from Belknap Superior Court for non-appearance in court.





Cards created by the Gilford Elementary School Kindergarten Learners.

Franklin VNA & Hospice helps connect community members

FRANKLIN — "The holidays are really all about connecting with one another as people," says Kristin Jordan, Manager of Education, Quality and Private Duty at the Franklin VNA & Hospice. "And we recognize that those connections are what build a sense of community, and contribute to our ability and willingness, to help others in our community. Helping to strengthen those connections is exactly what we want to do."

Franklin VNA & Hospice has a history of engaging with the community, whether that is through the free health clinics it offers, community education, free grief groups or health fairs. Recently they joined School Band to go caroling at four long term care centers, and one of them, Peabody Home was the excited recipient of a handmade Christmas card for each resident from the Gilford Elementary School learners this past Wednesday.

"Helping children understand their role in the community, and that they can positively impact the lives of those around them is a critical step to help them become involved, contributing members of their community," Jordan continues.

Franklin VNA & Hospice approached the school to see if their bright and prolific kindergarten artists would like to create holiday cards for patients. The with the Franklin High school was excited to they might be inspired to

participate, and every kindergartener created a special holiday card to give to a patient.

"Because we hold a unique role in the community, we can facilitate this kind of wonderful interaction. Imagine how excited each individual was to get a handmade card for the holidays from a precocious child," Jordan says.

Kidshelpingkids.org notes fifteen quick benefits from volunteering, including improvements in self-esteem, building community and social networks, and reducing loneliness.

Imagine if everyone who could, did this. Imagine that every resident in a long term care center got a handmade card, just for them. That create a card in return, which could develop into a friendship or inspire them to reach out to others. As Kris Kringle said in "Miracle on 34th Street," "Oh, Christmas isn't just a day, it's a frame of mind." So here's to the kindergarten learners at Gilford Elementary School, Peabody Home and Franklin VNA & Hospice. Kris Kringle would be proud.

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A New Year at the Belmont Library

BELMONT new year, new opportunities. Stop by the Belmont Library as we begin our 92nd year serving the community.

Our non-fiction book group reads Tell Me More by Kelly Corrigan: "a testament to the idea that the things we say matter, that our words have the power to comfort and uplift, empower and inspire. Kelly Corrigan takes on all the big, difficult questions here, with great warmth and courage" - January 9 at 1pm. Our Friday Fiction book group meets on Friday, Jan. 17 at 10:30 a.m. The wildlife scientist Delia Owens has found her voice in "Where the Crawdads Sing," a painfully beautiful first novel that is at once a murder mystery, a coming-ofage narrative and a celebration of nature... Owens here surveys the desolate marshlands of the North Carolina coast through the eyes of an abandoned child. Belmont Senior Center book group tackles "the "gripping... page-turner" (Time) hitting all the best of reading lists, "Miracle Creek" [by Angie Kim] is perfect for book clubs and fans of Liane Moriarty and Celeste Ng. How far will you go to protect your family? Will you keep their secrets? Ignore their lies? -Jan. 21

at 10:30 a.m. Preschool-age storytime features stories, movement, music, and crafts to encourage early literacy skills Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Pizza and a movie on Jan. 24 at noon.

The Belmont Library invites all fifth through eighth graders for a sweet wintery treat on Monday Dec. 16 at 3 p.m. Reservation requested.

Middle and high schoolers are invited to a tabletop gaming group every Thursday starting Jan. 30 at 3 p.m.

The Friends meet Wednesday, Jan. 8 at 1 p.m. All are welcome.

Feel like going out of town? The library has passes to NH State Parks and the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center. Contact the library for details. The NH State Parks pass is courtesy of the Friends of the Belmont Library.

The Library will be closed New Year's Day and Martin Luther King Day.

The Belmont Public Library is open six days a week and any time at www.belmontpubliclibrary.org, serving the community with books, digital resources, and cultural programming. In 2018, the library celebrated 90 years in the same building and 125 as Belmont's community library.

For more information, contact:

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Fiction Book Group Friday, Jan. 17 10:30

Belmont Senior Center Book Group

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 10:30 a.m.

The "gripping... page-turner" (Time) hitting all the best of reading lists, "Miracle Creek" is perfect for book clubs and fans of Liane Moriarty and Celeste Ng. How far will you go to protect your family? Will you keep their secrets? Ignore their lies?

Tilton ramping up for anniversary celebration in 2020

drhodes@salmonpress.news The TILTON Town of Tilton turned 150 years old on June 30 of 2019, and while surrounding communities have traditionhonored their anniversaries during the calendar year in which the anniversary comes around, Tilton has come up with the unique perspective of celebrating from the actual incorporation date to that same date in the following calendar year, making it a true one-year celebration of their founding.

Many celebrations have taken place since June 30, including pa-

the opening of a time capsule buried 50 years ago and other commu-

nity-orientedactivities. "However, between January and June of 2020, there will be plenty more events and activities to celebrate the Town of Tilton's 150th anniversary that will include the whole town," assured Town Administrator Jeanie Forrester.

Among activities set for 2020 is the continued beautification of a cement-walled siphon pump station in the town-owned parking lot beside Tilton House of Pizza, a project that has been taken on by

local students. Work on painting colorful murals on the cement walls of the structure began last fall with a mural painted by elementary school students from Union Sanborn and Southwick School students. Other schools will now continue that initiative in the spring for the remaining three walls. Each mural is designed to be a salute to life in Tilton in the 21st century.

Forrester said Tilton also received support from Franklin Savings Bank in 2019 to help beautify downtown that will be celebrated in 2020.

"They gave us \$1,869 bulbs (in honor of the town's incorporation in 1869) to purchase flower bulbs, so there will be some sort of celebration in the spring to

honor 'Tilton in Bloom' or something along those lines," she said.

The bulbs were all planted in a joint project with residents and students this past fall and everyone is anxious to see them blos-

som next spring. while And celethe history brating of Tilton. Forrester announced last week that the town has also received financial support for a few other projects that will look toward the future of the community.

One is a grant to hold a Plan NH Charrette in 2020. The charrette will bring together experts in several fields who will tour the downtown then brainstorm over

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STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

When God is in control

BY LARRY SCOTT

The attempted impeachment of the President of the United States is, for many of us, an embarrassing commentary on the partisan self-interests of American leadership. This is the third time the nation has had to endure the impeachment of a sitting President and this endeavor seems to be more of a political vendetta than a search for justice.

But presupposing – and this is a presupposition that remains to be seen - the effort does not succeed this is more than likely to insure a second term for our beleaguered President. Whether that is good or bad is, again, a matter of personal opinion.

As the affairs in Washington unfold toward a final resolution in January, many of us are praying that we can soon put all of this behind us. America needs an active congress, and it is hoped our legislators will soon be able to get back to the business for which they were elected.

And I remain optimistic for I am convinced that, even in affairs of State, God is in control. Jesus invited His disciples to pray, "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Yes, heaven is also interested in matters of State, and without passing judgment on the merits of the case against our President, I suspicion God has been far more involved in the process than some might think.

And what I believe to be true for our nation has been true in my own experience as well.

If you have followed me in this column, you know that for me life has been no walk in the park. Being a Christian is no cop-out from the pressures of life. We must all live within the mortal framework of our existence. Accidents happen, the unforeseen takes us by surprise, and we do stupid things that get us into deep trouble. We'd rather make our own decisions, serve our own interests, and hope the consequences will be to our good.

But I am fortunate in that I have been influenced by my Christian heritage. Yes, there are limits to my freedom. I cannot always do as I please. But don't misunderstand; I am neither bragging nor complaining. I have taken the easy way out. Were it not for heaven's oversight, I would have self-destructed long ago.

When God is in control, and this is my point, "all things," to quote the Apostle Paul in the New Testament, "work together for good to them that love God." We do not despair for we know we have not been forgotten. Heaven knows where we are and what we are going through. God is more than able to bring good from evil, to turn our scars into stars, and to give us a song in the night.

How thankful I am to know that, when God is in control, sooner or later, He will give us, as per the prophet Isaiah, "a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair."

What an honor it is to be in the control and protective care of the Living God!

For more thoughts like this, follow me at indefenseoftruth.net.

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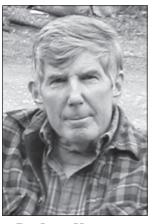


Celebrating the season

The Congregational Church of Laconia UCC, 18 Veterans Square, Laconia, celebrates the birth of Jesus with a life-size Nativity Scene which is lit in the evenings. Christmas Eve services at the church are at 5 and 11 p.m. (special music begins at 10:30 p.m.).

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

Rudolph with your nose so bright, how'd you get so far that night?



By John Harrigan

COLUMNIST

So, here we are on Christmas Day, or the day after, depending on where you live and how badly you want to read the paper. Santa has probably come and gone. One of the day's big challenges is explaining about the cookies.

When I was much younger, back when our parents really and truly hung a blanket above the stairway to prevent us from seeing what was under the tree, I had a big problem figuring out Santa.

This was when we had grandparents in Littleton and Lisbon, and there was no way I could figure out how a sled and a string of reindeer could make it from our house in Colebrook all the way Blitzen, to the road to ed. Landaff. This is not quite when I decided to stop believing in Santa, but I was beginning to have my doubts. It was a story increasingly full of holes, perhaps shot with the pair of realistic six-guns I found under the tree one year.

They were Authentic Gene Autry Six-Guns, too, with realistic metal-casing rubber bullets and rolls of caps to fire. Today, it's a safe bet that sets of toy six-guns are hard to find as proper gifts for children. It's the stuff of memories and the occasional col-

is where the Hunter Safety training kicks in, as well as stern lessons we learned from hunters at camp. Never, ever point a gun at anyone. I've seen grownups flinch at even a toy gun, including me. And al-80 miles downriver to ways assume that your Cottage Street and on- gun, any gun, anywhere ward, now Donner, now and whatsoever, is load-

There was a time. back when I was cooking Christmas breakfast for what seemed like a Cecil B. DeMille cast of thousands, that I'd take great delight in putting a tape of what I always called Manhattan Steamroller (Mannheim Steamroller) into the big boom-box and playing it at full volume to wake everyone up. Even the kids do not look back at this as a fond Christmas tradition.

I had a bone-handle

But you know, here three-time fork I deployed as an excellent bacon-turner, and in fact still have it. It's the same fork my grandfather White used, or at least I think it is. It's a fond Christmas story that came close to crashing down when I found what was supposed to be a set of four such forks far back in a drawer at the family farm, with one fork missing. Sometimes it's not a good thing to go poking far into the wayback of drawers.

Every seven or eight years, Christmas falls on a Wednesday, the very worst day for anyone publishing a weekly newspaper. The boss wants to give the crew time off for whenever it'll do the most good. But he also has to handle the telephone calls the next morning from people who are mad about their papers be-

There's no such thing SEE **NOTEBOOK**, PAGE A8

Taylor Community presents musical performance by the Rockin' Daddios

LACONIA music of the 1950's and '60's conjures up many special memories for those of us commonly referred to as Baby Boomers. The Rockin' Daddios bring back some of the best-loved songs of this era, with the accent on harmonies and fun.

Join us Monday, Jan. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at Taylor Community's Woodside Building for a free musical performance by Lakes Region residents Jim Rogato, Bo Guyer, Angelo Gentile and Drew Seneca - the Rockin' Daddios. These men SEE **DADIOS**, PAGE A7



The Rockin' Daddios

COURTESY

Franklin Savings Banks announces senior officer promotions

FRANKLIN — Franklin Savings Bank is pleased to announce the promotions of Brian Bozak, Greg Legier, Jon Jones, Ken Sawyer and Julie Buker. Brian Bozak has been appointed to Chief Operating Officer in addition to his existing role as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; Greg Legier advanced to Regional Vice President and Commercial Loan Officer; Jon Jones and Ken Sawyer were elevated to Vice President and Commercial Loan Officer; and Julie Buker

was appointed to Vice President and Retail Operations and Administration Officer.

"I am very pleased to recognize these individuals for their dedication and commitment to FSB, our customers and our communities. They exemplify the spirit of community banking and lead by example each and every day," commented Ron Magoon, President & CEO.

Bozak joined FSB in 2016 as a Senior VP and CFO. Since that time, he has assumed responsibility for the Finance, Retail, Human Resources, Operations and Risk Management departments of the bank. Bozak has more than 17 years of banking experience and holds an MBA in international business and is a CPA. He is also a recent graduate of the ABA Stonier Graduate School of Banking.

Magoon continued, "Brian came to FSB having considerable community banking experience, which allowed him to immediately begin contributing to our organization in a meaningful way."

Legier joined FSB in 2015 as a Commercial Loan Officer and has more than 18 years of experience in this area. Further, he is a graduate of The Wharton School's business leadership program as well as the ABA Stonier Graduate School of Banking.

"Greg is a consistent high performer who we rely on to help coach and mentor those with less experience. He is great at developing relationships and quickly becomes a valued resource to his customers," noted Magoon.

Continued Magoon, "I am also happy to recognize Jon and Ken for their continued development as commercial lending officers at FSB. They both have retail banking backgrounds, so building relationships and helping customers achieve their goals is something that comes naturally to them." Magoon added, "Jon and Ken have spent years in the Lakes Region Community giving back in a number of different ways; they epitomize true community bankers."

Next, Buker started with FSB in 2010 and has been a steady force on the retail side of the bank. She has 15 years of retail banking experience and is a graduate of the Northern New England School of Banking and New England School for Financial Studies at Babson College.

"Julie has strong administrative and operational skills, which have served FSB well during our most recent expansion into the Merrimack Goffstown markets," said Magoon. "She understands the value of community banking and works hard to ensure our customers see the difference."

Established 1869, Franklin Savings Bank is an independent, mutually-owned munity bank, offering a full array of commercial lending, personal banking and investment services throughout the Central Lakes Region and southern New Hampshire. Headquartered in Franklin,

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the Bank has in Bristol, Boscawen, Tilton, Gilford, Merrimack and Goffstown, as well as an office in Bedford for business lending. The Bank also offers investment, insurance and financial planning services through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Independence Financial Advisors. As a recognized leader in providing the latest in financial services technology, Franklin Savings Bank remains committed to serving the needs of businesses, families and the communities it serves, through a dedicated team of employees, a diverse line of financial products and services, and continued investment in emerging technology.

Since 2009, Franklin Savings Bank has donated more than 11 percent of its net income to char-Visit www.fsbnh. bank to learn more or follow the bank on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and YouTube.

MARK ON THE MARKETS



BY MARK PATTERSON

Any fee in the absence of value is too high. I'm referring specifically to fees regarding your investments, whether it is a fee that you are fee-only advisor charges, fee and commission advisor charges, registered rep or insurance representative. Whether we are in the business of charging fees for advice, fees for asset management or commission and fees for product, the fee should be made known and very transparent to the client.

The registered representative or financial advisor, as many call themselves, typically sells product such as loaded mutual funds, or variable annuities which all have commission and ongoing fees attached. Mutual funds with an A share designation usually charge an upfront commission and an ongoing management and marketing fee known as a 12b1 fee. So using a fund from a very popular broker sold fund family, you might pay a 5.75 up front commission, and close to 1% management and marketing expense which the broker may receive .25 basis points in what is called trail commission. Other shares of mutual funds that are designated as C shares may have little or no commission upfront but provides a 1% annual trail to the broker. The client usually pays about 1.75 percent to the fund company. These fees are

Absence of value

not a line item charge but they are extracted from the return to the client.

That same registered representative may have a fee platform to manage your assets. Investment advisors that are fee-only will manage assets for a predetermined fee based on the assets under management. So for the sake of this example, let's say your asset management fee is 1% annually. Then you must determine if there are any additional fees or expense for any mutual funds or exchange traded funds that are being used inside the management platform that has a 1% asset management fee already in place. Even if the advisor is using advisor class funds, that tend to have lower fees, you are still looking at probably 50 to 100 basis points for a managed mutual fund. So, all in you may be at one and a half to 2 percent.

What I have seen in client accounts more recently, are third party asset managers. These TPAM's charge a fee that may be split with the advisor who is using this TPAM, because the advisor may not have the skill to manage the money "in house" or they do not want to spend the time. The fee that you pay to these advisors is usually more than double what you would pay an Asset Management firm. This fee can have major consequences to your portfolio over time.

annuities Variable sold by registered reps can have fees that approach 4 percent. The compounded annual total return for the S&P 500 over the last 15 years including dividends has been just over 4 percent. It has been my experience that most advisers whose business is made up primarily of fee-based or fee-only typically try to use very low cost mutual funds or exchange traded funds to keep the overall fees low to the client.

My advice to you, the client, would be to find out what the advisor plans to use in your account to manage your money, what the typical fees would be for those funds or if they're going to use individual stocks and bonds before you really concern yourself of what the asset management fee would be, because any fee in the absence of value is too high. I have also seen some financial advisors charge a "financial planning" up-front fee for nothing more than an asset allocation! Work with a Fiduciary advisor who will work for you!

Mark Patterson is an advisor and portfolio manager with an MHP asset management and can be reached at 447-1979 or Mark@MHP-asset.com.

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CONCORD-The following students have Alton Bay

been named to the Justin Perrin Dean's List at NHTI, Concord's Community Barnstead College in recognition of Richard Pantis, Kaththeir academic achieveleen Rollins, Mikayla ment during the Fall Towle 2019 term. In order to qualify for Dean's List a Belmont student must be consid-Jennifer Joyce, Ange-

> Campton Christina Atwood

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lo Papadopoulos

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> Gorham Danielle Corrigan SEE NHTI, PAGE A8

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Time for Some New Year's Financial Resolutions

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Have you thought about your New Year's resolutions for 2020? When many of us make these promises, we focus on ways we can improve some form of our health. We vow to get more physically healthy by going to the gym, or we promise to improve our mental health by learning a new language or instrument. But it's also important to think about our financial health - so it's a good idea to develop some appropriate resolutions for this area, too. What kinds of financial resolutions might

vou make? Here are a few suggestions: Increase your retirement plan contributions. One of the best financial moves you can make is to take full advantage of your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. If you contribute pre-tax dollars to your plan, the more you put

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in, the lower your taxable income will be for the year, and your earnings can grow on a tax-deferred basis. So, if your salary goes up in 2020, increase the amount you put into to your plan. Most people don't come close to reaching the annual contribution limit, which, in 2019, was \$19,000, or \$25,000 for those 50 or older. You might not reach these levels, either, but it's certainly worthwhile to invest as much as you can

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· Use "found" money wisely. During the course of the next year, you may well receive some money outside your normal paychecks, such as a bo-nus or a tax refund. It can be tempting to spend this money, but you may help yourself in the long run by investing it. You could use it to help fund your IRA for the year or to fill a gap in another investment account. Don't overreact to market downturns. You've probably heard stories about people who lamented not getting in "on the ground floor" of what is now a mega-company. But a far more common investment mistake is overreacting to temporary market downturns by selling investments at the wrong time (when their prices are down) and staying out of the market until things calm down (and possibly missing the next rally). The financial markets always fluctuate, but if you can resolve to stay invested and follow a consistent, longterm strategy, you can avoid making some costly errors.

Be financially prepared for the unexpected. Even if you're diligent about saving and investing for your long-term goals, you can encounter

obstacles along the way. And one of these roadblocks could come in the form of large, unexpected expenses such as the sudden need for a new car or some costly medical bills. If you aren't prepared for these costs, you might have to dip in to your long-term investments to pay for them. To prevent this from happen ing, you may want to keep sufficient cash, or cash equivalents, in your investment accounts. Or you might want to maintain a completely separate account as an emergency fund with the money kept in low-risk, liquid vehicles. If possible, try to maintain at least six months' worth of living expenses in this account. It will take some effort but follow ing these resolutions could help you move closer to your financial goals

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NOTICE

RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF TILTON

FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTER REGISTRATION FOR THE UPCOMING PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

RSA 654:27

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be meeting on Saturday February 1, 2020 from 10:00-11:00am **Town Hall, 257 Main Street, Tilton**

Purpose of this session:

- · To make corrections to the checklist
- Voter registration
- No change of party will be accepted, RSA 654:32
- No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day, except as provided in RSA 659:12, RSA 654:8, II; RSA 654:27, 28

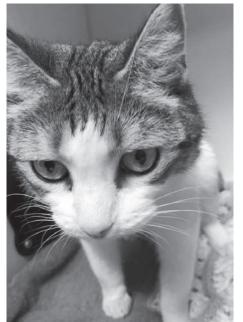
Supervisors:

Judy Tilton, Bernard Chapman, Kathi Mitchell

Waiting for a forever home since November 5, 2019

Mindy came to us as an owner surrender through no fault of her own. At 13 years old, she is patiently awaiting the right family to give her the retirement home she deserves! She is very friendly and loves the attention of people. She could do okay with another older mellow cat, but would prefer to be the only cat in the home if possible. Mindy does have asthma, and is currently on medication to help control it. You can ask our adoptions staff more about her medical care if you are interested in adopting. If she sounds like the one for you, contact Joanna at 603-524-3252 ext. 3312 for more information on how to take her home!





Walter Brochert, 98

TILTON - Walter Borchert, 98, of Winter Street died on Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019 at the New Hampshire Veterans Home.

Walter was born on June 18, 1921 in New York, N.Y., the son of George and Emma Borchert. Walter enlisted in the United States Navy in 1939 and was a survivor of the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Following his military service he married Gloria Jordan in 1946, to whom he was married for 71 years, until her death in 2017. He went on to work as a site engineer for the City of New York and retired to Meredith, New Hampshire in 1977 and later moved to Briarcrest Estates.

maintained Walter a very large garden on their property and loved to tend to all his vegetables and plantings. He was very active in the Community Action Program and enjoyed visiting with those to whom he delivered food. He kept active not only with



his garden and community service but also with his love for carpentry and building.

Walter and Gloria were founding members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Laconia and remained active until their health declined.

Walter was recently recognized at the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day ceremonies at the Home.

Walter is survived by his son, Richard Borchert and his wife. Joan. There will be no calling hours.

A Service celebrating his life was held on Friday, Dec. 20, 2019 at 1

William Hildreth, Jr., 65

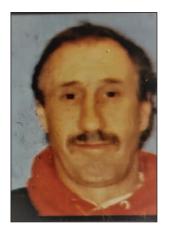
BELMONT — William "Winnisquam Bill" Hildreth Jr., 65, of Union Road died on Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2019 at his home.

Bill grew up in Westford, Mass., and did reside in Manchester for a period of time – But did consider Belmont his home.

Bill was born on Feb. 16, 1954 in Aver. Mass., the son of William Hildreth Sr. and Arline (Cote) Lavigne. Bill proudly served in the United States Coast Guard. Following his military service he went on to work in construc-

Bill always had a love for the great outdoors. His favorite things to do were kayaking, camping, and riding his Harley and ice fishing on Lake Winnisquam.

Bill is survived by his mother, Arline Lavigne and her husband, Richard; his son, William Hildreth III; his brother, John Johnson; and two sisters, Cheri Driscoll and Missy Cataldo; as well as many nieces and nephews. Bill was predeceased by his father,

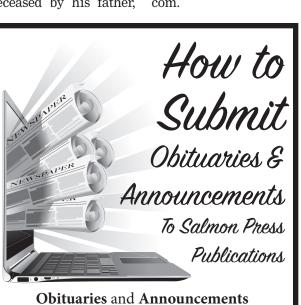


William Hildreth Sr. and his sister, Kathleen Weldon.

Although there will be no calling hours, you are welcome to attend the graveside service.

with military honors those attributes. was held on Monday, Dec. 23, 2019 at 1 p.m. at the New Hampshire Veteran's Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen.

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, go to www.wilkinsonbeane.



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p.m. at the Good Shepard Lutheran Church, 2238 Parade Rd., Laconia, NH 03246.

Burial will take place at Calverton National Cemetery in New York at a later date.

Donations may be made to the New Hampshire Veterans Home, 139 Winter St., Tilton, NH 03276 or to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. 2238 Parade Road Laconia, NH 03246.

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LAKE ALFRED, Fla. — Judith Dion of Lake Alfred, Fla. passed away peacefully after a period o declining health on Dec. 15, 2019.

Jduith was born in Concord on Nov. 7, 1945, the daughter of Harold and Doris Houstin Kimball. She was the third of eight children raised in Franklin, where she attended local schools.

While raising her two sons, Judith was a homemaker and a housekeeper before she retired. She loved family get togethers, music, dancing, and NASCAR. She always made our holiday so special with her laughter, homemade strawberry bread, meat pies, and peanut butter fudge.

Judith had a strong faith in our Lord and savior. She was always ready to offer prayers for anyone in need.

Judith Dion, 74

Family members include her children, George Greenwood and husband Patrick of Florida. Arthur Greenwood and wife Trisha of Tilton; four grandchildren

(Jeffrey Greenwood, Courtney Greenwood, Kristin Greenwood, and Emily Greenwood Dufield); seven great grandchildren (Kristina, Skylar, Kaitlyn, Lillian, Milo, Lochlan, and Evan); siblings Wayne Kimball, Steven Kimball, Jeanne Bush, Richard Kimball, Alan Kimball, Paul Kimball and Cinday Day; and many beloved nieces and neph-

A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Tilton, on Friday, May 15, 2020 at 11 a.m., followed by burial at St. John's Cemetery, Tilton.

Conference draws school officials from across the state

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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Educators from school districts across the state met at Gilford High School for a roundtable discussion "Portrait of a Learner" to trade ideas on how to implement this required program.

On Dec. 12, around 45 people representing 12 school districts met for a roundtable discussion at the GHS library on the best ways to come up with a "Portrait of a learner" program for their schools and share ideas.

GHS Principal Anthony Sperazzo said "Portrait of a Learner" is meant to be the overall skills necessary to teach students to be ready for high school, college, career, and their lives overall. "Portrait of a Learner" is the way those skills should be embedded in different lessons and units so A Graveside Service that the students master

The New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) is requiring that schools in their area have a "Portrait of a Learner" plan as part of the 10-year accreditation process. NEASC will be visiting Gilford in 2020 and Sperazzo said the district will be reviewed on how it is implementing 21st century learning skills.

Starting this trimester Gilford has been piloting a "Portrait of a Learner" program and providing students the opportunity to engage in the four aspects of a plan. As this is a pilot program, Sperazzo said students won't be assessed on these aspects this year.

Gilford's "Portrait of a Learner" aims are to, "Be more intentional about



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Educators from around the state engaged in roundtable discussions regarding the "Portrait of a Learner" program at a conference hosted by the Gilford School District.



Gilford High School Principal Anthony Sperazzo leads discussion during the "Portrait of a Learner" conference on Dec.12



Around 45 educators from 12 different New Hampshire School Districts attended Gilford's "Portrait of a Learner" conference.

fostering...21st century skills our young people need to thrive in this complex, rapidly changing world," "A chance to engage our 'larger community' to develop a "collective vision that articulates the community's aspirations for all students," "To 'provide a strategic direction' and a 'collective vision' that 'locally developed, but globally positioned' and that 'reinvigorates and re-engages students, teachers, and community stakeholders," and, "To support students in becoming successful for 'college, career, and citizenship."

"Since it's so new to New Hampshire we figured let's learn from everybody else where each school district is at, what it looks like," Sperazzo said. "We are in all

different areas, very few schools have totally implemented it."

Gilford hosted an afternoon conference and invited schools around the state to attend. This year Gilford also hosted a similar roundtable discussion on intervention blocks: scheduled school blocks that let students get deeper into learning during the day when they don't have the time after school to do it.

"It's a chance to engage our larger community to help develop a collective vision that articulates the communities' aspirations for all children," Sperazzo said.

The conference took place Dec. 12 in the GHS library where around 45 representatives from 12 different school districts across the state attended including Inter-Lakes, Plymouth Regional, Shaker Regional, Farmington, ConVal, Berlin, Kearsarge, Lebanon, Bow, Goffstown, Pinkerton Academy, and Gilford itself.

As "Portrait of a Learner" is mostly being implemented in high schools, most of the representatives came from high schools. A few districts are using this program district-wide a few came from elementary schools including Inter-Lakes Elementary School and Sandwich Central School.

"We're here because our district started this process as a whole district," said ILES principal Kathleen Hill.

Hill said when they saw this conference at Gilford, "we went, 'We want to go to this."

At the conference Sperazzo said staff from the different school districts tend to work in their own silos and this was a good opportunity to hear from each other and steal some ideas.

The conference utilized menti.com to poll attendees on different questions, including how far their districts in implementing Portrait of a Learner. There were a number of discussions and group SEE CONFERENCE, PAGE A8



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ROCKS

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would travel. "The preparation of the rocks took a while, but it was a fun proj-

ect," she said. When residents and/or visitors discovered a rock, they were instructed to post a photo of it on the Belmont Selectmen's Facebook page, noting where they found it. People were then encouraged to leave their rock in a new location for someone else to find. As a result, the town has received word on some interesting travels those small

rocks have made since

they were scattered

around town this past

May.

The first to report in was Kristeen Parent, who said she spotted one at the Pemi Cabons in Lincoln, approximately 50 miles away. Nicholas Boisclair checked in to say he found one at the Woodstock Inn and Brewery and the Twin Mountain Fish Hatchery was also the site of a Belmont Anniversary Rock.

Still another was found in the White Mountains, but its



Jennifer Holyoake found one of the painted rocks created in celebration of Belmont's 150th anniversary in 2019, then took it home to Boise, Idaho for someone else to find.

travels won't stop there.

"My boyfriend and I found this...on a bench in Bethlehem! We decided to take it on a journey with us. I can't wait to see where it goes from now on," wrote Britney Correll.

One brightly decorated rock has really been on the move over the summer months. somehow making its way to the Atlantic Ocean, but not in New Hampshire.

Jennifer Holyoak wrote in her post, "We found one of your rocks while in Rhode Island walking along The Breakers near the ocean. Brought it home to Boise, Idaho for someone else to find."

Avon, Conn. has been another out-ofstate destination for one of the rocks, found along the community's rails to trails bike path. Anne Greenleaf Scott made the discovery and also sent a "Happy 150th" note to the town.

Perhaps one of the most ironic finds thus far was made by Joslyn Laflam, who was visiting Lancaster this summer.

"We were eating lunch downtown and found (one of the rocks) by a tree. We live here in Belmont so it was crazy to be the one to find it here. We'll hide it in a different town," Laflam said.

While the town has wrapped up their official celebrations, there are still plenty of Anniversary Rocks out there somewhere in the country and selectmen look forward to hearing more about their travels in the fu-

shows and reviews for well over 10 years. Collectively, their community theater experience spans six decades! Come enjoy a vari-

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have been performing

together in various

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ety of songs including, Book of Love, Little Star, Wake Up Little Suzie, The Lion Sleeps Tonight, Walk Like a Man and Sherry.

All are guaranteed to warm your heart and bring a smile to your

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TILTON

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the course of just a day or two to come up with their own professional recommendations on how Tilton might revitalize their historic business area. Among subjects they will address in the charrette are economic growth, parks, infrastructure, aesthetics, visual parking and other aspects that can assist a community in becoming more vibrant. The charrette will also take a close look at the 17 historic buildings in downtown Tilton and make recommendations on how they, too, could benefit the community.

Another exciting development for the future, Forrester said, was the town's acceptance for an LCHIP grant that she received last week. That grant, provided by the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program, will provide the town with \$19,000 to be used toward an architectural assessment of the historic Tilton Town Hall. Built in 1879, the building has had some renovation work done over the years but will now get a professional examination to see what it will take to keep it "healthy" in the years to come.

"I thought that as we celebrate the town's 150th, it would be a good idea to take a look at the Town Hall. Afterall, it'll be 150 years old, too, in just ten more years," said Forrester.

And as exciting as all that news is, she said there will be much more to celebrate about the history of Tilton in 2020 as the Tilton 150th Anniversary Committee meets in early January to continue plans for the next six months.

In June the celebrations will come to a close with the actual physical burial of Tilton's 150th Anniversary Time capsule, which will contain memorabilia, town statistics, civic information, and much more; all to be locked away until the town opens it in 50 years for their Bicentennial celebration.

HIGHLIGHTS

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address, she chronicles the experiences that have shaped her. With unerring honesty and lively wit, she describes her triumphs and her disappointments, both public and private, in her own words and on her own terms. Warm, wise, and revelatory, Becoming is the deeply personal reckoning of a woman of soul and substance who has steadily defied expectations and inspires us to do the same." (Amazon)

Tuesday the 28th, 3 to 4 p.m.

Self-Care Session for Teens - see above for de-

Wednesday the 29th

YaH Book Group -Gingerbread by Helen Oyeyemi

"Perdita Lee may appear to be your average British schoolgirl; Harriet Lee may seem just a working mother trying to penetrate the school social hierarchy; but there are signs that they might not be as normal as they think they are. For one thing, they her mother's long-lost share a gold-painted, seventh-floor walk-up apartment with some surprisingly verbal

vegetation. And then there's the gingerbread they make. Londoners may find themselves able to take or leave it, but it's very popular in Druhástrana, the faraway (or, according to many sources, non-existent) land of Harriet Lee's early youth. The world's truest lover of the Lee family gingerbread, however, is Harriet's charismatic childhood friend Gretel Kercheval. Decades later, when teenaged Perdita sets out to find friend, it prompts a new telling of Harriet's story. As the book fol-

ousy, ambition, family grudges, work, wealth, and real estate, gingerbread seems to be the one thing that reliably holds a constant value. Endlessly surprising and satisfying, written with Helen Oyeyemi's inimitable style and imagination, it is a true feast for the reader." (Amazon)

encounters with jeal-

FIRE

CONTINUED FROM PAGE A1 extreme cold."

morning were in the single digits with wind chills below zero make conditions treacherous for firefighter as they deployed their water hose

lines. Firefighters managed to knocked back all visible flames from the exterior of the structure before forcing entry to the building, Joubert said. They were then able to make an aggressive attack on the interior. Franklin Fire Department arrived to quickly help TNFD extinguish the fire and were further assisted by additional crews from Belmont Fire Department.

High winds and frigid temperatures were the biggest challenge in fighting this fire, Joubert said. Fortunately, Tilton-Northfield firefighters were taking part in a training drill when the call came and help they needed was readily available.

"We were in the middle of a combined training with our neighboring departments when the fire occurred, which allowed us to have the resources needed to keep the fire from spreading to the home," said firefighter James Frangelli.

Joubert reported that there were no injuries to

either civilians or firefighters as a result of the incident and the cause of the fire was deemed to be accidental. Assisting TNFD in

fighting the blaze was not only Franklin and Belmont departments, Sanbornton and but New Hampton's fire and **EMS** personnel, who provided coverage for Tilton-Northfield the station during that time. The scene was cleared by 11:22 a.m.

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set back far enough so a plow can clear up to the shoulder of the road. While that will leave a snow bank and might make it difficult for the mail carriers, the only solution is for residents to shovel out the mailbox once the plows have gone through.

Another piece of advice he had was for people to inspect their mailbox and its post every year to make sure they are durable enough to make it through the long winter.

"I have seen them

tied up, bungee corded...then the least little bit of snow hits and I get a call to fix it," Buteau wrote in an earlier advisory on social media. "No, no."

His last piece of information concerns the colored whips people stick in the ground along the edge of the road. While presuming they are being used to mark the edge of a lawn for plow drivers to take note of, they're actually in the town's right of way for the road.

"We need to get the snow out of the road and the wing will move them. We don't intentionally try to damage your lawn," he said.

Overall, Buteau said people are generally understanding and compliant of the rules and ordinances once they are aware of them. The job of plowing the roads can be very stressful, especially during storms of long duration, but when people know what they should and shouldn't do, it makes the highway department's job a little easier and driving much safer.

Residents with questions can feel free to contact him any week day at 286-4490.



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RE/MAX Bayside holds successful toy drive

MEREDITH — The staff and associates of RE/MAX Bayside and Bayside Rentals would like to thank everyone who has so generously donated to the 2019 Toys for Tots program.

"We feel strongly about helping to make every holiday special for the youth in our area," said Chris Kelly.

Bart Merrill, local Toys for Tots Coordinator, said, "This year the donations have been more generous than ever for our area children. We could not be more thankful to everyone who has contributed to make this Christmas special for so many young people."

Toys for Tots supplied seven million children with toys last



year. It's one of the top rated charities, with 97 percent of donations going to toys, books and other gifts to less fortunate children. 3 percent is spent on support to cover fundraising expenses. Not one donated dollar goes to pay for salaries or any other manpower costs.

RE/MAX Bayside and Bayside Rentals are some of the region's busiest drop off locations. For more information about the Toys for Tots program call RE/MAX Bayside's Meredith Office at 279-0079 or e-mail info@baysidenh.net.

(Left) Toys received for the Annual Toys for Tots open house held on Dec. 5.

Give the gift of nature-experiences

An exciting new year of programs coming to Prescott Farm

LACONIA - Make the holiday season extra special for everyone on your 'nice' list by giving the gift of experiences in nature. With flexible membership plans, plenty of returning favorite programs, and exciting new offerings, Prescott Farm can help you and the ones you love create a new nature connection in the new year.

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Popular favorites and exciting new programs

Beginner Snowshoeing kicks off the month on Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020; 9–11 a.m. This is the perfect opportunity for adults who are new or returning to snowshoes and looking for a little guidance. Prescott Farm



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basics of snowshoeing and take it slow.

Explorers of all ages will have a blast during Snowshoe Fun & Games, a new program kicking off on Saturday, Jan. 11; 1-3 p.m. Games and challenges perfect for fun-seekers of any age and any snowshoe experience level.

Artists of all experience levels will want to join Prescott Farm for the debut of a brand new series on Saturday, Jan. 4; 1-3 p.m. During Painting at Prescott Farm: Winter Wonders, educators will provide instruction on painting and the natural world as participants take inspiration from the beauty of Prescott Farm. Materials will be provided.

Later in the month, Prescott Farm welcomes

educators will cover the back one of the most popular programs of 2019, Snowshoe Yoga. In this unique and peaceful snowshoe experience, participants are in nature as they practice yoga in snowshoes, are guided through a walking mediation, and are introduced to shinrin-yoku, or "forest bathing." Guest instructor Kate Kretschmer's adaptable style is perfect for individuals of all yoga and snowshoe levels. The series kicks off on Saturday, Jan. 25; 1 -2 pm. (Pre-registration for Snowshoe Yoga is highly recommended.)

Every season of 2020 is bursting with exceptional programs to help residents and visitors to the Lakes Region connect with nature. In addition to the programs above, additional programs in

January include:

Full Moon Snowshoe Walk (Friday, Jan. 10; 6-8

Farm to Table Cook-Winter Squash Soups (Saturday, Jan. 11; 10 a.m.-noon)

New series! Discover Nature: Animal Tracking (Saturday, January 18; 9:30-11:30 a.m.)

New series! Wilderness Survival: Winter Shelters (Saturday, Jan. 18; 1-3 p.m.)

New series! Homeschool: Winter Series (begins Wednesday, Jan. 22; 1:30–3 p.m.)

Which program is right for you?

A complete calendar programs and descriptions - along with a guide to physical demands and recommended ages - can be found on the Community Connections Program page of the Prescott Farm website - prescottfarm. org. Registration for programs throughout 2020 are open now, giving guests the chance to plan ahead. Pre-registration is not required but highly recommended because many programs reach capacity well before the program date.

Additional questions and inquiries should go to Andie Hession, School & Community Programs Director, ahession@ prescottfarm.org or 366-

Prescott Farm -exploring and preserving the natural world, one adventure at a time.

NOTEBOOK

CONTINUED FROM PAGE A4 as a win in this scenario, except being glad that people want their paper badly enough to call and complain.

It's a bit late, like Christmas Day breakfast would be without the sounds of Manhattan Steamroller crashing around the house, but to all for whom "Merry Christmas" still means something--

-and it should, all year-'round---Merry Christ-

And next week, along with the usual list of resolutions I have absolutely no intention of keeping, it'll be "All the best for 2020, and beyond."

(Please address mail, including phone numbers in case of questions, to campguyhooligan@ gmail.com or 386 South Hill Road, Colebrook, NH 03576.)

CONFERENCE

CONTINUED FROM PAGE A3 activities with districts sharing where they are on Portrait of a Learner and getting ideas.

Sperazzo said this was a great opportunity

to learn from colleagues. "We definitely got

some ideas on how other schools are implementing this and how we can tweak it to make it fit for our Gilford learners," Sperazzo said.

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SPORTS



Nine Bears earn football All-State nods

BY BOB MARTIN

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TILTON - The Winnisquam football team had an undefeated season and captured its second straight Division 4 state title this year, and much of the team's success was thanks to nine players who were named to the All-State team this season.

Winnisquam had five first team All-Staters this vear. Quarterback Phil Nichols had an incredible season, throwing 30 touchdowns and only two interceptions, while passing for 1,700 yards. He also had 500 yards rushing and showed that he was a threat both in the air and on the ground all year.

"He can see stuff out there unlike most," said coach Derek Hunt. "After the third or fourth game we gave him the green light to call audibles if he sees something in the defense. He has gotten really good doing that. He's a great player."

Garret Mango was named first team as a wide receiver and Gunnar Horman was a first teamer at defensive back, but Hunt said either could have been named All-State on both sides of the ball. Hunt said Mango was able to



Phil Nichols threw 30 touchdowns and only two picks all season and was named first team All-State.



Garret Mango was named first team All-State at wide receiver this season.



(Left) Gunnar Horman had 10 interceptions and was named first team All-State at defensive back this season.

lead the team in touchdowns and showed why he was considered one of the best receivers in the division.

Horman led the team in receiving yards, but was was known for his outstanding coverage on defense and the ability to snag seemingly every ball in his direction. He had 10 interceptions on the season and was one of the leaders of what was a strong Bear defense.

"They both stepped up in a huge way this year playing offense and defense," said Hunt. "Talking at the meeting people talked about how much Garret had improved over the past season and how great his feet work was. Gunnar was a shut down corner and we had him on the best receivers. He is an unreal cornerback and receiver."

Brandon Marceau was named first team All-State as an offensive lineman. Hunt was impressed by his play this SEE **FOOTBALL**, PAGE B3



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Deshaies caps off soccer career with All-State nod

BY BOB MARTIN

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TILTON -Ashley Deshaies of the Winnisquam soccer team had a great senior season for the Bears, and she was named honorable mention for Division 3 All-State for her outstanding play on defense.

"It feels absolutely amazing to be an All-State honorable mention," said Deshaies. "It was something I had always dreamed of, but never thought would be possible. I play on a boys' team, so I never I thought I would stand out. It was a very proud

moment for myself and my family. The recognition means the world to me and I could not have done it without my coach and team."

The Bears had a new head coach in Peter Steese this season, and the prospect of being coached by someone new made Deshaies a bit anxious. She had no idea what to expect, but in the end said Steese was someone who was able to bring the team together. Steese commented throughout the season on how talented Deshaies was on defense.

"I was anxious to meet

him," said Deshaies. "I was worried I would be treated differently because I was a girl. In reality, my coach became my biggest supporter. I couldn't be more pleased to have had him as a coach. The boys on my team became my second family. Although our season wasn't the best record-wise, it was still better that year. I hope that it continues to get better every year."

Looking back on her season, Deshaies said the Bear Cup against Newfound was her most memorable, as it attracted many friends and family to the rivalry game. Winnisquam came away with a win and this stuck out to Deshaies as a top moment.

"Finally winning that trophy back was one of the best feelings in the world," said Deshaies. "My team was ecstatic. The team had been talking about this game since day one. When the day came, we rose to the occasion. I wanted to win the game to make (Amy) Dutton and my coach proud."

Deshaies said that being named All-State honorable mention for Division 3 boys' soccer

and then making the Twin State Lions club team were top moments of her soccer career with Winnisquam. She also took pride in being the captain of the Bears and named "most aggressive."

"I have worked on butt of these past four years and I feel like it is finally paying off," Deshaies. "The feeling of being good enough to play with the boys is one of the best feelings in the world."

Deshaies graduates this spring and like many seniors, she will miss the chemistry, laughter and all that being a part of a team entails, except for preseason conditioning, of course.

"The singing on the bus to away games and the dumb jokes are just memories now," said Deshaies. "The people in the soccer community are truly amazing and I will miss all of them."

Holiday hoop tournament kicks off Dec. 27

BY BOB MARTIN

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GILFORD – Local high school basketball teams have started up their respective seasons over the past two weeks and right around the corner is the 46th annual Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament held each year at Gilford High School and Gilford Middle School.

The first round takes place on Dec. 27 at 11:30 a.m. The Kingswood girls' basketball

team takes on Laconia High School in the Gilford High School gym. In the middle school gym is Prospect Mountain taking on the Belmont girls' basketball

basketball Girls' continues with Wingoing up nisquam against Newfound in the middle school gym at 2:30 p.m. Gilford and Moultonborough square off at the same time in the high school

On Dec. 27, the boys'

teams are also kicking off the tournament. At 1 p.m. the Sachems of Laconia go up against Newfound Regional High School in the high school gym. Over in the middle school gym at the same time is Belmont and Prospect Mountain. At 4 p.m. in the middle school is Winnisquam against Kingswood, Moultonborough takes on Gilford in the high school gym.

The tournament continues on Dec. 28

with winners from the previous games moving onto games in the high school while consolation games take place in the middle school. For the girls' games there will be semifinal games at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. in the high school. The boys' semifinal games are at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

The final games take place on Dec. 29 with the girls' finals at 4:30 p.m. and the boys' final at 6 p.m. in the high school gym.

Holiday week full of cheer at Cranmore

NORTH CONWAY — Cranmore is the place to be this Christmas vacation week. With a jam-packed schedule and new extended hours, the resort has families covered for celebrations all week long.

Cranmore's nature family event, Cranapalooza, featuring DJ Bobby Freedom, games and s'mores will take place Dec. 27 through Dec. 30 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Schneider Square.

On the morning of Dec. 29, Cranmore passholders can get first tracks with President and General Manager Ben Wilcox. Passholders can meet Wilcox at the Skimobile Express Quad at 7:45 a.m. First tracks will be followed by coffee and cinnamon rolls at the summit Meister Hut.

Guests can ring in 2020 with C-more the Penguin at a special New Year's edition of Cranapalooza. Geared for guests and families of all ages, the festivities begin at 2:30 p.m. in Schneider Square. The celebration will feature DJ Bobby Freedom, s'mores, family games and activities throughout the afternoon, live music in Zip's Pub from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. plus an early fireworks show at 6 p.m. at the base of the South Slope. From 6 to 8 p.m., the party will move inside to the third floor of Skimobile Station with

decorating, glass decorating, a magician, giveaways and more.

On New Year's Eve Cranmore will also be hosting "Shredding into 2020," a freestyle event for skiers and riders of all ages and abilities. The event is free to participate, and competitors can register in the Main Base Lodge from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The event will take place at 1 p.m. A valid lift ticket or season pass is required to compete, along with a signed waiver for all partic-**Participants** ages 18 and under must have a parent/ guardian present to

of vacation week, from Dec. 26 through Dec. 31, from 4 to 7 p.m., there will be après music in Zip's Pub and Grille, featuring some of the Valley's favorite mu-Performers sicians. include Ryan St. Onge, Rek'-lis Trio, Riley Parkhurst and Greg Walsh.

Cranmore's Tubing and Mountain Adventure Park activities will offer extended hours for the holiday period. Activities will run Dec. 26 through 31 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Jan. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ski area operations during the holiday week, Dec. 26 to 31, are from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Jan. 1.

Kingswood Legends Games set for Friday and Sunday

will host Knights Alumni Kingswood "Legends" Games on Friday, Dec. 27, and Sunday, Dec. 29. This event provides Kingswood alumni the chance to play alongside their fellow alumni for the sports of bascurrent respective programs.

A limited number of roster spots are available. For alumni interested in participating in these "Legends" Games, players must be graduates of King-

The Kingswood All proceeds from the School and have let-tion years. event will benefit the tered in their respective sport.

> The entry fee for the Kingswood alumni girls' and boys' basketball "Legends" Games will be \$20. Each player will receive a game day "Legends" shirt.

The entry fee for the Kingswood alumni ice hockey "Legends" Game will be \$30. Each player will receive a complimentary "Legends" hockey jersey.

Visit www.kingswoodatheltics.org for more information on participating in the Alumni Games.

Both games are open to alumni families and the public. Each game will feature "even" graduation years squaring off

WOLFEBORO ketball and ice hockey. swood Regional High against "odd" gradua-

Kingswood The alumni girls' basketball "Legends" Game will be played at 5 p.m. on Dec. 27 in the KRHS varsity gym. The Kingswood alumni boys' basketball "Legends" Game will be played after the girls' game at 7 p.m.

The Kingswood alumni ice hockey "Legends" Game is a co-ed game, and will be played on Sunday, Dec. 29, at Pop Whalen Ice Arena. The puck

will drop at 2 p.m. For more information regarding these games, contact Kingswood Director of Athletics Aaron House via e-mail at ahouse@ sau49.org or by phone at 569-8100.



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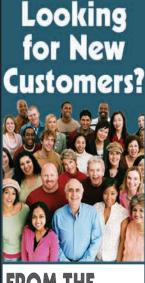
PLYMOUTH Plymouth State University women's volleyball head coach Joan Forge announced the dates for the team's Panther Volleyball Camp set for next summer.

The camp, open to girls entering grades five through 12, will take place at Foley Gymnasium from July 27 to 30 and is broken into two sections.

Section one is open to girls entering fifth – eighth grades and is designed for beginner to intermediate players. Athletes will learn fundamental skills, rules and strategies to be successful in the sport of volleyball from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. each day.

Section two is for girls entering ninth -12th grades for beginner, intermediate and advanced players who want to play and excel at the high school level. Attendees will be challenged with improving basic fundamental skills and will have the opportunity to learn more advanced strategies, position-specific skills, transition and concepts of team play. Section two meets from 1 to 5 p.m.

The main focuses of both sessions will be to incorporate life lessons including chardevelopment, teamwork and sportsmanship. Drills and daily scrimmages are aimed at developing the complete player. Athletes will be separated into courts according to skill level to both challenge and maximize their learning experiences.



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FOOTBALL

CONTINUED FROM PAGE B1 season, saying he had some big shoes to fill with Caden Remillard graduating. Marceau rose to the occasion and took on a leadership role.

"Brandon was the leader and did well taking over in Caden's spot," said Hunt. "He had a great junior season.

Another first team All-Stater was Chaz Hibbert on the defensive line. Hunt said Hibbert took over where Remillard played on the defensive line and was impressive from the start.

"He matured as a leader being a captain this year," Hunt said. "He worked hard over the summer and it showed on the field this year. He was a machine on defense breaking up double teams. He really opened our eyes on how well he played.

Making second team was Cooper French at wide receiver. French played receiver and tight end for the Bears and he was able to complete a trifecta in the receiving core that most team's dream of having.

"This year he was quicker and his hands really improved," said Hunt. "He is a big, strong option for Phil to throw



Brandon Marceau played well on the offensive line this year and was named first team All-State.

to. I think he will just get even better this year at receiver and tight end. He made some big catch-

ally stepped up." Nolan Perrino was a second teamer at defensive back. This year he was one of the team's leaders in tackles and was strong against the

es for us this year and re-

"He was very good against the run," said Hunt. "Anything that would come to his side he was there to stuff it. He battled all year through some injuries and had a solid year all around."

Offensive lineman Chandler Partello was named second team All-State for his great play at center. He was solid all season up front and a great blocker for the



Cooper French was named second team All-State as a receiver.



BOB MARTIN

Kyler Bourdeau was a force on defense this season and was named second team All-State. Bears.

"He was very good at getting up field and making blocks," said Hunt.

Linebacker Kyler Bourdeau was named second team All-State

and did very well replacing Kobe Briand, who graduated last spring. Hunt said entering the season there was a bit of a concern of how to fill in for Briand

and Bourdeau turned it on in his sophomore sea-

"He caused fits playing middle linebacker," said Hunt. "He would iust cause havoc."



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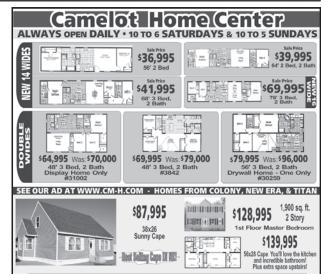
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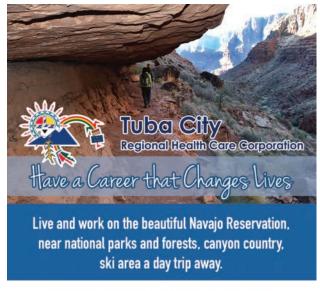
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ANSWER: SANTA CLAUS

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Α



B



4. Cat peeking upstairs on right pine cone 3. Extra knobs on furniture Answers: I. Missing ribbon on banister 2. Figure



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SANTA CLAUS DID NOT ALWAYS WEAR

RED. HE ORIGINALLY WAS SHOWN WEARING GREEN, PURPLE AND BLUE. RED STUCK AFTER A POPULAR

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B. cuisine

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Clue: Professional cook

6 2 12 1 12 7 11 В.

Clue: Type of food

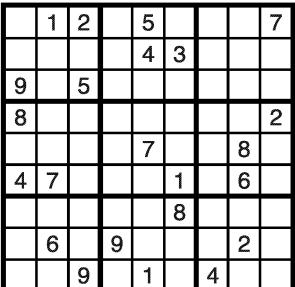
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Clue: Work area

13 3 3 17 D.

Clue: Things to eat

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ANSWER:

Belmont High School hands out fall sports awards

BELMONT — Belmont High School handed out its fall sports awards.

Red Raider Awards Varsity girls' soccer: Sana Syed

Varsity boys' soccer: Lars Major

Varsity volleyball: Becca Camire

Varsity golf: Will Robarge

Varsity cross country: Brandon Robichaud and Aurora Couto

Varsity football: Jacob Cress

> Sportsmanship Award

Varsity girls' soc-

cer: Deanna Bourque Varsity boys' soc-

cer: Devin Bricknell Varsity volleyball: Bryhannah Pinard

Varsity golf: Eamonn Kelly

Varsity cross coun-

try: Chris Pare and Hannah Leclair

Varsity football: Jackson Cozzens-For-

Coaches Awards

Varsity girls' soccer: Katie Gagnon

girls' soccer: Darci Stone and Trinity Dunn

Varsity boys' soccer: Nate Sottak JV boys' soccer: Lochael Howes

Varsity volleyball: Haley Treamer

gan Vaughn and Mi-

JV volleyball: Lilly Carter and Madison Paquette

Varsity golf: Paige Irving

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Nordic teams kick off season on Jan. 3

BY BOB MARTIN

ford and Belmont Nordic skiing teams will kick off the season at the beginning of next month and coach Nina Gavrylyuk sees big things for her racers this winter.

erine Stow and Vanessa Genakos on the girls' team are still looking strong for this coming season," said Gavrylyuk, referring to the top racers

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Intro to Curling program, be-

ginning Sunday, Jan. 5, at 7

p.m., each session will be two

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on the Gilford Nordic will fare. team. "Last year both

Gavrylyuk feels that this year's girls' Nordic team has a true chance to compete for the state title. She said the leadership of the two star sophomore skiers, along with a couple new teammates, have impressed her and she is looking forward to

The boys' team, she said, is also looking strong. Sophomore Mitchell Townsend is coming off a second place finish in last year's state meet and is looking to improve on that this winter. Joining the team is Patrick Gandini, who was one of the state's top cross country runners this past fall as a freshman.

"Patrick Gandini had a great cross country running season

ance skills will transfer into the Nordic season," Gavrylyuk said.

Gavrylyuk is also coaching the Belmont High School Nordic team, which consists of only one skier in freshman William Ri-

"He is a very athletic boy and will be top 10 in our Division 3 races," she said.

The Gilford and Belmont Nordic teams start the season at Gunstock on Jan. 3 at 2:30 p.m.

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Bob@Salmonpress.news GILFORD – The Gilfreshmen were winners at Division 3 state championships. I have strong feeling they will

be looking good again." "Two leaders, Cath-

seeing how the team and I hope his endur-Intro to curling offered Jan. 5 at PSU Ice Arena

hours in length. Over the four

weeks, they will focus on the

fundamentals of curling, how

to deliver a stone and how to

sweep. The beauty of curling is

that it can be enjoyed by an ar-

ray of people. There is no run-

ning, there is no jumping, there

is technique and strategy. Giv-

en that the game is played on

ice wearing sneakers, balance

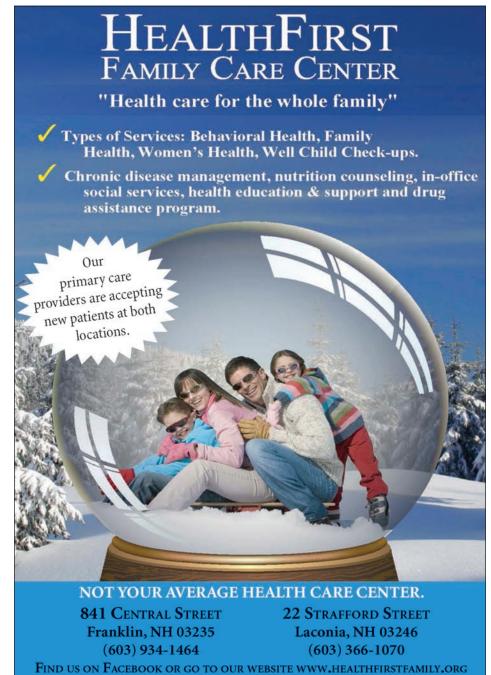
is paramount. Luckily, this

skill can be improved on by

simply playing the sport. The most physical aspect of curling comes from furiously sweeping in front of the stone as it glides down the opposite end.

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