

Gilford Steamer

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017

GILFORD, N.H. - FREE



ERIN PLUMMER

Heather Baker and Chris Fernandez join Logan Baker, Carter Lloyd, and Levi Fernandez of Cub Scout Pack 68 at the Home Party Expo.



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Kelli Powers shows the jersey she will be wearing when she does the Boston Marathon. The jersey was donated by Body Covers.

Home show benefits marathon runner's cause

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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Visitors to the Home Party Expo could find everything from engraving services, health and beauty care, yoga lessons, and more while helping a local athlete raise money for her Boston Marathon team.

Kelli Powers of Gilford will be running this year's Boston Marathon for the first time, befitting people with cancer as part of the Dana-Farber team. On Friday Powers held the Home Party Expo at the Gilford Youth Center to raise money for her team.

Powers has run 13 different marathons, her bib numbers for various races were on display at a selfie booth. She said she always wanted to run Boston, though that would be a difficult prospect as runners in the Boston Marathon either have to qualify to run or run as part of a charitable organization.

After applying for the third time, Powers was accepted to the Dana-Farber team.

"It just has more meaning, this race, than any other marathon that I've done," Powers said. Two years ago, she

lost her mother to cancer and said she has a number of family members and "too many friends" who have gone through treatment.

Powers said she is honored to be part of this team and run for family and friends as well as all the people who are affected by cancer.

The Dana-Farber team has Patient Partners and her partner will be Maxwell Gagnon. Maxwell is battling leukemia and his parents Mike and Amber Gagnon were high school friends with Powers.

"It's just awesome

knowing that there are other people that get to have involvement in this race and I get to run in his honor," Powers said. "He is such a great kid and I could not be more

proud to be his partner in this race."

The Home Party Expo was a way to raise money for Dana-Farber before the marathon. Powers said she wanted

to find creative ways to raise money. She opened the show up to any business or organization who wanted to take part in it. Every vendor do-

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Local author's latest book documents infamous North Country tragedy

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On Aug. 19, 1997, Colebrook was the site

of a mass shooting that claimed the lives of four people. Two decades later local author

Richard Adams Carey documented the different stories and angles from the tragedy in his new book "In the Evil Day."

The Sandwich-based author told of the tragedy and its complicated details at a presentation at the Gilford Public Library.

In the early 1980's, Carl Drega was involved in a heated planning and zoning dispute with the town of Columbia that he made personal after the death of his wife. Drega's personal enemies list would include selectman Vickie Bunnell after she had him arrested for making threats against the town. Drega later

SEE BOOK PAGE A12

Gilford Public Library celebrates National Library Week with some special guests

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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The Gilford Public Library is celebrating National Library Week by bringing over some friends and their unique vehicles.

All this week, the library will have activities for kids and adults, from tasty treats to waived fines and getting up close and personal with different town vehicles.

National Library Week is a national event organized by the American Library Association.

"I think it's a celebration of libraries all over the place," said library director Katherine Dornody.

The theme for this year's event is "Libraries transform."

"We just try to do special things to get people into the library and thinking what the library means to them," said children's librarian Abi Maxwell.

Assistant librarian Kayleigh Mahan said different libraries will do different things with the event.



ERIN PLUMMER

Lt. Dominic DeCarli of the Gilford Fire Department shows off Engine 2 and some of its equipment to children at the Gilford Public Library.

The library had a number of special activities for kids and adults throughout the week.

Each day this week kids can get a better look at a number of different town vehicles including a fire truck, a school bus, a police cruiser, a street sweeper, and a front loader and meet their operators. At 10:30 a.m. each day a different vehicle and its operator will be at the library for a special story before giving kids the chance to learn

about the equipment and climb in the driver's seat.

Maxwell said she called all the different town departments asking if someone can come to show a vehicle.

"They're always pretty happy to do it," Maxwell said.

She said the kids got this opportunity to touch these vehicles they don't usually get to get so close to.

On Monday personnel with the Gilford Fire Department came to the library with an engine and an ambulance. Fire student Zach Zins read a fire truck related story to the kids.

The firefighters did have to leave on a call in the middle of the story, but Lt. Dominic DeCarli later returned with Engine 2.

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Laconia/Gilford Lions Club hosts Electronic Waste Collection Day

The Laconia/Gilford Lions Club will host its next Electronic Waste Collection Day fundraiser on Saturday, April 22 in the Lowe's parking lot in Gilford from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Got an old computer collecting dust in your closet, or a broken refrigerator sitting on the back porch? What do you do with such items when you replace them?" asked Allyn Bridge, Club President. "Ev-



COURTESY

Laconia-Gilford Lions Club members Marylin Brown, Matt Soza, Lois Smith, Bill Chandler, Mike Reule, Allyn Bridge and Eileen Morey working at an Electronic Waste Collection Day.

erything from laptops, phones and radios to home appliances or

TVs cost a fortune to haul away."

"Turn all that junk

over to the Laconia/Gilford Lions instead,"

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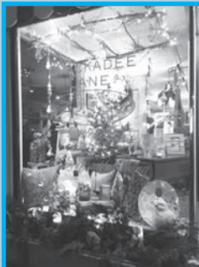
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Notes from the Gilford Public Library

BY MARK THOMAS
Library Correspondent

Riddle me this: A woman is capable of reading her book without looking at the book, and without flipping any pages. She read the entire thing while she went running, while she made supper, and while she drove her commute. How did she do it? I'll give you a hint: The whole time, the book was strapped to her arm, and it had a wire sticking out of it. The answer is: She read an audiobook--borrowed in the Overdrive app and downloaded to her phone so she could listen to it wherever she went.

Having a real, physical book in your hands is an amazing feeling, but it would get dirty if I crashed into trees with one as I hike, and it would get wet if I tried to read it while doing the dishes. Audiobooks, particularly digital audiobooks, open up a world of reading that just isn't possible otherwise. I know patrons with two hour commutes that go through one or two audiobooks a week. I know patrons with visual impairments that thrive on audiobooks and NPR. With a contemporary phone you can store dozens of full audiobooks and thousands of ebooks, all in something you keep on you anyway.

So, it's convenient, free for library patrons, and usable. The only downside for borrowing digital audiobooks and ebooks from the state collection is that you have to wait sometimes. True, they have thousands of copies of the most popular and newest books available for borrowing, but even so, there are patrons across the state looking for the same materials. The state may have 20 copies of David Baldacci's newest read, but if there are 100 people waiting, it will still take awhile.

That's why we supplement the state collection with digital copies just for Gilford Library patrons. Whichever Gilford patrons are among the 100 reserves will get first access to the copies bought for Gilford Library patrons. That is one way that keep wait times reasonable for the most popular books. If you want to read something today, remember that you search for books that are 'available now' and you will only see books that can be downloaded immediately. Of course, you could browse our physical audio CD shelves for CDs available now. Audiobooks and other digital materials

are rising in popularity and I can see why. They are easy to use and easy to manage. Just ask about how to get started. We can also help set you up on Wednesday mornings with Check Out and Expert!

Classes & Special Events
April 13 to April 19

Thursday, April 13
Books In Bloom Display, All Day

Throughout the whole library, the Opechee Garden Club will have book themed floral arrangements on display. Stop by during the week to see the beautiful artistry.

Street Sweeper Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Front Loader Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Front Loader visit with stories!

Homeschool Game Club, 1:15-2:30 p.m.

Magic the Gathering Club, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Conversational

French, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Beginner Cheese Making, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Learn how to easily make your own mozzarella and ricotta cheese from home! Learn this new skill from a demo, then sample delicious homemade cheeses. Sign-up is required. Cost is \$5. Max is 12.

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Street Sweeper Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Street Sweeper visit with stories!

Social Bridge, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Knit Wits, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Conversational German, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Poetry Collages, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

It's National Poetry Month, and we're celebrating with poetry collages. Call or stop by to sign up! Ages K-4.

Saturday, April 15

Books In Bloom Display, 10 a.m.-noon

Throughout the whole library, the Opechee Garden Club will have book themed floral arrangements on display.

Monday, April 17

Mahjong, 12:30-3

p.m.

Little Builder's Club, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 18

Fiber Friends, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Bridge, 10:30-12:30pm

Makerspace: Clay, 3:15-4:30 p.m.

Join us to play with clay and learn some new skills! All materials provided. Three week program for eight to 11 year olds, sign up required. Put on by the Gilford Public Library and Gilford Parks and Recreation and sponsored by the Friends of the Gilford Public Library.

Mystery Book Group, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Join us for a Mystery Book Discussion! This month's book is "North Of Boston" by Elisabeth Elo. Led by Betty Tidd.

Wednesday, April 19

Line Dancing, 9-10:30 a.m.

Check Out an Expert, 10 a.m.-noon

Let's Play: Teen Club, 3-4:30 p.m.

Let's Play all kinds of games! Video games, party games, board games. Let's talk about the games we love and the games we want to play as we play them. Let's talk about making games and how we could totally design games better than the game development companies. Teens. Gaming.

GILFORD POLICE LOG

The Gilford Police Department responded to 222 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of April 3-9. Please note that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protective custody but not formally charged, have

been withheld.

Steven Jones, age 50, of Meredith was arrested on April 7 for Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs and Transporting of Alcoholic Beverages.

Aaron Leach, age 18, of Laconia was arrested on April 7 for Oper-

ating Without a Valid License.

Tristan Amiee Jerrier, age 21, of Laconia was arrested on April 7 for Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs.

Trisha M. Lakin, age 38, of Belmont was arrested on April

8 for Possession of Drugs in a Motor Vehicle and Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs.

Stephanie R. Tardif, age 23, of Laconia was arrested on April 9 in connection with an outstanding bench warrant.

Holy Week and Easter Services at UMC

The First United Methodist Church of Laconia and Gilford invite you to come and participate in the Holy Week observances and Easter celebration.

Holy Week began at 10:30 a.m., April 9 with Palm Sunday's procession of waving palm branches and celebrating the arrival of Jesus by the children in attendance. If weather allows, Eeyore the Donkey will be greeting people as they enter church. A Jerusalem Donkey, Eeyore is owned by Jeff and Joyce Keyser. Pastor Tom Getchell-Lacey's sermon "Heart for the City" will concentrate on Jesus' own concern and compassion for the fate of Jerusalem, and how Jesus reveals the heart of God as a heart that suffers both for and on behalf of humans, even those that turn their backs on God.

On Holy Thursday, April 13, the congregation will join the Gilford Community Church, at their location on Potter Hill Rd., Gilford Village, for the Maundy Thursday service that commemorates Jesus' arrest and death on the cross. That service is at 7 p.m.

Following that service there will be a

prayer vigil from 8 p.m. that night until 3 p.m. on Good Friday at the Methodist Church. You are invited to come to their sanctuary to pray or meditate during those hours. There will also be a short communion service on Good Friday at noon.

Beginning at 6:30 a.m. on Easter, April 16, there will be a Sunrise Service on the docks at Weirs Beach. You are invited to come and observe this special day during this

brief and meaningful service. Following the worship service there will be a breakfast at the Weirs Trinity Methodist Church on Tower Street.

At 10:30 a.m., the Methodist Church in Gilford will be alive with spring flowers and signs of the Risen Christ! You are invited to come and participate in the joy of Jesus' resurrection. The service will commence with Hand bell music, singing and an "Easter A.P.B. (All Points Bul-

letin)" that invites us to be on the lookout for a man named Jesus; he is known to radically change the trajectory of people's lives. Come and celebrate the resurrection of the Savior with joy and eagerness. All are invited to join us at the First United Methodist Church at 18 Wesley Way (Off Route 11A /Gilford Avenue, near the 3/11 bypass). For more information, please contact the church office at 524-3289.

Gilford Public Library Top Ten Requests

1. "The Black Book" by James Patterson
2. "Vicious Circle" by C. J. Box
3. "The Zookeeper's Wife" by Diance Ackerman
4. "If Not For You" by Debbie Macomber
5. "Mississippi Blood" by Greg Iles
6. "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult
7. "The Perfect Stranger" by Megan Miranda
8. "The Chilbury Ladies' Choir" by Jennifer Ryan
9. "A Piece of the World" by Christina Baker Kline
10. "The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane" by Lisa See

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Pet of the Week: Frosty



It isn't often that we actually know when a creature was born, but in the case of Frosty, we absolutely do. One of seven kittens born at the shelter to a little stray cat scooped off the streets back in March of 2014. That winter was particularly brutal!

She flourished in foster care and was quickly adopted as a naughty rambunctious kitten.

She was returned in September 2016 now a rather portly, but stately adult in her prime.

Frosty is outgoing and very interested in what humans are doing. Opinionated, requiring many toys to keep her occupied, this gorgeous white and grey cat is unconcerned with the comings and go-

ings at NH Humane Society. Promoted to Project Manager for our Catio installation, she has been regularly observed overseeing our builder, as walls, windows and doors were installed. Power equipment, sawing, and stonemasons wearing large boots worried her not one bit.

To help her slim down, she has a special area in the shelter dedicated just to her. A cat that craves companionship and the best seat in the house, that's Frosty! Pop in and visit with her, we are quite sure her beauty and sparkling personality will surely win you over.

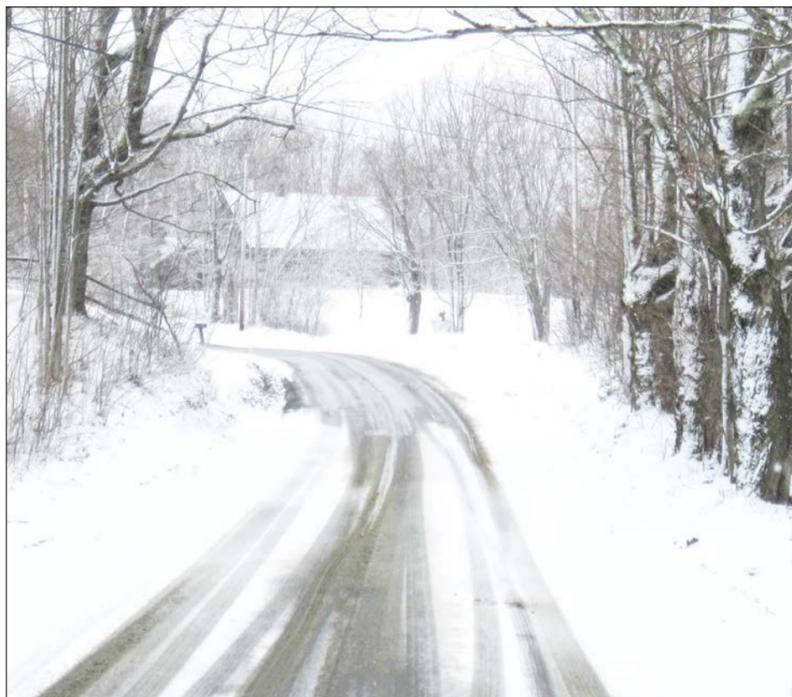
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NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

A springtime medley of trains, getting stuck, and errant geese



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST



JOHN HARRIGAN

South Hill Road, just below a near-neighbor's house, after we woke up to another coating of snow on the morning of April 8.

tree.

Donald Beloin came by in an outrageous four-wheel-drive rig while I was looking at the situation. He knows that a lingering foot problem sidelines me from chainsaw work. His brother (and my neighbor), Danny, is a cable-skidder logger whose work is beyond good.

I took another look, and there's no way to weasel out of it. It's my tree, not the town's.

"Get Danny to come over," Donald said. "He'll take care of that like nothing."

I will, and he will.

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Brad Smith, my Colebrook Academy classmate of '65, told me he'd seen geese flying north on March 29 or so.

At the time, Bob Vashaw had just finished helping clear about a foot and a half of new snow. I told Brad that either the geese were confused, or Bob and I were, or all four of us, probably making good company.

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Long-distance train trips seem to captivate readers. Whenever I write about taking such a trip, lots of mail follows.

There are five transcontinental trains on the North American continent. One is the fabled Canadian, which I've taken, and the rest are in the United States, which I have also taken.

This spring I'm off again, on the Lakeshore Limited (an overnight

train) from Boston to Chicago, and then on the Southwest Chief, from Chicago to Los Angeles (two nights, three days).

I'm not a train fanatic and have no fear of flying--it's all about comfort and the freedom to move around. The bottom line is that if I have a choice, and have the time, I'll take a train over a plane, anytime.

Travel by train is not for everyone, but to me it is bliss. You get to have your own room, and a comfortable bed. Never, I advise anyone who asks, take a long-distance overnight train without reserving a room. You have your own bathroom and shower, plus two big lounge chairs and a picture window. You get to wander around, to the lounge, the dome-car, SEE **NOTEBOOK** PAGE A13

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Strategies for Living

BY LARRY SCOTT

The dramatic events that followed the crucifixion of Jesus Christ may be summarized by a statement made in the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 27, verses 57-60,

"As evening approached, there came a man from Arimathea, named Joseph ... he asked for Jesus body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance ... and went away."

End of the story ... or so everyone thought.

For King Herod and

Pilate, the Roman Governor, a troublesome, popular figure was dead; for Caiaphas, the High Priest, the one claiming to be Messiah, the one who challenged his authority, had finally been eliminated; for Joseph of Arimathea, he would be forced to live in shame for his inability to dissuade the Jewish power-brokers from sentencing Jesus to death; for the disciples, it was an unmitigated disaster. Their hopes for the promised Kingdom, their faith, which had been strengthened by their Messiah and best friend ... all vanished with the crucifixion; for the women who followed Jesus, the one man who

had treated them with dignity and respect was no longer available; for the guards, charged with protecting Jesus' tomb, it was a grave assignment, the failure at which would doom them to death.

But not so fast, guys. You're dealing with God here ... and you are about to hear the rest of the story!

Again, from the Gospel of Matthew (28:5-6), "After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week ... the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, he has risen.'"

For the guards, their grave assignment had just turned into a nightmare as the stone began to move; for Herod and Pilate, it was not the end but the beginning - of a disaster they could not have imagined; for the temple hierarchy, an explosive new church would soon emerge ... and in their heart of hearts, they would have to acknowledge they had crucified their Messiah, and that to their

own damnation; for Joseph of Arimathea, it heralded a new opportunity to regain his self-respect and serve the one he had grown to love and admire; for the disciples, the resurrection promised new understanding, new hope, new direction, and a new mission to which they could dedicate their lives; and for the women? Unbelievably, "He's back! Happy days are here again!"

But it was not for them alone! For me, too, as stated by the Apostle Peter who expressed my feelings perfectly,

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish ... kept in heaven for you" (I Peter 1:3-4).

He is risen! Thank God Almighty, Jesus Christ has arisen from the dead!

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WOW Trail Executive Director Gretchen Gandini takes part in a walk of the proposed Phase 3 of the WOW Trail.



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WOW Trail president Allan Beetle describes the preliminary plans for Phase 3 on Saturday morning.

WOW Trail board moves ahead with Phase 3 plans despite opposition from abutters

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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LACONIA – Plans are being drawn up for Phase 3 of the WOW trail, though the proposed location has drawn the ire of a few abutters.

WOW Trail board president Allan Beetle said Phase 2 of the project was completed in November, save for a few finishing touches that will be done when the snow melts. Attention is now on the plans for Phase 3.

Phase 3 of the WOW

Trail will start across the street from the current end of the trail on Elm Street and eventually follow the railroad tracks up to the Weirs.

On Saturday, Beetle — along with WOW Trail Executive Director Gretchen Gandini — led a group of interested people on a five mile walk up the proposed area of the trail. Along the way, Beetle explained the work that would be needed in each section to make the trail a reality.

Beetle said they are

around a month to two months away from putting a conceptual plans on paper to take to Laconia's Planning Board for review. They are in the process of getting comments from abutters.

The project will likely not happen for a long time, due to both fundraising needs and significant challenges from some abutters.

The majority of the proposed extension will run next to many private residences and condominium developments.

Beetle said both South Down Shores on Lake Winnepesaukee and Breakwater Condominiums have indicated they will seek legal action against the project to stop the trail from going forward as it is currently proposed.

South Down Shores president Bruce Miller said they are not opposed to the trail itself, but to the proposed location. Miller said the trail would essentially go through their back yard, citing an economic study

from the WOW Trail estimating that the trail could be used by 152,000 people every year.

“We would support the trail making a slight detour around our community, or a plan to that runs it along the other side of the bay, but we are opposed to the proposal that has the WOW Trail running through our community,” Miller said.

Miller said South Down Shores intends to litigate the current plan. During the walk a few other abutters expressed concern about the visual appearance of fencing and pavement, maintenance, policing, and other issues.

Beetle said studies

have shown recreational trails like this can have great property benefits.

“These types of trails tend to enhance the value and shorten the sale cycle for houses along these kind of amenities,” Beetle said.

Miller said, however, that it is hard to compare what has been done in one place to another, and “every situation is different.”

“We love our community,” Miller said.

Beetle said the litigation could take years to resolve.

“During that time, we'll try to refine the plan and hopefully if things go our way we'll begin the major fundraising,” Beetle said.

Gilford Parks and Recreation news

BY HERB GREENE
Director

Gilford Parks and Recreation

Flashlight Egg Hunt for Gilford children scheduled for April 14

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring their Annual Flashlight Egg Hunt on Friday, April 14 at 7:40 p.m. at the Gilford Elementary School. This program is open to all Gilford children through the fourth grade. All participants must register in the Cafeteria prior to the event. The event will be broken into three age groups; Kindergarten and younger, Grades 1-2 and Grades 3-4. There is no fee for this program, but all participants should wear appropriate footwear for conditions and bring their own flashlight and basket!

For more information, please call the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny Scheduled for April 15

The Gilford Parks and Recreation and the Gilford Youth Center are co-sponsoring their Annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on the morning of Saturday, April 15. This program will be held from 8-10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall at the Gilford Community Church. Community members are invited to come enjoy a pancake breakfast along with a coloring contest, door

prizes and the opportunity to take your picture with the Easter Bunny.

Parents are encouraged to bring their own camera. The cost for this breakfast is \$3 per child and \$5 per adult.

For more information, please call the Gilford

Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Senior Moment-um Breakfast and a Movie on April 17

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a Senior Moment-um pro-

gram on Monday, April 17. We will meet at the Community Church, Fellowship Hall at 9 a.m. for breakfast and a movie! We will be screening the romantic comedy “Stranger Than Fiction,” starring Will Farrell and

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Camp Resilience announces honors booklet for veterans

REGION — This Memorial Day you can honor your favorite veterans, past and present, by making a \$10 donation to Camp Resilience's Honors Booklet. This booklet will be part of the program at the May 27 Tribute Concert held at Interlakes High School Auditorium and sponsored by our friends of the We Care Committee of Temple B'nai Israel. To purchase concert tickets, go to www.tbih.org. The concert, featuring the songs of Barry Manilow and Rod Stewart as performed by renowned vocalist and tribute band performer Jay Gates, is sure to please all audiences. All the proceeds from the concert ticket sales and Honors Booklet subscriptions will go to support the Lakes Region non-profit, Camp Resilience. This group, comprised 100% of volunteers, provides recreational, life-skills and emotional support for

veterans.

You can do your part by purchasing a space in the Honors Booklet for your veteran. Go to www.prl.us and click on the box “May 27 Tribute Concert to Honor Veterans.” When that page opens, click on “Honor a Veteran in the Camp Resilience Honors Booklet.” Please provide your name and address along with the name(s) of the veteran(s) you wish to honor, his or her branch of service, last known rank held (if known), dates of their military service (if known) and whether your veteran is living or deceased. Deceased veterans will be remembered as “In Memory of” in the booklet while living veterans, whether still serving or have previous service, will be remembered as “In Honor of”. See sample below. You may also include a one line comment with your submission; samples below. Only \$10 per name

and your veteran(s) will be listed in this booklet which goes to all concert goers with all proceeds from the Honors Booklet helping to support the veterans attending Camp Resilience.

Sample entries: In Memory of Sgt. James Labreque, US Army, 1943-1947

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The Honors Booklet can also accommodate a limited number of business/corporate support messages for Veterans. If your business would like to purchase a half page or full page ad, please contact Mordonsan@aol.com, Subject Line: Honors Booklet Ad.



Correction

Due to a production error, an incorrect caption was printed in last week's edition beneath the photo that accompanied a press release from the Opechee Garden Club about the Books in Bloom event at the Gilford Public Library. The caption should have read as follows: In 2016, Linda Belcher created this arrangement to illustrate the types of flowers found in James Bentley's “Beautiful Villages of England” book. The Gilford Steamer deeply regrets any confusion that may have resulted from this unintentional error.

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George D. Symonds, 75

LACONIA — George D. Symonds, 75, passed away April 4, 2017 with his family and faithful dog Chico by his side. He resided at the Belknap County Nursing home in Laconia, where he was loved and well cared for during the past 10 years.

He was born on Sept. 26, 1941 in New York, N.Y., the Son of the late George and Margaret Symonds. He grew up in Wilton, Conn. He had fond childhood memories of spending summers boating on Martha's Vineyard and winters playing hockey on their backyard pond. After graduating he pursued a degree in Forestry at the Paul Smith College in Upstate New York. George enjoyed the outdoors and traveling. He worked and lived in different areas of the country. He worked on Farms and Ranches, Cleared Ski Trails, and started his own Landscaping business, etc. He also had a passion for recreational flying, he took flying lessons which brought him to New Hampshire.

George became one of Jehovah's Witnesses in 1977. He remained a faithful Christian and was associated with the local Laconia Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. He married



his loving wife Adele on Aug. 25, 1990 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Orange, Va. "The Bachelor" Instantly became a wonderful father to 7 step children ages five to 20. George and Adele spent six years in Culpeper, Va., then lived in Sheldon, N.D. for the next nine years. They then moved back to New Hampshire to be closer to family.

George had a humble, loving and kind personality. He was always joking around, making everyone who knew him smile and laugh. He loved his study of the Bible and sharing it's message with others. He also liked to play cards and board games with family and friends, especially Parcheesi.

George is survived by his brother, David Symonds, and sister Francie Riggs; his wife of 26 years, Adele; stepdaughters

Lorie, Heather, Molly and Ezra; stepsons Erickjohn, Benjamin, and Eli. He is also survived by 17 grandchildren (four granddaughters — Shelby, Lorelle, Arianna and Kadence — and 13 grandsons: Daniel, Lyam, Tyler, Hunter, Bo, Chance, Levi, Jesse, Dalton, Declan, Gio, Ashton, and Ethan). He will be greatly missed by all.

George is also survived by his little dog, Chico. Chico made frequent visits to sit with George, and was well known and loved by residents and staff at the Nursing Home.

He was predeceased by his Parents George and Margarit Symonds and his Brother Robert Symonds.

There will be no calling hours.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2:30pm on Saturday, April 15, 2017 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 10 E. Holderness Rd., Holderness.

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

Elizabeth M. Gilbert, 93

FRANKLIN — Elizabeth M. Gilbert, 93, long time resident of Laconia and Gilford, died Thursday, March 30, 2017, at the Peabody Home in Franklin.

Elizabeth was born on Jan. 18, 1924 in Laconia, the daughter of Arkino and Evon (Guay) Russillo. She attended St. John's Elementary School and finished her high school years here in Laconia.

She married her loving husband, Rene Gilbert, on June 21, 1941, and together they raised eight children. Those were happy years for her as being a devoted mother came naturally to her. She was a wonderful cook and welcomed relatives, friends, and boyfriends to her meals. Elizabeth also worked as a bookkeeper for her husband's business, Rene J. Gilbert Builders Company, for many years. In addition, she hosted a Sewing Club where she served coffee and her delicious desserts, and she volun-



teered as a Den Mother for the Boy Scouts. She always had a passion for nature and found time to enjoy canoeing, hiking, and golfing.

Elizabeth is survived by her husband of 75 years, Rene Gilbert; a son, David Gilbert of Laconia; five daughters (Lorraine Sanborn of Gilford, Cheryl Allen of New Brunswick, Canada, Carolyn Kinsman of Seattle, Wash., Ruth Fecteau of Laconia, and Ellen Giguere of Laconia); many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a daughter,

Patricia Allen; a son, John Gilbert; a brother, Lorenzo Russillo; and a sister, Evelyn Daigneault.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, April 8, 2017, at 10 a.m. at St. Andre Bessette Parish-St. Joseph Church, 30 Church St., Laconia. At 9:30 a.m., a half hour prior to the mass, the family received friends at the church.

Burial followed the mass in the family lot at the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Garfield Street in Laconia.

For those who wish, the family suggests that memorial donations may be made to the Holy Trinity School, 50 Church St., Laconia, NH 03246.

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, please visit www.wilkinsonbeane.com.

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13th Annual Funspot Indoor Triathlon a smashing success

LACONIA — The 13th Annual Funspot Indoor Triathlon, which took place on Saturday, March 25, 2017, showcased the sporting prowess of 43 four-person teams in classic events such as bowling, mini-golf and arcade games (skee-ball, pinball and darts) as they raised a record-breaking sum of nearly \$50,000 for the New Hampshire Humane Society. Funspot, Northeast Communications (Mix 94.1FM, 100.1 the Planet, WSCY 106.9, and Oldies 92.9), and the NH Humane Society once again teamed up to put on this famously fun day of games, with

the support and sponsorship of: the Union Diner; Miller-Coffman Productions; Franklin Savings Bank, Aavid Thermalloy; Mainstay Technologies; Shady Maple Farm; Chippers, and; the American legion, Post #33 in Meredith, along with donations from Piche's; 603 Brewery, and; Celebrations Awards and Trophies. The teams each paid a registration fee to play, and raised over \$33,000 in pledge money, both online through a platform hosted by the NH Humane Society, and through individual fundraising, including the sale of "bones" at many local busi-

ness partners, such as the Looney Bin Bar & Grill, the DA Long Tavern at Funspot, and the Broken Spoke Saloon in Laconia; Lakeview Tavern and Guiseppe's in Meredith; at the NH Humane Society on Meredith Center Road, and; Heath's Supermarket in Center Harbor. T-Bones/Cactus Jacks in Laconia hosted a "Spin the Wheel" promotion that brought in nearly \$3,000 — all of it donated to the New Hampshire Humane Society at the Funspot Triathlon.

"Although this was the 13th year for this amazing event, this was my first year helping to run it as the Development Director," said Lissa Mascio, of the New Hampshire Humane Society. "I was absolutely floored by the outpouring of community support, between the huge number of teams, individual pledge donations, businesses who sold bones, and other supporters. It was fantastic."

The top three fundraising teams in the 2017 Funspot Triathlon were: The Looney Bin Ladies with an astounding \$7,271.40; Four Dirty Paws bringing in \$3,229 and the Union Dog Diners, who also captured first

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Shirley Temple lights up the screen in "The Little Princess" on LRPA

LACONIA — Join Lakes Region Public Access Television at 10:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday night (April 14 & 15) for our "LRPA After Dark" presentation of 1939's family-friendly melodrama "The Little Princess," starring Shirley Temple, Mary Nash, and Ian Hunter.

Captain Crewe (Hunter) is called to Africa from his home in London to fight in the Second Boer War. The Captain is a widower with a young daughter named Sara (Temple). Before he departs, he enrolls Sara in Miss Minchin's School for Girls, run by the cold and conniving Amanda Minchin (Nash). Sara's social status and family privilege garners her

preferential treatment from Miss Minchin, including a private room and riding lessons. As the war comes to an end, Sara eagerly anticipates her father's arrival back in London. One day, the school receives tragic news: The Captain has been reported as killed in action, and his wealth has been confiscated in the spoils of the war. With no further financial support, Miss Minchin sells Sara's belongings, turns her into a kitchen servant and relegates her to the bare and cheerless attic. Despite this terrible turn of events, Sara keeps up a brave front and remains cheerful. More than anything, she believes that her father may still be

alive. She begins sneaking out of the attic, desperately searching the hospital in the hope that she'll be reunited with her father. The drudgery of her hard work combined with her miserable surroundings elicits pity from a fellow servant, who tries to make her room more comfortable with blankets and other small tokens. When Miss Minchin discovers the addition to Sara's quarters, she locks her in the attic as a prisoner and summons the police. Sara escapes and runs to the hospital, with Miss Minchin pursuing her the whole way. A new group of soldiers has arrived in the ward — could Sara's father be among them? Will she es-

cape the clutches of terrible Miss Minchin and live a life happily ever after?

Shirley Temple, "America's Little Sweetheart," was by far the most famous child actress of her time, and perhaps of all time. Beginning her career at the tender age of three, she acted, sang and danced her way into the hearts of Depression-weary movie goers. Her superstardom was ubiquitous. Millions of dollars' worth of merchandise was sold bearing her likeness, including dolls, records, clothing and much more. Temple was the number one box office draw in the U.S. from 1935-1938. Ironically, "The Little Princess" was

Temple's first Technicolor feature — a film on which 20th Century Fox spared no expense, and which was very well received by both critics and film goers — but it was her last real box office success as a child star. It seems that fans began to lose interest in an older, more mature Temple. However, for the movie buff, everything that viewers loved about Temple the child actress is on display in "The Little Princess": her sunny disposition, song and dance routines, and a plot that can pluck at your heartstrings. What's not to love? Grab your popcorn and meet us after dark for this uplifting musical melodrama.

You can't find television like this it anywhere but LRPA TV, MetroCast Channel 25. Not a subscriber? Then log onto Live Stream through our website (www.lrpa.org) where you can catch all the fun.

About Lakes Region Public Access Television (LRPA)

Lakes Region Public Access Television (LRPA) is a nonprofit, noncommercial public access TV station and community media center located on the Laconia High School campus in Laconia, NH. LRPA cablecasts locally on MetroCast channels 24 (education), 25 (information and entertainment) and 26 (government) to nearly 12,000 viewers in our member municipalities of Belmont, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith and Northwood, and around the world via LiveStream at www.lrpa.org. Programming is produced by and for the people of the greater Lakes Region. LRPA's mission is to empower our community members to produce content that:

- fosters free speech and the open exchange of ideas,
 - encourages artistic and creative expression,
 - promotes a well-informed public through governmental transparency, and
 - unites our communities through the power of media and technology.
- LRPA's slogan: Community empowered by media. Visit us on the Web at www.lrpa.org.

Lakes Region Singers to offer fresh new spring concert Sunday, May 21

GILFORD — Are you looking for something special to welcome the return of spring? The Lakes Region Singers will offer a fresh new program of musical favorites to help you celebrate the season on Sunday, May 21, at 3 p.m. This well-known community choral group performs at the First United Methodist Church on Route 11-A in Gilford. Their spring concert will include performances by both the Youth Chorus and the Adult Chorus. A suggested donation of \$8 per person or \$15 per family of four will be taken at the door to help cover expenses.



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sicals, all set to exciting new arrangements," says Breton.

The Adult Chorus will open with the joyful hymn, "Ye Shall Have a Song," followed by a jazzy version of "Flip, Flop, and Fly," and swing into a nostalgic medley of Hoagy Carmichael tunes, in-

cluding "Star Dust," "Georgia on My Mind," "Lazy River," and "The Nearness of You." The Youth Chorus will then take the spotlight with dynamic presentations of "Ordinary Miracle" from Charlotte's Web, Cole Porter's "Friendship," and Katy Perry's "Roar."

After an intermission with free refreshments provided by choral members, the Adult Chorus will open the second half with "Distant Land," a prayer for freedom written shortly after the fall of the Berlin Wall and the release of Nelson Mandela from prison. Then the

excitement builds with stirring arrangements of "Over the Rainbow" from "The Wizard of Oz" and "Wheels of a Dream" from Ragtime. The program concludes with both Youth and Adult Choruses performing a rousing medley called "Rodgers and Hammerstein on Broadway," featuring everyone's favorite tunes from "The Sound of Music," "Oklahoma," "South Pacific," "Carousel," and "The King and I."

The evening will include several soloists from within the chorus, as well as the youth bell choir. Both choruses will be accompanied by the piano talents of Kelly Cleveland of Gilmanton.

According to Breton: "We hope you'll join us on May 21 for this celebration of spring. Sunday afternoon will be our only performance this season, so be sure to make your plans early!"

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Comedian Corey Rodrigues takes the stage at Pitman's Saturday

LACONIA — National comedy act Corey Rodrigues will be appearing at Pitman's Freight Room in Laconia Saturday at 8 p.m., along with a great undercard which includes Jody Sloane and Chris D. Tickets are \$20 at the door and Pitman's is a bring your own food and drinks venue.

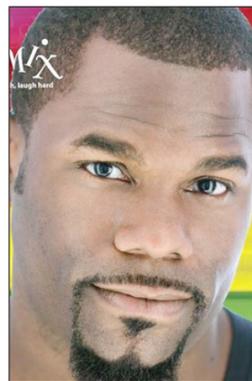
There should be no conflict with area hockey fans as the Bruins are playing Saturday at 3 p.m. in Game One of the series against Ottawa. The scheduling left Pitman's management breathing easier.

"Laconia is a hockey area," said Pitman's owner Dick Mitchell.

"We sort of dodged a bullet. They could have been playing Saturday night which admittedly would have hurt. A few years ago we went head to head with the Bruins playing a June date in the Stanley Cup finals... The Bruins won that night," added Mitchell referring to the relatively thin crowd.

"This past winter we went against the Patriots in the playoffs. Like most other entertainment venues, the Patriots won that night as well."

Saturday's headliner, Rodrigues is a New England Favorite who plays across the country and has a great fol-



Corey Rodrigues
lowing in the Greater Boston area.
"I love working Pitman's," said Ro-

drigues, who appeared at the Laconia venue in 2015. "The crowds are fun, the atmosphere is great. Looking forward to getting back there. The shows are always high level."

The undercard is also top grade with both Sloane and Chris D closing various rooms as well as working with some of the top names in the business.

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New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp receives Granite Award from Granite United Way

MEREDITH — New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (NHMB) was recently awarded with the Granite Award from Granite United Way. NHMB contributed more than \$140,000, which included employee donations and matching funds from NHMB and its three subsidiaries: Meredith Village Savings Bank, Merrimack County Savings Bank and MillRiver Wealth Management. The amount raised also includes sponsorships and CDEA tax credits for the Whole Village and the Bridge House energy project in Plymouth.

As part of NHMB's commitment to non-profit agencies in the communities it serves, matched contributions were distributed through the Granite United Way evenly among 20 non-profit agencies selected by employee vote. The following non-profits each received a donation of \$2,374.

- American Red Cross
- Boys & Girls Club of Central New Hampshire
- Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice
- Circle Program
- Concord Coalition to End Homelessness
- Concord Family YMCA
- David's House
- Friendly Kitchen
- Genesis Behavioral Health
- Habitat for Humanity
- Laconia Area Community Land Trust
- Lakes Region Child Care Services
- Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter
- New Beginnings

- New Hampshire Food Bank
- New Hampshire Humane Society
- Pope Memorial SPCA
- Riverbend Community Mental Health
- Salvation Army
- Second Start

"It's an honor to receive this award on behalf of all our employees at New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp," said Sam Laverack, President and CEO for NHMB. "We encourage and support our employees' donations and volunteerism to the local community organizations that they are most passionate about. The contribution match relies entirely on their generosity, so it was important that our employees selected the agencies receiving this extra support."

More than 145 employees gave an average of \$330 each, for a total of \$47,488.78. The success of the organization's annual United Way giving campaign would not have been possible without the enthusiasm and leadership of employee coordinators: Julie Stoia, Elise Cushing, Heather Hale and Maria Del Mar Acebron.

"We're very fortunate to have New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp and its employees among our partners in improving lives throughout New Hampshire and beyond," said Patrick Tufts, President and CEO of Granite United Way. "The combination of employee generosity and their matching corporate gift



Sam Laverack, President and CEO, New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (center) receives Granite Award from Ken Sawyer, Granite United Way Cabinet Chair (left) and Scoop Welch, Granite United Way Central Region Area Director (far right).

is a wonderful demonstration of commitment and dedication to our community. It truly is a tribute to the spirit of giving felt throughout this state."

Granite United Way is an experienced and trusted organization dedicated to leveraging the resources of investors and volunteers to create lasting change by addressing the underlying causes of our community's most pressing needs. Granite United Way is committed to improving the lives of individuals and families by supporting programs in

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Roche Realty's Kevin Shaw featured in Top Agent Magazine

LACONIA — Kevin Shaw of Roche Realty Group Inc. was featured as a top real estate agent in the April 2017 Edition of Top Agent Magazine in. Top Agent Magazine is the premier real estate magazine featuring the foremost real estate agents and mortgage professionals in the USA, Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. Top Agent Magazine features the top producing and most accomplished professionals in the real estate industry, offering an in-depth look at their careers and providing a blueprint for their success.

To be considered for a feature in Top Agent Magazine the real estate professionals must go through a nomination

and interview process. All candidates are then evaluated based upon production, professionalism, as well as industry and community involvement. It is considered a privilege to be nominated as it speaks to a certain success level all real estate agents strive for. The only real



Kevin Shaw

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estate magazine written for top real estate agents about top real estate agents, Top Agent has set itself apart as a trusted source of real estate information and inspiration. Kevin Shaw is a stellar example of the kind of prominent leaders of real estate we are

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New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp supports Equal Pay Day

MEREDITH — Merrimack County Savings Bank (the Merrimack), Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVSMB) and MillRiver Wealth Management (MillRiver)- the three subsidiaries of New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (NHMB)- have worked together to support Equal Pay Day on Tuesday, April 4 with a \$2,400 gift to the New



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Kim McDonald, VP, Employee Relations Officer (center) stands with several employees of NHMB representing sales, operations, customer service and management. Women at NHMB and its subsidiaries are employed in a wide variety of positions, from entry-level to Senior Vice President.

Hampshire Women's Foundation. Equal Pay Day symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year. Contributions made to the Foundation for Equal Pay Day have been designated to grants for economic security and financial literacy programs for women and girls in New Hampshire.

Because the average New Hampshire woman earned \$0.76 compared to her male colleague's dollar last year, the \$2400 gift represents this 24 cent difference.

"We are happy to support financial literacy and economic stability by donating to the New Hampshire Women's Foundation for Equal Pay Day," said Kim McDonald, Vice President Employee Relations Officer at NHMB. "Our companies spend a lot of time and energy ensuring our actions and policies promote fairness for all of our employees. Many women are drawn to the banking industry in gen-

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Don't Get Swayed by These Investment "Myths"

Over time, you will run into various suggestions for investing successfully. Yet upon closer inspection, many of these ideas turn out to be "myths" - which could cause you trouble if you treat them as solid advice. Here are five of these myths, along with some reasons for ignoring them:

- You can find the next "big thing." All of us probably wish we could have "gotten in on the ground floor" of Apple or Microsoft or some other tremendously profitable company. And who knows? There may indeed be a similar other business out there, waiting to take off. But it's almost impossible for anyone to identify these potential "blockbusters." There's really no shortcut to investment success - you need the patience and discipline to invest for the long term, and you need to build a portfolio that's appropriate for your goals and risk tolerance.
- Investors should always seek to "buy low and sell high." This is actually good advice - or it would be, if were possible to consistently follow it. But how can you know when the market is "high enough" to sell or "low enough" to buy? You can't - and neither can anyone else. Trying to time

the market rarely works. A more appropriate strategy is to invest regularly and to diversify your holdings among stocks, bonds, government securities and other vehicles, based on your goals and risk tolerance. Diversification can help protect you against market downturns that primarily affect just one asset class. Keep in mind, though, that diversification can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.

- It's always smart to buy investments that have performed well recently. You may have read, in investment prospectuses, that "past performance is no guarantee of future results." These words are certainly true; just because an investment has had a good run recently, it doesn't mean its success will continue indefinitely. You need to evaluate each investment on its own merits and on how well it fits into your overall portfolio.
- International investing is too risky. In today's global economy, it may be more risky not to invest some of your portfolio internationally. U.S. stocks represent less than half of global stock market capitalization - so by stopping at our borders,

you are depriving yourself of a world of opportunities. It's true that foreign investments carry some special risks relating to currency fluctuations and political and economic events, but you can help contain this risk by confining your international holdings to a relatively small percentage of your portfolio. A financial professional can suggest the best ways for you to add a global element to your investments.

- You need a lot of money to make a lot of money. Of course, it doesn't hurt to have a sizable amount of money to invest right away. But the world is full of people who started investing with small sums and ended up having enough money to enjoy the retirement lifestyle they had envisioned. If you're just beginning to invest, put in as much as you can afford each month; as your income goes up, increase your investments. As an investor, time is your greatest ally.

Sticking to a consistent investment strategy can help you write your own investment tale - and you can leave the myths to the storybooks.

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LRGHealthcare President and CEO Kevin Donovan gives a report on the organization's financial state during its annual meeting.



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Former LRGHealthcare board chair Scott Clarenbach receives the Rhoda C. Ladd and Sally Proctor Awards from President and CEO Kevin Donovan and current board chair Scott Sullivan.

LRGHealthcare bouncing back after a difficult year

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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LACONIA – LRGHealthcare's financial situation is recovering after a yearlong financial and systems overhaul.

LRGHealthcare President and CEO Kevin Donovan gave an update on the organization's fi-

ancial situation during its annual meeting on Thursday.

Last year, the organization saw a \$29 million loss, and found itself losing around \$1 million per month, which Donovan said is a major problem for a \$225 million organization.

The organization brought in Prism Health Partners to improve its financial performance.

Donovan said as 58 percent of the organization's costs were related to its workforce, they took a hard look at the workforce management and how improvements

could be made. The result was the elimination of 130 full time equivalent positions. Donovan said they tried to find new places for people whose positions were eliminated.

"It has been a challenge for us, and not one we have taken lightly," Donovan said.

The organization then found \$2.4 million in savings through the supply chain, including renegotiating contracts with suppliers while explaining the situation.

In the process, they also greatly reduced the use of paper and got rid of a number of printers.

Donovan said they also found the hospital's average length of stay was longer than others, and they would run into situations where there were not enough beds. Changes were made in clinical performance. He said they wanted to "make sure people were in the right care setting for their disease states." Some patients would also

be transferred to Franklin Regional Hospital.

The practice in New Hampton, which Donovan said was half full, was closed, and the patients were moved to the Meredith office. Donovan said this was not an easy process but it was necessary for sustainability.

Donovan also said they have made improvements in collections and coding and they have also found ways to lengthen the life of equipment.

In total, changes recommended by Prism have resulted in a savings of \$21,566,897.

CFO Wayne Bennett later reported that although the organization saw a loss of \$1.8 million in the 2016 fiscal year, they are currently seeing a one percent operating gain. Bennett said they are confident they will be at break even by the middle of the year and coming closer to sustainability in the next year.

Starting on April 1 the

organization has implemented a new electronic records management system. Donovan said previously the organization had a "system that did not talk to each other" with separate records systems for a number of different departments as well as many systems based in paper.

LRGHealthcare implemented the Cerner electronic document system, which will have the clinical information of every patient in one place and accessible to any department as well as the patients themselves through a special portal. Patients can use the system to make appointments, pay bills, access copies of allergy and medication lists, and other tasks.

LRGHealthcare has also been working to improve its quality. Donovan said they have heard a number of concerns and criticisms of their quality, especially through social media.

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Committee on Aging to discuss hospital stays Friday

On Friday, April 14 at 10 a.m., the Belknap County Area Committee on Aging welcomes Cheryl Gonzalo, RN, Executive Director, and Clare Persson, OT, from Lakes Region Visiting Nurse Association. They will discuss a hospital stay from start to finish; what to do before you go for a hospital stay and what to do afterward, including rehab before you go home.

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This event is open to the public and free of charge. Questions are encouraged, so please write them down and bring them with you to all sessions. Please contact Stace at 528-2555 or sdhendricks@wesleywoods-nh.org for more information.

The Mission of the Belknap County Area

Committee on Aging is to advocate and inform the public on matters relating to the development and implementation of local, state and federal programs / issues affecting well-being, independence and dignity in keeping with New Hampshire's goal to keep seniors healthy, helping us to realize full potential.

The Belknap County Area Committee on Aging meetings start at 10am, the 2nd Friday of each month. The committee meets in the Wesley Woods Community Room off Route 11A, behind the First United Methodist Church in Gilford. All are welcome.

HealthFirst names new COO

LACONIA/FRANKLIN — HealthFirst Family Care Center is proud to announce the hiring of Susan E. Smith, MHA, BSN as new Chief Operating Officer. This addition to the community health center's leadership team will enable HealthFirst to continue expanding services, coordinating care, and upholding our commitment to providing quality, individualized healthcare to each and every client.

Smith hails from Gilford, and was formerly Executive Director of New Hampshire Voices for Health, an organization devoted to healthcare advocacy and public policy at State and Federal levels. Susan earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing at Saint Anselm College, completed a Master's degree in Healthcare Administration at the University of Minnesota, and most recently, earned a Graduate Certificate in Analytics from the University of New Hampshire. She is also a Board-Certified Nurse Executive through the American Nurses Credentialing Center. Her background includes management and senior leadership positions at Wake Medical Center, LRGHealthcare, and the Taylor Communi-

ty. HealthFirst President and CEO Rick Silverberg said, "We are quite fortunate to have someone with Smith's breadth of experience in healthcare and vested interest in this

community. We are looking forward to the positive impact that Susan's leadership will have on our staff and the patients we serve."

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Nurture your child's nature connection and enroll them in one of Prescott Farm's upcoming WildQuest Day Camps!

LACONIA — Prescott Farm has been offering WildQuest Day Camps for over 15 years! All camps take place during school vacations (February, April & June-August). Our camps are licensed by the State of New Hampshire and led by experienced environmental educators with the goal of fostering an appreciation and understanding of the natural and cultural history of Prescott Farm, and by extension, student's own special places as well. Registration is now open for both our spring and summer camps!

WildQuest Spring Camp is for children ages six to 12 and will take place Monday-Friday, April 24-28 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Spring is here—time for mud, new green shoots, and salamanders. There are so many changes happen-

ing this time of year—what an exciting time to get outside and explore our gardens and woods! Depending on the weather, the week will be a mix of gardening projects, cooking projects, “woods time, playing “Hungry Forest” (a predator-prey game), epic off-trail hiking adventures, ponding & exploring vernal pools and craft projects. Register for one day or register for them all! Extended care and scholarships are available.

WildQuest Summer Camp is for children ages four to 15, and will take place June 26-Aug. 25 (nine themed weeks). Registrations before April 30th will receive a 10 percent Early Bird Discount (does not include LITs). Scholarships are available.

Our summer Pre-K program is a great introduction to camp for



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Prescott Farm has been offering WildQuest Day Camps for over 15 years! All camps take place during school vacations (February, April & June-August)

young children ages four and five. We focus on supporting their natural curiosity, making new friends, and building their independence as they experience the natural world through age-appropriate activities! Some of the alphabet nature-themed weeks we are offering for our Pre-K Pioneers are F is for Farm & Friends, G is for Garden, H is for Hike, N is for Nests, and more! You can find full descriptions of each week for Pre-K Pioneers on our Web site at www.prescottfarm.org.

The heart of our summer camp program are our Questers (ages six to

12)! We offer 36 spaces per week—Children are then divided into 3 groups of 12 based on age. Each group

has an instructor and assistant. We start the day with an opening circle and “Woods Time,” then break into our groups for an activity related to the theme of the week, gather again for lunch, then break up again for an afternoon activity. We end each day with a group game and closing circle. Each week, we also go on a Quest (a.k.a. an educational treasure hunt!) and complete an all-camp project. Some of the nature-themed weeks we are offering Questers are Survivor, Nature Artists, Life on the Farm and Let's Go Camping. New this year we are offering Young Naturalists, Kids Can Cook and Eco-Kids. You can find full descriptions of each week for Questers on our website at www.prescottfarm.org.

Our Leaders-in-Training (LITs ages 13-15) assist with supervision and instruction of lessons for four and five year old Pre-K Pioneer campers at camp from 9:00-12:00 each day. In the afternoon, they assist with planning activities for the week and help with preparation and clean up of materials. LITs also participate in leadership training activities. LITs must be mature, responsible and a good role model for younger children. They should have interest in or experience working with young children and an interest in being outdoors. Only three LITs will be accepted per week and must be at least 13 years old. LITs must complete a LIT Application Form and interview with our SEE WILDQUEST PAGE A11

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Hannah Slattery named to dean's list at Bates College

LEWISTON, Maine — Hannah Slattery of Gilford was named to the dean's list at Bates College for the fall semester ending in December 2016. This is a distinction earned by students whose cumulative grade point average is 3.71 or higher.

Slattery, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Slattery of Gilford, is a 2014 graduate of Holderness School. She is majoring in environmental studies at Bates.

Bates is internationally recognized as a leading college of the liberal arts, attracting 2,000 students from across the U.S. and around the

world. Since 1855, Bates has been dedicated to educating the whole person through creative and rigorous scholarship in a collaborative residential community.

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Return of the Children's Authors Tea

LACONIA — On Monday, April 17 from 5-7 p.m., a well-loved family event, the Children's Authors Tea, will return to the Belknap Mill in downtown Laconia. In celebration of "Strengthening Families and Communities Month," the Family Resource Center of Central New Hampshire has invited four New Hampshire authors and illustrators to tea with the children of our community. Through generous sponsorship from Curt's Caterers, of Gilford and Lakes Region Coca-Cola, the "Tea" is offered free to children and families in the Lakes Region.

The Children's Authors Tea provides an opportunity for quality family time while also promoting early literacy. Robbie Neylon, Marty Kelly, Kathy Brodsky & Richard Lennon are all New Hampshire authors and illustrators who will share their love of literacy with young children in the Lakes Region. "Giving children a chance to visit with their favorite authors is a wonderful and concrete experience that supports early literacy", explains Julie Choiniere, a long-time member of the LRCS staff who has helped organize the event for a number of years.

Families attending the tea will meet local authors and illustrators, hear them read their stories aloud, and can purchase signed copies of their books. Tea will be readily available, along with tea sandwiches and pastries. Every child that attends will receive a free book.

Erin Pettengill, Director of the Family Resource Center, has enjoyed playing a role in bringing the Tea to the community.

"It is exciting to help organize an event that brings families together, while also promoting early literacy," she said. "I hope this event continues a tradition for years to come."

For more information on the Children's Authors Tea, please contact Tricia Tousignant at the Family Resource Center, 528-0391 or email tricia.tousignant@lrsc.org.

For hundreds of families living in the Lakes Region each year, the Family Resource Center of Central New Hampshire, a program of LRCS, offers respectful, non-judgmental education, early intervention, and support to assist families in their efforts to meet needs, make positive connections, and prepare children for success today and tomorrow because the



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A child dressed for the occasion, enjoys a cup of tea at the annual Children's Authors Tea sponsored by the Family Resource Center of Central New Hampshire. This year's event is Monday, April 17 at the Belknap Mill.

Family Resource Center believes strong families lead to strong communities.

Lakes Region Community Services (LRCS) is a nonprofit, comprehensive family support agency with a primary focus of providing supports to individuals with developmental disabilities and/or acquired brain disorders and their families.

A dynamic human services organization, LRCS offers other essential and critical services

to individuals in our Greater Lakes Region throughout their lifespan. At the core of LRCS' work are inclusion, acceptance, and building

strengths and partnerships – whether at the individual, family or community level. LRCS has offices in Laconia and Plymouth which combine to serve fami-

lies residing throughout Belknap and Southern Grafton Counties. For more information contact Joanne Piper Lang at 524-8811 or visit www.lrsc.org.

Annie's Cafe and Catering launches new Web site!

LACONIA — Annie's Cafe and Catering at 585 Union Ave. in Laconia, is adding a new way for customers to enjoy creative, fresh, and delicious food with the launch of a new Web site, www.AnniesCafeandCatering.com.

The new website provides guests an easy one-click process to check daily cafe specials, and view Annie's delicious catering, bakery, and cafe menus across desktop, tablet and mobile devices. The clean design of www.AnniesCafeandCatering.com, created by Creative Marketing Guru of Gilford, provides a seamless experience for customers that makes information readily accessible.

New Features of www.AnniesCafeandCatering.com:

Cafe specials posted and updated DAILY so customers can make lunch decisions early and without having to call the cafe.

Full updated menus for catering, bakery, and cafe with large, colorful images. Menus can also be downloaded and/or printed to make the daily

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A scalable and moveable map with driving directions to help new customers find their way to a fresh breakfast, delicious lunch, or a mouthwatering bakery item.

Lisa Delampan, Catering & Operations Director of Annie's Cafe and Catering, says the new website is designed to meet the evolving needs of today's consumer while supporting the Cafe's goal to increase catering business in Lakes Region, as company infrastructure is expanded.

"I'm thrilled with our new website," said Delampan, "It's clean design is engaging and simple to use on any platform, while retaining the Annie's Cafe and Catering branding and customer experience."

"We wanted to create a digital environment as inviting and welcoming

as the cafe," said Annie Bridgeman, Owner and Founder of Annie's Cafe and Catering. "The new site will streamline communication with our customers and is very user-friendly. We believe our customers will be so pleased with the new features that it will become a regular part of their experience."

About Annie's Cafe and Catering:

Annie's Cafe and Catering located at 585 Union Ave. in Laconia, serves breakfast, lunch and catering to the Lakes Region of New Hampshire. Established in 2009, Annie's Cafe and Catering is founded on a philosophy of serving creative, fresh, and delicious food. The Cafe offers a cozy atmosphere featuring seasonal menu options ranging from hot breakfast and signature paninis to handcrafted salads, sandwiches and mouthwatering sweets. Offering dine-in, to-go and catering service for any occasion, Annie's Cafe and Catering delivers a premier bakery cafe experience.

WILDQUEST

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Camp Director. You can find the LIT Application Form on our Web site at www.prescottfarm.org.

Prescott Farm is a non-profit organization that conducts year-round environmental education programs such as our Fledglings Preschool, school field trips, public programs, Naturalist-in-Residence programs with four local schools, and of course, camps. A camp experience with us will enhance your child's

ecological awareness and provide fun learning opportunities in a community-minded and non-competitive atmosphere. Camp always includes nature activities, animal and plant identification, arts and crafts, Quests, games, and hands-on learning.

The children who will grow up to be protectors of the environment tomorrow, need to make a connection with the environment today! Nurture your child's nature con-

nection and enroll them in one of our upcoming WildQuest Day Camps. Online registration is open for both our spring and summer camps at www.prescottfarm.org. We have implemented a new online registration system, which will make registering more than one child much easier and simplify things in the office as well! Please contact Debbie at 366-5695/info@prescottfarm.org with any questions regarding registration.

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Vendors and visitors met for a good cause during the Home Party Expo.

nated items for the silent auction and some were donating a portion of their sales.

The show featured 19 vendors and independent consultants.

"I enjoy supporting local, small businesses and wanted to tie that into some of my fundraising," Powers said.

Powers is a member of Streetcar Company, members of the group sold baked goods and refreshments.

"It's very exciting for Streetcar," said Streetcar director J Alward. "We've been hearing about it all year."

Alward and other members of the company will be taking the day off to go to Boston and cheer Powers on.

Alward also praised the home show, saying it comes at the right time of year.

"I hope she gets a great turnout and I hope

she turns it into an annual event," Alward said.

Engraving Awards and Gifts of Laconia was one of the vendors, offering an array of engraved products they sell all over the country.

Marketing Manager Ron Stevens said this is a way to give back to the community.

"It's about supporting the community and supporting people in the community," Stevens said.

Stevens said he has also run a marathon.

"I think everyone should try it once," Stevens said. "It's a momentous feat just to compete."

Yoga From the Heart in Laconia offers an array of yoga classes, including for people with cardiac issues and cancer as well as a 12 Step Recovery program for people battling addiction.

"This is wonderful," said studio owner Sheryl Gauthier of the event. Gauthier said she has two loved ones who have been treated at Dana-Farber, "and I love Kelli. It's a privilege and an honor."

Members of Cub Scout Pack 68 of Laconia sold Cub Cards, cards with discounts for a number of businesses with half the proceeds going to the pack. Assistant Den Leader Chris Fernandez has known Powers for three years and has performed with her in Streetcar productions.

He said when Powers told her she was doing this he thought "What a great cause."

"When I asked her can I be the Cub Scouts, she said absolutely," Fernandez said.

Powers is also accepting donations at www.1dfmc.org/2017/kellipowers.

BOOK

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stalked and threatened Bunnell at her new home in Colebrook and purchased an assault rifle.

On Aug. 19, 1997 Trooper Scott Phillips of the New Hampshire State Police and a friend of Bunnell's approached Drega in the parking lot of the IGA grocery store. Carey said Phillips had intended to speak with Drega about the threats. Drega took out his gun, killed Phillips, and then killed Phillips' colleague trooper Les Lord as he came to the scene. Drega took Phillips' cruiser and drove it into town to find Bunnell.

At the time, Bunnell was living over the offices of the News and Sentinel owned by her friend and former partner John Harrigan. Drega approached the building and Bunnell and paper staff members fled out a back door, but Drega killed Bunnell and co-editor Dennis Joos after he fought back.

Drega later died in a standoff with police in Vermont after seriously injuring three officers.

Carey said amidst the grief, Harrigan convened with his staff and had them report on the incident for what would be the new version of that week's paper. That paper would be nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in 1998.

"It's journalism written from the hot, heaving core of a tragedy," Carey said.

Colebrook became the center of a media circus. Carey said the News and Sentinel received letters from across the US as well as Europe, South America, Africa.

He also said there were a number of people who have portrayed Drega as a hero against government.

Carey said a lot of the details of his presentation left out the other stories of the people caught in the middle of this situation who became heroes.

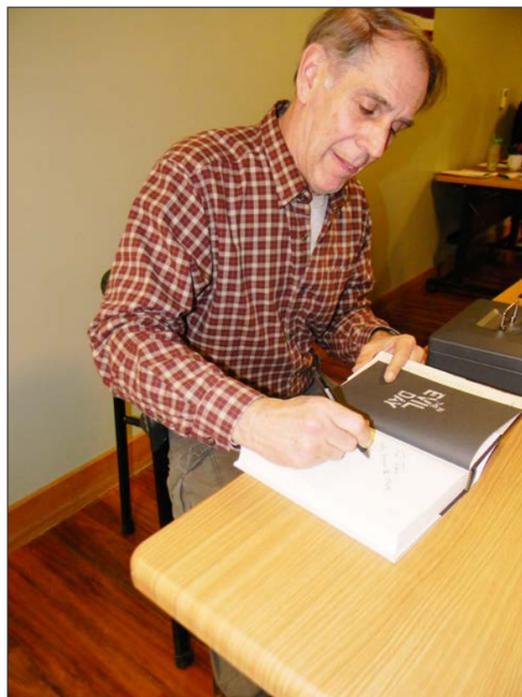
Carey said he learned of the tragedy while driving on Route 113 by Squam Lake and listening to NHPR.

"If something like this could happen in



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Author Richard Adams Carey signs copies of his book "In the Evil Day" at the Gilford Public Library.



ERIN PLUMMER

Richard Adams Carey talks about the victims of the 1997 mass shooting in Colebrook by a photo of their memorial.

Colebrook, I guess it could happen in Sandwich," he said. "It sent a chill down my spine."

He said he read about the incident in the paper and realized how complex the situation was with a 25 year prelude and many different intersecting details. In the passing years the topic became even more pertinent in the wake of other mass shootings across the country. Carey said he thought it would make a great book concept.

"It didn't have to be all about the perpetrator, it could be about the victims and New Hampshire," Carey said.

He started the book in 2002 and the project would take 13 years to complete. A number of people were unwilling to talk with him and would prefer this was left forgotten. He said if this was buried, however, he asked what would be come of the

memories of the victims.

Carey said the families of three of the victims politely told him they did not want to talk, though Vickie Bunnell's family were willing to talk for the book. As Vickie had received a lot of attention, Carey said they thought the other three had been slighted.

"One of the conditions to cooperate, I would pay as much attention to the victims as to their daughter," Carey said.

Carey said "In the Evil Day" illustrates the interplay and conflicts between personal rights and interests and common welfare. Another theme is the role of the media. Carey said the media acts as a watchdog for all sides.

"They can have someone keep an eye on things all around the clock," Carey said.

LIBRARY WEEK

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"It's my favorite part of the day," DeCarli said.

He also does a truck day at Gilford Elementary School as well.

"I love bringing out and being able to display the apparatus we have," DeCarli said.

While they did not get an opportunity this time, DeCarli said he thinks it is especially important for kids to see the ambulance. If any of them ever need emergency care, being familiar with the ambulance already may reduce their anxiety.

On Tuesday, kids could get a closer look at a school bus, a police cruiser came by on Wednesday. The Public Works Department will bring two vehicles: a front loader will be at the library on Thursday and a street sweeper will be by Friday.

Kids could get a card and stamp it for each vehicle they saw over the week.



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Fire student Zach Zins reads a story to kids at the Gilford Public Library.

In the adult section there is also a different theme for each day, such as Minty Monday (where patrons receive a mint), Tasty Tuesday (with a tasty treat), Wordy Wednesday (with a word search), Thankful Thursday (where patrons can share what they're thankful for), and Funky Friday (where the staff will dress in funky ways).

Anyone who mentions National Library

Week will receive \$5 off in fines.

The Opechee Garden Club will be holding Books in Bloom in the library from Thursday through Saturday.

WASTE

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Bridge explained. "For a small disposal fee (most items are \$1 to \$5), not only will we take your old electronic items off your hands, we will recycle them. The disposal charge is almost always less than the prices at local transfer stations. Cash or checks will be accepted but not debit or credit cards."

"Just bring your electronics to Lowe's parking lot, 1407 Lakeshore Rd. in Gilford, on Saturday, April 22 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.," added club member Marilyn Brown. "Club members will even help you unload them! You do not have to be a resident of Laconia or Gilford to take advantage of this fundraiser—it is open to everyone."

Items you may want to consider dropping off are computer monitors, laptops, CPUs, servers,

CD/DVD players, camcorders, AV equipment, VCRs, speakers, mice or keyboards, copiers, faxes, scanners, printers, phones (land and cell), phone systems, UPS systems, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, cords, cables and computer accessories.

In addition, the Lions will also take microwaves, air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, water heaters, washing machines, dryers, gas or electric stoves, dishwashers, dumb terminals, and TVs (less than 25 inches: \$20; 25 inches and larger, \$30; very large TVs to be determined).

"Anything with a cord not listed will also be accepted," Brown mentioned.

You cannot drop off: oil, paints, thinners, batteries, tires, items containing mercury

such as fluorescent and CFL light bulbs or thermometers, capacitors, ballasts, or any other hazardous waste.

"Don't miss this opportunity or you'll be storing these things another year—"Don't throw it out, Recycle it!" You'll not only help the environment by disposing of your unwanted electronics responsibly but also help the Lions, the largest service organization in the world, raise funds to meet pressing needs in our community: eye glass and hearing aid assistance, local food pantries, college scholarships, holiday food baskets for needy families, youth sports programs, are just a few of the local charitable programs that we assist," said Mike Adams, Club First Vice President. "All that for a disposal fee of \$1 to \$30 per

item depending on size (almost always less than the cost at local transfer stations)."

"The Laconia/Gilford Lions Club appreciates your help with their Electronic Waste Collection Day fundraising event and wishes to thank in advance everyone who contributes to making a real difference in our community," added Club Second Vice President Matt Soza.

"Our Club events have special meaning this year as we celebrate the centennial year of the Lions as well as the 70th anniversary of the Laconia/Gilford Lions. So look for the yellow Lions' vests on Saturday, April 22 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Gilford Lowe's parking lot," concluded Allyn Bridge. "No matter how large or small, every item adds up!"

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The first question I always get on train travel is about price. The second is time.

Let's take the second question first. If you are a nervous person, an A

to B traveler, someone who cannot read, relax, and enjoy the trip itself and the time to totally relax, the train is not for you.

As for the price, consider that you're getting a hotel room for a couple of nights (do the math) and breakfast and supper each day, and the freedom to move around. It's a no-brainer for

me, but it's not for everyone.

(This column runs in papers covering two-thirds of New Hampshire and parts of Maine and Vermont. Letters should include town and telephone numbers in case of questions. Write to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or Box 39, Colebrook, NH 03576.)

FUNSPOT

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place, for the fourth year running, in competition points, followed by Four Dirty Paws and the DA Long Tavern team. More details regarding points, team rankings, best dressed and other awards can be found at the New Hampshire Humane Society blog on nhhumane.org.

"Our team has been a part of the triathlon for six years because we love animals and just cannot save them all ourselves," says Kelly Dobens, member of the Looney Bin Ladies, the top fundraising team of 2017, and several years past. "With the help of our generous sponsor, The Looney Bin, we aim to beat our previous year's fundraising totals knowing that it all goes directly to the care and placement of great dogs, cats and other pets. It's all about advocating for

those who can't ask for help themselves and we're really proud to be a part of the effort."

The Funspot Indoor Triathlon was born in 2005, the product of a rainy, summer afternoon at Funspot where a group of vacationers were having fun at the tavern, doing their own "indoor triathlon" of bowling, pool and darts. Steve Lawton and Starr Lawton, of Funspot, overheard the remark and decided that was a fine idea as a charity event, and who better to benefit than their friends, and nearly neighbors, at the New Hampshire Humane Society. The event has grown every year, becoming one of the most anticipated New Hampshire Humane Society fundraisers of the year.

"The Funspot Indoor Triathlon is an amazing event that we look

forward to every year for the animals," said Starr Lawton. "This is our pet project to raise money for the creatures with no voice."

The NH Humane Society is a privately funded 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to find responsible and caring forever homes; provide shelter for the lost, abandoned and unwanted animals; advocate and be the voice for the voiceless. The Society works hard to prevent cruelty to animals and offers education and outreach programs, pet therapy, and many community initiatives to help people and their pets.

To view adoptable pets, make a donation or check out other upcoming events please visit www.nhhumane.org.

EQUAL PAY

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eral, and make up more than 80 percent of our current workforce. We're proud to offer great opportunities for employment in many different areas such as technology, sales, compliance, operations, customer service and management. Women at NHMB and all of our subsidiaries are employed in a wide variety of positions, from entry-level to Senior Vice President and work in every department of our companies."

With nearly 100 years of shared history in advocating for women and girls, the New Hampshire Women's Foundation was established in 2014 as a result of a merger between the Women's Fund of New Hampshire and the New Hampshire Women's Initiative. The organization continues a commitment of advocacy

for women and girls and the advancement of gender equality in the Granite State, established over the last century by the Women's Fund of NH, the NH Women's Initiative, the Commission on the Status of Women, the Women's Lobby and Alliance and the Women's Policy Institute.

The New Hampshire Women's Foundation promotes statewide opportunity and equality for women and girls through research, education, philanthropy and advocacy. The New Hampshire Women's Foundation believes that creating family-friendly workplaces is essential to overcoming gender-based stigmas, and is committed to economic gender equality. For more information, visit nhwomensfoundation.org.

New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp, a mutual holding company, was formed in 2013 when two New Hampshire-based community banks, Merrimack County Savings Bank and Meredith Village Savings Bank, formally affiliated – the first relationship of its kind in New Hampshire. This strategic partnership has positioned the Banks to leverage each other's strengths as they work together to advance a shared vision of maintaining and enhancing their community banking standards and values. MillRiver Wealth Management joined as a third subsidiary of NHMB in 2015, combining the financial advisory divisions of MVS and The Merrimack. NHMB combined assets total more than \$1.6 billion.

LRGH

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They have been working on meeting the Conditions of Participation under CMA, the Joint Commission, and DNV-GL. They have also made ISO-9001 certification, one of 500 hospitals in the country to do so.

"We need to hold ourselves to a higher standard than we have in the past and we need to hold ourselves to a higher standard than our peers," Donovan said.

Donovan gave special credit to LRGHealthcare's employees for their help and dedication through this process.

At the end of the meeting former board chair Scott Clarenbach was presented both the Rhoda C. Ladd and Sally Proctor Awards.

"This is an organization that has an unbelievable heart and it just lost its way," Clarenbach said "It had to get to the

place of providing for its community."

Clarenbach said there was a need for a big transformation. The board members collaborated through the process and

providers "stepped up."

"I'm here to tell you your local and community hospital is on the mend and is headed in a right direction," Clarenbach said.



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PARKS AND REC

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For more information or to RSVP please call the Parks and Recreation Office at 527-4722.

Bolduc Park Golf Programs

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is offering a variety of golf programs at Bolduc Park through the spring for children and adults. Youth and Adult Lessons are available at Bolduc Park in two, three-class sessions during the evenings this May and June. The session dates for youth lessons for ages 6 and up are; May 9, 16 & 23 and June 6, 13 & 20. The session dates for adults are; May 11, 18 & 25, and June 8, 15 & 22. Classes

run from 5:30-7 p.m. each evening.

Cost: Youth Lessons - \$60
Adult Lessons - \$70

All programs have limited availability and registrations will be accepted on a first come first served basis. For more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Tickets available for Red Sox bus trip on July 19

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a bus trip to watch the Red Sox at Fenway Park this summer. The trip is scheduled for Wednesday, July 19 to see the Red Sox play the Toronto Blue Jays. Travel to and from the game will be provided aboard a Coach Company, Luxury Coach fully equipped with climate control, DVD video system and Lavatory. This trip is limited to 53 participants, so register early!

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For more information, please call the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

LEtGO YOUR MIND Robotics Camps

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring two one-week LEGO robotics camps the week of June 26 – June 30. The camps will take place at the Gilford Middle School from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. The "Build it BIG: Superstructures, Motorized LEGO Cars & Stop Motion Animation" is open to children ages five and a half years of age and the "Build it BIG: EV3 Robotics, Minecraft & Stop Animation" is open to children ages nine to 14 years of age. Participants can register on-line at www.letgoyourmind.com.

Cost: \$310

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AWARD

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Windsor County, Vt. For more information, visit www.graniteuw.org.

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SPORTS

Orton gets full ride to play hoops at Snow College

BY BOB MARTIN
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GILFORD — Stevie Orton is an all-around incredible athlete and scholar, and her hard work has paid off as she recently signed papers for a full scholarship to Snow College in Utah to play basketball.

Orton is currently the catcher for the Golden Eagles softball team, but last week she was out in Utah showing off her hoops skills in hopes to impress the Snow College coaches. Impress she did, and she was given a full scholarship to the junior college on the spot.

Orton explained that on April 3 she met with coaches and school officials to try out for the team as a walk-on. She participated in a 40-minute workout involving dribbling, shooting and other drills with coaches watching her skills. The team came in and she was involved with a scrimmage, as well.

“The coach took me and my mom on a personal tour of the campus and then took us back to his office,” said Orton. “He said he wasn’t anticipating me to be as good as I was. He said 95 percent of the girls that go the route I did doesn’t work out, so this felt really good.”

The school had only a couple scholarships left and the head coach told Orton that he would get back to her in a few days. However, a few days turned into a few minutes.

“We were leaving the campus to see a family friend who lives only a few minutes away, and I noticed that I missed a call from the coach,” said Orton. “I called him back and he said they really wanted me to play for us.”

Orton and her mother turned the car around immediately, went to meet the coach and signed the papers. She will be heading to



BOB MARTIN

Stevie Orton will be heading west to play basketball at Snow College.

Snow College on Aug. 14 prior to move-in day, and her basketball training will begin

quickly after.

Orton scored 883 points and took down 757 boards during her

career playing basketball for Gilford High School. This past season she was named to

the first team for the All-State team. She averaged 15.3 points per game and had 12.2 rebounds. Orton was also a recipient of the Jack Ford Memorial Scholar Award. In 2016 she helped the Golden Eagles win the Division 3 state title, and the year before they were runners up.

Utah is a place that Orton has wanted to go to school for a long time, and her mother first told her about Snow College. She knew she wanted to play basketball in college, and when looking at Snow College she liked what she saw since they are a good feeder program that sends girls to other good schools after they graduate. Orton’s plan is to continue playing basketball after Snow College, and she hopes to maybe play at a Division 1 school someday.

“It’s such a surreal feeling,” said Orton. “I’m really excited.”

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Gilford softball captains see tight knit team in 2017

BY BOB MARTIN

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GILFORD — While the Golden Eagles have a young group of girls on their varsity softball team, coach Joan Forge as well as the team captains are looking forward to what they believe will be a successful season.

Gilford High School is coming off of a season where they went 9-7 in the regular season and 10-8 including the tournament. Forge is entering her 33rd year at Gilford and 40th season coaching softball overall. She is assisted by Rick Forge and Shawn Garrett.

The team has only one senior in Steve Orton, who will be the team's starting catcher and a valuable source of leadership for the young girls. Orton is a captain this year, along with junior Jillian Lachapelle and sophomore Lexi Boisvert.

"The Gilford softball team, for the second year in a row, is field a young team that has only one senior," said Forge. "Gilford only lost two starters to graduation and plans to build on their 9-7 record from last year."

A big loss was Sarah Lachapelle, who graduated last year. She was a top pitcher for the Golden Eagles and will be replaced by a pitching staff made up of her sister Jillian, who is a junior, as well as Boisvert and freshman Colby Butterfield.

Orton said this year the team is advanced as a group, and she said that aside from losing Lachapelle, they have essentially the same team as last year. She said having a young group like this bodes well for the team, as they can grow stronger together.

Jillian Lachapelle agreed and added that the freshmen are a talented group that she is excited to play with.

Other key players returning include sophomore Maggie McNeil at first base, who is coming off of a great season where she batted .400. Lou Lacroix, a junior, will also see time at first base. Junior Samantha Knowles takes the second base duty this season and Lachapelle will play shortstop. She is coming off a season where she led the team in hitting with a .455 batting average.

Boisvert hit .373 last season and will be playing third base this season.

"We are looking really good this year," said Boisvert. "We came in super solid. Everyone's skills don't need much tuning up."

Returning outfielders include junior Taryn Breton along with sophomores Karly Sanborn and Nicole Berube. The team is also excited for the return of junior centerfielder and leadoff hitter Brooke Beaudet, who is bouncing back from a knee injury sustained from playing basketball. She saw only one game of action last year, and the team captains said this will add an immediate spark to the batting order.

The captains agreed that Beaudet being in the lineup is a huge part of the success of the Golden Eagles, saying this will add speed, fielding ability and leadership.

Forge is happy with the way the team looks heading into the season. Forge stressed that defense was a major strength for the team last year, where they played six games without a single error and four games with only one error. However, she added that while pitching a defense was a big plus, they need to be more consistent at the plate and score some runs.

"There has been a tremendous amount of energy and enthusiasm during the preseason practices," said Forge. "We were a very young team last year with three starting freshmen and four starting sophomores. We had the athletic talent and played solid defense, but lacked confidence especially in the hitting department. There is a huge difference this year."

The captains agreed that while they had trouble scoring runs last year, this year could be a much different scenario. Orton said the team is full of good, young hitters.

"Our offense will be a lot stronger this year," said Orton.

Forge said the team is "dripping with confidence" and have been practicing with determination and positivity. She commended the girls for improving their fundamentals and mental approach.



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Stevie Orton is the lone senior on the Golden Eagles softball team and will be doing the bulk of the catching this season.



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Junior Jillian Lachapelle practices pitching inside the Gilford High School gymnasium.



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(Left) The Gilford High School softball captains are looking forward to getting on the field for the spring season. Pictured (l to r), Lexi Boisvert, Stevie Orton and Jillian Lachapelle.

GHS girls' lacrosse full of senior leadership and young talent

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GILFORD — The Gilford High School girls' lacrosse team has 12 seniors coming back to help lead the way, but coach Mike Normandin said he is happy to see an influx of freshmen coming into the program.

"What we are seeing right now is the benefits of a strong Lakes Region Lacrosse club, which is our feeder program," said Normandin, adding that there were 17 freshmen-half the team- who came out for lacrosse. "We are really happy with that turnout and are impressed with the skills of the kids coming up through Lakes Region Lacrosse."

Senior Emily Hayden will be the goalie this year, and Normandin said he is looking forward to watching her play. He

explained that she has been the backup goalie for the past three years and is getting her chance to shine.

"She's been working really hard all winter and we've already seen the results from that," said Normandin.

Normandin's daughters Julia and Laurel will be strong attack midfielders, he said. Julia is a senior and Laurel is a sophomore, and Normandin said they should be key players on the team this year. Kaylee Robbs, a senior, will be getting plenty of playing time in the mid-field.

Junior Olivia Harris and sophomore Brianna Salinitro will also be playing plenty of mid-field.

On attack, Kiara Smith will be coming back for her senior year after missing last year due to knee surgery. Normandin is looking forward to having her on the field. She will be playing alongside her twin sister Kaylee. Senior Kim Langlitz will also be on the field play-

ing attack.

Normandin said this year's defense will be led by seniors Kaitlyn Van Bennekum and Hannah Sullivan, and there will also be "strong help" by the freshmen players and some upper classmen who decided to come out and play lacrosse.

Freshman Shelby Cole will fit right into the midfield grouping, he said. Freshmen Sidney Leggett, Erin Hart and twins Colbi Plante and T aylor Plante should see some significant playing time this year, as well.

"We have a real strong rookie class," said Normandin.

Normandin said the emergence of the girls' lacrosse program is directly related to the youth programs that started a decade ago. He said some of these athletes have played since second grade, and now they are starting to see the benefits.

He will be coaching alongside Sarah Caveney, who he said is a "really experienced field hockey coach."

She will be running the defense while Normandin runs the offense, and he said they should have a great coaching core.

Normandin said the anticipation level is high, and he is hoping to put a strong team out on the field. He said unlike last year, there should be a good second grouping that will allow starters to get needed rest. He said last year the girls couldn't hold onto the ball well, but this year's team is more fundamentally sound. Normandin also said there are some true athletes on this team that will help get them wins.

While team didn't make the playoffs with a 7-9 record last year, Normandin he sees this team as being one that can go deep.

"Our goal is to play in the last game of the year," said Normandin. "We should be right there. I think we've got the gel and the drive, but we need to put it all together. That's the challenge for the coaching staff."

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Freshman TJ Carmilia tosses a ball during practice in the high school gym.

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Head coach Vint Choiniere talks to his baseball team during practice. This is Choiniere's first year coaching at Gilford.

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Junior Tyler McKinney takes some batting practice in the high school gym during practice.

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Senior Alex Thornton throws during an indoor practice due to the fields being covered with snow at the beginning of the new season.

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Choiniere takes on coaching duties at GHS

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GILFORD — The weather in the early part of April is in no way aligning with normal baseball season conditions, and the Golden Eagles have been stuck indoors training. With a new coach trying to get a feel for his team, this can be a tough task, but one that coach Vint

Choiniere has had to deal with.

Choiniere has coached baseball for 30 years at various levels, and most recently coached the Inter-Lakes High School Lakers for seven years.

“Like all coaches in a new program, there is time we need to get to know each other and see where everyone is,” said Choiniere.

“There is a transition period there because you are basically introducing a new system to a team. I would say I’m happy with the way things are going, given the challenges of being mainly inside.”

He added, “I am very happy with the early progress.”

Gilford High School is coming off of a 7-9 season and over the

last three years the Golden Eagles have hovered around the .500 mark. Choiniere said his goal is to try to get over that hump and put their team in a better position to do well and go deep into the state tournament.

“I think we can be a really competitive team, but with the change in format this year, it will be tough for anyone to make the playoffs in Division 3,” said Choiniere.

Choiniere is referring to a rule change where only 12 of the 22 teams in Division 3 will make it to the state tournament this year. It is the first season that this change is being implemented.

There are 16 players on the Golden Eagles this season, Choiniere said, which includes 11 seniors, one junior, one sophomore and three freshmen.

There are eight players with varsity experience, but Choiniere said it is too early to say where players will be in the lineup. He said many of the positions are still being worked out, as well. This is one of the unfortunate aspects of practicing indoors, because he hasn’t been able to see his players practicing out on a field.

“Part of the beginning of the season is to figure out where everyone’s skills fit best position-wise,” said Choiniere. “We’ve been doing our best considering what we have had for weather.”

Senior Alex Thornton primarily played infield last year, and is coming off of a great season where he led the team offensively batting .386 and 16 RBIs. Senior Tyler Sargent batted .349 and had nine RBIs and played first base while also taking pitching duties. These two seniors are expected to have great seasons again, and will be middle of the lineup hitters.

Choiniere expects Sargent to take the bulk of the innings on the mound, as well as senior Connor Hayes. Seniors Braeden Lacroix, Branden Lemay and freshman Adrian Siravo could also see some time on the hill.

Sophomore Alex Muthersbaugh has also caught the eye of Choiniere, and he sees him having a standout season. Last season he hit .289 and had nine RBIs in his freshman season where he played catcher.

Other players include seniors Will Baldwin, Jordan

Ladouceur, Dom Troiano, Hayden Peaslee, Bryan Chilvers and Nick Sasseville. There is one junior (Tyler McKinney) and two other freshmen, Cody Boucher and TJ Carmilia. Senior Danny Getchell-Lacey is the team manager.

“With 11 seniors this year we should have some great experience to rely on, but one thing I have seen over the years is that leadership can come from anywhere on the team,” said Choiniere.

Over the past several weeks the Golden Eagles have done various drills, hit off tees, used the batting cage and have practiced pitching outside whenever they can. He said the main thing is for the players to get comfortable throwing, swinging a bat and have sound fundamentals.

Choiniere was hesitant to say that any team on the schedule would be especially tough for Gilford, saying that anything could happen at any given point.

“Honestly I have so much respect for all of our opponents,” said Choiniere. “You have to play your very best every day to have the best chance to win.”



Bristol Hannaford recently signed on as the title sponsor for the New Hampshire Marathon. Pictured (l to r), Cindy Williams, Circle Program board member; Karen Schaffner, co-race director; Larry Poliquin, store manager; Bob Watson, co-race director; Everett Begor, race treasurer.

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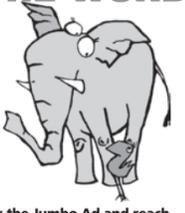
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Proficiency in computer skills including Excel, Word, Google Apps, and be able to access and maintain mechanical operational controls from home and work.

In order to accomplish these tasks, the Director of Buildings and Grounds must work closely with the school staff and with the building and central office administrators. He/she must demonstrate strong leadership and team development skills. The Director is a member of the School Board Facilities committee. Must be flexible with hours and days worked according to the immediate facilities needs.

**All applicants must apply on Schoolspring.com
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For further information, contact:
Roxanne Hartlen, Adm. Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools
White Mountains Regional School District
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