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A REAL community effort has gone into funding, designing, and installing a playground for the Smith ball fields in New Durham. Entire families have volunteered their time (and strength) to complete the project for the children's carefree days of summer. Here, workers position the new swing set.

## Community effort yields new playground

BY CATHY ALLYN  
Contributing Writer

NEW DURHAM — “There is nothing there. When teams from other towns come to play on our fields, it is embarrassing that we have nothing for them or their siblings to do.”

“I wind up driving them to Wolfboro for that little playground there.”

“There’s a spinning thing, like a merry-go-round; we call it the wheel of death. All the bigger kids are trying to slide down this little slide and pushing little kids out of the way.”

Parents in New Durham have long bemoaned the lack of a decent playground for

their children.

At the Smith ball fields, an A frame swing set, there for years, was removed a while ago due to safety and insurance concerns. A slide for two to five-year-olds sat forlornly next to a monkey bar climbing structure, and that was it.

Someone needed to do something, and, fortunately for the kids in town, a group of parents did.

For years, the Parks and Recreation department budget included funds for a new playground, but everyone knows how slowly money can amass. During that same time period, there had been little or no increase in the de-

partment’s overall budget, which covers people of all ages.

Accruing the money needed takes time, and safe equipment is expensive. Low maintenance equipment is even more expensive. It looked as though children would have to wait several years to have something to play on.

Then a number of volunteers who serve as coaches got together.

“We wanted something with little or no maintenance,” Dana Berry said, “and we wanted to give the kids their swings back. We also needed bigger slides for the older kids.”

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## Birch Ridge officially preserved forever

### 2,000 ACRES OVERLOOKING MERRYMEETING LAKE NOW A COMMUNITY FOREST, COMMUNITY CELEBRATION PLANNED FOR JULY 13

NEW DURHAM — There’s a lot to celebrate in the Lakes Region this week. For more than a decade, critical recre-

ation land and wildlife habitat in New Durham has slipped through the fingers of many neighbors and local outdoor

enthusiasts who wished to protect the land from development. Now, through partnership efforts of the South-

east Land Trust of New Hampshire (SELT), the Merrymeeting Lake Association (MMLA), and Moose Mountains Regional Greenways (MMRG), these 2,000 acres are conserved forever as Birch Ridge Community Forest.

According to Ron Gehl, New Durham Conservation Commission Chair, “We’re thrilled that efforts begun over a decade ago have finally come to fruition for this jewel of a conservation project. This land represents the classic natural character of our town, and the community can now rest assured that it can be enjoyed by

all - forever. Our sincere thanks to all who supported this project and put in the hard work to make it a reality.”

Laurie Smith, incoming president of the Merrymeeting Lake Association added, “The Merrymeeting Lake Association’s mission is to protect and preserve pristine Merrymeeting Lake. This purchase is a huge step forward.”

Birch Ridge Community Forest rises over Merrymeeting Lake with views of Mount Molly and Mount Bet, across the winding snowmobile corridor 22. It filters clean water to Merrymeeting Lake and

Coldrain Pond. The forest offers 13 miles of trails for hikers, cross-country skiers, hunters and birders. And, it offers critical habitat for wide-ranging species such as moose, bear, deer, and bobcat, as well as solitude along Coldrain Pond where in the spring common loons can be seen feeding.

Those who know this land, cherish it. When the land became available in summer 2018, the Merrymeeting Lake Association put down a non-refundable payment to purchase the property. They then reached

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## Downing’s Landing closing Aug. 5

### FISH AND GAME UPDATING PUBLIC BOAT ACCESS IN ALTON BAY

ALTON — The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department purchased Downing’s Landing in November 2012, creating the first public boat access area on Lake Winnepesaukee. To better serve the residents and visitors of New Hampshire, the department will begin a full refurbishment of the facility this summer. To accomplish this, the facility will be closing on Monday, Aug. 5.

The project will be completed in two phases and will be finished in 2020. Phase I will use a

temporary coffer dam to upgrade the single-lane ramp to a double-lane ramp with a central seasonal dock. This year’s closure is expected to last through Columbus Day, and will curtail all access to the lake associated with the property. From Aug. 5 through the completion of Phase I this fall, there will be no opportunity for shorebank access or launching any type of water craft to ensure a safe and effective work site. Please check the project’s status using the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department’s Statewide Public Boat Access Program’s web page at [www.fishnh.com/access](http://www.fishnh.com/access).

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department’s Statewide Public Boat Access Program is funded through boat registration fees, which are combined as match dollars with federal Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration funds to facilitate boat access opportunities in the state. Fish and Game’s Facilities and Lands Division acquires land for public water access sites, refurbishes existing sites, and builds new public boat access areas. For more information on boating access locations in New Hampshire, visit [www.fishnh.com/access](http://www.fishnh.com/access).

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## Early deadlines moving forward

MEREDITH — Due to printing schedule changes, the weekly editorial deadline for The Baysider will be changing to 4 p.m. on Mondays starting with the issue of July 11. Please note that all letters to the editor, photos, press releases and obituaries must be in our offices by 4 p.m. on Monday for inclusion in that week’s paper.

Also note, the advertising deadline of 4 p.m. on Monday has not changed.



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### Baysider on the Adriatic

Linda and Britney Haney crossed the Adriatic on an 18-day tour of Croatia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Slovenia. Dubrovnik’s Old Town, The Bay of Kotor, Sarajevo’s war torn city, Olympic Village and Mostar Bridge, The Dalmatian Coast Line and ending at the Plitvice Lakes, Postojna Caves and Slovenia’s capital city of Ljubljana. “The best” Baysider view came from a cliffside castle overlooking the emerald Lake Bled.

# Singalong and campfire Friday night in Alton

ALTON — Summer concert schedule is set for 7-9 p.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand.

- July 3 - The Bel Airs - doo wop vocal quintet;
- July 6 - The Visitors - oldies, classic rock, country rock;
- July 13 - Chippy and

- the YaYas - cover rock band, 60s to now;
- July 20 - Shana Stack - country;
- July 27 - Bittersweet - classic rock;
- Aug. 3 - Gerry Gri-mo and East Bay Jazz - elegant swing, jazz and blues;

- Aug. 10 - Blacklite Band - classic rock - fire-works to follow at 9 p.m.;
- Aug. 17 - Chris Bonoli - soft rock, country and classic electric blues;
- Aug. 24 - Saxx Roxx - classic rock with brass.

acoustic guitar sing along with John Irish. Bring a chair and toast s'mores with the cozy crowd. This program is free. Fun for the whole family.

Alton Old Home Week 5K Road Race

Co-sponsored by Meredith Village Savings Bank, the race is Aug. 10 at the Alton Bay Bandstand, 9 a.m. Sign up by July 15 and receive a long sleeve race shirt. The

USATF certified course through Alton will feature computerized timing with bib chip and results posted online. The course is scenic, slight varying, flat/downhill with one moderate incline and is paved. Prizes, refreshments, water stops, traffic control and raffle for racers are included. Forms and map available at [www.alton.nh.gov](http://www.alton.nh.gov) or register online at [www.lightboxreg.com/alton5k2019](http://www.lightboxreg.com/alton5k2019).

Line dancing lessons Line dancing with Joan Lightfoot is held at the Alton Bay Community Center on Thursdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Adults of all ages and abilities are welcome, register on site.

Zumba classes Zumba with Sherry Meyer is Mondays and Wednesdays at the Alton Bay Community Center from 8 to 9 a.m.

## Blood drives scheduled in Alton and New Durham

REGION — The American Red Cross needs blood donors to bring back the missing As, Bs and Os. A few missing letters may not seem like a big deal in a sentence, but for patients who need A, B, O and AB blood types, these missing letters mean life. The Red Cross urges donors of all blood types to give now to help prevent delays in medical care this summer.

Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

New Durham Fire Department will be hosting a blood drive on Saturday, July 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

St. Katharine Drexel Church in Alton will be hosting a blood drive on Thursday, July 11, from 1 to 6 p.m.

## Potential senate candidate to address local Republicans

LACONIA — The Belknap County Republican Committee (BCRC) has announced that its next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Laconia VFW Post 1670, 143 Court St, Laconia.

With the 2020 election now gaining a lot of attention, the committee will be hosting a variety of candidates for office in their upcoming meetings. Currently, there

are three Republicans considering a run for US Senate. This month, potential US Senate candidate, Bryant "Corky" Messner, will be the guest speaker. Messner, a West Point graduate, will share his background and his reasons for considering running for the US Senate against incumbent Democrat US Senator Jeanne Shaheen.

Agenda items to be covered during the

"business" portion of the meeting will include the results of the May 31 annual Belknap County Cruise on the M/S Mount Washington on Lake Winnepesaukee, future fundraising events and sub-committee reports regarding membership and town committees with the focus on "ramping up" for the 2020 election.

Belknap County GOP meetings are open to all Republicans and

like-minded Independents.

The committee again encourages its members to continue to bring non-perishable food items for donation to local food pantries.

For more information about the committee, please check the committee's web site at [www.BelknapCountyGOP.org](http://www.BelknapCountyGOP.org) or send an e-mail to [alan.glassman@gmail.com](mailto:alan.glassman@gmail.com).



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## Boat parade, music Saturday in Barnstead

BARNSTEAD — Locke Lake Colony will be hosting a boat parade and live music, open to local residents on Saturday, July 6.

The boat parade will take off from the main beach at noon and local band Aches and Pains will be playing from 2 to 5 p.m.

Local residents are welcome to join in the fun. While no glass bottles are allowed on the beach, coolers are permitted.

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# Rafting for Wishes teams meet their Wish Buddies

BY DONNA RHODES  
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**TILTON** – Teams participating in this year’s Rafting for Wishes fundraiser for Make-A-Wish New Hampshire gathered at Tilton AutoServ on Thursday, June 20, for a social event where they enjoyed pizza and ice cream as they got to meet their Wish Buddies.

Make-A-Wish supports children with serious illnesses or disabilities by providing them the opportunity to have a special wish granted, whether that be a relaxing family vacation after surgery or chemotherapy, a unique backyard playground to meet their needs, the chance to meet with a hero, or assistance in supporting another cause that is near and dear to their hearts.

Wish Buddies are some of the children whose wishes were granted that now want to help others get a wish like they did through supporting the Rafting for Wishes fundraiser.

So far this year, more than 23 local teams have signed up to take part in Rafting for Wishes on Meredith Bay, including the Meredith News Monstars of Salmon Press, our family of local newspapers in central and northern New Hampshire.

Last Thursday, six of the company’s staff members attended the social where they got to meet their Wish Buddy, 14-year-old Brooklyn Gallagher, formerly of Hampton, who is successfully battling Hodgkin’s Lymphoma.

Brooklyn said her wish was to help rescue animals from a southern state shelter with a high kill rate, then bring

those animals to New Hampshire.

Through her wish, a number of cats and dogs were brought to New Hampshire, where they were first medically cleared for adoption. Make-A-Wish then gave Brooklyn and her friends a limo ride to the local shelter where through their Adoption Day, they pitched in to help them all find new homes. Thanks to her selfless wish, eight dogs and three cats found forever homes that day.

“I could have gone on a vacation but I love animals and this is a more lasting wish; that’s what I wanted,” she said. “It made me feel so much better to know that they weren’t in a kill shelter anymore.”

Coincidentally, Brooklyn was greeted at last week’s social in Tilton by the friend of someone who had adopted one of the dogs she rescued through Make-A-Wish. She was excited to learn that all was well with the dog and its new family.

The Monstars were excited to finally meet Brooklyn, too, and said they hope to raise a lot of money to help others.

“We really want to see other kids like Brooklyn get their wishes granted and we’re working hard to support them,” said Meredith News Monstars team leader Beth Tobyne.

Tilton-Northfield Rotary is another team taking part in Rafting for Wishes and while their Wish Buddy couldn’t attend the social last week, team member Lisa Drew said it was no problem as they already know her well.

“We’ve had Hannah as our Wish Buddy for



DONNA RHODES

Representatives of 23 local teams who have signed on so far for Make-A-Wish New Hampshire’s Rafting for Wishes fundraiser in Meredith next month met with their Wish Buddies at Tilton AutoServ Thursday, June 20.

the last three years, which is exciting and we look forward to seeing her another time. We came tonight just to be part of it all and see the other teams meet their buddies,” said Drew.

Fellow Rotary team member Heather Bishop-Dumka said she joined the initiative this year because while the 24-hour Rafting for Wishes event is certainly a bit of an endurance challenge, it’s nothing compared to what children facing cancer and other life-threatening illnesses experience.

Others participating so far in the 24-hour rafting challenge on July 19-20 off Meredith’s Hesky Park are: Team AutoServ/Max; Team Blue Lion LLC; Brick and Barn Real Estate; Team Common Man; Team Derti OCR; Team Hubbell NH; Banking for Smiles; Team BNH; Team Bottoms Up; Lakes Region Leaders; Team Landlubbers; La-

dies of the Lake Aqua Ducks; Team Landscaping Lake Life; “The Locals”; Smooth Sale-ing; Team Superheroes; Binnie Media Radio Waves; Lyon’s Pride; and Team Wish Away Floaters, along with the Meredith News Monstars and Tilton-Northfield Rotary.

Nikki Lyons Lahey of Make-A-Wish also announced at last week’s event that once again an anonymous donor had stepped up to match all donations up to \$20,000 made before June 23 for the 2019 Rafting for Wishes campaign.

“Last year, this person donated \$15,000 to Rafting for Wishes. This is someone who simply said she would like to make her money grow and inspire others to donate,” said Lahey.

To continue to make donations to any of the teams for the July 19-20 Rafting for Wishes fundraiser, please visit <https://friends.nh.wish.org/campaign/2019-rafting-for-wishes>. Scrolling toward the bottom of the page, people can select “All Teams” on the right hand side, then choose any of the more than 20 teams they wish to support.

Donations of any amount for the Meredith News Monstars are also gratefully appreciated and, besides the online site, can be mailed to Meredith News at P.O. Box 729, Meredith, N.H. 03253 (Attention: Beth), or dropped off at the Salmon Press offices located at 5 Water St. in Meredith.

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TEAM MEREDITH NEWS MONSTARS were excited to meet their Wish Buddy, Brooklyn Gallagher (center), during a Rafting for Wishes social event at Tilton AutoServe Thursday, June 20, for the Make-A-Wish New Foundation of New Hampshire.

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# Opinion

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## Change is afoot

Change is inevitable. No matter what business you are in, there is likely to be a change every now and then. It's just something that people learn to deal with.

The Baysider will be making a fairly large change starting with next week's edition when we move the deadline forward to better accommodate printing schedules.

The deadline for all submissions for the A section of The Baysider has been noon on Tuesday for as long as we can remember. We liked to keep the deadline as late as possible to allow just about everything to get into the paper and this worked. We would send the paper off to the pagination department between 1 and 2 p.m., they would do their thing and then send it on to the printing plant.

However, over the course of the last few weeks we've been working with the pagination department, the printing plant and our distribution manager on coming up with a schedule that helps with delivery of the paper.

For those that don't know, while our offices (and the pagination department) are in Meredith, our company's printing plant is in Southbridge, Mass., where our sister company, Stonebridge Press, is based. Once the papers are printed there, they need to be transported north, which is done in trucks or our distribution manager's van.

The Baysider A section will now be printed earlier on Tuesday, which means that everything has to get bumped up to allow for it to be ready to be transported north on Tuesday afternoon by the distribution manager.

With that in mind, the deadline for the Baysider A section, which includes any obituaries, letters to the editor, press releases or photos, will now be 4 p.m. on Mondays. The advertising deadlines that have traditionally fallen on Monday at 4 p.m. will continue to be at the same time.

We know this may not be the most convenient thing for everyone, but we also know that change is inevitable and it's something we all deal with.

The reasoning for changing the printing schedule is to make things a bit easier on our distribution department. Our distribution manager travels to Southbridge each Tuesday to pick up some of our company's other Lakes Region papers (Gilford Steamer and Winnisquam Echo) and an earlier print time would allow for him to pick up The Baysider at that time as well.

We want to thank all of our regular contributors in advance for your help in making the transition a smooth one. We have posted notices in the paper the last few weeks (including this edition) and we will continue to post the notice for the next few weeks to keep people aware of the change.

We hope that as we move into the heart of the summer, that all of our local readers are enjoying the warmer weather and taking time to visit with family and friends and generally enjoying all we have to offer in the Lakes Region. Here at The Baysider we look forward to continuing to bring you the news of Alton, Barnstead and New Durham and we thank you for supporting your local community newspaper.



COURTESY PHOTO

### Sprucing up

The "Dockside Triangle Garden" has a new look thanks to the efforts of the Alton Garden Club. Perennials and annuals will beautify the area first seen by residence and visitors as they enter the Bay. Many hands made light work as the garden was planted last Wednesday.

## Letters to the Editor

### Thanks to bandstand sponsors

To the Editor:

The water bandstand article in the June 20 Baysider included a list of business donors. Although a list was provided, the Baysider failed to include West Alton Mari-

na and Aubuchon Hardware. New additions to our business list include Shibley's At The Pier and Shibley's Drive In. The monetary business donations are placed in a Water Bandstand Es-

crow account and donations can be made at any time by both businesses and individuals. My sincere apologies to West Alton Marina and Aubuchon Hardware for this oversight.

NANCY MERRILL  
CHAIRMAN, WATER  
BANDSTAND COMMITTEE  
ALTON

## Woods, Water and Wildlife Festival coming Aug. 10

MILTON — Moose Mountains Regional Greenways (MMRG) and Branch Hill Farm will present the 17th annual Woods, Water and Wildlife Festival on Saturday, Aug. 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Branch Hill Farm, 307 Applebee Road, Milton Mills. This popular celebration of New Hampshire's natural world and rural life is an opportunity for families to get outside and have fun together.

The festival name, Woods, Water and Wildlife, sums up the themes of many of the interactive events on offer. Volunteer instructors from NH Fish and Game provide poles and bait to kids for Let's Go Fishing in the Branch Hill Farm Pond. Nature experts display and teach about rescued wild animals at Squam Lakes Wildlife Workshop. Junior Ecologist Hayrides stop at the scenic Salmon Falls

River for a lesson about the importance of keeping our stream water clean for people and for animals. Nature's Playground is a green gym for kids set among the ferns and tall trees. The Mountain Man's Mansion has a stack of fur pelts to identify and feel. A MOOSE-ies for Families Orienteering Walk provides a fun learning adventure in the woods of Branch Hill Farm. The low impact horse logging demonstration teaches about forestry principles and is fascinating to watch.

Agriculture, crafts and rural life in New Hampshire are additional themes. Sheehan Gardens' Permaculture Garden grows numerous heirloom vegetables and herbs and shows how to do backyard composting. 4H Comes to the Festival. brings educational and motivational activities such as

animal husbandry and leadership programs for kids ages five to 18. Funny Farm rescued animals are fun to pet and feed. Jared Kane of Jug Hill Orchards discusses grafting and cider-making in All About Apples. Kids get creative in the Tree Cookie Craft Corner or can try building their own bee house of natural materials. Many more favorite events will be back this year and new ones are being planned.

Homemade salads, hot grilled food, ice cream, and blueberry smoothies will be on sale along with T-shirts and raffle baskets of local fresh produce and other items. The festival takes place rain or shine. No pets please. Rest rooms and most events are wheelchair accessible. All events are included in the admission price. Proceeds and business sponsorships support

MMRG's land conservation and educational outreach mission.

MMRG is grateful to its festival underwriters, the Siemon Company, Branch Hill Farm/Carl Siemon Family Charitable Trust, and D. F. Richard Energy and to its early major sponsors, Norman Vetter Inc. Poured Foundations, Carl and Beth Ann Siemon, the Wyatt family, and Philip Zaeder and Sylvia Thayer. Thanks are due to many more business, organizational, and individual sponsors, co-sponsors and supporters and to the dedicated volunteers who have already signed up to help out. More volunteers as well as business sponsors are needed. For more information, call 978-7125, e-mail info@mmerg.info or visit www.mmerg.info/festival.



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## VILLAGE PLAYERS BRINGING CLASSIC SCRIPT TO THE STAGE

**WOLFEBORO** — What is it about New Hampshire that makes hardy souls suffer relentless winters and draws people back each summer from across the globe? Is it the scent of heliotrope and peals of laughter across night air? The meeting of friendly faces on familiar streets? Or the rhythm of reliable traditions across the years?

These questions are just some explored on-stage at Village Players’ Theater in Wolfeboro in its summer production of Thornton Wilder’s *Our Town*. Diving deep into the Pulitzer Prize-winning script during four months of rehearsal, cast and crew have explored moments from the everyday lives

of their characters while becoming more present in the moments of their 21st century experiences: careers, illness, weddings, births and the conflicts and joys of the day-to-day.

Set in the fictional town of Grover’s Corner, NH, *Our Town* follows the Webb and Gibbs families from 1901 to 1910 as their children grow. Directed by Scott Lounsbury, the production takes playwright Wilder’s desire for a primitive staging to heart. Performed as a staged reading, the lack of scenery and costumes allows Wilder’s words to become the focus, and the “eye candy” to be found in historical photos of the region projected on either side of the stage.



EMILY JUDKINS – COURTESY PHOTO

**THE VILLAGE PLAYERS’ production of *Our Town* explores the importance of details in a world so much larger than ourselves, or as actor Charlotte Gauthier tells Luke Cassidy in their roles as Rebecca and George Gibbs, “...the address was like this: Grover’s Corners; Sutton County, New Hampshire; United States of America...Continent of North America; Western Hemisphere; the Earth; the Solar System; the Universe; the Mind of God... And the postman brought it just the same.” The production runs July 26 – Aug. 3 at the Village Players Theater in Wolfeboro.**

Lounsbury, a renowned conductor and composer, brings his musical sense to the production, truly orchestrating the pace and performance to reveal the timelessness of relationships in the natural ebb and flow of life. By doing so, he reflects the playwright’s own words to Albert Einstein about the structure of *Our Town*, “It is from a life-long devoted listening to Bach, Beethoven, Mozart and Palestrina that I draw, as best I can, certain aspirations towards form, breadth and expressiveness.”

*Our Town* will be mounted on The Village Players’ historic and air-conditioned stage at 51 Glendon St. in Wolfeboro, Fridays and Saturdays, July 26 – Aug. 3, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 4, at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at [www.village-players.com](http://www.village-players.com) and at Black’s on Main Street in Wolfeboro.

## Lightsabers, constellation jar lamps and more at Oscar Foss

**BARNSTEAD** — Kids going into grades one through five can join in at the Oscar Foss Memorial Library on Wednesday, July 10, at 4 p.m. to make your own lightsaber out of pool noodles. Choose your color and have fun personalizing it with friends. Attend and earn a ticket for the library’s weekly Summer Reading Program prize raffle. Make sure you are signed up for the Summer Reading Program at

the front desk first.

**DIY constellation jar lamps**

High schoolers, get ready to get crafty, and come down to the library on Thursday, July 11, at 6 p.m. for a night of cosmic DIY fun. Use constellations as inspiration for your own constellation lamps that will project stars onto your walls at night. This program counts toward completing the Summer Reading

Program requirements. Snacks will be provided.

**Family Movie Night**

The library’s next family movie night will take place Friday, July 12, at 6 p.m. This month they will be showing the 2019 remake of “Dumbo” (PG) on the big screen. Light refreshments will be served and pajamas and cuddling items are always welcome.

**Hygge Saturday**

The Oscar Foss Memorial Library’s next Hygge Saturday is scheduled for July 13 at 11 a.m. at the library. This month, Danielle will teach embroidery for beginners. Materials will be provided by the library, and pre-registration is required for this event. Please contact the library if you would like to sign up or if you have any questions about this workshop.

Please call the library at 269-3900 or visit [oscarfoss.org](http://oscarfoss.org) for more information about the library’s programs or events. There is always something happening at the Oscar Foss Memorial Library. Library hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays from 12 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The library is closed on Sundays and Mondays.

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### Basic training graduate

**U.S. Air Force National Guard Airman 1st Class Troy A. Meyer graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas. The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Meyer is the son of Raymond and Sherry Meyer of Alton and is a 2018 graduate of Prospect Mountain High School.**

## Archery shoot Sunday at Farmington Fish and Game

NEW DURHAM — Farmington Fish and Game Club, located on Old Bay Road in New Durham, will be hosting its Thursday night bow hunter league running through Aug. 22, from 4:30 p.m. to dusk each night.

Members and non-members are welcome to participate in this league. Contact Brian Fuller at [fullerbn@gmail.com](mailto:fullerbn@gmail.com).

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# Repaired and revamped, NH Boat Museum open for the season

WOLFEBORO — After a winter in which numerous repairs and improvements were made to its structure, including a new roof, New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) was preparing to “wow” visitors when it opened June 29.

“We have insulated and repaired many areas inside the museum, freshened up several exhibits, and made great additions to our children’s area,” said NHBM Executive Director Martha Cummings. “I think people will be amazed when they visit.”

The featured exhibit for the 2019 season is Racing on the Waterways of New Hampshire, which will highlight boat racing in different regions of the state and different types of races and boats.

In addition to a featurette on steamboats, boat workshop, motor display, and boating art, NHBM will feature Penn Yan Boats, which include a race boat, car-topper, and recently restored fishing boat.

“There will be lots to see this summer, and we hope our visitors will enjoy strolling through the exhibits, shopping in the museum’s store, and enjoying a picnic on our tables outside,” Cummings said. “We also have rides available in the Millie B and all kinds of hands-on activities for people of all ages.”

She said NHBM’s location is also perfect for the nature enthusiast.

“We’re just off the Cotton Valley Rail Trail for visitors who want a good walk or bike ride from downtown Wolfe-



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**VOLUNTEER CURATOR John van Lonkhuizen, operations manager Evan Liotta, and volunteer Doug Smith move a very heavy Mercury outboard motor onto the stage.**

boro and a five-minute walk from Albee Beach at Lake Wentworth,” she said. “We are so grateful that renovations are

nearly complete at the museum and anxious to get started for the year.”

Founded in 1992 by antique and classic boat-

ing enthusiasts, NHBM is committed to inspire people of all ages with an understanding of, and appreciation for, the

boating heritage of New Hampshire’s fresh waterways.

To learn more about NHBM, visit nhbm.org.

## Patton subject of next Wright Museum lecture

WOLFEBORO — On Tuesday, July 16, from 7 to 8 p.m., Dr. James K. Morningstar will discuss the legacy and war tactics of General George Patton Jr. and sign his book, “Patton’s Way: A Radical Theory of War,” as part of Wright Museum’s 2019 Lecture Series.

Sponsored by Ron Goodgame and Donna Canney, the series takes place every Tuesday through the end of the museum’s season, which concludes Oct. 31.

At the lecture, Morningstar (US Army LTC, Retired) will discuss common misconceptions regarding Patton’s approach to battle as a General Army Commander in 1944.

“This is a chance to learn more about Patton’s successes in battle, as well as the criticism he received regarding his methods,” said museum Executive Director Mike Culver.

Morningstar is a graduate of the United States Military Academy and served 23 years on active duty in the U.S Army as an armor officer. His awards include the Legion of Merit and two bronze stars.

“Patton’s Way: A Radical Theory of War” takes place from 7 to 8 p.m. at Wright Museum, 77 Center St. in Wolfboro. Seating is limited, and reservations can be made by calling 569-1212.

The region’s leading resource for educators and learners of all ages on World War II, the Wright Museum features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the homefront and battlefield.

For more information about the 2019 Lecture Series, or the museum, visit wrightmuseum.org.

## NOTES FROM WINDY HOLLOW

### Mixing and matching

BY VIVIAN LEE DION

Contributing Writer

My purple and black gym clothes resting on a hook signal it’s time to get up and moving. No dilly-dallying here as I dress in the early morning light. I’ve been exercising twice a week for the past month and have a good routine that fits my schedule perfectly. I’ve toned my body, dropped a few pounds and my clothes fit better. The last thing before going out the door is finding a pair of medium sized earrings. Without looking in the mirror, I put them on. I’m motivated and bounce down the stairs with a smile on my face, ready to face the day.

The treadmill I like is in the first row near the center aisle. It’s funny how I am comfortable with the same chair at the breakfast table, and now use my favorite workout machine at the gym. That’s because it’s feels familiar and safe.

With the incline set at a moderate level and the speed just below jogging, which helps by not putting too much pressure on my knees. By walking fast an aerobic heartbeat is achieved. Music spurs me on, and I reach goal of a mile and a quarter. After wiping down the machine, I go into the locker room to freshen up. That’s when I realize that I have one gold and one silver earring on. I stand in front of the mirror slightly embarrassed and start giggling. Thankfully I’m by myself. Perhaps I needed to release a bit of tension because it sure felt good to laugh.

The next day I mention my mishap of two different colored earrings to my friend, Lois, and she recalls a similar incident. It happened when she was teaching an interactive language class at her local high school. She says, “Viv when I was getting ready in the morning,

and reached into my dimly lit closet. I selected a pair of shoes. They looked like a match set, same color, and style. At school everyone said good morning, and no one mentioned my shoes.”

In class, most of the students were connected by earphones to interactive language tapes, and the room was very quiet. She continued, “You can imagine my surprise when a student came up and whispered that I had two different colored shoes on.” I smiled and replied, “Thanks”. Lois resumed her class, and spent the entire day thanking people for pointing out her fashion mix-up.

Who knows maybe we started a new fashion trend? I know some teenagers like wearing two different colored socks, and don’t tie their shoe laces. Years ago, a plaid skirt was worn with a solid colored blouse, but now anything goes in-

cluding printed, floral, or plaid blouses. Even Alex Trebek, the host of Jeopardy, recently wore a plaid shirt with a polka dotted tie.

As Bill Cunningham, photographer for New York Times, explains, “Fashion is the armor to survive the reality of everyday life.” Perhaps different colored shoes and accessories aren’t so bad after all.

Vivian Lee Dion of New Durham is a writer and speaker and can be reached at windyhollow@metrocast.net

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Alton	Echo Shore Road	N/A	\$1,349,000	Robert S. Conrad RET	Duane and Marla Y. Champoux
Alton	35 Finethy Rd.	Mobile Home	\$138,533	Leo W. Ellis and Lorraine Caverly	Diana M. Moore
Alton	48 Osprey Rd.	Mobile Home	\$122,000	Thomas L. Griffiths	Nathan D. and Karen M. Clark
Alton	81 Range Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$269,000	Gregory C. Kneeland	Molly L. Perham and Taylor A. Goddard
Alton	8 Southview Lane	Single-Family Residence	\$317,000	Scott R. and Kristi L. Gage	Catherine B. Moeller and Kristopher M. Maguire
Barnstead	Old Farmington Road (Lot)	Residential Open Land	\$41,000	Nicholas K. Proulx	Albert D. Morse and Tracey L. Tibbetts
Barnstead	304 Peacham Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$327,933	Fae R. Frenette	Lauren Whelan
Barnstead	210 S. Barnstead Rd.	Mobile Home	\$115,000	Keith Herbert Bainton RET	Wanda S. Fitzmorris Paul Curtis
Barnstead	743 Suncook Valley Rd.	Commercial Building	\$350,000	James and Karen Jordan	Sun River Campbround LLC
New Durham	377-a Kings Highway	Single-Family Residence	\$349,000		Charles E. and Marsha H. Watson

## ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

Here are recent real estate transactions in Alton and the surrounding areas. These sales summaries are informational only, not a legal record. Names shown are

usually the first listed in the deed. Sales might involve additional parties or locations. Prices are usually based on tax stamps and might be inaccurate for public agency sales. Refer to actual public documents before forming opinions or relying on this information. Additional publicly recorded information on these sales, prior sales and

data from Department of Revenue Administration forms is available at [www.real-data.com](http://www.real-data.com) or 669-3822. Copyright 2011. Real Data Corp. In the column "Type": land= land only; L/B= land and building; MH= mobile home; and COND=condominium.

## LETTERS FROM EDWIN

### Greening up

BY EDWIN TWASTE  
Contributing Writer

I managed to go for a quick swim today. I was out cleaning up some washed up debris at a customer's summer house and since I was already up to my waist, I went for a swim. The water has warmed up considerably since last week even. I was attempting to do the same thing then only to have my feet go numb in no time and I wasn't near waist deep. What a difference a week makes.

It's been a couple weeks now since the first buds started to show. Those buds have now grown into full scale leaves. So far, they're still that early light green of first growth while all the other species are doing similar. Even the hemlocks are joining in. Their old needles that have been dark green all winter don't change, but at the end of every twig there are sprouts of new growth that join in with that same light green coloration.

While out in the water, I could see a constant raining down of pollen from the trees above. When I came back ashore to get out, the water there next to the shore line was completely covered with a blanket of yellow green film. It seems to be the color of the season.

But then, a few days later, I look around and noted that everything

had pretty much all shifted to the darker side of green. Gee, that sounds like a book title, or a song.

So once again spring has come and gone crazy as it usually does and summer is here. There are wild flowers everywhere. I really hate to mow the lawn for cutting down so many flowers. There are some though that I recognize and leave patches that will soon become islands of daisies and daylilies and Brown Eyed Susans dancing in the sun.

The garlic a friend of mine gave me to plant years ago continues to come up even though I keep pulling them up every year. It seems that I always miss some. Kind of like potatoes. Self-perpetuating crops. That's the way God planned it. Endless bounty.

So when my customer finally gets into town and we're settling up for services rendered, he likes to hand me a wad of legal tender. Now I'll admit that that's the kind of greening up that puts a smile on anyone's face. I really don't know why, checks have the same buying power as cash, but some people think cash is special. Maybe it is, but it makes the wallet really huge till I can disperse it all. I'm really not complaining though. It's always good to get some green.

But did any of you know that July 2 is World

UFO day? Yes. Remember all the UFO stories that you used to listen to growing up. Well they're still ongoing. A couple dozen in Connecticut this year already. There are some places that seem to have a much higher rate of observances than others. And now, with almost everybody carrying quality cameras with them at all times, some of the pictures are

phenomenal. I will admit that some I've seen definitely appear to be photo-shopped, but what about all the rest?

I remember one summer day years ago, I went out onto my front porch to look out at the afternoon sky and I saw this thing approaching from quite a ways away. It kept getting closer. I had never seen anything like it. It certainly wasn't

like any contraption I'd ever seen up in the sky, so I kept watching it. Soon it was getting much larger and more discernible, still no idea what it might be.

All of a sudden my phone rang and I momentarily looked away. When I looked back out to the sky it was gone. At the speed it was previously traveling, there was no way it could have

left my field of view so quickly. But that's it. It vanished. Gone.

I would have been interested in having it land in my front yard and finally get to meet some extra-terrestrial beings and find out if they were truly green. Whatever shade would do.

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### Artists of the month

Voted as the best entries by Lakes Region Art Association members for June Artists of the Month honors, and their art now on display at various locations in the Lakes Region are (l to r), Franz Schulze, Northway Bank, Tilton; Lorrie Wright, Franklin Savings Bank, Franklin; Duane Hammond, Bank of NH, Gilford; Barbara McClintock, Meredith Village Savings Bank; Sheila Cunningham, Northway Bank, Meredith; Marlene Witham, Laconia Library; Gail Brunt, Northway Bank, Laconia; and (not pictured) Nelida DiLorenzo, Franklin Savings Bank, Gilford. The Lakes Region Art Association / Gallery is located at the Tanger Outlet Mall, suite 132, Tilton and is open Thursday -Sunday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Art classes are available in drawing, oils, acrylics and other mediums. Membership is open to amateur and professional artist and photographers.

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## OBITUARIES

## Donna E. Durkee

Gifted musician,  
avid gardener

NEW DURHAM — Donna E. Durkee, age 77, of New Durham, passed away peacefully at home on June 2, after a courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Born Aug. 28, 1941 in Orange, Mass. to Donald W. McKenney and Cecile J. (Boiteau) McKenney Raffa, she was also stepdaughter of the late Stephen A. Raffa.

She resided in Danvers, Mass. with her late husband, Ralph I. Durkee and together they operated Durkee's Donut Shop in Lynn, Mass. They relocated to New Durham in 1984.

During her spiritual search, she had been a Novice at MaryKnoll Convent in Topsfield, Mass.

Donna was a gifted musician, avid gardener and expert bird watcher. She loved all the joys of



Donna E. Durkee

nature, including hiking and camping. In her 50s and 60s, she was a fixture jogging along Route 11. She became a self taught master of home improvement, doing her own construction, siding, roofing, having created a haven where she lived with her cats, dogs and for a time raised Zebra Finches.

She retired from Goulston and Storrs in Boston, Mass., where she was a legal secretary.

Donna is survived by her sister, Patti Raf-

fa, with whom she has shared her home for the past 20 years, also siblings Elaine McKenney of Woburn, Mass., Larry and wife Mary McKenney of W. Newbury, Mass., Linda Smith of Seabrook, Joanne Bakula of Peabody, Mass., Barbara and husband Donald South of Epping, also cousins, nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank Cornerstone Hospice for their caring compassion.

There will be no calling hours, a graveside service was held on Saturday, June 29, at John Shirley Cemetery in New Durham. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her memory to Cocheco Valley Humane Society, 262 County Farm Road, Dover, NH 03820. To express condolences, please visit [www.peasleefuneralhome.com](http://www.peasleefuneralhome.com).

## Rodney W. Leighton

Loved to tinker in  
his garage

Rodney W. Leighton

ALTON — Rodney W. Leighton, age 84, of Alton, died peacefully at home on Tuesday, June 25.

Born Aug. 9, 1934 in Middleton, the son of William Thomas Leighton and Leona Matilda (Grace) Leighton, he lived there for much of his life and resided in Alton since 1980.

Prior to retirement, he worked as a truck driver at local companies, including DiPrizio's in Middleton and A.J. Cameron's in Farmington.

Rodney loved to tinker at home in his garage, he enjoyed people

ceased by his wife Virginia Leighton, parents and sisters, Beulah Smith, Maureen Hunter and Mabel Stanley. He is also survived by his friend and brother in law, Jimmy Hunter. In Unc's words "love you all."

A funeral service was held on Saturday, June 29, at Peaslee Funeral Home, in Farmington with a calling hour prior to the service. Interment will follow at Pine Grove Cemetery in Farmington. A special thanks to Cornerstone VNA/Hospice by his family. To express condolences, please visit [www.peasleefuneralhome.com](http://www.peasleefuneralhome.com).

stopping by to visit and talk while sitting in his lawn chair there. A kind, humble person, he always found the good in everything.

Survived by nieces and nephews, including his loving caregiver Kimberly and husband Phillip Hunter. Prede-

## MARK ON THE MARKETS

### Financial abuse and older Americans



BY MARK PATTERSON

Contributing Writer

Before I begin to share information regarding the financial abuse amongst our seniors, I must state that I know or have known people near 100 years old that have not lost cognitive abilities and remain very sharp, so just realize that this information is a generalized statistical study.

According to new research from Daniel Marson, a professor of neurology at the University of Alabama-Birmingham, adults in their 60s and 70s start to exhibit declines in financial abilities, including a vulnerability to potential telephone fraud, difficulty with making change at checkout and having a harder time at prioritizing bills. Those diminished abilities can become a real struggle when trying to keep up with everyday financial management tasks.

The findings suggest that there are several warning signs that friends or family members can look for in order to give them indications that there may be trouble ahead for this person. An untouched stack of mail may indicate that bills are not being paid and they have fallen behind which is even more of a problem. Calculating a tip at a restaurant or figuring out a deductible on a medical bill could be a sign of cognitive decline. Even a lack of personal hygiene from someone who previously never had an issue with their cleanliness. Overlooking investment risks and focusing on the benefits rather than the risks of potential loss is a problem that may be associated with age.

Research also confirms that people typically live longer than they had anticipated, creating planning problems around their long term health plans, or just having adequate income to live. I have experience with clients that wanted to go for a high risk investment for a big return out of desperation. That desperation opens them up to "get rich quick" schemes that are targeting seniors and their money, and as we all know, there are plenty

of crooks and scammers that target elderly folks. Contractors, financial advisors, lawyers and even family members can be the culprits looking to take advantage of the vulnerable. Contractors, financial advisors, accountants and lawyers can be checked out for problematic pasts, but a family member with bad or selfish intentions can be most difficult to recognize.

For those seniors with a spouse, make sure your spouse is aware of what is going on with the investments and household finances that is just a good practice for a number of reasons. For those without a spouse or partner, a sibling, son, daughter or close friend may be honored to have you "consult" regarding day to day financial decisions.

The good news is that aging is not all bad. We often times gain wisdom and increased pattern recognition as we age. Those who stay physically and mentally active may hold off the effects of aging for an indefinite amount of time.

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## Bible study group for men meets in Barnstead

BARNSTEAD — What would you think if someone you knew had the cure for your cancer and decided you were not important enough to share it with? What would you think if someone had the answer for world peace and kept it to themselves? What would you think if you were basing your life on a lie and no one took the time to tell you?

Imagine if you found out that you were living a lie and were able to replaced it with truth.

Imagine that one change would improve your life, it made you a better husband, a better father or grandfather, a better employer or employee. Imagine just replacing that one lie with truth and you in turn, could help others.

There is a men's Bible study going on at the Barnstead Town Hall entitled "Lies Men Believe." Each Sunday from 11:15 a.m. until noon a group of men get together and look at common lies men believe. Childcare is available.

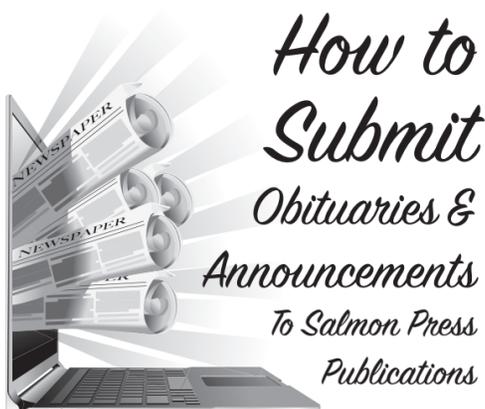
If you would be interested in becoming part of this men's group or if you have questions about the study or would like the textbook that goes with the study, please go to [Centerbarnsteadcc.org](http://Centerbarnsteadcc.org) or call Center Barnstead Christian Church at 269-8831.

## Vacation Bible School offered in New Durham

NEW DURHAM — Join up with the Giddyup Junction VBS at the First Free Will Baptist Church in New Durham, July 8 through July 12. They will round 'em up every morning at nine and head 'em out at noon.

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# Sponsors sought for Old Home Day parade

ALTON — The Alton Business Association is excited to present this year's Alton Old Home Day Parade on Saturday, Aug. 10, at 2 p.m. The parade participant list is growing by the day and they are super excited to announce one of the highlighted participants, the NH Police

Association Pipes and Drum Band, spectators won't want to miss out on this. For creative minds, they are having a float contest with cash prizes. No time to build a float? Then gather some friends or family to walk it or cruise the parade in your prized car (a great opportunity for some

free advertising for your business). The parade will start in the center of town at 2 p.m., the parade line-up will begin at 1 p.m. on School Street by Alton Central School, travel down Main Street and it will end in Alton Bay (approximately 1.8 miles). Spectators feel free to find a spot any-

where along this route. The ABA is looking for sponsors to help with the costs of the parade. It's a great way to thank the community for supporting your business and to get your brand out there. Sponsor logos will also be listed on a sponsor banner, announced along the pa-

rade route, and as well as in press releases and marketing materials. The ABA sends a thank you to a growing sponsor list to date, Lakeside Smiles Pediatric Dentistry (Gold Level), Catchpenny (Gold Level), Hannaford (Bronze Level) and Inspiration for Organization (Bronze

Level). Sponsors may submit any donations by Friday, Aug. 2. For registration and sponsorship information, please contact Christy Painchaud at [altonbusinessassociation1@gmail.com](mailto:altonbusinessassociation1@gmail.com).

# Battle of Bulge veteran shares story behind new lobby exhibit at Wright Museum

WOLFEBORO — When Wright Museum opens May 1, its new lobby exhibit will feature, "The Chow Line," a US Signal Corps photograph with special significance and a story.

"The Chow Line' photo was originally given to the museum by Cyma Rubin, who curated our previous American Soldier exhibit," said museum Executive Director Mike Culver. "It serves as the backdrop for our new lobby exhibit, which commemorates the 75th anniversary of the Battle of The Bulge."

The exhibit will be enhanced, however, by a photocopy of the image with the name of the men written on it, which was submitted by Battle of the Bulge veteran John E. McAuliffe of Worcester, Mass. Having served with the 87th during the Battle of the Bulge and able to recall many of the men in the photo, McAuliffe said he obtained it years ago when he was overseas.

"I gave a copy to the museum and told them I know all about it because I was in that division," he said.

Taken on Jan. 13, 1945 in St. Hurbert, Belgium, the photograph shows men from Company I, 4th Platoon, Machine Gun section, of the 347th Infantry Regiment, 87th Infantry Division lined up in the snow waiting for food.

"The third or fourth one down the line in the photo died soon after the war, but his son still comes to our reunions," he said. "I look at this photo and think of the memories and friendships we had over there. You never forget those days. Those days were not easy."

"When the battle broke out, he said their division was faced with 'very fierce action.'"

"Our division was diverted to that area where the picture was taken some 100 miles from where we were," he explained. "That was an awful tough ride with

100 miles in open trucks with snow coming down and sleet. We were really under the weather, you might say."

McAuliffe recalled other memories from the time of the Bulge, including help received from Belgium.

"The Belgians helped out in various ways, such as building roadblocks," he said.

He cited another memory in which a Belgium officer made a gesture of striking a match and pointed to himself.

"He was telling me that he set a fire to the tanks of gasoline so the Germans couldn't get them," he said. "That man saved us. If the Germans did get the gasoline, we don't know how far in Belgium they would have come."

In thinking back, McAuliffe said he hopes the battle is forever remembered. He expressed

thanks that Wright Museum has chosen to honor it for the new lobby exhibit in 2019.

"I think it is wonderful," he said. "The Battle of The Bulge was one of the hardest battles of the war and had the most casualties of one operation. In the matter of three weeks or so, there were 20,000 boys killed and 1,800 or more wounded. It is important we don't forget that."

Culver agrees and said he believes the new lobby exhibit, including the story behind it, will have an impact on visitors this year.

"The two images of

'The Chow Line' next to one another work wonderfully together," he said. "The images and the exhibit tell an important story."

The Battle of the Bulge lobby exhibit and the museum will open for the season on May 1.

The region's leading resource for educators and learners of all ages on World War II, the Wright Museum features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the homefront and battlefield.

To learn more, visit [wrightmuseum.org](http://wrightmuseum.org).

## ABA art contest voting online

ALTON — The Alton Business Association is seeking the public's input on picking a winner for its recent art contest. Community members are welcome to vote on the winning design for the ABA's Old Home Day commemorative hats. Voting will be until July 7 at <https://bit.ly/2RPte5h>.

## Allard named to Siena College President's List

LOUDONVILLE, N.Y. — Samuel Allard was named to the Siena College President's List for the Spring 2019 Semester. Allard is from New Durham.

The President's List requires a 3.9 grade point average or higher.

Founded in 1937, Siena College is a private, Catholic Franciscan, residential, liberal arts college with a student body of about 3,000. Siena College offers 36 degree programs, 80+ minors and certificate programs, and professional curricula in teacher preparation/education, pre-medical, pre-law and social work. A student-to-faculty ratio of 11-to-1, average class size of 21, rigorous academics, Division I athletics, intramural sports and widespread service and advocacy experiences nurture each student's personal growth while providing the education of a lifetime.

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**PLAYGROUND**  
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Sure, who wouldn't want a nice playground for their children? But there wasn't enough money yet.

The parent group thought it would take at least two years to raise the necessary funds, but after adding up all of the numbers to get what they wanted, they were only \$8,000 short of completing the project in 2019.

Berry came up with a solution.

"When I discovered that there was more than four hundred thousand dollars in the unassigned fund balance this year, I spoke to the other volunteers about submitting a petitioned warrant article for the rest of the money we needed. They were on board immediately."

The parents made signs and on Election Day in March, stood out in the cold to ask people to support the play-

ground.

The vote wasn't even close; the article passed with an overwhelming 242 votes to 149.

"When we got that money, everything just came together, and now we're almost done."

In fact, by the time this article runs on July 3, no doubt there will be kids playing on the new equipment. Check the town web site, newdurhamnh.us, to see the status.

"Now we're almost done" makes it sound easy, but ordering and installing the equipment took a lot of time, organization, good will, and "sweating and grunting."

It turned into a community effort.

Berry and parent Cadie Proctor spent time determining what kind of equipment should make up the playground.

Berry called companies, looking for discounts. All set with one vendor, she was about to move ahead, but then

spoke with another company. "They gave us such a steep discount, we were able to get two more pieces."

The town's Department of Public Works stored all of the pieces for the group. "They were fantastic," Berry said.

Parent Will Belanger spent many a Saturday removing material from the future playground area using his own equipment.

Greymont Earth Materials donated the trucking and delivery fees.

And then there was the brute force, which consisted of husbands, wives, grandparents, friends and children.

On a warm Saturday, June 22, Belanger and his wife Annette, Scott and Stacy Goodspeed, Mark E'entremont, Adam Tucker, Lon Berry Sr., Carl Woods, Steve Pierce, Chad Chase, Andrew Hernandez and Berry met at the ball fields.

"We had to assemble the new swing set and the play scape," she said.

This, no doubt, is where the sweating and grunting came in.

Town Administrator Scott Kinmond drove down from Moultonborough, bringing coffee, doughnuts, pizza, fruit salad and water. To say the workers were appreciative is an understatement.

"Oh, I didn't do anything," Kinmond insisted.

He described the effort. "The guys were holding the parts together and the wives were going through all of the nuts and bolts to get the right sizes, and the kids were in a circle around them, just watching. The kids were great."

Eventually a large dirt pile lured the youngsters' attention away from their parents; bath time that evening was probably longer than usual.

Another work day saw Will Belanger,

Chase, Scott Goodspeed and Tucker pouring concrete, while Annette Belanger and Berry "wrangled" the kids.

"The kids got to put their handprints in the concrete," Berry said. "It was so sweet."

The prints will be under the safety mulch and out of sight, "but we'll know they are there."

The temperatures that day were unseasonably high. "It was so hot," Berry said, "but those guys were laughing and getting it done."

The next step is to remove more material and then lay down the safety woodchips. Add children, and the town has its playground.

It's going to be easy to add kids to the mix.

One mother of young children said she was unaware the playground was going through as planned. "I'm so excited," she said, upon hearing the news.

She then asked her youngsters if they would look forward to trying it out, and those little heads just about shook right off of their shoulders.

"I first took him to the old playground when he was about 18 months," another mom said of her son, "and there was nothing for him to do. Of course, he wanted to go anyway."

The boy has lots to entertain him now.

In addition to the

swing set, there are three slides of different sizes, platforms, a wheel to "drive," a whistle, the comet, which is an orb kids can rock in, and a spinning seat. The last two pieces are those Berry was able to include due to the discount she found.

The swing set seems to be the big draw for the parents, who are counting the days until the playground opens for action.

"Swings make everybody happy," said one mother.

The colors of blue, gray and burgundy fit perfectly with the school color of burgundy.

And the playground itself fits in with the town's Master Plan. During the campaign for funds, Annette Belanger brought attention to the concept in that document of a park in each community in town.

"We didn't have one decent park in the whole town," Berry said. "Now this set up fits in with what our kids need. It will have longevity, that's why we picked what we picked."

The volunteers who came together to get this done are pleased by and proud of what they have accomplished.

Berry described that feeling. "I get goose-bumpy every time I go there and see it."

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## *Feinberg, Rogers make Colby-Sawyer Dean's List*

NEW LONDON — Colby-Sawyer College recognizes 234 students for outstanding academic achievement during the 2019 spring semester. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must achieve a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours in graded courses.

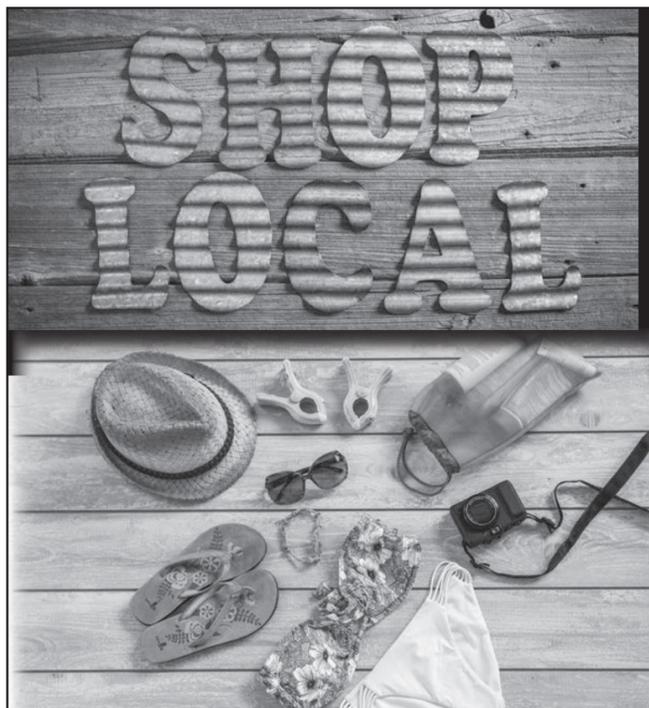
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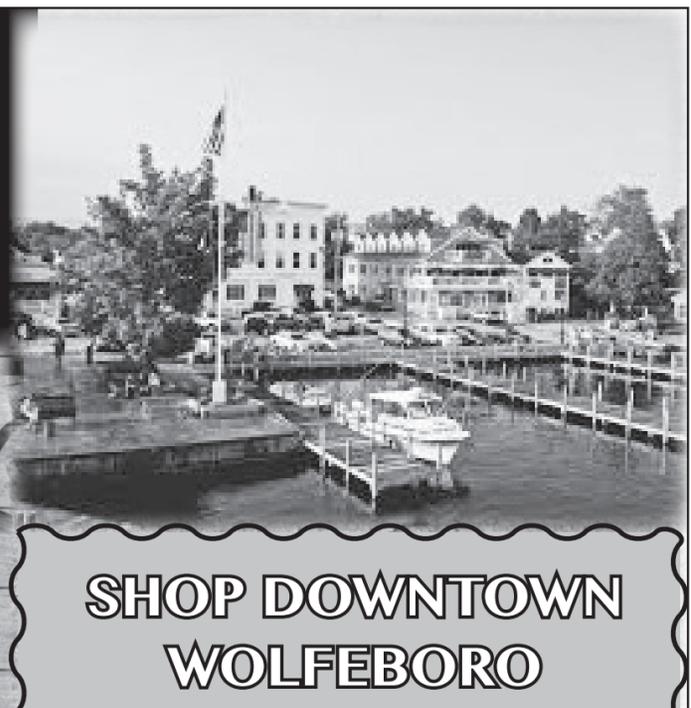
Alexandria Rogers of Alton, a nursing major and member of the class of 2019.

Jacob Feinberg of Center Barnstead, a biology major and member of the class of 2020.

Colby-Sawyer College is a comprehensive college that integrates the liberal arts and sciences with professional preparation. The college's faculty, staff and students strive for excellence in an engaged teaching and learning community that fosters students' academic, intellectual, and personal growth. With a strong emphasis on learning outcomes, including breadth and depth of knowledge, self-growth, creative and critical thinking, and effective communication, Colby-Sawyer prepares students to thrive post-graduation and make a positive impact upon a dynamic, diverse and interdependent world.

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# Remembrance Garden to be dedicated in August

WOLFEBORO — According to US Department of Veterans Affairs statistics, 348 WWII veterans are dying each day, which is a sobering statistic Wright Museum Executive Director Mike Culver said underscores the importance of its Remembrance Garden.

"This is a space outside the museum that honors not just WWII veterans, but all who served," he said. "WWII

is certainly a seminal turning point in our nation's history, but the larger narrative is we must not forget the sacrifices of any of the men and women who protect our freedoms and those of others across the world."

On Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 1 p.m., Wright Museum will host a dedication ceremony for the garden, which will be enhanced with addition-

al plantings and a state, national and MIA flag. These improvements were made possible by a \$4,000 investment by Meredith Village Savings Bank in March.

"We are honored to be part of this beautiful community space, one that commemorates the efforts of Americans to which we all owe tremendous gratitude," said Robyn Masteller, regional vice president,

MVSB Wolfeboro office.

In 2018, Meredith Village Savings Bank provided funding to plant shrubbery and flowers to help better frame the space, which faces Center Street.

According to Culver, access to the Remembrance Garden will be free and open to the public.

"We want this space to be seen as a place of gathering and reflec-

tion," he said. "We are very pleased to have Meredith Village Savings Bank as our partner in this important project."

Masteller agreed and added, "The project enhances our community and provides value to our residents and visitors alike. We are thrilled to support the Remembrance Garden."

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and learners of all ages on World War II, the Wright Museum features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the home front and battle field.

To learn more about the Remembrance Garden dedication ceremony on Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 1 p.m., or Buy a Brick program, visit [wright-museum.org](http://wright-museum.org).

## Gehl receives undergraduate research award

CANTON, N.Y. — Kirsten Gehl of New Durham was awarded Clare Boothe Luce Undergraduate Research Awards to conduct summer 2019 research along with a faculty mentor.

Gehl is a member of the Class of 2020 and is majoring in geology. Gehl attended Kingwood Regional High School. Gehl will conduct research along with

faculty mentor Jeffrey Chiarenzelli, professor of geology, on a project titled "Using GIS and LiDAR Technologies to compose a comprehensive visual database of bedrock structures; St. Lawrence County".

St. Lawrence University was awarded the esteemed Clare Boothe Luce Undergraduate Research Award this spring by the Henry

Luce Foundation in order to build on the success of Laurentian women in the sciences.

The three-year grant will offer a paid summer research experience to women majoring in STEM disciplines—science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The program will also pair a faculty mentor with each student participant for the

remainder of her college career. Each Clare Boothe Luce Research Scholar will receive a stipend as well as funds for supplies and domestic travel with their faculty mentor to present research findings at regional, national and professional conferences. Campus housing will also be provided to scholars over the summer.

St. Lawrence's undergraduate science programs emphasize hands-on learning, close mentoring, advanced level research opportunities with faculty members, and the strong pres-

ence of women scientists and mathematicians on the faculty—all of which have been shown to provide successful environments for young women scientists-in-training. The results have been evident: Fifty-two percent of STEM majors at St. Lawrence are currently women, representing a jump of 55 percent over the last 10 years. Women also made up 52 percent of 2017 STEM graduates.

Clare Boothe Luce, the widow of Henry R. Luce, was a playwright, journalist, U.S. Ambassador to Italy and the

first woman elected to Congress from Connecticut. In her bequest establishing this program, she sought "to encourage women to enter, study, graduate, and teach" in science, mathematics and engineering. Since its first grants in 1989, the Clare Boothe Luce has become one of the single most significant sources of private support for women in science, mathematics and engineering in U.S. higher education, supporting more than 2,300 women to date.

## Locals on President's List, Dean's List at Plymouth State

PLYMOUTH — Eight hundred thirty-seven students have been named to the Plymouth State University President's List for the Spring 2019 semester. To be named to the President's List, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 or better for the Spring 2019 semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester.

Hailey Kelley of Center Barnstead, Music Education (K-12) major;

Brittany Neff of Alton Bay, Chemistry major;

Brennin Loring of New Durham, Allied Health Sciences major;

Kenneth Gilbert of Alton Bay, Business Administration major;

Brianna Hada of Alton, Marketing major.

Four hundred thirty-seven students have been named to the Plymouth State Univer-

sity Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must achieve a grade point average between 3.5 and 3.69 during the spring semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester.

Ashley Bissell of Alton Bay, Early Childhood Education major;

Micaela McIntyre of Alton, Youth Development and Education major;

Erin Bunker of Barnstead, Biochemistry major;

Matthew Aversa of New Durham, Marketing major;

Alex Bennett of Center Barnstead, Environmental Science and Policy major.

Established in 1871, Plymouth State University serves the state of New Hampshire and

the world beyond by transforming students through advanced practices where engaged learning produces well-educated undergraduates and by providing graduate education that deepens and advances knowledge and enhances professional development. With distinction, the school connects with community and business partners for economic development, technological advances, healthier living, and cultural enrichment with a special commitment of service to the North Country and Lakes Region of New Hampshire.

## Place on Husson Honors List

BANGOR, Maine — New Durham resident, Cameron R. Place, has been named to Husson University's Honors List for the Spring 2019 semester.

Place is a sophomore who is currently enrolled in Husson's Bachelor of Science in Sport Management/Master of Business Administration (MBA) program.

Students who make the Honors List must carry at least 12 graded credit hours during the semester and earn a grade point average of 3.4 to 3.59 during the period.

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**FOREST**

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out to SELT for help.

“The Birch Ridge land was immediately recognized as a must do,” explained SELT’s Conservation Director Duane Hyde. “We saw the importance of this land for people and nature and the amazing enthusiasm of the Merrymeeting Lake Association, and we knew we needed robust community engagement to succeed.”

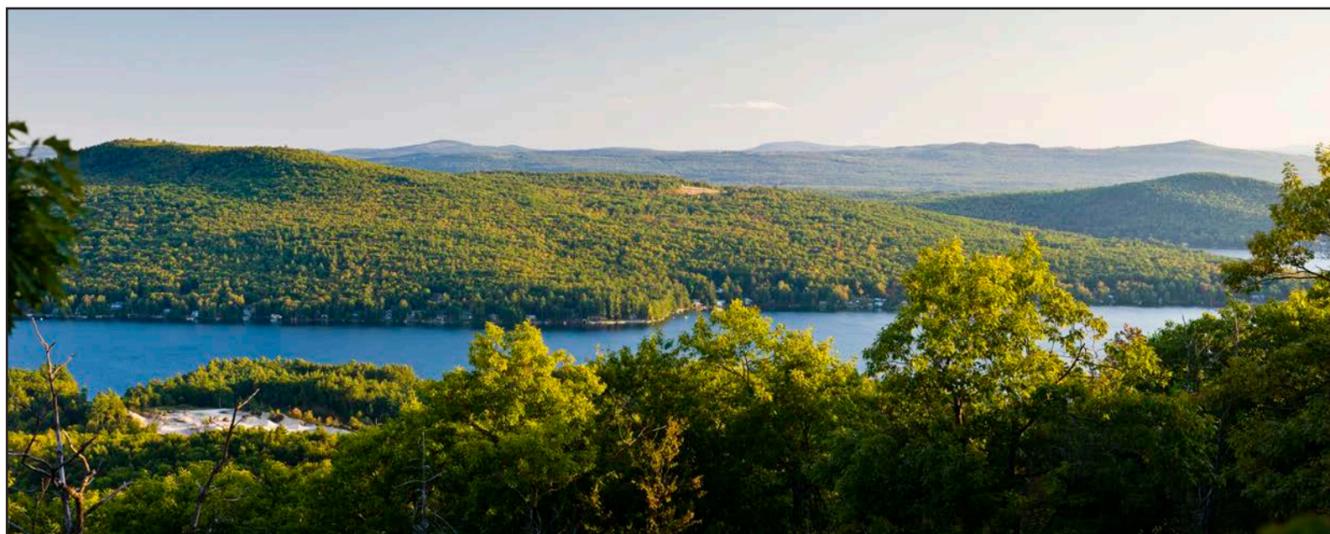
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This knowledge guided the formation of the Partnership for Birch Ridge (SELT, MMLA, and MMRG) and their sole goal to acquire and permanently conserve the property as a community forest. As a community forest, Birch Ridge will promote conservation, community and economic development through SELT’s ownership and management of land for the benefit of the community.

“Public support and interest in this land was strong and deep,” shared Brian Hart, Executive Director of SELT. He continued, “The passion for the protection of this special place was keenly felt through generous donations from more than 250 community members, and the dedication of many to the public process for the project. We are so grateful for the support to make the Birch Ridge Community Forest possible.”

Last fall, with the investment of funding and hopes of community members high, the partnership offered an inclusive public process to inform the public and gain valuable insight, hopes, and concerns from area residents. Following this, and through the work of the volunteer Community Forest Steering Committee, vision and goals were developed to create a management plan for the property. The management plan is currently being drafted but will ensure access to open space for recreation, habitat protection for wildlife, preservation of water quality, and climate change resilience. The land is open to the public for respectful exploration. However, trail maps and signage are not yet available.

The protection of Birch Ridge Community Forest was made possible by generous donations from New Durham community members, an early grant of \$500,000 from the US Forest Service Community Forest and Open Space Program, a \$350,000 grant from the New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage



Birch Ridge Community Forest as seen from Caverly Mountain in New Durham.

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THE VIEW from Birch Ridge in New Durham.

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Investment Program (LCHIP), the town of New Durham, and New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Aquatic Resources Mitigation Program.

Dijit Taylor, Executive Director of LCHIP shared, “LCHIP is very pleased to assist with this project that has been a local and regional conservation priority for many years and that demonstrates the strengths that can come from cooperation between many different kinds of project partners.”

Birch Ridge Community Forest is now owned and managed by SELT for the benefit of the community, with a conservation easement held by Moose Mountains Regional Greenways with the town of New Durham and NH Department of Environmental Services holding a right of enforcement.

The conservation of Birch Ridge is really just the beginning.

Now, the long work begins to finalize the management and stewardship plan, establish and steward a safe trail system for the community’s use and enjoyment, and restore the land after the aggressive tim-

ber harvest. As the caretakers of the Birch Ridge Community Forest, SELT and MMRG are thrilled about the future of the forest. Learn more and keep updated about the Birch Ridge Community Forest at [seltnh.org/birchridge](http://seltnh.org/birchridge).

**Celebrate the New Birch Ridge Community Forest**

To celebrate this new community forest, the Partnership for Birch Ridge is planning a community event on Saturday, July 13, at 10 a.m.

at the New Durham Elementary School. Following brief comments, three field trips of varying difficulty will be offered, with participants traveling by bus to the Birch Ridge Community Forest for guided walks. The event is free, but pre-registration is required to help ensure enough field trip guides are available.

The celebration will begin immediately following Merrymeeting Lake Association’s Annual Meeting, which is scheduled for 9 a.m. at

the New Durham Elementary School. After recognitions and a brief update on the vision, goals, and planning process for the Community Forest from 10 to 10:30 a.m., buses will leave for field trips at 10:45 a.m. Each trip includes a stop for lunch where people can enjoy their own packed lunch or a bag lunch from New Durham General Store that can be ordered during the online registration process. The field trip choices include an easy one-mile walk to the

cabin on Birch Hill with scenic views, a 2.5-mile hike to the cabin that continues up Blueberry Hill to the old Aspinwall settlement, and a more strenuous 2.7-mile hike up Mt. Eleanor that ends at the cabin.

This event is free and open to the public, but advance registration is required. Learn more and RSVP online at [tinyurl.com/RSVP-BirchRidge](http://tinyurl.com/RSVP-BirchRidge) or call 778-6088.

*McGinnis-Marston on Delaware Dean’s List*

NEWARK, Del. — Mariah McGinnis-Marston of Center Barnstead has been named to the University of Delaware’s Dean’s List for the Spring 2019 semester.

To meet eligibility requirements for the Dean’s List, a student must be enrolled full-time and earn a GPA of 3.33 or above (on a 4.0 scale) for the semester.

**Olive on Dean’s List at SNHU**

MANCHESTER — Matthew Olive of Center Barnstead has been named to Southern New Hampshire University’s winter 2019 Dean’s List. The winter term runs from January to May.

Eligibility for the Dean’s List requires that a student accumulate an academic grade point average (GPA) of 3.5-3.699 and earn 12 credits for the semester.

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## The glaciers had their way, but buttercups rule the day



By **JOHN HARRIGAN**  
COLUMNIST



In Bishop Brook valley, you go by a "borrow pit"—a gravel pit—and around the next corner is a beautiful scene dominated by thousands and thousands of buttercups.

"Crafted in the USA," it said in big letters on the small bag of Purina Dog Chow. We are between brands just now, so it was time to try out something a little different. But there was one more statement for me to absorb about this dog food, which was that it was crafted "with American-raised chicken by people who care."

I'm a little uncomfortable with calling her "my dog." She clearly thinks I'm a dog—that I'm the alpha male in her family group.

When I'm sitting in my Command Central chair, watching the latest news from Washington or something, she's right there, wedged into the too-narrow space (but never mind) between my leg and the arm of the chair. Every now and then her ears perk up, and her little black nose never stops twitching. She is scanning our surroundings for any sign of danger.

In fact, she is doing her job, which is to protect me. And she takes it very seriously. I will not add "Just ask my family and friends," because someone might actually do so, and one or maybe both of us—man and dog—could wind up in the slammer.

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"Borrow pit" is a term I didn't hear until relatively late in life. Don Tase, then a forester for Champion International, used it almost blithely during our day-long truck-tour in Perry Stream valley, as if everyone had grown up with it. "What was that again, Don?" I said, and then asked him to spell it.

I've ever since wondered about the origins of "borrow pit" but ha-

ven't had time to do the sleuthing. The irony of the term, I guess, stems from the notion that if you're building roads in a certain valley, you never really take any rock and gravel all that far, at least comparatively—you more or less just push the stuff around. The glaciers, on the other hand, "borrowed" entire ridges and ranges, ground them up, and deposited the remains as outwash, somewhere down the valley or miles and miles downstream.

This was child's play for a glacier. If glaciers could talk, I think they'd chide us for overstating our importance.

The Bishop Brook valley is one of my favorites, for the stupendous work the glaciers did there. For millennia, evidently, a glacial dam above the present-day Beecher Falls rapids diverted the Connecticut River to flow southeast, up Bishop Brook valley, and form a giant whirlpool at the bedrock dike at West Stewartstown before roaring southwest toward Colebrook, leaving the snake-like riverbed that Route 145 follows today.

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The Owens boys, as everyone calls them (how old are those guys, anyway?) are longtime farmers along Bishop Brook valley. When I set up the first Geological Tour of the North Country a few years back (about 25 years, in fact), two of the 15 or so stops were on Owens land, and I made a

phone call for the affable okay.

There is tremendous interest out there as to how this landscape we love so much, and is somehow part of us, seemingly down to our souls, was shaped and changed. Science and research have come a long way, but there is still scant material available to the layman. Experts cannot even agree on how many times the glaciers pushed south to New Hampshire and beyond. Boulders and slabs of rock from Labrador have been found as far south as the Carolinas, our local longtime rockhound and armchair geologist Dr. Herb Gifford said. Herb delved into these and related topics in his book *Colebrook: A Place up back of New Hampshire*, out of print but available at libraries all over New England.

We filled one bus and could have filled another for that tour, and as it was we had a mile or so of vehicles following us. With a little nudge and the promise of some help, I'd set up another geological tour up in a heartbeat.

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Of all our marks on the calendar to make sure we don't lose our connections with our past, the Fourth is my favorite, perhaps because it's the only holiday I can think of that's not driven or attended by some degree of guilt.

So we have a lot of staging some pretty impressive fireworks the night before the Fourth (what's with that? It gets better every year), and then of course parades big and small on the day

itself, and we fry chicken and check out yard sales and canoe cross the pond to visit neighbors and go on truck tours and just wheel ourselves around the landscape so our flags will fly a little better, and try to catch up on the latest generation of kids, and even who has a new dog (everyone).

I hope everyone gave a bit of thought this week about how those families way back two and a half centuries ago laid everything on the line to make this all happen. I always find a way to have fun on this country's birthday, not hard to do in a town and a territory like this, but I try to give a little thought to the men and women who had the courage to put land and lives right on the line, and no turning back.

(Please address mail, including phone numbers, to [campguyhooligan@gmail.com](mailto:campguyhooligan@gmail.com) or 386 South Hill Road, Colebrook, NH 03576.)

## Libenson graduates from UVM

BURLINGTON, Vt. — Arianna Libenson of Barnstead graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Sciences during commencement ceremonies on May 19 at the University of Vermont.

The university conferred degrees this year on an estimated 3,275 graduates, including 2,580 bachelor's, 452 master's, 138 doctoral and 105 medical degree recipients. The Class of 2019 includes graduates from 43 states and 36 countries.

Darren Walker, who presides over the Ford Foundation, one of the world's most influential social justice philanthropies and one of the largest private foundations in the United States, delivered the address.

Since 1791, the University of Vermont has worked to move humankind forward. Committed to both research and teaching, UVM professors -- world-class researchers, scholars, and artists -- bring their discoveries into the classroom and their students into the field. Located in Burlington, Vt., one of the nation's most vibrant small cities and top college towns, UVM is a Public Ivy and top 100 national research university educating 10,513 undergraduate students, 1,542 graduate students, 826 certificate and non-degree students, and 459 M.D. students in the Larner College of Medicine.

## McGinnis makes President's List at Husson

BANGOR, Maine — Center Barnstead resident Kathryn Mary McGinnis, has been named to Husson University's President's List for the Spring 2019 semester.

McGinnis is a senior who is currently enrolled in Husson's Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Studies/Master of Science in Occupational Therapy program.

Students who make the President's List must carry at least 12 graded credit hours during the semester and earn a grade point average of 3.80 to 4.0 during the period.

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## Jordan TW Trio to open Barnstead concert series

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(Registration is a MUST at Ed Fenn School)  
11:00 am Kiddies Parade (Starts at Ed Fenn School)  
Sponsored by Bank of NH  
11:00 am Side Walk Vendors Open  
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Miller Amusements Carnival Midway Opens  
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1:00 pm Parade Line up  
1:30 pm DJ Music by Mountain Music at the Bandstand  
2:00 pm Main Parade - Sponsored by Service Credit Union  
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3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Karaoke and DJ Music by Mountain Music at Bandstand  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm NEW! Gorham Farmers' Market on the Common  
3:30 pm - 7:30 pm 2-Person Corn Hole Tournament  
Hosted By White Mountain Rotary Club  
5:00 pm - 11:00 pm Miller Amusements Carnival Midway continues  
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Registration 8-10 am at Jericho Outdoors in Berlin (\$10 Per Entry)  
Hosted by the Presidential OHRV Club - Enter either day to Win!  
11:00 am Side Walk Vendors Open  
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Miller Amusements Carnival Midway Opens  
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5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Miller Amusements Carnival Midway continues  
Night Bracelet Pay ONE PRICE On The Rides \$25.00  
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Concert: *North River Music*

**Sunday, July 7th**  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm 2nd Annual At-Your-Leisure Singles Golf Tournament at AVCC  
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11:00 am Classic Car Parade Line Up (Ed Fenn School)  
11:00 am Side Walk Vendors Open  
11:30 am Classic Car Parade Sponsored by ColorWorks  
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12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Midway Open: Miller Amusements Carnival  
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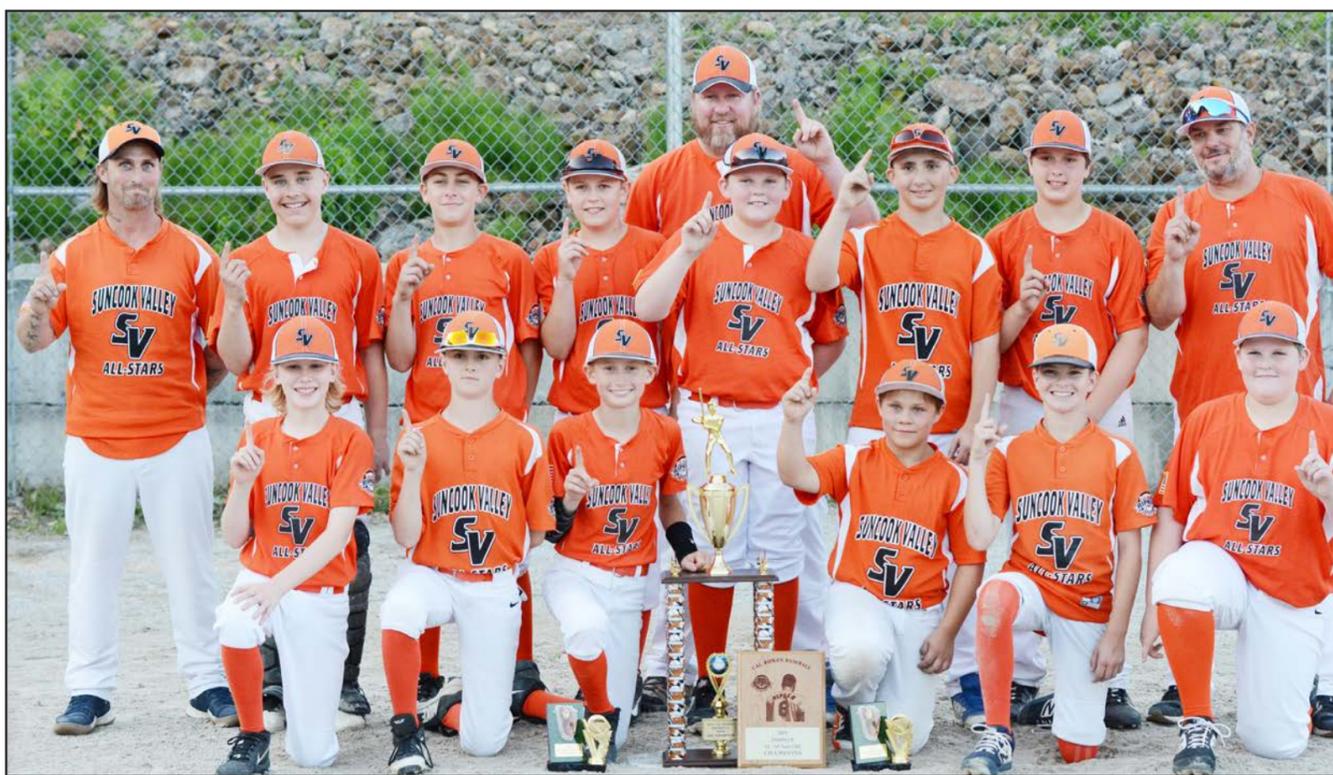
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# SPORTS

JOSHUA SPAULDING (Right) THE SUNCOOK VALLEY 10U team celebrates its District Eight championship.



JOSHUA SPAULDING (Left) THE SUNCOOK VALLEY 12U team celebrates after winning the District Eight championship.



## Suncook sweep

### Suncook Valley Cal Ripken teams sweep District Eight titles

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

PITTSFIELD — The Suncook Valley Cal Ripken teams had a good day on Wednesday, June 26. The 10U and 12U teams both picked up

wins in the final game of the best-of-three championship rounds to secure the District Eight championship.

The 12U team held on to defeat Mount Washington Valley by a 6-4 score and the 10U team

defeated Kingswood by a 10-8 score.

The best-of-three series began on Monday, June 24, with the teams splitting the first two games. The third games were postponed from Tuesday, June 27, due to

rain.

Suncook Valley and Mount Washington Valley 12U teams both advanced to the state tournament, being held in Lancaster starting this past weekend (after early holiday deadlines). The

finals are Friday, July 5, at 5:30 p.m. at Colonel Town in Lancaster.

Suncook Valley 10U advanced to the state tournament in Manchester, starting after deadline this past weekend. The finals are Friday,

July 5, at 5:30 p.m. at Brian West Field in Manchester.

See the stories on the games inside this section. Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 279-4516, ext. 155 or josh@salmonpress.news.

## Lakes Region hoop camp at PMHS starting July 29

ALTON — Lakes Region Boys' and Girls' High School Basketball Camp will take place July 29 through Aug. 2 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. each evening at the Prospect Mountain High School

gym.

The camp is open to boys and girls entering grades nine through 12 and coaching staff is made up of current varsity coaches from Prospect Mountain and other

New Hampshire high schools.

Focus points will revolve around offensive strategy, both individual and team. Participants are asked to not wear jewelry and watches and

not chew gum. Sneakers are required, shorts and t-shirts are recommended. The camp will have warm up and group drills from 6 to 6:35 p.m., individual player work with coaches from 6:35 to

7:15 p.m., drills and mini competition from 7:15 to 7:45 p.m. and team games from 7:45 to 8:30 p.m.

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# Suncook edges Kingswood for 10U title

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

**PITTSFIELD** — Suncook Valley and Kingswood met up on Monday, June 24, in the finals of the District Eight Cal Ripken tournament.

The series was the best of three, with two games played on Monday and the third moved from Tuesday to Wednesday due to weather.

Hayden White got the start on the hill for Kingswood in the first game while Colby Whitehouse got the start for Suncook Valley.

Reid Swinerton was hit by a pitch with one out in the top of the first for Kingswood and moved to second on a grounder to first by Tavin Herget, with JJ Grillo-Moore making a nice play and SV kept Kingswood off the board.

Suncook got on the board in the bottom of

the first inning. Bryce Lounsbury led off with an infield hit and after a nice play by Noah Kassels in center for the first out, Dan Stopyro reached on an error to drive in the first run. Whitehouse worked a walk but White got a strikeout and a grounder to end the inning.

Brendan MacPhee led off the top of the second inning with a base hit for Kingswood and stole second and third, but Whitehouse got a pair of strikeouts and a groundout to end the inning.

White struck out the first two batters of the bottom of the second before giving up an infield hit to Noah Wittenberg. Coach Brian Swinerton made the move to MacPhee on the mound and he got the next out to get out of the inning.

Ben Johnson reached on an error with one out

in the top of the third and was forced on a grounder to second by Swinerton. Herget was hit by a pitch and White worked a walk to load the bases. However, Cohen Elliot made a nice play at shortstop to end the inning.

MacPhee got a pair of strikeouts in the bottom of the third inning and worked around an error that allowed Stopyro to reach first. Atley Rollins had a one-out walk for Kingswood in the top of the fourth inning and moved up on a groundout by Kassels before stealing third. However, Whitehouse came back and got a strikeout to end the inning.

Suncook added to the lead in the bottom of the fourth inning. Blake Pappaceno led off the winning with a base hit, moved to second on a passed ball and stole third. He then scored on an infield hit by Michael Boles to make it 2-0. Aaron King made a nice running play along the line in right field to get Kingswood out of the inning with no more runs crossing the plate.

Johnson led off the top of the fifth inning with a base hit for Kingswood and one out later, he scored on a base hit by Herget. After White worked a walk, Elliot took over on the mound for Suncook Valley and got a strikeout. However, King stepped up next and delivered a base hit to drive in Herget with the tying run. White tried to score on an over-throw at the plate, but Stopyro got to the ball and tossed to Elliot, who tagged him out to end the inning.

Suncook took the lead back in the bottom of the inning. Elliot led off with a base hit and moved up on a groundout by Stopyro. Whitehouse then delivered a triple to plate the go-ahead run. White made a nice play at third to help Kingswood get out of the inning with no more damage and the game went to the final inning with a 3-2 score.

Rollins was hit by a pitch to start the top of the sixth inning but was forced at second when Kassels grounded out. Kassels moved all the way to third on a passed ball and an error before a strikeout accounted for the second inning. Elliot then induced a grounder back to the mound to clinch the 3-2 win for Suncook Valley.

Kingswood bounced back nicely in the second game, taking an 8-3 win over Suncook Valley to force the third and deciding game.

Kingswood jumped out to a quick lead in the third game. Johnson and Swinerton started things with base hits and three wild pitches got them both home for a 2-0 lead. After a base hit from White, he was forced at second on a grounder by MacPhee, but a base hit from King brought around Kingswood's third run.

Suncook answered in the bottom of the inning. Lounsbury opened with a walk and Elliot had a base hit. A grounder by Stopyro forced Elliot at second but a Grillo-Moore double plated both runners, cutting the lead to 3-2.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
**SUNCOOK'S Dan Stopyro raises his arms in celebration after the final out of the district tournament.**



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
**COHEN ELLIOT puts a tag on Hayden White of Kingswood in the fifth inning of their tournament finals game.**



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
**BLAKE PAPPACENO breaks for second in action against Kingswood last week.**



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
**BRENDAN MACPHEE was Kingswood's second pitcher to the mound in the opening game of the District Eight finals.**



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
**BEN JOHNSON comes up throwing from third base in action against Suncook Valley last week.**



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
**JJ GRILLO-MOORE races to first to record an out in action last week against Kingswood.**

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Stopyro struck out the side in the top of the second inning, working around a base hit by Johnson. Suncook was able to tie the game in the bottom of the inning, with a base hit from Boles, a sacrifice groundout by Wittenberg and a pair of wild pitches before Rollins got a strikeout to get out of the inning. White had a base hit in the top of the third inning but was stranded, thanks in part to a great play by Wittenberg in right field.

Suncook took the lead in the bottom of the third inning. After Herget made a nice catch of a foul pop around the plate, Stopyro had a base hit and Whitehouse followed with an infield hit. A Grillo-Moore base hit drove in both runners for a 5-3 lead. Pappaceno reached on an error and Parker O'Brien was hit by a pitch. A groundout by Boles pushed the lead to 6-3 before Rollins got a grounder to first to end the inning.

Kingswood rallied in the top of the fourth inning. Rollins led off with a walk and two outs later, Johnson had a walk and a Swinerton base hit drove in one run. Pappaceno took over on the mound and a wild pitch cut the lead to 6-5. After Herget walked, White had a base hit to tie the game at six. MacPhee kept the inning going with a walk but Kingswood was unable to score again.

MacPhee took over on the mound in the bottom of the fourth and after getting the first out, Elliot had a base hit that was compounded by an error. Stopyro reached on an error to drive in the go-ahead

run and Whitehouse also reached. An infield hit by Grillo-Moore plated another run and then a Pappaceno base hit drove in two runs, pushing the lead to 10-6.

Rollins reached to open the top of the fifth inning, moved up on a groundout by Kassels before eventually crossing the plate to cut the lead to 10-7. Orion Neathery worked a walk to open the bottom of the fifth and Swinerton came in to pitch, retiring the side on a pop-up, a groundout and a strikeout.

Swinerton then reached on an error to open the top of the sixth inning and after Herget walked, a wild pitch cut the lead to 10-8. Pappaceno got a pair of strikeouts before King and Rollins worked walks to load the bases. However, a grounder to short ended the inning and gave Suncook the district title.

The Kingswood roster includes Ben Johnson, Reid Swinerton, Tavin Herget, Hayden White, Brendan MacPhee, Aaron King, Atley Rollins, Noah Kassels, Zach Pickle, Colby Proctor, Bryan Purrington and Bryce Merrin. The team is coached by Brian Swinerton, Greg Eldridge and Tom Pickle.

The Suncook Valley roster includes Bryce Lounsbury, Cohen Elliot, Dan Stopyro, Colby Whitehouse, JJ Grillo-Moore, Blake Pappaceno, Parker O'Brien, Michael Boles, Noah Wittenberg, Orion Neathery, Andrew Taylor and Gavin Gorton. The team is coached by Buddy Bedell, Darrell Elliot and Eric Lounsbury.

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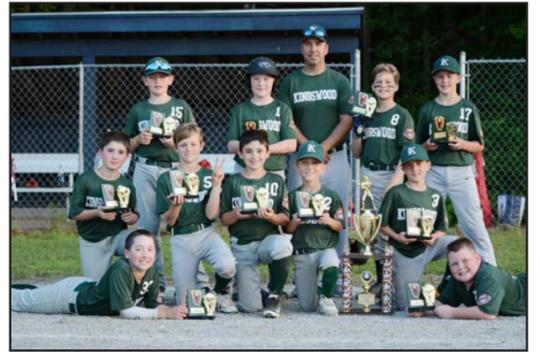
JOSHUA SPAULDING  
SUNCOOK catcher Dan Stopyro reaches to snag a throw as Kingswood's Tavin Herget slides home.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
ATLEY ROLLINS snags a pop fly during action against Suncook Valley.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
KINGSWOOD'S HAYDEN WHITE stretches to reach a pop fly in action last week.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
KINGSWOOD finished as the District Eight runners-up.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
NOAH KASSELS fouls off a pitch in action against Suncook Valley last week.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
BRYCE LOUNSBURY makes a throw to first during action against Kingswood.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
COLBY WHITEHOUSE was solid on the mound for Suncook Valley last week.

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# Suncook holds off MWV rally to win district title

## Both 12U teams move on to state tournament

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

PITTSFIELD — After a walkoff in the opening game of the District Eight 12U finals, the second game had a lot less dramatics, but it did result in a third game being forced between Suncook Valley and Mount Washington Valley.

The teams opened the finals on Monday, June 24, and Mount Washington Valley struck first, scoring four runs in the top of the first inning and then added three in the top of the third inning to take a 7-0 win.

Suncook rallied back to score seven runs in the bottom of the third inning to tie the game and then scored four in the fifth inning to take an 11-7 lead to the final inning. However, MWV scored four in the top of the sixth inning to tie the game at six. The game featured two home runs being robbed, one by MWV's Daven Bailey and one by Suncook's Casey Anderson.

Suncook was able to walk off with the win when Ethan Bedell reached on an error to drive home the winning run, giving Suncook the 12-11 win.

David Silvia III got the start on the mound for Mount Washington Valley, while Devin Riel started for Suncook Valley.

Silvia pitched a clean top of the first inning, with Matt Burke-Mena making a nice catch in center field to close out the inning.

Dakota Moss had a one-out base hit for MWV in the bottom of the first and Tyler McCluskey followed with a base hit. However, they were stranded, thanks in part to Suncook catcher Nick Austin, who made a nice play on a foul pop near the backstop to end the inning.

Brandon Weygand led off the top of the second with a base hit for Suncook and two outs later, Austin also had a base hit but Suncook could not get a run across the

plate.

Silvia led off the bottom of the second with a walk but he was stranded when Riel retired the next three batters, including one on a strikeout. Knyte Neathery led off the top of the third inning with a base hit and after McCluskey made a nice play in right field, Bedell moved the runner up with a groundout, but Silvia got a grounder to second to end the inning.

Sawyer Hussey led off the bottom of the third inning with a walk and Weygand took over on the hill for Suncook Valley. Alex Allain then lined a base hit that was compounded with an error and Hussey scored the first run of the game. Moss followed with a base hit to drive in another run and then Randy Brown took over on the mound. After a walk to McCluskey, Burke-Mena had a base hit and a walk to Bailey forced home the third run of the game. Silvia then had a base hit with an error, driving in two more runs and a groundout by Devin Jakubec plated MWV's sixth run before Brown got a strikeout and fly ball to center to close out the inning.

Robbie Gordon was hit by a pitch with one out in the top of the fourth inning but a nice play from Hussey at third and Logan Ramsey at first helped get MWV out of the inning.

Hussey walked to lead off the bottom of the fourth and then Moss had a base hit one out later. After the second out, Burke-Mena had a base hit to plate another run and a wild pitch put in another run for the 8-0 lead. However, MWV tried to score a second run on the wild pitch, but Austin got to the ball and got the ball to Brown for the out.

Suncook went in order in the top of the fifth inning and MWV added one more run in the bottom of the fifth. With one out, Silvia had an infield hit and moved up on a groundout by Jakubec

before a base hit from Ramsey drove him in.

Silvia then set Suncook down in order in the top of the sixth inning, finishing things off with a strikeout for the 9-0 win, forcing a third and deciding game.

The third game was scheduled for the next night, but it was postponed until Wednesday, June 26, due to weather.

Burke-Mena got the start for MWV in the third and deciding game, with Anderson starting for Suncook Valley.

Gordon made a nice play on a line drive to third to start the game before Moss followed with a base hit. He was forced at second on a groundout by McCluskey, who in turn was gunned down by Austin as he tried to steal second, ending the inning.

Riel reached on an error to start the bottom of the first and moved up on a groundout by Bedell. A groundout from Anderson plated Riel with the first run of the game before Burke-Mena got a strikeout to end the game.

Silvia III walked with one out in the top of the second before Bailey grounded to short, forcing him at second. Anderson came back with a strikeout to end the inning. Brown made a great play up the middle for MWV for the first out of the bottom of the second and Landon Abbott reached on an error for Suncook before Burke-Mena got a grounder to end the inning.

MWV tied the game in the top of the third inning. With one out, Brown reached on an error and moved up on a groundout by Matt Charrette. Chase Barbour took over on the bases at third and scored on a base hit by Allain to tie the game at one. Moss followed with a base hit but Allain was gunned down trying to get to third on the play.

Suncook opened the game up in the bottom



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
DEVIN RIEL leaps in celebration as Robbie Gordon prepares to celebrate with teammates after Suncook won the District Eight 12U title.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
DEVIN RIEL got the start for Suncook Valley in the district finals.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
LANDON ABBOTT runs between second and third in action against MWV last week.



JOSHUA SPAULDING  
ETHAN BEDELL hauls in a pop fly at second base in action last Monday.

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**Friday, July 19**

The on-track action kicks off on Friday, July 19, with the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour All Star Shootout and Cape Cod Café Pizza Pole Day on "The Magic Mile" and the all new Friday Night Dirt Duels presented by New England Racing Fuel on The Flat Track.

The Modified All Star Shootout at 2:10 p.m. is a 30-minute timed shootout between some of the best drivers on the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour. Friday is named Cape Cod Café Pizza Pole Day, as the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series drivers compete for the pole at 4:35 p.m., setting the stage for Sunday's Foxwoods Resort Casino 301. One ticket provides access to both events, with kids (12 and under)

getting in for free.

A new addition to race weekend is the Friday Night Dirt Duels presented by New England Racing Fuel, which will be headlined by the U.S. Legend Cars International and USAC Dirt Midget Association racing in the first ever race under the lights on New Hampshire Motor Speedway's newest racing surface, The Flat Track. Fans can enjoy a night of short track racing – featuring NASCAR Cup Series drivers Corey LaJoie and Daniel Hemric in legend cars and Ryan Blaney as Grand Marshal – on the 0.25-mile dirt track. Heat races start at 7:30 p.m. with gates opening and practice starting at 6 p.m. Tickets, which include open garage and pit access, are \$10 for

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of the third inning. Riel had a one-out base hit but was forced at second on a grounder by Bedell. A base hit by Anderson compounded by an error got Bedell home and then Weygand had a base hit to plate Anderson. After Gordon worked a walk, a base hit from Austin scored both runners for the 5-1 lead for the team in orange.

McCluskey led off the top of the fourth with a base hit and Burke-Mena worked a walk but they were both stranded, thanks in part to a nice play by Riel at shortstop as well as a strikeout by Anderson.

Riel had a two-out base hit in the bottom of the fourth and came around to score on a base hit by Bedell to increase the lead to 6-1 before Burke-Mena got a strikeout to end the inning.

Hussey started the top of the fifth with a walk and moved up on a groundout by Brown. Charrette worked a walk and then Moss reached on an error to plate both runners to make it 6-3. A double from McCluskey cut the lead to 6-4 before the inning ended. Weygand led off with a walk in the bottom of the fifth and Gordon followed with a base hit, with Luc Kerouac taking over on the bases. Burke-Me-

na got out of the inning with a grounder to short and another back to the mound.

Gordon took over on the mound in the top of the sixth inning and set the side down in order to close out the 6-4 win.

As it turns out, both teams move on to the state tournament, which began after early holiday deadlines in Lancaster. The tournament finals are Friday, July 5, at 5:30 p.m. in Lancaster.

The MWV roster includes Alex Allain, Dakota Moss, Tyler McCluskey, Matt Burke-Mena, Daven Bailey, David Silvia III, Devin Jakubec, Logan Ramsey, Jacob Brown, Sawyer Hussey, Arianna Sousa, Chase Barbour, Matt Charrette and Austin Silvia. The team is coached by Andy Pepin, Derek Moss and Doc Walker.

Suncook's roster includes Devin Riel, Ethan Bedell, Casey Anderson, Brandon Weygand, Robbie Gordon, Landon Abbott, Nick Austin, Henry Brown, Knyte Neathery, Luc Kerouac, Aidan Casey and Randy Brown. The team is coached by Gary Bedell Jr., Chris Brown and Rob Gordon.

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JOSHUA SPAULDING (Above) SUNCOOK VALLEY celebrates its walk-off win in the first game of the district finals.



JOSHUA SPAULDING (Left) ROBBIE GORDON gets a bit of a lift as Suncook Valley celebrates winning the District Eight title.

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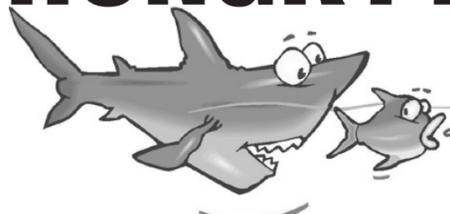
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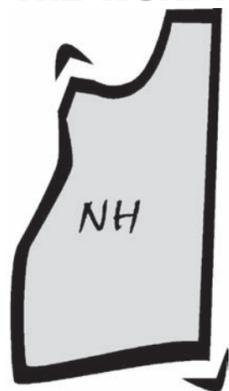
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# Local soccer players help Coastal team to second place

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
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**MANCHESTER** — Soccer players from Prospect Mountain and Kingswood combined to take part in the Granite State Games. The local players played on the Coastal team, which ended up finishing in second place on the day, falling to Southern in the finals.

Local coach Shane Flood served as an assistant coach on the Coastal team, where he was joined by Prospect Mountain players Alex Eckert, Piper Flood, Hannah Racine, Mackenzy Holden, Jaden Burt and Autumn Sheets and Kingswood players Sarah and Mary Peternel.

Over the course of three days, with multiple college coaches and recruiters in attendance, a total of 16 goals were scored across 16 games.

Sarah Peternel earned an assist by threading a pass through two defenders to Eckert,



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**PLAYERS** prepare for game action during the Granite State Games last month.

who pushed the ball past the keeper for the team's first goal in the Granite State Games.

Holden picked up an assist by setting up Emily Wilson of Salem for her team's second goal in the game against Monadnock.

The final match came down to Coastal and Southern and the two teams remained scoreless until the final minutes of the game, when Southern was able to sneak the ball into the goal for the 1-0 win.

Eckert finished with a goal and three shots on goal, Flood had five shots on goal, Sarah Peternel had five shots on goal and an assist, Holden had four shots on goal and an assist and Burt had three shots on goal.

The Granite State Games are a multi-sport competitive event for New Hampshire's best amateur athletes. The competition is based on the Olympic model, with opening ceremonies, round-robin tournament and champi-



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**SOCCER PLAYERS** get ready for action in the Granite State Games.



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**LOCAL** soccer players played for the Coastal team in the Granite State Games.

onship games, giving coaches and recruiters the chance to see high

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## A weekend (and more) on the baseball diamonds

Summer time is the slower time of year in my world, but for the most part, the summer weekends are busier. Once school is out, there is plenty of tournaments going on, with the big ones coming in the middle of June with the District Eight Cal Ripken tournament.

This year, the tournament was held in Pittsfield, which was a fairly easy location compared to other years. In all the years I've been covering sports, I had never been to the fields in Pittsfield where they play Cal Ripken baseball. In fact, I even lived in Pittsfield for a few years and never knew the fields existed.

### SPORTING CHANCE

By JOSHUA SPAULDING



They were set up nicely with the 10U and 12U teams playing on back to back fields, making it possible to watch a couple of different games at a time if I wanted to.

The first day of the tournament I decided to cover the 12U teams. With teams from Kingswood, Mount Washington Valley, Suncook Valley and Plymouth, I had eight different teams to cover overall, four for 12U and four for 10U. I saw each of the 12U teams on Saturday before heading back to

the office, where it was time to sort the pictures and write up the stories from the games.

Sunday, I headed back to Pittsfield and did four 10U games, seeing each of my teams before again heading back to the office to sort pictures and write more stories. I got them all done before heading off to rehearsal for Our Town back in Wolfeboro.

Since I was guaranteed to have teams in the finals, I knew I was heading back on Monday. Kingswood and Suncook Valley advanced in the 10U tournament and Suncook Valley and Mount Washington Valley advanced in the 12U

tournament. The finals are a best of three, so if the teams split, they had to come back the next night to play a third game.

Of course, both tournaments ended with a split on Monday, so all four teams had another day to play. Mother Nature decided that Tuesday wasn't going to happen, so the games were moved to Wednesday. So, Wednesday night I was back on the road to Pittsfield for the finals.

Suncook Valley won both the 12U and the 10U championships, meaning both of their

teams advanced to the state tournament. As it turned out, both 12U teams moved on to the state tournament. The state tournament for 12U was slated for this past weekend in Lancaster and the 10U tournament was this past weekend in Manchester.

With early holiday deadlines, those games aren't in this paper and since I had a wedding to go to this past Saturday, I wasn't going to be able to make both tournaments in the opening weekend, but I was hopeful to at least see all three of the local teams

in action at some point in the state tournament.

Finally, have a great day Andy Pepin.

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