

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2016

## **Shavings to commence Saturday** for this year's St. Baldrick's

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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The clippers will be buzzing off people's hair for another year to raise money for kids with cancer during this year's annual St. Baldrick's event.

Lakes Region St. Baldrick's will hold its annual event on Saturday, June 4 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Gilford Youth Center, with more than 30 people already signed up to have their heads shaved.

The Lakes Region event started in the 2000's, and has been at other venues such as Gunstock. This will be the seventh year that St. Baldrick's is at the GYC.

Since its beginning, Lakes Region St. Baldrick's has raised over \$450,000 for the St. Baldrick's Foundation, an organization that provides funding for children's cancer research. Some of the area agencies that have benefited include Children's Hospital at Dartmouth and Children's Hospital in Boston.

"Unfortunately, this community has been affected by children's cancer over the years,"

event organizer Scott Hodsdon. "We've really come together as a community to support these families."

Hodsdon said this is not only helping kids in Gilford but all over the Lakes Region, the state, and beyond that.

In the past few years, the event has taken place in the early evening, this year it was moved back to the morning and afternoon hours. Hodsdon said it seems the focus was to go back to how it began with more emphasis on the people having their heads shaved.

"We want to keep it simple and have a fun atmosphere," Hodsdon

As of Friday morning, 30 people had signed up to get their heads shaved with almost \$5,000 raised so far.

This year's St. Baldrick's will be hosted by Nazzy and Mya of WLNH, and will also feature a special guest speaker.

Free food will be served, including an ice cream stand by Ben & Jerry's of Meredith.

There will also be a tion, and a sale of St. said GYC director and Baldrick's t-shirts. The



Shauna Kennett of Laconia had her head shaved by Carla Ringer during the 2015 St. Baldrick's event. St. Baldrick's will return for another year this Saturday.

event will also have a bone marrow drive to take DNA samples to see if someone is a match.

"It's a celebration of the St. Baldrick's Foundation and what they do," Hodsdon said.

Hodsdon said the GYC is honored to be part of this event that helps so many people.

"It's arguably one of our most special events," Hodsdon said. SEE BALDRICKS PAGE A11

## Poetry contest winners share their verse

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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Students across the Gilford School District bake sale, silent auc- shared their unique poems in the PTA's 15th annual Poetry Competition, which meant some big prizes for the win-

In celebration of National Poetry Month in April. students from all three schools were invited to submit their poems to for judging. Three overall winners, one from each school, were chosen with a winner selected from each grade.

On Thursday, each of the winners read their poems in front of an audience of family members and school staff during the contest's awards night.

"Each child in this school district has a magical gift," said PTA president Jeanin Onos. "They have the ability to turn words into works of art."

Onos thanked the parents and families for supporting these students.

"Thank you for raising and nurturing such individuals,"

The event was sponsored by Bank of New Hampshire and Onos said it also would not be possible without parent and teacher support. Onos also thanked superintendent Kent Hemingway for his support, saying for the past three years she has recalled seeing the look on his face when the students read their poems.



All of the winners of the PTA Poetry Competition who were able to attend the award's night.

## The lilacs are in bloom

Gilford's Lilacs are near full bloom, and as you travel thru the village you will see many types and varieties of our state flower. The Bldgs-n-Grnds Divison, of Public Works, has planted more than 50 bushes in and around the village and town buildings. This was done with donations from the

New Hampshire Lilac and Wildflower Commission. Each year, the division adds 10 budding bushes to the different gardens and parks. From the traditional, old fashion light purple lilacs to the hybrid deep purples and laced, pink, and white, all add fragrance and beauty to our spring. Next time your in town, take a minute to breath in the beauty, but please do not pick the blooms. Many people don't realize that by picking the flowers you reduce the number of blooms for the following year. Thank you! With your help, the bushes will flourish for all to enjoy, for many years to come.

## **Portsmouth** fireboat not coming to Gilford

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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Gilford will not re-Portsmouth's fireboat after a decision by the Portsmouth city council last week.

Gilford fire chief Carrier nounced to the select-

men during their meeting on Wednesday that the Portsmouth city council had voted to reconsider giving Gilford the boat, reporting that the city voted in favor of transferring the boat to neighboring New SEE **FIRE BOAT** PAGE A11

## Bowl-a-thon benefits Children's Auction

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LACONIA — Business people and civic leaders from across the area took to the bowling lanes at Funspot for a night of friendly competition, food, and good times all benefiting children and families in need in the Lakes Region.

On Thursday night, 16 teams took part in the fifth annual Bowl-a-thon put on by Fusion, this year's event benefiting the Children's Auction of the Greater Lakes Re-

Fusion is a Lakes Region-based organization connecting young profes-

sionals with established businesses and create networking opportunities. The Bowl-a-thon benefits a different organization each year; previous beneficiaries include the Faith, Hope, and Love Foundation, Got Lunch Laconia, and the Santa Fund of the Lakes Region.

This year's event benefited the Children's Auction of the Greater Lakes Region.

"It's been such a longstanding, great charity in he community, we really felt like out money would have the biggest impact," said Kara La-SEE **BOWL-A-THON** PAGE A11

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## Notes from the Gilford Public Library

BY MARK THOMAS

Library Correspondent

I just got back from a hike on the Belknap range, Maria just finished running one of her fitness classes, Joanne will be going on a group hike this evening, and Katherine blew us all away by finishing a 'quick' triathlon this morning (or its equivalent in fitness classes). Since this was written in the past, I'm not certain that is how things happened this morning, but it is pretty typical of a Thursday morning.

Although fitness may not be the first thing you think of when you visit the library, it matters to both the staff and the community. The Library hosts periodic and regular exercise programming, not to mention the assortment of healthy living programs. We have a host of exercise and

This year, we are beginning a new tradition to help encourage healthy living in our community: The Race to Summer Reading 5K.

To help explain the program and to build the hype, Kayleigh Mahan has kindly agreed to chat with me.

Kayleigh, thank you for putting this whole thing together. How did the idea for this 5k come about?

Kayleigh: Well, since the theme for summer reading is "Exercise Your Mind, Read," it kind of felt like the best time to hold a 5K at the library. The library isn't just for books, although we have a lot of them. It's a really good way to get the library more involved in the community, and to encourage healthy living and fitness! It's a per-

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nutritional resources. fect kick-off to summer available, which you and summer reading at the library, so if you at all like the library or running, sign up and join us!

> Mark: Is there any bizarre theme for this 5k? Are people supposed to come as zombies, librarians, zombie librarians?

Kayleigh: Stop. If people want to dress up, they totally can. I don't run, but I would imagine that running in sneakers and exercise type clothes would be best, but whatever makes you most comfortable!

Mark: Will the race take place inside the library?

Kayleigh: I feel like you did no research on this race, Mark. The race will start outside the library, and travel through Gilford Village and the surrounding neighborhoods to end back at the library. There will be entertainment at the library during the race, and of course the library will be open for people who want to check out books, or just hang out.

Mark: It sounds like

can find on the Gilford Library's website. We also have paper forms available at the library for people who like them. Also, if you don't want to run or walk, vou can volunteer to help with the race!

Mark: Thanks again Kayleigh. Everyone is a winner in this race, right? Even if I hobble across the finish line mid-afternoon?

Kayleigh: I mean, not really. The walking portion of the race is not judged; only runners can technically win this race. That doesn't mean that you can't have fun! Especially because the first 100 people to register do get a t-shirt and a race packet with some cool goodies, so that's almost as good as winning, I think.

Mark: Thank mercy. p.m.

**Special Events** June 2 to June 8

Thursday, June 2 Play and Learn, 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Bring your child, age newborn to five, to this special sign-up playgroup. A new activity will be offered each week..

Open Painting at the Library, 1:30–3:30

Coloring Club for Kids, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

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

Friday, June 3 Storytime, 11:15 a.m.

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

Knit Wits, 1:30-2:30

Conversational German Class, 2:30-3:30

Monday, June 6 Mahjong, 12:30-3

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

Tuesday, June 7 Social Bridge, 10:30

a.m.-12:30 p.m. Lapsit Storytime, 10:30-11 a.m.

Storytime, 11:15-11:45 a.m.

Exercise Your Mind Author Series: Peter Zheutlin, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Author and Journalist Peter Zheutlin will be here to share his book, "Rescue Road:One Man, Thirty Thousand Dogs, and a Million Miles on the Last Hope Highway," the story of rescue dogs and the people, particularly Greg Mahle, that help them on their journey to new homes.

Wednesday, June 8 Line Dancing,

9-10:30 a.m. Check Out and Ex-

pert, 10 a.m.-noon Magic the Gathering Club, 3-4 p.m.

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made the following arrests from May 24-30. James F. Purcell, age

60, of Gilford was arrested on May 24 for Criminal Mischief (Vandalism).

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#### Christopher Hodges, age 40, of Laco-

nia was arrested on May 25 for Resisting Arrest or Detention, Possession Controlled/Narcotic Drugs, and in connection with three outstanding warrants.

Austin M. Brue, age 23, of Farmington was arrested on May 27 for two counts of Disorderly Conduct.

Tamara Ipock, age 34, identified as a transient, was arrested on May 29 for Receiving Stolen Property.

Christopher L. Boisvert, age 29, of Gilford was arrested on May 29 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension and violating Driver's License Prohibitions.

## Gilford Public Library Top Ten Requests

- 1. "The Summer Before the War" by Helen Simonson
- 2. "Me Before You" by Jojo Moyes 3. "Lilac Girls" by Martha Hall Kelly
- 4. "When Breath Becomes Air" by Paul Kalanithi 5. "The Obsession" by Nora Roberts
- 6. "Most Wanted" by Lisa Scottoline 7. "Wilde Lake" by Laura Lippman
- 8. "The Last Mile" by David Baldacci
- 9. "Everyone Brave is Forgiven" by Chris Cleave 10. "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah

a good time. How does one go about registering?

Kayleigh: There is registration

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## **GILFORD PARKS AND RECREATION NEWS**

BY HERB GREENE

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Gilford Parks & Recreation

Granite State

Track & Field

program

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is offering area youth the opportunity to participate in the Granite State Track & Field program this June. This program is open to youth ages nine to 14 (as of Dec. 31), and will include a few practices along with at least two track meets. Registration information can picked up at the Parks and Recreation office or can be found on the department Web site at www.gilfordrec.com.

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

Bolduc Park Adult Golf Programs

The Gilford Parks

and Recreation Department is offering adult golf lessons at Bolduc Park this June. This program consists of a three-class session on the evenings of June 9, 16 & 23. Classes run from 5:30-7 p.m. each evening.

Cost: \$70

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

#### Senior Moment-um BBQ and Lawn Games on Monday, June 6

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is Sponsoring a Senior Moment-um Program on Monday, June 6. We will be meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Gilford Village Field to enjoy a fun afternoon including a BBQ lunch and play some lawn games such as croquet and bocce.

All participants should plan to bring their own chair. The Parks and Recreation Department will supply hotdogs, condiments and drinks. Participants are encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert for our potluck and join us for a fun filled afternoon! Participants are asked to RSVP by Thursday, June 2 to give us time to go shopping.

Tennis programs The Gilford Parks and Recreation is offering six-week tennis lesson programs for youth and adults ages five and up this summer on Mondays and Wednesdays from June 27 – Aug. 5. The Lakes Region Tennis Association will be sponsoring free lessons for children ages five to 14. Adult lessons for ages 15 and up will also be available at a cost of \$60 for the session. Session times will be broken up by age. All sessions have limited availability and registrations will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Registration forms can be picked up at the Parks and Recreation office or can be found on the department Web site at www.gilfordrec.com.

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

#### Archery lessons

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a four-week session of Olympic Archery instruction, to be led by certified archery Instructors from Archery In Motion. This program will be held on Tuesday afternoon/evenings from July 5 – Aug. 2 (No program on July 19) at the Arthur A. Tilton Ice Rink. The

Beginner session will run from 4-5 p.m., with the Intermediate session running from 5:15-6:15 p.m. These classes are open to Youth and Adults ages seven years old and up and no experience is required. Enrollment in this program is limited, so sign up soon! Registration forms can be picked up at the Parks and Recreation office or can be found on the department Web site at www. gilfordrec.com . Priority will be given to Gilford residents.

Cost: \$60 per person and includes all necessary equipment; you may also bring your own equipment (with approval by instructor).

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

#### LEtGO YOUR MIND Robotics Camps

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring two one-week LEGO robotics camps the week of June 27 - July 1. The camps will take place at the Gilford Middle School from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. The "LEGO Space Adventure & Stop Animation" is open to children ages 5 ½-9 years of age and the "EV3 Space Robotics, Minecraft & Stop Animation" is open to children ages

9-14 years of age. Participants can register on-line at www.letgoyourmind.com

ourmind.com .
Cost: "LEGO Space
Adventures" and "EV3
Space Adventure Robot-

ics" - \$310

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

#### Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp

The Gilford Parks Recreation Department is once again inviting the Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp to come to Gilford this summer! The camp will be held in the Gilford Middle School Gym from July 11 – July 15. Session 1 for children entering grades one through four will be run from 8 – 10 a.m. Session 2 for children entering grades five through eight will be run from 8 a.m. - noon. Participants may register by picking up a form from the Parks and Recreation office or by visiting the Gilford Parks and Recreation website at www.gilfordrec.com.

Cost: \$85 for Session I and \$130 for Session II

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

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** 

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

SEWER RATES FEE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

7:00pm Gilford Town Hall – Conference Room

The Gilford Board of Selectmen will be holding a public hearing pursuant to the provi-

sions of RSA 41:9-a and RSA 149-I on proposed amendments to the Sewer Rates Fee

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arterly bills ranging from \$1-\$3. All other s

- \$1.73

Schedule to take effect as of July 1, 2016.

It is estimated that if these new rates are approved, most sewer system users will see

will remain the same. Copies of the proposed fee schedule and the existing fee schedule are available at the Selectmen's Office or on line at www.gilfordnh.org. Copies will also

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# Interfaith Prayer Breakfast spurs donation to Belknap House

LACONIA — On the National Day of Prayer, May 5, the Second Annual Lakes Region Interfaith Prayer Breakfast brought together people of many backgrounds to celebrate the blessings of the year.

Held at the St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall, more than 100 guests enjoyed a full breakfast in the company of those of many faiths. The keynote speaker was Kate Braestrup, chaplain to the Maine Warden Service and author. She spoke eloquently about her work with the wardens and families who suffer loss in the Maine forests. Each year a local charity is chosen to receive funds raised by the prayer breakfast.

Greg Partamian,
Prayer Breakfast
Chairman, stated that
"The Organizing Com-

mittee of the Prayer Breakfast was unanimous in our desire to support Belknap House this year."

In addition to ticket sales, the Knights of Columbus Council 428, Laconia made a free-will offering of \$100.00. Belknap House is the new cold-weather shelter for Belknap County's homeless families with children.

According to Belknap House President Colleen Garrity, "We are grateful to the Interfaith Prayer Breakfast Committee and all of the participants for this generous donation. Community support allows our renovation work to move right along."

She added that the opening date is October 2016. Next year's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast will be held on May 4, and all are invited.



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Greg Partamian, director of the Second Annual Lakes Region Interfaith Prayer Breakfast, presents a check in the amount of \$900 to Colleen Garrity, President of Belknap House.



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# OPINION

## **Pet of the Week: Thor**



Giving this little puppy a big empowering, Superhero name is just the first step for young Thor as he learns a little more about the world each day at New Hampshire Humane Society.

Thor and his four littermates were found in the driveway one morning. We're glad those folks left them with us, rather than abandoning them in the woods somewhere; we ARE here to help, after all.

Thor is a handsome tan & white pup of terrier extraction, only a DNA test, yes they have them for dogs now, will tell the tale of his parentage but it's a reasonable guestimate

he's a gentle, sweet, shy Staffordshire Terrier type. Perhaps watching the documentary, The Champions, might help those decide if they wish to open their hearts and home to little Thor, he needs some confidence building and required puppy classes available at New Hampshire Humane Society.

With kind, positive guidance Thor will surely emerge from his shell of insecurity into the sunlight of confidence that life with caring humans will imbue him with.

Best home, one with children over twelve years of age, and did we mention, he likes

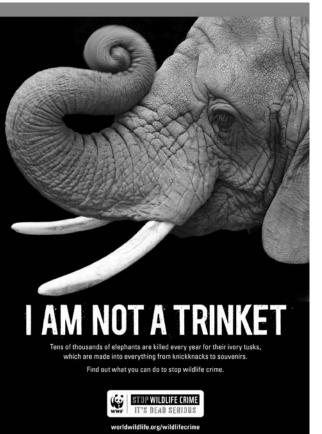


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#### **NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK**

## The road to Rangeley, Maine is paved with indentations



By John Harrigan

**COLUMNIST** 

There is no quick way to get to Rangeley, Maine, except by floatplane or helicopter. I truly love traveling by floatplane and have done so all over the Far North. Ditto for helicopters, although I do not like riding in them so much and have always regarded them as machines designed to shake themselves to

My best friend Jeff Fair of Palmer, Alas-



Route 16 east of Rangeley offers a lot of looking at a lot of water, beckoning people who love to canoe, kayak or fish.

ka also is well accustomed to helicopters and floatplanes, not so much the former and very much the latter, because aviation gas is expensive as it is, and helicopters drink it like whisky. Floatplanes are a bit cheaper but not much, and by necessity are the taxis of the Far North.

Jeff comes down to the Richardson Lakes and Aziscohos and SEE **NOTEBOOK** PAGE A12



This fine old farmhouse in Wilsons Mills, Maine, is high and dry while getting a new lease on life in the form of a new

## Thoughts from the Thrift Shop

#### News from the Gilmanton Community Church Thrift Shop and Food Pantry

As you may have noticed, the Gilmanton Food Pantry & Thrift Shop building is receiving a face lift with new siding. This has been made possible due to the popularity of the Gilmanton Thrift Shop, through the sale of clothing and accessories, as well as those of you who have sponsored and attended our past fundraising

Let us be clear, no money donated to the Food Pantry has been used to pay for this siding. The success of our fundraising events, the Thrift Shop, and all

who frequent there has helped make it possible to keep our Food Pantry shelves stocked and to maintain the upkeep of the building.

The Gilmanton Food Pantry & Thrift Shop Committee cannot thank you enough for your support. The Food Pantry strives to provide supplemental assistance to those in the town of Gilmanton who may need a helping hand. The Thrift Shop endeavors to make available a variety of gently used clothing, shoes, boots and accessories for a reasonable

price. It is a win, win for everybody.

The Gilmanton Food Pantry & Thrift Shop accepts donations of food and money as well as gently worn clothing in good condition. As stated above, all proceeds are used for the Food Pantry and its various programs as well as the maintenance and upkeep of the building.

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#### FROM OUR READERS

## Why does New Hampshire penalize savers and investors?

To the Editor:

Everyone knows that New Hampshire does not have either a personal income tax or a broad-based sales tax, but why has so little attention been paid to the insidious New Hampshire tax on interest & dividends (the "I&D Tax")?

The I&D Tax is assessed at 5 percent of a person's interest and dividend income. It may also apply to distributions from an S Corporation, a partnership

The worst effect of the I&D Tax by far is on individuals who have worked hard and saved and invested for their future, after paying federal income taxes on whatever income they were able to generate and save.

This falls especially hard on seniors who are sufficiently fortunate to have investments in bonds and/or stocks. Even with the artificially low interest rates being paid on bank accounts, CD's,

and bonds, to have to pay 5 percent of the meager interest income to the State of New Hampshire is outrageous, considering how we in the state pride ourselves on being a low tax environment.

The I&D Tax accounts for only about 4.06 percent of the total state unrestricted revenues, a very small portion of the total. So why is it still there?

It is there to penalize people who work and strive and save and invest to support themselves rather than relying on big government to take care of them. Plain and simple, it is "progressive" social policy run amuck.

The I&D Tax should be repealed, and any person running for political office in the state who claims to have taken the "Tax Pledge" ought to be asked also to pledge to support repeal of the I&D

Norman J. Silber *Gilford* 

### Senior (citizen) prom a wonderful community event

To the Editor:

Once again, the Gilford High School Student Council and Interact Club sponsored an excellent and stimulating prom for the local senior citizens. Thanks go to Superintendent Kent Hemingway (Interact Club Advisor), and Sally Sessler

## Send us your letters!

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(Student Council Advisor) for volunteering their time and effort in organizing the evening's activ-

School does not end at 3 p.m. Kristin Jarvi and Sue Allen (Gilford Recreation Department) are to be commended for preparing the meals, serving the meals, and cleaning up afterwards. They are always there for Senior Momentum activities. Music from the '50's and '60's was provided by elementary music teacher and local musical icon, Paul Warnick, but some of the students were puzzled on how to do the "Twist." Fortunately, Sue Larsen provided very good directions for the students on "How to twist like we did last summer!"

Last and most important of all, thank you to all the students who dressed up, danced, and socialized with the true "chronological" seniors. It is inspiring to see our young adults volunteer for community activities. Yes, the school system and the community celebrated together.

Frank M. Weeks

Gilmanton Iron Works

## **Peter Makris Memorial Run 10th Anniversary** celebrates a decade of fun and fundraising

LACONIA — When several hundred-motorcycle riders gathered 10-years ago to honor the life of Peter Makris, patriarch of The NASWA Resort and community leader, it began a snowball roll of benefits for the Laconia community. While the initial run benefitted the Laconia Fire Department Lifesaving Fund, a non-profit that encompasses all the fire department does to man and equip a water rescue unitboat, training and supplies—that Makris helped to start years ago, the Peter Makris Memorial Fund grew and expanded.

Another important aspect of Makris' life was his service in the U.S. Marine Corps so when Cynthia Makris, President of The NAS-WA and Board member of Easter Seals NH. learned of the new "Veterans Count" State-wide program which aids active duty military and their families, she added the non-profit to be a beneficiary of the fund as well. Fast-forward

a few years and the Lakes Region CERT emergency response team needed funds to continue training its community force to address area emergencies, the Peter Makris Fund stepped forward to help.

In 2016, a pressing need to help a New Hampshire firefighter was brought to Makris by Laconia Fire Chief Ken Erickson. A former Laconia student firefighter, who had gone to work with Hampton Fire Rescue, was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. The sad news was received as Kyle's wife, Christine, was seven-months nant with their first child. Jameson continued chemotherapy with future plans for a bone marrow transplant but the family, with new baby Liam, has had to move to New York City for treatment at Sloan Kettering Institute.

"Kyle is one of those guys who everyone loves and admires," said Erickson. "We really wanted to help him tion.

and his family with the outrageous expenses they are taking on to save his life and we are grateful that the Peter Makris Memorial Fund will include Team Jameson in the proceeds of the 2016 run."

However, the bad news arrived on May 15 that Jameson had passed, despite his valiant fight. Cynthia Makris, already vested in the family's plight pledged to keep the effort going, raising money to assist Christine and Liam as they learn to carry on without their brave husband and father.

"We send our sympathies and also our support," she stated. "This is what my father would have wanted to do."

Since many area firefighters and residents would like to support Team Jameson but are not bikers, the run is creating an additional registration for non-riders. Team Jameson T-shirts will be offered as part of the \$40 non-rider registra-

Early registration, by May 31, is encouraged to ensure receipt of the 10th Anniversary T-shirt at the low price for this entire event of \$50 per person. The shirt is collector item with the Makris Run logo designed by UhlWorks, the apparel arm of Harley Davidson artist, David Uhl. Boaters, bikers and exotic/collector auto fans are all welcomed to join! After the ride, the party continues on the beach at the NAZBar & Grill with live music by James Montgomery

The Saturday, June 11, 10th Anniversary Special will feature some exciting changes: New Route - This year's State Police escorted "feet up" run will include a new route with a special surprise for all riders;

New Lunch Menu -The already over-thetop buffet lunch will be even BETTER featuring a prime rib carving station, fresh salmon filet and more menu surprises—NOT typical biker fare and a BIG bonus from Big Boy BBQ catering. Lunch follows the "Bountiful Bacon & Egg Breakfast."

New Band - James Montgomery, named "The John Mayall of New England" will bring his rockin' Montgomery James Blues Band to the NAZ-Bar & Grill to celebrate this 10th Anniversary! Montgomery has played with bands from Kid Rock and Gregg Allman to Johnny Winter and Bruce Springsteen—be there to welcome him to the NAZBar!

Back by Popular Demand – Sgt. Dan Clark will return to provide his stirring patriotic musical send-off, thanks to the generous sponsorship of longtime Makris family friend, Mark Abare and his company, Plastic Distributors.



On April 30, in honor of Arbor Day and Earth Day, and with spruce and fir tree seedlings from the N.H. State Forest Nursery, Boy Scouts from Troop 55 in Meredith, handed out nearly 300 "starter" trees to the public. Boy Scouts in the Meredith Troop have been handing out evergreen tree seedlings on an annual basis for over 20-years. Troop 55 would like to thank "The Family Tree Service," Aubuchon Hardware in Meredith, and E.M. Heath True Value Hardware in Center Harbor, as well as all those community members who took trees and offered us support. Troop 55 includes Scouts from Meredith, Center Harbor, Gilford, New Hampton, Bristol, Alexandria, and Danbury.

## Household hazardous waste: A common problem, a simple solution

There are many toxic materials which exist right inside many Lakes Region homes. These toxic materials are known as "hazardous wastes," which are substances that poison or contaminate the environment, and threaten the health of those in the local community. They may be flammable, corrosive, or reactive, and should be disposed of properly so as not to harm people or damage the region's soil and water resourc-

Oftentimes we envision hazardous wastes produced by factories, contaminating the surrounding soil and water. This sort of pollution can exist, though much has been done over the last several decades to clean this The fact is that most households use and create hazardous waste every day.

Look under your kitchen or bathroom sink, at the basement workbench, in the garage or garden shed wherever you store cleaning products,

and maintenance items, or garden chemicals. If a product label says "danger," "warning," "poison," or "caution," the product contains ingredients that are flammable, poisonous, will burn the skin and eyes, or react violently with other chemicals. These items, if disposed of improperly, are a very real threat to the health of the community, and the natural ecosystem. Municipal treatment plants and leachfields are incapable of processing these chemicals. In other words, these chemicals can remain in the water supply. Even the chemicals you use on a daily bases around your home, can easily reach the local water system as the chemicals are used and washed down the drain. Landfill disposal poses similar risks, and the result is the eventual contamination of our groundwater, upon which our environment and econ-

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vehicle Planning Commission understands this problem, and in 1986 pioneered a regional program to prevent injury and environmental pollution from household hazardous waste. Every year since then, the SEE **WASTE** PAGE A12





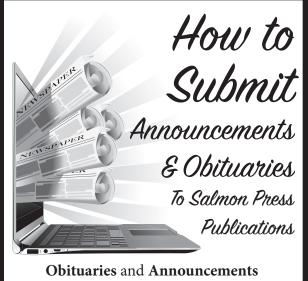




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## **Granite United Way announces** community investments, delivers more than \$1.08 million in support to Central Region

Granite United Way's annual campaign mobilizes more than 20,000 donors and corporate supporters to raise more than \$8.22 million across the state of New Hampshire. The campaign benefits more than 750 nonprofit agencies and programs providing services to more than 350,000 individuals. By mobilizing volunteers from each local region in its footprint to review and vet proposals and make funding decisions based upon strict criteria that ensures investments are held to the highest standards and are producing the greatest, most cost-efficient impact. In addition to the volunteer-led grant investment process and donor designation program, initiatives like Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), the 2-1-1NH information & referral line and FamilyWize, a prescription drug discount program deliver a combined total of nearly \$14 million in support to residents across New Hampshire. Local volunteers on Granite United Way's Community **Impact** Committee dedicated the last few months to evaluating program proposals and determining their investment decisions for the Central Region. Together,

with the volunteer Board of Directors and Community **Impact** Committees, they announced that the

2015 Campaign would deliver more than \$1.08 Million in support this year to the Central Region.

This year marks the final year of a three year funding cycle in the Central Region. The Central Region has

served as a model of collaboration with the Financial Stability Partnership (FSP), a collective of many local

nonprofits – including the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central New Hampshire, Belknap Economic Development

Council, Carey House/ Salvation Army, Laconia Area Community Land Trust, Appalachian Mountain Teen

Project, Health First Family Care Center, Lakes Region Child

Care Services, Family Resource Center/Lakes Region Community Services and Mike Persson of Lawson Persson & Weldon-Francke - focused on

addressing poverty in Belknap County. These organizations and individuals will be recognized for their efforts

during the Central Region's annual Campaign Celebration this year. In the Central Region,

the Whole Village Family Resource Center continues to be a primary resource in the

region for programs focused on quality child care, developing strong parenting skills and achieving financial

stability. This year the center celebrates its 20th Anniversary of serving the community. In addition Granite

United Way's work with Carroll County Coalition for Public Health is building strong relationships and

convening key partners in addressing the critical issue of substance misuse in the region.

"Our volunteers are working alongside us to forging new partnerships and developing new solutions to old

problems," said Patrick Tufts, President and CEO of Granite United Way. "We are mobilizing our agency

partners and leveraging our donor dollars in ways that even five years ago may not have seemed possible."

"We know that it is impossible for any one organization to address all of the issues in our community. It's

critical that we work together with local nonprofits, community leaders and corporate partners to address

difficult problems together in more effective ways," said Tufts.

Partners like Linda L. Harvey, Executive Director of Laconia Area Community Land Trust, Inc. couldn't agree

more with that statement.

"We are proud to collaborate with Granite United Way to improve conditions in our community. It's essential we work together with nonprofits, community leaders, and corporate entities to address some of our community's greatest needs," said Harvey. "Even addressing the most basic of needs - like housing, employment,

and childcare – requires a collective approach because it affects so many aspects of creating a healthy, strong community."

Funded programs will receive notification this week.

For more information about Granite United Way, visit www.graniteuw.org.

#### **Granite United Way**

Granite United Way is an experienced and organization trusted dedicated to leveraging the resources of investors and

volunteers to create lasting change by addressing the underlying caus es of our community's most pressing needs.

United Way's purpose is to convene public, private, and governmental leaders and resources to tackle the largest, most pressing issues facing our community. These issues include, but at not limited to: Providing children with the tools

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Hampshire

Granite United Way works with over 1,000 companies, 25,000 investors and thousands of volunteers every year to make

our communities a better place. Granite United Way is highly rated by both GuideStar and Charity Navigator, two of the

nation's largest nonprofit rating sources.

Granite United Way serves the Central Region, Merrimack Coun-North Country, Northern Region, Southern Region

(Manchester / Derry / Salem) and Upper Valley Regions of New Hampshire as well as Windsor County, Vermont. For more information, visit www.graniteuw.org.

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## American Cancer Society paints the Lakes Region purple for 2016 Relay for Life The American Cancer "Paint The Town Pur- Cancer Society. Dollars for cancer or detect it to people facing the dis-

for businesses and local communities to show their awareness and support in the fight against cancer from June 18 -

June 25. For all those touched by cancer, purple is more than a color. It represents hope and embodies the power and promise of the American Cancer Society Relay For Life movement. This year we want to take the purple movement to more people and spread our message further. We want to "Paint The Town Purple" so that cancer never steals another life. Every team, every survivor, and every dollar raised can help us save more lives from cancer.

Purple is the color that represents cancer awareness and can be found everywhere at our Relay For Life Events. But we don't want to stop there! We want to to our events.

To help finish the fight, community members can "Paint The Town Purple" by donating \$10 to The Relay For Life of Lake Winnipesaukee and receive a decorative purple bow to display inside or outside their home or business. Residents can also "Paint The Town Purple" by doing other activities including putting up purple themed displays in storefronts, hanging purple lights, or selecting a day to wear purple at work or school. Businesses can also ask for donations for purple items sold in their stores. Proceeds will support The American Cancer Society.

When you join The Relay For Life movement and help "Paint The Town Purple," you are helping to fund the mission of the American

Society Relay For Life Of ple," to create more raised help the society early when it's the easi- ease, and fund research Lake Winnipesaukee is awareness for our cause educate people about est to treat, provide free that will help protect fuoffering an opportunity and to bring more people how to reduce their risk information and support ture generations.

## Brush up on the history of the U.S. Flag at next Committee on Aging meeting

Friday, June 10 at 10 a.m., the Belknap County Area Committee on Aging would like to invite you to brush up on your U.S. history. The committee welcomes Walt and Shirley Stockwell, resident vexillophiles from Wesley Woods.

What is a vexilliphile? A person who collects and displays flags or a person who studies flags, their history and meaning. Walt and Shirley will present their program titled "Lesser Known U.S. History and Flags."

The Stockwells have presented more than 150 historical and flag related programs. Learn how this hobby followed them into retirement, and led to other ongoing activities. This informative presentation will include 20 colorful, historical full size flags. Are you familiar with the "Washington's Cruisers Flag" or the Fremont Flag? Come to see these and others, and learn their part in our history. This is a 45 minute program, followed by a question and answer session.

This event is open to the public and free charge. Questions encouraged, them please write down and bring them with you. Please contact Stace at 528-2555 or sdhendricks@wesleywoodsnh.org for more information or to RSVP. A light breakfast is served.

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

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

### Winnipesaukee Wellness Center to host open house on June 10

LACONIA — Please join us for an Open House at the Winnipesaukee Wellness Center (WWC) on Friday, June 10 (12:30-3 p.m.) where you will meet current members, learn about the equipment, and enjoy some refreshments with new friends. In addition, a Rite Aid Wellness Ambassador will be on-hand to answer questions and provide infor-

mation.

The WWC is located just beyond the Center Harbor town docks, offers people in the Northern Lakes Region a medically-supervised exercise program in a very supportive, no-intimidation gym environment.

A regular exercise program provides the positive benefits of burning calories to decrease SEE **OPEN HOUSE** PAGE A12



## **Keene State announces** the 2016 Spring Dean's List

— Keene State College is pleased to announce that 1,323 students have been named to the spring 2016 dean's list. To qualify for the dean's list, Keene State College undergraduate students must be enrolled in a degree program, and must have completed a minimum of six credit hours in the semester, receiving no failing or incomplete grades. Students must achieve a 3.5 or higher grade point average, on a 4.0 scale to earn dean's list honors. Congratula-

tions to the students below who made the list.

Sarah Anderson of Gilford

Aidan Bolduc of Gilmanton

Aminata Henderson of Laconia

Heather Hunt of Gilmanton

Samuel Johansson of Laconia

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#### Peter Stivali of Lacoa difference. **Students named to the University**

BURLINGTON, —To be named to the dean's list, students must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better and rank in the top 20 percent of their class in their respective college or school.

The following local students have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2016 semes-

Stratton Coleman of

Gilford. Coleman is a(n) Japanese major in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Sonya Shafique of Gilford. Shafique is a(n) Biological Science major in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Chartered in 1791, UVM was the first college or university in the United States that did not give preference to a

of Vermont Dean's List religious sect in its charter. UVM now has 10,081 undergraduates in seven schools and colleges, 1,360 graduate students and 457 medical students. The University of Vermont combines faculty-student relationships most commonly found in a small liberal arts college with the resources of a major research insti-

## Lakes Region Community College offers Summer Artist's Workshop Series

LACONIA summer Lakes Region Community College (LRCC) is offering its second Artist's Workshop Series starting Tuesday, May 31st. The Series includes eight unique workshops in a range of media including Paint, Stone, Clay, Metal, and Drawing. Courses range in length from three to five days.

"The Series is open to both the seasoned and introductory artist," says LRCC Fine Arts Program Coordinator, Liz Wilson (New Hampton).

Rhetta Colon (Meredith) participated in the Winter Workshop Series, and said "I took a color workshop at LRCC this winter. What a great experience to work with qualified and engaging instructors. I would recommend any of their workshops!"

She adds, "I really appreciate not having to drive to another part of the state to find excellent instruction and a supportive arts community."

Colon plans to take another workshop this summer.

Color Theory in Painting is the first of the seven Workshops, May 31, June 1 and 2, 2 – 5 p.m., cost \$145; the second is Plein Air Landscape Painting, June 20 to 24, 3 – 6 p.m., cost \$150; the third, Metal Casting for Jewelry and Sculpture, June 22 to 24, 3-6 p.m., \$140; the fourth, Mask Making, July 11 to 15, 12:30 – 3:30 p.m, \$150; the fifth, Oil Painting, July 11- 15 2 – 5 p.m., cost \$150; the sixth, Carving in Soft Stone, July 18-22, 9 a.m. – noon, cost \$150; the sixth, Paper Mache Puppets, July 19-22, 2-4 p.m., cost \$110; and the seventh in the Artist's Workshop Series, Portrait Drawing, August 16 and 18, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., \$200. Materials provided and included or available for purchase.

Artist's Workshop



Students are working during Open Studio at LRCC. Left to right are John Hickey (Plymouth), Jessica Coutu (Belmont), Sheila Farricy (Moultonborough), and Mariah Durst (Parsonsfield, ME). LRCC has state-of-the-art laboratories like the one

Series faculty are Sean Ware (Dover), W. James Locke (Loudon), Courtney Sanborn (Dover), and Joe Montroy (Hopkinton). Each is an experienced artist and instructor in his/her specialty

areas. For more information, visit www.LRCC. edu, click on "Workforce Development," "Artist Workshop Series" or contact Wilson at 524-3207, ext. #6734, or Andree Thibault at extension #6740. may register one of four ways, over the web at www. LRCC.edu, over the phone 366-5235, by fax by printing registration form from www. LRCC.edu and faxing to 524-8084, or in person at LRCC, 379 Belmont Rd., Laconia, NH 03246. Registrations will be accepted Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### **About LRCC**

Lakes Region Community College is a fully accredited, comprehensive community college located in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire that serves over 1,200 students annually. LRCC offers 27 associate degree programs including Nursing, Fire Technology, Advanced Manufacturing, Energy Services, Media Arts, Culinary Arts, Automotive, and Marine Technology, as well as short-term certificate programs. In addition, LRCC provides a strong background in Liberal Arts for students who choose to do their first two years at a community college and then transfer to a four-year college or university for a baccalaureate degree. LRCC is part of the Community College System of New Hampshire.





#### Local middle school students receive prestigious awards

Randi Byars (right) and Max Stephan (left), students at Gilford Middle School, shown here with GMS eighth grade math teacher, Peter Bowler (middle), were honored at the 17th Annual Scholar Leader Awards Banquet, held at the Center of New Hampshire in Manchester, on May 26. The students were presented with an award whose criteria included demonstrating academic initiative and scholarship, providing service to classmates and school, exemplifying positive attitudes and demonstrating leadership in the classroom and school activities. More than 400 guests, including students, educators, and parents, attended this year's banquet, which celebrated the achievements of middle level students who are representative of the many outstanding young adolescents in middle level schools in New Hampshire. The guests included 87 students from 44 schools from all over the state.

### Catherine Buckley earns Fall 2015 Dean's List honors at Roger Williams University

-Catherine Buckley, a resident of Gilford, has been named to the Fall 2015 Dean's List at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I. Catherine is a Architecture major. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a GPA of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester.

#### **About RWU**

Roger Williams University, with its main campus located on the coast of Bristol, R.I., is

R.I. vate university with 45 undergraduate majors spanning the liberal arts and the professions, where students become community-minded citizens through project-based, experiential learning. With small classes, direct access to faculty and boundless opportunity for real-world projects, RWU students develop the ability to think critically while simultaneously building the practical skills that today's employers demand. In the two years since a forward-thinking pri- launching its signature

Affordable Excellence initiative, the University has established itself as a leader in American higher education by confronting the most pressing issues facing students and families - increasing costs that limit access to college, rising debt and the job readiness of graduates. In addition to its 4,000 undergraduates, RWU is home to more than a dozen graduate programs, a thriving School of Continuing Studies based in Providence as well as Rhode Island's only law school.

## **Laconia Academy hosting** 44th annual graduation

LACONIA -The 44th Annual Graduation of Laconia Academy, the Adult Evening High School Diploma Program, will be held on Friday, June 3 at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium at Laconia High School. K. Mark Primeau. President and CEO Bank of New Hampshire will be the commencement speaker. The public is invited to attend the Laconia Academy Graduation.

Over the last 44 years, 1,315 Lakes Region residents have returned to school at night to earn their high school diplo-Twenty-five high school diplomas will be awarded on June 3. Many of the graduates are unemployed and need their high school diploma to get a job, earn a pay increase or job promotion. Some graduates returned to Laconia Academy to increase their own sense of self-esteem and personal selfworth. Other graduates enrolled in the program will enter new career fields, find a better job, or will have the opportunity to be hired now

that they have their high school diploma.

Five, June 2016 Laconia Academy Graduates are going on to post-secondary education. One graduate will be entering the military service.



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## **New attorney joins Wescott Law**

LACONIA — Wescott Law is pleased to announce Brett Allard has joined the firm as an associate attorney. A May 2016 graduate and Daniel Webster Scholar from the University of New Hampshire School of Law, Allard clerked for the firm for over a year prior to joining as an attorney. He is licensed to practice in all New Hampshire State Courts, as well the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire.

A graduate of Plymouth State University, Allard earned a Bachelor of Science degree in social sciences, with concentrations in history and political science, and was recognized as a member of Pi Gamma Mu, an International Honor Society in social sciences.

While attending law school, Allard served as an extern to the Honorable Charles S. Temple of the Carroll County Superior Court. He also worked as a legal intern with the Land Resources Management Bureau at the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services where

he focused on shore land and wetland protection and compliance matters.

A resident of Derry, Allard is eager to relocate to the Lakes Region and become involved in the community.

"Everyone here at Wescott Law is thrilled that Brett has joined the firm," states Attorney Allison Ambrose, Managing Partner. "During the year he interned for us, we gained appreciation for Brett's experience in varied practice areas, as well as his strong sense of ethics and civic mindedness. He is a perfect fit

for the firm and will be a great benefit to the Lakes Region community as a whole."

Allard maintains a general practice, but focuses on residential and commercial development, real estate transactions and land use matters, including planning and zoning. While primarily works from Wescott Law's Laconia office, Allard also sees clients at the new Meredith location by appointment, which may be arranged by emailing him directly at ballard@ wescottlawnh.com or calling the firm's main line of 524-2166. For more information on the firm, please go to wescottlawnh.com.



**Brett Allard** 

## Winnisquam Printing leases new location in Streetcar Building

LACONIA —Local business owner, Walter Bentley, knew he needed more space to satisfy growing customer demand for services. As the new owner of Winnisquam Printing, he knew that he needed more parking and loved the convenient location.

When introduced to the available space in the historic Streetcar Building in downtown Laconia, he knew it was the right fit; for him and his customers. Open in the new location since May, 2016, Bentley is thrilled to be part of the downtown community and still have the former long term manager, Mike, on board with his graphics talent.

Weeks Commercial handled the transac-Sales Associate Kevin Sullivan brokered the lease of this 1,987 SF unit at #71 Beacon St. W, Laconia. Sullivan maintains the listing for the available remaining spaces in the building.

The Streetcar Building houses professional/ office and restaurant space in a historic brick manufacturing building. Completely renovated in the 1980's for its current use, the building was originally home to the Laconia Car Company, which manufactured cable cars and then the Laconia Shoe Compa-Other tenants in the building include All Staff, Beyond the Fringe, Hector's Restaurant, Genesis Administration, Carla's Tangles and State of NH – Health and Human Services.

Bill Dube, owner of Cable Car Realty, reflected on his confidence at having a locally owned real estate firm handle the transactions in the building. "Weeks Commercial has done a great job bringing quality tenants to the Streetcar Building," said Dube. "Cable Car Realty has a history of downtown revitalization efforts in New Hampshire and we want to be an integral investor in the redevelopment of downtown Laconia."

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Winnisquam Printing in its new location at #71 Beacon St. W., Laconia

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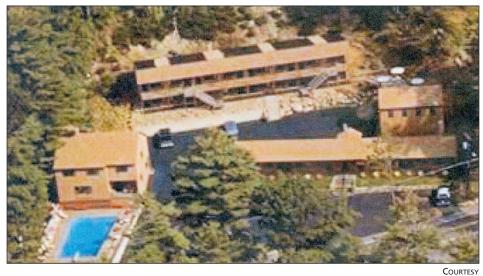
**Brooke Robinson** 

#### Homeward Bound welcomes newest employee

GILFORD — With the busy summer season right around the corner. Homeward Bound Professional Animal Care, LLC is excited to welcome Brooke Robinson to the team. Brooke studies Psychology at Plymouth State University and is working towards pursuing a career in Animal Assisted

Therapy.

According to Robinson, she "loves any and all animals and I really value the opportunity to get to know as many as I can. I enjoy hanging out with my 14-year-old cocker spaniel KC and hiking, swimming or anything else with my recent rescue dog Toby SEE **HOMEWARD** PAGE A12



### Birch Knoll Motel changes hands

A bird's eye view of the Birch Knoll Motel overlooking Paugus Bay.

LACONIA — After nearly 20 years of ownership, Arthur and Nancy Cook have sold the popular Birch Knoll Motel to Michael and Janet George of New Boston.

Situated on more than two acres on Weirs Boulevard, this strategically located motel overlooking Paugus Bay has 246 feet of road frontage and deeded lake access to a wharf or sundeck on the shore of Paugus Bay.

The property includes 23 handsomely appointed rooms, a 40 foot heated pool, and a fully equipped game room. There are two boat docks available for guests to use.

Anthony Avrutine of ReMax Bayside Commercial in Laconia negotiated the sale.

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## THE WINNIPESAUKEE TALKIE

## Home sales rise, inventory shrinks, prices stable



BY RANDY HILMAN

Regional homes sales through May were up a healthy 19 percent year over year despite a downturn in new listings and nearly flat pending sales, figures show.

In the midst of a robust sales environment statewide and especially in Belknap, Carroll and Grafton counties, home buyers also benefitted as the median home price remained fairly stable, rising slightly above 5 percent statewide over 12 months and less than 1 percent locally through May of this year, according to statistical data from the New England Real Estate Network Multiple Listing Service.

The New Hampshire Association of REAL-TORS® described the state of the residential real estate market as "predictable."

"The housing market is being predictable, and that's a good thing," NHAR wrote in its most recent April housing report. "At the beginning of the year, it was anticipated that the prevailing trends of the past year would continue into and through 2016 and that has largely been the case."

NHAR reported new listings statewide up nearly 19 percent for the month and 22 percent year-to-date. the three-county Lakes Region, 1,272 homes sold through May, up 19.2 percent from the 1,067 sales in the same period a year ago, according to NEREN.

Dollar volume rose as well, up 24.5 percent year over year to \$329.4 million.

Pending sales, meanwhile, up nearly 19 percent statewide, rose a marginal 2.3% in the Lakes Region with May pending sales down nearly 11 percent from the year ago, NEREN

data shows. New listings, too, were down locally, falling 25 percent in May, year over year, and 7 percent YTD. New listings statewide were up just above 5 percent YTD, figures show. Fewer listings and rising sales suggest a reduction of available inventory. NHAR reported an inventory drop of 21 percent in April to 7.1 months supply and a 12-month average of 8.6 months.

Housing supply in the Lakes Region was at 9.3 months through May based on average monthly sales of 261 units, NEREN reported. Housing inventory last year remained above 10-months.

"There have been no striking changes to curtail what should be a decent run of home sales over the next several months," NHAR reported. "Mortgage rates have remained stubbornly and wonderfully low, the unemployment rate has remained at or near (5 percent) for eight straight months and wages have increased for a great many people.

"New construction has been slow, and that may be a damper on sales, but the general outlook remains strong".

Area builders remain optimistic that a housing market characterized by fewer choices will spur new home construction, which has dwindled dramatically since the nation's financial collapse in 2008. In the Lakes Region, many say, existing homes can still be purchased for less money than the cost to construct new homes. With the median home price rising a fractional .27% through May to \$185,000, significant numbers of new housing starts may be years in the making.

Once again this year Belknap County led the three-county region in YTD sales with 438 closed transactions, up 41.7 percent, according to NEREN. Pending sales through May were up 11.7 percent to 257 units while new listings were down 9.8 percent YTD on the heels of a 27 percent decline in May, NEREN figures show.

The dollar volume of sold homes in Belknap County increased 35.5 percent to \$117.7 million, more than doubling the volume of \$57 million reported at the end of the first quarter this year. Housing inventory also declined by two months from the end of Q1 to an 8.2 months supply in May. And, unlike many areas of the state that witnessed rising median home prices. Belknap County saw its median home price fall nearly 6% to \$183,450, according to NEREN.

Carroll County YTD sales rose 19% to 397 closed transactions. Pending sales were up 7 percent to 269 units against a 7.8 percent decline in new listings, also on the heels of 27.4% drop in May, according to NEREN data.

Transacted dollar volume rose 42% to \$111.1 million and housing inventory shrunk 25 percent to a 9.5-month supply. The median price of a Carroll County home, meanwhile, rose 4.3% to \$195,000, according to

In Grafton County, comparison sales figures painted a misleading picture of the current market's brisk pace that began there more than 18 months ago and continued through May. YTD sales totaled 437 units, up only 2.8 percent, compared to 2015, while pending and new listings were down 8.7 percent and 3 percent respectively. Dollar volume increased a very modest 1.2 percent to \$100.5 million for the period, according to NEREN.

comparisons, however, do not reflect

Grafton County's strong sales performance in 2015. A telling glimpse into the hidden successes of that market are the facts that homes on average there have sold 12.5 percent faster this year than last and for nearly 2 percent more money, figures show. Yet, the median price of a Grafton County home remained steady at \$179,000, up just 2.3 percent through May year over year.

These details, coupled with a current housing inventory that has declined 37 percent this year to a 9.9-month supply, suggest the state of Grafton County's housing market continues to be strong.

Do you have specific questions pertaining to real estate activity in your neck of the woods? Are you thinking of selling your home or do you know someone who may be planning to buy or sell a home in the near future? Either way, I can help. The real estate market is ever changing. What you don't know about it could cost you time and money. Contact me today by email or phone to schedule a free, nostrings consultation or home valuation. Meanwhile, thank you for reading The Winnipesaukee Talkie.

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## **MARK ON THE MARKETS**

## Invest like the wealthy



BY MARK PATTERSON There's a big disconnect between the wealthy and the not so wealthy. The disconnect that I'm referring to is how they invest their money. Many high net worth investors are risk adverse when it comes to investable assets. Much of the wealth in this country is tied to real estate holdings and fixed income portfolios made up primarily of municipal and corporate bonds and mortgage-backed securities. The wealthy is comprised of asset may also use whole or indexed life insurance for tax-free income, legacy planning and dealing with potential estate taxes. Those wealthy people who have made their money from a business venture or even inherited typically have taken all the risk in obtaining that money and have no intentions of losing it in the stock market. The use of municipal bonds or life insurance may provide tax-free income because typically, their tax rates tend be much higher than the Wealthy non-wealthy. people who have large

real estate holdings typ-

ically invest their other CPA firm to consult to the management of their assets in the most tax efficient means possible. The not so wealthy may not need a family office, estate attorney or

money with liquidity in mind. Real estate is typically not considered a liquid asset so you often see a muni- bond portfolio that provides tax-free income but may be sold and liquidated quickly. The use of tax-free bonds vs. corporate taxable bonds is an easy calculation based on the client's tax rate, but either will provide liquidity, growth and low volatility provided you stick with investment-grade bonds. Alternative investments dealing with commodities or currencv or even stocks may be a part of the mix but to a much lesser degree than what I typically see in the not so wealthy's asset mix.

Wealthy people may have a family office that managers specific to the makeup of their portfolio. They may also work with a financial planner or an estate attorney and

maybe even a CPA firm, however there is no reason to not manage your investable assets along the same lines as the wealthy. Your tax issues may not be as great, so corporate bonds or taxable may be better than municipal bonds. The lack of liquidity in variable annuities and the expense of loaded mutual funds and the risks of the equity the markets seem to be common to the retail brokerage client, however.

In general, the retail brokerage client portfolios are typically made up of stock-based mutual funds, bond funds that are perpetual or stocks that lack asset class diversification, carry high expense ratios and are composed

of funds that the brokerage firm receives revenue-sharing from the fund companies. The typical brokerage firm is primarily a sales organization where the brokers are kept in check as to what can be sold and typically given very little latitude for the type of investment offered to the clients. Some of the larger firms do have a good fixed income desk that may provide a good bond portfolio but from the brokers perspective it is not as profitable as selling mutual funds or variable annuities.

You must decide as the client, do I want to be treated as a retail brokerage client or do I deserve the same treatment as the wealthy investor?

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## **Gilford Community Band** concert season opens June 22

dars, as the Gilford Community Band opens up with its first summer concert on Wednesday, June 22. As always, the 7:30 p.m. concert will be at the Weeks Bandstand in the Gilford Village. As always, the band will be directed by long time(but youthful) Gilford High School Band Director, Lyvie Beyrent. As always, in case of rain, the concert will be moved to the Gilford Performing Arts Center at the Gilford High School.

The summer schedule is on every other Wednesday from June 22 through Aug. 17, and culminates on Saturday, Aug. 27 with the traditional Old Home Day Parade at 10 a.m. and the pre-fireworks concert at 8 p.m.

Initial selections included for the June 22 concert are "Air for Band," composed in 1956 by Frank Erickson (1923-1996). The "Air" refers to an aria, which

a vocal/instrumental line, and performed mostly with clarinets. Another selection is "Oh, Henry" (not the candy bar), which was composed in "sweet" homage to musician Henry Fillmore. This composition has "furious woodwind flurries and classic trombone smears." The fast pace is guaranteed to keep your toes tapping(without a warrantee). The classic Tin Pan Alley song "In the Good Old Summertime" was composed by George Evans and Ren Shields in 1902, and was initially rejected aa a worthwhile song. It later became one of the hits of the era with the "There's a time in each year that we always hold dear, good summertime..." The song was also the title of a Judy Garland movie.

As always, the band is made of young and seasoned musicians, who(starting on May

is a tuneful melody in 17) meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Gilford High School band room on every Tuesday through August 23. New members of all ages are still invited to join. One of our members is Dani

Corning, who has been a member for 6 years, and performs with the flute. She is self-taught, and also plays the piccolo and the alto-flute. Her musical experience includes being a flutist and

manager of the Lakes Region Big Band, and a member of the Franklin Footlight Theatre Pit Orchestra. Having played for 6 years, she enjoys coming back each year.

We hope to see you

at the first concert on Wednesday, June 22. For further information on membership and/or performances, contact Band Director Lyvie Beyrent at lbeyrent@sau73.org.

## **Bank of NH Pavilion introduces** new food & beverage partner

exciting time at Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion as the 2016 Eastern Propane Concert Series takes shape. The biggest schedule in the venue's history, with the likes of Dave Matthews Band, Rod Stewart, Chris Stapleton, Keith Urban, Ringo Starr, Don Henley and many more, are sure to keep you entertained at every turn. And now, with a brand new full-service food and beverage partner, Best Beverage Catering, concert-goers can enjoy a full, all-around experi-

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and local favorite, Mary it our Web site, http:// McDonald. Mary brings with her over 20 years of experience in the food and beverage industry, as well as many years of experience with the ven-

ue previously. BBC will be partnering with some local brands to help improve the overall quality of the food offerings. Lakeside Pizza will be providing pizza and other Italian specials. Scott Ouellette from the O Steaks & Seafood and Canoe brands will be presenting his Rubbin' Butts BBQ brand and the Wine-ing Butcher will be providing many deli cut steak selections with marinates to die for. The venue will be offering all new menus at many different areas throughout the venue. Please visbnhp.us/menus for full details.

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## Local author to appear at Annie's Book Stop

Dougherty will be com. during Bike Week. signing copies of her "In Polyester Pajamas," "In Woolen Bikinis" and "In Leather Chaps" at Annie's Book Stop in Laconia on June 4 from 3-5 p.m. All three books are part of a women's fiction series based in the Lakes Region.

Dougherty's first "In Polyesnovel, ter Pajamas," lished in June 2012, won the New Hampshire Writers' Project 2013/2014 Readers' Choice Award for outstanding work of fiction. It was the first book in the Jean and Rosie series. She has also published several essays and poems, and was a featured author in the 2012-2013 publication "50 Great Writers You Should be

- Lo- Reading," presented Harleys and enjoying

Catherine erty, a native of New Hampshire, lives with her husband in the Lakes Region

area, near Winnipesaukee. is a member of the New Hampshire Writer's Project. Her latbook, "In Leathreleased er Chaps," year, features scenes with the main

characters

cal author Catherine by TheAuthorsShow. Weirs Beach festivities

To find out more about the author and her books, visit her Web site/blog at

http://catherinedougherty.com. nie's Book Stop is located at 1330 Union Ave. in

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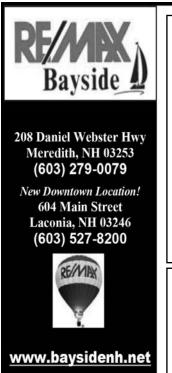
## The New Hampshire **Boat Museum visits Taylor Community**

LACONIA The New Hampshire Boat Museum in Wolfeboro is an educational organization focusing on the boating heritage and life on the lakes and rivers of our beautiful state.

Join us Monday, June 6 at 2 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building as Executive Director Lisa Simpson explains how the museum serves the local community and visitors through its exhibits, outreach programs, events and publications.

The event is free and open to the public. Please call 524-5600 to reserve your seat!

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#### **POETRY**

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Each grade had winners and all winners will receive a gift certificate to Jordan's Ice Cream in Belmont.

An overall winner was chosen from each of the three schools, each receiving a Kindle Fire. All three poems were printed on bookmarks that were put in the school libraries and the Gilford Public Library.

Fourth grader Rylee Rizzitano was the winner from the elementary school with her poem "I am Poem." The judges commented that Rylee's poem captures the wonder and spirit of poetry.

"Already in fourth grade, Rylee knows there's magic in poetry," the judges' comments read.

Rizzitano said she felt all the things in the poem and wrote them down. She said she was excited about winning.

The winner from the middle school was seventh grader Shushu Sawyer with her poem "Do Not Force Poetry." The judges commented that this poem fits the spirit of National Poetry Month.

"Shushu understands that poetry comes from inside of us," the judges commented.

Sawyer said her poem was about the importance of letting words come to poetry and not forcing ideas.

"I thought of that when I was trying to force it," Sawyer said.

She said she was really happy and excited about her win.

"I wasn't expecting it, so I was really surprised," Sawyer said.

The high school win-



FRIN PLUMMER

Elementary school winner Rylee Rizzitano reads her poem at the awards night for the 15th Annual Poetry Competition.



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Shushu Sawyer, the poetry contest winner from the middle school, reads her winning piece.



Olivia Edson was the winner of the poetry contest from the high school and shared her poem at the awards event.

ner was senior Olivia Edson, who submitted "Colors" about watching a grandmother playing piano.

The judges commented that Edson's poem shares the love of music.

"If we love the arts our souls are in good order and the arts will reward us again and again," the judges' comments read.

Edson said she overall likes stories in poetry and wanted that to be in her work.

"I was surprised more than anything," Edson said of her win.

Onos said overall participation was great this year with over 200 entries.

"I think that all of them are above their age level when they show the poems," Onos said. "I love hearing them express it because it gives more to their poems."

#### **BALDRICKS**

"We're very proud to have it here and we're very proud the Gilford Youth Center can attach its name to its cause."

He said they want to reach out to the Lakes Region as a whole.

"We encourage people from all over the Lakes Region to come to this event and show their support," Hodsdon said.

Hodsdon said he is

really grateful for all the volunteers that help out. He said it is a lot of work to have one event, but an annual event requires a lot of people's dedica-

This is the first year he is the organizer and said it has helped a lot to have many other people around who are familiar with the event.

"These people truly

have a passion for this event." Hodsdon said. "It's terrific to work with such individuals who have a passion for what they're doing."

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Hodsdon said they will offer the space as long as there is a need, though he said he was told by past organizer John Beland that they hope they will never have that need.

#### **FIRE BOAT**

Castle.

"I really can't explain that much more than what I've herd from the fire chief," Carrier said.

Ports-In April, mouth offered its 30foot MetalCraft boat purchased through \$350,000 in Homeland Security grants to Gilford after determining it wouldn't meet the city's needs and was too expensive to maintain. After much discussion the Portsmouth fire engineers and the city council, the city approved the transfer of the boat to Gilford. Gilford's board of selectmen accepted it at a public hearing, though the process wasn't finalized.

Carrier said that Monday, the Portsmouth city council heard from the New Castle Fire Department and a number of other people from that town speaking in favor of transferring the boat to New Castle. Carrier said the points made were that New

Castle could house the boat and operate and maintain it as well as Portsmouth. Another point was that the boat would be staying on the Seacoast and available to assist any other neighboring community.

Carrier said learned of the vote in a text message from Portsmouth fire chief Steve Achilles that same night.

"It sounds like it's a done deal to me," Carrier said. "We'll see what else comes of it, if anything."

Carrier said he spoke with someone from the Department of Homeland Security to get an opinion on this matter, and was told they have not had contact with the city on this since the beginning, when the boat was proposed to go to Gilford. Carrier said he heard Homeland Security would not pass any judgment on this development.

Board Chair Richard Grenier asked for consensus approval from

the rest of the selectmen to attend the next Portsmouth city council meeting.

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"I think that was extremely rude of them," Grenier said, saying that they had said nothing to Gilford as of their most recent council meeting.

Grenier said it was the city council's right to make that vote, but he would have preferred to hear the news different-

certainly would have liked to have heard it from them as an elected city council representing the board," Grenier said.

Grenier also asked for permission to attend a coming meeting by the New Castle board of selectmen. He said he wants to offer to their selectmen that if the town finds the boat doesn't meet its needs then Gilford would like to have first consideration.

Selectmen Chan Eddy and Gus Benavides said they had no issues with either of those requests.

#### **BOWL-A-THON**

Salle, president of Fu-

Jamie Sousa, who sits on both the boards of Fusion and the Children's Auction, said the Fusion board thought the Children's Auction was a perfect fit for the Bowla-thon.

"Our goal is to give back to future generations," Sousa said.

At the beginning of the event Sousa read a letter from Children's Auction founder Warren Bailey. Bailey thanked the event organizers for this benefit. He said since the auction began 34 years ago, the common question he has received is "How can I help?"

"Whether as a group of an individual you have stepped up to the challenge," Bailey wrote. Bailey said as everyone came together for a fun night of bowling, "your kindness and caring goes a long way in telling a child you care."

A portion of the evening's proceeds went to the Children's Auction's many efforts for children and families in the area. Children's Auction board member Ed Darling said each application for assistance is reviewed by the Disbursements Committee and ranked according to priority. Highest priority goes to immediate needs, such as food, coats, and Christmas presents. Second priority goes to "agencies responsible for improving the lives of children and families in the Lakes Region." Third is for onetime purchases or capital expenses. The fourth is for group activ(Continued from Page A1)



Teams bowl for a good cause during the fifth annual Fusion Bowl-a-thon, this year's even benefiting the Children's Auction of the Greater Lakes Region.

ities, such as sports and summer camp scholarships.

The teams included members of area businesses and individuals conglomerated into teams Half the teams bowled candlepin and the other half bowled tenpin, switching halfway through. There were also raffles and a donation jar.

A number of board members for the Children's Auction stepped up to the lanes.

"Any event for the Children's Auction is good," said Children's Auction board member Tony Felch.

Board member Bob Glassett said this was another opportunity to get the word out about their organization and get more support.

"We try to get out and as many events as we can to support the people putting them on," Glassett said.

Darling has working with the Children's Auction since 1984 and was happy with was is going on now, from the 16 teams at that event to Pub Mania and efforts by the schools and fire departments and beyond.

"It's been a very humbling experience to be part of it," Darling said.

He said it has been amazing to watch this grow and see the community support it has received in the past 32 years.

The evening's overall winner was the team from Burrito Me.

Other upcoming Fusion networking events include kayaking Meredith Bay with Ekal, the Haunted Corn Maze at Beans and Greens in Gilford, the Impact Awards, and a possible murder mystery night.







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#### **NOTEBOOK**

Parmachenee and Umbagog regions once or twice a year to do wildlife biology work for the power companies that control the lake levels there, as part of their licensing agreement. So one day last week we agreed to meet in Rangeley for supper.

I was afar, in Lancaster, and got waylaid by a doctor's appointment, and suddenly I knew that I'd never make our meeting time at Sarge's in Rangeley, and so I tried to put the hammer down along Route 142 between Rumford and Route 4, and discovered what I already knew, that if you try to make time the permanent frostheaves will make an astronaut out of you. There's no cell signal for most of the trip, but at the apogee of one of the major frost-heaves, atop some ridge, I actually got Jeff and he heard the word "late,"

and that was good enough, because when I got to Sarge's it had bothered him not at all and he was into a second or third pitcher with his crew of fellow misfits, who help him spot wildlife and fix loon nesting barges and stuff like that.

On the way home the next morning I saw a moose in a moose wallow and a fox going pell-mell for Canada, and then an old house jacked up on timbers awaiting a new cellar. Not a bad list for a short visit.

The ATVs have hit Stratford-Colebrook-Pittsburg-Errol trail circuit in earnest. The main trail goes right by my front lawn, my town road being an experimental link in the trail system, so I'm in a good position to see who's riding what, and how.

---I love to see riders with machines packed with duffle on racks front and back. They are obviously making a trip of it, dining and lodging in local towns, and are dollar signs on wheels. Plus, they go slow enough to be able to actually see something, like the scenery, and always wave back, and often pull over to visit.

---The 20-30-somethings often seem bored with the road sections and just want to get them out of their way to get back onto the rough-riding trails. They hardly look left or right and barely notice or acknowledge a wave. As a group they go way above the speed limit.

---Families are always fun to see. Usually it's Mom, Dad, two or three kids, and often a dog. The dog rides on the rear rack, looking ahead, its ears streaming behind. Sometimes the dog rides up on the front rack, the driver peering around it. Kids and adults wave back like mad, and often I'll try to wave them over so the dog can make a pit stop and galumph around with my dog, after the usual butt-sniffing ceremonies.

---The absolute worst riders are local teenagers, who seem to have been taught no trail manners at all, let alone respect for the other vehicles or the law. They are going by my house at 50 or 60, and no exaggeration. If I were crossing my road with a tractor I could never get out of the way, and they'd either hit me or have to panic-swerve and crash.

The dandelions are in full bloom and absolutely beautiful. In Vermont's nearby Northeast Kingdom the Dandelion Run is held in late May "on roads through dirt the dandelion fields of Morgan, Holland and Derby," as the story in the local paper enticingly put it. Not only do we enjoy seeing dandelions, we actually dig and wash-washwash and then wash again and eat them, while people far to the

south persecute them

in pursuit of the Perfect Lawn.

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## Second half powers Eagles past Belmont in finale

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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BELMONT – Thanks to a big second half, the Gilford High School boys' lacrosse team ended its season in winning fashion on Friday. The visiting Golden Eagles held rival Belmont High School to just two goals after intermission, pulling away for a 13-7 victory in the Division III finale for both squads.

The victory puts the Eagles with a final record of 4-10 this spring, and the squad won two of their final three games to end on a high note. Belmont wound up 2-12 overall in its inaugural varsity season with wins over Manchester West and Stevens.

A late second quarter charge enabled the Raiders to tie the game 5-5 at halftime, though Gilford came charging out of the intermission to take control of the game for good. Seth Valpey scored on the Eagles' first possession of the third quarter, and Drouin Brulotte made it 7-5 with a tilt just two minutes later.

Belmont senior Nick Belanger cut into the deficit, pulling the hosts within 7-6, but the tandem of Seth Valpey and Brulotte again scored late in the third to extend

the Gilford advantage to 9-6 entering the fourth.

Nate Cobis pushed the lead to 10-6 on a deflected shot for Gilford to start the final stanza before Chaz Hacking answered for Belmont with a goal off a feed from Tanner Woods to make it 10-7. That would be the last goal the Raiders would muster however, as the Eagles closed the game on a 3-0 run with goals from Seth Valpey, Cobis and Sander Valpey to pull away for the 13-7 victory.

Gilford led just 2-0 after a back and forth opening quarter dominated by the defenses, though neither team managed to sustain possession for large periods of time.

Hacking, who finished with a team-high five goals, put Belmont on the board just 20 seconds into the second quarter, cutting the lead to 2-1.

Cobis made it 3-1 Gilford just minutes later, but Hacking again buried a shot after a great clearance from defender Hunter Kenney to pull within 3-2.

Despite being a man down, Gilford got a goal from Nate Hudson for a 4-2 lead midway through the second, and Josh Valentine tallied his second



Gilford defender James Buckley (12) muscles a Belmont player off the ball near his own goal on Friday.

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of the day for a 5-2 advan-

Belmont put together its best string of play late in the half however. Hacking scored his third of the afternoon on a shot that bounced off Gilford goalkeeper Ethan Ormes' helmet, and he followed with a nice spin move goal three minutes later. Josh Atherton closed the mini 3-0 run just seconds before the halftime whistle. After the Raiders killed off a man down situation in their offensive zone, Atherton blasted a shot through traffic to send the game into the SEE LACROSSE PAGE B8



Gilford's William Crowell (left) and goalkeeper Ethan Ormes (43) sandwich Belmont's Chaz Hacking during the second quarter of the Eagles' 13-7 victory in season finale action on Friday.

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## Offense explodes as Eagles blast Somersworth

**BY JEFF LAJOIE** 

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GILFORD - An offensive explosion, which featured a 10run inning, saw the Gilford High School softball team cap its regular season in fine fashion on Friday.

The host Golden Eagles entered the postseason with a 9-7 overall record, closing things out with a 22-3 thumping of Somersworth High School.

Gilford, which was scheduled to open the D-III tournament at home against Kearsarge after deadline this week, pounded out 19 hits against the Hilltoppers. The Eagles honored senior captain Sarah Lachapelle, along with fellow captain Emily Theberge and scorekeeper Jordan Dean, who is out for the season after undergoing knee surgery.

"Nineteen hits in just four innings of batting. It was a slugfest," said Gilford head coach Joan Forge. "This was a great game to propel us into the tournament."

Sarah Lachapelle was the winning pitcher for the Eagles, giving up three hits and recording nine strikeouts over five innings of work. The offense was powered by Jillian Lachapelle's 4-for-5 day (two RBIs), along with Stevie Orton (three hits, two runs, six RBIs), Samantha Knowles (three hits, three runs, three RBIs), Lexi Boisvert (three hits, four RBIs), and Karly Sanborn (three hits, two RBIs). Sarah Lachapelle drove in four runs and also scored four runs, while Alexis Lacroix had one hit and one RBI.

Already leading 12-0 in the bottom of the fourth, the Eagles pushed across 10 runs to take a commanding The highlight was a double and a triple from Jillian Lachapelle, as Gilford batted around. Knowles and Sanborn also had two hits each in the frame.

#### Berlin 7, Gilford 6 (nine innings)

Berlin 15, Gilford 3 GILFORD – Earlier in the week, the Eagles dropped a doublehead-

High School, with the opening game lasting into the ninth inning before the Mountaineers won an outstanding contest.

"I'm so proud of Sarah (Lachapelle) who held the powerful Berlin offense to just one run throughout the first six innings of the game," lauded Forge. "She was also responsible for seven assists, one put out and a double play. Plus she connected on a two-run home run to give us a 3-1 lead."

Lachapelle walked just three batters over the nine innings, adding seven strikeouts in the lengthy affair.

Berlin trailed 3-1 before scoring four runs in the top of the seventh to take a 5-3 lead. Undaunted, the Eagles responded with two in the home half to force

er to visiting Berlin extras. Knowles had an RBI single to make it 5-4, and Boisvert singled and scored on an error to tie the game,

> Berlin took a 7-5 lead with two in the top of the ninth, but Gilford didn't go quietly in the bottom of the inning. With two outs, Jillian Lachapelle reached on an error, and Sarah Lachapelle followed with a single. Maggie McNeil singled Jillian Lachapelle home to make it 7-6, but with the tying run on third base, Berlin was able to retire the final batter and survive.

> The Eagles were unable to muster much in game two, as Berlin scored 15 runs on 13 hits in a 15-3 victory. Lacroix had two hits for Gilford, while Sanborn, Sarah Lachapelle and Orton scored the Eagle runs.



Gilford freshman Lexi Boisvert celebrates after scoring a run in the Eagles' loss to Berlin on

## Eagles grind past Moultonborough in D-III semis

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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GILFORD – One year ago, after losing in the NHIAA Division III semifinals, the Moultonborough Academy boys' tennis team began mapping out its return shot at perennial power Gilford High School. The Panthers had their entire team returning, and they felt like this spring held the key to dethroning the three-time defending state champions.

But like 2015, MA was unable to snap Gilford's historic winning streak in the rematch on May 26. Playing in the semifinals for the second year in a row, the top-seeded Eagles once again marched on to the state championship match. Gilford withstood some incredibly tight matches in singles play, earning an 7-2 win over fourth-seeded Moultonborough in a contest that was significantly closer than the final score indicated.

The victory sent the Eagles through to the state finals against seventh-seeded Inter-Lakes High School in a rematch of last year's D-III state championship. The contest was slated to be played after deadline

on May 31 at Derryfield School in Manchester.

"We knew we were going to be in for a battle," said Gilford head coach Terry Wilson. "Moultonborough is the toughest team we've seen so far. I'm very happy with the guys and the way they played. They definitely earned it on a warm day."

The Panthers (11-5), which knocked off fifth-seeded Profile in the quarterfinals, got a win at first singles from senior Aaron Diamond. who earned an 8-5 win over Gilford's Alex Soberon Zertuche. MA was also right in the thick of things in four others singles matches, but the Eagles sealed the deal when Connor Craigie captured an 8-4 win at number six against Robert Castleberry. Leading 5-1 entering doubles play, the final outcome was in the

"This is a really tough loss," admitted MA head coach Mio Kerr. "We really wanted to win this match. We played (the day before against Profile) and it also a very hot day. We had some players overheated but that's certainly not an excuse. I'm very, very proud of them."



Gilford's Alex Soberon Zertuche serves a point during his match against Moultonborough's Aaron Diamond at first singles in the Division III state semifinals on May 26.

Gilford opened the day with an 8-1 win at second singles from Grant Workman over MA's Mike Dalzell, and the lead grew to 2-0 when Christian Workman earned an 8-4 victory at number four against Reese Swedberg.

Diamond put the Panthers on the board, making it a 2-1 match when he broke late and served out for the 8-5 win.

"That match was two of the best in the state and they're out there just hitting back and forth long rallies," Wilson said

of Diamond and Soberon Zertuche.

All eyes turned to the match at third singles from there. Gilford's Shafique broke Sam MA's Phil Stamp to take a 7-6 lead. But serving for the match, Shafque SEE **TENNIS** PAGE B8



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## Baer earns pair of runner-up finishes at state championship

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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BRISTOL – It was a day for Marina Baer to show she belongs amongst the elite in Division III on Saturday. The Gilford High School junior earned runner-up finishes in a pair of events, qualifying for the Meet of Champions in the process to power the Golden Eagles at the NHIAA Division III championship held at Newfound Regional High School.

Baer's big day helped the Gilford girls' team to a 12th place finish overall, as the Eagles registered a total of 14 points. She finished second in the javelin, tossing her best heave 118 feet, 11 inches to finish behind only Katelyn McCoole of Raymond (125-6). Baer also took the runner-up spot in the high jump, where she cleared 4-8 to nab second behind runaway winner Dominique Biron of Bow (5-4).

Baer closed out her day with a third top 10 finish in the shot put, as her throw of 28 feet, 5.5 inches handed her 10th place overall.

The girls' team also earned a top 10 finish in the 4x800 relay, where the quartet of Aria Stephan, Madison Relf, Carly White and Kaitlyn Callahan took eighth overall with a time of 11:50.

The Eagles also had a 4x400 relay team in the state meet, where Callahan, Jennie Gannon, Stephan and White placed 15th overall in 5:00.

Callahan earned a 12th place finish in the 1,600 meters for Gilford, crossing the line in 6:06. Relf took home 13th overall in the 3,200 meters with a time of

Senior Jess Ladd qualified and compete in two field events for the Eagles. She was 14th overall in the discus (75-4) and 17th in the javelin (72-0), while Stephan rounded things out with a 17th place finish in the 800 (2:44).

In the boys' event, senior Jacob Baer scored points in two events for the Eagles. His best finish came in the 110 hurdles, where he finished fifth overall with a time of 16.80 seconds. In the 300 hurdles, Baer was sixth overall, earning a point with a time of 43.19 seconds.

Senior Ryan La-France was the other point scorer for Gilford, as his final state championship yielded a fourth place overall finish in the 3,200 meters with a time of 10:15.

Sophomore Michael Wernig set a personal best in the discus, placing seventh overall for the Eagles as the top field event finisher.



Gilford junior Marina Baer tosses the javelin en route to a second place finish at the NHIAA Division III state championship on Saturday in Bristol. Baer's best throw of 118 feet, 11 inches, put her second overall, sending her to this weekend's



Madison Relf of Gilford runs a leg of the 4x800 relay during Saturday's NHIAA Division III state championship in Bristol.



Senior Jacob Baer rises up in the 110 hurdles for Gilford on Saturday in Bristol. Baer finished fifth overall, crossing the line in

## **Eagles stumble in finale loss to Somersworth**

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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GILFORD – It was a day to forget for the Gilford High School baseball team.

In the season finale against visiting Somersworth High School, the Golden Eagles managed just one hit in a disappointing 14-0 loss in a five-inning run-shortened contest to send them into this week's NHIAA Division III Tournament with a 7-9 overall record.

The visiting Hilltoppers jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the top of the first and took off from there. Somersworth added four runs in the second and six more in the third to take a 14-0 lead it would hold for the shutout win.

Junior Tyler Sargent started and lasted three innings for the Eagles. He struck out three and allowed 12 hits, with eight of his 14 runs being earned. Brandon

Sasserson closed out the game with two scoreless innings on the mound in his final home game, as the senior allowed just one hit during his

relief stint. Pat McKenna had the lone hit in the loss for the Eagles, which were to play on the road in the opening round of the D-III tournament at Franklin.

#### Prospect Mountain 9, Gilford 8

ALTON - A late charge from the Eagles nearly yielded an epic come from behind victory earlier in the week against Prospect Moun-

Trailing 9-3 in the top of the seventh, Gilford rallied for five runs and had the tying and goahead runs in scoring position. PM managed to escape however, getting a ground ball to first base to end the game, 9-8

Freshman Alex

Muthersbaugh had two hits and three RBIs for the Eagles on the day, while Alex Thornton added two hits and Sargent had an RBI. Connor McKenna pitched well in relief for Gilford, tossing five innings on the mound and allowing just three earned runs on six hits while striking out five.

Meet of Champions.

Gilford 9, Berlin 6 GILFORD – The week began with a key win over Berlin, as Gilford jumped out to a 5-0 lead and managed to do just enough to secure its lone victory of the week.

Thornton, Sasserson and Branden Lemay had RBIs in the sixth inning to help the Eagles secure the win late. Sasserson also pitched three innings of relief in the win, while Dom Troiano and Lemay had two hits a piece at the dish. Thornton added a home run for Gilford.

Sandor Gamache was three finishes in the 300 hurdles (46.71), while Connor Leggett took 15th place in the 1,600 (4:51).

Marina Baer's top

10th in the triple jump javelin and high jump (37-6.5) and 12th in the qualified her for the Meet of Champions, scheduled for this Saturday, June 4 at Winnacunnet High School in Hampton.



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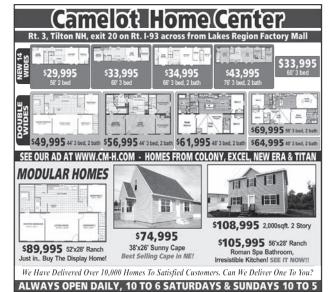
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#### **LACROSSE**

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break tied at 5-5.

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Gilford dropped its season finale to visiting Bow High School, 17-11, finishing one spot out of the D-III tournament with a final record of 6-8.

Senior Laura Za-korchemny closed out her career with four goals in the loss against Bow, while classmate Mariah Nelson netted a hat trick for Gilford. Freshman Laurel Normandin scored two goals, while seniors Cassidy Bartlett and Dana Ruchti also found the scoresheet for single markers in the finale.

The goalkeeping tandem of Emily Hayden and Autumn Bos combined for 15 saves on the afternoon.

#### **TENNIS**

was broken right back by Stamp, and after each held serve to make it 8-8, a tiebreaker was needed to decide a huge point. Shafique built a quick lead and never trailed, capturing a 7-3 win in the breaker to put the Eagles up 3-1 overall.

"Sam played a really gritty match to pull out that tiebreaker," offered Wilson. "At that point, it's either 3-1 or 2-2 and if it's 2-2 there, really it becomes anybody's match. Taking that point really gave a lot of motivation to the rest of the lineup."

Tyler Hanf followed with a tight 8-6 win at fifth singles over MA's Cameron Capone, who fought back from a 7-4 deficit with a break to make it 7-6 before Hanf took the final game for the victory. Craigie sealed the deal moments later, capturing the final three games to turn a 5-4 lead into an 8-5 win.

"Everybody was close," explained Kerr of the matches. "The score doesn't reflect the play. We almost beat them the first time we played this year (a 5-4 Gilford win) and I thought we played well again this time."

That close tilt back in April certainly caught the attention of the Gilford lineup, which was prepared for a long afternoon against MA.

"There was no need to get pumped up because the guys knew that Moultonborough was a talented team and they rose to the occasion," said Wilson. "Mio has done a wonderful job with their team. The score might've been 5-1 (after singles) but these were all close matches."

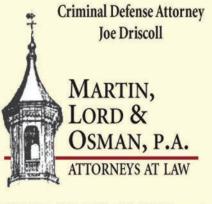
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Gilford won two of the three doubles matches to cap off the 7-2 win that punched its ticket to the finals and a rematch with an Inter-Lakes team it beat for the 2015 title. MA settled for a second straight D-III semifinals appearance.

"We really wanted to play Gilford in the finals, not the semifinals, but you have to beat them one time or another," said Kerr. "It's very sad though. I have four seniors graduating. Hopefully we'll have enough kids to have a team for next season."



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