

Young Scout offers a moving tribute to Veterans Home residents

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TILTON — A special tribute to the men and women of the New Hampshire Veterans' Home last week was highlighted by young boys and girls who not only sang but delivered this year's Veterans Day Message.

David Testerman is a 12-year-old Boy Scout from Troop 88 in Loudon who was asked to write a speech on what Veterans Day meant to him. That speech turned into a message that in the end meant a lot to the men and women of World War II, the Korean and Vietnam Wars who listened to his words.

Testerman's presentation was titled "The America I Believe In," which he admitted in his very first sentence was not perfect.

Beginning in 1776, he

noted that the founding fathers sought to make a country where they could live free. Not everyone agreed with their philosophies but, putting differences aside, they still worked to maintain a land where they could all live and worship as they chose.

The Civil War, he said, was another time when division crept across the land and not all agreed on the direction the country should take. As war broke out amongst the states, those on each side were willing to lay down their lives for their beliefs.

Testerman said his great-grandfather took part in World War II despite the imperfect nature of those tumultuous times.

"While he served as an infantryman on the battlefields of Italy, many of his relatives



Boy Scout David Testerman was thanked by WWII Veteran Fred Osgood for the Veterans Day Message the 12-year-old Boy Scout delivered at the New Hampshire Veterans' Home last Thursday.

back in the United States were sent to internment camps, yet he continued to fight for the freedoms and ideals our flag symbolized," Testerman told the audience.

As a member of the Air Force, his grandfa-

ther also took part in the Vietnam War, fighting for a country that was still not perfect. And while soldiers were spit on and disrespected whenever they returned home to a country filled with protests about the war, Testerman's grand-

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Tilton police bring local fugitive's flight from authorities to an end

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TILTON — On Monday, Nov. 14, Tilton police officers Elizabeth Murray and Jeremiah Trott arrested 24-year-old former Tilton area resident Hayden Moon, who was wanted in connection with a serious encounter on Oct. 28 that involved the discharge of an officer's weapon when he tried to take the man into custody on South Road in Belmont. Moon, who was already wanted on several bench warrants, fled the scene in those early morning hours, and the U.S. Mar-



Former Lakes Region resident Hayden Moon was brought into custody in Tilton on Monday afternoon to face several charges, including a warrant for his arrest following a serious encounter with police in Belmont late last month.

shall's Office quickly issued an additional warrant for his arrest.

No further details on that incident have been released as the State con-

tinues its investigation into the matter.

At the time he was detained this past Monday however, Moon added to his lengthy list of charges when he was found to be in possession of what is believed to be methamphetamine and initially gave a false name and date of birth to the officers.

In a written press release, Tilton Police Chief Robert Cormier said Officer Murray was on patrol in the area of Laconia Road, near Silver Lake, at approximately 12:30 p.m. that day when she observed a black

2001 Saturn S Series sedan traveling eastbound with defective equipment. The vehicle containing four individuals made a turn onto Church Street in the Lochmere District of the town and, after pulling the driver over for the defect, she soon requested back-up assistance.

Officer Trott responded to the call and the officers both noticed a passenger in the back seat who appeared to be avoiding eye contact with them as he stuffed a package containing a white powdered substance.

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Thanksgiving holiday makes for early deadlines

MEREDITH — With our offices at 5 Water St. in Meredith closing Thursday, Nov. 24 in observance of Thanksgiving, that week's edition of the Winnisquam Echo will arrive in subscribers' mail boxes a day earlier than usual, on Wednesday, Nov. 23.

The submission deadline for any press releases, letters to the editor, and obituaries has also been moved up to Friday, Nov. 18 at 4 p.m. Submissions are welcome in person at our offices or by e-mail at echo@salmonpress.com.

Any submissions received after 4 p.m. on the 18th will be held for publication on Dec. 1.

For information regarding the Thanksgiving deadlines for display advertising, please contact our Sales team at 279-4516 or beth@salmonpress.com.

The staff of the Winnisquam Echo wishes our readers a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

BES students honor local veterans

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BELMONT — The boys and girls of Belmont Elementary School once again invited veterans to join the school community for a special tribute to their selfless service and sacrifices to the United States of America.

Emceed by the BES Student Council, the Veteran's Day Showcase began with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the singing of the national anthem, which was led by the school's Vocal Ensemble and music director Jennifer Shaw.

Fourth grade students then presented "America's White Table," also known as the "Missing Man Table," a tradition filled with symbolism to acknowledge the service man or woman missing from a family gathering.

"The table that stands before you is a place of



First grade student Jackie from Belmont Elementary School presented Nelson LeClair of the U.S. Army's 10th Mountain Division with one of the many flags and poppies she and her classmates made for their Veteran's Day Showcase last Thursday.

honor. In setting this table, we acknowledge those missing from our celebration today," they read.

Added one by one to the table were symbols such as an empty wineglass, grains of salt, a single rose and one lone lit candle each signify

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Legion gearing up again for annual Thanksgiving dinner

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NORTHFIELD — The Whiteman-Davidson American Legion Post 49 is once again gearing up to host their Thanksgiving Day dinner, an annual event that is free to anyone in the community.

In order to make it all possible, though, the men and women of the

Post are reaching out to the public for assistance with food items, preparations on the day before the holiday and volunteers who might have a few free hours on Thanksgiving to help set up and serve the meal.

As always, they would be grateful for any food or monetary donations the public

would like to contribute toward this community event. On their list of needed foods this year are turkeys that are approximately 15 pounds, which must be brought to the Post headquarters no later than this Sunday, Nov. 20. Other donations of potatoes, butternut squash, frozen baby peas, cranberry sauce, rolls, but-

ter and desserts of any kind will be accepted in the days leading up to the holiday.

“We also accept cash donations to help offset the cost of any food items we don’t receive. Last year we served close to 100 people so any and all donations are deeply appreciated,” said Jacalyn Newton of the Post’s Auxil-

iary.

Doors will be open for the dinner from noon until 3 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, and everyone is invited to stop in to enjoy a delicious free meal with their family, friends

and neighbors.

The Whiteman-Davidson American Legion Post 49 is located at 4 Park St. in Northfield, just over the bridge from the traffic lights in downtown Tilton.

NH Humane Society announces Black Friday Adopt-a-Thon

BELMONT — Join the New Hampshire Humane Society for our always eagerly anticipated Annual Black Friday Adopt-a-Thon, now with even more dogs and puppies looking for a fur-ever home.

The Adopt-a-Thon will be held on Friday, Nov. 25 at the Belknap Mall in Belmont, from 9 – 11 a.m., and new this year, a second flight of dogs and puppies from Noon – 2pm. Come early for the best selection of dogs and puppies. Adopters must be 21 years old or older, and bring proof of homeownership or a rental agreement that explicitly states that pets are allowed and proof that any other animals in the home are current on rabies vaccinations. Check nhhumane.org and our FaceBook page for further details and sneak peeks at the dogs and puppies who will be available for adoption.

event at the shelter on Saturday, Nov. 26, with special reduced rates for cat and kitten adoptions.

The New Hampshire Humane Society will also be at the Holiday Crafts Fair, now at the Belknap Mall, on Saturday, November 26 from 10am-4pm and Sunday, Nov. 27 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., raffling off beautiful gift baskets, all proceeds to support the

NHHS shelter.

The New Hampshire Humane Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to find responsible and caring forever homes; provide shelter for the lost, abandoned and unwanted animals; advocate and be the voice for the voiceless. The Society works hard to prevent cruelty to animals and offers education and outreach programs, pet therapy,

and many community initiatives to help people and their pets. To view adoptable pets visit www.nhhumane.org.

The New Hampshire Humane Society also accepts monetary donations online at www.nhhumane.org, or specific items, which can be found online at our “Wish List,” can also be dropped off during shelter hours or by special arrangement.

Gary Maheu appointed as Associate Supervisor on Belknap County Conservation District Board

REGION — The Belknap County Conservation District (BCCD) has appointed Gary Maheu as an Associate Supervisor.

Gary Maheu, a Laconia native, first became involved after volunteering to help rehabilitate the Wetlands Walk, a quarter mile accessible trail at the Gunstock Recreation Area. He and his wife Laurie have three daughter and spend a lot of time outdoors.

“We are pleased to



welcome Gary Maheu as an Associate Board member. As an avid sportsman and member of Trout Unlimited, Gary has a deep commitment to conservation and brings a great mix of skills from his business and professional background,” said Donna Hepp, BCCD Chair.

Gary Maheu shared that “The conservation of this beautiful state’s natural resources is of great importance to me and my family. We enjoy doing whatever we can to help maintain them.”

The Belknap County Conservation District assists landowners and communities in protecting soil and water resources for future generations.

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Monday, Nov. 21

Monday Morning Makers, 11 a.m.

Craft time for homeschool children - (recommended for ages 8 and up)

Chess Club, 3-6 p.m.

Teen Time, 3-3:30 p.m.

Math Tutor, 4 p.m.

The Bookers, 6:30 p.m.

“The Postmistress” by Sarah Blake - “The Postmistress” is a tale of two worlds - one shattered by violence, the other willfully naïve - and of two women whose job is to deliver the news, yet who find themselves unable to do so. Through their eyes, and the eyes of everyday people caught in history’s tide, it examines how stories are told, and how the fact of war is borne even through everyday life. (Amazon)

Tuesday, Nov. 22

Spanish Club, 10 a.m.

Tech Tuesday, 2-4 p.m.

Teen Time, 3-3:30 p.m.

Noon Book Group, noon

“The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend” by Katarina Bivald - Broken Wheel, Iowa, has never seen anyone like Sara, who traveled all the way from Sweden just to meet her book-loving pen pal, Amy. When she arrives, however, she finds Amy’s funeral guests just leaving. The residents of Broken Wheel are happy to look after their bewildered visitor-there’s not much else to do in a dying small town that’s almost beyond repair. Then

again, so is Sara. But Broken Wheel’s own story might be more eccentric and surprising than she thought. (Amazon)

Wednesday, Nov. 23

No Story Time

Teen Time, 3-3:30 p.m.

No Arts and Crafts

Magic the Gathering, 4 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 24

Library Closed for Thanksgiving... have a great holiday.

Friday, Nov. 25

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Saturday, Nov. 26

Let’s Go Lego, 10 a.m.

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“This was a Man” by Jeffrey Archer

“The Twenty-Three” by Linwood Barclay

“No Man’s Land” by David Baldacci

BELMONT POLICE LOG

BELMONT — The Belmont Police Department responded to 117 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of Nov. 4-10. Please note that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protective custody but not formally charged, have been withheld.

An adult male was taken into protective custody following a Disturbance call on Nov. 7.

Two adult males were taken into protective custody on Nov. 8, one following a Suspicious Incident report and the other during a property check.

Dylan Jacob Gortney, age 19, of Belmont was arrested on Nov. 9 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension.



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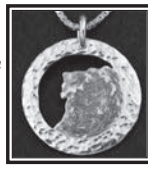
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Alfred Columb, Belknap House, with Chris Tibbetts and Dave Cullen, Tibbetts' Liquid Lawn Hydroseeding of Sanbornton.

Local businesses complete Belknap House landscape renewal project as opening nears

LACONIA — Three local businesses recently completed the landscape renewal project at Belknap House. Aavid Engineering teamed up with S&W Property Management, removing an old fence, installing shrubs and mulching the foundation beds. Finally, Bruce Tibbett's Liquid Lawn Hydroseeding of Sanbornton seeded the 2,000 square foot lawn. The three companies donated all labor and materials.

Belknap House is grateful for the generosity of these community-minded businesses. Opening in late December, the facility will serve as the cold-weather shelter in Belknap County for homeless families with children.

Julie Wescott, Human Capitol Manager at Aavid Thermalloy, led ten volunteers; David Jenkins, owner of S&W Property Management, managed his crew of three employees. After raking the soil and preparing planting holes, 30 shrubs were planted and then watered. The two groups proceeded to

mulch the beds and then clean up the work area.. Ms. Wescott spoke of volunteerism as a way to engage Aavid employees with the community, adding that Aavid's core values include making a difference and servant leadership. David Jenkins commented that his small business strives to do as much as possible to help others in the area. The owner of Jenkins Garden Center for many years, Jenkins has long been part of the local business community.

Following the installation of the foundation shrubbery, Liquid Lawn Hydroseeding quickly seeded the 2,000 square feet lawn, using state-of-the-art equipment. Bruce Tibbetts, owner of both the hydroseeding business and the Tilton Landscaping Center, volunteered all labor and materials. Son Chris Tibbetts and son-in-law Dave Cullen carried out the hydroseeding. As a local business owner, Tibbetts seeks to help his community with donations of labor and product.

On site at all times during the months of landscape renewal efforts, Alfred Columb, Belknap House Treasurer and Landscape Renewal Project Manager, was very pleased with the end results.

LACONIA — The Laconia Pet Center on Union Avenue in Laconia has opened its "Round Up" program this month to the Lakes Region Kennel Club's Pet Oxygen Mask Program. The program asks customers to round up their purchase to the nearest dollar to benefit the Pet Oxygen Mask Program.

The Lakes Region Kennel Club Pet Oxygen Mask Fund was started in 2007. The purpose of this fund is to purchase resuscitation masks that are specially designed to use on animals. These mask kits are presented as a donation to local emergency and rescue departments to aid in the resuscitation of animals that have been trapped in burning buildings and suffering from smoke inhalation. Our goal is to supply the entire state of New Hampshire.

"This is what I envisioned and it couldn't have turned out better," Columb said. "Belknap House wants to be a credit to the community and it starts with a well-kept facility. Our property is what the community plainly sees each and every day."

Belknap House encourages and welcomes volunteers. To view the current list of volunteer opportunities, please visit www.facebook.com/belknaphouse/

People-sized masks don't properly fit dogs and cats. So firefighters must try to revive pets with "mouth-to-snout" breathing or by waving a regular oxygen mask under the animal's nose. Pet-sized masks, however, are the most effective way of delivering life-saving oxygen. And more departments are getting them, with one in three American households now having pets.

The trouble about resuscitating animals, especially big ones like St. Bernards or Great Danes, which have inhaled large amounts of poisonous gases in a fire, is that unless they are given a large and concentrated dosage of oxygen, resuscitation efforts are generally not effective.

However, pets now have higher chances of recovering from the effects of being caught in

a fire. A special kind of oxygen mask which has long been used by veterinary doctors to deliver gas anesthesia and oxygen to pet animals, has been incorporated by fire departments across the country.

Linda Heath, LRLC president, said "LRLC would like to express the club's sincere thanks in advance to Bethany, Laconia Pet Center and their clients for their generosity and concern for pets in New Hampshire. This donation will

Fundraisers and donations from generous area residents, businesses, and community and religious organizations support the shelter. To donate, please go to www.belknaphouse.org.

LRKC originated in 1953 and became a Member Club of the AKC in 1973. We hold a match each year in early May and also hold Rally Trials, Nose Work Trials, and Barn Hunts.

Portions of the proceeds made from LRLCs numerous activities are set aside each year in a special scholarship fund.

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NE Wolves to host food & supply drive for NH Humane Society

ACONIA — The New England Wolves Junior hockey team is holding a pet food and supply drive to benefit the New Hampshire Humane Society shelter at their home game on Wednesday, Nov. 24; puck drops at 6:30 p.m. The shelter is always in need of non-clumping cat litter, canned wet dog and cat food, and office supplies, such as stamps and copy paper. For the full Wish List of donation items sought, please visit nhhumane.org, under the "Donate" section.

"The New England Wolves junior hockey program has made it a concerted effort over the last several seasons to be ambassadors for the Lakes Region and expose our players to active volunteerism," says Andrew Trimble, EHL U19 Head Coach. "Emily Clement, our program's Life Coach, has been central to developing this

program. She has had our boys volunteer with the Humane Society in the past, and in doing the schedule this summer, I thought our game on Thanksgiving Eve would be the perfect time to run a food and goods drive to benefit the animals. We are Wolves.... So why not help our own!"

The New England Wolves are a Tier III junior ice hockey team playing in the Eastern Hockey League - Premier Division. The team plays their home games at the Merrill Fay Arena, located in Laconia.

"With over 160 non-profits in the area we are so grateful that the New England Wolves chose to support our animal shelter," said Mary Lee Gorham, Executive Director of New Hampshire Humane Society. "When we encourage our children to participate in volunteerism

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MC hosting Christmas Fair Saturday

TILTON — The Tilton-Northfield United Methodist Church will hold its annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Nov. 19, from 9 a.m to 2 p.m. The Fair will feature crafts, baked goods, a cookie walk, gift items, wreaths, decorations and a white elephant table. There will be a cof-

fee hour from 9 to 11 a.m., and lunch served 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch will include corn chowder, a variety of sandwiches and dessert.

Due to ongoing renovations at the church, the fair will be held next door at the TNFA hall, 410 West Main St., Tilton.






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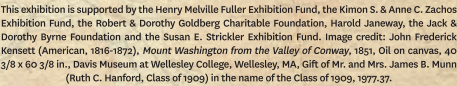
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PRESPECTIVES ON LIVING

BY LARRY SCOTT

The year was 1949 and two young evangelists were about to launch a crusade, this time in Los Angeles, Calif., that was to have an historic and deeply personal impact on them and on the church. Charles Templeton, who had been alternating preaching with his best friend, Billy Graham, was in the throes of a major, personal crisis. Some time before he had read an article in Life Magazine featuring a mother in drought-stricken Africa carrying her dead baby in her arms. To quote from Lee Strobel, in his book “The Case for Faith,” page 14, Templeton thought, “Is it possible to believe that there is a loving or caring Creator when all this woman needed was rain?” That point of view obviously influenced Templeton’s faith in the Bible and he made no secret of his feelings. As Graham recounts in his autobiography “Just As I Am,” Templeton challenged him. “Billy,” he said, “you’re fifty years out of date. People no longer accept the Bible as being inspired the way you do. Your faith is too simple” (p. 138).

Billy Graham, who had enormous respect for his friend, could not dismiss Templeton’s argument out of hand. “If I was not exactly doubtful,” he recalls, “I was certainly disturbed.” Things finally came to a head for him during a quiet walk in the San Bernardino mountains. “Dropping to my knees there in the woods, I opened the Bible at random on a tree stump in front of me” and prayed, “Father, I am going to accept this as Thy Word – by faith! I’m going to allow faith to go beyond my intellectual questions and doubts, and I will believe this to be Your inspired Word” (“Just As I Am,” p. 139).


Little did Billy Graham realize what a profound influence that simple prayer was to have on his personal life. Charles Templeton was soon to withdraw from the ministry, move to Canada, and became a writer and commentator. For Billy Graham, however, the Los Angeles crusade launched a ministry that was to enable thousands of people discover a new relationship with the God Templeton had rejected. Amazingly, it all came down to a matter of personal choice.

Living by faith is, indeed, no “cake walk” and it does demand that we accept the truth that God has chosen to reveal, yes, by faith. The evidence is there for anyone who is willing to study the record and judge it for what it says. In the final analysis, however, it is an act of faith. There is no other way.

The choice to believe, it seems, is most generally a personal issue rather than an intellectual one. God, and the revelation He has given us, demands that we accept His Lordship over our lives. That is a tough call for most people. We don’t want to live under God’s control.

It is a matter we each must settle in our own lives. The choice we make will inevitably impact the life we live and, whether we want to face it or not, our eternal destiny. But do not fear; God is no man’s debtor. He never takes more than He gives in return. It is, indeed, a privilege to serve the Living God!

You want to talk about it? Hit me up at perspectivesonliving@gmail.com.



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PET OF THE WEEK



New Hampshire Humane Society is the kind of shelter where you will find some of our residents roaming and enjoying a suite of rooms – so are the arrangements for Bagel, a big tabby cat leads here with us.

Bagel is feline inquisitiveness personified. From her sturdy, robust though agile personage, to her gentle and constant talk, and thank god she cannot speak English, since she has accompanied many into the ‘smallest room’ in the building!

She loves to oversee the comings and goings of humans and enjoys and often demands the sweet, cool H2O only found from

the kitchen sink. Is this a little bizarre (?) we think not; rather this adorable idiosyncrasy gives Bagel a little bit of feline edge, and shows how her superior intelligence.

We know Bagel would prefer to be the main cat in your life. WE’VE seen her in action, a canine free home would be appropriate, she is NOT enamored with dogs! If you’re looking for a cat with a real zest for fun and exploration in your home, then Bagel, surely is the perfect choice.

She’s been calling NHHS home since May – let’s see if she could be home for the holidays – check www.nhhumane.org

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trump protesters need to learn that losing is a part of life

To the Editor:

To you who are out there violently protesting or sympathize with those who are: grow up! I am troubled by the duplicitous justification for these “tantrums in the streets.”

OK, so you don’t like Trump, and those who supported his candidacy--too bad! Eight years ago, the successful candidate was Obama. I did not agree with his vision for America, and did not vote for him. But he won and my candidate lost. Sure, I was very disappointed and I feared some of the changes he might make that could/would adversely affect me personally. I knew that there were others who also felt the way I did. However, we understood the concept of democracy and the fact that more people voted for Obama, so he was going to be our President. This happened again four years later. Again, more people voted for Obama than his opponent. This is how democratic elections work: the person with the most votes wins! Period! Now, did anyone see violent demonstrations, vandalism, property damage or looting in 2008? How about in 2012?

And now you go out into the streets to protest against Trump and his supporters, who you claim are violent, racists and full of hate, and yet it is you who destroys private property, assaults opponents and burns Trump in effigy. Hello? There is a definite disconnect there, Bubba...Who is the violent and intolerant person? Why, yes; that would be you! Who is being unreasonable? Who burns the flag of the one country in the world where you can protest and destroy and not face a long interment, or worse. Yup...you.

Life is spent winning and losing. If you gamble, you face the possibility of losing. If you play sports, you face the possibility of losing. Each day you get up, you face death in any number of ways. Everything you do, or don’t do could lead to eventual loss. That is pure fact. It’s time for you all to put your big person pants on and face reality. Try making positive changes instead of being poor losers.

*Ken Knowlton
Belmont*

North Country Notebook

After two centuries of abuse, Thoreau’s river is again ours



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Editor’s note: Mr. Harrigan was unable to submit a new North Country Notebook column for this week’s edition. The following column was originally published in November 2015.

On a day not long ago--it will seem long ago when the snow arrives in good shape--I took the long way home, up the old Route 3, the morning after one event or another in Concord when I had plenty of time to enjoy the drive.

Franklin and the part of Tilton on the west side of the Interstate are two towns that always make me pause, mentally and often physically, because of their architecture and history.

They are on the southern edge of this column’s circulation area, which basically stretches from Concord to southern Quebec, yet when I stop there I inevitably run into readers. Among them are



JOHN HARRIGAN

Up through Franklin, Tilton and beyond, examples of ingenious waterpower use abound.

various elements of the extended Katsigiannis family, who run the justly famed Tilton House of Pizza. When I first went in there, I was immediately swept up, not just in great food, and in the epitome of what a fine and warm house of pizza should be, but also in all things Greek, an embrace I’ve always relished.

Before the age of steam, before the development of petroleum and the age of electricity, waterpower was the wonder of the ages. Theoretically it was free (there’s the little matter of ownership), requiring only gravity and the means to channel water to where it was best put to use, and settlers followed rivers up toward their sources until they fetched up at places like Franklin Falls. There the water was put to use indeed, via ingenious dams, diversions, impoundments, canals, penstocks, water wheels

and turbines that powered ever-evolving machines in enterprises from furniture factories to foundries.

Franklin, where the Winnepesaukee and Pemigewasset rivers meet to form the Merrimack, offered a series of rapids and falls that to early settlers spelled power to drive gristmills and sawmills, the two essentials for founding a viable settlement and ultimately a town. Thus along up rivers all over New Hampshire one can see gristmill stones in town parks, and see the earliest actual board-built frame houses that replaced the first log cabins.

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At the junction of the two rivers in Franklin there is a neat little point of land, half island, half peninsula, where one of several monuments to escaped Indian captive Hannah Dustin stands.

It is a great place to launch a canoe, which is what Dirk Ruemenapp (now a pooh-bah at the New Hampshire Union Leader and Sunday News) and I did back in the mid-Seventies at the start of a two-day trip down to Nashua, just above the Massachusetts border.

Back then the Merrimack River, long fouled by industrial waste and untreated human sewage, was beginning to clean itself up, thanks to the Clean Waters Act and a savvy strategy built around small numbers, example, and shame.

The idea was that the numbers farther downriver in the big towns and industrial conglomerates and cities were too big to tackle. Instead, initial efforts targeted small towns far up on the headwaters, where a few hundred thousand dollars--big money back then--could get you a primary or secondary treatment plant for town sewerage, and where the few industrial problems could be cleaned up on site.

Thus one by one, towns on the far headwaters of the Connecticut, Merrimack, Piscataqua and other river systems began to get cleaned up, and gradually the rivers’ own natural flushing, gravel and sand straining abilities resulted in

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Kick start the holiday season with Fourth Annual Festival of Trees in Franklin

FRANKLIN — Kick start the Holiday Season at the Historic Franklin Opera House by attending the Festival of Trees fundraising event Friday-Sunday, Dec. 2-4, that supports our mission to be the resource for distinctive, quality arts, entertainment and enrichment for all members of the Franklin Community and surrounding areas.

If you've never visited The Franklin Opera House, take advantage of this opportunity to experience the majestic

ambience of the theater. For the festival, the Opera house will be energized with Holiday Spirit and jam-packed with dazzling full size and table top Christmas trees, magnificent wreaths, festive gift baskets and other items of the Christmas mode. All items are generously donated by local individuals, families, businesses and organizations. There will be entertainment for your enjoyment as you view the raffle selections and an opportunity to take a chance to win your favorite item, or tree including ornaments and gifts.

Admission is free, but there will be a raffle offered for \$5 for a sheet of 25 tickets.

Festival schedule:
Friday, 5 – 8 p.m. ~

Entertainment: The Franklin Footlight Carollers, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. ~ Entertainment: The Trip Center Line Dancers, 1 p.m. and the Keystrings, Robin Charles and Jo Brown on the piano, 3 p.m.
Sunday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. ~ Entertainment: Amanda McCarthy, Award winning, multi genre singer/songwriter, noon.

On Saturday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m., don't miss the Franklin Opera House feature performance by the Scott Spradling Band. This amazing group of 10 talented musicians play a wide variety of music from Michael Bublé to Elton John, Chicago to Frank Sinatra! All seats \$10

Establish a Holiday tradition by celebrating together with family and community. Join us for the Fourth Annual Festival of Trees. Franklin Opera House is an historic community-based arts and entertainment center in Franklin.

LRSO Holiday Pops concerts at Inter-Lakes feature vocalist Karen Jordan

MEREDITH — The Holidays are upon us, and that means glorious symphonic holiday POPS music is just around the corner. The Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra invites you to join us for two dazzling Holiday Concerts on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3 p.m. Both concerts will be held at the newly-renovated Inter-Lakes Community Auditorium in Meredith. These much-anticipated holiday extravaganzas sell out quickly so get your tickets early.

This year's program features brand new selections including "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas," "A Charlie Brown Christmas," "A Mad Russian's Christmas" by the Trans-Siberian Orchestra, and some timeless LRSO favorites including "Jingle Bells Forever" and a holiday sing-along. Come one come all – enjoy the sounds of the season!

This season's holiday concerts feature guest vocalist Karen Jordan. Jordan is a renowned singer from Laconia versed in many styles from opera to musical theater to jazz. Karen's career has included professional classical and musical theater performance, teaching, and directing. Early performance years included soloist for the New Hampshire Music Festival, Ithaca Chamber Singers, as well as featured guest artist with several summer stock musical theaters and community theaters across New England.

She has played leading roles in Into the Woods, Oklahoma, and



Vocalist Karen Jordan puts you in the holiday spirit with the Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra on Dec. 10 and 11 at Inter-Lakes Auditorium in Meredith.

Camelot to name a few. Some of her musical directing experience includes musical productions with Streetcar Company, Pittsfield Players, Bedford Youth Performing Company, Laconia High School, and Inter Lakes High School.

Most recently she was the Choral Director at Inter-Lakes High School and presently is the director of the Lakes Region Singers, the Lakes Region Youth Chorus, Wesley Choir at First United Methodist

Church in Gilford, and founding director of The Lakes Region Music and Arts Camp. Mrs. Jordan also teaches at her studio in Laconia.

Karen is the founder, director, and soprano of the jazz quartet "Swell Party" who performed throughout New England, with two CD's - "Wishing You a Swell Christmas" and "High Standards" - to their credit.

"There's something very special about holiday songs performed live like this - sometimes there are no words to describe the effect of a large orchestra playing songs that we've all known since childhood," says Benjamin Greene, LRSO's conductor and music director. "It's heartwarming and fun to listen to arrangements you just can't hear on the radio during the holiday season."

Take a break from the seasonal frenzy and treat yourself and your friends to a fun-filled live performance of your favorite seasonal

songs. The holiday concerts have been sold-out events so patrons are encouraged to purchase tickets early. If you haven't heard LRSO recently, you haven't heard LRSO!

Tickets are only \$15 for adults and \$8 for children and students college-age and under. Tickets are available online at WWW.LRSO.ORG/TICKETS, by mail using the form on that web page, or from these ticket outlets: Innisfree Bookshop and the Mobil station across from the town docks in Meredith; Greenlaw's Music in Laconia; and Bayswater Books in Center Harbor. Any unsold tickets will be available at the door starting one hour before each concert.

The LRSO greatly appreciates the support of its Saturday concert sponsor Bellwether Credit Union, and its

Bank of NH Pavilion receives fifth Pollstar nomination for Best Small Outdoor Venue!

GILFORD — Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion has been nominated for a fifth time in the Best Small Outdoor Venue category by The Pollstar Concert Industry organization.

Pollstar, the concert industry publication giant, invites a cross section of international music business professionals to make annual nominations for The Pollstar Concert Industry Awards. These

awards honor artists, management teams, talent buyers, venues and more; and, are based on professionalism, achievements and abilities. In the twenty-seven year history of The Pollstar Awards, categories have grown from a mere ten awards to more than 30.

Having been nominated four times previously in the Best Small

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ever-cleaner water the farther downstream things progressed. And soon enough, bigger towns and cities on the main stems of the rivers were presented with a fait accompli. Hey, the water's clean until it gets to your house, Bub. And if the small and comparatively poor communities upstream can clean up their acts, so can you.

Thoreau traveled up the river in 1839, and Dirk and I camped for the night near where he did. In his time the Merrimack's long decline into little more than a moving cesspool was just beginning, and in our time the reverse, the beginning of atonement for previous sins, was well underway. Today, we'd have a lot to talk about around the fire.

(This column runs in weekly newspapers covering two-thirds of New Hampshire from Concord to Lower Que-

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Meaghan M. Aubut, 19

SANBORTON — Meaghan M. Aubut, a longtime resident of Sanbornnton, made her journey into the arms of our Lord on Nov. 9, 2016, surrounded by family. She fought cancer with persistence and resilience, winning every battle, but ultimately losing the war.

Meaghan was born in Laconia, June 13, 1997, daughter of Tracy Aubut and Michelle Beaudry. Meaghan attended, and was a 2015 graduate of, Laconia Christian Academy.

Meaghan had many loves in her life. She had a passion for cooking, an obsession with the Food Network, and had a deep love for her three dogs. Everyone who knew her will remember her sass, her strong will, and her care for her friends and family. Despite having her own struggles, she became a mentor of sorts for other children dealing with cancer-related issues. Ambar, Jacy, and Tyler always had a special place in her heart. She especially enjoyed her time with her eight cousins, and always loved visiting her grandparents.

Even through treat-



ment and multiple hospital visits, she still took a class through NHTI with the hopes of attending the University of Vermont in the fall of 2017. She aspired to be a pediatric oncologist with the intention of helping other children that are going through what she went through.

She is survived by her father, Tracy E. Aubut, and his wife Kerri of Franklin; her mother, Michelle C. Beaudry of Sanbornnton; her best friend and sister, Aimee E. Aubut of Sanbornnton; grandparents Irene (Aubut) Morissette of Tilton and David and Claire Beaudry of the RV; aunts Shari Colby and her husband, Travis; Heather Beaudry and her husband, Donald; Deanne Sargent and her husband, Jason; cousins Abby, Trevar, Bradley, Miles, Rochelle, Matthew, Joseph and Andrew; as well as her

three dogs, Grace, Zoe, and Emma.

She was predeceased by her grandfather, Richard Aubut, in 2012.

According to Meaghan's wishes, there will be no calling hours planned. A celebration of life will be held on Friday, Nov. 18 at the Belknap Mill, 25 Beacon St. in Laconia, in conjunction with Grace Capital Church, from 3-6 p.m. The celebration will begin at 3 p.m., but we encourage attendance at any time. We will be celebrating Meaghan's life by telling some of the many stories of her short, but very full life.

A private burial will be held for family at a later date.

Assisting with arrangements is the William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home in Tilton.

For those who wish to honor Meaghan's wishes, rather than flowers, please consider a donation in her name to the New Hampshire Humane Society at nhhumane.org or P.O. Box 572, Laconia, NH 03247-0572.

For more information, go to www.smartfuneralhome.com.

Deborah Ann (Shaw) Pickering, 55

HILL — Deborah Ann Pickering, 55, a resident of Hill for the past 23 years, died at her home, Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2016, with her family at her side, following a battle with cancer.

Deb moved to Hill from Franklin.

She was born in Co-ram, N.Y., July 23, 1961, daughter of Richard and Antoinette (Easevoli) Shaw. Deb enjoyed being a homemaker. Up until her illness, she had been employed at Webster Valve in Franklin for 33 years.

Deb enjoyed cooking, camping and spending time with her family, sharing in activities



outdoors. She had a fascination for owls and had a large collection of them. Deb was always there for others and volunteered when she could, to provide a helping hand when needed.

She leaves her hus-

band of 34 years, Carl R. Pickering, Sr.; son, Carl R. Pickering, Jr. of Hill; daughter, Vera Jean Pickering, serving in the Air Force, of North Dakota; her parents, Richard and Antoinette Shaw of Franklin; her brothers, Richard Shaw, Jr. of Las Vegas and James Shaw of Franklin; sisters Cindi Ruiter of Las Vegas, Patricia Sinclair of Alton and Christine Shaw of Tilton; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Calling hours were held Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home, Franklin-Tilton Road, (584 West Main St.) in Tilton. A brief service will be held just prior to 4 p.m. Burial will be at a later date for her family.

Those wishing may make memorial contributions in Deb's name to the Franklin VNA and Hospice, 75 Chestnut St., Franklin, NH 03235.

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NORTHFIELD — John J. Kuhns, 67, a longtime resident of the Lakes Region area, died suddenly, Monday, Oct. 31, 2016 at the Concord Hospital in Concord after being stricken ill on his way to work.

"Big John," as he was known by many, was born in Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 17, 1948, son of the late, John J. Kuhns and Betty (McKinley) Kuhns. John was a Police Officer with both the City of Franklin and Town of Tilton, retiring in 2001 following 29 years in law enforcement. He presently worked as a Security Officer for the Merrimack County Nursing Home



in Boscawen. He enlisted in 1968 and served honorably with the U. S. Army during the Vietnam War, discharged after four years as a Sp5 (E5).

He leaves his five children (John J. Kuhns of Boston, Elizabeth A. Kuhns of Franklin (and

her three children), William E. Kuhns of Northfield, James C. Kuhns of Bristol (along with his wife and two children) and Dennis A. Kuhns of Northfield (and his wife and two children); and two brothers, Dennis and Richard Kuhns.

A brief committal service with military honors will be held Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. in the chapel of the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery with burial following.

Assisting his family would be the William F. Smart, Sr. Memorial Home of Tilton.

For more information, go to www.smartfuneralhome.com.

Dorothy E. LaBrecque, 85



SANBORTON — Dorothy "Dottie" Elizabeth LaBrecque, 85, a longtime Sanbornnton resident, went to be with the Lord on All Saints Day, Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2016 at The Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen, following a period of declining health.

Dottie was born in Lebanon on Nov. 10, 1930, the daughter of the late Wilfred and Aurore (Beland) Curtis.

She was predeceased by her husband, John, in 2011. She had four siblings, Paul Curtis, Cecile Dillon, Elaine Rogers and John Curtis.

Dottie's family includes children Patricia LaBrecque-Rechcygland husband, Dennis of Sanbornnton, James LaBrecque (and wife, Kathleen, deceased) and Kathleen Wolf of N. Fort Myers, Fla., Ann LaBrecque and husband Michael Young of Canaan, Donna Beluska and husband, Vasile, of Perrysburg, Ohio, Thomas LaBrecque and wife, Lisa, of Sanbornnton, and Cynthia LaBrecque and husband Gary Courtney of Sanbornnton. Her extended family includes Ralph and Donna Carter of Sanbornnton; 13 grandchildren (Matthew LaBrecque, Audrey, Andrew, Alexander and Curtis LaBrecque, Katrina, John and Christopher Beluska, Leah and Zacari Young; Mandy, George and Suzanne Rechcygl); and many great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and longtime friends.

Dottie spent her youth in North Wood-

stock, and there married the love of her life, John, on July 6, 1949. They moved to Nashua in 1957 with their young family. She was a homemaker who enjoyed flower gardening and family summers on Silver Lake in Lochmere. Over 35 years ago, she and John purchased land on Cawley Pond in Sanbornnton, built their log home and settled there permanently. After John retired in 1984 they traveled for many years in their RV throughout the USA, settling finally in Sarasota, Fla. at Sun N Fun Resorts. They spent over 20 years of winters at SNF, made many friends there, returning to Cawley Pond each spring.

Dottie was a wonderful stained glass artist who taught many

people the craft. She worked alongside John in his woodworking shop where they created furniture from logs cut from their property. She also enjoyed snowmobiling, fishing, vegetable gardening and long walks. Most of all, she loved family events such as cookouts, family reunions, birthdays and holidays, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held to celebrate Dottie's life at St. Joseph Parish in Belmont Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016 at 10 a.m. with a gathering to follow. Dottie will be interred with her husband John at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen, which will be private for her family.

In lieu of flowers, Dottie's family requests donations be made in her name to the Resident's Christmas Fund at the Merrimack County Nursing Home, 325 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen, NH 03303.

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COURTESY

Join us Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Laconia, located at the corner of Pleasant Street and Veterans Square in downtown Laconia, for our 92nd Annual Christmas Fair.

Congregational Church of Laconia hosting 92nd Annual Christmas Fair

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mas Fair. You can enjoy complimentary morning pastries and coffee until 10:30 a.m., and lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Our fair is a an all-church event with

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Eight veterans from the Veteran’s Home in Tilton were honored as part of the WRMS Veterans Day Assembly.



Sixth grader, Delaney Skourtis, extends her personal thanks to Joseph Butler for his service during WWII.

WRMS celebrates our veterans

Middle school students remember those we’ve lost and celebrate those still with us

BY ROB SEAWARD

Principal
Winnisquam Regional Middle School
TILTON — WRMS students and staff came together on Wednesday to celebrate Veteran’s Day with veterans from the New Hampshire Veterans Home in Tilton. The event was spearheaded by Jana Rand, an amazing WRMS staff member who has organized a variety of veteran events over the past few years.

Rand mentioned about our relationship, “I can’t say enough about the connection we have with the Veterans and staff at the NH Veterans Home in Tilton. The smiles, stories, and time together is never

enough as we can’t wait to get together the next time.”

On Wednesday, eight veterans and three staff members from the veteran’s home joined 350 students and 50 staff in a 45 minute tribute to our veterans. The event opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a wonderful rendition of our National Anthem presented by our very own MS chorus led by MS choral director, Jordan Richardson. As part of this year’s program, six students in our computer course, led by our computer teacher Elaine Pottle, developed tribute videos recognizing America’s veterans through music, words,

and images. One student reported that one of the videos had so reminded her of her own family’s sacrifice that it brought her to tears and made her so proud to be a part of this school and of the sacrifice her family has made for our nation. (She did not wish to be identified). In addition to the videos, Jana Rand, discussed the GreenLight A Vet program and encouraged all students to look for an opportunity to add a green light to their home (with parent permission) and to register it through the website. Ms. Rand wrapped up the event by encouraging students to thank a veteran and to feel free

to meet with the veterans who had joined us that day. Almost every student chose to stop and thank the veterans before heading back to classes.

Joseph Butler took a few minutes to share his story. Mr. Butler was in the United States Navy from 1943 - 1945 and served aboard a destroyer or “Tin Can” in World War II. Mr. Butler witnessed a lot in his two years, including the raising of the flag over Iwo Jima and the Japanese surrender to end the war. Shortly after the war ended, Mr. Butler was part of a mission in Japan and he explained how today’s event brought back viv-



Jana Rand, event organizer and Master of Ceremonies explains the GreenLight A Vet initiative as a way for students to join others across America in showing their appreciation for veterans year round.

id memories from all those years ago.

“Seeing all of the children coming up to shake my hand reminded me of the school children coming out of the school shortly after Japan

surrendered in 1945... Thank you for such a great event,” he said.

WRMS thanks all of our veterans for all that they have done and continue to do for our great country.

Isabel Bogacz of Tilton selected for Chemistry Honorary Society at St. Lawrence University

CANTON, N.Y. — Isabel R. Bogacz of Tilton has been selected for membership into Chymist, the chemistry honorary society at St. Lawrence University.

Bogacz is a member of the Class of 2017 and is majoring in chemistry. Bogacz graduated from Sant Bani School.

This organization derives its name from Robert Boyle’s The Sceptical Chymist, a volume which solidifies Boyle as the founder of modern chemistry. To be eligible for membership, St. Lawrence students must have taken at least six courses of chemistry with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 and an overall GPA of at least 3.2.

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homemade crafts, knitted items, baked goods, apple pies, jellies, cookies, and breads. We also have greens, small and large plants, live wreaths and berry bowls. Besides the Silent Auction items (bidding closes at 1 p.m.), you will find a Book Nook, raffle for a hand-crafted black and white lap quilt, large assortment of nice as new items and a nice as new Christmas tree with ornaments that are looking for a new home! We also have several of those hard to find Department 56 Villages.

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nary Technician Scholarship that is awarded to a UNH student that is a resident of the State of NH. Portions of the proceeds from our activities also are used for our Pet Oxygen Mask Fund which was started in 2007. Lakes Region Kennel Club, Inc. is a 501(c)3 not for profit organization and dona-

tions are tax deductible. Bethany Stockman, owner of the Laconia Pet Center described the program as follows: “We have been a family owned and operated part of the local community for over 40 years and have supported many charities with donations for various events all through out

those years. Brett and I wanted to do more for our community, and the Round Up For Charity program is a great way to do that. The round up for charity works in a very simple way. When you make a purchase with us we ask if you would like to round up to the next dollar amount. For example,

if you make a purchase of \$7.96 and you choose to ‘round up,’ it brings your total to \$8, and four cents is donated to the charity. People can opt to donate more, or if they would rather not donate that is ok too. By offering our customers an opportunity to donate they also get to hear what animal relat-

ed charities are doing.” We are accepting applications for our Round up for Charity beneficiaries for 2017. Interested parties can go to our website and under the “MORE” tab click on “Charity Donation Request”, fill out the form and submit to us. It’s that easy!”

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and raise much needed funds and items for our most helpless members

of society, we teach them a valuable life lesson they will take into adulthood.”

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stance under the seat. The other occupants they noted as also appearing quite nervous about the motor vehicle stop.

In addition to those observations, the officers further recognized some of the occupants to be individuals who had been arrested for prior drug charges and criminal activities; at least one of them was believed to still be on probation

for past charges.

Cormier said the officers found statements from the occupants were also conflicting in nature, each offering different statements on their whereabouts and intended destination.

After asking the rear passenger to step out of the car, officers confiscated the white substance they had seen earlier. The contents of the bag field tested to positive for metham-

phetamine and they then took him into custody. At the time of his arrest he was also found to be in possession of stolen credit cards from Concord.

The man initially told officers his name was “Tyler Wilkins” but had no identification to prove that claim.

After being transported to the police station for possession of drugs, police then learned his true identity to be

Hayden Moon.

Besides multiple arrest warrants and being a Wanted Fugitive by the U.S. Marshall’s Office for the incident in Belmont, Moon now faces charges from Tilton Police as well. Those charges include felony possession of drugs, giving a false name to a police officer and receiving stolen property.

He was transported to the Belknap County Jail where he is currently

being held on cash bail and default warrants for “failure to appear.” His arraignments on those charges, scheduled for both Laconia and Franklin District Courts, were anticipated to take place on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

The driver and other occupants of the vehicle were briefly detained and then released. The vehicle however, was un-registered and subsequently towed from the scene.

“Officers Murray and Trott did a really great job in bringing a wanted fugitive into custody today and I just want to publicly thank them both for their actions,” Chief Cormier said on Monday.

The Tilton case is still under investigation and anyone having information is asked to contact Tilton Police Detectives by calling 286-8207, ext. 207 or via email at tips@tiltonpd.org.

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father did not turn his back on the nation. He returned for multiple tours in Vietnam, fighting for the same ideals and flag as his father before him did in Europe.

Testerman’s father also answered the call of an imperfect country. As a member of the Air Force, too, he has de-

fended the nation and all the American flag stands for.

“And the America our service men and women are fighting for today still is not perfect,” the young scout said. “Most people in our country don’t even know or care about the places they have been sent or how

many of them have died, and when they return, they (find) a country unwilling to fulfill promises made to them. Yet they fought and continue to fight for the freedoms and ideals our country’s flag symbolizes.”

Testerman admitted that the country he believes in today is still not perfect. It is a country

where he would like to see citizens stand up for standards and ideal laid out in the Constitution; a country where all men are truly created equal with certain inalienable rights.

The America he believes in, he continued, is one where people judge others by character, not appearance.

Where people serve rather than look to be served. An America where people do not take for granted the freedoms others have died to protect and preserve.

“The America I believe in needs me to do what I promise in the Boy Scout Oath, including to do my duty to God and my country...to help others at all times...and to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight,” Testerman said. “I can be proud of this country because of the people, including many of you here today, who served it and fought for it, defending life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness for my generation and those who will follow. Thank you.”

Keynote speaker for the ceremony was Shannan Brown, an Air Force veteran, a member of the NHVH Board of Managers and the first female commander of the New Hampshire Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Brown took a moment to thank her fellow veterans, her mentors as she called them, and also all who supported them in their time in service. Early last Thursday she

said she was pleased to have also attended a Veteran’s Day ceremony in a New Hampshire school.

“They made me so proud. They are our next generation of veterans,” said Brown.

Among that generation were the boys and girls of Laconia Christian School who sang “Grand Old Flag” and the National Anthem as the ceremony got underway. They later came back to finish up with the patriotic medley, “A Tribute to Veterans,” which included the songs of all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces. As they could, veterans of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard and Marines stood with pride when their theme song was sung.

Special messages were also delivered by representatives for Gov. Maggie Hassan, Senators Kelly Ayotte and Jeanne Shaheen, and Congresswoman Annie Kuster. Each of the officials thanked the residents of NHVH and all other veterans as well for their service and sacrifices over the years and wished them well in the future.



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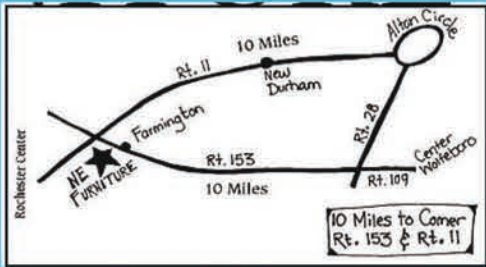
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BY ROB SEAWARD

Principal
Winnisquam Regional Middle School

TILTON — In the fall of 2015, AutoServ cosponsored the Drive for the Kids program at WRMS as part of the annual Fall Family Fun Festival. With their support, the middle school PTO raised over \$1,350, which was matched by AutoServ, bringing us to approximately \$2,700. This money has been used for a variety of activities for students at WRMS, the most recent of which is the opening of the WRMS Clothing Closet.

The MS Clothing Closet idea has been around for more than a decade. The problem was that donated clothing was stored in a couple old double door cabinets on the back of the stage that were so crammed with stuff that it was hard to ever find anything when one went looking. Approximately \$500 of the

money donated by AutoServ was spent over the past couple months, purchasing shelving, piping to hang clothes from, and various other supplies needed to move our operation out of the old double door cabinets to a 10-foot-by-10-foot room.

The Closet contains approximately 300 articles of clothing and dozens of other school supplies like backpacks, binders, and paper goods. In the months ahead, we will hopefully supply dozens of our students with warm clothes and needed supplies helping ensure they are ready to learn.

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(Above) The WRMS Clothing Closet is now open and available to all middle school students in need.

process will be confidential so that students feel comfortable asking and receiving clothing and supplies without any social stigma attached. The beauty of this amazing donation is that we now have a space dedicated to supporting our kids in need.

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DONNA RHODES

Fourth grade students at Belmont Elementary School displayed a Patriotic Collage they created in honor of Veteran's Day last week.

the tears, love and hope that a the missing family member would return home safely or find eternal peace as they fight for freedom.

The kindergarten boys and girls proudly sang "Grand Old Flag" for the audience while the Vocal Ensemble was then joined by the third and fourth grade choruses for their presentation of "The Constitution Rap."

"Let's learn about the history, let's learn about the fate of the Constitution of the United States," they began. Between each verse, was the chorus, "Thank you, Oh Thank you men

and women brave and strong. For those who serve so gallantly we sing this grateful song."

In the days leading up to the showcase, fourth grade students also worked hard on a special presentation of their own. Outside the school's front entrance were stones spelling out the word "Veteran." On each stone were Haiku poems they had written.

"Full of great courage/Waving the flag great and strong/That's a veteran," wrote one student, while another had penned, "Soldiers are loyal/They are really trustworthy/We embrace them all."

Besides the poems, the class created a special Patriotic Collage as a way to further honor America and the brave citizens who have fought to preserve the freedoms enjoyed by all.

For the final performance, first graders joined together to sing "Thank You Soldiers" as a slide show of their family members who have served in both the past and present was shown to the audience.

The youngsters then



DONNA RHODES

The first grade boys and girls at Belmont Elementary School ended this year's Veteran's Day Showcase by singing "Thank You Soldiers" as a slide show featuring veterans from their own families was shown.

lined up to present each of the veterans in attendance with notes attached to handmade American flags, along with special tissue paper poppies they had created for them all.

"Thank you all for coming. You are truly appreciated and we thank you for your service," said Principal Sheila Arnold as the ceremony came to a close.

Nelson LeClaire of Laconia, whose niece at-

tends BES, was among the veterans present that day. LeClaire is currently serving with the Army's 10th Mountain Division in Fort

Drum, New York and said that after he carefully reads each of the notes he received he would share them with his fellow soldiers.



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Perez, McNamara, Lonerган compete in NCAA tourneys

BY JEFF LAJOIE
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REGION – It was a big weekend for local collegiate athletes, as several of the Lakes Region's most memorable standouts from the past competed in NCAA Tournament games in their respective sports after capturing conference titles and automatic bids.

Belmont native Pedro Perez helped his New England College men's soccer team to a historic season. The Pilgrims earned their first-ever NCAA Division III tournament berth with an upset-laden run through the North Atlantic Conference (NAC) tournament, and they gave No. 10 seed Rutgers-Newark everything it could handle in the NCAA D-III first round on Saturday.

Perez, who starred at Belmont High School and played at Johnson State before transferring to NEC, started and closed out his collegiate career in the 1-0 loss to Rutgers-Newark. He had one shot in the game, which saw the host team score just three minutes in and hold on. The Pilgrims finished with an 11-10-1 overall record in Perez's senior campaign.

Sanbornton's Erin McNamara, the D-III Player of the Year during her senior sea-

son at Winnisquam Regional High School, saw her field hockey season continue after a huge weekend. McNamara and her UConn Huskies beat Boston College, 5-0, and followed with a 3-2 win over No. 3 Syracuse in the quarterfinals to earn an NCAA Division I Final Four berth. The Huskies (22-1) will play North Carolina in the semifinals on Nov. 18 in Norfolk, Virginia.

Fellow Sanbornton native and Winnisquam alum Kendra Lonerган had her fix of NCAA Tournament atmosphere over the weekend. Lonerган and the Keene State field hockey team beat SUNY-Geneseo, 3-1, in the NCAA Division III first round before drawing an unenviable matchup with overall No. 1 Messiah. The Owls (21-4), champions of the Little East Conference (LEC), dropped a 5-0 decision to Messiah after being outshot by a 35-2 margin.

Gilford alum and University of New England junior Becky Zakorchemny helped her field hockey team to an NCAA Division III tournament berth after capturing the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) title. UNE beat Maine-Farmington, 5-0, in the opening round last week, as Zakorchemny scored a goal in helping the



COURTESY

Belmont's Pedro Perez (standing, far left) earned a NAC championship with his New England College men's soccer team. The Pilgrims beat Thomas College in penalty kicks to earn an NCAA Division III Tournament bid, and the squad gave No. 10 Rutgers-Newark everything it could handle in a 1-0 loss on Saturday.



COURTESY

Sanbornton's Kendra Lonerган (99) and the Keene State field hockey team won a fourth consecutive Little East Conference title and also added a first round NCAA Division III Tournament victory before falling to top-seeded Messiah in the D-III second round.

Nor'Easters into the second round. The ride came to a close there, when UNE dropped a 2-0 decision to No. 3 seeded Tufts on the road on Saturday. Tufts scored two goals in the first half and held on for the win, as Zakorchemny came off the bench

in the season-ending defeat. The 19th-seeded Nor'Easters finished with a 20-4 overall record.

Fellow Gilford native Maddie Harris and her Endicott College volleyball team reached the NCAA tournament after capturing the CCC

title for the first time since 2008. The Gulls battled Springfield College in the opening round of the D-III tourney, taking the second set via a 25-13 score, but Endicott was unable to pull off the win in a 3-1 defeat.

Meredith's Caitlin

Rotonnelli got her first NCAA tournament taste over the weekend. The former Inter-Lakes and Tilton School standout and current Lasell College women's soccer freshman helped the Lasers to a NEW-MAC championship and NCAA Division III Tournament automatic berth. Rotonelli and Lasell went on the road in the opening round against tradition D-III power Amherst College, and the host Jeffs took care of business in a 4-0 victory on Saturday.

Rotonnelli started and played all but eight minutes of action in the loss. She took two shots in the game, putting one on goal against Amherst. Lasell finished its outstanding season with an 18-3-1 overall record.

Moultonborough native Andrew Porusta also experienced his first taste of the NCAA tournament over the weekend. The St. Joseph's College (Maine) freshman watched his Monks win a nail-biter of a Division III first round game against Babson College in penalty kicks on Saturday, before falling to Brandeis, 3-0, in the second round on Sunday to finish the season with a 16-2-5 overall record.

Porusta, a former Moultonborough Academy soccer standout, won a conference title in his rookie season at St. Joseph's. The squad beat Norwich in the GNAC finals, also in PKs, to earn the automatic berth into the NCAAs.

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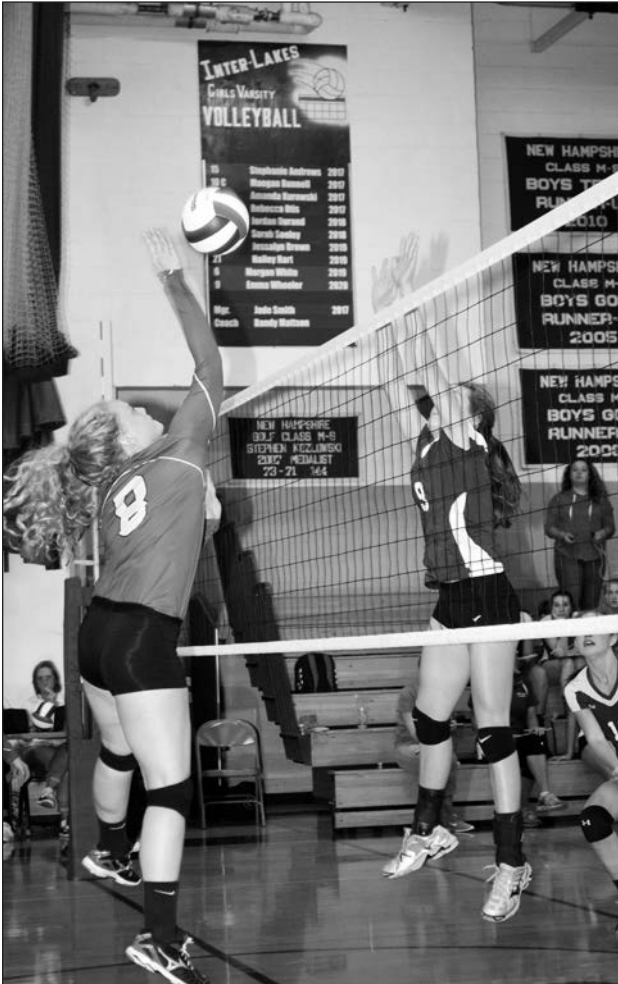
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Winnisquam sophomore outside hitter Shannon Goodwin helped lead her Bears to the Final Four this fall, and she was honored for her play with a First Team All-State selection in Division III by the New Hampshire Volleyball Coaches Association.



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Belmont senior Shannon Davies represented the Red Raiders on the All-State lists with a Second Team selection by the NHVCA.



JEFF LAJOIE

Sophomore setter Talia DeBlasie was a catalyst for the Winnisquam offense this season, and she earned All-State Second Team honors from the NHVCA.

Winnisquam's Goodwin headlines list of All-State selections

Livernois tabbed D-III Coach of the Year

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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REGION – Not surprisingly, it was another outstanding year for the local teams on the high school volleyball scene. Three of our five schools reached Final Fours this fall in their respective divisions, while all five earned postseason berths and hosted home games in the opening rounds.

Moultonborough Academy made it another year of champions, as the Panthers moved through the NHIAA Division III Tournament as the fifth seed and won an epic title match against Farmington, giving the program its seventh championship all-time.

The New Hampshire Volleyball Coaches Association (NHVCA) released its All-State lists for the 2016 season, and there are plenty of local faces represented on the respective squads.

Division III

With Moultonborough winning the title and fellow Lakes Region squad Winnisquam Regional also earning a Final Four invite, the local flare continued at Plymouth State. It was the sixth time in the last seven years that either Winnisquam or Moultonborough was in the championship match for Division III, showing that it really isn't a final at PSU without a local side somehow involved.

The state champion Panthers, which beat Farmington in a rematch of the 2011 final, had two

players tabbed as First Team All-State picks. Junior outside hitter Alexa Price made the squad, as she came on strong down the stretch and proved to be a dominant offensive force in the postseason. After beginning the season on the sideline with an injury, Price proved to be the team's most important weapon when things were on the line. She secured the championship-winning kill in the finals against Farmington.

Fellow Panther Carlee Morgan, the team's junior libero, also took home First Team honors after a fine season that saw her anchor the MA back row. Morgan, who reached 500 career digs as a sophomore and will go for number 1,000 next fall, was a steady customer in crunch time, and she's owned that starting role since the beginning of her freshman season.

Winnisquam replaced the majority of its starting rotation after last year's state runner-up finish, but despite the turnover, the Bears won 15 matches in the regular season and snagged yet another Final Four appearance. A big reason for that impressive season was the play of sophomore outside hitter Shannon Goodwin, who led Winnisquam in kills and showed the ability to be as dominant as any offensive force in D-III. Goodwin earned All-State First Team honors, proving to be as dangerous offensively from the back row as the

front. The bad news for Winnisquam competitors is she'll be a force for another two seasons.

Also earning D-III First Team honors were Gabi Sott (Campbell), Kayleigh MacDougall (Farmington), Melonie Ojala (Mascenic), Nikki Flanagan (Nute), Emilee Flanagan (Nute), and Meg Frederick (Sunapee).

Inter-Lakes High School reached the D-III quarterfinals behind a veteran core of seniors, falling to eventual champion Moultonborough in a tight match in Meredith. Senior Amanda Kurowski was tabbed as a Second Team All-State pick, as the middle hit-

ter closed out her career by leading the Lakers to the No. 4 seed in the D-III field. Classmate Rebecca Otis also earned a Second Team selection. Otis, the team's starting libero, recorded her 500th career dig this fall in just two years at the position after previously serving as the team's setter.

Belmont High School senior middle hitter Shannon Davies was the lone Red Raider representative on the All-State squads, as the strong offensive force took home Second Team honors. She was joined by Winnisquam sophomore setter Talia DeBlasie on the Second Team, as both

proved to be catalysts to the success of their respective clubs.

Nute's Nikki Flanagan was the D-III Player of the Year, while Winnisquam's Mike Livernois was named the D-III Coach of the Year after successfully turning over the majority of his roster and still finding a place back at the Final Four. Winnisquam's Kevin Archibald joined him as JV Coach of the Year in what has been quite a run for the coaching tandem in Tilton.

Division II

It was another outstanding season for the defending state champion Gilford volleyball

team, as Joan Forge & Co. made an amazing 23rd consecutive semifinal appearance before falling to Somersworth.

Despite graduating the bulk of their starting lineup, the Eagles still won 14 matches, earning the No. 2 seed in the D-II field with many new faces playing key roles.

Leading the charge were a pair of seniors, and both were honored as All-State First Team selections by the NHVCA. Senior outside hitter Stevie Orton was a First Team pick after a dominant offensive season that saw her step into the spotlight and deliver. Fellow partner in crime

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Sophomore season in the books for Belmont's Contigiani at Thomas

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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WATERVILLE, Maine – A year after bursting onto the scene as a freshman in 2015, Belmont's Cassie Contigiani and her Thomas College women's soccer team weren't quite able to match the success on the field this fall. The Terriers finished with a 3-12 overall record, wrapping up their 2016 campaign with a 3-0 loss to Colby-Sawyer on Oct. 23.

Contigiani, a sophomore forward, scored one goal and added three assists this season for Thomas, starting all 15 games this fall. Her



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Sophomore setter Talia DeBlasie was a catalyst for the Winnisquam offense this season, and she earned All-State Second Team honors from the NHVCA.

lone goal of the season came in a 5-1 win over Johnson State on Sept. 17, as she notched nine shots and added a pair of assists in the productive outing.

Contigiani's other point on the year came against Maine-Farmington on Oct. 1, when she assisted a goal in the Terriers' 4-1 loss.

Her five total points put Contigiani fourth on the team in scoring, and she wound up second on the team in shots on goal with 19.

Her three assists tied her for first on the roster.

The Terriers went 7-9 overall a year ago, but the offensive production overall this fall limited the squad. Thomas managed just 18 goals in 15 games, picking up victories over North Atlantic Conference (NAC) foes Johnson State, Green Mountain College, and Lyndon State. The team was 3-6 in the NAC this season.

For her career, the

former Belmont High School star forward has seven goals and eight assists for 22 points. She scored six goals and added five assists in her rookie campaign of 2015.

Thomas' roster also included fellow Granite State natives Alexandra Cotter (Moultonborough), Taylor Penno (Hooksett), and Jordyn Buck (Berlin). The team is coached by Deb Bich-Labbe, who wrapped up her sixth year with the program.

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Handing out fall postseason awards

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REGION – It was one of the more memorable fall postseason runs in recent history. State titles were handed out locally to Gilford’s field hockey team and Moultonborough Academy’s volleyball team, while Final Four appearances were made by Gilford volleyball, Winnisquam volleyball, Inter-Lakes/ Moultonborough football, Winnisquam unified soccer and both Belmont soccer programs.

With all the craziness and unexpected twists and turns that followed over the course of the past three weeks, we decided to take a look back, and hand out awards for what was a playoff run to remember. Here’s our list of playoff awards for the local schools:

BEST GAME – Moultonborough volleyball finals against Farmington

State championship on the line, tied 18-18 in a decisive fifth set. Can’t get much tighter than that.

Somehow, some way, the Moultonborough volleyball willed its way to the D-III title despite facing a whopping five match points against in the fifth set. Farmington was unable to finish the job however, as the Panthers just wouldn’t go away.

GOODWIN

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Cynthia Gagnon also earned a First Team selection, the middle hitter was a dominant presence at the net both offensively and defensively this season. Windham’s Lexi

In the end, with the crowd on its feet for much of the fifth set, MA’s Alexa Price put home a kill to seal the deal and hand the Panthers their seventh state title in program history.

MVP – Brianna Salanitro, Gilford field hockey

So many people to choose from but I’m going with the Gilford sophomore field hockey star who came up huge in the postseason en route to the Eagles state title.

Salanitro scored three goals in a quarterfinal win over Hopkinton, and she added two more in the 2-1 semifinal victory over Newfound. To finish off a monster three games, she assisted teammate Kellie Ryan on the game-winning goal in double overtime to lift Gilford past Pelham, 1-0, in the state finals.

UNSUNG HERO – Maddie Perrotti, Moultonborough volleyball

The pressure was certainly on the MA sophomore. Stepping to the line with the score tied 18-18, Perrotti had the ball in her hands looking to serve the Panthers to a state title.

“The only thing I was thinking is whether I’m going to be a state

champion or not,” she explained. “My knees are shaking, my hands are shaking. The whistle blows and it’s kind of like everything goes silent. Everything stops for a minute.”

After serving well throughout the match, she came through yet again, pinning Farmington back. On match point, her serve was not received well. The pass was tight to the net from the Tigers, and Price was able to leap up and put down the errant ball to secure the title.

BEST GOAL – Logan Wilder (Belmont boys’ soccer)

There was no surprise that it was going to come down to one goal.

The Belmont senior forward lined up to take a free kick from just outside the 18-yard box in the first half of the Raiders’ quarterfinal game against rival Gilford. He spotted some daylight and hit the ball as hard as he could, placing it up high and over the head and arm of goalkeeper Ethan Warren for the lone tally in the Raiders’ 1-0 win.

“The goal that Logan scored, it was a fantastic shot; college level goal,” Gilford coach Dave Pinkham said. “If you lose a game, you want to lose to a shot like that. He buried it.”

BEST CELEBRATION – TIE: Belmont girls’ soccer quarterfinal win and Moultonborough volleyball finals win

Plenty of mob scenes and pig piles to go around this fall, but two stood out.

Belmont girls’ soccer broke through for its first win in the quarterfinal round since 2009, as freshman Katie Gagnon scored with just 15 seconds remaining in regulation to send the Raiders past Hopkinton, 4-3, at New England College. The sense of relief and jubilation were evident, as players broke into tears and mobbed one another when the final whistle blew for the group’s first trip to the Final Four.

You can’t leave out the MA volleyball team, which may have broke into the fastest pig pile of all time after Price put down the winning point. In the celebration that ensued, Perrotti got smacked and wound up with a bloody nose. Those piles can be dangerous, that’s for sure.

TOUGHEST ROAD TRIP – MA boys’ soccer at Woodsville

Not only was the trip to Woodsville a difficult one for Moultonborough in the Division IV quarterfinals, but Mother Nature made for a doubly difficult task. The Panthers played tough, tying the game in the second half thanks to a goal

from Cam Bennett off a Ryan Kresco free kick. But the host Engineers tallied late, and held on in what was a miserable afternoon featuring bitter cold temperatures and a steady rain that came pouring down for much of the contest. The field was a mess, but the teams played on despite large puddles and muddy spots everywhere.

BEST ATMOSPHERE – Belmont/Gilford playoff soccer

It had been 12 years since rivals Belmont and Gilford played in the boys’ soccer playoffs. After two tough regular

season meetings, the squads met again in the D-III quarterfinals. Wilder’s goal lifted Belmont to the Final Four appearance, though the crowd was packed and rowdy, just as most meetings between the two rivals tends to be.

Parking spots at GHS were nearly impossible to find, and the sidelines were several fans deep. It was the first playoff meeting since Belmont won a 1-0 decision in the Class M semifinals back in 2004. Gilford had captured a 2-0 victory in the first round one year earlier in 2003.



JEFF LAJOIE

Antonucci nabs All-State selection

Belmont senior Nicole Antonucci lines up a putt during the NHIAA Division III state championship last month at Waukegan Golf Club in Center Harbor. Antonucci was honored for her fine season as the top Red Raiders with Division III All-State Third Team honors.

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Sawyer took home Player of the Year honors in D-II, as her squad wound up capturing the state championship with a win over Somersworth. Head coach Steve Hodsdon

of Somersworth was the D-II Coach of the Year, while Gilford’s own Amy Tripp was honored for her continued stellar work as JV Coach of the Year in the division.

So, assuming you do have a traditional IRA and a 401(k) or similar plan, what should you do with the RMDs? You’ll probably require at least some of these distributions for your living expenses, but if you don’t need it all, what should you do with the “excess”?

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Clearly, you can do a lot with your RMDs. And you worked hard for them – so make sure they work just as hard for you.

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