



COURTESY PHOTOS

Heavy rains led to a culvert collapse along Lakeshore Road on Friday night. Photo from the Gilford Professional Firefighters Facebook page.

Heavy rains, flooding leads to local culvert collapse

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Heavy rains, flooding, and high water levels have resulted in a culvert collapse along Lakeshore Road and additional warnings from state safety officials about risks on the lake.

Heavy rains and flooding resulted in a collapsed culvert along Lakeshore Road/Route 11 around Walmart Plaza that also collapsed a portion of Country Cook'n

at the Lakeside's entrance.

The Gilford Police Department posted an alert on its Facebook Page on Friday that Lakeshore Road was closed to all traffic from the entrance of the Routes 3 and 11 bypass to the area of CVS and McIntyre Circle. The road opened up later on Saturday.

Country Cook'n At the Lakeside posted photos on its Facebook page of the collapse

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Country Cook'n at the Lakeside had part of its entrance collapse, though it reopened later that afternoon. Photo from the Gilford Professional Firefighters Facebook page.

Meeting video upgrades working through snags

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The town has been in the process of upgrading its video equipment in the meeting room, though the process has had some significant hiccups.

The town has been in upgrading its recording equipment and software for the town hall conference room with the aim of offering livestreams and broadcasts of board meetings on the town website and Lakes Region Public Access. Recent recordings, however, have been taken down due to technical difficulties.

Town Administrator Scott Dunn reported in late 2020 that citizens and town officials expressed interest in having expanded live streaming capabilities for town hall meetings. The town was also looking to upgrade the 15 to 20-year-old recording equipment with high-definition cameras.

Dunn said the possible upgrades would cost around \$9,000 to \$10,000 which can come from a technology fund that the town hadn't used in at least a few years. Dunn reported in March that the upgrades were a work in progress, though at that moment they were able to livestream board meetings and are able to link the broadcast to the town website. The town was also working with Atlantic Broadband to upload the meetings on Channel 24.

During the July 14 meeting, Dunn said there had been some issues with the new systems.

"We are still experiencing growth pains and technical difficulties with our video system upgrades," Dunn said during that meeting.

The video for the June 23 meeting wasn't available,

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Gilford expecting more than \$378,000 in latest round of rescue funds



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The Gilford board of selectmen will hold a public hearing on Aug. 11 to accept American Rescue Plan funds.

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The Gilford Board of Selectmen has scheduled a public hearing on Aug. 11 to accept over \$378,610 in funds from the American Rescue Plan and will discuss possible uses of the funds.

The selectmen will hold a public hearing on Aug. 11 to accept American Rescue Plan Funds (ARP) which are feder-

al funds earmarked to offset the impact of the pandemic.

The town is expected to receive \$378,610.11 in funds from the federal government and will hold a hearing to accept the funds as unanticipated revenue.

The funds are part of the \$1.9 trillion relief package in the American Rescue Plan that Pres. Joe Biden signed into law in March, which included \$130.2 billion

to local governments across the country with \$19.5 billion of that allotted to towns with fewer than 50,000 people. The money must be used for specific purposes including offsetting the economic impacts of the pandemic, premium pay for essential employees, covering revenue reductions, and work on infrastructure including water and sewer and broadband.

The hearing will take

place on Wednesday, Aug. 11 during the regular selectmen's meeting at 7 p.m. Any resident interested in this topic can attend the hearing and give comment.

Town Administrator Scott Dun updated the board on the ARP funds during the March 24 selectmen's meeting.

Dunn reported that the town was eligible for \$716,000 and would

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Library to host Summer Reading Program finale

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The Summer Reading Program will conclude on Thursday, but the Gilford Public Library will have many more fun activities for people of all ages through the first few weeks of August.

This year's Summer Reading Program "Tails & Tales" focused on animals and wildlife and featured several programs on animals. During the finale on Thursday families will get the chance to meet some real life animals with pony rides and a petting zoo featuring farm animals.

There will also be prizes, music, and more.

The summer reading finale will run from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The Summer Reading Program might be over for this year, but there will still be plenty of fun programs for people of all ages over the next few weeks to round out the summer.

Just hours after the summer reading finale is "Trivia Night: Parking Lot Puzzlers," an event that has taken place the first Thursday of each month during the summer. From 5:30-7 p.m., tech librarian Hayden will host a trivia night with many different topics in the lower parking lot. The event is mostly geared to adults, but people of all ages can take part for prizes and bragging rights.

On Aug. 12, learn about the summer's hottest books during "Sizzling Six: Summer's Must Reads." In the virtual event starting at 1 p.m., Katherine and Maria will share the "six most sizzling reads" before the event of the summer. The event will be on the library's Facebook page and posted later on the library's YouTube and website.

Learn about the importance of oral hygiene in a fun way during "Meet the Teeth Dragons" on Aug. 17. Special guest Kate Bruchacova will teach guests about the importance of keeping their teeth clean with her "teeth dragons. The event starts at 10:30 a.m. and is geared for kids in grades K-4.

Paint a beautiful summer scene on Aug. 18 at 1 p.m. with "Summer Scene Painting" with Arielle and Maria. Supplies will be provided as long as they last and can be picked up at the library.

For more information on these and other library programs visit gilfordlibrary.org or check out the library column in this week's paper.

Notes from the Gilford Public Library

What's new at the Gilford Library?

The Gilford Public Library had a fantastic Summer Reading Program in 2021. We were more than excited to have our doors open

and have the privilege of welcoming in tons of programs and guest presenters. The adult summer reading program reached well over 100 registrants and the teen and children's programs combined for almost

200 kids enrolled. We're super happy with those numbers and grateful for a community that rallies behind reading and education for everyone. Things are set to slow down for just a little bit before school starts

up again, but the biggest thing on our minds now is Gilford Old Home Day. August 26, 27, and 28 bring back the annual Friends of the Gilford Library Booksale as well as pie sale. We are always looking for help, so if you'd like to volunteer, please let us know at the front desk or give us a call at 524-6042. Again, thank you to a great community and all those who helped and participated in our annual summer bonanza!

Thursday, Aug. 5
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.
Summer Reading Finale: Ponies & Petting Zoo, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Come celebrate the end of our summer reading program. Ride a pony or have a close encounter experience with a farm animal. Prizes, music, and fun for all!
French, 4-5 p.m.
Trivia Night: Parking Lot Puzzlers, 5:30-7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 6
Bridge, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Hand & Foot, 12:30 p.m.
Knit Wits, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Advanced Conversational German, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Lower Intermediate Line Dancing, 4-5 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 9
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.
Mahjong, 12:30-3 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 10
Senior Exercise Program, 9-10 a.m.
Bridge, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Lower Intermediate Line Dancing, 4-5 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 11
Check out an Expert, 10 a.m.-noon
Storytime with Miss Megan, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Join us for stories and crafts!

Thursday, Aug. 12
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.
Sizzling Six: Summer's Must Reads (Virtual), 1-1:30 p.m.
Katherine & Maria share the six most sizzling must reads before summer ends. Watch on FB Live or watch later on YouTube or on our Web site.
French, 4-5 p.m.



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Gilford Public Library Top Ten Requests

1. "The Shadow" by James Patterson
2. "The President's Daughter" by Bill Clinton
3. "21st Birthday" by James Patterson
4. "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah
5. "Blind Tiger" by Sandra Brown
6. "It's Better this Way" by Debbie Macomber
7. "Dead by Dawn" by Paul Doiron
8. "Klara and the Sun" by Kazuo Ishiguro
9. "Class Act" by Stuart Woods
10. "Jackpot" by Stuart Woods

GILFORD POLICE LOG

The Gilford Police Department reported the following arrests from July 26-29. Joseph S. Boucher, age 33, of Penacook was arrested on July 26 in connection with a warrant.

A 23-year-old male from Tuftonboro was taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 28.

A 57-year-old female from Tuftonboro was taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 28.

A 25-year-old male from Center Tuftonboro was taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 28.

A 46-year-old female from Holbrook, Mass. was taken into protective custody following an assault on July 28.

A 38-year-old male from Gilford; a 47-year-old male from Lewiston, Maine; a 37-year-old male from Norwood, Mass.; a 32-year-old female from Wolfeboro; and a 35-year-old female from Gilford were taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 28.

A 59-year-old female from Raymond was taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 28.

Sean Sammon, age 42, of Lancaster, Pa. was arrested on July 28 for Driving Under the Influence-Impairment.

Bonnie A. Jewell, age 64, of Alexandria was arrested on July 29 for Criminal Mischief and Disorderly Conduct.

A 31-year-old female from Dover and a 43-year-old male from Rochester were taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 29.

A 41-year-old male from Danvers, Mass. was taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 29.

A 44-year-old male from Dover was taken into protective custody for intoxication on July 29.

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Hermit Woods Winery & Deli nominated as Top Ten Tasting Room

MEREDITH — Hermit Woods Winery & Deli has been nominated by USA Today as one of twenty national wineries competing for their reader's choice award for the top ten tasting rooms in America. They have made it to fifth place. They have five days left to compete for the number one spot.

Bob Manley, Co-Founder of Hermit Woods, points out, "We are the underdog here. The fact that we have even made number five is truly an honor. A great deal of thanks goes out to our wonderful and dedicated customers for supporting us to this milestone. Most of the wineries competing for this top spot are multi-million-dollar wineries with hundreds of thousands of customers."

The real question for Bob Manley, Ken Hardcastle, and Chuck Lawrence, the three Hermits, is, can they make the top spot? They have only five days to do so. So, to attract attention to their goal and inspire participation in the voting campaign, the three of them embarked on a ride around Squam Lake on their new triple bicycle.

Yes, you read that right, a bike made for three.

Manley explains that the purchase of this bike is part of a much larger plan that the three partners are hatching for the future. The three Hermits hope to ride their triple across the USA to support a national charity to be announced and small craft beverage makers across the country.

He states, "We are still months or possibly years away from this goal, but it will happen. Stay tuned. In the meantime, what better way to get our triple bike legs under us than to raise awareness of our winery during this important campaign."

You can see videos of the Hermits on their triple ride around Squam on their Facebook and YouTube channels. www.facebook.com/hermitwoods. More importantly, you can support their effort to make the top ten tasting room in America list by voting here: <https://www.10best.com/awards/travel/best-wine-tasting-room/hermit-woods-meredith-nh/>. You can also find the link on their Facebook page, website,



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Left to right: Hermit Woods Winery co-owners Chuck Lawrence, Bob Manley, and Ken Hardcastle.

and Instagram profile. Everyone can vote one time per day per device.

About Hermit Woods Founded in 2011, Hermit Woods is a small boutique winery and Deli crafting fruit wine, meads, and ciders, and producing farm-to-table cuisine. Our wines and ciders are local (as much as possible), vegan (except the honey wines),

gluten-free, raw, and made from non-certified but mostly organic fruit. We always use the whole fruit and gentle hand processing. We style our wines, meads, and ciders after classic dry European wines and ciders. Hermit Woods sees over 15,000 visitors in its tasting room and Deli every year. These wines are available throughout New Hampshire and di-

rect to consumers in 38 states.

Hermit Woods Winery and Deli is located at 72 Main St. in Meredith, and is open seven days a week year-round. They are offering wine flights (a self-guided tasting experience) during the pandemic. Their traditional tours and tastings will resume by appointment just as soon as they can make them avail-

able safely. Visit them at www.hermitwoods.com to learn more.

Portsmouth Brass Quintet entertains at Taylor Community Aug. 8



LACONIA — The 2021 Taylor Concert Series, sponsored by Bank of New Hampshire will host its next event open

to the public Sunday, Aug. 8 at 3 p.m. at Taylor Community's Woodside Building.

Join the Portsmouth Brass Quintet as they present a program of Americana perfectly suited for a summer afternoon. Alongside marches, songs, waltzes, and rags by Sousa, Copland, Pryor, and Joplin, the quintet will perform several selections from Broadway. Leonard Bernstein's rhythmic score to "West Side Story" will be juxtaposed with the sultry melodies of George Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess" and the whole-

some tunes of Meredith Wilson's "The Music Man." Join us for a toe-tapping afternoon that is not to be missed!

As space is limited, please note reservations are required to attend the socially distanced concert and can be made by calling Brenda at 366-1226 or emailing her at bkean@taylorcommunity.org.

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You might think you need to have a large estate or millions of dollars to benefit from working with a trust company, but that's not the case. And if you're not familiar with what a trust company can do, you might be surprised at all the services it can provide, including the following:

- Wealth management – Typically, when working with a trust company, you'll receive investment management designed to help you achieve various goals, such as a comfortable retirement and college for your children.
- Financial management during incapacity – If you were to become incapacitated and couldn't make financial decisions, a trust company can step in, giving you peace of mind from knowing that your financial assets will be managed by a team of professionals, helping protect you and your family from potentially dire consequences.
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- Bill payment and recordkeeping – A trust company can keep up with all the trust's bills (household maintenance, medical bills, etc.) and provide statements summarizing receipts, disbursements and the value of assets within the trust.

In addition to providing these practical services, a trust company may benefit you in a more intangible way. It's unfortunate but true that, in many families, dividing up assets can cause conflict and bitter feelings. But when a trust company serves as trustee, it impartially administers distribution of the assets based on the instructions you've provided in the trust – helping minimize family disputes over inheritances.

If you ever feel like the complexities of wealth management and trust administration are getting to be more than you can handle – or perhaps more than you want to handle – consider contacting a trust company. You might find that it can make your life a lot easier.

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Olympic trivia

It's nice to have a distraction from the roller-coaster that was 2020, with the summer Olympics plastered all over television and social media. Watching athletes from all over the globe show off what they've been training for shows us all what can be possible when we set a goal. One of our own, Sports Editor Josh Spaulding, is in Tokyo as we speak covering the games. Keeping up with his adventures, of course, has been different than his time at the Olympic Games in previous years due to COVID protocols. With that said, we thought it would be interesting to share some Olympic trivia.

In 1998, Surya Bonaly, a figure skater from France fell during the winter games in Nagano. Since she knew she lost a chance to medal, she decided to do a move that had been banned since 1976. She did a backflip and landed on the blade of one skate. No one has attempted the trick since then, making her Olympic performance, one to remember.

From 1912 through 1954, individuals could earn medals for art, as long as it was inspired by a sport of some kind. The art could include painting, literature, sculpture or music. Eventually, this was tossed out, as most professional artists sell their work to earn a living.

In 2002, during the Winter Olympics, speed skater Steven Bradbury of Australia was racing in the 1,000 meter short track finals and was lagging behind. During the race, the leaders crashed into each other, leaving Bradbury far enough behind to avoid the collision. He was able to skate by and win gold.

The first modern Olympic Marathon (26.2-mile road race) took place in 1904. Most of the runners had never run that far before. One competitor showed up to the start line in dress pants. Fourteen out of the 32 racers were able to finish. One racer, Fred Lorz who won, actually jumped in a car for 11 miles of it due to a cramp. Another runner, Felix Carvajal ate a rotten apple halfway through and stopped to take a nap. He finished fourth. The gold officially was given to Thomas Hicks who was carried over the finish line having hallucinations that he had 20 more miles to go.

During the summer of 1992, the Lithuanian basketball team did not have enough money to compete in the Summer Olympics due to the collapse of the Soviet Union. Coming to the rescue and offering aid to the team was, unexpectedly and, frankly, bizarrely, the Grateful Dead, the rock band with a legendary reputation for imbibing, shall we say, 'illicit substances.' Beyond donating money to make the trip possible, the band allowed the team to sell Grateful Dead merchandise. The team competed in tie-dyed uniforms, and took bronze.

In 1984, McDonald's offered free food every time an American won a medal. During those summer games, the Soviet Union boycotted the games, leaving many open spaces for medals available. This ended up costing the fast food chain a significant amount of money.

True sportsmanship was shown during the Winter Olympics in 2006, held in Torino, Italy, when skier Sara Renner broke her ski pole halfway through an event. Bjornar Haakensmoen, the Norwegian ski coach handed her a spare. The Canadians went on to win silver, while the Norwegians took fourth. To show gratitude the Canadians gifted Haakensmoen with five tons of maple syrup. Both governments waived import duties.

The medals for the Tokyo Olympics are made from recycled electronics to include cameras, smartphones and laptops.

The McDonald's in the Olympic Village is free for all athletes and coaches; however, in 2016 in Rio, McDonald's capped the amount of items that could be ordered at one time to 20.

From 1900-1920, Tug of War was an Olympic sport, with Great Britain winning the most medals and the USA coming in a close second.

In 1936, two Japanese pole vaulters, who were friends had to compete against each other to decide who took silver and who took bronze. The requested that they share the honors, but were told no. Shuhei Nishida and Suetaro Oe had their medals cut in half and fused together, into the medals of friendship.

In 2012, women were finally allowed to compete in boxing. Since 1991, anytime a new event is introduced to the games, women must be included.

Dr. Spock, a well known pediatrician and author, won Olympic Gold as part of the 1924 U.S. rowing team.

North Country Notebook

Hummingbirds; propane tanks; gas cans; the Greely Expedition



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Various notes bearing curious things seem to float around my desk, sometimes bearing items that don't even make sense. It's like finding something new in Pharaoh's tomb.

This week, I snatched one as it flew by my nose again, and it said:
---Hummingbird mix;
---Propane tanks;
---Jeep gas can;
---Greely Expedition.

Now, it's still not too late to mix up some sugar and water, and make the usual hummingbird nectar and hang it on the porch, and the occasional hummingbird will show up, probably at this late date the one assigned to scout the territory for free grub.

I've missed the early part of the season, when the hummingbirds arrive after flying stupendous distances, panting hard, their little tongues hanging out like dogs back from a run, doctors holding tiny stethoscopes to their little chests, like that. Heart monitors, even.

When hummingbirds arrive back in northern New Hampshire they are famished, and there aren't exactly a lot of nectar-bearing flowers or shrubberies in bloom amidst the snow-squalls. Still, they're eager to start raising kids, and set up housekeeping as soon as they can.



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A feeder is fine if kept clean, but a key to encouraging hummingbirds is to plant the right plants.

I missed out on this because I was lax in mixing up food and getting my feeder up. Thus, I was denied the pleasure of watching my usual pair of hummingbirds show up and nest in a nearby tree. During summer, they often have company.

I don't know how far hummingbirds will fly to look for food, but when I get letters from camp-owners deep in the woods about "their" hummingbirds, I don't argue, just grin in company.

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The note-to-self about propane tanks referred to an incident the week before, when a visitor ready to cook hotdogs and burgers started up the grill only to have it go "poof." I always keep a spare tank, which was down where I pull the truck into the barn--where, as thereunto had been the case, I couldn't

miss it.

The spare was empty. I was embarrassed. We punted. I hauled out one of my big cast-iron pans and we cooked on the stove.

It's like having a spare tire with no air, and I'm still trying to figure out why.

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I've always kept an old apple box in the back of the Jeep, for ventures off the normally travelled way--old town roads and what like. It includes a 2.5-gallon gas container, which I borrowed to mix oil and gas in for the trimmer.

It seems hard to find simple containers without all kinds of gizmos on them, most related to safety, insurance, or lawsuits--and many of them impractical. Nozzles and what they will (or will not) fit are a particular problem.

The best thing, with chainsaws and weed-whackers and the like, is to use a small pipe-clamp to attach a short piece of rubber hose to the snout. But then you have to scrounge up an attachable tip-plug from the Scrounge Bin.

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Finally, we have "Greely Expedition." What's up with that?

This was a note I made while reading something else. The original and more detailed note is somewhere on my desk.

And it's too good a story for just another item, so I'm saving it for another time.

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

FROM OUR READERS

Why are you here?

To the Editor:

I have a question: Why are you here?

Seriously, since we are repeatedly told that the US is the worst country in the world; that we are, directly or indirectly, the cause of most atrocities in other countries; that white people are irredeemably oppressors; that people of color will always be oppressed, why are you here?

Obviously, this question is being posed to a relatively small number of readers. Most folks are in America because we are the most free country in the history of the Earth. The capitalism that many citizens endorse has allowed more people to emerge from poverty than any other system in use.

Do we have flaws? Clearly. Is there a path to redemption? Obviously. A quiz: how many countries or cultures had slav-

ery? (I'll wait while you look that up.) Now, what country was among the first to abolish it? (Hint: the initials are U, S, and A.) I think that there was a war over that, too.

How can you tell if something is racist (that is, judging people by their race)? Substitute "black" for "white" and then look at it again.

The Border Patrol reported that they stopped more than 180,000 people this past May, compared to 27,000 May 2020. Were these people looking for more hardships? I think not.

Who knows whose flag protesters yearning for freedom in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Cuba were waving? (Hint: it's red, white, and blue and it's not France.)

Another question: What is the difference between many of last year's BLM and Antifa riots and the hubbub at the Capitol on

Jan. 6? Both allegedly had a small percentage of participants engaging in violence. One had significant property damage and personal injuries from which areas are still recovering. The other was resolved in a couple of hours. One had armed participants who caused injuries, chased people in vehicles and then beat them, blocked people in vehicles and then beat them, and shot and killed people. (Who is saying David Dorn's name?) The other had a small group of unarmed people who caused some property damage.

Oh, why do we almost instantly know the name of any police officer who is accused of inappropriate actions anywhere but in D.C. on the 6th? Not only do we not know the name of the officer that shot and killed unarmed Ashli Babbitt, but I read that said officer has been cleared of any wrongdoing. Where are those anti-police

protests and the arm-chair quarterbacking of why less-than-lethal methods weren't used? Don't hold your breath.

I wish that certain groups would stop trying so hard to make the lamest "insurrection" in US history a big thing. It just wasn't. I also wish that half the effort being expended in tracking down everyone who was within 10 miles of the Capitol was being directed at, say, the people who tried to burn the Federal courthouse in Portland while there were people inside. (For those who care, in most states, arson of an occupied building allows deadly force to be used to stop it. The occupants of the courthouse were apparently not allowed to use deadly force.)

Regards,

Rick Notkin
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An evening of opera at the Lakeport Opera House



Meredith Hansen

LACONIA — With a nod to its history, the Lakeport Opera House will premier an evening with two world renowned opera singers, Meredith Hansen and Sandra Piques Eddy, on Aug. 13 at 7:30 p.m. As the first opera show in more than 60 years, the night will feature arias and duets from the most iconic operas and songs from the “Golden Age” of American musical theatre bringing the venue back to its 140-year-old roots.

“We are going to be bringing in some high notes for avid opera fans and those new to the art form,” said Emma Teto,



Sandra Piques Eddy

Lakeport Opera House talent director. “There’s nothing like the visceral thrill of an un-amplified voice filling the theater. We want everyone to feel welcomed at the opera and encourage those who have never experienced it to come try something new.”

The opera show will feature Hansen, soprano; Eddy, mezzo soprano; and Brian Moll, collaborative pianist, with music by Mozart, Bizet and Puccini as well as classics from renowned composers including George Gershwin, Leonard Bernstein and Irving Berlin. The trio will perform well-known arias

and duets from Carmen, La Bohème and more as well as more exotic arias and American standards, like “Someone To Watch Over Me.”

Hansen’s lyric soprano is matched by the instincts of a true singing actress. Hailing from Cohasset, Massachusetts, she is a fixture in Boston’s classical music scene and is a regular performer with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. She was a Boston Lyric Opera Emerging Artist and has performed often with the company in recent seasons in both mainstage and concert productions, with roles including First Lady in “The Magic Flute,” Donna Anna in “Don Giovanni,” Beatrice in “The Inspector” and Gretel in “Hansel and Gretel.”

“This beautiful region is so dear to me and part of who I am spending time with family in the area and being a New Englander at heart,” said Hansen. “To be here in this stunning theatre,

sharing some of my favorite repertoire is both a privilege and a gift.”

Eddy is praised for her dark, sensuous mezzo and lustrous voice. Celebrating her twentieth year as a professional mezzo soprano, the Boston native has traveled all over the world performing in Japan, England as well as across the United States. She held various roles with Boston University’s Opera Institute and the Boston Lyric Opera along with over 100 performances at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. Eddy was the first place New England Regional Winner of the 2000 Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions and a National Semi-finalist. She has won competitions at both Opera Lirica and the Boston Conservatory.

Joining Hansen and Eddy on stage is sought-after collaborative pianist and coach, Brian Moll. He maintains an active performance and teaching

schedule and has given recitals in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France, Bulgaria and across the United States. Moll has performed as a keyboardist with Boston Baroque, Emmanuel Music, and the Handel & Haydn Society and has served as Assistant Conductor for productions with Boston Lyric Opera, Opera North and Boston Midsummer Opera. He has appeared at the New Hampshire Music Festival and the Strings in the Mountains Festival in Colorado.

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For more information on events and to purchase tickets in advance, visit lakeportopera.com.

Laconia Rotary’s motorcycle raffle meets with unprecedented success

LACONIA — “Unprecedented” captures this year’s 29th Annual Charity Motorcycle Raffle Fundraiser, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Laconia.

Touting our message, “only 3,000 tickets are sold,” to multitudes of faithful motorcycle raffle ticket buyers during Laconia Motorcycle Week, has notably encouraged sales over the years. Repeat customers who waited to purchase their tickets, were surprised to hear we had sold out Thursday morning during the rally - a Club first! Laconia Rotarians continued to volunteer at the booth from Thursday afternoon through Sunday to meet loyal tickets buyers with a smile and an encouraging prompt to buy their tickets early in 2022.

Rewind 16 and a half

weeks prior to the rally, when Laconia Rotary Club purchased the 2021 Billiard Red Street Glide at Laconia Harley Davidson. This too was unprecedented, and Rotarians were nervous to make such a large purchase because this was the first time Harley-Davidson Motor Company delayed new model releases until after the start of the new year. Typically, the club purchases the bike in the early fall, allowing much more time to sell tickets at local fairs and motorcycle events throughout New England. The 2021 COVID climate challenged the club’s ability to attend and sell tickets at large events; leading the club to enact on building a stronger online sales force. A modest group of Rotarians led the charge, launch-

ing online raffle sales on April 1st. Close to half of the tickets sold in 2021 were online, including this year’s winning ticket, sold to Raymond Moss of Westfield, Mass.. Moss purchased his ticket in April, and though he had every intention of attending the rally, he wasn’t able to make the trip.

When Laconia Rotarians reached out to him with the good news, he responded, “I am speechless, I don’t know what to say, this kind of thing never happens to me!”

Proceeds of the Laconia Rotary motorcycle raffle are used to directly support local non-profit organizations and community campaigns. Such a surprisingly successful year could not have happened without the help of many. Our Rotary Club of Laconia



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Raymond Moss of Westfield, Mass. purchased the winning ticket in this year’s Motorcycle Raffle hosted by the Rotary Club of Laconi

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sociation, and Mark Hildebrand of Hilde’s Lumber. Laconia Rotary’s financial support of local scholarships and organizations throughout the community would not

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Gilford Parks and Recreation news

BY HERB GREENE
Director
Gilford Parks and Recreation

Senior Moment-um Baseball Lunch and Bingo Day – Aug. 9

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Senior Moment-um Program on Monday, August 9th. We will meet in the Gilford Community Church’s Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. We will be enjoying a ballgame lunch including hot dogs, soft pretzels, candy and a variety of snacks as well as soda and water. Following lunch, we’ll be playing some bingo, with an assortment of prizes for the winners. The bingo is free of charge, but the cost for those interested in lunch is \$5 per person. Participants must RSVP by Thursday, Aug. 5. To RSVP or for more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Rec. Department at 527-4722.

Old Home Day Committee accepting parade applications

The Gilford Old Home Day Committee is currently accepting Parade Applications for the Old Home Day Parade to be held on August 28th. These forms are available at both Bank of NH locations in Gilford, Meredith Village Savings Bank Gilford Branch, Franklin Savings Bank Gilford Branch, the Gilford Library, the Gilford Town Hall, the Gilford Recreation Department Office and on the Parks and Recreation Website at www.gilfordrec.com. For more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Youth soccer registration deadline is Aug. 20

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department will be accepting Youth Soccer registrations through the registration deadline of Friday, Aug. 20! The youth soccer program is open to all Gilford students entering grades K-5 this fall. After August 9th the registration fee increases to \$25. Any registrations submitted after the Aug. 20 deadline will be accepted on an availability basis only. For more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

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LRCC launches new Computer Information Systems degree

LACONIA — Lakes Region Community College (LRCC), located in Laconia, is launching a revamped and renamed Computer Information Systems degree with seven certifications and three stackable certificate options for students interested in the field of information technology (IT). This new two-year degree was created to meet the demand in the local marketplace and prepare students for a well-rounded career in one of the state’s fastest growing occupations. The certifications within the degree program will show evidence of

specific skill areas in high demand by employers.

“This new degree will help students understand the integration of technology in business with people, processes and procedures,” said Catherine Fuster, LRCC’s computer and design technologies department chair. “Through this program, students will gain the knowledge and skills that support small and large businesses with IT needs, making them very marketable in the industry.”

According to U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, computer and IT occupations are projected to grow 11 percent by 2029, much faster than other occupations. A degree in Computer Information Systems provides students with the opportunity to be well rounded in technology and its effect on businesses and users. Students will learn about core foundations in many different areas of the computer industry including programming, networking, databases, web design, hardware, software, communication and business skills

to prepare them for a position in any of those areas.

This degree provides students with flexibility to work in many capacities within IT for any business that has an IT department or need. After graduating with the computer information systems two-year degree, students can anticipate careers that include computer support specialist, network systems administrator, web or programming developer and information systems managers, just to name a few.

LRCC’s Computer Information Systems program offers three stackable certificate options including: PC Applications Specialist, Computer Information Systems Technologist and Programmer. In addition to a degree and certificates, students have the opportunity to walk away with seven certifications such as Network Pro, IT Fundamentals Pro, PC Pro, Office Pro, Linux Pro, Server Pro 2016: Identity and Server Pro 2016: Install and Storage.

LRCC offers flexible classes with options for in-person, online and

hybrid models. To learn more about the program, contact Catherine Fuster at cfuster@ccsnh.edu.

Lakes Region Community College is a fully-accredited, comprehensive community college located in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire that serves more than 1,200 students annually, and offers housing options for students. LRCC offers more than 40 degree and certificate programs, including Automotive and Marine Technology, Fire Science, Nursing, Culinary Arts, Business, Accounting, and more. In addition, LRCC provides a strong background in Liberal Arts for students who choose to complete their first two years at a community college and then transfer to a four-year college or university for a baccalaureate degree. Business and industry training programs are also available. Lakes Region Community College is part of the Community College System of New Hampshire. For more information, visit lrcc.edu.



THIS IS A GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO TYPICALLY LIVE TOGETHER AND TAKE CARE OF ONE ANOTHER.

ANSWER: FAMILY

Math Blocks

Fill in the missing blocks with numbers between 0-10. The numbers in each row add up to the totals to the right. The numbers in each column add up to the totals on the bottom.

5	1		9
	0	4	6
7		6	22
14	10	13	

9	6	7
4	0	2
3	1	5

Solution

THIS DAY IN... HISTORY

• 1806: THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE ENDS.

• 1926: GERTRUDE EDERLE BECOMES THE FIRST WOMAN TO SWIM ACROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.

• 1996: THE RAMONES PLAY THEIR FAREWELL CONCERT AT THE PALACE IN LOS ANGELES.

Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

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Answer: Family Fun

New Word

PARTICIPATE

take part

How they SAY that in...

ENGLISH: Family

SPANISH: Familia

ITALIAN: Famiglia

FRENCH: Famille

GERMAN: Familie

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GET THE PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: ROLLER COASTER

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to water quality. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 3 = A)

A. 18 3 23 19 11
Clue: H2O

B. 25 24 8 23 3 12 22 8 3 8 23
Clue: Polluting substance

C. 9 3 25 23 19 11 22 3
Clue: Microorganisms

D. 2 22 5 23 19 11
Clue: Removes impurities

Answers: A. water B. contaminant C. bacteria D. filter

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9	7					1		
					6			
	8						9	
4							3	
		3			1	9		8
	3	8				4	1	
		5			3	6		
			1		2	7		

Level: Advanced

3	9	2	7	2	8	1	4	1	6	9
6	8	9	3	4	4	7	5	2	1	7
2	1	2	4	5	6	8	3	8	7	3
8	4	6	1	7	7	5	3	9	2	5
1	7	7	1	2	2	8	9	3	6	4
9	3	5	6	2	4	7	1	7	8	5
4	6	3	3	7	1	1	9	8	5	4
7	2	2	8	6	5	6	1	4	3	8
5	8	4	1	4	3	8	2	7	9	6

ANSWER:

Hope Ministries seeking donations for community yard sale

Hope Ministries, at the First United Methodist Church of Gilford, will be having a community yard sale on Saturday, Aug. 14 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. We will be having a church-section with flea market items along with tables rented to individuals to sell their own items.

The church is looking for donations of all kinds of kitchen items, household decorations, lawn care, small appliances in working order, lamps, toys, etc. No electronics or TVs. Items may be brought to church one week prior to sale. No clothing will be accepted for this sale.

Others wishing to sell their own items at Individual tables may rent for \$10 each. Set up is in the morning prior to the sale. All items not sold by individuals must be removed from the property after the sale. Call the church office at 524-3809 to reserve a table. If you call outside church hours, please leave a message. The church will take care of all the advertising.

The church is located at 18 Wesley Way (off Route 11A near the 3/11 by pass) in Gilford. Plenty of lawn space and parking is available.

~ Comfort Keepers ~

The respiratory system: Age-related changes & COPD

BY MARTHA SWATS
Owner/Administrator
Comfort Keepers

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, more commonly referred to as COPD, is a health problem facing adults in the U.S. Because of its progressive nature and increased age as a leading factor, there is a greater prevalence of COPD in seniors. The good news is that many adults can easily reduce their risk of COPD through lifestyle management. COPD represents a group of lung diseases, with the two most common being emphysema and chronic bronchitis.

Symptoms of COPD include
Constant coughing
Wheezing
Shortness of breath
Coughing up mucus
Tightness in the chest

Research also suggests that there may be a link between poor air quality and COPD. The American Lung Association estimates that between 80-90 percent of COPD cases result from smoking. Unsurprisingly, secondhand smoke is a significant risk factor as well.

Seniors should take the following steps to reduce their risk of COPD:
Older adults that smoke should get sup-

port from a primary care physician and take steps to quit. There are many programs, services, and products that can help. Seniors should avoid contact with secondhand smoke whenever possible. Reducing exposure to air pollution can help relieve symptoms. Many cities issue poor air quality warnings – when these warnings are in effect, seniors should limit outside activities. Seniors should avoid airborne irritants (chemicals, fumes, etc.) in the home. A healthy diet and exercise plan can improve lung function and overall health with direction from a physician.

Older adults should understand the impact of aging on their respiratory system and reduce their risk of any related diseases, illnesses, or conditions. Doctors may recommend getting vaccinations for both influenza and pneumococcal pneumonia to guard against further breathing complications.

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Comedian Steve Sweeney brings laughs to Lakeport Opera House Aug. 5



Steve Sweeney

LACONIA — Well-known New England comedian, Steve Sweeney, guarantees laughs on Aug. 5 at 8 p.m. at the Lakeport Opera House. Known as the undisputed king of Boston comedy, Sweeney is a master of dialects and character voices. “Doing shows in my backyard are the best,” Sweeney says. “I’ve performed all over the country but there’s no better

feeling than being home. I can’t wait to make everyone laugh at the Lakeport Opera House.” Hailing from Charleston, Mass., Sweeney came into the comedy scene in the 1970’s, and is notorious for shows that epitomize what is uniquely Boston. He is a master of character voices, and spoofs anyone from newsworthy politicians and government leaders, to the everyday

Boston church ladies, state workers, and everyone in between. Sweeney has played major clubs across the country and has been in dozens of films including “There’s Something About Mary,” “Me, Myself and Irene” and a movie about himself, “Sweeney Killing Sweeney.” He has had numerous television appearances, with a former role on Park Street Un-

der, a Boston-based sitcom which has been cited as a potential inspiration for successful television show Cheers. He has also hosted his own radio show. With more than 50 years in the business, every Sweeney show is different because, as the 71-year-old says, “I never know what I’m going to remember from one show to the next.”

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St. John’s-on-the-Lake welcomes Fr. Jack Hurley

MEREDITH — Catholic mass will be said by Father Jack Hurley of St. Matthew’s Cathedral in Washington, D.C., on Sunday, Aug. 8, at Saint John’s-on-the-Lake on Bear Island. Attendees will need to wear a mask to ensure everyone’s safety. Father Hurley has strong ties to the Lakes Region, having spent summers on Squam Lake, including a few years as a counselor at Camp Hale in Sandwich. He grew up in Somerville, MA, attended Providence College, Harvard Kennedy School, and later received a Ph.D. in politics at Catholic University. After 15 years as a Foreign Service Officer and tours in South Africa, Germany and Vietnam, he entered Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary in

Emmitsburg, Maryland. In 1982 he was ordained a Roman Catholic priest for the Archdiocese of Washington. He also served parishes in Merrimac and Keene in New Hampshire. At present he is “on active retirement” at St. Matthew’s Cathedral in Washington, D.C. He also lectures part time in the Politics Department at Catholic University. Father Hurley enjoys vacationing on Lake Winnepesaukee with Barry and Nancy Forbes Ephraim and their family, and roots for both the Red Sox and the Keene Swamp Bats. Founded in 1927, St. John’s has as its mission the provision of ecumenical services on Sundays to meet the religious needs of the island and shoreline population of

Lake Winnepesaukee. The tower portion of the chapel encloses a former observation tower and the sanctuary is built of native stone. Regardless of your religious affiliation at home, we hope that you will join us at this community center of worship. St. John’s is offering for sale numbered prints of an original watercolor by local artist Peter Ferber of the interior and exterior of the chapel. To view or purchase, visit our website, www.stjohnsonthelake.com.

The chapel is located on the highest elevation of Bear Island on Lake Winnepesaukee in Meredith. It can be reached by a short walk from the church docks located in Deep Cove on the west side of the island, or by “taxi” (email bear.islan.church.ferry@gmail.com). Services are held at 10 a.m.



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One busy week in the books, one to go



HAD A GOOD TIME at the rugby competition at Tokyo Stadium last week.

JOSHUA SPAULDING

This is being written on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 1, in the Main Press Center at the Tokyo Big Sight. I have now been out of my hotel quarantine for an entire week and have seen a lot of the Olympics in the course of that time.

Of course, there's also plenty I haven't seen, but I can only be one place at a time and have not found a way to get to more than three events

in a day.

I started things off with an early morning trip to the Odaiba Marine Park for triathlon and continued that first day with a trip to the historic Nippon Budokan for judo and finished the night at the swimming heats, where I saw Katie Ledecky dominate the field in the 1,500 meters, an event in which she would go on to win the gold medal.

My second day started with a bus ride to Tokyo Stadium, where I enjoyed four rugby matches, with the United States losing to South Africa in the final match of the morning. From there, I went back to the Tokyo Aquatics Center to see Dover native Jessica Parratto compete in the synchronized 10m platform diving competition. I was definitely glad I made that trip,

as she came home with a silver medal. From there, I finished the day at the Yokohama Stadium where the US softball team came up short in the gold medal game against Japan.

My third day found

SPORTING CHANCE



By JOSHUA SPAULDING

me out at the Sea Forest Waterway for rowing, where Wolfeboro's Hilary Gehman coached the US women's quad scull team and Gevvie Stone, a longtime counselor and instructor at Camp Onaway on Newfound Lake, was competing in the women's double sculls. A trip to the Tokyo International Forum was next up to see a little weightlifting. This was one of the most confusing venues to get in and out of, but the building itself was pretty cool. Day three finished with the 3X3 basketball finals, where the US women won gold at Aomi Urban Sports Park.

The next day started

with a trip to Shiokaze Park for beach volleyball, however, while I was there, I realized I had left my phone charger back at the hotel, so I had to scrap plans for my second event of the day and kill a few hours by going back to the hotel. I finished out the day with a trip to the Ariake Arena where the US women's volleyball team survived a strong fight from Turkey.

On Friday, I was at the Ariake Urban Sports Park for the BMX racing event and got the chance to catch up with Dr. Tamara Lovelace of Alton, who is part of US Cycling's medical team. She was busy on that day, as a number of crashes, including one very serious one, marred the racing. After that, I made the trip to the Kasai Canoe Slalom Center, which was a cool venue, but very, very warm and the day finished with another trip to the Yokohama Stadium for the US baseball team's game with Israel.

Yesterday was a bit of a slower day, with a trip out to Asaka Shooting

Range to catch a little shotgun trap shooting and then a trip to Saitama Super Arena, where the US men's basketball team took on the Czech Republic, featuring Brewster alum Blake Schilb.

Today was another trip to Ariake Urban Sports Park for BMX freestyle, which was pretty awesome and the day will finish with a little table tennis action at Tokyo Metropolitan Gymnasium.

It's been a busy week filled with great sports, lots of time on buses and not tons of sleep. But it's still fun. Hopefully week number two brings more of that.

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New Hampshire's Parratto makes US diving history

Dover native part of synchronized 10m duo that wins silver

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

TOKYO, Japan — It's not how you start, it's how you finish.

Jessica Parratto and Delaney Schnell proved that is indeed the case on Tuesday, July 27, at the Tokyo Aquatics Center.

The American duo sat in seventh place (out of eight teams) after their first dive in the women's synchronized 10m platform finals. The women dug down, moved up to sixth after their second dive, then moved to fourth after the third dive then moved into silver medal position after their fourth dive.

Parratto, who grew up in Dover, and Schnell saved their best for last, putting up a 78.72 in their final dive of the afternoon to hold off a charging Mexican duo and capture the silver medal, the first medal of

any kind for the United States in synchronized 10m platform diving. China took the gold medal. It marked the first medal for the United States women in the event since it made its Olympic debut.

"I honestly will say I have never woken up for a meet feeling so calm and ready to go," Parratto said. "I didn't even wake up having the nerves until kind of the nervousness happened right before we started competing but that was a good sign honestly to me knowing that I felt as confident as I did that we knew we could hit our dives.

"I feel like this event is always so close," she added. "There's always that team almost fighting to get a bronze so that was kind of what my mindset was, but to come away with a silver is just

mind-blowing honestly and it just goes to show that if you stay focused and confident, anything can happen. I just couldn't be more pleased with today."

With their first dive, Parratto and Schnell got 45 points but moved up to 46.8 points with their second dive. They took a big leap forward to 70.2 points on the third dive, then scored 70.08 on the fourth dive and finished things out with the big score of 78.72.

"I'm not a scoreboard watcher, but I knew that we were a little behind after the vols [voluntary dives], but I almost feel like that's what kind of lit my fire under me," Parratto said of being behind after the first two dives. "I knew that we could do really good optionals, so I wasn't concerned about it, and I think I just tried to keep



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THE AMERICAN FLAG is raised in the silver medal spot for Dover's Jessica Parratto and Delaney Schnell after their performance in the synchronized 10m platform diving event in Tokyo last week.

going dive-by-dive not letting anything affect me that was in the past and I honestly feel like that is what propelled us forward."

The road to Tokyo was actually a fairly

short one for Parratto and Schnell. Parratto, who also competed in the Rio de Janeiro Olympics in 2016 and Schnell only decided to dive together a few weeks before the Olympic trials and

earned their spot in Tokyo after training together for just two weeks.

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PETS OF THE WEEK



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Olympian shares her love for Camp Onaway

Gevvie Stone wraps up Tokyo Games with fifth place finish

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

TOKYO, Japan — Gevvie Stone may have grown up in Massachusetts, but Newfound Lake has a special spot in her heart and even after a week of hard-fought action in the Tokyo heat at the Summer Olympics, Stone gushed about her time in the Newfound area.

A three-time Olympian, Stone raced in Tokyo in the women’s double sculls with rowing partner Kristina Wagner. They kicked off their Olympics with a second place finish in their heat the morning of the Opening Ceremonies on July 23, finishing in 6:55.65. That moved them into the semifinals two days later and they finished in third place with a time of 7:11.14 to advance to the finals, which took place on Wednesday, July 28, at Sea Forest Waterway in Tokyo. Stone and Wagner raced their way to fifth place overall with their best time of the Olympics, finishing in 6:52.98. Romania won the gold medal in 6:41.03, New Zealand was second in 6:44.82 and Netherlands took bronze in 6:45.73.

Romania blasted off of the start and took command of the race early.

The Romanian crew built more than a 3.5-second advantage at the midway point and held that margin the rest of the way down the course, leaving the rest of the crews to fight for the silver and bronze medals. The U.S. sat about a length off a medal position through the first half of the race but could never cut into the deficit.

“We raced hard,” Stone said. “It was the Olympic final, and we worked hard in the semi to put ourselves there. The goal was to go out and have a great race in the hopes that that would put us on the podium. We attacked it from the first stroke. We didn’t give them a head start today, and I really think we fought every stroke. Lithuania and the Dutch took off with 500 to go and we tried to go with them.”

And while Stone was preparing to finish up her time in Tokyo (athletes are required to leave Japan as soon as their last event is finished, a COVID protocol measure), she took some time to talk about the time she spent at Camp Onaway on Newfound Lake.

She noted that for 11 summers starting in 1995, she spent time at



Gevvie Stone (right) and partner Kristina Wagner compete in Tokyo last Wednesday morning.

Camp Onaway, starting as a camper for five years, spending one year as an OWLE, one year as an aide and three years as a counselor, most recently in 2009.

She now returns each summer she can for a few days to teach rowing in addition to sailing and swimming.

“Onaway, and Newfound Lake, is one of my happy places, one of the places I feel the most myself and the most content with who I am,” she said.

“I remember summer afternoons spent sailing after which my face hurt from smiling so much.”

Stone also pointed out that while she teaches rowing and other water sports to campers now, there are lessons far more important than what the kids will learn about those sports.

“I return to teach the physical skill of rowing, but it’s the character lessons I learned at camp which are most valuable to me today,” Stone

stated. “As a camper, Onaway taught me to be myself, as crazy or as vulnerable or as strong as that may be.

“As a counselor, I relearned to treasure the small moments in life and to find a deep satisfaction in helping others,” she added.

Even her bio on the US Rowing Team’s web site touts her love for camp. “Gevvie said she can go on talking for too long about ice cream, my dog, Echo, and my sum-

mer camp (the old-fashioned, all-girls kind).”

Needless to say, even Olympians have places that they feel right at home and Camp Onaway just might be that place for Gevvie Stone.

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A morning of rugby is a learning experience

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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TOKYO, Japan — One of the good things about the Olympics is getting to experience sports that I don’t usually see.

On Tuesday, July 27, after plenty of bus drama plus an hour-long ride from the Main Transport Mall to Tokyo Stadium, I got to experience a number of rugby sevens men’s matches. Four to be exact.

I got there just as Argentina and Korea were getting under way and then saw Australia and New Zealand, Kenya and Ireland and the United States and South Africa.

From the start, the best I could tell was it has some elements of our American football, in that players carry the ball toward the end of the field and the other team tries to bring them down. And at some point, they also kick the ball through a set of uprights.

Off to the interwebs I went to learn a little bit more about rugby and as I did, the first game came to a close. As it turns out, rugby sevens are quick games, with just seven-minute halves, so with a short halftime break, the game is over in about 20 minutes. Rugby sevens (as opposed to the normal 15 players) began as a way to make sure that tournaments could be held in a day or a weekend and it made it especially convenient for a reporter who had a



TOKYO STADIUM provided the backdrop for rugby sevens at the Tokyo Olympics.

few other things to cover and numerous bus rides in between.

Strangely enough, in rugby sevens, there are seven players on each team on the field at one time, three forwards and four backs. Each team also has five subs for a total of 12 players. The scrums are made up of three players from each team, with three forwards bound into the scrum, a scrum-half waiting to retrieve the ball once it exits the scrum, and three backs positioned to receive a pass.

In open play, a typical defensive formation involves a line of six defenders, with one sweep-

er behind the line. With the attacking team using all seven players against the defending team’s six in the line, the attacking team often attempts to move the ball to create an overload. The defensive line can be put under pressure if the defending team makes a tackle and commits players to the ruck; with fewer players in the defending line, it leaves more space for the attacking team to exploit.

Unlike the American football game, throwing the ball forward in rugby is not allowed, the ball can only be moved forward by someone carrying it or kicking it. Also unlike football, if a

player is brought down, the play is not over.

As for the scoring, a score is called a try and each one is worth five points, achieved when a player touches the ball to the ground in the opposing team’s end zone. Like in American football, after scoring five points with the try, the team can get two more points for a conversion. If a penalty is called, the other team gets a penalty kick chance, if the ball splits the uprights it is worth three points. A team can also get three points for drop kicking the ball through the uprights in open play.

Rugby sevens was first introduced as an

Olympic sport for the 2016 Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, with Fiji winning the first gold medal, followed by Great Britain and South Africa.

Also notable on this particular day was that a robot brought the ball to the center line for the start of the game. I am sure that is not the case in normal rugby matches.

Many thanks to Wikipedia for some of the information contained here. And many thanks to the eight teams I saw for an enjoyable morning of Olympic action.

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CHECKED OUT the BMX racing course at Ariake Urban Sports Park in Tokyo on Friday.



THE KASAI CANOE SLALOM COURSE provided the action on Friday afternoon.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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TOKYO, Japan — Getting to experience unique sports is part of the fun of the Olympics and Friday, July 30, was a day to get in a couple of sports that we don't get to experience every day. The day kicked off with a morning trip to the Ariake Urban Sports Park, where the BMX races were taking place. The Tokyo weather had other ideas, as Mother Nature brought in some rain and the start was delayed by 45 minutes. Having watched BMX

racing in previous Summer Olympics, I knew what to expect, but I walked away having a greater appreciation for the sport, as it was a ton of fun to watch the cyclists powering themselves over the bumps and dips and ripping through the turns. The races were marred by a couple of hard crashes by American riders, including one that sent the defending Olympic champion, Connor Fields, to the hospital. One of the main reasons for checking out

BMX was the fact that Dr. Tamara Lovelace of Alton is on the medical staff for the US Cycling Team and was there to take care of the athletes. As it turned out, she had a pretty busy day, as she was pressed into duty by a couple of the crashes, including the Fields crash. Dr. Lovelace, who owns Seacoast Spine and Sports Injury Clinic, serves as a team doctor for the Kingswood and Prospect Mountain programs. From there, after a couple of bus rides, I ar-

rived at the Kasai Canoe Slalom Center to watch the whitewater action. This is a sport that always has intrigued me and it was a lot of fun to see the paddlers making their way through the course. There was also a bit of local interest in this event. A few months back, I went and did a story on the new whitewater park being constructed on the Winnepesaukee River in Franklin. This ambitious project is sure to be a boon to the local economy and takes advantage

of the great natural water source that the river provides. However, I found out during that interview that the plans for this started back when Boston was looking at hosting the Olympics and they would need a whitewater facility. The facility in Tokyo is nothing like what Franklin will have in one way, since it is entirely man-made. It is a beautiful facility, but it is tucked away next to an industrial area and seems a bit out of place. However, it was blazing hot. Part of the prob-

lem was that this was the first day since I've been in Japan that all the events that I covered were outside (I finished the day at US-Israel baseball). No doubt it was a long day in the heat, but a chance to check out two unique sports is always appreciated.

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US offense comes up short in softball gold medal game

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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YOKOHAMA, Japan — The dark clouds that gathered over Yokohama Stadium prior to game time seemed destined to dampen the spirits of somebody in the Olympic gold medal softball game on Tuesday, July 27. While those clouds never materialized as rain, it was the spirits of the United States women that ended up damp, as the US struggled to gain any traction on offense and Japan took advantage, playing small ball and getting great defense and pitching on the way to a 2-0 win to take the Olympic championship. "The disappointment is only from the end result, it's not from the whole tournament, it's not from the whole game," said pitcher Cat Osterman, who pitched into the third inning and didn't allow a single run. "Obviously, we're a little bit disappointed," said Osterman. "You get to the gold medal game and you have your eye that prize, and to not accomplish that — it stings."

"Our team had tremendous effort tonight," said head coach Ken Eriksen. "It wasn't our day. We had some bad luck, but at the same time I think you have



JOSHUA SPAULDING

YOKOHAMA STADIUM played host to the softball gold medal game on July 27.

to credit Team Japan for playing a really good game of softball." By virtue of beating Japan the previous day, the US women were the home team and Osterman worked around a leadoff hit. Japan followed with a couple of sacrifices, but shortstop Delaney Spaulding made a strong play on a slow grounder to get the US out of the inning. Janie Reed had a one-out triple in the bottom of the first inning and tried to race home when Amanda Chidester reached on a dropped third strike, but Reed

was cut down at the plate. Chidester moved around the bases on wild pitches but was stranded at third. Japan threatened again in the top of the second inning with a one-out double. However, right fielder Michelle Moultrie raced to the fence and hauled in a long drive by Japan to end the inning. Spaulding worked a walk in the bottom of the inning, but Japan turned a double play to get out of the inning. After Osterman walked a runner to start the top of the third, Erik-

sen made the move to Ally Carda in the pitching circle and she got out of the inning with nobody crossing the plate. The United States went quietly in the bottom of the inning and Japan got on the board in the top of the fourth. After a leadoff base hit, a pair of sacrifice grounders moved the runners up and an infield hit plated the first run of the game. Carda got a strikeout to end the inning, but Japan had all the runs they would need. The United States went quietly again in the bottom of the fourth

and Japan added a little insurance in the top of the fifth inning. After Carda gave up a two-out base hit, Eriksen brought Monica Abbott in to pitch and a base hit drove in the second run of the game. Ali Aguilar led off the bottom of the fifth inning with a walk and one out later she was moved up to second, but she was stranded there. Japan got a base hit and a sacrifice in the top of the sixth inning, but Abbott kept them from plating a run. In the bottom of the sixth, the US had a great chance, as Moultrie sin-

gled to left to start the inning. One out later, Reed singled up the middle to move Moultrie to second and Chidester stepped to the plate and ripped a shot that appeared destined for left field. The rocket deflected off the glove of Japan's third baseman and right into the glove of the shortstop, who quickly fired to second to turn the 5-6-4 double play, ending the best threat for the United States. Japan got a leadoff base hit in the top of the seventh but the US had its own defensive play of the game two outs later when a shot appeared headed over the fence in left field that would've doubled the lead. However, Reed made a leaping catch, hauling the ball back in from the other side of the fence and keeping the lead at 2-0. The US, however went down in order in the bottom of the seventh and Japan had the 2-0 win and the gold medal in softball's first turn at the Olympics for the first time since 2008, when Japan also beat the United States in the gold medal game in Beijing.

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Owl’s Nest to host Special Olympics Cup Golf Tournament

THORNTON — After training and remaining active on their own during the nearly 16 months of COVID-necessitated isolation, more than 3,000 Special Olympics athletes in New Hampshire are now returning to in-person training. Returning more than 65 local programs across the state to in-person activities is a massive effort being undertaken by the thousands of volunteers who are the true engine of SONH.

In support of these efforts, the Special Olympics New Hampshire Board of Directors is proud to announce the first-ever Special Olympics Cup Golf Tournament on Tuesday, Aug.

17, at the Owl’s Nest Resort and Golf Club in Thornton. Funds from the event will assist the programs of SONH as in-person training and competitions come roaring back to life statewide.

Presenting sponsors for the event include Eversource, Maverick Corporation/One Source Power and Quanta Services.

“Special Olympics New Hampshire exemplifies the power of inclusion in the Granite State,” said Eversource NH President Joe Purington. “We’re always proud at Eversource to partner with Special Olympics New Hampshire in support of their critical work transform-

ing the lives of countless children and adults.”

SONH board member and Chair of the Development Committee Wayne Griffin notes “This event wouldn’t be possible without the dedication of staff, volunteers and sponsors who have enthusiastically stepped up.”

“It’s a true honor for Maverick and One Source Power to support Special Olympics New Hampshire and turn dreams into realities for SONH athletes” according to Michael McNally, CEO, President and Founder of Maverick Corporation.

“We are thrilled with all the interest in the first annual Special Olympics Cup,” said

SONH VP of Development Carol Cray. “This event’s success will support our athletes who are finally returning to activity” she continued.

Jim Tighe is a VP of Business Development with Quanta Services. He commented “Quanta Services would like to thank Eversource and SONH for their leadership on establishing this event which will greatly benefit the athletes of Special Olympics New Hampshire as they reach towards their dreams.”

The event is an 18-

hole four-person scramble with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. As the tourney name implies, there is a trophy cup for the winning foursome. One for each member of the winning team as well as a larger version for display in the winners’ place of business.

In addition to the golf tournament, there will also be a cornhole tournament that is open to the public. Cornhole competition will feature 48 pairs of players and runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration is just \$25

per person and includes lunch. There will be cash prizes for cornhole tournament winners.

Cornhole registration available at <https://tinyurl.com/k65sz69u>.

More information about Special Olympics New Hampshire is available at www.SONH.org. More information about the Owl’s Nest Resort is at www.OwlsNestResort.com. Details about New Hampshire’s only Nicklaus-designed golf course can be found there.

Bank of New Hampshire promotes Nicole Leroux to Deposit Operations Officer



Nicole Leroux

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“We’re delighted to support the NE Wolves hockey program and we hope to add a little extra fun to these exciting hockey games.” commented Patrick’s Pub Owner, Allan Beetle

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The Wolves Game Schedule is available on the EHL website and also their own Web site- www.ne-wolveshockey.com.

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of a section of its entrance. The restaurant was closed Saturday morning but reopened that afternoon, advising patrons to enter on the left side by the old gas station.

On Saturday the restaurant posted a message thanking its staff for their work through the recent trying times including the pandemic, staff shortages, supply shortages, and other challenges.

“You all are so professional and flexible. We can’t say thank you enough. You know who you are!” read the post.

They also thanked their patrons for all their support.

“You are polite and *KIND* to our staff, and continue to support us

regardless of all the little hiccups that many restaurant are facing right now,” read the post.

The recent heavy rains and flooding have also resulted in high water levels on the lake that led to a rescue and a wake advisories in neighboring communities.

New Hampshire Marine Patrol along with State Police and the Laconia Fire and Rescue Department were some of the agencies that responded to a call of a sunken boat that had been moored on the Laconia side of Lake Winnepesaukee on Saturday. Rescue crews received additional assistance from the Department of Environmental Services

and Sea Tow.

“In light of the recent heavy rainfall, Marine Patrol reminds boat owners to check docked and moored vessels, including bilge pumps, to prevent damage to personal property and avoid water pollution,” read a statement from the New Hampshire State Police. “Additionally, it is recommended to check mooring chains to ensure they are still in serviceable condition.”

Also on Saturday Marine Patrol issued a No Wake order on Silver Lake in Belmont, which will remain in effect until the level of the lake drops below 467 feet above sea level.

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receive half this year and the other half next year with a public hearing scheduled soon. Belknap County was estimated to receive around \$11.8 million and asked the communities if they wanted to collab-

orate.

“At some point in time in the near future we will be coming back to you with some proposals on what might be used with that money,” Dunn said during that meeting.

Dunn said the funds can be used for utilities like water, sewer, and broadband with the rest of the uses geared to mitigating the impact of the pandemic.

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a meeting that had a public hearing for traffic issues on Scenic Drive and Belknap Point that had discussion from many residents.

He also said the main camera focused on the selectmen during that exact meeting (July 14) wasn’t working.

The recording for the July 14 meeting ended up with no visuals and audio only. The video was later taken down.

“Still some growing

pains associated with that project and we’re sorry that’s the case,” Dunn said. “That’s what we’re dealing with.”

Upgrading the video equipment and streaming capabilities is one way the town government has been working to be more transparent.

Dunn also said the board has been posting the draft minutes of the meeting, a new strategy to increase transparency. Before the minutes

were only posted after being approved. Dunn said the decision had been made recently to post the minutes as soon as they were available and with the label of being a draft.

He said he was speaking with Planning and Land Use Director John Ayer about taking the same approach for the land use boards.





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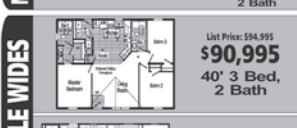
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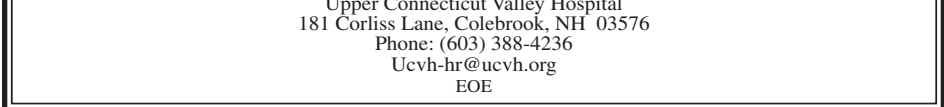
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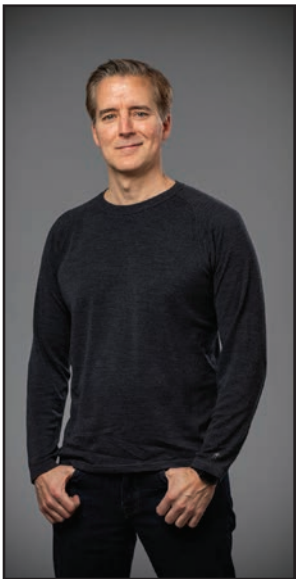
With two Comedy Central specials, multiple appearances on The Tonight Show and two Amazon Prime specials—including his most recent ‘Parentally Challenged’—Juston’s comedy routine is guaranteed to provide many a belly laugh.

Great Waters’ Executive Director, Doug Kiley, states “To host Juston in his native state at one of the most iconic venues around is a honor for us at Great Waters. This is another step forward with our programming and what Great Waters has to offer the Lakes Region.”

McKinney will be preceded on stage by Carolyn Plummer. Carolyn is a Wolfeboro native and her insightful and funny perception of common life occurrences leaves audiences hysterically shaking heads in agreement.

For more information on future Great Water shows or to secure tickets for New Hampshire natives Juston and Carolyn, please visit www.greatwaters.org.

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