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GILFORD, N.H.

Old Home Day canceled amid Coronavirus concerns

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The 2020 Gilford Old Home Day has been canceled due to concerns about COVID-19 and a number of related issues.

The Gilford Old Home Day Committee recommended the event's cancellation to the selectmen and the members of the board agreed with the committee's points.

The selectmen voted unanimously in favor of canceling this year's event on Wednesday after Parks and Recreation Director and Committee member Herb Greene read the committee's memo recommending the cancellation.

Previously, the board had supported holding Old Home Day as scheduled in August. Greene then presented the committee's recommendation and the long list of reasons why the difficult decision was made.

Greene said a major concern was about health and safety of committee members. Many members of the committee are in the high risk category for COVID-19 because of age and/or health conditions or had close family members who were as well. Greene said many members of the committee did not feel comfortable helping out during the event and he said without their help the event wouldn't be feasible.

There were significant concerns about the feasibility of social distancing given the nature of the event, especially considering the crowds that line

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The Old Home Day Committee and the selectmen made the difficult decision to cancel this year's Old Home Day because of COVID-19.

Selectmen to review out of state training

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The selectmen will review removing the bans on training out of state and outside groups in town hall in another month with a better view of coronavirus numbers.

On Wednesday town administrator Scott Dunn gave the selectmen an update on coronavirus response in town including discussions on what could reopen and resume now and what would be best to wait on.

In March, the board halted out of state employee trainings, Dunn asked the selectmen on Wednesday if they wanted to start allowing these again or keep the restriction. He said food for thought is that most conferences are not being held.

Selectman Gus Benavides asked the department managers if they had any trainings or

conferences still scheduled. Aside from a scheduled FBI training hosted at town hall, other meetings have been canceled or being held virtually.

Selectman Kevin Hayes said they could make any out of state trainings subject to Dunn's approval. He said if the police chief got a chance to train with the FBI and the town had a ban in place he would be in favor of suspending the ban. Dunn said out of state trainings require board approval anyway. Eddy said they could revisit this on a monthly basis to see what happens.

Dunn also brought up the town's current ban on outside groups meeting in town hall.

Dunn said a lot of groups use town hall for meetings including homeowners associations and other residence groups and have

relied on the building to hold their annual meetings. He said things are different now with New Hampshire not seeing the kind of COVID-19 numbers other states are seeing.

"I've made it very clear I want to open things up as quickly as possible; however, I think where if those groups still wanted to meet, we're finally in great weather that if they had to meet outside somewhere, they can still hold their meetings," Benavides said. "If we were talking wintertime, it would be a different story."

Hayes said he favored continuing the ban until they are absolutely sure the coronavirus numbers are down.

Eddy said they could also revisit this next month.

Playgrounds to remain closed

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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Playgrounds and basketball courts will remain closed following a vote by the selectmen with the board revisiting this in another month.

Last Wednesday, the board voted two to one against reopening recreational facilities such as playgrounds and basketball courts, which have been closed because of the pandemic. Town Administrator Scott Dunn raised the topic during the selectmen's meeting during a discussion on COVID-19 response.

"Our new playground at the town beach is going to be installed next week. It will be an attractive nuisance if people aren't allowed to use it," Dunn said.

Selectman Gus Benavides moved to open the recreational facilities, saying he thought it was time. Benavides talked about how the beach and the raft have reopened and the low amount of young people who have

gotten COVID-19.

Selectman Kevin Hayes asked how the playground would be sanitized. Dunn said the town is going to get five sanitizing spray devices, one will be going to Parks and Rec. Other than that, there is no other plan to sanitize the playground equipment. Dunn said he spoke with Parks and Recreation Director Herb Greene about this; state recommendations say the towns can open up their playgrounds while the CDC has provided recommendations.

Board Chair Chan Eddy said he was siding with Benavides on this. He said studies have shown ultraviolet light kills Coronavirus, and considering the playground equipment is outside, the risk might be lower. Additionally, he said New Hampshire has been seeing a decline in cases, and most of the cases have been in long term care facilities, not in the general public.

Hayes said despite

Eddy's points, they don't know who could be using the playground, whether they are residents of Gilford or visitors from other places. He said he was concerned about the possibility of infections increasing in Gilford, including if the virus gets into the schools.

"I don't want to open us to that yet. I'm not ready," Hayes said. "I don't think we should take the chance. As much as I'd like to open it up, and I understand it's going to be a nuisance for Herb's staff, I think it's the wrong thing to do right now."

Hayes said while the state's numbers are coming down, they are going up in other states and that could happen in New Hampshire

Eddy said they could revisit this next month, especially after the sprayers come in.

The board voted two to one against reopening with Benavides voting in favor.

Local sailing school announces partial reopening



GILFORD — The Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association (LWSA) has announced that on July 6, it will be opening its popular youth sailing school for the 33rd season.

While the school had earlier announced that it would be suspending the entire season, they have developed a way to operate in a safe manner and will be offering small group classes beginning on July 6.

Executive Director Amy Tripp explained

that "We have put a great deal of effort into ensuring that the program will be safe for our students, for their families, and for our staff."

Tripp emphasized that nobody is turned away because of inability to pay, adding "We offer scholarships to those who need help, and the requests are handled in complete confidence."

She further stated that "In addition to our youth sailing program, we will also be offering adult lessons and private lessons with new safety

guidelines in effect."

In order to operate safely in the COVID 19 environment, class sizes have been greatly reduced, classroom sessions will be held outdoors, and start times will be staggered eliminate congestion. Students will only be paired in boats with siblings or with children approved by their parents. Additionally, strict sanitizing and social distancing procedures will be in effect.

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Notes from the Gilford Public Library

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By Mark Thomas
Library Correspondent

With physical distancing still in effect, how are you getting your social and mental enrichment? Are you taking care of your mind?!

The 'summer slide' describes the diminished learning progress in children who spend the summer without educational enrichment, but long periods of doldrum can have an impact on adult brains too.

Reading is a great way to keep the mind stimulated. It's a seamless blend of entertain-

ment and education. One way to make the most of your time, as any teacher will tell you, is to talk about what you've read! With the Fourth of July this weekend, many of us will be gathering with friends and family in whatever safe ways we can — it's the perfect time to get some reading in, and the perfect time to talk about it. Of course, it's most fun when your family and friends have read the same thing. That would make them co-conspirators, partners in crime, intellectual peers, or, perhaps, romantic connoisseurs, depending on what book you're talking about.

Casual conversation about books you've read is great. When you take it a step further and plan a date/time to talk about a book—that's a book discussion group! Yes, the

Library is still having Book Discussions, and they work well adapted to physical distancing. We're Zooming now! July's discussion book "Sing, Unburied, Sing" by Jesmyn Ward is the perfect book to talk about because it dwells on topics of family, strife, society, and race. Books like that bloom when they are shared. Physical books can be borrowed for the library, or you can borrow digital copies from our collections. However you read the book, just give us a shout at the library for access to the Zoom discussion on July 30 at 12:30 p.m.

Just as authors share their thoughts with you, why not share your thoughts with friends, family, and neighbors. At the least tell a library what you thought of your last read!

Classes & Special Events
July 2 - July 9

Thursday, July 2
Be a Royal Storytime & Craft, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Listen to the amazing tale of King Arthur wielding Excalibur and

make your own bejeweled crown!

H o m e m a d e
Hamburger Buns for
July 4th, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Local homesteader Heidi Leandro will show you how to make homemade hamburger buns just in time for July 4th weekend! Join us live to learn how easy it is to make buns to go along with an American favorite. Tune in on Facebook Live!

Friday, July 3
Library Closed

Saturday, July 4
Library Closed

Tuesday, July 7
Magic Ocean
Bottles, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Bring the magic of the ocean and create one for yourself! For children. Sign up required.

Sorbet? Sorbet!,
1-2 p.m.

Learn to make your own Sorbet! All you need is water, sugar, fresh lemons, and a freezer. Join us in a Zoom meeting to make it live together! For teens 5th-12th grade.

Wednesday, July 8
Trustee Meeting, 10-

11:30 a.m.

Virtual Tech Help, 10 a.m.-noon

Beach Storytimes, Noon-1 p.m.

C o m e join us at the Gilford Public Beach for some spectacular stories!

Unconscious Bias, 1-2 p.m.

Join Dr. Raymond Suarez of Lakes Region Mental Wellness on the Gilford Library Facebook Page for an enlightening discussion on unconscious bias.

S m a s h i n g
Blooms Bookmarks & Greeting Cards, 3-4 p.m.

Join Molly and the Community Art Group for a virtual craft workshop on Zoom! Use the leaves and flowers around your home to create beautiful bookmarks and greeting cards with just a hammer, paper, and some creative ingenuity. Contact the Library to pre-register and arrange pickup of materials.

Thursday, July 9
Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Join us for storytime fun with Miss Maria online and do a craft.

Gilford Public Library Top Ten Requests

1. "28 Summers" by Elin Hilderbrand
2. "The Summer House" by James Patterson and Brendan DuBois
3. "Camino Winds" by John Grisham
4. "The 20th Victim" by James Patterson & Maxine Paetro
5. "The Room Where It Happened" by John Bolton
6. "Walk the Wire" by David Baldacci
7. "Hush" by James Patterson and Candice Fox
8. "The Water Keeper" by Charles Martin
9. "A Week at the Shore" by Barbara Delinsky
10. "Have You Seen Me" by Kate White

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GILFORD POLICE LOG

The Gilford Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of June 22-28.

Lisa Clark, age 25, of Belmont was arrested on June 22 for Criminal Threatening.

Brianna Demeritt, age 23, of Barrington was arrested on June 23 on two counts of Driving After Revocation or Suspension.

Randall S. Vetrone, age 51, of Manchester was arrested on June 24 for Theft By Unauthorized Taking in an amount greater than \$1,500.

Nicole M. Tusi, age 33, of Alton was arrested on June 26 for Theft By Unauthorized Taking in an amount greater than \$1,500.

Sage Tiffany Kiedaisch, age 41, of Gilford was arrested on June 27 for Driving While Intoxicated.

Jaki Lynn Choquette, age 18, of Gilford was arrested on June 27 for Misuse of the 911 System and giving False E-911 Information.

Mickayla Cantin, age 21, of Belmont was arrested on June 28 in connection with a bench warrant.

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Summer reading program kicks off at Gilford Library



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Paul Warnick performs a virtual summer reading kickoff party.

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The Gilford Public Library's Summer Reading Program is now open for signups with many virtual and socially distanced activities planned for this summer.

The annual summer reading program kicked off on Tuesday with a special online performance of music and dance followed by a drive-in ice cream social.

The nationwide theme for this year's

Summer Reading Program is "Imagine Your Story" and libraries around the country are doing different activities based on this theme.

With the continued pandemic, the Gilford Library is still doing activities though virtual or socially distanced means.

The library held a virtual summer reading kickoff party last Tuesday. Musician Paul Warnick joined by Cathy Defregger, owner of the



Cathy Defregger, Eloise, and Paul Warnick do some freeze dancing during the summer reading kickoff performance.

Edgewater Academy of Dance, and special guest Miss Eloise performed in Warnick's backyard. Warnick played a number of kid-friendly songs as Defragger and Eloise danced in the background. Defragger also led some different dances and activities.

"Don't forget to drive down to the library for the summer reading program or if you feel more comfortable you can get to the Web site," Warnick said.

After the performance the library held a drive through ice cream social, with kids getting free ice cream.

Kids, teens, and adults can sign up for their respective reading programs online at <http://gilfordlibrary.readsquared.com>.

Kids can take part in the Decorate Your Summer Reading Tote contest, decorating the tote they got for the program and entering the photos on Facebook.

Gilford resident Connor Craigie completes intensive research project

WORCESTER, Mass. — Connor Craigie of Gilford, a member of the class of 2021 majoring in robotics engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), was a member of a student team that recently completed an intense research project titled Exploring the Response to an Unprecedented Pandemic.

At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology to addresses an important societal need or issue. Nearly 90% of students typically complete a project in collaboration with partners in communi-

ties across the country and around the world, through the university's 50-plus project centers. Students usually travel to the project center for seven-week terms; this spring, however, due to the global coronavirus pandemic, they worked remotely, using video conferencing and other technology to complete their projects. A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, the project-based curriculum offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to develop thoughtful solutions to real problems that affect the quality of people's lives and make a difference before they graduate.

"The WPI project-based curriculum's focus on global studies brings students out of their comfort zones to apply their knowledge to solve real problems for people in communities around the globe," said Professor Kent Rissmiller, interim dean of the WPI Interdisciplinary and Global Studies Division. "Students have the opportunity to learn about a different culture, from the way people live and work to the values they hold to the foods they eat - all valuable perspectives for surviving and thriving in today's global marketplace. They also learn the meaning and magic of teamwork; make a real and meaningful difference; and gain a competitive edge for any resume, or graduate or professional school application.

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Emily Curtis of Gilford named to Springfield College Dean's List

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Springfield College has named Emily Curtis from Gilford to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2020 spring semester.

Curtis is studying Rehabilitation and Disability Studies.

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There will be a number of Zoom story times and craft making sessions, craft sessions where kids pick up materials at the library to make things like giraffe hats at home, and videos from special speakers.

Story time at the

beach will continue this summer with someone from the library coming to the beach to read to kids.

For more information on the Summer Reading Program and its activities, visit gilfordlibrary.org.

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OPINION

Some fun facts about the Fourth

One of our favorite holidays to write about is Independence Day. We all know the stories of our Founding Fathers — John Adams, Sam Adams, George Washington, Paul Revere, James Madison, Benjamin Franklin and Alexander Hamilton, to name a few. However, the history is endless. We thought we would shine a light on aspects surrounding Independence Day that aren't commonly known.

The famous painting that depicts the signing of the Declaration of Independence isn't exactly an accurate portrayal. All of the delegates were never together at the same time in Philadelphia. The final signing took place roughly a month later on Aug. 2. The Declaration was formally dated and adopted by Congress on July 4; however, Congress voted for independence on July 2.

Celebrating their new independence, soldiers along with civilians tore down a statue of King George III and melted it into bullets. In Georgia, people burnt the King in effigy and even held a faux funeral service. In Philadelphia, the King's coat of arms was burned in a bonfire. Massachusetts was the first state to recognize July 4th as a holiday in 1781.

In 1777, fireworks could be seen in the sky and the ringing of bells rang through the night in Philadelphia. Ships were decorated and lined the coast and streamers could be seen flying in celebration everywhere. The oldest annual parade takes place in Bristol, Rhode Island. 2020 will be the city's 235th consecutive celebration since its start in 1785.

In New England, dining on salmon became tradition. The story behind the popular cuisine, is due to the influx of salmon that summer. Along with the salmon, people had peas and turtle soup.

One common fact, is that Thomas Jefferson and John Adams both died on July 4, 1826. James Monroe also died on the fourth of July in 1831. President Calvin Coolidge was born July 4, 1872.

Left out of mainstream history was the story of Crispus Attucks, the first to die in the patriot cause. Attucks was a black/native American patriot who was shot, and the first to fall during the 1770 Boston Massacre. Attucks was a runaway slave who was a rope maker and sailor. History says he was shot by two musket balls to the chest. In 1778, it became legal in Rhode Island for free and enslaved blacks to serve the cause, with freedom as part of their payment.

Educated by her owners, Phillis Wheatley was a well known poet during those times. Wheatley was kidnapped in West Africa and brought to America. At the age of 20, in 1773, she became the first African American and third female to publish a book of poetry. She eventually became free. She also advocated for independence, writing in support for George Washington's Revolutionary War in her poem, "To His Excellency, General Washington." Washington, impressed by her talent invited her to a meeting.

In 1958, when Alaska and Hawaii were on deck to become states, a history teacher assigned his class to design a flag, depicting the two new states. Sixteen-year-old Robert Heft, received a B- on the project. Unhappy with the mark, Heft sent the flag to Dwight D. Eisenhower. After the flag was chosen, Heft had his grade changed to an 'A.'

Another fun fact is that Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration on what was referred to as a laptop. A writing desk that could fit over a person's lap.

In 1778, Washington ordered a double ration of rum for soldiers to celebrate with.

In 1776, there were roughly two and a half million people living in America. The current population is now 325.7 million.

Wearing an American flag, whether it be on a tee-shirt, headband, towel or shorts is in violation of the Flag Code. The code says that you are in violation if you sell or display any "article of merchandise, upon which shall have been printed, painted, attached, or otherwise placed a representation of [the flag... in order to] advertise, call attention to, decorate, mark, or distinguish the article or substance on which so placed." The code, however, has long since been deemed unenforceable due to the logistics involved. Good news indeed for all of us who love to let our patriotism shine at this time of year.

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Fourth of July Craft Fair returns to Gunstock

Come and celebrate at the Fourth of July Weekend Craft Fair at Gunstock on Saturday & Sunday, July 4 & 5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. A special feature will be Elise Ford, an amazing female chainsaw wood carver! She will demo on Saturday & Sunday! There will be live music with North River, food, and awesome arts & crafts. Some of the exhibits will include vintage boat decor, inlaid wooden furniture and mirrors, cedar wood furniture, jewelry, ceramics, fiber arts, quilts, gourmet food items, amazing positivity wall signs, beautiful handpainted wood/slate/glass, kettle corn, wildlife photography, handsome dog collars & leashes, amazing African animal photography & ceramics, handpoured soaps, & lots more!!! Friendly, Leashed Pets Welcome! Social Distancing & Masks Required - Rain or Shine Under Canopies - Free Admission & Free Parking. For more information, call Joyce at 528-4014 or visit www.joycescraftshows.com. See you there!

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

A land in the North, waiting for mistakes



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

How to follow a map to nowhere, and figure those butterflies out

Despite the best efforts of mentors, I've never known my Lepidoptera (butterflies) very well, and during a recent drive on Cedar Stream Road in Clarksville (just north of Colebrook) we bumped into scads of black butterflies with distinctive white bars on their wings.

There must have been a big hatch going on, a term usually reserved for fly-fishing situations wherein larvae are morphing into winged creatures—for instance, mayflies. Back a few years ago, I found myself in just such a happy situation near dark on Little Diamond Pond, in Stewartstown.

I'd been drift-fishing the pond, casting to a rise now and then, enjoying the solitude and tarrying in the dusk. As I neared the outlet, the water began to just about boil, and the air became full of flies — mayflies.

I had on an old beaten-up green-winged Hornberg, doped up a little so it would barely float and would dip just under the surface when tweaked. It was close enough — a fish every cast, a feeding frenzy not of the Jaws kind.

And here I was now, adrift in a truck, in a hatch of beautiful creatures I could not name. But when I got home I looked them up, of course, and they were White Admirals, with nary a petty officer in sight.

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New Hampshire is first in the nation in speed-related traffic fatalities, coming in at almost twice the national average. This is no sur-



JOHN HARRIGAN

Cedar Stream Road, just south of the state's northernmost town of Pittsburg, is not a bad place to find yourself on a sunny, blue-sky, cloud-scudded day.

prise to anyone who's tried to survive a walk through a parking lot.

Why do so many TV commercials show snowmobiles becoming airborne and ATVs slewing through mud? Responsible riders don't do that. In a similar vein, ads show four-wheel-drive SUVs and trucks going way too fast for conditions.

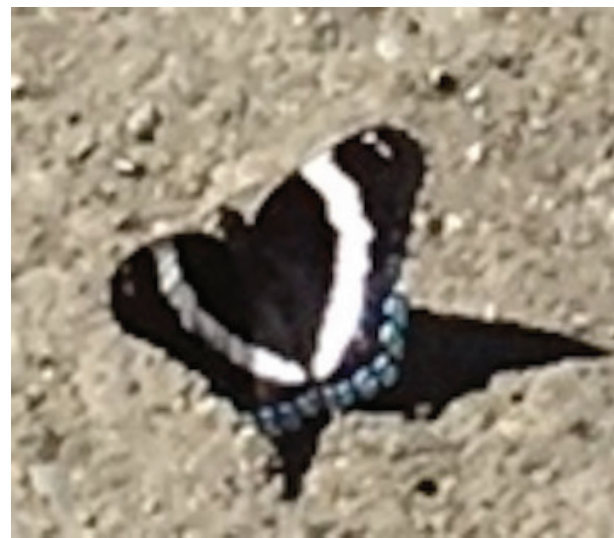
My old '88 truck had 270,000-odd miles on it when it came time to trade. It got that far because I never pounded it around on rough roads in rough country, which is why a manual transmission has what's called "creeper gear," a first gear otherwise seldom used.

I suppose this is passé in this age of do-everything automatic transmissions, which is exactly what I have in my current truck (automatic: seven gears!). The old '88 got through some pretty tight places. For some reason I feel no great need to try the same kind of thing with the current truck, and no need to find out if it has geezer-gear.

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The media rediscovered the beach trash issue last week, which is the exact same thing it was last year — piggish, with apologies to the pigs.

How can anyone throw trash on a beach? The only way I can figure it is that people think the beach is like a major-league ballpark,



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White Admiral butterflies are really more black than white, with some colors in between.

or maybe a movie theater, where it seems to be accepted behavior to just throw your food and containers onto the floor, "because they're gonna clean it up anyway." If there is a thought process (and that's a big "if"), this must be it.

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The stay-home mantra of the pandemic is having all kinds of effects that never could have been predicted, let alone considered, and will do so for years on end. As if being alive and on the planet when people walked on the moon were not enough, we are living through another time like the Great Depression that will be talked about by generations to come.

Let's forget for a minute about babies, one of northern New England's most precious crops, and let's talk about the

other top crop, timber. The Concord Monitor reported that softwood mills, manufacturers, and merchants have had a nice bump in business from home improvement projects.

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New Hampshire has 213 fire departments and fire stations, according to one source, but of course bigger communities have multiple stations, and many small towns have a far-flung extra station or two, often the result of one town absorbing another, and many departments cover several towns, so who knows? Stick a thumb in the air and guess at, oh, maybe around 150 actual fire departments.

These consist of both full-time and volunteer fire departments. Sometimes towns and cities forget how lucky they are to have them, and

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Gilford Parks and Recreation News

BY HERB GREENE
D i r e c t o r
Gilford Parks and Recreation

WICKED COOL FOR KIDS - Minecraft Camp The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a one-week Minecraft Camp the week of July 6 - July 10. The camp is open to children entering grades 1-6 in the fall and will take place in the Gilford Middle School Cafeteria from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Participants will construct complex Minecraft villages and map out a hands-on model community, built with real world materials. Learn the secrets of Minecraft to forge unique tools, discover the awesome power of redstone, and create automated factories to supply your empire. Participants may register by picking up a form

from the Parks and Recreation office or by visiting the Gilford Parks and Recreation website at www.gilfordrec.com. Cost: \$325 For more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Challenger British Soccer Camp The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is again sponsoring a week-long Challenger British Soccer Camp. This camp will be held from July 13 - July 17 at the Gilford Village Field. This camp offers a three-hour program for children ages six to 14 from 9 a.m. - noon and a one-and-a-half-hour program for children ages three to five from 12:30 - 2 p.m. Participants may register by visiting the Chal-

lenger website at www.challengersports.com. Cost: \$137 for ages six to 14 and \$101 for ages three to five For more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Horsemanship Camp Offered Multiple Weeks The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with the Lakes Region Riding Academy is offering a number of 4-Day Horsemanship Camp sessions this summer. These camps are limited to Local Year-Round NH Resident Children ages seven to 15! These camps will be held from 9 a.m. - noon at the Lakes Region Riding Academy in Gilford. Session dates for this summer are; July 6 - July 9; July 14 - July 17; July 28 - July

31; Aug. 3 - Aug. 6 and Aug. 10 - Aug. 13. This is an introductory program for participants to learn about horsemanship. The program will offer basic horse care knowledge, horse safety and the beginning basics of riding. All participants must wear long pants and a shoe or boot with a heel. Helmets will be available at the barn. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Enrollment in camp session is limited. Participants may register by picking up a form from the Parks and Recreation office or by visiting the Gilford Parks and Recreation Web site at www.gilfordrec.com. Cost: \$100 per participant For more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Archery Lessons The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a four-week session of Archery instruction, to be led by Dana White from Art of Archery. This program will be held on Tuesday afternoon/evenings from Aug. 4 - Aug. 25 at the Arthur A. Tilton Ice Rink. The Beginner session will run from 4 - 5 p.m., with the Intermediate session running from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. These classes are open to Youth and Adults ages

seven years old and up and no experience is required. Enrollment in this program is limited, so sign up soon! Registration forms can be picked up at the Parks and Recreation office or can be found on the department website at www.gilfordrec.com. Cost: \$65 per person and includes all necessary equipment. For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722. =

Vanessa R. Ginchereau named to Husson University's President's List

BANGOR, Maine — Laconia resident, Vanessa R. Ginchereau, has been named to [Husson University's](http://Husson University) President's List for the Spring 2020 semester.

Ginchereau is a senior who is currently enrolled in Husson's Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration and Public Health program.

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

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Notebook

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what hard work it takes to keep a good fire department up and running.

Just as training and equipment get better with each year, firefighters are apt to wear similar protective clothing, called in the parlance "turnout gear." Like the person who wears it, it must be ready to go at a moment's notice.

And it turns out that turnout gear, according to a story in the Union Leader, can be saturated with potentially harmful chemicals intended to ward off water as well as oil and hazardous fluids. "The study...found that firefighters' gear is soaked in per- and polyfluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS)," the story said.

"The chemicals are common ingredients in the foam used by firefighters and have been found in New Hampshire water supplies. They are considered dangerous for consumers and can increase the risk for several types of cancer, including prostate, testicular and mesothelioma."

Were it not for the tenacious wife of a volunteer firefighter in New Hampshire, the

Notre Dame study that revealed this problem might never have been commissioned. The woman wrote letter upon letter, trying to get answers.

"That spouse is Diane Cotter of Rindge," the Leader reported. "Her husband Paul, a 28-year veteran of the Worcester, Mass., fire department, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant on September 19, 2014 after 28 years on Rescue 1. One month later, on Nov. 15, he was diagnosed with cancer."

In recent years, both Cotters have appeared at meetings focusing on the lack of industry information and warnings on the chemical contents of turnout gear.

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If I hadn't stumbled into the world of print (the Nashua Telegraph, 1968), maybe I'd have drifted into the world of radio. It's a fun place to be, and I've been doing radio here and there ever since, beginning in the early '70s when I was a guest on Bob Lobel's sports show on Manchester's WGIR. Then came long (and fun) stints on New Hampshire public radio and television.

These days I'm often on Concord's (actually Bow's) radio sta-

tion WTPL, 107.7 FM, as a guest on the Good Morning New Hampshire show with Peter St. James and Pat Kelly. They give me a call at around 7:10 a.m. on Thursdays, and we go live to visit about whatever comes to mind.

Last week it was about getting hold of one of those large-format state map books you should always have under your seat, picking a place you haven't been to or haven't been for a long time, and just going. If you pack a lunch, the only costs are time and gas.

Hint: If there is a sign on a road, and it says "Three Sisters Road," it has to come out somewhere, because otherwise it's not supposed to say "road." If it says "place," or "lane," or "drive," it's relatively new, and might be a dead end.

But if it says "road"

(and here's the most fun part, at least to me), you should be able to take a right, or a left, and keep on doing so, whether you want to go clockwise or counter-clockwise, and two turns later (maybe more) you'll come out to the road you started on, albeit a mile or two in the other direction. Sometimes, however, you can wind up doing a circle within a circle. Now, that's confusing.

This is also a great way to start arguments. "This road doesn't look like it goes through." "Does too." "Does not." "Gimme the map." "Ha! I've got your glasses." And like that.

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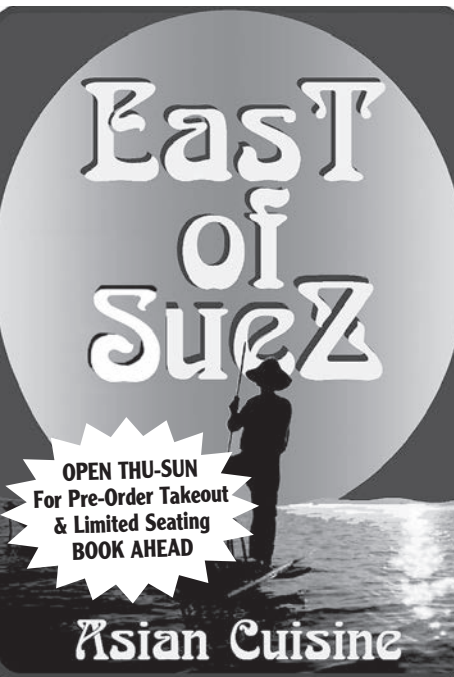
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Work to Achieve Your Financial Independence

Over the past few months, just about everyone has felt the loss of some type of freedom, whether it's being able to travel, engage in social gatherings or participate in other activities we previously took for granted. Still, as we prepare to observe Independence Day, it's comforting to realize all the freedoms we still have in this country. And taking the right steps can also help you achieve your financial independence. Here are some moves to consider:

- Build an emergency fund. It's a good idea to create an emergency fund consisting of three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money held in a liquid, low-risk account. With this fund in place, you can avoid dipping into your long-term investments to pay for short-term, unexpected costs.
- Keep your debts under control. It's not easy to do, but if you can consistently minimize your debt load, you can have more money to invest for the future and move closer toward achieving your financial liberty. One way to keep your debts down is to establish a budget and stick to it, so you can avoid unnecessary spending.
- Contribute as much as possible to your retirement plans. The more money you can save for retirement, the greater your feelings of financial independence. So it's essential that you contribute as much as you can to your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. At a minimum, put in enough to earn your employer's match, if one is offered, and every time your salary goes up, boost your annual contributions. Even if you participate in a 401(k), you're probably also still eligible to contribute to an IRA, which can help you build even more funds for retirement. And because you can fund an IRA with virtually any type of investment, you can broaden your portfolio mix.
- Explore long-term care coverage. One day, your financial independence could be threatened by your need for some type of long-term care. It now costs, on average, over \$100,000 for a private room in a nursing home and more than \$50,000 for the services of a home health aide, according to Genworth, an insurance company. Most of these costs won't be covered by Medicare, either, so, if you want to reduce the risk of seriously depleting all your financial resources – or burdening your adult children with these heavy expenses – you may want to consider some type of long-term care insurance. You could choose a traditional long-term care policy – which can cover a nursing home stay, home health care, or other services – or a hybrid policy, which provides long-term care coverage plus a death benefit.
- Manage withdrawals carefully. Once you retire, your financial freedom will depend a great deal on how skillful you are in managing the money in your retirement accounts. Specifically, you need to be careful about how much you withdraw from these accounts each year. If you set a withdrawal rate that's too high in your early years of retirement, you might eventually risk outliving your resources. So, set a withdrawal rate that reflects your age, assets, retirement lifestyle and other factors. You may want to consult with a financial professional to establish an appropriate rate. As you can see, working toward your financial independence is a lifelong activity – but it's worth the effort.

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University of New Hampshire announces Dean's List

DURHAM — The following students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the spring 2020 semester.

Alexa McNamara of Gilmanton for earning Highest Honors. McNamara is majoring in Communication.

Samantha Knowles of Gilmanton for earning Highest Honors. Knowles is majoring in RMP:Therapeutic Recreation.

Owen Trindade of Gilmanton for earning High Honors. Trindade is majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Emily Waite of Gilmanton for earning Highest Honors. Waite is majoring in Exercise Science.

Christopher Hill of Gilmanton for earning Honors. Hill is majoring in Mechanical Engineering Tech.

Will Baldwin of Gilmanton for earning Honors. Baldwin is majoring in Environmental Engineering.

Jacquelyn Pia of Laconia for earning Highest Honors. Pia is majoring in Health Management & Policy.

Victoria Dean of La-

conia for earning High Honors. Dean is majoring in Arts: Art History.

Kate Persson of Laconia for earning Highest Honors. Persson is majoring in Engl/Txt, Bus Wrtg&Dgtl Stds.

Melody Davies of Laconia for earning Honors. Davies is majoring in Business Administration.

Isabella Lovering of Laconia for earning Honors. Lovering is majoring in Economics.

Ranuli Abeysinghe of Laconia for earning Highest Honors. Abeysinghe is majoring in Electrical Engineering.

Nemanja Boskovic of Laconia for earning Honors. Boskovic is majoring in Biotechnology.

Adrianna Dinsmoor of Laconia for earning High Honors. Dinsmoor is majoring in BusAdm: Finance.

Martin Hecka of Laconia for earning Honors. Hecka is majoring in BusAdm: Finance.

Mark Casella of Laconia for earning Honors. Casella is majoring in EnSci:Ecosystems.

Jason Kephart of Gilford for earning Honors. Kephart is majoring in Electrical Engineering Tech.

Christian Remick of Gilford for earning High Honors. Remick is majoring in Sport Studies.

Hannah Saulnier of Gilford for earning High Honors. Saulnier is majoring in BusAdm: Finance.

Oliver Roy of Gilford for earning Honors. Roy is majoring in Civil Engineering.

Jonathan Nelson of Gilford for earning High Honors. Nelson is majoring in Computer Science.

Brandon Sasserson of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Sasserson is majoring in BusAdm: Management.

Matthew McDonough of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. McDonough is majoring in Business Administration.

Riley Glover of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Glover is majoring in Information Technology.

Cassidy Bartlett of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Bartlett is majoring in BusAdm: Marketing.

Grant Workman of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Workman is majoring in BusAdm: Info Syst&Bus Analytics.

Michael Wernig of Gilford for earning High Honors. Wernig is majoring in Mus: Performance.

Sean DeSautelle of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. DeSautelle is majoring in Literary Studies.

Shannon Anderson of Gilford for earning Honors. Anderson is majoring in Mathematics.

David Hart of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Hart is majoring in Nursing.

Natalie Noury of Gilford for earning Honors. Noury is majoring in Communication.

Aimee Brunt of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Brunt is majoring in English.

Christian Workman of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Workman is majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

Roy Gardiner of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Gardiner is majoring in Econ: Global Trade&Finance.

Carter Mercer of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Mercer is majoring in BusAdm: Info Syst&Bus Analytics.

Shannon Mercer of Gilford for earning High Honors. Mercer is ma-

joring in Psychology.

Tyler Swarthout of Gilford for earning High Honors. Swarthout is majoring in BusAdm: Marketing.

Gabrielle Podmore of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Podmore is majoring in Cmn: Business Applications.

Olivia Edson of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Edson is majoring in Electrical Engineering.

Shaun Edson of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Edson is majoring in Genetics.

Kayla Dillon of Gilford for earning High Honors. Dillon is majoring in BusAdm: Finance.

David Walker of Gilford for earning Highest Honors. Walker is majoring in Biomed- Sci: Med&VetSci.

Brad Ferreira of Gilford for earning High Honors. Ferreira is majoring in Mechanical Engineering Tech.

Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more

graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

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URI students named to Spring 2020 Dean's List

KINGSTON, R.I. — The University of Rhode Island is pleased to announce the Spring 2020 Dean's List. The students represent nearly all of Rhode Island's cities and towns, all six New England states, New York and New Jersey, and many other states and countries.

To be included on the Dean's List, full-time students must have completed 12 or more credits for letter grades during a semester and achieved at least a 3.30 quality point average. Part-time students qualify with the accumulation of 12 or more credits for letter grades earning at least a 3.30 quality point average.

The following students from your area were

named to the Dean's List:

James Buckley of Gilford
Jordan Dean of Gilford
Anne Dionne of Laconia
Johanna Morris of Gilford
Kaylee Robbs of Gilford
Kaitlyn VanBennekum of Gilford

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

Brenton Gould of Gilmanton
Jacob Nelson of Laconia

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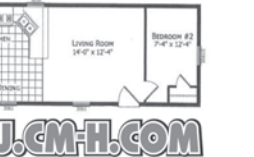
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Elizabeth Albert, Ean Bickford, Aiden Bonda, Grace Cook, Samantha Dahl, Carter Forest, Caleb Giovanditto, Caroline Guest, Ryan Guyer, Olivia Hagan, Avery Hennig, Haukur Karlsson, Derek Kelly, Abigail Kenyon, Eva Lacey, Charlotte Lehr, Rosabella Lesniak, Emma McBride, Andrew McDonough, Riley Powers, Isaiah Reese, Rylee Rizzitano, Chloe Romprey, Brett Skoog, Lydia Stefan, Rylee Stefan, Aiden Townsend, Ryan Turmel, Brielle Vasilevsky,

William Wallace, Benjamin Weismantel, Addy Wernig

Grade 7
Rachel Beck, Hunter Bell, Clark Blackwelder, Makenna Clayton, Anna Coapland, Leah Davignon, Cameron Drouin, Georgia Eckhardt, Andrew Gately, Cassandra Israel, Carter Laliberte, Mark Langlitz, Megan Legro, Carson McGreevy, Lauren Nazer, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Cooper Perkins, Gabreaelle Perron, Lamija Pintol, Sophie Powers, Benjamin Selfridge, Aiden Suarez, Brody Testa, Kylie Thompson, Lilly Winward, Benjamin Wolpin

Grade 6
Olivia Albert, Hailey Bean, Lauren Belterose, Faith Benedict, Connor Brough, Benson Chen, Madison Clayton, Samuel Coppi, Luke Crawford, Julie DeCesare, Sophie Fessenden, Jackson Gelo, Addison Guyer, Jack Hazelton, Emma Horton, Kylie Kelly, Taryn Limanni, Kendall Madon, Elijah

Moneysmith, Jade Nicolas, Rylan Paradis, Ella Poire, Maggie Port, Sydney Quimby, Alex Ranglov, Henry Sleeper, Noah Suranyi, Maria Tilley, Bryce Turmel, Declan Voivod, Abigail Watson

Grade 5
Christina Athanaspoulos, Hailey Barbour, Brooke Baron, Sydney Boudreau, Isabella Bryant, Liam Butler, Colton Byars, Cody Ciampo, Bryce Cook, Tucker Crawford, Rowan Defossez, Makayla Faulkner, Gavin Forest, Kaylee Gard, Dylan Grant, Anthony Hardy, Caitlin Herbert, Renee Henderson, Lorraine Hinds, Jameson Holt, Mckenna Howard, Emily Jacques, Emma Legro, Beckett Lehr, Owen Luce, Alicia Lyman, Carlee Lyons, Natalee Magdziasz, Zypporah Mitchell, Xavier Morrison, Alissa O'Brien, Layne O'Connor, Kinsey Paradis, Jiya Patel, Grace Powers, Lilly Sanborn, Grace Southworth, Benjamin Valles, Anne Willis, Owen Wolpin

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Adam Smith of Laconia graduates from the University of Utah

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — Adam Smith of Laconia graduated from the University of Utah on April 30.

Smith, whose major is listed as Computer Science BCS was among the 8,628 graduates who were honored during the university’s first-ever virtual commencement due to the coronavirus pandemic. The 151st general commencement can be viewed here. The graduating class of 2020 includes students who graduated summer 2019, fall 2019 and spring 2020. Students in the Class of 2020 ranged in age from 18 to 69 and earned 9,280 degrees. Graduates represented 50 U.S. states and 59 foreign countries.

This class is the first to graduate from the U since it was selected as a new member of the Association of American Universities-an invitation-only, prestigious group of 65 leading research institutions.

About the U

The University of Utah, located in Salt Lake City in the foothills of the Wasatch Mountains, is the flagship institution of higher learning in Utah. Founded in 1850, it serves over 32,000 students from across the U.S. and the world. With over 100 major subjects at the undergraduate level and more than 90 major fields of study at the graduate level, including law and medicine, the university prepares students to live and compete in the global workplace. In 2019, the university was selected as a new member of the Association of American Universities-an invitation-only, prestigious group of 65 leading research institutions marked by excellence in academic expertise and research impact, student success, and securing resources in support of core missions. Known for its proximity to seven world-class ski resorts within 40 minutes of campus, the U encourages an active, holistic lifestyle, innovation and collaborative thinking to engage students, faculty, and business leaders.

St. John’s-on-the-Lake opens for private reflection July 5

MEREDITH — St. John’s-on-the-Lake on Bear Island, Meredith, will be open for the beginning of its summer season on July 5, but it will not be “business as usual.” Although formal worship services have been canceled for the summer, the chapel will be open for private prayer and meditation and will also offer four on-line services.

St. John’s will be open Sunday mornings from July 5 through Aug. 23 from 10 to 11 a.m. for prayer and meditation. (This is not intended as a time to merely take a look at the building.) There will be organ music most weeks but there will be no singing.

Masks will be required as will “social distancing,” and the number of people allowed inside at a time will be limited. Some masks will be available for those who forget, and hand sanitizer will be available.

July 12, July 19, Aug. 9, and Aug. 16 services will be streamed at 10 a.m. For more information, please visit our website www.stjohnsonthelake.org.

Founded in 1927 and listed on the State Register of Historic Places, 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.

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. For additional information, visit our Web site, www.stjohnsonthelake.org. Email: bearisland-chapel@gmail.com.

GOT LUNCH food drive collects more than 1,500 items

Thanks to great cooperation from Gilford Rotary Club members, the Boy Scouts and the Gilford School District the recent Got Lunch food drive was a huge success.

More than 1,500 food items were collected from 175 cars and 3 motorcycles. Plus cash and check donations totaling \$2385 were collected.

The non-perishable food for Got Lunch is stored in a separate room at the Gilford Youth Center. Four banquet tables in the middle of the room had been cleared for new donations. When finished volunteers had filled those tables, the floor underneath and 4 additional tables that were placed outside the room- and the floor underneath those tables. (see attached picture.)

The Got Lunch people were very pleased. Special thanks to Charlie Boucher- signage, Kimbly Wade- brochure, Rick Hopper publicity and to workers Scott Kingsley, Larry Wahlstrom, Kurt Webber, Chandler and Ashley Jones, Dave Pereira, Steve Copithorne and Corey Gately- with daughter, Shannon. Russ Lunt had a terrific display outside of Lowes featuring his refurbished model A truck and our sign. Plus the great volunteer efforts by the Boy Scouts, Gilford School District and Got Lunch.

A reminder that Gilford Got Lunch is currently accepting applications from parents of Gilford and Gilmanton students needing nutritional assistance over the summer. Applications are available online at gilfordgotlunch.com.

This was a great cooperative effort which resulted in concrete support to fellow Gilford residents in need. Thank-you. Chris Rey, Gilford Rotary Club.

Hannah Sullivan named to President’s List at Merrimack College

ANDOVER, Mass. — Hannah Sullivan of Gilford has been named to the president’s list at Merrimack College for the spring semester of her junior year.

She is the daughter of Scott and Allison Sullivan of Gilford. She is a Mathematics major with minors in sports management and data science.

The only Catholic Augustinian college in New England, Merrimack College is an independent, coeducational institution with more than 4,200 undergraduates, continuing education and graduate students from 34 states and 36 countries, comprising schools of liberal arts, science and engineering, health sciences, education and social policy, and business. The college’s 220-acre campus is situated approximately 25 miles north of Boston in North Andover and Andover, Massachusetts. Accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education, Merrimack is a Master’s Colleges & Universities/Medium Programs institution in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education, a top-50 Regional University/North in U.S. News, and a top-10 Most Transformative institution in Money Magazine.

Tanger Outlets launches Virtual Shopper concierge service

TILTON — Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc., a leader in the outlet industry, has announced the launch of an innovation to the outlet shopping experience, a virtual shopping concierge service that gives shoppers the best of outlet shopping without leaving home.

“The Virtual Shopper program will open a new lane of engagement, driving sales to our retail partners, while also expanding shopping opportunities for our customers,” said Steven B. Tanger, CEO of Tanger Outlets. “Given the ever-changing landscape related to the COVID-19 pandemic, constant innovation is more critical than ever before when it comes to serving retailers and customers. The Virtual Shopper program is part of the solution and one of our new initiatives to support the ecommerce and omni-channel ecosystem.”

Through Tanger’s new ‘Virtual Shopper’ program, shoppers can now shop remotely for their favorite brands, styles and outlet value deals across multiple retailers via onsite shopping specialists and stylists. The new program serves to drive in-store sales for brands and retailers, functioning as a digital, service-minded extension of the brick-and-mortar retail experience.

The Virtual Shopper program provides a range of services, from finding a specific product to customer styling. It also gives shoppers the ability to access Tanger’s entire portfolio, not just the center nearest them.

“Now, more than ever, it’s critical for Tanger to come up with new and innovative ways to meet the needs of our shoppers and retailers,” said Stephen Yalof, COO and President of Tanger Outlets. “Our Virtual Shopper program gives shoppers an insider VIP experience by connecting them with a personal Tanger associate that knows the hottest and best deals as well as new product launches offered in each store. With the wellbeing of our customers being a top priority, we wanted to provide more options for those who may not be ready to visit us in-person but still want to experience the fun and savings Tanger has to offer.”

Shoppers simply fill out a virtual shopping form, detailing their preferences, explore their favorite brands and share the items they want with their personal shopper, who then shops in-store at Tanger Outlets on their behalf. After selecting their products, shoppers can either opt for curbside pick-up or have the items delivered to their home. Tanger shoppers have access to locations in the U.S. and Canada and more than 2,800 stores to find exactly what they’re looking for.

In addition to the new Virtual Shopper program, Tanger Outlets is open for in-person shopping in accordance with local, state and CDC regulations, having implemented a wide range of safety protocols in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. With many brands now offering curbside pickup, Tanger also established convenient locations around each center where shoppers can pick up items from multiple retailers.

About Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.

Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. (NYSE: SKT), is a publicly-traded REIT headquartered in Greensboro, North Carolina that presently operates and owns, or has an ownership interest in, a portfolio of 39 upscale outlet shopping centers. Tanger’s operating properties are located in 20 states and in Canada, totaling approximately 14.3 million square feet, leased to over 2,800 stores which are operated by more than 510 different brand name companies. The Company has more than 39 years of experience in the outlet industry. Tanger Outlet Centers continue to attract more than 181 million visitors annually. For more information on Tanger Outlet Centers, call 1-800-4TANGER or visit the Company’s Web site at www.tangeroutlets.com.



OLD HOME DAY

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the parade route and during other events.

“Even if we asked people to space out, there’s really not enough room to ask people to socially distance,” Greene said.

The current guidelines from the governor’s office is to keep groups to no more than 50 people and he said there would be no way to enforce social distancing during the event.

Another major concern is funding as revenues are significantly down. Revenues from

program ads are significantly down, many vendors won’t be showing up, and t-shirt sales were uncertain. Greene said they haven’t done a lot of their usual fundraising and the town wide yard sale, a major source of funds, didn’t happen because of the pandemic. Greene said a number of organizations that participate will not be taking part this year. One exception was the Gunstock Nordic Association, who was looking at socially distanced

options for the 5K including having runners leave in waves.

Selectman Kevin Hayes noted that the Deerfield Fair recently canceled, making 10 state fairs canceled this year, and the New Hampshire Highland Games at Loon Mountain were also canceled this year.

Board Chair Chan Eddy said the board had made a motion to hold Old Home Day and proposed a motion to rescind that, which Hayes

made.

Selectman Gus Benavides asked if it would be possible to only hold the fireworks. Greene said they could still run into issues with social distancing. He said some communities are trying to work with that, including having drive-up fireworks, though Gilford doesn’t have too many places where fireworks could be done with social distancing.

Benavides expressed his respect and thanks to the Old Home Day Com-

mittee for their tireless work in what he said was the best Old Home Day in the state bringing out people from all walks of life. He said this was “very, very disappointing” and felt like a step back when everyone had tried to move forward. He endorsed the committee’s decision, saying this was probably disappointing to them too.

“I would say I can’t think of anyone it’s more disappointing to,” Greene said. “Many of those members have

been on the committee before I arrived. I don’t know if it’s more heart-breaking to anyone than the committee.”

Eddy said his family came up for the event from Hudson every year and loved it, saying they are going to be disappointed.

The motion to rescind the selectmen’s decision to move Old Home Day forward was approved unanimously.

“We’ll have to start planning for 2021 then,” Eddy said.

Haley Gagnon named to SNHU Dean’s List

MANCHESTER — Haley Gagnon of Center Barnstead has been named to Southern New Hampshire University’s (SNHU) Winter 2020 Dean’s List. The winter term runs from January to May. Eligibility for the Dean’s List requires that a student accumulate an academic grade point average (GPA) of 3.5-3.699 and earn 12 credits for the semester.

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) is a private, nonprofit institution with an 87-year history of educating traditional-aged students and working adults. Now serving more than 130,000 learners worldwide, SNHU offers over 300 accredited undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, available online and on its 300-acre campus in

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Ryan Lafrance named to Spring 2020 Dean’s List at American International College

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Ryan Lafrance, of Gilford, has been named to the Spring 2020 Dean’s List at American International College (AIC). Dean’s List students are full time students who have achieved a 3.3 to 4.0 GPA. The College commends the extraordinary achievement

and commitment of this scholar’s accomplishment during an unprecedented time.

Founded in 1885, American International College (AIC) is a private, co-educational, doctoral granting institution located in Springfield, Massachusetts, comprising the School of

Business, Arts and Sciences, the School of Education, and the School of Health Sciences. AIC supports and advances education, diversity, and opportunity for its students and the community.

Damon Shute named to Spring 2020 Dean’s List at Dean College

FRANKLIN, Mass. — Dean College is pleased to announce that Damon Shute of Gilford has earned a place on the Dean’s List for the Spring 2020 semester. Students earning a place on the Dean’s List have demonstrated serious

commitment to their studies while at Dean College.

Founded in 1865, Dean College is a private, residential college located in Franklin Massachusetts, 45 minutes from Boston, Massachusetts, and Providence, Rhode

Island. Dean College offers baccalaureate degrees, associate degree programs, as well as a robust schedule of part-time continuing and professional education credit and certificate programs throughout the calendar year.

Local residents named to RIT Dean’s List for spring semester

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — The following local residents made the Dean’s List at Rochester Institute of Technology for the 2020 Spring Semester. Degree-seeking undergraduate students are eligible for Dean’s List if their term GPA is greater than or equal to 3.400; they do not have any grades of «Incomplete», «D» or «F»; and they have registered for, and completed, at least 12 credit hours.

Tyler Hanf of Gilford, who is in the computer science program.

Brayden Casella of Laconia, who is in the computer science program.

Joshua Crandall of Laconia, who is in the biomedical sciences program.

Sandor Gamache of Gilmanton, who is in the

industrial engineering program.

Rochester Institute of Technology is home to leading creators, entrepreneurs, innovators and researchers. Founded in 1829, RIT enrolls about 19,000 students in more than 200 career-oriented and professional programs, making it among the largest private universities in the U.S.

The university is internationally recognized and ranked for academic leadership in business, computing, engineering, imaging science, liberal arts, sustainability, and fine and applied arts. RIT also offers unparalleled support services for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. The cooperative education program is one of the oldest and largest in

the nation. Global partnerships include campuses in China, Croatia, Dubai and Kosovo.

For news, photos and videos, go to www.rit.edu/news.

SAILING

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“Over the years, thousands of local kids have learned to sail and experience the joy of being on the water,” commented head instructor Seth Wilkinson. “Because of the reduced class sizes this year, our students will get a great deal of personal attention from our certified staff. The kids will sail in Optimist dinghies, O’Pen Bic dinghies and 14-foot 420s, and adult and private lessons will be taught in our 26-foot J/80 keel boat.”

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Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded in 1988 to promote sailing on Lake Winnepesaukee. Its mission is to promote and expand participation in the sport of sailing, particularly on Lake Winnepesaukee and, in doing so, to remove barriers of knowledge, financial means, disability and age.

Local Student named to Dean’s List at the University of New Haven


WEST HAVEN, Conn. — Sarah Myers of Gilford was named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Haven for the spring, 2020.

Myers is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Forensic Science through the Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences.

About the University of New Haven The University of New Haven, founded on the Yale campus in 1920, is a private, coeducational university situated on the coast of southern New England. It is a diverse and vibrant community of more than 7,000 students, with campuses around the country and around the world.

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