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Community lights up Newfound Lake in tribute to Zoe Anderson

BY DONNA RHODES

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BRISTOL — Newfound Lake was lit up with love on the evening of Friday, Sept. 1, as residents, both seasonal and year round, took to the shore of the waters where 12-year-old Zoe Anderson of Highland Park, Colorado lost her life in a tragic boating accident this summer, honoring her memory and reminding her family that their thoughts and prayers are still with them.



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The Ferberts, Kearns, Riviere, Mulherns, Lynch and Fagundes families were among the hundreds who came out to honor the memory of twelve-year-old Zoe Anderson last Friday evening during "Light a Light for Zoe" on Newfound Lake.



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The Pearson family of New Hampshire and Connecticut posed for a photo on the shores of Newfound Lake before heading out on the 2017 Run Your Buns Off 4.3 mile run/walk.

The sweet success continues for organizers of the Run Your Buns Off 4.2 Miler

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BRISTOL — The 2017 Run Your Buns Off 4.2 mile run/walk was another sweet success this year, with people from all over New England coming out to support this year's charitable causes. Designated non-profit organizations in the Newfound area this year were the Tapply-Thompson Community Center's Teen Council, whose endeavor is to refurbish the center's gym, and the local Day Away Program, which provides respite to in-home care providers whose loved ones are dealing with

dementia and other senior issues.

Now in its eighth

year, Run Your Buns Off donated \$6,000 last

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Just a few weeks ago, Rebecca Boudreau had the suggestion to "Light a Light for Zoe" by placing glow stick placed all around the lake in her memory. The idea immediately went viral in the community.

"We bought 1,000 glow sticks and they were gone so fast we bought another 1,000, and here we are tonight. This is amazing," Boudreau said.

It was not only lake residents who took part in the tribute though. Others who not only dealt with the accident as First Responders, but heard of it in the news or by word of mouth, travelled from towns as far away as Campton to pay tribute to the young girl.

On Cumming's Beach in Bristol, sever-

al families gathered for

the 8 p.m. vigil.

Cindy Libby of

Plymouth said she has family in nearby Alexandria and her children spend a lot of time on Newfound Lake each summer. Her son Logan was at Wellington State Beach on the day the accident happened in mid-July and

felt it only fitting that they come back to the lake last Friday night.

"It was just so sad. We tried buying some of the glow sticks they were selling but they

were sold out when we got here. We went to (a local store) and bought some other glow sticks to hang in the trees here tonight just to let the family know we're thinking of her," she said.

Angel Hoyt of Hold-

erness joined Libby's

family as the children

strung their lights on

a pine tree growing be-

side the lake.

"We come to the

beach here all the

time," she stated, "and just wanted to be part of this tonight."

Taking part in the tribute were their children Logan, Breyden, Sarah and Tayton.

And while they couldn't buy the designated glow sticks for the event, the families made donations to the special fund at New Hampton Community Church being established in Zoe's memory.

Store employees at Newfound Grocery, one of the locations where the glow sticks were made available, said the donations were indeed generous and the glow sticks disappeared in no time at all.

"We could have sold them 40 times over," one employee said.

All around Newfound Lake, people gathered to light their glow sticks on Friday night. Some added sparklers to the tribute while a few houses even glowed with white fairy lights that lined their decks and porches for Zoe.

"We've had quite a good turnout here tonight," observed Susan Gray, a seasonal resident on the foot of the lake since the 1960's. "I've been waterskiing on this lake since I was little and even taught others how to water ski as I got older. It was a tragic accident that

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Migliore named winner of District 9 special election pending re-count

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REGION — A special election for the State House of Representatives District 9 in Grafton County took place on Tuesday, and of the three candidates, Joshua Adjutant (D) of Bristol, John J. Babiarz (Lib.) of Grafton and Bridgewater resident Vincent Paul Migliore (R), it was Migliore who came out on top once the ballots in Alexandria, Ashland, Bridgewater, Bristol and Grafton were tabulated.

Unofficial counts showed that Migliore received an overall total of 611 votes in the five towns, while Adjutant, his closest competitor, had 561 votes. Babiarz finished with 23 votes.

Democrat Adjutant took the lead in Alexandria and Ashland, with votes of 135-112 against his Republican opponent in Alexandria, and 103-84 in Ashland. Migliore received stronger support in the



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(Left) As voters made their way to the polls to take part in a special election for the State House of Representatives District 9 in Grafton County, candidates Joshua Adjutant and Vincent Migliore posed for a photo outside the Bristol Old Town Hall.

towns of Bristol (194-188), Bridgewater (144-

66) and Grafton (77-69) however, which put him over the top by 50 votes.

Adjutant felt the race was too close, however, and is not done with his battle for the seat in Concord. On his Facebook page

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Community shows overwhelming support for victims of Hurricane Harvey

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BRISTOL — It was "all hands on deck" at Bristol Fire Department last Wednesday afternoon as firefighters and volunteers began sorting and packing the hundreds of donations they received to aid residents in the Houston, Texas area after Hurricane Harvey flooded roads, homes, schools and businesses with unprecedented amounts of water.

A member of the Bristol fire department is also a member of the N.H. American Patriot 3 Percent organization,



before they knew it, Bristol Fire Department was overflowing with canned and dried goods,

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Newfound area schools welcome students, new staff members

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DANBURY — Aug. 30 was not only the first day of school for boys and girls in the Newfound Area School District — it was also the first day for a few administrators and teachers as well.

At Danbury Elementary School, students were greeted at the front door by their new principal, Alison Roberts, who was as eager as they were to begin the new school year.

"I'm super excited to be a part of SAU 4 and especially Danbury El-

ementary School," she said as she introduced herself to all who arrived by car and bus.

Roberts said this year brings lots of new faces to the school and she was pleased to be a part of the hiring process for new teachers and staff.

"We spent the summer building a team of people who are experienced and energetic, and we're looking forward to all the good things to come," said Roberts.

Joining the DES ROCKS community for the 2017-18 school year



DONNA RHODES

Danbury Elementary School's new principal, Alison Roberts, enjoyed greeting boys and girls as they arrived for the first day of school last Wednesday. Shown here with her that morning are first grader Alyssa and her older brother Curtis, who was looking forward to his year third grade.

are: Second and third grade teacher Mrs. Norma Anser, formerly of the Laconia School District; Ms. Rebecca Robinson, a DES graduate herself, who will be teaching grades four and five; Reading Specialist Mrs. Lori Breshehan who will support students as a Title 1 tutor; Mrs. Ashley Boudrias, a former Title 1 tutor who is back as the DES Title 1 teacher; School Nurse Michelle Whitenack; and Mrs. Trisha Farrell, who formerly worked in the front office and has now moved on to a new role as a paraeducator in the classrooms.

Roberts herself was a physical education teacher for nine years at both the middle and high school level, and also served as an Athletic Director. She was the assistant principal at Belmont Elementary School for four years before moving to her most recent role at Strafford School. Roberts holds a CAGS and a Masters degree in Educational Leadership, is certified as both a principal and superintendent, and continues to work on her career goals through Plymouth State University.

In an online message to parents, Roberts wrote, "Together we will develop an environment that is rich with learning and laughter as we focus on building strong partnerships while building the capacity of our school, our teachers, our parents, and most importantly, our children."

Bridge House receives proceeds from Swim with a Mission

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PLYMOUTH — After a highly successful "Swimming with a Mission" event at Wellington State Beach, organizers Phil and Julie Taub were pleased to present representatives of Bridge House in Plymouth with a check for \$25,000, raised in July when the



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(Left) Phil and Julie Taub, the key organizers of Swimming with a Mission, delivered a check for \$25,000 to Bridge House in Plymouth last week. Accepting the check were residents Ken and Nico while Swimming with a Mission staff members and Bridge House representatives Cathy Bentwood, Alex Ray and Jeanie Forrester looked on.

U.S. Navy Seals visited Newfound Lake to help

the couple raise money for veterans' causes.

The Taub's also brought Bridge House, a shelter focused on supporting homeless veterans, a second check for \$1,000 from Bedford resident Ken Solinsky, along with another \$50 check from a local donor.

"We're thrilled to

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Alexandria FD serves up community spirit at Labor Day pig roast

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ALEXANDRIA — The Alexandria Fire Department held their 18th annual Labor Day Weekend Pig Roast to raise funds for their Fire Fighters organization, and this year, they were also presented with a WAGN 0-2 FUR Life resuscitation mask from residents Dennis and Lucy Ford, to help any pets who may be caught in a home fire.

Dennis Ford said he saw on the news how equipment like this saved a dog's life in California and mentioned it to his wife and she agreed that Alexandria should have the same capabilities in the event of an emergency.

"I just thought they



would be something like this for pets. I love my dogs, so we decided to donate this equipment to the fire department," Lucy Ford said.

The Fords found they could get an even better deal by purchasing two of the pet resuscitators and therefore they will also be donating one to the neighboring Hill

Fire Department.

AFD Capt. George Clayman was pleased to receive the donation from the couple. He said that while it isn't often a department may need pet resuscitation equipment, it can make all the difference in the world in an emergency.

"It's a very worth-

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During the annual pig roast in Alexandria last Saturday evening, residents Dennis and Lucy Ford presented the Alexandria Fire Department with the gift of a pet resuscitation kit. From left to right are fire fighters Josh Cate, George Clayman, Tom Moore and the Fords.

raise money for so many things that the last thing they might think about

feel the vibrations of balls bouncing in games past, fondly remember concert performances, relive the wonderful presentations of the Peter Sleeper Players on stage or rehash debates among the citizens who come together to decide the future at town meetings.

This beautiful old building has been placed on the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Register of Historic Places (2015) and was awarded an LCHIP (Land and Community Historic Investment Program) grant. Townspeople funded a warrant article, which along with the LCHIP grant, provided a new metal roof, painting outside and in, refinished floors and other much-needed repairs.

Through the donation of sweat-equity and the labor of the building's guardian angel, each and every window has been removed and restored. Through donations and contributions, the toilet areas are being upgraded and work continues to enable this historic building to serve our community into the future.

Projects continue to be worked on through volunteer efforts. A recent acquisition by the Bristol Historical Society

of a grand piano will

enable concerts to return to the old hall which has

amazing acoustics.

As we work to continue the building's service into the future, the Bristol Historical Society and the Old Town Hall Committee have begun fundraising for moneys to provide a kitchen facility. The kitchen will be installed in the unfinished room beside the main meeting hall. This will enable more flexibility for families and groups to use the hall for community and personal events.

The layout and plan must receive LCHIP approval before construction, but plans are underway and we welcome your support and assistance.

If this building calls forward memories of events you attended or visions of happenings yet to come, we welcome you to participate in reaching our goal for the kitchen by contributing to the Bristol Historical Society at 1115 Robie Rd., Bristol, NH 03222. Please mark your check "Old Town Hall" so that it can be properly designated. All contributions are tax deductible. For further information you may call 744-2751. Thank you for your support!

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Alexandria

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Here we are celebrating Labor Day 2017. Decided not to venture off the hill today, but chose to enjoy the sunshine and quiet right at home! Good planning as my son and little side kick came for a visit, providing enough excitement, fun and laughter for the day!

Town

The Alexandria Volunteer Fire Fighters Association annual pig roast was once again a huge success. Great job to the AVFFA and all those who helped cook, bake, prepare and serve this very tasty meal! It's fantastic to see many happy faces, young and not so young gathered together in support of a wonderful cause!

Board of Selectmen meeting Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Budget Committee will begin meeting with the Board of Selectmen and Board/Department Heads in the not to distant future in preparation of the Annual Budgets for the Town Warrant. Will keep you posted as to the dates and times of these meetings.

Alexandria UMC

On Sept. 10, there will be a coffee hour after church services. Service is at 9 a.m., and coffee hour at about 10 a.m.

There will be a Sunday School Staff meeting right after the coffee hour. Already the excitement has begun! We are a busy church family, but many hands make light work! And yes, yours truly will be preparing snacks again this year!

Keeping an eye on what's happening with Hurricane Irma as she presses towards shore. Be sure you have batteries for the flashlights, candles, water drawn for drinking and flushing, and easy food to prepare! Enjoy the week ahead, and hopefully the weather holds steady.

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South Danbury Church

On Sunday, Sept. 10, the South Danbury congregation will celebrate Danbury's Old Home Day at the United Church of Danbury, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Worship services resume in South Danbury on Sunday, Sept. 17, at 8:30 a.m.

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Groton

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Feeling a little "fallish" tonight. I hope the frost stays away just a little longer and gives the garden time to finish producing all it can. It doesn't seem possible that the temps are down so low so early, but time marches on for all of us in Groton. Time to make sure the wood is in and the vegetable are gathered and all that good stuff.

On vacation, we were able to see the eclipse in totality while in Greenville, S.C. It was very interesting and a rewarding trip though it was 24 hours down and 24 hours up thanks to construction and accidents. There will be an eclipse in our neck-of-the-woods in 2024... if I'm still around I think that will be just as interesting and I won't need to drive 24 hours to see it. I really went to see my brother and wife not just for the eclipse; that was just an added bonus.

There was no Select Board meeting this week, but there will be one on the 5th so we'll have more to report then.

The Library Trustees would like you to know there are still some books in the library at the Town House that are for sale; \$1/bag or a donation. There is a computer set up in the library for residents to use to and there is WIFI in the building for your use also. The Town House is open most week days from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There will be a public hearing on the 5th at 7 p.m. at the Town House for the acceptance of money that came from a Highway Block Grant from the State.

The Town Clerk and Tax Collectors office will be closed this week Wednesday through Friday for the Town Clerks Conference. We are happy to announce that Elizabeth Jespersen will be taking over the job of Deputy Town Clerk and will be learning the ropes over the next few weeks and will be going off for training at the DMV in November if all goes well. This conference will be a great educational opportunity as there are always new laws and regulations to

learn about that hopefully will benefit us all.

Meetings and Closures Coming Up:

The next two Select Board meetings will be Sept. 5 and Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Town House.

Select Board Work Session at the Town House Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 5 p.m.

The Conservation Committee will meet Thursday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Town House.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collector office will be closed on Sept. 6 through 8 for the annual NHCTCC educational conference.

The Select Board Office will be closed Monday, Sept. 18 through Friday, Sept. 22.

Hebron

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Hebron Area Women's Group

The Hebron Area Women's Group is starting their new season. Many guest speakers are scheduled for our September 2017 through May 2018 meetings. We meet the third Thursday of each month. Our first meeting is Thursday, Sept. 21 at the Hebron Union Congregational Church Community Hall, at noon. Our guest speaker for Sept. 21 is Steve White, host of WEZS 1050AM's "Bird Calls" radio show, author in publications and owner of Wild Bird Depot. A business meeting and membership sign-up will follow the presentation. The hostesses for this meeting are Jan Connors, Barbara Stevens and Debbie James. Please bring non-perishable food items for the Bristol Food Pantry. All interested are welcome to join us.

Churches

Ashland Community Church

Ashland Community Church is located at 55 Main St., on Route 3 in Ashland (across from Shurfine Market). Parking is available next to and behind the church.

Sundays

9 a.m. — Early Worship Service, followed by coffee/fellowship in the church dining room.

9:25 a.m. — KidZone for K-grade six

-Special Needs Ministry-high school-adults

11 a.m. — Contemporary Worship Service

11:15 a.m. — KidZone for K-grade 6

11:15 a.m. — Youth Sunday School

"Toddler Zone" is available at both services for infants to age five. Before the contemporary service, please join us for coffee and healthy snacks.

KidZone

Debbie Madden leads the K-sixth grade class. Kids will love the great videos and games that teach someone age appropriate lessons in a loving atmosphere.

Axon Youth Ministry, for grades six through 12

Fridays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Mill #3 (39 Winter St.), just around the corner from the church.

This youth ministry will be meeting every week, and is led by our youth and worship pastor, Aaron Stout, along with our volunteer youth leader staff. This youth group ministry is open to youth not only from Ashland, but surrounding towns as well. Spread the word and bring your friends.

Mondays

8 p.m. — Alcoholics Anonymous Group meets in the Church dining room.

It is our desire to help you understand God's incredible grace and love. If you have any questions, please call Pastor Ernie Madden at (office phone number) 968-9463. You can also e-mail him at accernie@hotmail.com or visit the church Web site, ashlandcommunitychurch.com.

We believe that you will love it at Ashland Community Church. We are a friendly, loving and caring church that studies and shares the word of our dear Lord and Savior. Our vision is to become a church that un-churched people will love to attend. Our mission is to lead people to

live and love like Jesus, and to help others do the same.

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We look forward to seeing you on Sunday. And remember, just come as you are! No perfect people allowed!

Ashland Episcopal (St. Mark's Church)

Proceeds of over \$400 realized at the Open Garden Day in July has been added to the Capital Fund of St. Mark's. Thanks to all those who visited the beautiful gardens of Paula Tracy, Bea Thibeault, and Shirley Spaine, the Ashland Garden Club members who helped prepare the gardens and acted as hostesses, Don Thibeault and Ned McElroy who organized the parking.

Family Worship Center Ply. Assembly of God

Greetings from Family Worship Center Assembly of God church located at 319 Highland St., Plymouth, NH 03264. If you do not have a home church we invite you to come and join our warm and friendly family here at Family Worship Center. Please feel free to contact out Pastor, Rev. Glen Yunghans at 726-0254 or 536-1966. Feel free to check out our Web site as well: assemblyofgodplymouthnh.org (Note: no 'www.').. Our upcoming schedule is as follows:

Thursday, Sept. 7:

On Thursday, Sept. 7, come out and join us for our family night at church. We offer the following programs from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.:

Royal Rangers: Boys from Elementary School through High School

MPact: Girls from Preschool through High School

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Opinion

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A little caper to camp, and a long slog home

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK



By JOHN HARRIGAN

It was just a little work detail, clearing brush and tall weeds and grass from the mile-long trail from log-landing to camp. A jaunt. A breeze.

And despite the hard work of catching up on two years of deferred trail maintenance, it wasn't all that bad. Sweaty and tuckered from clearing the trail in, we opened up the camp to let it air out, and had a fine lunch on the porch.

And then it was back down the trail, mowing with the DR Field and Brush Mower--an original device of its kind with an initial model that's still hard to beat--augmented by a blade-equipped weed-whacker. My contribution was rearguard cleanup-action, using my walking stick to flick brush from the cleared path into the adjoining woods.

It would be a nice ride out on logging roads at just about dusk, and then an easy ride home on what the old-timers called "the improved tarvea," or a bit later, "macadam."

Little did we know.

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Throughout my newspapering career, I've preached about being prepared. Keep lanterns and candles and batteries and bottled water on hand for outages during storms. Give newly licensed kids emergency road kits for birthdays or Christmas. Have smoke alarms on all levels of the house, and check the batteries. Stuff like that.

So, flushed with tail-clearing success, we sallied forth from

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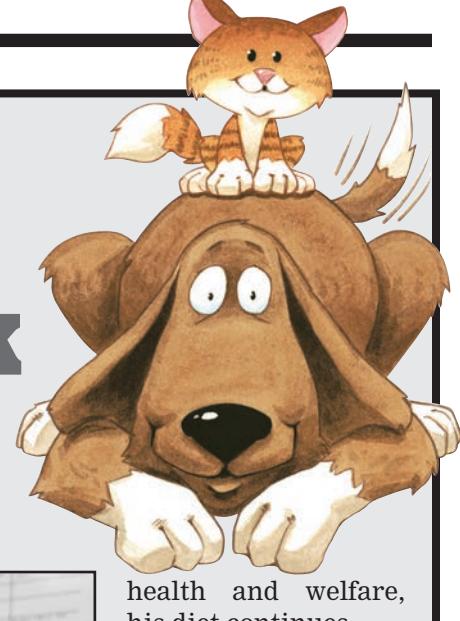
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PET of the Week Butch



toward home, and took a little side-trip even farther off the beaten path. And then I felt a pull on the steering wheel, as if we were dragging a bear, or maybe a moose.

But it was an impending flat tire, and from a long and storied life of driving back roads, I knew this for sure. This tire was only going to remain round for a few seconds longer. "Oh, shucks," I said as I pulled over, or something like that.

I'm a Ford guy, and for many years now Ford, like most truck-makers, has put its spare tires up under the cargo bed. And with all previous trucks, I've immediately removed the spare from this ill-conceived position and carried it up in the bed. Salt and sand and time can make the removal of a spare from under the frame next to impossible, and in any case no fun at all in sleet or snow.

But with this F250, my sixth or maybe seventh truck, I'd never got around to getting the spare tire out of Limbo and into the heaven of the bed, where at least you could get hold of it. And I never had given it a thought, until Monday's flat.

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My usual toolbox was not in the back of the truck either, and I don't know why. Likewise, my usual flashlight was nowhere to be found. Neither was my owner's manual (it was on the kitchen counter for studying up on some minor feature, maybe like changing a flat). And we didn't have enough heavier shirts to ward off the impending cold.

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Letters to the Editor

Sellers' lawsuit was a costly waste of taxpayer dollars

To the Editor:

Headlines can be deceiving.

A recent article in the Newfound Landing described how the town of Bristol was victorious in the lawsuit brought by John Sellers regarding so-called voting irregularities. In fact, it was anything but a win considering the toll it took on the budget and town staff.

Mr. Sellers claimed voting shenanigans that placed the whole election in doubt and was asking for a do-over, essentially. The actual court decision is very interesting reading. One by one, the judge detailed the claims made and ruled in favor of the town. The only issue found was that a few of the absentee ballots were missing signatures or affidavits. In this situation, the judge ruled that no malice was intend-

ed, and therefore the court takes the most liberal interpretation when it comes to voting so that people's voices are heard loud and clear.

This exercise cost the taxpayers over \$20,000 in hard dollars and untold hundreds of hours of lost staff time which should have been dedicated to working for the residents and taxpayers.

Ironically, this whole waste of time and taxpayer dollars comes from an elected member of the budget committee who has, time and time again, stated he was working for the taxpayers. Wouldn't it be great if people elected to serve the residents and taxpayers actually worked toward those interests and not their own, punitive agenda?

Shaun Lagueux
Bristol

Signs of our times

To the Editor:

I think we all would agree the times we are living in are becoming more unruly, treacherous and downright tense, not just in the USA, but across the globe. Many think the solar eclipse was awesome and a very cool event to experience, and it was. I believe there are reasons things happen, like every action has a reaction. So, maybe we should start asking why the eclipse now, and why across the USA? I am sure you are aware there will be another full solar eclipse in seven years, and between these two eclipses, the USA is marked with an X, which I find interesting. Sure, there are many eclipses, but two eclipses in a short period of time in the same general area has got to make one wonder if there is a bigger meaning of these events besides the awe factor of viewing an eclipse.

Did you know there is another heavenly event that is about to happen in September between the 9th and the 23rd? Did you know a super eclipse happened while Jesus was dying on the cross for us? Think about this—a full solar eclipse lasts about three minutes, but the one while Jesus was on the cross lasted for three hours—not three minutes, but three hours. Ask yourself what would it take for God to get the attention or send a message to all the people in the earth at the same time? A heavenly event, maybe!

So, here is where I am going with this letter. I be-

lieve God is trying to get our attention and send a message to everyone. This September, in just a few days, there will be another great sign in heaven that has not ever happened before. The Bible recorded this event about 2,000 years ago in the book of Revelation chapter 12 verses 1 and 2; in the constellations of Virgo/Leo. This event will only happen once in mankind's lifetime. We can easily know this because of computer programs that are available, and the programs can go back or forward in time to see if it has or will happen again.

With the world seemingly becoming so unstable (I am not talking weather events), we all should take notice and look into the meaning of this event in September. I believe this event has a wow factor on the scale of importance as the birth of Jesus (star of Bethlehem) and while Jesus was dying on a cross for us (what I called a super eclipse). Think about this—if God sent and allowed His only son to die for us (John 3:16), would God try to warn us if something is about to happen? God is love, and He is a spirit, and He wants us to be the same as He is and He provided a way for us through His son Jesus. In my opinion, it would not hurt if we repented and ask for forgiveness.

John Sellers

Bristol

Thank you for your support

To the Editor:

My personal thanks to all supporters of my 22 year old Democrat opponent, as well as Libertarian John Barbiarz, and to those who voted in Ashland, Alexandria, Bridgewater, Bristol and Grafton—particularly to those in the majority who chose to send a conservative voice with 10 years of proven public service to Concord.

The fight to represent you is by no means over. I plan to earn the confidence of all reasonable constituents who realize that representing them full time is to their personal advantage and to that of our region. I will not have to divide my time between becoming employed and earning a living and then having a few hours left to look out for you. This special election was an unfortunate forced expenditure of un-budgeted funds by our five towns instead of simply waiting until the regular general election in November, 2018. While I believe it finally to be over, it appears the other side may not have come to accept that reality. Sound familiar?

In a very few months, we'll have to do this all over

again, but with the major advantage of doing so in a normal election where low turnout can't be molded into a false competitive advantage. Some think the way we govern ourselves is expensive, but it is simply the price we have to pay for our freedom. And that's especially true when the public trough is taken advantage of by opportunists with no record whatsoever and fed by ego-trances induced by repetitive praise on social media. Well, here's one big "Like" from me on the results of this election! I shall continue my work on your behalf, and strive to remain fiscally prudent as an elected official in representing everyone's point of view, and taking the necessary time to do it right.

Thank you again for your support. Already committed and at work on your behalf, and looking forward to solidifying these results again in November 2018.

Sincerely yours,

Vincent Paul Migliore
Representative-elect
Grafton County District 9
Bridgewater

If you haven't noticed, we aren't free

BY MICHELLE SANBORN
NHCN Board of Directors
Alexandria

They say, "beauty is in the eye of the beholder," but what about freedom? What was freedom to those that colonized the New World in comparison to the freedom experienced by those that were stewards of the land before white man arrived?

The freedoms we experience today are not the same freedoms our parents or grandparents might have fought for. We've seen the interpretation of freedom change over generations, but we are experiencing an unprecedented threat to our basic natural freedoms with the current administration. Freedoms fought for by women, labor, LGBTQ and civil rights movements may become a thing of the past for the next four years – or more. These hard-fought freedoms have been chipped away at by corporate elitists and governments that serve them prior to Trump becoming President, but his presidency is proving to be the most racist, elitist, ho-

mophobic, misogynistic, corporate-backed administration this nation has ever seen.

Freedom may have different applications to different people, but freedom is basically the state of being free, civil liberty; the right to enjoy all privileges or rights of citizenship. Essentially, the power to exercise choice and make decisions; au-

tonomy; self-determination. If you haven't noticed, we ain't free.

Sure, we're are free to roam around within the "cage of freedom" defined by special interests, secured by governments and enforced by the courts. Restricted to the "free speech zone" when words of truth, inspiration and justice are spoken, but manipulat-

ing social propaganda is all over the nightly news. Carry signs of protest downtown, but don't take any real action that generates rights-protecting systemic change. Go ahead and write countless pleading letters to elected officials and appointed positions that have been bought and paid for by the very

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Churches

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this time of fellowship and training.

Sunday, Sept. 10 Sunday Morning

Come on out and enjoy Bible and Bagels before Bible Study, and get a cup of juice, or coffee and a bagel from 8:30-9 a.m. Following this is our Sunday School classes for all ages from 9-10 a.m. Immediately after Sunday School we head into our regular Sunday Morning Worship Service, which features contemporary music and a Biblical message brought by our Pastor. We offer Children's church and nursery during our services.

Sunday Evening

Sundays at 5 p.m., we have a time of prayer in our sanctuary. No prayer experience needed. All you need to do is come and talk to the Lord and trust the Lord to meet your needs and the needs presented. If you have a prayer request you may put it in the green box in our hall way marked prayer requests.

Looking Ahead:

Saturday, Sept. 9: Town wide yard sales, please keep posted for more information to come.

Our Schedule:

Sunday:

8:30 a.m. Bible and Bagels

9 a.m. Sunday School

10 a.m. Morning Service

Monday:

First and third Monday of the Month

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Helping Hands Food Pantry

Thursday:

6:30-7:30 p.m. Family Night

Friday:

Second Friday of the month

6 p.m. Food, Fun, Fellowship

Saturday:

Third Saturday of the month: 10 a.m. Ladies Fellowship

Last Saturday of the month: 10 a.m. Men's Brunch

Our Mission Statement:

Transforming Lives Through God's Word

Please give announcements for Sunday Bulletin to the church office by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday by email: fwcag@hotmail.com or gyungahns@hotmail.com, or contact the church, 536-1966 or Pastor, 726-0254. Everyone is welcome to all of our services. The church is handicapped accessible on the east entrance. Please note the church's Web site: assemblyofgodplymouthnh.org.

Holy Trinity (Roman Catholic)

The Day Away Program is looking for volunteers. The heart of a volunteer is measured by the depth of the commitment to make a difference. Volunteers are needed. Will you join us? Together we can make our participants' lives brighter. For more information please contact Sandra Coleman BSN, RN at sjrhett@roadrunner.com or 536-6304. For more information on Day Away, visit our Web site at www.respiteforcaregiverdayaway.wordpress.com.

Special Anniversary Mass

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples who are celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond wedding anniversary (anytime during the year 2017), to attend a Special Anniversary Mass. This celebration will be held on Oct. 15 at 2 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester. Please contact the parish office at 536-4700 by Sept. 22. We will need your last names, first names and mailing address. Please also indicate your special anniversary year.

Save the Date! Liturgy Workshop

When: Saturday, Sept.

23 at 9:30 a.m.

Where: Marian Center

Who: Eucharistic ministers and lectors from all campuses.

Be a guest. Bring a guest. Come and explore the meaning of life with the Alpha program. The first session is Tuesday, Sept. 12 at St. Matthew Hall. Find out what it's all about and enjoy a delicious meal free of charge!

The Day Away program is raffling off a homemade afghan and quilt next weekend (Sept. 9 and 10) to fund our program. Thanks in advance for your contributions to this most important ministry!

Campus Ministry

News

Welcome to all new and returning Plymouth State students, faculty, and staff! Stop by and sign up for an exciting year of activities at the Student Activities Fair on Thursday, Sept. 7, 4-6 p.m. on Alumni Green. Find us at the Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) table. Learn about Campus Ministry at all Masses at St. Matthew Church the weekend of Sept. 16-17.

No matter what your personal history, age, background, race...no matter what your present status in the Catholic Church...no matter what your current family or marital situation...no matter what your own self-image is, you are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved here at Holy Trinity Parish.

Holy Trinity Bristol Campus Building and Grounds Manager

The Bristol campus is in need of someone to maintain the church, buildings and grounds.

The job requires checking on the buildings during the week, small repair jobs, setting up for events, some cleaning, etc. This is a part time position.

If you are interested, please email holytrinitybris@ymail.com or

call Christine at 724-1825.

Thank you.

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? The RCIA program starts this October with an inquiry period where you can come and ask questions and learn more. Please call 536-4700 for more information.

Catholic Daughters Mums and Crumbs Sale

On the weekend of

Sept. 9 and 10, the Catholic Daughters will be holding their annual

Mums and Crumbs sale after all of the Plymouth Masses. Donations will go towards the charities that the Daughters support.

Faith Formation

Starts Next Sunday (Sept. 10).

You must be registered with the program and registered with the parish for your children to attend Faith Formation. If your child was not baptized at this parish, we need a certificate of baptism from your former parish. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Are you registered with the parish? If you are not registered, or aren't sure you are, please call the office at your earliest convenience.

Registration forms are at the back of church or

can be emailed to you. Just send a request to

holytrinitynh@gmail.com or

holytrinitybris@ymail.com

If you are registered in the parish, and your address, phone numbers or email address has changed, please call the

parish office at 536-4700 to update your information.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Weekly Meetings

Thursday, Sept. 7

Day Away Program,

Simard Hall, 9 a.m.

Boy Scout Meeting,

St. Matthew Hall, 6 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 10

Faith Formation

Ashland: St. Agnes Hall,

9:15-10:45 a.m., Bris-

tol: Simard Hall, 10:30

a.m.—Noon Confirmation: Plymouth: Parent &

Student Meeting, St. Mat-

thew Hall, 10:15-11:15 a.m. Bristol: Confirmation Class, Marian Center, 9:30 a.m. - Noon

Boy Scout Meeting, St. Matthew Hall, 5 p.m.

AA meeting Monday - Saturday 11 a.m., St. Matthew Hall

Star King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is a multigenerational, welcoming congregation where different beliefs come together in common covenant. We work together in our fellowship, our community, and our world to nurture justice, respect, and love.

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to the office are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. The

Web site is www.star-

kingfellowship.org, where you can access "Newsletters" to read, or print out, any of several past issues; "Pod-

cast" to enjoy listening to sermons you have missed, or just want to hear again; "Events

Calendar" to find out what is going on in our Fellowship and other activities we enjoy together.

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Where: Marian Center

Who: Eucharistic ministers and lectors from all campuses.

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Obituaries / Local News

A6 NEWFOUND LANDING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

Elizabeth R. Dunn Minickiello, 60

PLYMOUTH — Elizabeth R. (Becky) Dunn Minickiello, 60, of Plymouth died on July 14, 2017 at Speare Memorial Hospital, surrounded in love by her family and friends, after a two year courageous battle with cancer.

Becky was born and raised in Plymouth, the daughter of Robert G. and Virginia Vineyard Dunn. She was the fourth of six children. She received her schooling throughout the Plymouth School System, and graduated from Plymouth Regional High School in June of 1974.

In September of 1974, Becky enlisted in the United States Navy. She went to Basic training in Pensacola, Fla. in January of 1975. Upon her completion of Basic, she attended Crypto School in Panama City, Fla. and graduated a CTT-2 Cryptologic Technician in National Security. She obtained a top-secret / cryptographic clearance and an upgrade to a GS-04 after full field back ground investigation. In August of 1975, she was assigned to duty at Naval Communication Area Master Station, Eastern Pacific - Honolulu, Hawaii. She received the Good Conduct Award - Fidelity-Zeal-Obedience in January, 1979 and Honorable Discharge on March 22, 1979 as a Petty Officer 2nd Class. Becky was so proud to be a Veteran and to have proudly served her Country. She loved marching on Memorial and Veteran's Days in her home town - wearing her Navy uniform of so many years prior. She stood straight and tall in her six foot frame proudly representing the United States Navy.

Becky was married to Paul T. Minickiello, her childhood sweetheart and neighbor, on March 18, 1977 at Schofield Barracks at the Kolekole Chapel in Oahu, Hawaii. Upon her discharge from the Navy, they returned to



Brighton, Mass. and then to Goffstown. In 1990, they returned to Plymouth, and settled in Paul's family home.

June 2, 1985, Becky graduated from the University of New Hampshire - Cum Laude with a Bachelor of General Studies Degree. She pursued her career of being a wonderful homemaker and took great pride in her home, gardens and family.

Becky loved her family first. She had a special closeness, and was caregiver to her mother until this last May - even while courageously fighting her own health battle. She loved, taught and enjoyed her nieces and nephews - like an Auntie Mame or Mary Poppins. She loved being the "favorite Auntie" - always doing and taking them to fun places and leaving them with beautiful and fond memories, which they will share with their own families someday. Becky taught them how to have fun learning about their family history, their town and nature. She showed them that grow-ups really can be fun to be with, and that they are also good listeners. She was best at playing "dress-up" with the kids, acting silly and decorating for the holidays.

She was the family "Communicator!" She was the glue that held her family, friends and classmates together. She was like her Aunt Pauline, who always kept in touch with everyone to let them know when something happy or sad was happening.

She and her mother excelled at Tole Paint-

ing with acrylics, taught by Carol Elliott of Plymouth. She loved gardening and sharing her perennials with the neighbors and family. She took great pleasure in swimming at the Mid-State Pool. She had a passionate love of boating and swimming at Squam and Newfound Lakes.

She was a long time member of the Squam Trail Busters Snowmobile Club, the Plymouth Historical Society and the Plymouth Zoning Board.

Family members include her five siblings (Catherine D. Wilchman and husband Paul of Cleveland/Russellville, Ark., Barbara D. Dutile and husband Doug of Haverhill, William R. Dunn of Holderness, Tamara D. McHugh and husband John of Bridgewater, and Grace D. Janwich and husband Ray of Keyport, N.J.); Ten nieces and nephews (Rob, Suzi, Mike, Angie, Billy, Alesia, Melinda, John, Brad and Erin); nine grandnieces and nephews (Catherine, Anna, Jordan, Kaylie, Wyatt, Maia, Brady, Lucas and Nicolas). She leaves her former husband of 37 years, Paul T. Minickiello of Plymouth, and her significant other Todd Lambert of Bridgewater.

She was predeceased by her parents.

Becky received wonderful health-care from Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency, Speare Memorial Hospital in Plymouth, Dartmouth Hitchcock Memorial Hospital in Lebanon, and the Veterans Hospital in White River Junction, Vermont. She had an incredible outlook to her diagnosis. She approached each day and treatment with "Let's do it!" Her family, along with her health-care workers, was so amazed and so very proud of her strong will and spirit.

There will be a Graveside Service at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth on Sept. 16 at 11 a.m., followed by a Celebration of Life Gathering at Fosters - The Common Man in Plymouth at noon.

Memorial Donations may be made in her honor to the Pemi Baker Home Health Agency, 101 Boulder Point Drive, Suite 3, Plymouth, NH 03264.

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In a letter to all who had registered for the

NH Senate President Chuck Morse to speak at next PBVRC spaghetti dinner

ASHLAND — Last month, The Pemi-Baker Valley Republican Committee welcomed guest speaker Jeanie Forrester, who was former chair of the New Hampshire Senate finance Committee. This month, we have her predecessor and current President of the Senate, Sen. Charles "Chuck" Morse. He will join us at our next dinner Friday, Sept. 15 at the American Legion Hall, 37 Main St., Ashland. It starts at 5 p.m. and goes to 7 p.m. The meal includes spaghetti, meatballs, Italian sausage, salad, garlic bread, beverages, and dessert.

Sen. Charles "Chuck" Morse is a Republican from Salem serving his sixth term representing District 22, which is comprised of the towns of Atkinson, Pelham, Plaistow and Salem. He is currently Senate President. The Senate President holds a unique position because New Hampshire does not elect a Lieutenant Governor and serves as "acting governor" should the Governor travel out of state or is otherwise unable to perform the duties of the office.

Sen. Morse was first elected to the Senate, serving two terms from 2002-2006.

He has held the position of Senate Finance Committee Chair, guiding the Senate through three budgets, and served as Vice Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee as well as having



served on both the Capital Budget and the Public and Municipal Affairs committees.

Senator Morse currently serves on both the Finance and Capital Budget Committees.

Sen. Morse has had numerous major accomplishments, most notably making the first business tax reductions in more than 20 years in New Hampshire during the 2015-16 Session, as well as securing funding to complete the I-93 expansion project which will allow greater access to travelers in and out of the state.

Prior to his service with the Senate, Morse also spent two terms in the New Hampshire House of Representatives serving the towns of Salem and Windham. He has also served his local community as both town moderator and se-

lectman.

Away from the State house, Sen. Morse is President of Freshwater Farms & Garden Center in Atkinson and Granite Creek Farms of Brentwood. He earned his Bachelor's degree from Plymouth State University. He lives in Salem with his wife, Susan and their daughter Emma.

Now the bottom line... How much does all this cost? Tickets are \$10 at the door for adults, \$5 for children five to 12 years, and four and under are free, with a special family price of \$25. Non-perishable items or cash donations for the Plymouth Food pantry are encouraged. The public is welcome, and reservations are not required.

For more information, call Cindy at 536-3880 or cindy@hdatech.com.

Rainy weather prompts cancellation of Circle Triathlon

BY DONNA RHODES

drhodes@salmonpress.news

ASHLAND — The remnants of Hurricane Harvey had a profound effect in New Hampshire last weekend, when organizers of the Circle Triathlon felt it was prudent to cancel the eighth running of their athletic fundraiser to ensure the safety of all who take part, from participants

of all ages to the families who come put to support them, the event volunteers and local safety personnel.

In a letter to all who had registered for the

triathlon, Development and Marketing Coordinator Sally Sheffield said, "For the athletes, we worry about the bike course in wet conditions, given that the shoulders are narrow, the descents steep, the turns sharp and the road conditions variable."

She continued by addressing other concerns that led to their decision.

"To the families with young children, we worry about the lack of warm shelter and the ability to convince our young ones that jumping in a lake at 54 degrees and raining is 'fun.' To all our volunteers and the many police and fire professionals that give their time on a Sunday morning each year, we honor your commitment to the Tri and want to not ask more of you than is reasonable. To our many sponsors we say 'Thank you from the bottom of our hearts,' and know that your banners, goodwill (and pancakes!) will grace the Tri in 2018."

The triathlon, Circle Program's Executive Director Kathleen Kearns said, is designed to be a positive fundraising experience for everyone from young children to older adults who look to challenge themselves with a swim, bike ride and run.

Sheffield said everyone was very understanding and supportive of the decision to cancel this year's event. One dedicated triathlete, who has taken part in the Circle Triathlon for the past seven years, has not only donated his entry fee to Circle Program, but is now challenging others to do the same.

"He and his wife said they will match the amount for all who donate their fee back to the program," Sheffield said. "We're very blessed."

"We didn't want people

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Tribute

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could happen to anyone and we wanted the family to know people care. I'm glad to see so many out here."

Debbie Ferbert summed up all of their feelings when she said, "The bottom line is we can't imagine what the family is going through right now but we can give them our support."

Eleven-year-old Lilia also took part in the vigil and said that, as a peer of Zoe, she was glad she could at least honor the young girl's memory.

"I can't imagining

that happening in my family. I feel so bad for her sister and her whole family, so that's why I'm here tonight," said Lilia.

Further north up the lakefront, in a quiet cove beside Pike's Point, Boudreau, the Manganiello family and their neighbors created what they called "Zoe's Garden" with dozens of glow sticks stuck in the sand along the water's edge. Each of them glimmered off the waves that lapped the shore, and other lights, from Bristol to Hebron, could also be seen sparkling on docks and shore-fronts.

Those who would also like to send donations to the Zoe Fund may do so by sending a check to New Hampton Community Church at 14 Church Lane, New Hampton, N.H. 03256. The notation "Zoe's Fund" should be included on the memo line.

Looking out on what her idea of love resulted in, Boudreau said, "I think this is something we should do on Friday night of Labor Day weekend every year, as a memorial to not just Zoe but other people who loved this lake. It's been a beautiful night out here tonight!"

Besides the generous donation, this year's pig roast was another successful event for the department. Some residents in town likened it to an Old Home Day celebration where everyone

Election

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Tuesday evening, he wrote, "Tonight, the election results showed us behind by 4 per-

cent, or 53 votes. Due to the severe closeness in a few towns, I am planning on requesting of the Secretary of State's office tomorrow a recount of the

ballots. Thank you for all those that turned out, and those who spent hours working for the campaign. Stay tuned."

Pig Roast

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while tool to have," Clayman said.

Besides the generous donation, this year's pig roast was another successful event for the department. Some residents in town likened it to an Old Home Day celebration where everyone

in Alexandria can come together to simply enjoy themselves.

Fire Chief Mark Chevalier said that Jeff Shackett donated the 225 pounds of pigs for the traditional dinner this year, which were roasted by fire fighters all day long in "Johnny Day's Secret Pig Potation." Shackett's Market

on West Shore Rd. in Bristol also contributed ice to keep everyone's beverages cool on a hot summer night. Corn on the cob was provided through nearby Walkers Farm, while all the rolls and side dishes were courtesy of department members and "kind-hearted residents," Chevalier said.

Swim

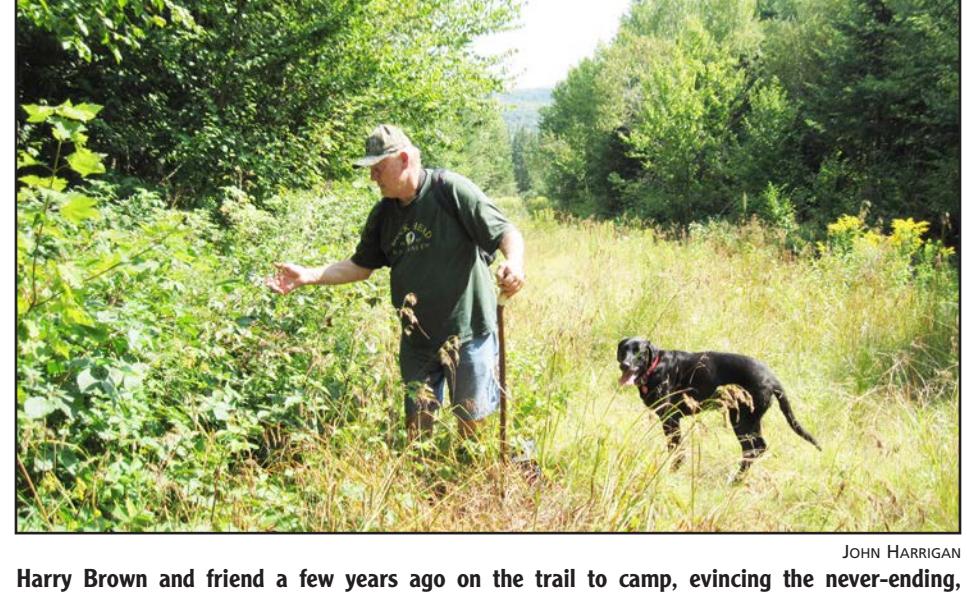
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be able to present you with a total of \$26,050 to go toward all you do here for veterans," he told director Cathy Bentwood.

Taub said Bridge House was the first of their presentations and other checks from the fundraiser would be delivered to the Navy SEALS Museum in Florida and the New Hampshire Veterans

Count organization, which is part of the Easter Seals program.

"This year turned out to be an amazing event and we look forward to doing it even bigger and better next year," Taub said.



JOHN HARRIGAN

Harry Brown and friend a few years ago on the trail to camp, evincing the never-ending, always-waiting, ever-advancing fecundity in face of tools and toil.

Notebook

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The missing manual would have reminded me that a special end-of-rod socket for getting the spare down was in the glove compartment, something I knew but had forgotten.

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Out of all bad stories good stories come, the saying goes, and somehow our problems worked themselves out.

We decided to drive out on the flat tire to the nearest place of potential succor. It was about seven miles to the main loop road and the Million Dollar Bridge. We made it with almost no rubber on the ruined tire to spare.

We neither expected cell phone service nor got it, being accustomed to the realities of the region. We pondered the likelihood of anyone coming by such a remote spot, especially on a weekday evening. We began plotting walking distances and times to the nearest

sources of help.

But a Pittsburg High School sophomore, Devon Marsh, out for a ride on his four-wheeler, stopped to see if we needed help. Lo and behold, he had weak cell service for his phone, let us use it, called his Mom to let her know he'd be late for supper, stayed to make sure we'd made the contacts we needed, and lit

off for home, almost an hour overdue. How great it is that they still make kids like Devon, not to mention understanding moms.

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We rode out to the main road with wrecker proprietors Dale and Jane, and a friend met us there to help get all us down to Northern Tire in Colebrook, and all was well that ended well.

We'll have this story to tell our grandchildren, who will undoubtedly (and rightly) roll their eyes.

And it was a lesson. How does that old Boy Scout motto go?

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Run

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year to both the Newfound Lake Association for their recreational trails at Grey Rocks Conservation Area in Hebron, and the Slim Baker Lodge, whose facilities and hiking trails have benefited many over the years.

"We even had a few left over funds last year, so we challenged the Newfound Regional High School Softball team to match a \$1,200 donation to erect a new scoreboard for their field, and they did it," said Basic Ingredients Bakery and Gift Shop owner Garlyn Manganiello, one of the founders of the event.

Other charitable groups who have received funding from the group include Newfound Pathways and memorial scholarship funds at Newfound Regional High School.

Besides the more than 300 participants who made generous donations to take part in the run/walk this time around, there were nu-



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Jamie Moulton was one of the volunteers who helped box canned goods, pet foods, hygiene and cleaning supplies, and even children's toys that were collected by the Bristol Fire Department for the people in Texas who were impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

merous raffles to help boost contributions to this year's nonprofit designees. Everything from local gift cards, crafts, and vacation stays to paddle boards and fuel oil were offered to those who purchased tickets during the event.

Placing first for the overall race and in men's division for 2017 was Carl Hartford of Wilmington Mass. with a time of 22:28 for the 4.2 mile run. Sec-

ond place went to Bristol resident Chris Plankey at 24:07, and Jesse Kropelnicki of Scituate, Mass. placed third with his time of 24:32.

For the women, it was Andover, Mass. resident Carol MacLeod who finished 12th overall with her net time of 28:16, Christine Kropelnicki of Scituate, Mass. clocked in at 29:21, and Nashua runner Jessica Kaplafka crossed the line at 30:16 to finish 17th

overall.

The Pearson family of New Hampshire and Connecticut has cheered on Laurie Pearson in the past for her participation in the race and this time several of her relatives decided to get out and run their buns off, too.

"Why not? This is a hallmark event every Labor Day weekend," said relative Ken Mackiewicz of Connecticut, who summers with the family on Newfound

Lake each year.

Manganiello and race co-founder Audrey Goudie said that besides great exercise, there is an added benefit to the race. The 4.2 miles everyone travels during Run Your Buns Off, whether running or walking, is all that it takes to burn off the calories of one of the famed sticky buns from Basic Ingredients Bakery, enjoyed by all at the end of their lake-side journey.

Harvey

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diapers, personal hygiene items, pet foods and even new clothing.

"One woman stopped by with about 47 containers filled with new men's clothing. Her husband passed away recently, but he used to buy men's clothing on eBay and resell it, so she brought everything that was left here for the people in Texas," said Lt. Jamie Moulton. "We also got 30 boxes of diapers dropped off by another gentleman. It's just been incredible."

Stacks of school supplies, puzzles, coloring books and crayons were dropped off for young children. Cases of water, cans of Ensure and boxes of Depends for elderly people, tissues, toilet paper, razors, feminine hygiene products, band aids and other first aid supplies were also piled high for shipment. In addition to all of that, there were cases of bleach, heavy-duty garbage bags, tarps and gloves,



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all needed for the clean up process once the waters subside.

Essentially, all the basic necessities of life when dealing with a natural disaster were dropped off at the fire department. The accumulation of goods filled not only the conference room, but also the back part of the ambulance bay.

"The plea went out on WMUR on Tuesday (August 29) and this has all been collected in just two days. Can you imagine that? We had people come from as far as an hour and a half away to donate items or ask what we needed, from North-

wood, Hopkinton-all over the place. I think to say we've been 'overwhelmed' by the amazing response is the best way to put it right now," said Moulton.

The cutoff time for donations was 5 p.m. on Aug. 30 so department members and volunteers could box and label everything for shipment the next day.

Lt. Moulton said it all was going to be initially transported to Manchester last Thursday, then placed into even larger transport systems to begin its journey to Texas.

"Everyone who donated to this was an angel," Moulton said.

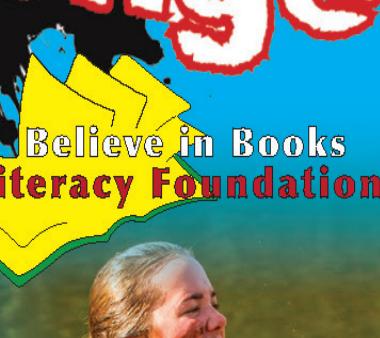
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What might come to mind first, of course, is helping your grandchildren pay for college. You can choose from several college savings vehicles, but you may be especially interested in a 529 savings plan. With a 529 plan, your earnings accumulate tax free, provided they are used for qualified higher education expenses, such as tuition, books, and room and board. (Keep in mind that 529 plan distributions not used for qualified expenses may be subject to federal and state income taxes and a 10% IRS penalty on the earnings.) You may be eligible for a state income tax incentive for contributing to a 529 plan. Check with your tax advisor regarding these incentives, as well as all tax-related issues pertaining to 529 plans.

One benefit of using a 529 plan is contribution limits are quite generous. Plus, a 529 plan is flexible: If your grandchild decides against college, you can transfer the plan to another beneficiary.

Generally, a 529 plan owned by a grandparent won't be reported as an asset on the Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), but withdrawals from the plan are treated as untaxed income to the beneficiary (i.e., your grandchild) — and that has a big impact on financial aid, a much bigger impact than if the plan was listed as a parental asset. Beginning with the 2017-2018 academic year, however,

FAFSA now requires families to report income from two years before the school year starts, rather than income from the prior calendar year. Consequently, it might be beneficial, from a financial aid standpoint, for you, as a grandparent, to start paying for college expenses from a 529 plan in the year in which your grandchild becomes a junior. Contact a financial aid professional about the potential financial aid impact of any gifts you're considering. A 529 plan isn't the only financial gift you could give to your grandchildren. You might also consider giving them shares of stock, possibly held in a custodial account, usually known as an UTMA or UGMA account. One possible drawback: You only control a custodial account until your grandchildren reach the age of majority, at which time they can use the money for whatever they want, whereas distributions from a 529 savings plan must be used for qualified higher education expenses.

Still, your grandchildren might be particularly interested in owning the stocks contained in the custodial account — most young people enjoy owning shares of companies that make familiar products. And to further interest your grandchildren in a lifetime of investing, you may want to show them how a particular stock you've owned for decades has grown over time. Naturally, you'll also want to let them know that stocks can move up and down in the short term, and there are no guarantees of profits — but the long-term growth potential of stocks is still a compelling story. You'd probably do whatever you could for your grandchildren — and with a smart financial gift, you can make a big difference in their lives.

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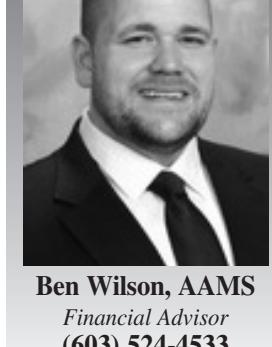
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Hill returns to Bear sidelines with veteran squad

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

Editor's note: This story was supposed to run in last week's paper but was accidentally replaced with a reprint of the field hockey preview. We apologize for the error.

BRISTOL — After one year away, former Newfound soccer coach Jason Hill returns to the sidelines to a team that is loaded with returning players throughout the lineup.

"The outlook for the upcoming season is optimistic with a balance of returning experience on the back line, in goal, midfield and up front," Hill stated.

The returning Bears will be led by a pair of senior captains. Brad MacDonald will help to lead the team from the midfield, while Trevor Robie will be counted on to lead the team on the defensive side of the ball.

Hill also has five other seniors at his disposal when filling out the lineup card, including one in the biggest position on the field.

Mike Doan has been very strong in goal for the Bears the last two seasons and will return

to the net this year looking to backstop the team to another playoff berth.

Ryan Quinn will serve on the forward line, while classmates Quentin Helmers-Dancewicz and Ethan Pruett will be playing defense and James Shokal will be working in the midfield.

There are five juniors back with the team, including one of last year's top scorers, Justin Shokal, who returns to the forward line for the Bears.

Cian Connor and Matt Libby are both back in the midfield as juniors and classmate Logan Rouille will be working on the defensive side of the ball.

The other junior is the team's backup goaltender, Jacob Pfister.

The lone returning sophomore for the squad is Tuan Nguyen, who will be working on the forward line.

Hill welcomes six newcomers to the fold, including three juniors, two sophomores and one freshman.

Ryan Lyford and Jack Gosson will be playing on defense in their junior season, while classmate Elliot Economides will be serving on the for-

ward line for the Bears. The two sophomores are James Rogers, who will work up front and Wyatt Day, who will work in the midfield. The team's lone freshman is Matt Costigan, who will be helping out on defense for Newfound.

"Newfound looks to field an athletic squad that is aggressive on both sides of the ball in a very deep, competitive Division III," Hill stated.

Last year, with Jesse Mitchell at the helm, Newfound finished at 6-8-2 and earned a playoff berth, losing to perennial power Gilford in the second round. In Hill's last season, the team went 5-10-1, won the first round tournament game and lost to perennial power Belmont in the second round.

Hill believes the team has the ability to once again be a force in Division III.

"We feel we have the potential to play at a high level and are working on building consistency and team chemistry," Hill said.

The Bears feature a schedule that includes two games each with White Mountains and

Inter-Lakes and single games with Newport, Gilford, Mascoma, Stevens, Berlin, Prospect Mountain, Franklin, Winnisquam, Bishop Brady, Laconia and

Somersworth.

The season began on Friday, Aug. 25 at Newport and continued after deadline at Gilford on Wednesday. The Bears will be hosting Mascoma

on Tuesday, Sept. 5, at 4 p.m.

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Pemigewasset Trout Unlimited will meet on Sept. 19.

Trout Unlimited meets Sept. 19

PLYMOUTH — The Pemigewasset Chapter of Trout Unlimited is kicking off the fall season on Sept. 19, at 7 p.m. at the Common Man Inn, Plymouth.

Come early and meet fellow anglers and share your summer fishing adventures. For

the September meeting they have a surprise agenda including a raffle with the proceeds going toward sending a lucky boy or girl to the Barry Fishing Camp.

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protect and restore North America's cold-water fisheries and their watersheds. Membership is open to all, meetings are free and open to the public. Visit www.pemigewasset.tu.org and like the group on Facebook.

High School Slate

Thursday, Sept. 7

PLYMOUTH

Boys' Soccer vs. Goffstown; 4

Golf at Pelham; 3:30

Monday, Sept. 11

NEWFOUND

Volleyball at Prospect Mountain; 6

PLYMOUTH

Boys' Soccer vs. John Stark; 4

Friday, Sept. 8

NEWFOUND

Boys' Soccer at Stevens; 6

Field Hockey at Gilford; 4

Volleyball at

Hillsboro-Deering; 6:15

PLYMOUTH

Field Hockey vs. Kennett; 4

Football at Kennett; 7

Girls' Soccer at Goffstown; 4

Volleyball at John Stark; 6

Tuesday, Sept. 12

NEWFOUND

Boys' Soccer at Berlin; 4

PLYMOUTH

Field Hockey at Lebanon; 4

Girls' Soccer vs. John Stark; 4

Golf Home Match; 3:30

Wednesday, Sept. 13

NEWFOUND

Field Hockey vs. Berlin; 4

Unified Soccer at Gilford; 3:30

PLYMOUTH

Boys' Soccer at Windham; 4:30

Golf at Campbell; 3:30

Volleyball vs. Gilford; 6

On Tap

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On the football field, Newfound will be at Epping-Newmarket for a 2 p.m. game on Saturday, Sept. 9.

The Newfound unified soccer team opens the season at Gilford with a 3:30 p.m. game on Wednesday, Sept. 13.

At Plymouth, the soccer boys will be hosting Goffstown today, Sept. 7, will be hosting John Stark on Monday, Sept.

11, both at 4 p.m. and will be at Windham at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 13.

The Plymouth golf team is at Pelham today, Sept. 7, will be hosting at Owl's Nest on Tuesday, Sept. 12, and will be at Campbell on Wednesday, Sept. 13, all at 3:30 p.m.

The Plymouth field hockey team will be hosting Kennett at 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 8, and will be at Lebanon at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 12.

The Bobcat soccer girls

will be at Goffstown on Friday, Sept. 8, and will host John Stark on Tuesday, Sept. 12, both at 4 p.m.

The Plymouth volleyball team will be at John Stark on Friday, Sept. 8, at 6 p.m., and will be hosting Gilford at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 13.

The Plymouth football team will be at Kennett for a 7 p.m. game on Friday, Sept. 8.

The cross country Bobcats will be running at Great Glen on Saturday, Sept. 9, at 10 a.m.

Soccer

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Doan continued to earn his keep with a series of solid saves on Gilford chances but the hosts added one more goal with less than three minutes to play, getting a goal in close to make it 5-0. Elliot Economides had a run into the zone for Newfound but was turned away and the game finished off with the 5-0 win for the Golden Eagles.

"They press really well, it's a relentless press," Hill said of the

Golden Eagles. "They just wore us down."

"Fitness was a bit of an issue, we're not where we need to be," the Newfound coach continued. "But I can't imagine facing many that are quite like that this year."

Hill noted that his team's style often forces teams to make mistakes and then take advantage of them, but he found his team was unable to get enough pressure on the Gilford

squad to cause them to make mistakes.

"Going down by two

in the last minute was crucial, it's really hard to come back from down two," Hill stated.

The Bear mentor also praised the work of Doan in the Newfound net, noting he kept his team in the game for much of the contest.

Newfound will be back in action on Friday, Sept. 8, at Stevens at 6 p.m. and will be at Berlin for a 4 p.m. game on Tuesday, Sept. 12.

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Commodores Cup set for this weekend

GILFORD — The Winnipesaukee Yacht Club is pleased to invite all sailors to the 2017 Commodores Cup Championship Regatta, Sept. 8, 9 and 10. This year's event will feature the traditional three-day format, with a challenging single handed race on Friday evening, buoy racing on Saturday and an island race on Sunday.

They will offer multiple formats and day as well as series prizes and overall winners. Each day will be scored separately and participants who race both days will be eligible for overall prizes.

Friday's schedule has the single-handed race registration at 4 p.m., skipper's meeting at 5 p.m. and race start at 6 p.m. Saturday's schedule has buoy racing with registration from 8 to 10 a.m., a skipper's meeting at 10 a.m. and an 11 a.m. start.

Sunday is island race day, with a skipper's meeting at 10 a.m. and an 11 a.m. start.

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Towers, Ebner lead Bobcats at Gunstock

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

GILFORD — The Plymouth cross country team kicked off the season with a number of other teams at the Early Bird Invitational hosted by Gilford High School at Gunstock Mountain Resort on Aug. 31.

Leading the way for the Plymouth girls was sophomore Ainsley Towers, who finished in a time of 22:38 to take 10th place overall.

Junior Libby Van DeMoere was second for the Bobcats with a time of 24:48 for 34th place and senior Sam Van DeMoere took 45th place overall in a time of 25:26.

Ashley Ulricson was Plymouth's fourth finisher with a 48th place finish in 25:51 and Hailey Botelho rounded out the scoring for the Bobcats with a time of 27:36 for 71st place overall.

Valerie Johnston ran to 88th place in 28:34, with Lauren Appleby in 92nd in 28:52 and Brianna Therrien in 96th place in 28:56. Megan Ebner finished in 106th place in 29:55, Hallie Wheeler placed 116th in 30:17, Yaxi Stapp was 118th in 30:21, Alexandra Dunstan finished 123rd in 30:33, Avery Shedd placed 132nd in 31:30 and Calie McLeod finished in 133rd place in 31:32. Isabella Philbin finished in 142nd place in 32:42, Cora Mardin finished 146th in 33:08, Nikki Stout was 154th in 34:06, Kiana Pino finished 157th in 35:05, Connie Kim placed 160th in 36:28 and Victoria

Dragon ran to 172nd place in 41:29.

Senior Sam Ebner led the way for the Plymouth boys, finishing in a time of 20:42 for 46th place overall.

Griffin Smith was second for the Bobcats in 57th place in 21:04, with Randall Scroggins in 61st place in 21:16 as the third finisher.

Cam Donnell finished in 92nd place in 22:19 and Michael Kulig rounded out the scoring in a time of 22:44 for 98th place overall.

Hunter McLeod finished in 108th place in 23:11, followed closely by Ben Parsons in 109th place in 23:12, Shane Johnston in 111th place in 23:17 and Ethan Whitman in 112th in 23:22. Liam Crowley finished 118th in 23:38, Odin Bickford was 125th in 24:02, James Philbin was 14th in 24:52, Shawn Breen was 172nd in 26:04, Mackenzie Doyle placed 180th in 26:43, William Barrette finished 192nd in 27:41 and Cade Earick was 195th in 28:04. Kyle Dimick finished 205th in 29:36, Richard Lyons was 208th in 30:19, Ian Kim finished in 31:04 for 215th place, Robert VanLaarhoven was 225th in 32:50 and Sam Smith was 227th in 33:53.

Plymouth will be back in action on Saturday, Sept. 9, at 10 a.m. at the Great Glen Invitational in Pinkham Notch.

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Griffin Smith races to the finish line of the Early Bird Invitational on Aug. 31.

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Ainsley Towers led the Plymouth girls at the Early Bird Invitational.

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Bobcats drop 5-2 decision at Kearsarge

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

SUTTON — The Plymouth girls' soccer team traveled to Kearsarge on Tuesday, Aug. 29, for the second game of the season, dropping a 5-2 decision to the Cougars.

The Cougars scored four goals in the first half to take the lead by a 4-0 score at the break.

Plymouth was able to bounce back a bit in the second half, cutting the lead to 4-2 on goals from Lily Derosier and Lexi Stonis. Ke-

arsarge was able to put in another goal late to finish off the 5-2 win.

"(We) played a great second half of soccer," said coach Kyle Reed of his squad's contest.

The Bobcats will be in action on Friday, Sept. 8, at 4 p.m. at Goffstown and on Tuesday, Sept. 12, they will be hosting John Stark at 4 p.m.

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Bobcats ready to hit the court for new volleyball season

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — Coach Mary Boyle returns a solid team to the court as the Plymouth volleyball team kicks off a new season.

"We are looking to have a competitive season with strong offensive players," Boyle noted.

The team will be led by three senior captains. Khalilah Abdul-Jabbar will return as the team's libero, while Bri Custance returns as the team's middle blocker and Christina Furgal will be back as a setter in her third varsity season.

The team will also feature a few younger players who were critical pieces of last year's team.

Mia Sullivan will be a key outside hitter for the Bobcats and sophomore classmate Anja Swanson returns to the outside, where she led the team last year in kills.

In the middle, Hailey Rousseau and Savanna Marston bring a lot of height and skill in the middle of the offense.

On defense, Alycia Poitras will be counted

on to lead the way.

Boyle will be looking to the trio of Emma Cooper, Taylor Paquette and Kate Von Iderstine to play big roles on the right side to help the team stay aggressive when it's out of the system. Ciara O'Brien will also bring a lot of intensity on both sides of the ball.

The Bobcats will feature a schedule that has two games each with Manchester West, John Stark, Gilford, Laconia, Kennett, Kingswood, Fall Mountain and Hanover. Last season the Bobcats finished the season at 8-8 and earned the 11th seed in the tournament, dropping a first round decision at Kingswood.

The season was scheduled to get under way on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at home against Manchester and will continue on Friday, Sept. 8, at John Stark at 6 p.m. On Wednesday, Sept. 13, the Bobcats will be hosting Gilford at 6 p.m.

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Bri Custance is one of three senior captains for the Plymouth volleyball team.

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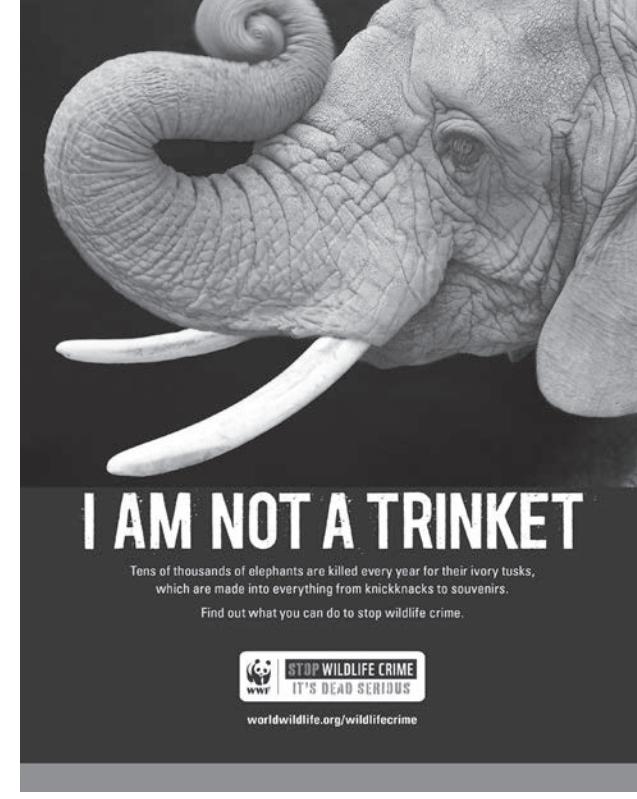
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Lone Kearsarge goal sinks Bobcat boys

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

SUTTON — Sometimes a score doesn't tell the story of a game.

That was the case for the Plymouth boys' soccer team last week at Kearsarge, as the scoreboard showed the Bobcats taking a 1-0 loss to the Cougars.

"They played well, they're really getting at it," said coach Jesse Elderkin. "We were all over them until that goal, we were moving the ball."

The one goal came 26

minutes into the match after the Bobcats had been dominating the possession. A drive from midfield dropped at the 18 and was volleyed home by the Cougars to make it 1-0.

Both teams had six shots in the first half, while Kearsarge had two corners to Plymouth's one in the first half.

"That kind of took the wind out of our sails," Elderkin said, but noted that things picked up in the second half.

Plymouth held the

Cougars to just two shots in the second half while putting another six shots on net. They also dominated the corner county b a 4-1 tally in the second half.

"Obviously we did well, we just gave up that one goal," Elderkin said.

He noted that upon looking at the shot chart, all of Kearsarge's shots came from outside the 18.

"The worst part about this team is that we're 0-2," the Bobcat coach pointed out.

Elderkin singled out

Devlin Costa, Alex Nangle and Danny Carey for their fine play, while noting that Sawyer Wilcox made four saves in the Plymouth net.

Plymouth will be in action today, Sept. 7, at home against Goffstown at 4 p.m., on Monday,

Sept. 11, the team hosts John Stark at 4 p.m. and then visits Windham at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 13.

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A great weekend of Survivor and sightseeing out west

SPORTING CHANCE

By JOSHUA SPAULDING

Last week's column was written in Logan Airport as I was awaiting my flight to Salt Lake City.

The trip proved to be a lot of fun, though as mentioned last week, unless I find a second job or win the Megabucks, it will probably be my last lengthy trip for a while (not counting the Olympics, obviously).

As I've mentioned, I am a fan of Rob Has a Podcast, run by former Survivor player Rob Cesternino. While I listen mostly for the Survivor coverage, he does a lot more than that, running a weekly "news" show, plus covering other reality and scripted television shows. Probably the only thing I listen to more of is the Red Sox games I tune in to every single night.

Rob has been doing a lot of live shows over the last few years and I've made it to every single one that was focused around Survivor. I've made six trips to New York City for live events, plus a pair of trips to Los Angeles, one to Toronto, one to Chi-

cago and one to Reno. Most of the trips are day trips, where I come and go on the same day, but I decided to make Utah a few days.

I flew out of Boston on Friday evening and arrived in Salt Lake City at almost midnight. After securing my rental car, I got to the hotel at about 12:30 a.m. However, I tried to stick to my exercise program and got out of bed at 7 a.m. on Saturday to do my workout in the hotel room. The food I ate throughout the day probably was not as much on the diet.

We had a group breakfast for fans of the podcast and the first panel got under way at 10:30 a.m. or so in the hotel conference room. After a short break for lunch, the second panel, which was the Survivor-centric one, took place. In addition to Rob, Survivors taking part included three-time player and

season 27 winner Tyson Apostol, Rick Nelson from season 23, Jonas Otsuji from season 24, Rachel Foulger Apostol from season 27 and Neleh Dennis Nielsen, who was on the fourth season. Like most of these panels that I attend, it was great to hear stories from their time on the game as well as their perspective on things we saw but may not have gotten the whole story. I had met Tyson before in an event in Los Angeles and just like he was on the show, the guy is a riot. I was unsure what to expect from Rick, since he was quiet on the show, but he was funny and had some great stories.

Later that evening we had a gathering in a bar near the hotel and I spent about 45 minutes talking to Rick. He was pretty shocked to find out that Rob records five or six podcasts about each one-hour episode of Survivor and that people flew in to attend the event, including one guy from Saudi Arabia.

I was hoping that my brother would be off work so we could

meet up on Sunday, so I booked a late flight, but he was out in the field. Instead I spent some time driving around the area and visited a number of the Olympic sites, as well as the beautiful state capitol building and the Great Salt Lake.

Not only was it great to meet some new Survivors and spend some time talking about my favorite television show with them, it was also great to catch up with friends I've made through the podcast and meet some new folks with whom I can share my love of Survivor.

Finally, have a great day Jason Hill.

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Homecoming and Family Celebration and Reunion Weekend is September 22-24. Find out more at plymouth.edu/homecoming.

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