

## “School of Rock” opens this weekend

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Gilford High School will be bringing the rock to the stage for the next two weekends with the production of “School of Rock.”

Starting Friday, students will present the popular musical on the stage of the GHS auditorium with performers onstage showing their instrumental talents as well as their acting and singing.

In “School of Rock,” unemployed musician Dewey takes the position of a substitute teacher at a private school. He then works with his students to turn them into a band so they can join the school's battle of the



ERIN PLUMMER  
(Left) Class is in session with Dewey (Jonathan Buttrick) trying to show his musical and teaching skills.

bands.

Junior Jonathan Buttrick plays the main character, Dewey Finn.

“He's a character who's passionate about music, but he's really lazy,” Buttrick said.

Buttrick described Dewey as a good person, but generally a freeloader, saying “He's a kindhearted person, but he does bad things to get what he wants.”

Jacqueline Nash is one of the performers who plays the school principal, Rosalie Mul-

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### Atlantic Broadband cutting incentives to municipal Internet service

BY ERIN PLUMMER  
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Atlantic Broadband recently gave the town notice it would be cutting certain municipal internet incentives. Town officials are calling it an example of friction with Atlantic Broadband after the town vote in favor of taking on Comcast as an additional cable and Internet provider.

On Wednesday, Town Administrator Scott Dunn advised the selectmen that Atlantic Broadband will no longer offer the town free municipal internet service and it will have to pay full price for a

modem. This will result in a total cost increase to \$1,200 a year.

Dunn said this is one of the ways Atlantic Broadband has expressed friction to the town taking on an additional cable franchise agreement with Comcast, which provides more competition for consumers.

Earlier this year, the board voted to enter into a 10-year cable franchise agreement with Comcast, which would serve the town in addition to the current company Atlantic Broadband. Comcast is currently working

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## Recycling Center partly closed weekdays for building project

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Work is continuing on the new transfer station, which will result in part of the recycling center being temporarily closed on weekdays to allow work to continue.

The selectmen announced during Wednesday's meeting that this decision during a meeting the previous night. The lower portion of the center will be closed weekdays from Nov. 6 through Dec. 3 and will be open on weekends during the usual hours.

During this time, the center will not be accepting any bulky waste such as leaves

or mulch, brush, asphalt, logs or stumps, concrete, appliances, metals, and electronics during weekdays. All these materials can be accepted during weekends until Nov. 29, after which the usual schedule will resume.

Single stream recycling has been moved to outside the former gate and residents will have access to it at any time. Because of local contractors offering their services, landscape contractors will have a way to dispose of their waste and should call Public Works for information.

Board chair Richard Grenier emphasized that this change is “strictly temporary” due to the transfer station building project.

That same night the board approved a contract for the plumbing by Brittain Plumbing and Services of Gilford for \$6,371. Town administrator Scott Dunn said the Solid Waste Committee approved of this contract and Grenier said the committee met that morning to make the recommendation.

Aside from this, Dunn said there are a few small projects that need to be done such as some electrical and concrete work that will be done out of money from the Solid Waste Center budget.

“Priority number one in town government is getting that facility completed and up and running,” Dunn said.

Dunn also presented the board with a draft of the new rules and fees for the facility, which had already been presented to Public Works director Meghan Theriault and the Solid Waste Committee. Dunn said the committee only recommended one change and that was to the fee structure for stump disposal. Grenier said the committee discussed that issue for a long time.

After suggestions by residents over the summer, Dunn also researched whether boat shrink wrap can be recycled. He said he heard an initial response from the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA) that it can't be put in a baler and there isn't a market for it. Dunn said the current draft of the rules states the center will not be taking boat shrink wrap, though they are waiting for more information from the NRRRA. Selectman Chan Eddy said this isn't a matter that has to be resolved immediately as shrink wrap won't be coming off boats until April at the earliest.

The new rules do include mandatory recycling, “one stop shopping” for construction and demolition disposal,” and more.

“The rules from an enforcement perspective are built around educating the public and assisting the pub-

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## Opechee Garden Club prepares for Annual Greens Sale

LACONIA — The Opechee Garden Club has begun planning their annual Greens Sale which will take place on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Leavitt Park Clubhouse, 334 Elm St., Laconia.

Orders have been placed for Balsam wreaths, handmade in New Hampshire, and various holiday greens which will be transformed into unique decorations by Club members.

Wreaths will be available for sale in various sizes, both decorated and undecorated. In addition, Club members will design and make original holiday centerpieces to complete your Christmas decor.

Providing addition-



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Pictured (left to right) Club President Helen Murphy, Susan Brown, Owner Lakes Region Floral Studio and Hollis Thompson, Event Chair.

al inspiration, at the November Opechee Garden Club meeting, was Susan Brown, owner Lakes Region Floral Studio in Laconia. Sue demonstrated various techniques for using native plants, along with

store bought items to create one of a kind holiday decorations.

As the owner of Lakes Region Floral

Studio, Susan's goal is to make every occasion special for her clients. For the past 6 years, Susan and her staff have focused their talents on weddings. They take pride in creating a wedding environment as unique as each couple. Susan's work has been featured in several local publications. You can look for her in the 2020 Lakes Region Bride Magazine.

Funds raised are used to support charitable efforts in the local area. These efforts include Lakes Region Scholarship Fund and Civic Gardens. If you are interested in joining the Opechee Garden Club, please send an email to [Opecheegardenclub2012@gmail.com](mailto:Opecheegardenclub2012@gmail.com).



Notes from the Gilford Public Library

BY MARK THOMAS  
Library Correspondent

The National Book Award Nominees have been announced! We've seen some major successes in new releases this year, so the competition is stark. As with any award involving subjectivity, you want to know who is giving the award- you can read up about the National Book Foundation team at nationalbook.org. Or, suffice it to say that it is a well-recognized award that catches the interest of readers, authors, and librarians across the nation. Without further ado, the finalists!

In fiction, we see "The Other Americans" by Laila Lalami.

mi. A Moroccan immigrant is killed by a speeding car, impacting the lives of a diverse, mingled set of well-realized characters. "Disappearing Earth" by Julia Phillips also starts with apparent death when two young girls go missing. The old, established community is shaken by the disappearance, where almost everyone has an emotional connection. "Black Leopard, Red Wolf" by Marlon James is a mythical hunt for a mysterious boy. The journey is marked with strange characters and stranger questions. "Trust Exercise" by Susan Choi is an unsettling account of a couple of young lovers at a com-

petitive and insular performing arts high school. It's not for everyone, but Choi's novel has plenty of fans. Kali Fajardo-Anstine has written a short story collection tapping into her Latina characters of indigenous ancestry, set in the past of her hometown of Denver, Colo. Each story is a struggle, but the women endure, driving the emotional plot forward.

Any of these has the potential to take the National Book Award for Fiction. We'll have to wait and see! They also have book awards for Young People's Literature, Poetry, Nonfiction, and Translated Literature. We frequently have acclaimed lists like these at the front desk. Have a look next time you're looking for a book to love!

This month's book is "Whiskey When We're Dry" by John Larison, described as "...a smooth yet bracing Western yarn...". Copies of the book will be available at the circulation desk, and the discussion will be led by Molly Harper.

Crafternoon @ The Library, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Join Kayleigh to make a craft at the library! You can make one of our provided crafts, or bring your own crafts to work on. Sign up at the library. This month's craft is Holiday Wreaths!

Conversational French, 4-5 p.m.

Evening Book Discussion, 6-7 p.m.

See 'Brown Bag Book Discussion' above.

**Friday, Nov. 15**

Digital Skills for Everyday Life, 10-11 a.m.

Did you know that you can use Google to create a resume, search for a job, and help yourself prepare for an interview? Join us for this class using Google products, such as Google Doc, Gmail,

and Google Search. Sign up at the library!

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

Crafty Preschool Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Knit Wits, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Advanced Conversational German, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

**Monday, Nov. 18**

Tai Chi-Chih, 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Baby/Toddler Story Time, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Mahjong, 12:30-3 p.m.

**Tuesday, Nov. 19**

Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.

Hook Nook, 10-11 a.m.

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

Preschool Story Time, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Book Bites, 5-6:30 p.m.

Join us for Book Bites Cookbook Club. This month's theme is Giving Thanks! Sign up at the library, cost is \$5.

Nightly Knitting, 6-8 p.m.

Classic Book Discussion, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Join us every other month to discuss a classic book. This month's pick is "House Made of Dawn" by N. Scott Momaday.

**Wednesday, Nov. 20**

Line Dancing, 9-10:30 a.m.

Check Out an Expert, 10 a.m.-noon

Lakes Region Fiber Artists and Crafters, 10 a.m.-noon

Teen Early Release, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving Biscuits and Centerpiece, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Come and learn how to make biscuits for Thanksgiving. \*sign up required (K-4)

**Thursday, Nov. 21**

Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.

Playgroup, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Homeschool Game Club, 12:15-2:15 p.m.

Conversational French, 4-5 p.m.

Foreign Movie Night, 7-9 p.m.

This month's movie is "The Man Who Invented Christmas," a 104 minute movie rated PG from Ireland.

Gilford Public Library  
Top Ten Requests

1. "Blue Moon: A Jack Reacher Novel" by Lee Child
2. "Olive, Again" by Elizabeth Strout
3. "The Giver of Stars" by Jojo Moyes
4. "The 19th Christmas" by James Patterson
5. "The Guardians" by John Grisham
6. "Summer of '69" by Elin Hildebrand
7. "The Water Dancer" by Ta-Nehisi Coates
8. "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett
9. "Inside Out" by Demi Moore
10. "Bloody Genius" by John Sandford

**Classes & Special Events**

**Nov. 14-Nov. 21**


**Thursday, Nov. 14**

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Playgroup, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Homeschool Game Club, 12:15-2:15 p.m.

Brown Bag Book Discussion, 12:30-1:30 p.m.



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Take a trip to "Our Town" on LRPA this weekend

LACONIA—Join Lakes Region Public Access Television at 10:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday night (Nov. 15 & 16) for our "LRPA After Dark" presentation of 1940's film adaptation of Thornton Wilder's beloved play "Our Town," starring William Holden, Martha Scott and Frank Craven.

Set in the fictional town of Grover's Corners, New Hampshire, "Our Town" uses a narrator (Mr. Morgan, played by Frank Craven) to introduce us to the people living in this small New England town. Life has not changed much here throughout the years: people are born and grow up, fall in love, marry, raise families and die. In that way, Grover's Corners is like any other place in the world. We meet Dr. and Mrs. Gibbs (Thomas Mitchell and Fay Bainter), who live next door to their friends Mr. and Mrs.

Webb (Guy Kibbee and Beulah Bondi). Their oldest children, George Gibbs (Holden) and Emily Webb (Scott), fall in love and marry. Through the magic of the narrator, the viewer is able to examine the characters' most intimate thoughts, fears, hopes and regrets. Will George and Emily live happily ever after?

Thornton Wilder was awarded the 1938 Pulitzer Prize in Drama for "Our Town," and often called it the favorite of his works. The play debuted to rave reviews on Broadway that same year, featuring both Craven and Scott in the same roles that they would reprise in the film two years later. Both critics and moviegoers had much praise for the movie "Our Town," which went on to receive six Academy Award nominations: Best Picture, Best Actress (Scott), Best B&W Art Direction, Best Original Score (written by Aaron Copeland) and Best Sound Recording. Bosley Crowther, the famously curmudgeonly film critic for the New York Times, lavished the film with praise -- something he rarely did -- stating "We hesitate to employ superlatives, but of 'Our Town' the least we can say is that it captures on film the simple beauties and truths of humble folks as very few pictures ever do: it is rich and ennobling in its plain philosophy -- and it gives one a passionate desire to enjoy the fullness of life even in these good old days of today." What else

do you need to know? Grab your popcorn and meet us after dark for this simple, dramatic and stunning film adaptation of this most beautiful and tender story.

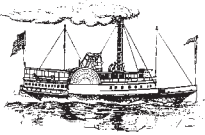
And mark your calendars: we're about two weeks away from the annual Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction presented by CruCon Cruise Outlet, Tuesday, Dec. 3 -- Saturday, Dec. 7 at Belknap Mall in Belmont! Join LRPA for minute-by-minute coverage all week long, locally on Channel 25, over Atlantic Broadband Channel 12 and this year, for the first time, streamed in HD on the Laconia Daily Sun website ([laconia-dailysun.com](http://laconia-dailysun.com))! Or listen in with our fantastic radio partners 104.9 FM The Hawk and 101.5 FM WEEI! Stop by the Mall to watch the action in person. Bid high and bid often -- it's for the kids!

You can't find television like this it anywhere but LRPA TV, Atlantic Broadband Channel 25. Not a subscriber? Then log onto Live Stream through our Web site ([www.lrpa.org](http://www.lrpa.org)) where you can catch all the fun.

**About Lakes Region Public Access Television (LRPA)**

Lakes Region Public Access Television (LRPA) is a nonprofit, noncommercial public access TV station and community media center located on the Laconia High School campus in Laconia, NH. LRPA cablecasts locally on Atlantic Broadband Channel SEE OUR TOWN PAGE A9

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# Selectmen consider changing wording of surplus fund articles

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The selectmen are considering some tweaks in the wording of articles with money coming out of fund balance to indicate it is coming from tax money. On Wednesday, town administrator Scott Dunn presented the draft of the special warrant articles to the selectmen. The draft will go to the Budget Committee for the budget review process, this gave the selectmen the opportunity to

review it and see if there were any changes they would suggest. Dunn said the basic wording was based on guidelines by the Department of Revenue Administration and what the town has done in previous years. Board Chair Richard Grenier said he had previously mentioned the possibility of changing the wording regarding articles with money coming from surplus funds. Traditionally such articles have con-

tained the statement "no amount to be raised from taxation." Grenier said the point has been raised that such funds are coming from taxation, though from taxes that were previously unexpended. He asked if there was a way they could change that wording in these articles, saying the money is coming from their taxes. "I just think its incongruous — we say it's not coming from taxation, but it is: past taxes," Grenier said. "How can we

word that?" The suggestion was made of changing the wording to along the lines of "no amount from additional taxation." Grenier said when he suggested this to Dunn, Dunn seemed "taken aback." Dunn said he really wasn't taken aback and made a note of it. he

said this has been discussed before though the board has never made a decision on changing it. He said this language has been in the warrant for the past 11 years and one or two members of the Budget Committee have opposed it in previous years. Grenier said he can't blame anyone

for that opposition. Grenier asked Budget Committee chair Sean Murphy if changing the language on "additional taxation" would be alright. Murphy said he personally would be satisfied with it, though couldn't speak for the rest of the committee without their input.

## GILFORD PARKS AND RECREATION NEWS

BY HERB GREENE  
Director  
Gilford Parks and Recreation

**Gunstock Ski/ Snowboard Program registration deadline Nov. 15!**

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a four-week learn to ski/ snowboard program to be held at Gunstock Ski Area for Gilford children in grades 1-8. This program will be running from 4:30 - 8 p.m. every Tuesday from Jan. 7 - Jan. 28, 2020. There is also rental equipment available to those who need it. Registration deadline is Friday, Nov. 15.

For more information please contact Parks and Recreation Director, Herb Greene at 527-4722.

**Senior Moment-um Programs**

**Senior Moment-um Game Day and Breakfast Bites on Nov. 18**

The Gilford Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a Senior Moment-um Program on Monday, Nov. 18. We will meet at the Gilford Community Church Fellowship Hall

at 10 a.m. for a morning of games, including Scrabble, Rummikub and Trivia! The Parks and Recreation will be providing some tasty breakfast bites along with coffee and tea. Participants are asked to RSVP by Thursday, Nov. 14.

**Senior Moment-um Theatre Night: "School of Rock" Nov. 21!**

Gilford Parks and Recreation in conjunction with the GHS Performing Arts, is sponsoring an evening at the Theatre for participants of the Senior Moment-um Program. This activity is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 21. Participants will meet in the cafeteria at 5:00pm to enjoy a "dessert and coffee hour" before heading to the Auditorium at 6 p.m. to watch the High School's performance of "School of Rock." There is no fee for this program, but space is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first come basis. RSVP no later 12:00 noon on Friday, Nov. 15.

For more information

or to RSVP, please call the Parks and Recreation Office at 527-4722

**Boston Celtics bus trip scheduled for March 18, 2020**

The Gilford and Belmont Parks and Recreation Departments are co-sponsoring a Bus Trip to Boston to see the Celtics take on the New York Knicks on Wednesday, March 18, 2020. Cost of the trip is \$80 per person, and includes round trip motor coach from Gilford or Belmont and your ticket (section 311 of the balcony) to the game. Our deluxe motor coach will depart from Gilford High School at 4:45 p.m. and the Tioga Pavilion in Belmont at 5 p.m. for the 7:30 p.m. game. You will have time to visit the pro-shop and get dinner on your own prior to the game. Seats are limited; a registration form must be completed accompanied by payment and tickets are non-refundable.

For more information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722 or visit their Web site at [www.gilfordrec.com](http://www.gilfordrec.com).

## Laconia-Gilford Lions award scholarships

The Laconia-Gilford Lions Club recently awarded three college scholarships to local students through the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation. "Our club has awarded over \$85,000 during a period of more than 50 years, to deserving area students," explained Club President Matt Soza. "We wanted to let the latest recipients express in their own words what these awards mean to them." Erin Gately of Gilford wrote "Thank you for choosing me as the recipient of your scholarship this year. I will be starting my sophomore year of Nursing at Colby-Sawyer College this fall! I feel honored to have been chosen to represent your organization. Thank

you all for your generosity. This scholarship means so much to me! Have a wonderful summer!" Kaitlynn Mae DeLisle of Belmont wrote "Thank you for helping me open new doors to my future. I'm appreciative and thankful for the money you've given me to help support me this year, and hopefully in years to come!" In her letter, Kayleigh Thoroughgood of Laconia said "I want to express my gratitude for having been selected as a recipient of the Laconia-Gilford Lions Club scholarship. Your donation is very generous, and I am extremely appreciative. I will be attending Saint Anselm College in the fall

to pursue my degree in Criminal Justice. Your gift will definitely help alleviate some of the costs. This will help me dedicate the time to my school work and not worry so much about the cost of the program. I hope to graduate in four years and then proceed to go to law school for the next three years. I wish to thank you again for your donation and also for your support of the students in the Lakes Region."

"With college costs so high, this program is more needed than ever," added Club President Matt Soza. "We thank the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation for their help, and also congratulate the latest recipients for their effort and dedication. They are starting lives of achievement and service."

## Seacoast Men of Harmony present Christmas at Wesley Woods

You're invited to a Christmas show of the old songs and carols we have loved since childhood presented in Barbershop Style by the Seacoast Men of Harmony from Dover, New Hampshire. You may have never heard "Jingle Bells" like this before! Join us in Fellowship Hall at the First United Methodist Church, 18 Wesley Way, Gilford, on Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7

p.m. for dessert, coffee and the best harmony ever in the Christmas season. There is no charge for admission, but donations will gladly accepted, and will benefit the programs of the SMH Chorus. 'Tis the season, to be joyous, so come and sing along. To help with planning, please RSVP to Stace at 528-2555 or [sdhendricks@wesleywoodsnh.org](mailto:sdhendricks@wesleywoodsnh.org).

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Who is your advisor?



BY MARK PATTERSON

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The reason you receive this disclosure from my firm is because my firm is a licensed investment advisor that is required to work for our clients, in the client's best interest, which is referred to as "fiduciary."

It is very important that you read and understand what the advisor is explaining to you in this document. One of the first places I go when reviewing other firms ADV, is "fees." I want to see what they are going to charge, how and when. Most advisors charge an annual fee, billed monthly or quarterly in arrears. I have seen advanced billing in a couple of ADV's recently. I do not believe in billing my client before I have done any work, but that is my preference. Is the firm managing the assets or hiring other asset managers and splitting fee's? So that portion of fees to that advisor is a "relationship fee". Is the asset manager using retail funds with commissions and 12b1 fees back to a dually regis-

tered advisor who is collecting a fee as well as commission?

I could go on and on, but you need to know all this before you give your money to an advisor and their firm! Many new clients tell me that they have never read the disclosure of their previous firm and they would not have known what to look for even if they had! I get it, this verbiage and language inside these ADV's are difficult to follow unless you are in this business and understand all the structure of how people are licensed and what they are actually doing vs. passing off to other firms. It is all right in front of you, if you know what to look for!

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I am conducting workshops on how to access this information and how to understand what is in these ADV's and how to check out a registered rep on broker check. Visit my Web site, MHP-Asset.com for more information.

Mark patterson is a portfolio manager and principle at MHP Asset Management LLC in Portland, Maine and Tilton.



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Methodist Church Christmas Fair coming soon

You are invited to Hope Ministries annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stock up on baked goods to freeze for Thanksgiving dinner as well as hostess gifts and décor. Also available will be new and "gently used" books, jewelry, Christmas items as well as gift baskets and silent auction items ready for giving. Stop by and visit the vendors' tables and enjoy some soup for lunch. It's been rumored that Santa may put in an appearance! The church is located at 18 Wesley Way, Gilford – just two miles from downtown Laconia, off of Gilford Ave. (11A). There are still a few spaces for vendors. Please call the office at 524-3289 for more information.

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

Sometimes, it takes a good storm for poor souls to see the light



By JOHN HARRIGAN  
COLUMNIST

When the power goes out, as it did one night last week, Millie worries way more than I do. She goes into what I call her Velcro Mode, in which she cowers against my leg and attaches herself like a limpet mine, and I have to drag her around that way. It makes me walk like Igoe, or Quasimodo.

Savvy readers have caught on by now that Millie is a dog. The only time she knows this, however, is when another dog is visiting. The rest of the time she thinks she's a person.

When the power goes out, several electronic devices respond with little alarms. Millie, on cue, breaks the land speed record straight for which ever leg is nearest, and attaches herself. Wait, that won't mean anything to anyone under 90. Millie attaches herself the way an alien blob-like creature does by shooting up the stick you're poking it with and attaching itself to your arm, so it can bleed you to death, and grow.

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People on TV are always telling viewers to rush out and help other "consumers" strip the shelves bare of bottled water, batteries, and candles. In our house (Millie counts as a person, hence "our" house) and in most others, I'd bet, this is a big joke, because who in the real world wouldn't have that stuff on hand any-



DAVID EZYK — COURTESY

This sunset photo taken at Shell Point, N.C., near Harker's Island and Cape Lookout, has nothing to do with anything in New Hampshire, except this: It was taken by Dave Ezyk, who raises oysters there and is a working partner at Carp Pond Camp in the town of Clarksville. His Dad, Joe Ezyk, longtime professor at St. Anselm's College, was well known in Fish & Game circles throughout the state, especially wherever trout chase flies.

way, for when the lights go out?

In this case, I was reading an article on forest fires in Harper's when the lights gave us a warning flicker and went out. More or less immediately I discovered an attachment to my right leg, that being Millie, panting as if was thunder, which she doesn't like either. I reached up for the small flashlight I always keep hanging from the living room reading lamp—one of several I've got salted around—and made for the kitchen, Quasimodo-like.

The kitchen is Command Central whenever anything out of the ordinary occurs. Candles and matches are up there on a high shelf (urchins occasionally crawl or toddle by, so the house is baby-proof). Pretty quick the kitchen is aglow, and soon the livingroom, too. A couple of old, elegant kerosene table lamps come into play because they are such an example of form, beauty and function. A couple of serious gas lamps of the hissing kind are ready to go if I want to read.

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Usually, the first thing I do after lighting candles and lamps is go to the nearest window in a dark room and look toward town, to see if I can see the village lights twinkling under the hulk of Mount Monadnock—our Monadnock, the one just across the river in Lemington, Vt.

As I have to explain

every time this comes up, "Monadnock" is a geological term borrowed from the Abenaki, or Wobanaki, and means "highest land around," or "dominant mountain." Our Monadnock, which features an old gold mine and one of the sturdiest fire towers I've ever climbed, isn't much of a mountain by Presidential Range standards (3,148 feet), but it is indeed the highest land around.

Monadnock towers over not only Colebrook but also the site of Council Rock, an ancient meeting place of the local Coashaukees and others within the Abenaki nation

It was a big glacial erratic, meaning that the last glacier hauled it to northern New Hampshire. It could have come from anywhere, maybe a thousand miles north on the Canadian Shield, or far up in the Maritimes, and left here when the glaciers melted. That was around 15,000 years ago.

The big boulder happened to come to rest on a hillside facing south, SEE NOTEBOOK PAGE A9

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STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

The search for a moral code

BY LARRY SCOTT

In recent months, we have seen what happens when a nation no longer has a moral code. From New York to Los Angeles to Chicago to Washington, D.C., events I need not specify have reminded us again: America is in deep trouble.

Men and women in my age bracket, educated in the 'forties and 'fifties, shudder at the principles guiding those who have come out of the 'sixties and 'seventies. Designated here as the MeFirst generation, it is difficult for us to perceive why the younger set cannot understand our concern.

The MeFirst generation can share a bathroom with the opposite gender, abort on demand, welcome tens of thousands of illegal aliens, and champion a "green new deal" that will cost America trillions of dollars – and do so with little thought given to the

consequences.

"It's no big deal," we are told. "Love your neighbor and do as you please." But if present trends continue, there will be hell to pay.

My generation shakes their collective head in disgust, but we have no right to complain. We claim a moral code, but on what basis? We have subjected our grandchildren to an educational system that has ousted God from the classroom and the Bible from the curriculum. We have told them that truth is relative, that right and wrong is a matter of personal judgment, and that everybody has equal claim to even the most aberrant of rights. We have given the MeFirst generation a life style that has no faith in the Bible, no concept of a loving God, no universal standard of right an wrong, in short, no moral code.

College professors

ask their students not to cheat, but cannot tell them why it is wrong. Parents ask their children to refrain from pre-marital sex. But why? Because you might generate an unwanted pregnancy? But if the students' only interest is in getting a good grade, and if the child does not fear the consequences of immoral behavior, he has no reason to follow traditional moral codes.

We have two written standards of truth in America – the U. S. Constitution to guide our politics and the Bible, to guide us in matters of truth and morality. These two address and correct the concerns of which I write.

I believe in the U. S. Constitution, a document given us by our Founding Fathers that has all the earmarks of divine influence. I resist every attempt by the MeFirst generation to accommodate

it to current trends in American life. It has guided our development as a society and helped us to become the finest nation in the world.

I believe the Bible is God's Word, a reliable guide for those in search of truth, a standard of ethics you can adopt with confidence. I have lived by its principles for eighty years. It has influenced my thinking, disciplined my actions, and given me the direction I needed to navigate the pressures of life.


God has given us a moral code, a statement of truth that, taken seriously, can revolutionize your life. The Bible says, "How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word. ... I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have renewed my life," (Psalm 119:9, 93). Check it out, live by its principles, and discover for yourself: living

for God is to enjoy life at its very best.

You want to talk

about it? Hit me up at rlarryscott@gmail.com.

Taylor Community hosting author lecture on "Abandoned New Hampshire"



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Mike Petipas

LACONIA — In "Abandoned New Hampshire," Author Mike Petipas captures his home state's past in the present through a collection of photographs. Let him take you through this visual journey in a presentation Monday, Nov. 25 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building.

All abandoned locations have a story to tell. Some are simply abandoned homes; others were once giants of industries that employed the majority of the people who lived around them. Local favorites such as the Colonial Theater hold a sense of nostalgia for local residents. Discover the beauty left in the wreckage and rubble of these old buildings before they disappear.

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Edna Greenfield to teach watercolor painting

TILTON — It's an axiom taken for granted: 'watercolor painting is the most difficult of all mediums'

"Not true," says award winning watercolor artist Edna Greenfield. "If you know how to work with the medium, learn some 'tricks and treats' techniques, and on how to control saturation and color density, etc., it'll insure painting with watercolors is a lot of fun and exciting," she added.

Knowing how to avoid mistakes, or fix them, do washes, blending, selecting the right papers, paints and materials is what Greenfield will teach in her six week 'Edna Greenfield's Watercolor Classes' course titled: 'Water Class Splash 101' for beginners and improving artists. Her 1-4 p.m.

classes begin Thursday, Nov. 7, and every Thursday thereafter until Dec. 19. Class size is limited to eight adult students and held at the Lakes Region Art Association/Gallery, Tanger Outlet Mall, suite 132, 120 Laconia, Rd. Tilton.

Former students coming for a refresher are asked to bring the materials they formerly used. For beginners, visit the LRAA/Gallery and pick-up a list, or call Greenfield: 254-8864.

Greenfield's career as an accomplished watercolor artist began on a whim when her husband gave her painting lessons as a gift. She fell in love with painting, both oils and watercolors, but now prefers watercolor painting only. Her background and successes include

Teaching Watercolor painting at the Lakes Region Art Association/Gallery, studies at the Manchester Institute of Art, Kimbal Jenkins school studying for many years with well-known professors there, exhibits at the Under Ground Studio, Plymouth, Vynn Art, Meredith, multiple libraries, and as an exhibiting member of the Lakes Region Art Association/Gallery. She's also attended a number of Maine coast workshops held

by well-known artists Don Andrews, Judy Wagner, Tony Van Hasselt, and Frank Webb. Not only is Edna been well taught, she's also taught privately and exhibited at the Farnsworth Museum in Camden and Belfast Maine.

Her artist statement is: "Subjects are endless and there's never enough time to paint."

The Lakes Region Art Association/Gallery is open Thursday to Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Apply within for membership.



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**GILFORD SOLID WASTE CENTER  
REGULATIONS & FEE SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, November 20, 2019 7:00pm  
Gilford Town Hall – Conference Room**

The Gilford Board of Selectmen will be holding a public hearing pursuant to the provisions of RSA 149-M:17 and RSA 41:9-a (as authorized by a vote on Article 30 of the 2018 Annual Town Meeting), on the adoption of proposed bylaws and fees for the new Solid Waste Center.

Some of the key provisions of the new rules are as follows:

- MANDATORY RECYCLING
- MANDATORY SEPARATION OF RECYCLABLES – NO MORE COMMINGLING
- DISPOSAL OF RESIDENTIAL TRASH
- DISPOSAL OF RESIDENTIAL DEMOLITION DEBRIS
- NO MORE TRASH SUBSIDIES FOR WASTE DELIVERED TO LACONIA TRANSFER STATION

If approved, the new regulations and fees are scheduled to take effect as of January 1, 2020.

Copies of the proposed Regulations with the fee schedule are available at the Selectmen's Office or on line at [www.gilfordnh.org](http://www.gilfordnh.org). Copies will also be made available at the public hearing.

Any interested person may attend this public hearing and/or submit testimony related thereto.

**Christmasfair**

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**Saturday Nov. 23**  
**9:00 am to 2:00 pm**

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**Christmas Market . . .**

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**Cookie Walk**





Evan Keith Murray

WESLEY CHAPEL, Fla. — Evan Keith Murray passed away unexpectedly at his home as the Lord called our boy home. His life was too short, but so meaningful, as he touched many lives here in New Hampshire and in Florida.

He began life in his hometown of Northfield. Evan was always full of life, making friends and developing his incredible mind at the Pines Community Center, Red Oak Montessori School, and St. John's School in Concord before moving to Florida. Like most everything he set his mind to, he excelled at his academics where he received many awards and was even offered a chance to attend a summer mathematics program at Duke University while in Middle School. He was enrolled in the advanced Cambridge Program within Pasco County middle school.

As a Cub Scout with St. John's, Evan spent many nights and weekends working on projects, achieving awards and participating in many competitions including the Pinewood Derby. He enjoyed the outdoors and spending summers at Camp Carpenter. Evan enjoyed his neighborhood friends on Forrest Road and many summers with family and friends in our backyard pool. He spent time at his family camp in Damariscotta, Maine enjoying boating, riding wave runners, fishing and just spending time with his cousins and extended family.

Evan loved athletics; he tried several sports including ice hockey, skiing and



soccer before discovering his love of baseball. He loved playing in Northfield as well as Concord when he joined the Concord Cannon travel team. His passion for the game followed him to Florida where he played Little League as well as two travel teams. Every night and weekend filled his free time with practices, games or tournaments and he loved it. He excelled as a hitter and was developing into a very fine pitcher.

His love of Legos turned to Minecraft and E-sports, he enjoyed playing with his friends and he would often post his recent scores and video clips. Evan loved his pet cats, Pilchard, Paws and Chrissy and our family dog Taylor. Paws and Taylor were likely the first two to greet him when he walked into heaven along with his grandfathers.

During treasured visits with his Dad, he enjoyed zip-lining, horseback riding, target shooting, go-cart racing and enjoying all the tourist attractions in and around Tampa and Orlando. He even swam with the dolphins at Sea World. He especially loved the Adventure Island water slides and all the coasters he could

convince his Dad to ride. A simple game of catch, a walk or going to a movie was time cherished together.

His friends described him as a defender and protector. He stood up to bullies even if they were bigger and stronger than him. He was fiercely loyal and equally competitive. His Girlfriend, Kailee Thomas said he had a big heart, was loving and openly shared himself with her and her family. He treated everyone as if they were his family. He was open and honest to a fault and said what he felt and didn't sugar coat anything. He will be remembered for his red hair, his silly spontaneity and private vulnerability but most importantly how he made everyone feel.

Evan leaves behind his father, Keith Murray, and partner Melissa Drew of Tilton; his mother, Joanne Tremblay, and her husband, Warren Tremblay of Wesley Chapel, Fla.; his devoted sister, Ashleigh Murray of Portland, Maine; his grandmothers, Carol Murray of Laconia, and Dora Halley of Wilmington, Mass.; godmother and Aunt Kara Murray Stanley of Laconia; godfather and cousin Ryan Curtis of Seattle, Wash.; aunts and uncles Leah and Leonard Brochu II of Concord, Mary and Jeff Curtis of Wilmington, Mass., Jeff and Jill Halley of Newburyport, Mass. and Eric and Andrea Tarlow of Rowley, Mass., along with several cousins, friends and extended family members.

Evan was pre-deceased by his two grandfathers, Walter Halley and David Murray.

There will be a celebration of life hosted by the Murray family at the Beane Conference center Thursday, Nov. 14 from 4-7 p.m. with a prayer service beginning at 5:30 p.m. In Lieu of flower please make donations to The Tilton-Northfield Little League PO Box 447, Tilton, NH 03276.

Phase One of Emergency Care ReimaginED Project complete

LACONIA — LRGHealthcare is pleased to announce the completion of Phase One of the Emergency Care ReimaginED project at Lakes Region General Hospital. With Phase One complete, the walk-in entrance and ambulance entrance will return to their previous, but now newly renovated, location. Phase One of the ReimaginED project is by far the largest part of the planned renovations, all of which have been funded by private donors. Completion of this phase

marks significant progress in upgrading the entire Emergency Department.

Kevin W. Donovan, LRGHealthcare President and CEO, states, "I'm excited to open the renovated emergency room allowing our highly-trained and compassionate staff an appropriate space to serve their community. Without the full support of our committed donors, this never would have happened." The complete \$7.5 million dollar project fully renovates the Emergency Department

(ED) at Lakes Region General Hospital to current standards while reorganizing the department to streamline patient flow, resulting in increased efficiency and an even better patient care experience. One more phase remains in renovating the Emergency Department space and when completed, will provide 21 private treatment spaces updated to contemporary standards and designed for maximum versatility and utilization to create greater efficiencies.



Taylor Community hosting resident lecture on Cog Railway

LACONIA — Join us Monday, Nov. 18 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building as Taylor Community resident Vince Lunetta shares the story of the World's First Cog Railway and his time working on the cog.

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Taylor Community hosting musical performance by John and Joanna Byerly

LACONIA — Since 1995 John and Joanna Byerly have embarked on a journey entertaining throughout New England. Join us Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building for wonderful vocals and music that is sure to bring you back to your favorite musical eras.


This event is free and open to the public.

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# LRSO Holiday Pops concert features vocalist Michael Gallagan

MEREDITH — The Holidays are upon us, and that means glorious symphonic Holiday POPS music is just around the corner. Please join the Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra for two joyous Holiday Concerts on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15 at 3 p.m. Both concerts will be held at the Inter-Lakes Community Auditorium on Route 25 in Meredith.

LRSO fan favorite, sublime crooner Michael Gallagan returns as our special guest for two spirited performances. Fans will remember Michael as our previous Holiday artist, and for his knock-out solo performance in our Sinatra POPS concert.

This year, we resurrect some classic orchestral favorites including Winter Wonderland and Sleigh Ride, but we are thrilled to introduce all-new favorites this

year - including custom arrangements for the LRSO! You'll delight in the orchestral splendor of traditional Carols, a Canadian Brass Christmas, a Festive Holiday Fanfare, and "Wizards of Winter" made famous by the Trans-Siberian Orchestra, among others.

Gallagan joins the ranks of Michael Bublé, Harry Connick Jr., Seth MacFarlane, and Donny Hathaway singing a variety of those artists' classic holiday hits including "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," "Man With a Bag," "This Christmas," and "Must've Been Ol' Santa Clause." We've even tossed in the Ella Fitzgerald arrangement of "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas."

Tickets for these holiday concerts are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students college-age and under (please, no children under age



Michael Gallagan

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five). Tickets are available online at [www.LRSO.org/tickets](http://www.LRSO.org/tickets), by phone at 800-838-3006, or from our ticket partners Innisfree Bookshop in Meredith and Greenlaw's Music in Laconia. Any unsold tickets will be available at the door starting one hour before each concert. All seats are general admission.

The LRSO celebrates the support of its Saturday concert sponsor Bellwether Credit Union, and its Sunday concert sponsor Fay's Boat Yard. Their generous community support is a big part of what makes the LRSO, a community orchestra, possible.

### About The Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra

The Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra is a Meredith-based, non-profit orchestra that performs throughout the fall, winter, and spring months. Orchestra members range in age from teens through retired seniors, representing over 30 communities in the Lakes Region and beyond. For over 40 years the Orchestra has been focused on showcasing young talent and providing a venue for local musicians to perform orchestral music ranging from classics to contemporary, all in the valued community setting of the Lakes Region of New Hampshire.

## Peabody Home staff receive Certified Dementia Practitioner credential

FRANKLIN — Seven staff members from the Peabody Home in Franklin have been certified by the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners. The certification compliments other professional credentials and training already obtained within the multi-leveled skilled care provided at this unique senior living community nestled in the heart of Franklin, and located along the banks of the Winnepesaukee River.

The Council was formed to promote standards of excellence in dementia education to professionals and other caregivers who provide services to dementia clients. NCCDP - National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners - has developed and encourages com-

prehensive standards of excellence in direct care skills, education and sensitivity in the area of dementia care.

As the number of cases of dementia related diseases continues to increase both nationally and worldwide with a strong focus on research for causes, treatment and possible cure, there is no national standard for dementia specific education for all healthcare professionals. While Alzheimer's Disease is the most well-known of this group of illnesses, others include Lewy Body Dementia, often masked by a misdiagnosis of Parkinson's Disease, Vascular and Fronto-Temporal Dementia that make up the four most common types of progressive diseases that destroy memory and import-



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ant mental functions. Now with seven additional practitioners minted, Peabody Home continues to strive for the gold standard in compassionate care of the elderly. Director of Nursing, Cheryl Barnes RN, CDP, CAD-DCT said "every day

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**What Can Investors Learn from Veterans?**

Each year, Veterans Day allows us to show our respect for the sacrifices that military veterans have made for our country. But have you ever stopped to think about what lessons our veterans can teach us about how we conduct various aspects of our lives? For example, consider the following traits and how they might apply to your actions as an investor:

- Perseverance – Even veterans who have not served in armed combat have had to persevere in challenging situations. The military life is not an easy one, as it often involves frequent moves, living in foreign countries, time away from loved ones, and so on. As an investor, in what ways do you need to show perseverance? For one thing, you'll need to stick it out even in the face of volatile markets and short-term losses. And you'll need the discipline to make investing a top priority throughout your life, even with all the other financial demands you face.
- Willingness to learn and adapt – During the course of their service, military veterans frequently need to learn new skills for their deployments. Furthermore, living as they often do in foreign countries, they must adapt to new cultures and customs. When you invest, you're learning new things, not only about changes in the economic environment and new investment opportunities, but also about yourself – your risk tolerance, your investment preferences, and your views about your ideal retirement lifestyle. Your ability to learn new investment behaviors and to adapt to changing circumstances can help determine your long-term success.
- Awareness of the "big picture" –

All members of the military know that their individual duties, while perhaps highly specific, are nonetheless part of a much bigger picture – the security of their country. When you make an investment decision, it might seem relatively minor, but each move you make should contribute to your larger goals – college for your children (or grandchildren), a comfortable retirement, a legacy for your family or any other objective. And if you can keep in mind that your actions are all designed to help you meet these types of goals, you will find it easier to stay focused on your long-term investment strategy and not overreact to negative events, such as market downturns.- Sense of duty – It goes without saying that veterans and military personnel have felt, and still feel, a sense of duty. As an investor, you are trying to meet some personal goals, such as an enjoyable retirement lifestyle, but you, too, are acting with a sense of duty in some ways, because you're also investing to help your family. There are the obvious goals, like sending children to college or helping them start a business, but you're also making their lives easier by maintaining your financial independence throughout your life, freeing them of potential financial burdens. This can be seen quite clearly when you take steps, such as purchasing long-term care insurance, to protect yourself from the potentially catastrophic costs of an extended nursing home stay.

Military veterans have a lot to teach us in many activities of life – and investing is one of them. So, on Veterans Day, do what you can to honor our veterans and follow their behaviors as you chart your own financial future.

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# MMRG's family activities focus on nature

MILTON — Moose Mountains Regional Greenways (MMRG) offers a series of six family activities per year, called 'MOOSE-ies for Families,' for children and their families to have fun together outdoors while learning about the natural world. In October, a Family Bonfire Evening at McKenzie's Farm in Milton featured songs and seasonal snacks next to their biggest bonfire ever.

The next 'MOOSE-ies for Families' outing is a Natural Decorations Walk on private conservation land in New Durham on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 1.

At the Bonfire Evening, children took advantage of being out after dark to play flashlight tag in the



The McKenzie family gathers around the bonfire.

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Walk will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. at WidowMaker Farm in New Durham. Children of all ages are welcome with their families but pre-registration is required. For directions and to register, call MMRG Educational Outreach Coordinator Kari Lygren at 978-7125 or email mmrgnh@gmail.com. 'MOOSE-ies for Families' stands for Members Only Outdoor and Social Events for Families and these activities are free for MMRG member households. Families can join MMRG for \$25 per household per year, starting any time of year, at [www.mmrg.info/become-a-member/](http://www.mmrg.info/become-a-member/). Scholarships are also available.

Moose Mountains Regional Greenways is a non-profit land trust serving the Moose Mountains region. For more information and a calendar of upcoming events, visit [www.mmrg.info](http://www.mmrg.info). MMRG would like to thank MRP Manufacturing, LLC in Pittsfield for sponsoring the 2019 'MOOSE-ies for Families' series, and the Dorr Foundation, which supported the program with a grant. MMRG is also grateful to McKenzie's Farm for their venue, bonfire and donated refreshments and to landowners Victor Piekarski and Gloria Switalksi for sharing their land.

## Anna Boudreau joins Lakes Region Conservation Trust

CENTER HARBOR — The Lakes Region Conservation Trust (LRCT) has announced that Anna Boudreau has joined the LRCT staff as Development Director. Prior to coming to LRCT Boudreau worked for five and a half years as a land conservation consultant, fundraiser, and grant writer at Truslow Resource Consulting LLC of Portsmouth, and before that worked for nine and a half years as the Executive Director of the Strafford Rivers Conservancy (now merged with the Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire).



COURTESY

Anna Boudreau

LRCT President Don Berry said that LRCT is very pleased to have Anna join the organization's staff and particularly fortunate to have found a Development Director with such enthusiasm for land conservation and depth of experience in the field. He said that she is a great addition to the team at LRCT's Center Harbor office and that she looks forward to meeting and working with LRCT supporters and conservation partners around the region.

Boudreau and her husband Dana live in Dover  
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field. Settling down around the fire, families joined in the music making, roasted popcorn and McKenzie's fresh cider donuts. Farm owner Annie McKenzie was enthusiastic, exclaiming, "It was really fun; my three grandkids had a great time!"

At the upcoming Natural Decorations Walk, children and their families will take a guided walk in the woods and learn how to select the best trees and sustainable ways to gather holiday

greens. Using greens already collected, each family will use their creativity, seasonal spirit, and inspirations from nature to create a decorated evergreen spray to take home. Families are invited to bring natural objects or other favorite holiday items to add to their spray. Necessary supplies for building the sprays will be provided. If time permits, families can also try making a bird feeder from natural materials.

Led by MMRG staff and volunteers, the Natural Decorations

## Richard Silverberg retires from Healthfirst Family Care Center

FRANKLIN — HealthFirst Family Care Center (HFFCC) is wishing a fond farewell to Richard D. Silverberg, MSSW,

LICSW, President/CEO of HFFCC. Rick is the founding director of HFFCC and will be stepping down from his role as President/

CEO effective Nov. 11.

During Silverberg's tenure with the organization, he has brought HFFCC from  
SEE **SILVERBERG** PAGE A9

## Gingerbread House Jubilee to support Humane Society

WOLFEBORO — The citizens of Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, are once again reprising their sweet role as Gingerbread Jubilee hosts this year, with proceeds going to benefit a beloved local charity.

The jubilee is sponsored by Wolfeboro's oldest real estate brokerage firm, Yankee Pedlar, and features several handmade gingerbread houses. This silent auction



will directly benefit The Lakes Region Humane

Society—and the event might even feature a visit from old Saint Nick himself!

Amy Knapp, gingerbread aficionado, REALTOR® and president of Yankee Pedlar's Gingerbread House Division, has been working with gingerbread for over two decades. This is her third year organizing the event. In addition to her duties at Yankee Pedlar, she also teaches a class called "The Tao of Gingerbread House Design + Construction," which helps ambitious pastry architects get into the craft.

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CABLE

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to put their infrastructure around town and is expected to be up and running soon.

Dunn said that the town now has “an unhappy cable company” in Atlantic Broadband, and the company has been putting up some resistance. He said Atlantic Broadband tried to use the new agreement with Comcast to modify their current cable franchise agreement with the town, though he said after working with the town’s attorney that attempt was unsuccessful.

Atlantic Broadband has been providing the town with free municipal Internet service

with a savings of \$50 a month and a modem at \$50 a month, both of which are services offered outside the franchise agreement. Dunn said now Atlantic Broadband has said it will not offer free internet service to the town and the modem will be the full price of \$100 a month. This will result in a total cost increase to the town of \$100 a month or \$1,200 a year.

“Frankly, I say call their bluff, and then we can see who else out there provides these services and maybe get a better rate,” Dunn said.

Selectman Chan Eddy said he agreed with Dunn’s suggestion.

“It’s more like okay, we can’t play by the rules we want, we’re taking our ball and going home,” Eddy said.

He said they could ask other Internet providers, including Comcast, what they could offer the town for its internet services. He said any new service would likely be fiber connected and cost a little more, but would be “future proof.” Dunn said, however, Comcast has already said since internet services fall outside the franchise agreement they cannot make a similar offer. Eddy said he believes Comcast might offer other incentives.

RECYCLING

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lic and enforcement as a last resort from a ticketing standpoint,”

Dunn said. The selectmen agreed by consensus

to hold a public hearing for the draft rules on Nov. 20.

OUR TOWN

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NOTEBOOK

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its bulk offering shelter from the wind. The site was at the junction of several ancient trails used for both war and trade--with the Penacooks and others to the south, the Androscoggins through Dixville Notch to the east, and the Mohawks near northwestern Vermont’s Missisquoi Bay.

Researchers have found that salmon migrating up hundreds of East Coast rivers in the spring ran all the way up the Connecticut River to Colebrook and beyond, reaching the falls at the foot of First Connecticut Lake before their historical “paper trail” runs out. At something like 410 miles, it would have been among the Atlantic salmon’s longer runs.

(Caveat: This information comes from a

foot-note in a U.S. Fish & Wildlife paper given to me by the late John Lanier. There’s no logical reason why salmon would not have continued upriver, to Second Lake and beyond. It’s the paper trail that peters out.)

For millennia thereafter, the Dawnland people, the Mohawks, the Mic ‘a Macs, possibly others, met at Council Rock during their annual spring and fall migrations, following the food in season. The boulder had a deep overhang on its south side, great for shelter, and its roof was blackened by countless fires, its walls and outer sides decorated by petroglyphs.

To the settlers, however, it was simply a big old rock very much in the way, and succes-

sive generations who farmed the hillside were tired of haying and plowing around it. So they saved some hard money against the time a wandering explosives expert showed up, and one did, and with a bang that echoed off ridges and mountains, Council Rock was no more.

Steady readers will recognize Council Rock, because I’ve written about it several times before. It’s part of a never-ending story that sometimes appears all by itself, often when I’ve touched match to candle.

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SILVERBERG

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conceptualization to reality with two sites in Franklin and Laconia, serving more than 10,000 patients. The agency has grown to a staff of over 60 with fully integrated behavioral health, primary care, nutrition, prevention education and heavy involvement in community public health and social determinants of health. HFFCC, under Rick’s leadership, has become a key component of the integrated health, behavioral health and human service delivery system in the Twin Rivers and Lakes Region.

While he is leaving HFFCC, Silverberg will continue to be active in the community with his work as: a volunteer with Rail Trails Development, training with the Appalachian Mountain Club, designing and building scenery for the Concord Community Players and serving on several board of directors. He will continue to focus on health, be-

havioral health, service delivery through his consulting work. He will also focus additional attention on his favorite outdoor pastimes: hiking big mountains, adventure canoeing trips and mountain biking, skiing and snowshoeing.

James Wells, HFFCC’s Board of Directors’ Chairman commented that “Rick created a health system which provided health care for all levels of income (no questions asked) so nobody would be turned away! The health center went through some tough times but Rick kept the organization together.”

Bill Purslow, HFFCC’s Board of Directors’ Secretary/Treasurer, stated “I have worked with Rick as a member of HFFCC’s Board of Directors over these past three years and saw how Rick’s broad range of skills and talent successfully guided the health center since its inception. Today,

it is a formidable organization with a continuous growth of patients and is professionally staffed at both Franklin and Laconia locations. Rick has provided the direction, cooperating with local state and federal groups, obtaining grants and lobbying for state and local support. Supporting the internal operations with staff, policy, budgets, strategy and operating systems makes for an efficient, quality and sustainable operation poised for success and growth for the future. I wish Rick the best for the future in his new endeavors.”

Silverberg commented: “I’m not really retiring. I am re-focusing on the parts of the work I like the most to leave me time for my outdoors pursuits”.

Russell G. Keene will take on the role as the new President and CEO of HealthFirst at Noon-time on the 11th of November.

BOUDREAU

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with her mother-in-law and have two grown daughters. She was a founding member of both the Cochecho River Watershed Coalition and the Dover Open Lands Committee, which she now chairs. For more than 20 years, her family has vacationed in the Lakes Region, where they love to hike, go kayaking, and enjoy the natural beauty of the region.

The Lakes Region Conservation Trust, founded

in 1979, has conserved over 27,000 acres of land throughout the Lakes Region, including miles of shoreline on Lake Winnepesaukee, Squam Lake, Newfound Lake, Bearcamp Pond and River, White Oak Pond, and Knights Pond; many summits such as Red Hill, Mount Shaw, Faraway Mountain, Mount Roberts, Mount Webster, Mount Livermore, Cople Crown Mountain, Piper Mountain, and

Sugarloaf Mountain, and more than 95 miles of trails. LRCT’s land conservation work preserves community character, conserves critical wildlife habitat and diverse ecosystems, protects natural landmarks and scenic landscapes, and provides recreational opportunities for people of all ages. To learn more about LRCT, please visit the LRCT at [lrct.org](http://lrct.org) or call 253-3301.



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**Maxfield Real Estate sold**

WOLFEBORO — Maxfield Real Estate Inc., has been acquired by Parker Realty Group LLC and will continue to do business as Maxfield Real Estate with offices in Alton, Center Harbor and Wolfeboro.

Started in 1965 by Henry S. Maxfield then owned and operated by his son, Henry (Chip) Maxfield, they built the leading Independent Real Estate company in the lakes region, with more than \$180 million in sales in 2018. It seems only fitting that Randy and Jon Parker, a father and son team, would continue the tradition of success.

Both Randy and Jon are seasoned entrepreneurs. Randy owned and operated a chain of sporting goods stores in southern New Hampshire, and currently owns a restaurant in Upstate New York. Jon has built, owned and operated a network of health clubs on the seacoast since 2001.

“We plan to use our

experience in the various service and retail industries to continue to serve our clients and take Maxfield to the next level,” Randy said of their goals for Maxfield.

For the past 22 years, Randy has applied those lessons to become one of the Lakes Region’s top producers. Randy will continue to serve his well established client base and act as Principal Broker. Jon will continue to list and sell properties as well as take over the duties of business development.

“We see our role as providing our team of professionals and agents with the education, tools and technology needed to provide their clients and customers with the best possible service,” said Jon. “We are very proud to take over Maxfield Real Estate and keep it an independent family owned company focused on serving the communities of the Lakes Region.”

# Lakes Region parking areas, roadways on lower-salt diet

## Belknap Landscape utilizing Green SnowPro Solutions

GILFORD — A local company is investing significant time and resources to help combat the introduction of chloride into New Hampshire lakes. Belknap Landscape Company of Gilford is utilizing the NH Department of Environmental Services Green SnowPro program as the driving force in their efforts to reduce salt use on many properties in the Lakes Region.

“We’ve always tried to be mindful of our salt use, but when I found out that over 40 lakes in New Hampshire are polluted with chloride, and that the DES estimates over half of that pollution was from salt use on private roads and parking lots, I knew

I wanted to do more,” states Hayden McLaughlin of Belknap Landscape. “For the past several years our participation in the SnowPro program has grown, and this year we decided to significantly ramp up our efforts.”

This week alone, Belknap Landscape’s in-house SnowPro Master Certificate holder Randy Wood trained and tested fifteen Belknap Landscape technicians, helping them join the ranks nearing twenty certified technicians within the company.

“The training is pretty thorough. They learn about the effects of salt on the environment, how it can damage property, or even adversely affect

health, as salt can make its way into the water supply,” Wood continues “They learn how to manage salt use responsibly, how to adjust our equipment to follow the DES recommended application rates, and how we track and report our salt use to the state.”

The NH DES Green SnowPro program is not solely designed to reduce the impact of salt on the environment. The program also provides education in the most up to date technologies and snow management practices to ensure a high level of service and safety to their customers. The ability to learn more about technologies and how to assure safety was also a driving factor for

Belknap Landscape.

“Belknap Landscape Company continues to take their culture of professionalism and safety to the next level by getting their people Green SnowPro Certified,” expresses Mark Cote of Cross Insurance in Laconia. “This certification keeps their team up to date with the best snow management practices which in turn ensures a higher level of service to their customers.”

To learn more about the NH Department of Environmental Services Green SnowPro program visit their Web site at <https://www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/was/salt-reduction-initiative/>.

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## ROCK

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ERIN PLUMMER

Gilford High School students get ready to bring the “School of Rock” to the stage this weekend.



ERIN PLUMMER

“School of Rock” will come to the GHS stage starting this weekend.

lins, who is seen as generally uptight though has a secret passion for rock that she hides. Nash said Rosalie is convinced everyone hates her and acts extremely professional at all times to try to make up for that.

“When Dewey shows up, it messes things up a little because he’s not conforming to what the other teachers are doing,” Nash said. “She’s nervous that people will think she made a bad call as principal to hire him.”

Joey Voivod is one of the two performers playing Ned Schneebly, Dewey’s friend and a teacher at the school. Voivod described Ned as a “nerdy guy” who’s under the thumb of a controlling girlfriend.

“He really has a deep down love for the same things Dewey does, he’s too scared of losing his position,” Voivod said.

Students said they especially are having fun with the live performance scenes, especially the big rock concert at the end. All of the performers will be playing instruments live.

Buttrick plays the guitar and gets to play live onstage. He said this will be an opportunity for him to take part in three things he loves: playing guitar, singing, and acting.

Nash said it’s been cool to see the progress her peers have been making on the music they will be performing live onstage.

Voivod said this production has been a nicely weird experience in how it’s different from other productions.

“School of Rock” will take the stage this Friday and Saturday and on Nov. 22 and 23, all shows at 7 p.m. at the GHS auditorium.



## SPORTS

THURSDAY  
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perfect  
season*Gilford volleyball  
captures Division  
II championship*

BY BOB MARTIN

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DERRY – For the second season in a row, coach Amy Tripp has led the Gilford High School volleyball team to an undefeated season, capped off with a win over Coe-Brown Northwood Academy in the Division 2 state championship last week.



The Gilford High School volleyball team went undefeated for the second straight year and beat Coe-Brown for the Division 2 title.

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Champs

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Gilford came out strong with a big first set win by a score of 25-15, in a set where the Golden Eagles dominated from start to finish. However, Coe-Brown Northwood would turn things around in the second set by coming out with a 5-0 run and eventually winning 25-20.

The third set was close to start with the score 5-4, but Gilford took off and never looked back with a 25-8 victory highlighted by an 11 point run midway through the set.

Coe-Brown Northwood never gave up however, with the Black Bears giving Gilford a run for their money in the fourth set. Gilford trailed most of the set but the Golden Eagles managed to tie up the game at 20-20 and take the first lead of the set with an ace by sophomore Kate Sullivan. Gilford finished out the match with an ace by Lindsey Sanderson for the 25-23 win.

The Pinkerton Academy gymnasium was

rocking with school spirit on full display from both fan bases. Coe-Brown Northwood was coming off a string of wins leading up to the title game, but Gilford had not lost a game in two years and was looking to keep it that way.

“Coe-Brown was on a big high from two big wins leading up to us and I know they came into the match with a lot of momentum and confidence, and probably wanted to knock off Gilford too,” said Tripp. “We were told they were not the same team we faced earlier in the season so we knew we would be facing a good team with a lot of confidence.”

Tripp said the team, as it has done all season, focused on the mantra of “in the moment” and played the game one point at a time. She also said a major part of the win was due to the team’s conditioning, which helped in the fourth set when it came down to crunch time.

“We really work hard on conditioning and we take pride in that,” said



Abby Warren, Naomi Eldridge and Sam Holland hoist the Division 2 state title plaque to a crowd of cheering fans.

Tripp.

Tripp said she was happy with the team about being productive with their hits. She said there wasn’t really one standout player, which has been the case much of the season with a well-rounded offensive attack. Outside hitters Sanderson and Abby Warren led the way with

seven kills apiece. Setters Naomi Eldridge and Riley McDonough had 11 assists each.

“Riley is a talented hitter too, and she is left handed,” said Tripp. “She is a dynamic player and it will be interesting to see how she progresses.”

Coach Tripp was also very happy with the

night Abby O’Connor had, as she was excellent defensively with four blocks.

It has been a special two years for the Golden Eagles as Tripp has not lost a game since she became head coach for Gilford. While this is a huge achievement, Tripp insists that she never thinks about the record.

“It really is about one point at a time, one match at a time and one game at a time,” Tripp said. “It’s a pretty incredible feat, but this is really about these players who live, eat, breathe and sleep volleyball.”



Lindsey Sanderson jumps up for a kill against Coe-Brown Northwood.



Kate Sullivan goes up to the net for a block in the state title game.



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Sam Holland serves for the Golden Eagles against Coe-Brown Northwood.



Reagan McIntire sets a ball during the championship match against Coe-Brown Northwood.

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# Gilford withstands Plymouth rally in semifinals



Riley McDonough pushes the ball over the net during her team's semifinal game against Plymouth.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor  
DERRY — One can attribute the Gilford volleyball team's semifinal win over Plymouth on Wednesday, Nov. 6, to any number of factors. The undefeated Golden Eagles used their extensive playoff experience, their conditioning and their volleyball skills to knock off a determined fifth-ranked Plymouth squad by a 3-1 score. "We try to be in the moment, when they

come in it's 'next point, next point,'" coach Amy Tripp said. "Volleyball is such a game of momentum, if you can stop a run and go on one yourself, that's half the battle." Plymouth scored the first point to start things out but a hit from Lindsey Sanderson got Gilford on the board. Sanderson added a couple of service aces as Gilford went up 4-1. Kate Sullivan and Abby Warren had big hits for the Golden Eagles, who opened up the lead to 11-4 and

then opened it more to 15-6 before Plymouth came back with a few points to get within 15-9. Riley McDonough had a hit for the Golden Eagles and Warren added another to put Gilford up 18-10 but Plymouth fought back and closed the gap to 18-16. From there, the two teams exchanged points, with Reagan McIntire getting a key hit for the Golden Eagles and they closed out the 25-21 win for the 1-0 lead.

Gilford scored the first two points of the second set before Plymouth came back and went up 4-2 and then 5-3. Gilford battled back and a nice block from Sullivan got the Golden Eagles within one at 6-5.

Plymouth continued to keep the lead, going up 8-5 and then 10-7 before Gilford battled back. McDonough had a hit to get her team within one and after three points in a row for Plymouth, Sullivan had a good hit following a great hustle play from Sanderson and the Golden Eagles pulled even at 12.

Gilford went ahead thanks to an ace from McIntire and a hit from Sullivan. Warren had great dig and then Sullivan had a service ace. Plymouth didn't go away and rallied to tie the match at 19 and then again at 20 before Gilford went ahead for good.

A service ace from Samantha Holland and a nice tip from Warren helped Gilford close out the 25-21 win for the 2-0 lead.

Just when it seemed that the momentum was all in Gilford's court, Plymouth reached across the net and pulled it away in the third set.

After a hit from Sanderson and a couple of tips from Abby O'Connor helped Gilford build a 5-3



Samantha Holland (left) celebrates with Kate Sullivan after Gilford beat Plymouth in the semifinals.

lead but Plymouth battled back and Gilford's 5-3 lead turned into a 16-6 Plymouth lead, as the Bobcats came up with a couple of service aces and a few big hits from the middle of the court.

The resilient Golden Eagles didn't shrink in the face of adversity, however, as they fought back and cut the lead to 17-12. Plymouth was able to build the lead again, this time going up 22-16 before a block from Sullivan helped Gilford turn things in their favor. Serena Pugh made a nice diving play and Sanderson had a hit as Gilford closed a 23-17 deficit to 24-21 before Plymouth got the final point of the set for the 25-21 win, forcing a fourth set.

The Bobcats seemed to seize the momentum from the win, as they reeled off the first eight points of the fourth set before a pair of hits from O'Connor got the Golden Eagles on the board.

Gilford slowly began working their way back, with a hit from Sullivan and an ace from Holland closing the gap to 10-8. Sullivan added another hit to pull the Golden Eagles even at 11 and the teams went back and forth from there, tying at 12, 13 and 15, with Sanderson getting a nice hit in the mix.

An ace from Naomi Eldridge helped Gilford slowly open the lead to 20-15 and Warren had a kill to help close out the 25-19 win and the 3-1 victory, sending the Golden Eagles back to the Division II finals.

Warren led the way with 10 kills and also had 15 digs. Sullivan had seven kills and O'Connor, Sanderson and McIntire had six kills each. Holland had 19 digs and Eldridge had 19 assists.

Tripp praised her team for the strong comeback in the fourth

game after being down early.

"I truly believe our conditioning is what helped us rise to this occasion and dig deep," Tripp said. "If you can stop a team from looking ahead to the end of the match, that's helpful.

"They know I have unwavering confidence in them and that helps them to not worry about it," the Eagle coach continued. "We never want to play a game not to lose."

Tripp praised the play of Holland but noted that it really was a team effort across the board.

"I have buy-in from everyone on the bench, they're all in it," she said.

Tripp also noted she was impressed with the job that Plymouth coach Jonathan VanScoter has done with his team.

The win put the Golden Eagles into the finals, which took place Saturday in Derry.

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Abigail O'Connor goes up for a hit during the Division II semifinals in Derry last week.



Kate Sullivan goes up for a kill in action against Plymouth on Nov. 6





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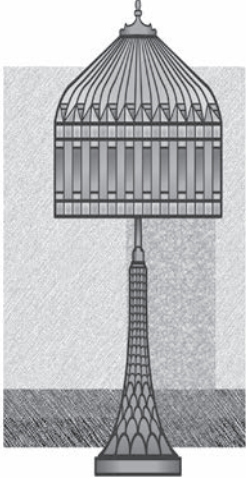
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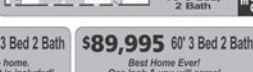


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# Short track racing added to 2020 Loudon lineup

LOUDON — New Hampshire Motor Speedway will host three short track races in 2020 when NASCAR's regional series visit the 1.058-mile oval. The NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour will make two stops – July 18 and Sept. 12, while the ARCA Menards Series East (formerly the NASCAR K&N Pro Series East) will join the Modifieds on Sept. 12.

“Short track racing is in our DNA at New Hampshire Motor

Speedway as we've hosted annual events since our inception in 1990,” said David McGrath, executive vice president and general manager of New Hampshire Motor Speedway. “These regional series have proven to be fan-favorites with must-see moments on ‘The Magic Mile,’ and we're excited to add them to our race weekend lineups in 2020.”

The summer NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour 100-lap race on July 18 will be part of

a doubleheader Saturday with the NASCAR Xfinity Series prior to Sunday's NASCAR Cup Series Foxwoods Resort Casino 301.

The Sept. 12 races will be part of the speedway's third annual Full Throttle Fall Weekend, moving up one week to a new date. This will be the only New England visit and will mark the final race of the ARCA Menards Series East schedule where they will crown both a race winner and a 2020 se-

ries champion. The NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour Musket 200 presented by Whelen will headline the day with the longest mileage race on the tour's schedule.

Both series have been racing annually at New Hampshire Motor Speedway since 1990 marking the 78th and 79th NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour visit and the 67th ARCA Menards Series East visit to the track.

For ticket information for all events at New Hampshire Motor Speedway, including the Nov. 28-Jan. 5, Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane and Oil, the June 13-20 Motorcycle Week at NHMS, the July 17-19 Foxwoods Resort Casino 301 race weekend and the Sept. 11-12 Full Throttle Fall Weekend visit the speedway web site at NHMS.com or call Fan Relations at 783-4931.



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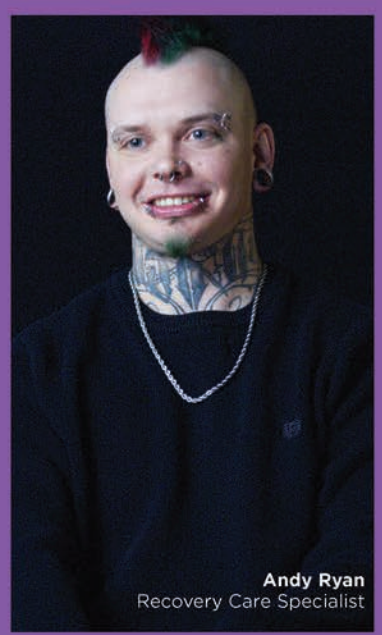
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