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GILFORD, N.H. - FREE

Gustavus Wind Orchestra visits GHS

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Members of the Gustavus Wind Orchestra paid a visit to Gilford High School last week, working with members of the band and playing a special concert.

The touring orchestra based out of Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minn., made a stop in Gilford on Thursday. Throughout the day the orchestra held workshops with members of the high school band. Later that evening the orchestra gave a special concert with high school musicians joining the band for two pieces.

Formed in 1878, Fine Arts Director Al Behrends said the orchestra is the oldest collegiate ensemble in the country. The band tours the country for at least 10 days a year. Every fourth year they will spend around 17 days touring internationally. Next year, the band will embark on a tour of Sweden and Norway.

GHS band director Lyvie Beyrent said she spoke with James Patrick Miller, the Gustavus director, during last year's New England Music Festival. Miller then got back in touch with Beyrent and asked if Gilford High School would be



Director James Patrick Miller conducts the Gustavus Wind Orchestra.

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Junior Chef program helps kids learn their way around a kitchen

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Children can bring home dinners, desserts, and other treats they made themselves through the Gilford Youth Center's Junior Chef program.

Junior Chef teaches the kids basic cooking techniques including measuring, recipes, mixing ingredients, kitchen safety, and a number of other basic skills.

Students in grades one through four can take part in the program that has multiple sessions through the year. During every session kids learn kitchen and cooking skills and get to take home food they made themselves.



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Kids mix up the sauce for their lasagna during Junior Chef.

"It's been going so well, and the interest is pretty high, so we continue to do this," said GYC director Scott Hodsdon.

The program runs for around four sessions a year with different themes. Hodsdon said they added an additional session a week because the program has been so popular.

During the Christmas session the kids made holiday themed treats. The latest session teaches them how to make a variety of dinner items. On Tuesday, they were making their own lasagna with some help.

Hodsdon said this SEE **JUNIOR CHEF** PAGE A11

interested in hosting the band for a performance.

The band held workshops throughout the day for the high school band members. The bands combined on two pieces, rehearsing during the day and joining forces for the concert in the evening.

Beyrent said this was an "awesome" experience. This time of year the band plays every other week and she said it was a great opportunity to get the kids together and playing again. Beyrent said this was a whole new experience for the students, which was greatly beneficial from the

music to working with another conductor.

"Anytime that there's a conductor in front of them they certainly learn from that experience and different conducting style," Beyrent said.

Behrends said a number of the orchestra members are studying Music Education and benefit from helping high school students.

"It's a really great relationship; we establish a bond immediately," Behrends said.

Behrends said the quality of the band programs varies in different schools. He said it SEE **GUSTAVUS** PAGE A11

Teacher's contract tops warrant for this week's school district deliberative session

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Voters will decide on the teacher's contract and the creation of some

new capital reserve funds for building and infrastructure among other articles on the Gilford School District Warrant.

Gilford's school deliberative session will take place this Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Gilford High School auditorium.

Article 2 is for the school district's operating budget of \$25,903,694. If this amount is defeated, the default budget will be \$25,872,143. This article does not include any other appropriations in the warrant.

Article 3 is the multi-year collective bargaining agreement between the school district and the Gilford Educational Association covering the increases in salaries and benefits. The first year carries an increase of \$296,819, which will be raised and appropriated in the article. The increase in the second year is \$268,198 and \$245,392 in the third year.

If voters defeat Article 3, approval of Article 4 will authorize the governing body to address the cost items of Article 3 only.

Three articles will SEE **WARRANT** PAGE A11

Basketball creates camaraderie on GMS Unified team

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Teamwork, friendship, and personal pride are some of the positives that participants in Gilford Middle School's Unified basketball team have found on the court.

In Unified sports, student athletes who have been identified with disabilities pair up with athletes who have not been identified with disabilities. The middle school and the high school both have Unified programs in a number of different sports, one of which is basketball.

Chris Parker, the fifth grade special education teacher, coaches Unified Basketball at GMS. The team also has four assistants, including a high school student,



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Angie Bonnell and Nathaniel Poll shoot some hoops.

and gets help from the school nurses.

Unified basketball is run similar to stan-

dard basketball, but with a few exceptions

to better serve the SEE **UNIFIED** PAGE A11

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Notes from the Gilford Public Library

BY MARK THOMAS
Library Correspondent

Betty Tidd, the likely suspect, is starting a Mystery Book Group at the library. She has the motive: a love for reading and sharing. She has the means: years of experience with book groups and mystery authors. She was even witnessed perusing the shelves for victims. She's here now, in fact, to help us get hyped for this new addition to the library book group offerings. Betty, thank you for starting this club. Please don't murder me.

Betty: Mark, you left out "opportunity": in the library, with the doors locked and lightening flashing, and, of course, a bat swooping over the book stacks...

Mark: You... you're right, of course. You have often hosted our regular book group, come to discussions hosted by other librarians, and you attend the Classics Book Group, so you well know the book discussion groups offered here at the library. Why start a new Mystery Book Group specifically?

Betty: Everyone that knows me knows I love books and love to talk about them. Since mysteries and thrillers are my favorite genre, I wondered if other like-minded would-be-amateur-sleuths would like to get together to talk about their favorite books. Most mystery readers are also voracious readers and I hope we will all discover new authors together-- but there's only one way to find out, so let's do it!

Mark: What sort of authors and styles can an attendee expect? Is it Harlan Coben as far as the eye can see? Does 'mystery' include thrillers, cozy mysteries, and locked room whodunits?

Betty: That's a good

question. I think it comes down to what the group wants. When I was very young I started with the Hardy Boys, and I will always be grateful my mother handed me a Dick Francis book when I was in my early teens. I love, love dark Scandinavian mysteries and thrillers, and then there are my regional favorites—Archer Mayor probably tops that list. Whoa, as you can tell, once I start talking about mysteries I have a hard time rein-ing it in. So, back to the Mystery Group—we'll start with "The Expats" by Chris Pavone, which has won several awards (that's usually a good sign) and then we'll hear from the group and go from there in April--the plan is to meet every other month.

Mark: Do you have a special means of damn-ing those who spoil the endings?

Betty: I'm not spill-ing the beans this early in the game!

Mark: I have to say that it sounds like fun. When is the first meeting? Is it alright if I dress up as Sherlock or Watson?

Betty: Personally, Mark, I think you would make a great Sherlock—so, please join us. Costumes, however, are not required—just the love of a good tale. And, it's no mystery—we are meeting on Thursday, Feb. 23 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Mark: Thank you Betty. The books are available at the front desk for borrowing, so hurry up and grab one in time for the discussion

Classes & Special Events Feb. 9 to Feb. 15

Thursday, Feb. 9
Music and Movement, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
Homeschool Game

Club, 1:15-2:30 p.m.

Magic the Gathering Club, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Conversational French, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Elementary LED Valentine Cards Workshop, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Make a light up valentine's card with sweet LED lights. Grades 1-4, sign up required.

Bead-Weaving for Beginners, 6-7:30 p.m.

Learn the art of bead-weaving with local jewelry artist Wendy Oellers of Dreamscape Jewelry. You will make a beaded bracelet in this beginner class. An advanced class will be offered again in March. Cost is \$15 per person. Please sign up with your card at the Circulation Desk.

Friday, Feb. 10
Baby Rhyme Time, 10-10:30 a.m.
Social Bridge, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Storytime, 10:45-11:45 a.m.
Knit Wits, 1:30–2:30 p.m.
Conversational German, 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 13
Mahjong, 12:30-3 p.m.
Little Builder's Club, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Join us for an un-structured time to build with blocks, Duplos, Legos, and more! Ages three to six.

Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Toddler Time, 10-10:30 a.m.

Rhymes, songs, stories, and play for babies and toddlers. For roughly newborn to two year olds.

Fiber Friends, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Social Bridge, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Storytime, 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Makerspace Club: Sled Derby, 3:15-4:30 p.m.

8-11 year olds are invited to sign up for this three week program meeting Feb. 7, 14, and 21 from 3:15-4:30 p.m. This month's theme is Sled Derby! Put on by the Gilford Public Library and the Gilford Parks and Rec. Funded by the Friends of the Gilford Public Library.

Gilford Clickers Photography Club, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 15
Line Dancing, 9-10:30 a.m.

Check Out an Expert, 10 a.m.-noon
Teen Early Release Movie, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Come and watch a movie and snack during Early Release!

Early Release: One Book, One School Ice Experiments 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Come and make your own ice comet during early releases as part of the One Book, One School program. Sign up with release form required. For K-4.

GILFORD POLICE LOG

The Gilford Police Department responded to 441 calls for service and made the following arrests from Jan. 24-Feb. 6. Please note that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protective custody but not formally charged, have been withheld.

Janice E. Lefebvre, age 69, of Gilford was arrested on Jan. 26 for Driving While Intoxicated.

Thomas C. Emery, age 31, of Laconia was arrested on Jan. 27 for Theft By Unauthorized Taking or Transfer (Larceny).

A 17-year-old male was arrested on Jan. 27 for Possession of Drugs in a Motor Vehicle and a Stop Sign/Yield Sign violation.

Christopher Parsons, age 22, of Gilford was arrested on Jan. 27 in connection with two outstanding warrants.

Paul Joseph O'Connor, Jr., age 31, of Belmont was arrested on Jan. 28 for an Alcohol

Ignition Interlock Circumvention and Driving While Intoxicated (Subsequent).

Joshua G. Pike, age 30, of Laconia was arrested on Jan. 29 in connection with an outstanding warrant.

Danielle S. Maupin, age 20, of Gilford was arrested on Feb. 1 for Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs.

Richard M. Baillargeon, age 49, of Gilford was arrested on Feb. 3 for Receiving Stolen

Property.

Natalie Cilley, age 58, of Gilford was arrested on Feb. 5 for Simple Assault.

Steven Richard Persons, age 60, of Gilford was arrested on Feb. 5 for Violation of a Protective Order; Penalty and Default or Breach of Bail Conditions.

Nicole E. Sanborn, age 34, of Laconia was arrested on Feb. 5 for Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs.

Sophia Joyal of Laconia to represent Lakes Region at 13th Annual Miss New Hampshire's Outstanding Teen Competition

LACONIA — The 13th annual Miss New Hampshire's Outstanding Teen Competition is set for Saturday, February 11, 2017 for two preliminary competitions and Sunday Feb. 12 in the finals.

Sophia Joyal of Laconia will vie for scholarships and the right to compete in the Thirteenth annual Miss America's Outstanding Teen in July in Orlando Florida. Sophia is a junior at Laconia High School and represents a platform that she is very passionate about "Accepting Disabilities through Service." Over the past year she has volunteered more than 600 hours as a local title holder with the program. She is currently Miss Lakes Region's Outstanding Teen and hopes to be the next Miss New Hampshire's Outstanding Teen 2017.



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Sophia Joyal

Outstanding Teen Competition is a program for girls' ages 13 to 17 years of age. It is the little sister program of the Miss America Organization. The competition is intended to encourage and reward talent, communication skills, community service, and academic achievement. The Miss

New Hampshire Scholarship Program, Inc., the official state chapter of the Miss America Organization, sponsors the teen program. Sophia Joyal will perform her talent of a monologue with sign language interpretation titled "Through the Eyes of my Heart" on Saturday, Feb. 11 at the 7 p.m.

competition show.

The competition takes place at the Stockbridge Theatre at Pinkerton's Academy's Spaulding Arts & Humanities Center in Derry. On Saturday, February 11, 2017 the first preliminary competition begins at 2 p.m. and the evening pre-SEE JOYAL PAGE A11

Gilford Public Library Top Ten Requests

1. "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman
2. "The Rent Collector" by Camron Steve Wright
3. "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult
4. "Never Never" by James Patterson
5. "Cross the Line" by James Patterson
6. "The Whistler" by John Grisham
7. "This Was a Man" by Jeffrey Archer
8. "Sleepwalker" by Chris Bohjalian
9. "Night School" by Lee Child
10. "Hidden Figures" by Margot Lee Shetterly

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Gilford Parks and Recreation news

BY HERB GREENE

Director
Gilford Parks and Recreation

Full moon snowshoe hike on Friday, Feb. 10!

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a fun full-moon snowshoe hike on Friday, Feb. 10 for all ages. Participants

will check in at the Gilford Elementary School Cafeteria at 7:15 p.m. before heading out on the Nature Trails at 7:30 p.m. Following the hike, we'll return to the cafeteria to enjoy some hot cocoa. Although we hope the moon will be bright, we encourage all

participants to bring a flashlight or head lamp! If you are in need of snowshoes, we do have a limited supply available. They may be reserved on a first come basis by calling the Parks and Rec office in advance. All interested participants are asked to RSVP ahead

of time.

For more information or to RSVP, please contact the Gilford Parks and Rec. Department at 527-4722.

Adult Curling program continues on Thursday evenings

The Gilford Parks and

Recreation Department is sponsoring a five-week pick-up curling program for adults on Thursday evenings. The program will be held at the Arthur A. Tilton Ice Rink from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. through March 2. Curling is the sport of “sliding stones” down the ice in an attempt to get your “stones” closer to the target than your opponent. Although this activity is held on the ice, participants do not wear ice skates. Participants should dress to be outside and should wear sneakers or boots. Cost for this program is \$2 per evening and participants can register at the start of the program.

For more information please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722.

Senior Moment-um Cooking with Grace on Feb. 13

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a Senior Moment-um program on Monday, Feb. 13. We will meet in the Community Church's Fellowship Hall at noon as guest chef, Grace Herbert, will be joining us to lead our group through her recipe for Chocolate Cake with Peanut Butter Cream Cheese Frosting. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch and the Recreation Department will provide coffee, tea and water. For dessert, we'll enjoy some delicious cake! Participants are asked to RSVP by Friday, Feb. 10.

For more information or to RSVP, please contact the Gilford Parks and Rec. Department at 527-4722.

Saving 'soles' for malaria relief

The First United Methodist Church of Gilford-Laconia has collected 165 pounds of used shoes in good condition to send to ReRun Shoes. Rerun Shoes was created to help people here in the US and in other parts of the world in many different ways: by helping collect used, and unwanted shoes through our collection and fundraising events in schools and houses of worship and providing shoes (in good condition) to children and families in the neediest nations. The shoes also provide opportunities to micro-businesses throughout the African continent.

The creator of Rerun Shoes, Michael Aronson, has been active in textile and shoe recycling since 1994. He has extensive



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Kelly and Matthew Scudder work along with Wendy Getchell-Lacey (in back) to pack 165 pounds of shoes for shipment to ReRun Shoes.

experience working in West and Central Africa where there is a need for shoes recycled for reuse. Michael travels extensively in underdeveloped countries as he continues to look for new opportunities to create micro-businesses and help those who need it most.

For every hundred pounds of shoes collected, they also contribute a bed net for No More Malaria, a United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) mission. United Methodists have joined the fight against malaria since the Imagine No Malaria initiative began in 2010. Together

we have made amazing progress toward ending needless suffering from this preventable disease: 1.9 million nets have been distributed, 11,600 health workers in 300 hospitals have received training and the number of malaria deaths in Africa has been cut in half.

Still, the fight is far from over. Malaria is completely preventable and treatable, yet it still kills a child every 60 seconds. Learn more and find out how you can help at www.imagenomalaria.org.

The Methodist Church is still collecting shoes. So gather up those shoes hibernating in the back of your closet (no boots or high heels please!) and bring them to the Methodist Church, located at 18 Wesley Way (off Route 11A, near the 3/11 bypass), in Gilford. They can be dropped off at the church during office hours Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. – noon. For more information, please contact us at 524-3289 or office@NHLake-UMChurch.org.

Ace Academies prepare for takeoff

GILFORD — Dan Caron, the Education Director of the highly successful summertime day camps of WinnAero, the ACE Academies, is preparing for the upcoming summer. The ACE Academies are the STEM-oriented summer camps for youth interested in aviation and aerospace applications. The camps are run as part of the non-profit WinnAero's mission to support and teach Science, Technology, Engineering and Math to youth.

“Our camps are taught by New Hampshire certified teachers as well as aviation-related guest speakers with expertise in specific areas of interest,” said Director Caron.

“This summer will be our seventh year of offering students from Elementary to High School ages exciting curricula aimed at showing how STEM applies to flying and space exploration,” he added.

The feedback from prior campers and their parents underscores that the ACE approach to hands-on, real world learning resonates with students.

One parent remarked “My son came home excited every day, not one complaint. The Blackhawk (Army helicopter) flight was a highlight.”

This year's schedule of ACE Academies is as follows: July 10-14 and again 17-21 ACE half day camps for students in grades 3-5; July 17-21 students in grades 6-8; July 10-14 students in grades 9-12. There will also be a special Space Academy for students grades 6-8 which will run July 13-17. Elementary-age students attend half days only while Middle and High School age students attend full days.



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2015 ACE Academy students Ella Dion (rear seat) and Lauren Gallant (co-pilot seat) are pictured with their flight instructor, Gena Adams, just prior to their personalized ACE orientation flight.



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With 2015 ACE Academy student Ben Swatko at the controls, Instructor Pilot John Bourdon explains the functions of the various control surfaces of the airplane.

The camps are day only and conducted at the Laconia Airport but include a number of

field trips to reinforce the curricula. Cost of the camps are \$400 for SEE ACE PAGE A12

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Pet of the Week: Star



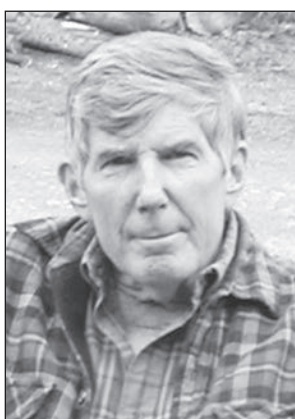
Life can deliver some crushing blows that affect both animals and the humans that love them. Star was surrendered by her owner, a tough and wrenching decision, but one made with love knowing New Hampshire Humane Society really was the best place for a second chance for this portly, longhaired, stately feline.

Star arrived with her housemate Max, although they have not been hanging out together lately at the shelter on Meredith Center Road. She resides with queenly, quiet, self confidence in the sunny feline social room where she can be found basking

in the warmth of the window seat, while at the same time keeping a close eye on the shelter activities in the our lobby from this special vantage point.

We know Starr is about 11 years old, but our staff veterinarian says she is in pretty good health. Other than her "Lion Cut" coat, which we can assure you will grow back with all luxuriance, this lovely cat awaits a home where she of course, will continue to receive security, affection, and the companionship of humans that she yearns for again.

Check www.nhhumane.org for more details.



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

No man is safe when the Legislature is in session, someone once said, or something like that, and New Hampshire's House and Senate indeed are in session now, but nobody should feel all that threatened.

Unless you're a coyote. An obscure clause in the laws governing the 11-member Fish and Game Commission mentions a season on shining for coyotes, and yes, Virginia, New Hampshire does indeed have a coyote night-hunting season. It does sound highly implausible, like Vermont's rifle season on fish, but yet there they both are, right there on the books.

An amendment tacked onto a totally unrelated bill has brought the coyote night-hunting issue to the fore, and battle lines have been drawn.

First, the Fish and Game should be left to set seasons and the like through rule-making, backed up by science, with truly open public hearings. There are adequate public-input safeguards should this system go awry. But circumventing regulatory authority via legislation

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

Coyotes invade the State House (it's worth a people invasion, too)



JOHN HARRIGAN

John P. Hale graces the front lawn of the State House, photographed in balmier times.



DOUG ROSS — COURTESY

Former Fish and Game Commissioner Doug Ross (a seacoast resident and Cedar Stream camp-dweller) took this photo of a New Hampshire coyote.

is, in general, bad business.

Why, one might ask, even a lifelong hunter like me—and yes, of course, we know that coyotes take deer—do we sanction night hunting of coyotes, even over bait?

Even if this had a significant, lasting effect on the deer population, which it does not, why would we encourage peo-

ple to be out there hunting at night, straight through spring, summer and into fall, when Fish and Game has been struggling against illegal night hunting for decades?

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Consistently over the years I've written that society, and the wildlife management establish-

ment we sanction, are totally hypocritical in our treatment of the coyote versus the wolf.

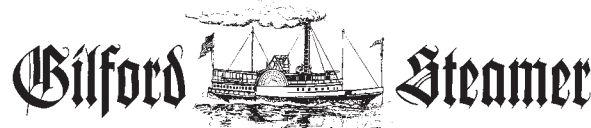
On the one hand we are supposed to worship the wolf as the poster child of the wilderness mystique, up there on a distant crag, silhouetted by the moon, howling mournfully and soulfully and meaningfully into the night. Meanwhile, on the other hand, right over there just a genetic code away, is the wolf's poor close cousin the coyote, which society has been brainwashed into treating like a rat at the dump.

The coyote occupied the niche we made vacant by our persecution of the wolf. Society and its government—your government and mine—have spent millions upon millions of dollars, year in and year out, decade in and century out, killing coyotes by poison, snare, bullet and trap.

Coyotes, meanwhile, respond to this never-ending threat by producing more coyotes, and no attempt to eradicate them, or significantly and sustainably reduce their numbers, has ever succeeded, anywhere.

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Illogical consideration and treatment of coyotes aside, the State House is always an interesting and stimulating place to be, no matter how tempers flare over SEE **NOTEBOOK** PAGE A12



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FROM OUR READERS

A week of achievements

To the Editor:

It was an exciting and rewarding week of achievements for the Gilford Schools. On the weekend of Jan. 27, the Gilford Middle School put on a stellar production of "Legally Blonde Junior", which was attended by an enthusiastic audience. Thank you to Kristin Jarvi and Sue King (Gilford Recreation Department) for providing the senior citizen dinner. The cast and crew of over 90 students were ably guided by Directors Matt Demko and Aaron Whitham. Congratulations to all for an enjoyable time.

On the following Sunday, the State Champion Girls Field Hockey team was treated to a lavish banquet at the Bean Center, and received their championship jackets and backpacks. Congratulations

to coaches Dave Rogacki and Sara Caveney for this ultimate achievement, and a special accolade to Allison Sullivan for organizing the banquet. To conclude the week, the Performing Arts Department hosted the Gustavus Adolphus Wind Orchestra in which the Gilford band members had a chance to be tutored and participate in the concert with the college students. The music was extraordinary! Thanks to Lyvie Beyrent for organizing the concert, and to Janet Breton for coordinating the housing.

The Gilford community should be proud of these outstanding activities directed by these dedicated student leaders.

Frank M. Weeks
Gilmanton Iron Works

Gilford Farmers' Market will be open in February

Due to community interest the Gilford Farmers Market will stay open every Saturday morning from 9 a.m. till noon in February. It is located at the Gilford Youth Center at 19 Potter Hill Road and there is plenty of parking.

Thanks to the greenhouses and longer days with more sunshine, Picnic Rock will be able to offer more sweet spinach (instead of sell-

ing out so quickly that patrons often go home without any) and lettuce. They also have various pastries, jams, sometimes cheeses and other goodies every week. Serve homemade goodies without the work of making them yourself. Winnepesaukee Woods Farm will be at the market the first and third Saturdays with their assortments of vegetables.

Fen Ridge Farm in Loudon offers many jellies plus other tasty products.

There are still many organically grown root vegetables available. There are many choices for organically grown, free range lamb, beef, pork, chicken and eggs, thanks to the Shepherd's Hut in Gilford and Our Place Farm in Loudon.

Looking ahead to Valentine's Day, you might want to try Jake Maxwell's yummy handmade chocolates or Ginny Clifford's unique, one of a kind wall hangings, either for yourself or as a gift.

If you are a yoga enthusiast you might want to buy a three piece set of two insulated pot holders with a hot pad/placemat that features frogs in six yoga poses. This set has been a popular seller. The "pothold-

er lady" has a wide variety of original quilted, insulated potholder, hot pads, placemats, and table runners to spruce up your kitchen and help to chase away the winter blues.

There are also some "guest vendors" who may only come once or a few times during the market days. If you have a hobby and would like to be a "guest vendor," contact Scott Hodsdon at gccscott@metrocaster.net.

If you like to eat healthy and support local area farmers, come to the Gilford Farmer's Market. The vendor fees go to support the Gilford Youth Center and the proceeds from the coffee and Brothers' doughnuts go to support the Gilford Historical Society in their efforts to replace the wood shake shingles on the 1838 Rowe House.

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"Summer of '69" rocker Bryan Adams returns to Gilford Saturday, June 17!

GILFORD — Multi-platinum selling recording artist, Bryan Adams, brings his Get Up Tour to Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion Saturday, June 17. Tickets go on sale Friday, Feb. 10 at 10 a.m., and range from \$29.75 to \$69.75. Get your tickets by calling the Box Office at 293-4700 or online at www.BankNHpavilion.com. As Canada's best-

known ambassador, Bryan Adams has spent the last three decades making music history. He has sold upward of 65 million records, toured six continents and achieved #1 status in more than 40 countries around the world. He has been awarded the Order of Canada, has been inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame and has a Star on Canada's

Walk of Fame. Adams has also been nominated for — and won — several Academy Awards, Golden Globes and Grammy Awards. He has a Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and has been inducted into Wembley's Square of Fame. After touring the world for decades, the acclaimed singer/songwriter is on tour for his 13th album, "Get Up,"

which, less than a month after release, achieved Top 10 in nine countries. All this shortly after celebrating the 30th anniversary of his iconic album "Reckless" in 2014. Aside from being on the road doing more than 100 concerts a year, he is currently working on writing the songs for the upcoming musical, "Pretty Woman." Relive the magic of

timeless Bryan Adams hits like "Summer of '69," "(Everything I Do) I Do It For You" (the classic love theme from the hit Kevin Costner film "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves"),

"Run to You," "Heaven" and more, Saturday, June 17! Get your tickets Friday, Feb. 10 at 10 a.m. by contacting the Box Office at 293-4700 or log on to www.BankNHpavilion.com!

Celebrate Valentine's Day with "Love Affair" on LRPA

LACONIA — Celebrate Valentine's Day early! Join Lakes Region Public Access Television at 10:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday night (Feb. 10 & 11) for our "LRPA After Dark" presentation of 1939's romantic melodrama "Love Affair," starring Irene Dunne and Charles Boyer.

In "Love Affair," two strangers — French playboy Michel Marnet (Boyer) and American singer Terry McKay (Dunne) — meet aboard a cross-Atlantic ocean liner and fall in love, despite the fact that each are engaged to marry someone else. They agree to meet six months later at the top of the Empire State Building. Fate, however, intervenes, and their plan takes a different turn.

If this plot sounds familiar, it should be, as "Love Affair" has been remade twice; in 1957 as "An Affair to Remember" with Cary Grant and Deborah Kerr, and again in 1994 as "Love Affair" starring Warren Beatty and Annette Bening. "Love Affair" was a very popular movie in its time, and received six Academy Award nominations, including Best Actress, Supporting Actress (a haunting Maria Ouspenskaya), Art Direction, Screenplay, Song and Picture. The New York Times described "Love Affair" as "... an extraordinarily fine film ... a glowing and memorable picture." "Love Affair" is bona fide classic! So grab your popcorn and join LRPA after dark for this crime

drama from the past. You can't find television like this it anywhere but LRPA TV, MetroCast Channel 25. Not a subscriber? Then log onto Live Stream through our website (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 MetroCast channels 24 (education), 25 (information and entertainment) and 26 (government) to nearly 12,000 viewers in our member municipalities of Belmont, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith and Northwood, and around the world via Live Stream at www.lrpa.org. Programming is produced by and for the people of the greater Lakes Region. LRPA's mission is to empower our community members to produce content that:

- fosters free speech and the open exchange of ideas,
- encourages artistic and creative expression,
- promotes a well-informed public through governmental transparency, and
- unites our communities through the power of media and technology.

LRPA's slogan: Community empowered by media. Visit us on the Web at www.lrpa.org.

Willie J. Laws brings the blues to Pitman's this weekend

LACONIA — Pitman's Freight Room at 94 New Salem St. in Laconia is pleased to announce the following events for this weekend:

Friday, Feb. 10, 8 p.m., \$20: Willie J. Laws Blues

Willie J. Laws has more than 25 years of performing experience, and has traveled the world making music. The influences heard in the music of the Willie J. Laws Band are many and eclectic. There are deep roots in Texas music tradition and uniquely American roots music.

Raised in the Gulf Coast of Texas, Willie J. developed his "funky blues" guitar and vocal sound, influenced



Willie J. Laws

by Texas Blues and R&B, Tex-Mex Tejano/Conjunto, Louisiana Zydeco, and Country.

Fans call him "the Real Deal." He has performed as the house band for The House of Blues in both Las Vegas and New Orleans, and as well as Margaritaville in the "Crescent City." He performs nationally and internationally with the Grammy

award-winning Tejano band Los Texmaniacs. While living in Texas, Louisiana, Nevada, and California he repeatedly opened for BB King, Etta James, Buddy Guy, Willie Nelson, Hall & Oates, Lynyrd Skynyrd and numerous others. Willie now lives in Massachusetts, travels from New Hampshire to New York City to Texas and beyond, and plays hardcore, authentic Blues with a twist of Zydeco, R&B and Funk.

Doors open at 7pm and Pitman's is a BYO Venue. For reservations, call 527-0043 or visit

www.pitmans-freightroom.com.

Saturday, Feb. 11, 8 p.m., \$20: Live Comedy featuring Frank Santorelli and Carolyn Plummer

Frank Santorelli is an Italian-American who is best known for playing the recurring role of "Georgie the Bartender" in The Sopranos. He is also well known for his star role in The Godfathers of Comedy. Santorelli has starred in numer-

Harnessing history On the Trail of NH's State Dog at Taylor Community

LACONIA — This program looks at how dogsledding developed in New Hampshire and how the Chinook played a major role in this story. Bob Cottrell will explain how man and his relationship with dogs won out over machines on several famous polar expeditions. He will also cover the history of Arthur Walden and his Chinooks, the State Dog of New Hampshire. His appropriately named Chinook, Tug, will accompany Cottrell.

The program is Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. It is free and open to the public.

He holds an MA from the Winterthur Program in Early American Culture in Delaware. The founding director of the Remick Country Doctor Museum in Tamworth, Cottrell is now the Curator of the Henney History Room at the Conway Public Library, a Board member at the Conway Historical Society, and President ex-officio of the Tamworth Historical Society. He serves as an independent history and museum consultant.

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Patricia A. Fleury, 64

GILMANTON — Patricia A. Fleury, 64, of 384 Province Road, died Thursday, Jan. 26, 2017 while wintering in Herndon, Fla.

She was born in Laconia on Nov. 5, 1952, the daughter of the late George and Sadie (Heath) Harkins. Pat worked as an assembler for a number of electronics companies, most recently for Milpower Source. She enjoyed art and crafts and yard sales. Pat enjoyed fishing with her grandson and attending her granddaughter's dance events. She also volunteered for

Saint Vincent de Paul.

She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Roger Fleury of Gilmanton; one son and daughter-in-law, Aaron and Victoria Fleury of Franklin; two sisters, Sally Doten of Gilford and Sandra Cinelli of New Mexico; two grandchildren, Tucker and Tristyn Fleury; nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents.

Calling hours will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017 at the Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, using the Carriage House entrance.

Funeral services and burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Society of St. Vincent de Paul PO BOX 6123, Laconia, NH 03247.

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, please visit www.wilkinsonbeane.com.

LACONIA — Wayne Paul LaLiberte, 64, of 118 Court St., died Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017 in his home.

He was born on Sept. 21, 1952 in Franklin, the son of the late Robert and Miriam (Laramie) LaLiberte.

He is survived by two children, Starr Hurst of Belmont and Alan

Brown of Belmont.

There were be no calling hours.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017 at the Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia. Burial will be held in the spring at Union Cemetery, Acadew

my Street, Laconia.

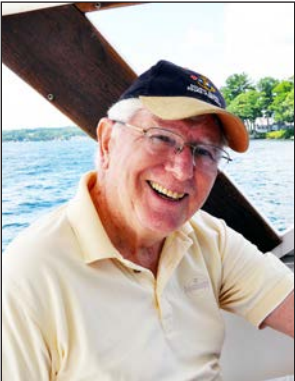
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Robert Paul Lofblad, Jr., 80

Robert Paul Lofblad, Jr. died on Jan. 31. He was 80 years old.

Bob was predeceased by his wife, Barbara Ryan Lofblad, and his oldest child, Michael Christopher Lofblad.

He is survived by his sister, Anne Stevens; his four children (Corey Lofblad, Bob Lofblad, Carolyn Twitchell, and Kristin Sullivan); daughter-in-law Pam Lofblad; son-in-law Kevin Twitchell; son-in-law Jim Sullivan; and many grandchildren.



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While family, education, business, travel, and helping others were all part of who Bob was, the list of attributes would be incomplete without mentioning possibly his greatest passion: golf. Bob was a fantastic golfer who played regularly and practiced even more. A “scratch” golfer, he was the recipient of many, many tournament awards and got a hole-in-one ... not once, but twice.

Calling hours will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017 at the Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia.

Bob grew up in Garden City, N.Y., and attended Georgia Institute of Technology. He later received his Master's degree in aeronautical engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and an MBA from Stanford University. He actually was a “rocket scientist.”

First meeting in Cambridge, Mass., Bob and Barbara were married for more than 50 years. They started their family in California then moved back east when the kids were young, raising their children in Shrewsbury, Mass., with weekends spent in Gilford -- summers on Lake Winnepesaukee and winters on the slopes of Gunstock. In retirement, they spent more and more time in Florida, though family holidays were still mostly held at New Hampshire's “Camp Dockham.”

Bob's life work came about through what began as a small side business he started called Corob -- a combination of the names of his two sons, Corey and Bobby. Though Corob never grew large in size, it was large in impact, both as the market leader in its product space and more importantly affording opportunities for the many people who worked for him over the years.

One of the positive bi-products of running his own business was the flexibility it provided to travel widely, from family trips to Disney World when the kids were young, to road trips to Florida and back each year as Bob and Barbara got older, to cruises and other excursions around the country and around the world. Their passports were well worn, their photo albums were full.

Whether known as Grandpa to the older ones or Bumpa to the younger ones, Bob was much loved and will be missed by his nine grandchildren: Siobhan, Olivia, and Ian Lofblad; Katie and Carter Lofblad; Ryan, Grace, and Evan Twitchell; and Mat-

Although he held management positions at various companies early in his career, he is survived by his sister, Anne Stevens; his four children (Corey Lofblad, Bob Lofblad, Carolyn Twitchell, and Kristin Sullivan); daughter-in-law Pam Lofblad; son-in-law Kevin Twitchell; son-in-law Jim Sullivan; and many grandchildren.

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A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 10, 2017 at St. Andre Bessette Parish - Sacred Heart Church, 291 Union Ave., Laconia.

Burial will be held in the spring in the family plot at St. Lambert Cemetery in Laconia.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests making a donation in Bob's memory to the National Stroke Association, 9707 East Easter Lane, Suite B, Centennial, CO 80112 or at (<http://www.stroke.org>).

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Melanie I. Whitten, 44

LACONIA — Melanie L. Whitten 44, of Orange Court died Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2017 unexpectedly at her home.

Melanie was born Sept. 30, 1972 in Laconia, daughter to Donald and Norma L. (Cheney) Whitten. Melanie was very involved with the children's programs at the Salvation Army here in Laconia; it was something that was very important to her. Above all, she enjoyed spending time with her loving family.

Melanie is survived by her father, Donald

L. Whitten of Laconia; two brothers, Chad Whitten and his wife Shannon of Florida and Chris Whitten of Laconia; a sister, Angela Stimpson, and her husband Brian of Concord; two nieces, Candice Patterson and Kaytlyn Whitten; and five nephews (Brian Stimpson, Jr., Devin Whitten, Brandon Whitten, Tyler Whitten and Brett Bourassa).

She was predeceased by her mother, Norma Whitten, and a nephew, Andrew Whitten.

A memorial service was held Saturday,

Feb. 4, 2017 at 3 p.m. at the Salvation Army, 177 Union Ave., Laconia.

Burial will be in the spring.

For those who wish, memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army.

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, please visit www.wilkinsonbeane.com.

George Alfred Marcoux, Sr., 84

George Alfred Marcoux, Sr., 84, of Gilford entered heaven to join his wife on Feb/ 1, 2017 at his residence surrounded by his loving family.



Born in Manchester on Feb. 22, 1932, he was the son of Alfred L. and Emilienne (St. Pierre) Marcoux. George was educated in the local Manchester school system. He served in the Navy onboard the USS Newman K. Perry (DD-883) during the Korean War era, and was honorably discharged.

Following his successful military duty, George built homes in New Hampshire and also worked at Kalwall Corporation for many years. Later, George became the proud owner of Brookside Drive-in restaurant in Derry, NH until his retirement.

George was a volunteer at St. Vincent De Paul in Laconia, and also a member of the

Belmont senior center where he enjoyed socializing with friends. He looked forward to spending winters in Florida, swimming, and spending time with his grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife of 56 years, Doris (L'Heureux) Marcoux, in 2012, and one sister, Cecile Poirier.

Family members include his children, Joan Marcoux of Manchester, Diane Kingery and husband Serge of Wilton, Rita Marcoux and husband Jim Gutkowski of Saunderson, R.I., George

Marcoux, Jr. and companion Susie Ruby of Shapleigh, Maine, and Paul Marcoux and wife Anne DeMarco of Brentwood; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Alice Laliberte of Auburn and Violette Deroo of North Carolina; many nephews, nieces and cousins.

Calling hours at Lambert Funeral Home & Crematory, 1799 Elm St., corner of North Street, will be Sunday, Feb. 5, from 2 to 4 p.m., followed immediately by a service in the funeral home chapel. Burial will be in St. Augustin Cemetery at a later date. Donations may be made in his memory to the Center New Hampshire VNA & Hospice Program, 780 N Main St., Laconia, NH 03246.

To send an online message of condolence, please go to www.lambertfuneralhome.com.

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On Valentine's Day, Consider Financial Gifts

Last year, Americans spent more than \$19 billion on Valentine's Day gifts, according to the National Retail Federation, with the majority of this money going to flowers, candy, cards and an evening out. These gifts were thoughtful, of course, and no doubt appreciated, but they were also somewhat disposable, for want of a better word. On the other hand, some financial gifts can have a pretty long “shelf life.”

Beyond simply enclosing some money in a card, what sort of financial gifts can you give? The answer depends somewhat on the recipient. For example, if your sweetheart is also your spouse, some of the gifts suggested below may be redundant to the financial moves you make together. However, if you aren't married, or if you and your spouse maintain separate finances, these ideas may make excellent Valentine's Day presents:

- IRA contributions – Technically, you can't contribute directly to someone else's traditional or Roth IRA, but you can write a check to your loved one – although, of course, he or she is free to use the money for any purpose. Like most people, your valentine may not usually contribute the

yearly maximum amount – which, in 2017, is \$5,500, or \$6,500 if you're 50 or older – so your check should be quite welcome. A traditional IRA can grow on tax-deferred basis, and contributions may be tax-deductible. (Taxes are due upon withdrawal, and any withdrawals you make before you reach 59½ may be subject to a 10% IRS penalty. A Roth IRA's earnings are distributed tax-free, provided withdrawals aren't taken until the account owner is 59½ and has had the IRA for at least five years.

- Charitable gifts – Consider making a gift to a charitable organization supported by your loved one. When you send cash to a qualified charity, you can get a tax deduction, but you might gain even bigger benefits by donating appreciated securities you've held for more than one year. By doing so, you can generally deduct the value of the securities, based on their worth when you make the gift. Plus, neither you nor the charity will have to pay capital gains taxes on the donated investments.
- Contributions to an emergency fund – It's a good idea for everyone to maintain an emergency fund to cover unanticipated expenses, such as a major car repair, a new

furnace or out-of-pocket medical bills. If your valentine doesn't have such a fund, consider helping him or her establish one, with the money going to a liquid, low-risk account.

- Gym membership – Although not actually a “financial” gift, a gym membership can nonetheless bring some positive economic results to your valentine. For one thing, the insurance industry is providing more incentives to encourage people to exercise and live healthier lifestyles. But even if a gym membership doesn't give your loved one a break on insurance premiums, it can nonetheless result in better physical conditioning, which, in, turn, could ultimately result in lower medical costs.

On Valentine's Day, you may still want to get your sweetheart something associated with the holiday. But if it's within your means to do so, also consider one of the above suggestions for financial gifts. Your generosity will still be felt long after the chocolates are eaten and the flowers have faded.

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Mock teenage bedroom to spur discussion of preventing teen drug abuse

What does a basketball have to do with a teenage bedroom? Find out at the next community presentation on teenage risky behavior, which will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23, at the Gilford Elementary School. This interactive community activity is being offered free of charge to adults only(21 and over). This program will be co-sponsored by the Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health, the Gilford PTA, and "Gilford Together."

Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce recognizes LRCC with ‘Golden Hammer’ Award

LACONIA —The Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce hosted their 98th Annual Meeting Luncheon on Jan. 26, recognizing14 local businesses. Lakes Region Community College (LRCC) was one among six recipients of the Golden Hammer Award for construction of its \$4.3 million Automotive Technologies Building housing the Automotive Technologies, General Motors Automotive Service Educational Program (GM ASEP) and the Toyota Technician Training & Education Network (T-TEN) programs.

The 13,000 square-foot building space is equipped with 17 bays where students and faculty work on real-world scenarios, two laboratory classrooms with lifts, office space and a showroom used to display luxury vehicles donated by corporate partners.

The Automotive Technologies Building has been designed to meet the needs of students learning the necessary skills to begin a career, as well as, current automotive technicians needing advanced training on new technologies and equipment. Not only has the Automotive Technologies Building significantly impacted student learning, but it has also drawn praise from prospective students and from industry leaders.

“Lakes Region Community College is honored to be a recipient of the Chamber’s Golden Hammer Award” notes President Scott Kalicki.

President Kalicki adds, “This recognition is greatly appreciated as

we committed ourselves to developing a building which would provide the best training conditions possible for our students,our facultyand our corporate partners (GM and Toyota). We share this award with Lavallee Brensinger and Milestone Construction, our design and building partners, and with our elected representatives who supported the funding necessary to build the Automotive Technology Building.”

LRCC invites prospective families and community partners to set up a time to tour the facility. Those interested can contact the Admissions Office at 524-3207 or lrccinfo@ccsnh.edu or visit during LRCC’s next Open House on Saturday, April 8 from 9 a.m. – noon.

About LRCC

Lakes Region Community College is a fully accredited, comprehensive community college located in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire that serves over 1,200 students annually. LRCC offers 28 associate degree programs including Nursing, Fire Technology, Business, Media Arts, Culinary Arts, Automotive, and Marine Technology, as well as over 38 short-term certificate programs. In addition, LRCC provides a strong background in Liberal Arts for students who choose to do their first two years at a community college and then transfer to a four-year college or university for a baccalaureate degree. LRCC is part of the Community College System of New Hampshire.

at the Gilford Elementary School. This interactive community activity is being offered free of charge to adults only(21 and over). This program will be co-sponsored by the Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health, the Gilford PTA, and "Gilford Together."

At 6 p.m., there will be a preview for participants to tour the mock bedroom, and enjoy a dinner of pizza and veggie plates. At 6:30 p.m., Melisa Fernald (Wolfeboro) will lead the program "to increase awareness, promote early detection, and(promote) intervention of teenage risky behavior."

The "Mock Teenage Bedroom Presentation/Discussion" will be for adults only, and will be using "a staged teenage bedroom" with indicators and warning signs of teenage risky behaviors, such as drug use and underage drinking." Participants will tour the mock bedroom, and receive training on what to look for. They will also learn about current drug and alcohol trends; and be presented with techniques on how to communicate with young adults. But

what about the basketball?

Melissa Fernald "is a dually licensed clinician with more than 19 years of field experience. She is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and is a Master Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor who is internationally certified. Melissa has facilitated the Mock teenage bedroom to communities across 7 states... She has provided drug and alcohol education, as well as treatment to teens from more than 9 different countries. As a mother of three, she understands the challenges parents and teens face on a daily basis." And, what's with the basketball?

To learn about the bedroom and the basketball(What, again!), you will have to participate in this valuable and informative parent awareness activity on Thursday, February 23, at the Gilford Elementary School. Please, adults over 21 only! The next public program will be on March 16. Further information can be obtained from Serene Eastman at serene.eastman@doc.nh.gov or from Kerri Lowe at klowe@PPHNH.org.

University of New Hampshire announces Dean's List for the Fall 2016 Semester

DURHAM — The following students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the fall 2016 semester.

Erich Berghahn of Gilford earned Honors

Lynzie Luschenat of Gilford earned High Honors

Ellouise McGonagle of Gilford earned Honors

Katherine Rice of Gilford earned High Honors

Jesse Ross of Gilford earned High Honors

Gunnar Stecher of Gilford earned Honors

Sidney Stevens of Gilford earned Highest Honors

Jake Adams of Gilford earned Honors

Hunter Anderson of Gilford earned Highest Honors

Brandon Sasserson of Gilford earned Honors

Kayla Dillon of Gil-

ford earned High Honors

Cassidy Bartlett of Gilford earned High Honors

Bryce Workman of Gilford earned Highest Honors

Emily Wernig of Gilford earned High Honors

Andrew Caulfield of Gilford earned Highest Honors

Emily Zieg of Gilford earned Highest Honors

Carter Mercer of Gilford earned Highest Honors

Rachel Blandford of Gilford earned Highest Honors

David Walker of Gilford earned High Honors

Andrew Stokes of Gilford earned Highest Honors

Hanna Palanchian of Gilford earned High Honors

Samantha White of Gilmanton earned Honors

Sierra Juneau of Gilmanton earned Highest Honors

Sawyer Gardner of Gilmanton earned High Honors

David Morrison of Gilmanton earned High Honors

Katelyn Bailey of Laconia earned Highest Honors

Abby Jackson of Laconia earned Honors

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Emily A. Arnold named to the Fall 2016-2017 Dean's List at Western New England University!

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. —Emily Arnold, of Gilford, has been named to the Dean's List at Western New England University for the Fall semester of 2016. Arnold is working toward a degree in General Biology.

Students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.

Western New England University is a private, independent,

coeducational institution founded in 1919. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,830 students, including 2,580 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy, and the School of Law.



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Hermit Woods continues partnership with Humane Society with release of 2016 Hermit Hard Apple Cider

MEREDITH — Hermit Woods Winery is very excited to once again release their very popular Hermit Hard Apple Cider, on Saturday, Feb. 18, 1 p.m. Sticking with tradition, they will once again have firewood and kittens for sale (kittens for adoption, really; read on).

It all started when famed illustrator and children's book author Deb Lucke offered to design the label for Hermit Woods' new cider. More than a year was spent working with Lucke on the label design, bottle

choice, and bottle closure. She and Hermit Woods Winery wanted to make the late Hermit of Meredith Hill, Joseph Plummer, proud, because it is her vision of him that inspired her new label.

For those of you who don't know, Joseph Plummer is the famed hermit of the Meredith town forest, Hermit Woods, where Hermit Woods winery got their name. Joseph died in 1882. You can find his grave site and foundation to his home with a short hike into the Meredith forest. You



can learn more about Joseph at hermitwoods.com.

Lucke's expression of Joseph starts with a silhouette of him on the bottle with "Hermit Hard Apple Cider, firewood and kittens also 4 sale" written on it. The back label goes on to suggest how a hermit might enjoy this fine

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(Left) Hermit Hard Apple Cider, front and back.

cider, ending with "Hermit Hard Apple Cider makes a fine companion when you want to sit on a stump in the woods alone. Its lively blend of heirloom sharps goes just right with fresh air and lots of thinking to do. More sociable types are free to raise a glass with whatever wild-life you choose." — The Hermit. The bottle is finished with a cork and

cage as a bottle might have been finished in Joseph's time.

Inside the bottle, Ken Hordcastle, Hermit Woods partner and Winemaker offers his second release of this finely crafted dry hard apple cider from six french and english heirloom cider apples from Apple Hill Farm in Concord, fermented with

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Date set for \$10,000 sweepstakes

REGION — The Lakes Region Tourism Association is pleased to announce that their \$10,000 Sweepstakes will take place on Friday, March 24. Only 225 tickets will be sold. Each \$100 ticket will admit two adults and includes dinner, cocktails, a silent auction and live entertainment. One lucky winner will leave with \$10,000! The event is presented by Funsport.

The "Speakeasy" themed event will take place from 6:30 to 11 p.m. at Church Landing, 281 DW Highway in Meredith. Guests are encouraged to wear fun vintage era Zuit Suits and Flapper styles for a roaring good time.

Organized by a group of dedicated volunteers, the annual sweepstakes will raise funds for the Lakes Region Tourism Association: a nonprofit organization formed to promote the Lake Region of New Hampshire. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.lakesregion.org.

This event signature sponsors are Funsport, A.I.M Mutual Insurance and Companies, Grapone Automotive Group, The Lawson Group, The Common Man Family of Restaurants, Bank of New Hampshire, Mill Falls at the Lake and Lake House at Church Landing. This event is

also sponsored by Irving, Annalee, Preferred Vacation Rentals by Natural Retreats, Meredith Village Savings Bank, LTD Company, Mount Washington Cruises, Waste Management, Grappone Automotive Group, Steven E. Geer, Tylergraphics, Gunstock Mountain Resort, Silver Sands High Performance, Stinson Associates, Visit New England.com, Checkmate, The Boston Globe, Amoskeag Beverages, Martignetti, Lakes Region Community College, Lakes Region Entertainment DJs and the Lakes Region Airport Shuttle.

About the LRTA

The Lakes Region Tourism Association is the official tourism board of the region, representing close to 100 communities, 273 lakes and ponds, and more than 400 businesses in central New Hampshire, including area attractions, restaurants, retail establishments and accommodations. For more information or visitors' guides, visit LakesRegion.org, facebook.com/NHLakesRegion or follow on Twitter. For more information about New Hampshire, go to www.visitnh.gov. The LRTA office is on Route 3 in Tilton, and it can be reached by calling (800) 60-LAKES.

McLellan and Allen affiliate with Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Laconia

LACONIA — Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in New England is pleased to announce that following real estate professionals have affiliated with the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Laconia: Kathy McLellan and Erika Allen

"I am very happy to welcome these sales associates. I know they will be a perfect fit for this office and provide exceptional service to all home buyers and sellers," said Mary Williams, managing broker of the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Laconia. "Because Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage has been able to attract talented individuals, we are able to remain a leader in the local indus-



Kathy McLellan

try."

With more than 20 years of experience, McLellan is a seasoned real estate professional, sales specialist and home stager. As a Lakes Region native, McLellan finds much happiness in working, socializing and playing throughout Central NH. Her experience and knowledge of the trending market plus passion for real estate make her the perfect ad-



Erika Allen

dition to the CBRB team.

Erika Allen enjoys the fast paced nature of real estate and providing unsurpassed customer service. With 18 years of banking in Management and Officer roles, she knows the importance of clients realizing their goals. Her career focus is bringing clients and real estate together. Allen is an avid boater and looks to the Lakes Region for un-

surpassed fresh water enjoyment.

McLellan and Allen can be reached at the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Laconia at 524-2255.

Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage is the largest residential real estate brokerage company in New England. With more than 4,000 affiliated sales associates and staff in approximately 90 office locations, the organization serves consumers in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Maine. Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage is part of NRT LLC, the nation's largest residential real estate brokerage company. For more information, please visit ColdwellBankerHomes.com.



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Bank of NH supports Taylor Community Music Series

Michael Flaherty, Taylor Community President & CEO, accepts a \$5,000 donation from Christopher Walkley, Vice President – Commercial Banker for Bank of New Hampshire and Tiffany Baert, Public Relations Officer for Bank of New Hampshire, for their 2017 Music Series. This is the fifth year Bank of New Hampshire has partnered with Taylor Community to present free monthly concerts, open to the public, featuring a variety of high caliber musicians from throughout the state and beyond. Also shown is Taylor Resident Bill Bell, a dedicated cellist with a lifetime love of chamber music. Bell has been instrumental in arranging for musicians to provide quality programs that Lakes Region residents can attend at no cost. Taylor Community is a not-for-profit continuing care retirement community now celebrating its 110th anniversary. With locations in Laconia and Wolfeboro, Taylor is home to more than 360 seniors and 150 employees. For more information about Taylor Community or to arrange a tour call 366-1400. For more information on the 2017 Music Series, visit www.taylorcommunity.org. Bank of New Hampshire, founded in 1831, provides deposit, lending and wealth management products and services to families and businesses throughout New Hampshire. With 24 banking offices throughout New Hampshire and assets exceeding \$1.4 billion, Bank of New Hampshire is the oldest and largest independent bank in the state. Bank of New Hampshire is a mutual organization, focused on the success of the bank's customers, communities and employees, rather than stockholders. For more information, call 1-800-832-0912 or visit www.BankNH.com.

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Children’s Auction monies donated to local organizations

LACONIA — Representatives from 18 local organizations gathered at Patrick’s Pub and Eatery Wednesday night to accept the funds being awarded to them from the 2016

Greater Lakes Region Children’s Auction. In all, the Children’s Auction received requests from organizations totaling \$748,000...that’s about \$300,000 more than

what the Auction has available to give. The need is great, but the money only goes so far. The Children’s Auction Distribution Committee and Board of Directors had the

difficult task of considering all requests and selecting which needs best fit the Auction’s mission. Before Christmas, funds were distributed to organizations

that fall under “Category A” (provide basic needs to area children). Wednesday’s gathering was for those in Categories B (eliminate or mitigate the need for basic and

extended services for children) and C (capital initiatives that improve the lives of children or enhance the ability of agencies to deliver their services.) Those selected for Category D (agencies that have an Educational/Recreational aspect to provide children in the Lakes Region, in which the child may not be able to afford elsewhere) will receive their funds next week.

Members of the Children’s Auction Board and Distribution Committee were pleased to present checks to the Categories B and C organizations totaling \$225,106.

Recipients include Appalachian Mountain Teen Project, Belknap House, Circle Program, CADY, Inc., CASA of NH, Genesis Behavioral Health, Greater Lakes Child Advocacy Center, Greater Tilton Area Family Resource Center, Laconia Area Community Land Trust, Lakes Region Child Care Services, Lakes Region Community Services Family Resource Center, Pemi Youth Center, Voices Against Violence, Whole Village Family Resource Center – Granite United Way, Easter Seals NH – Camp Sno-Mo, Eastern Adaptive Sports, Interlakes Day Care Center, and Kidworks Learning Center.

The Children’s Auction Board wishes to thank Pub Mania, Auction sponsors and volunteers, and the community without whom this would not be possible.

LRGHealthcare offers Living Well with Diabetes workshops

Are you or someone you care for living with diabetes? Would you like to learn tools and strategies to better manage and live well with this disease? If so, the Living Well with Diabetes workshop is for you.

Learn how to better manage diabetes with the “Living Well with Diabetes” workshop presented by LRGHealthcare. A free six-week workshop will be offered on Wednesdays from 9:30 -11:30 a.m. beginning Feb. 15 at the Wesley Wood Community Room

in Gilford. Those attending the workshops will apply skills for living a full, healthy life with diabetes, learn to set weekly goals and develop a practical step-by-step plan for improving diabetes care. Weekly topics include managing blood sugar

levels, healthy eating, physical activity, relieving stress, and more! Workshop leaders will guide participants through this proven program developed by the Stanford University School of Medicine. These sessions are ideal

for anyone living with diabetes or a caregiver of someone with diabetes. For more information or to register for this upcoming workshops, please call LRGHealthcare Education Services at 527-7120.

The Sweet Dreams Vet: At home end-of-life veterinary services

MEREDITH — You may have already met, though you may not know it. Your paths may have crossed briefly; likely, you’ve forgotten. She may have performed the C-Section on your pregnant cat who was in trouble during labor. She may have saved your dog who had eaten a rat poison which would have caused neurologic intoxication and death. Possibly, she controlled your dog’ unending seizures or had her own dog pitch in with a blood donation when yours needed a lifesaving transfusion. Her efforts may have protected 35 people you know from the lethal rabies virus because of attention to the details in the case of a sick kitten. You may have become

friends, and she cared for you bedridden at the end of your life only to make good on a promise-- arriving moments after you’d passed to lift your little dog off your bed and take her into her home until the end of her days. She was just the relief veterinarian, but she has always been there. Suzanne DeStefano, DVM has been a practicing veterinarian in New Hampshire, and yes, sometimes Maine, for more than 30 years. After her first few years as a full-time associate in private practice, she wanted something a little different. So she became a relief a veterinarian, the doctor who fills in when the regular doctor is ill, goes on vacation, has a death in

the family, or just needs another mind and more hands as the practice is growing. She may stay one day or 20 years (!); whatever the need happens to be. She has done both. “Dr. D.” continues to travel the state as a veterinarian in private practice. She says it gives her “the illusion of freedom.” It has currently allowed her to teach on the University level (“college campuses keep you vital and energized”), practice as a pari-mutuel commission veterinarian for the State of New Hampshire (“working outdoors was literally a breath of fresh air, and the endeavor allowed me to further the cause of retired racing Greyhound adoptions”),

and work as a private veterinary industrial consultant (“the herd health aspect of practice was a huge responsibility which kept me on my toes and required me to think very creatively!”). Her work also allowed her to participate in community events, both pet and non-pet related. In all of these years devoted to promoting and protecting the good health and well-being of pets and their families, there is one special area that has been near and dear to Dr. D’s heart: saying goodbye to your nearest and closest friend, your dog, your cat, that fuzzy four-legged confidant who has meant the world to you. The hardest decision, the most heart-break-

ing loss, this may be the most important part of her life’s work. Sweet Dreams At Home End-of-Life Veterinary Services is a practice devoted solely to a personalized departure from this world for your elderly or very debilitated dog or cat. You make the telephone call; Dr. D. will come and handle the rest, relieving you of the burden of arranging for that last ride, allowing everyone to be in the comfortable familiar surroundings of home at a time that works out as conveniently as possible for all. If you have difficulty getting out or have a pet who is too large or too stressed to transport, this option may make the process a bit easier. She will be there.

For more information, Dr. D. invites you to view the Sweet Dreams Web site at www.sweetdreamsvet.org, request a brochure, or call 279-7298 or 387-4630 to arrange a home visit.

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whole crabapples and quince. With the inspiration of Lucke’s design, Hermit Woods decided to donate five percent of every bottle of cider to the New Hampshire Humane Society. This resulted in a \$597 donation with last year’s sales, not to mention finding homes for seven young kitties, including Pinot and Noir who you can now meet when visiting Hermit Woods Winery. With increased production of their cider and its popularity amongst their customers, Hermit Woods hopes to raise a lot more for the New Hampshire Humane Society in the years to come. Visit Hermit Woods Winery on Saturday, Feb. 18 from 1 to 3 p.m. to sample the cider, adopt a kitten or a cat (depending on availability), buy some firewoods and enjoy some of the Hermit’s Hard Apple Cider while supporting our local Humane Society. Deb Lucke is an illustrator and children’s book author. You can learn more about her

work at www.deblucke.com The New Hampshire Humane Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to find responsible and caring forever homes; provide shelter for the lost, abandoned and unwanted animals; advocate and be the voice for the voiceless. The Society works hard to prevent cruelty to animals and offers education and outreach programs, pet therapy, and many community initiatives to help people and their pets. Community fundraising efforts, such as the money raised by Hermit Woods, are an integral part of keeping the shelter open and providing valuable services to the 17 communities in the NHHS area, and beyond. For more information, visit www.nhhumane.org. Hermit Woods Winery is a boutique winery located in Meredith. They produce a wide variety of grape, fruit, and honey wines, mostly from local, often organic fruit and styled after the old world wines of Europe.

Committee on Aging meets Friday

On Feb. 10 at 10 a.m., the Belknap County Area Committee on Aging welcomes Carissa Elphick, MA. Elphick is a Long Term Support Options Counselor with ServiceLink in Belknap County. She works with clients who are going through a change in life that requires assistance navigating the Long term care/Medicaid system for the State of New Hampshire. This might include Assisted Living, Nursing Facility or the Choices for Independence program which helps client to remain in their homes as long as possible. Don t wait until there is an emergency, or worse, there is nothing you can do about the situation you or your loved one is in. The time to learn about your choices is now, before that emergency or change of life situation. These events are open to the public and free of charge. Questions are

encouraged, so please write them down and bring them with you to all sessions. Please contact Stace at 528-2555 or sdhendricks@wesley-woodsnh.org for more information or to RSVP. A light breakfast is served. The mission of the Belknap County Area Committee on Aging is to advocate and inform the public on matters relating to the development and implementation of local, state and federal programs / issues affecting well-being, independence and dignity in keeping with New Hampshire’s goal to keep seniors healthy, helping us to realize full potential. The Belknap County Area Committee on Aging meetings start at 10 a.m., the second Friday of each month. The committee meets in the Wesley Woods Community Room off Route 11A, behind the First United Methodist Church in Gilford. All are welcome.



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Members of the Gustavus Wind Orchestra practice in Gilford.

is clear GHS has a high quality band program under Beyrent.

“Because they’re such a good program, the students are playing at such a high level it forces the college students to up their game,” Behrends said.

He said they could tell immediately that this was a high quality program by the students’ confidence.

“They can sit next to a college student and play and not be overwhelmed,” Behrends said. “Lyvie obviously knows how to organize something that’s major.”

GHS Freshmen Sam Drew and Jenna DeLuca played with the members of the Gustavus ensemble.

“It was nice to meet people who are in college,” said Drew, who plays French horn. “It was a different experience than what I’m used to.”

DeLuca, a percussionist, said she has thought about playing in a college band in the future.

“It was cool to see higher level music to play to,” DeLuca said. “It was interesting to know someday I could be there.”

DeLuca said music was a little more advanced, but the college students had a lot of techniques to share. She said this inspired her even more to play in a college band.

“It was nice to meet people who are older than you who are interested in the same thing,” Drew said.

The two said they learned a lot of new techniques that will help them with their playing.

“It’s nice to know older people are looking out for people in high school,” Drew said.

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session is special for the kids because it allows them to bring home a meal to share with their families. He said their parents will spend a lot of time making dinner every night. With this opportunity the kids feel good that they can contribute too and the parents get a break from cooking.

Hodsdon said many of the kids are repeat participants. He said if they stay with the program each session they will get a whole year’s worth of cooking lessons.

“We hope to continue this class as long as there’s an interest,” Hodsdon said.

Hodsdon has been working alongside Caroline Drouin to help the students and teach them cooking skills. Drouin used to own a restaurant before having her son Cameron. Cameron is now 10-years-old and taking part in the program. This is the last year Cameron can do it, but her 6-year-old son Jacoby will be old enough to do it soon.

“A chance to cook with my kids is a lot of fun,” Drouin said. “My kids love it; they love that I do it.

Drouin said a lot of



ERIN PLUMMER

Children had the chance to make their own dinners during the Gilford Youth Center’s Junior Chef program.



ERIN PLUMMER

Gilford Youth Center director Scott Hodsdon and assistant Caroline Drouin show kids how to cook.

the participants have done this program two or three times.

“So far, we’ve had a really great group of kids,” Drouin said. “They seem to really enjoy it. I love the kids’ enthusiasm when we tell them what we’re going to cook for the day. They’re willing to do anything.”

Drouin said the kids are cooking a lot of different foods they’ve never tried before. She said the kids will be more apt to try these if they cook them.

The current session will run to the end of February. Hodsdon said they are aiming to start a new session in March.

UNIFIED

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kids. There are a certain number of players and partners on each team and five people will play for each side. The game is a bit shorter; quarters are around seven minutes long with a break between. There are no buzzers; instead plays are called with soft whistles. The scoreboard also does not speed up and rush the last 10 seconds of the game.

Parker said all of the students on the team are incredibly supportive of each other.

“It’s a wonderful group to work with,” Parker said.

He said they have also gotten a lot of support from parents.

Eighth grader Geron Belanger has been part of Unified since sixth grade. Belanger said he likes working with the players, helping everyone out and making a good team.

“I love it, I like being part of Unified; competing with others and just working on a team,” Belanger said.

Eighth grader Darren Brown has been doing Unified for about four years, saying he was inspired to play after watching a basketball game. Brown said he enjoys helping others out, including those who are new to the program.

“It’s really fun to play with people who are experienced, and people who are new,” Brown said.

Eighth grader Ashley Hart has been playing basketball at GMS for a little while and wanted to be part of this.

“They always open it up to everybody, everyone’s always wanting to join,” Hart said.

She said she especially likes how much teamwork there is.

“The other kids help out each other,” Hart said. “When we go to games there’s nothing negative about it and they all have a wicked good time.”

This is the first year



ERIN PLUMMER

Members of Gilford Middle School’s Unified Basketball team practice.



ERIN PLUMMER

Ella Guest shoots a ball with school nurse Beth Haddock.

eighth grader Bridgett Dahl has played Unified basketball.

“I heard it was really fun,” Dahl said. “It doesn’t matter how good you are at basketball; they teach you a lot.”

She did soccer for two years. Dahl said she never played basketball before, but she was recommended for the unified team.

“I love doing it,” Dahl said.

Dahl said every time someone shoots everyone gets up and cheers.

School nurse Beth Haddock has been helping with Unified Basketball for the past few years and said she has seen it grow. Haddock helps work with sixth grader Ella Guest, who she said has a good time doing this.

Haddock said this is a good opportunity for all the kids to play together.

“The best part is they have fun with each other,” Haddock said.

Haddock said it is amazing to see the kids

develop their skills.

“Not just their skills in basketball but with their social skills,” Haddock said.

James Poll watched his son Nathaniel Poll practice with the team. Poll said this a big social experience for his son and this helps him bond with his classmates.

Poll said this program gives the kids confidence to try new things. It is also an opportunity for Nathaniel to have new experiences

“They do want to be like their peers and it makes them feel validated as a person because they can do things that might be scary to see other people do,” Poll said.

The team will have their annual jambo-ree on Feb. 16 at 3 p.m. with multiple games right at GMS.

On Feb. 21, the high school will be hosting a high school unified event, and has invited the middle school team to be part of it.

WARRANT

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create new capital reserve funds.

Article 5 will create the School Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund for maintenance, repair, upgrades, and improvements on the school grounds, buildings, and. The article will also put \$75,000 into the fund from surplus from the June 30 unrestricted fund balance and will not come from taxation.

Article 6 will create the School Buildings Roof Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund for

maintaining, repairing, and upgrading the roofs and roof systems in all school buildings. This article will also put \$62,500 into the fund from the June 30 unrestricted fund balance.

The School Buildings Technology Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund will be created under Article 7. This fund will be for repairing, upgrading, and maintaining the district’s technology resources, which include software and hardware. With the creation of the fund,

this article will also put in \$30,000 from surplus from the June 30 unrestricted fund balance.

Article 8 is a citizen petition that requests the budget committee be the ones to determine the school district’s default budget. The article requires a three-fifths majority vote to pass.

Voters will discuss and have the opportunity to amend any of the articles during Thursday’s deliberative session. The final warrant will go to voters on March 14.

JOYAL

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liminary competition begins at 7:00 p.m. The contestants are vying for more than \$4,500 in scholarship grants.

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Sunday will begin with an opening number and then a top 10 will be announced. The top 10 will compete once again in the onstage events with

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NOTEBOOK

whatever issue is at hand. It is government up close and personal, as ABC Sports likes to say. A visitor to the State House can walk around and pop into just about any office of this or branch of government and have a fairly good chance of actually saying hello to the person in charge, the Top Dog, or at

least make instant contact with a staffer who can make it happen. And when hearings are being held on various proposed legislation--i.e. new laws or changes to existing ones--John or Jill Q. Citizen can attend, and sign up to speak. And contrary to some public assumption, citizen or group testimony can indeed often have a powerful and immediate effect

on the committee members who make recommendations on bills to their full bodies--either the Senate or the House. I've been to hundreds of legislative hearings over four-plus decades of newspapering and outdoor writing, and testified at many, and I'm always impressed by the mutual respect between lawmakers and people there to ob-

serve and testify.

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Belmont-Gilford senior forward Ethan Becker keeps the puck away from the grasp of a Somersworth/Coe-Brown defenseman in the host Bulldogs' 4-1 win in a key NHIAA Division III contest on Feb. 1 at Merrill Fay Arena in Laconia.



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Hunter Dupuis scored his seventh goal of the season in lifting Belmont-Gilford to a 4-1 win over Somersworth/Coe-Brown.

Big wins pile up as B-G continues to roll

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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LACONIA – As the regular season schedule has heated up, so has the Belmont-Gilford hockey team. The Bulldogs picked up yet another huge victory against a top-tier team last week, taking care of business against visiting Somersworth/Coe-Brown in a 4-1 victory between two of the top NHIAA Division III teams at Merrill Fay Arena on Feb. 1.

"They're a good team but we outworked and outplayed them tonight," said B-G head coach Dave Saball of the visiting Bearcats. "The game plan was to take away time and space and jump on them early. We did all of those things."

It was the third win over a top four team in three weeks for the Bulldogs, as they continued to climb up the D-III

standings along with wins over Berlin-Gorham and Kennett. The squad hasn't lost since the season-opening defeat on the road in Berlin on Dec. 14.

"Everybody wants to beat us now," said Saball of his team's newfound spot atop the D-III standings. "If we aren't on our best game, that's when you can get in trouble. We have to make sure we're continuing to prepare and play the way we're capable of."

B-G was aided by the play of goalkeeper Bailey Defosie early on, as the senior made a few key saves in helping the 'Dogs kill off a power play in the opening period. B-G got on track from there, and the hosts took a 1-0 lead with 9:07 left in the first. Senior defenseman James Buckley pounced on a loose puck, burying a rebound off an

initial shot from Hunter Dupuis on a B-G power play.

It was a strong opening stanza for the Bulldogs, which outshot Somersworth/Coe-Brown by an 11-8 margin in the first 15 minutes.

"It all starts at practice for us," said Saball of the preparation. "You can tell how we're going to play based on how we look in practice and it's been a good year of practice for us for the most part. We're focused on the small details because they add up."

The lead grew to 2-0 late in the second period, as B-G continued to impose its will against Somersworth/Coe-Brown. Dupuis notched his second point of the night, as this time he scored with 4:34 remaining to send the home crowd into a frenzy. Dupuis took a long pass from Defosie in goal, and he outmuscled a defender to get in alone. His shot went up high, just off the underside of the crossbar and in to dou-



JEFF LAJOIE

Hayden Parent of Belmont-Gilford chases a puck into the corner with a Somersworth/Coe-Brown player also in pursuit during action on Feb. 1.

ble the advantage.

It wasn't going to be too easy for the Bulldogs however. The Bearcats (9-2-1) cut the deficit in half with a goal just 4:06 into the third period,

as Daniel Strum took a sweet diagonal pass from Jack Percy and deposited a shot through the pads of Defosie to make it a 2-1 game.

But with time winding down and things setting up for a wild finish, B-G came through. Senior Ethan Becker stole the puck at his own blue line from a Bearcat defenseman and took off on a breakaway. Using his speed, Becker stayed ahead of the pack and snuck a shot on the backhand into the back of the net to extend the lead to 3-1 with 4:04 left in regulation. It was Becker's eighth goal of the season.

Alex Muthersbaugh added an empty net goal for the Bulldogs with 1:25 remaining, his eighth of the season, putting

things out of reach and handing B-G a 4-1 victory that was arguably its best of the season.

It was a big win for the Bulldogs after the two teams skated to a 3-3 tie earlier this season down at Rochester Ice Arena. In that game, B-G blew a 3-2 lead in the third period. Saball said his team wasn't about to do that again in the rematch.

"We made a mistake to give up a late goal in the first game but this time we had a (two-goal) buffer to work with," he said. "The team really wanted to get this win."

B-G held a 32-22 edge in shots on the night, with Defosie recording 21 saves in another sterling effort between the pipes.

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Gilford's Bailey Hildreth attacks the course at Gunstock Mountain during the morning giant slalom on Friday. Hildreth had a pair of top five finishes at the annual Winnepesaukee Alpine Race (WAR).



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Brendon Bergman of Gilford gets around a gate in the morning GS at Gunstock on Friday.

Eagles sound in annual WAR at Gunstock

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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GILFORD – The tradition was alive and well on Friday, when the local ski teams competed in the annual Winnepesaukee Alpine Race, affectionately referred to as the WAR, at Gunstock Mountain Resort. The event has become a mainstay in the Lakes Region alpine slate, serving as one of the final tune-ups before the NHIAA state championship meets which begin next week.

Gilford High School kicked its day off with several top 10 finishers in the morning giant slalom, with the boys' team taking fourth place overall (347 points) and the girls' team finishing fifth (333 points).

Junior Tyler Hanf had the best finish of any Golden Eagle in the morning, racing to a runner-up spot in the GS with a two-run total of 56.78 seconds and 99 points towards the team total. Christian Workman put two Gilford skiers in the top 10, as he was ninth in the GS with a time of 1:00.19.

Daniel Ellis skied into the third scoring slot for the Eagles after finishing 20th overall in the GS (1:03.86), while Max Stephon nabbed 39th position to round out the scorers in the morning session (1:10.61).

Five other Eagles competed on the day, as Brendon Bergman (41st, 1:11.02), Adam Donnelly (43rd, 1:12.24), Steven McDonald (45th,



JEFF LAJOIE

Gilford's Hannah Lord was the team's third-fastest finisher in the morning GS during WAR action on Friday at Gunstock.



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Adam Donnelly eyes the finish line for Gilford in the morning GS at Gunstock on Friday.

1:12.80), Duncan Howland (67th, 1:28.05) and Matt McDonough (76th) all raced at Gunstock.

The girls' team also had a pair of top 10 finishers in the morning GS, led by Bailey Hildreth's fourth place

performance (1:00.66). Teammate Jenny Hancock wasn't far behind, crossing the line in seventh position with a time of 1:02.47.

The small Gilford team also received points from Hannah

Lord (33rd, 1:14.27) and Lucy Jude (51st, 1:31.03).

In the afternoon slalom, Hildreth made it two top five finishes at the WAR thanks to a fourth place showing with a two-run total of 57.92 seconds.

Hancock posted the third-fastest opening run in the slalom, but she took an unfortunate DNF in the second run and was unable to figure into the team standings.

Lord was the second-fastest Gilford finisher in the slalom, posting a 33rd place finish (1:19.71), while Jude crossed in 55th overall with a time of 1:46.13.

Hanf was once again the top Eagle in the boys' slalom, where he traversed the course in 50.88 seconds, good enough for fifth place overall. Workman made it two top 10 finishes on the day with a sixth place performance in the slalom, just one second back of Hanf in 51.87 seconds.

McDonough was the

team's No. 3 scorer in the afternoon, as he was 30th overall in 1:05.89, just a few spots ahead of teammate Bergman in 35th position (1:10.83). Donnelly took 45th, followed by Howland (52nd), McDonald (57th) and Ellis (69th).

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Nordic Eagles enjoy huge day at Coaches Series race

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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GILFORD – Competing on familiar terrain at Gunstock Mountain, the Gilford High School nordic ski team felt right at home on Saturday.

The Golden Eagles finished an impressive third overall in the boys' race during the first of two annual New Hampshire Nordic Coaches

Association (NHNCA) Series events. Gilford finished third with 47 points, behind just Ford Sayre (28 points) and Kennett High School (41) while holding off fourth place Concord (69) and fifth place Dublin (78).

Gilford's Josh Valentine set the tone in the biggest race of the winter season which

featured over 800 competitors across four different divisions. Valentine mirrored his team's finish with a third place individual performance, crossing the 5K course with a time of 11 minutes, 33 seconds. Ford Sayre's Adam Glueck was the winner in 11:06, followed by Andrew Doherty of Kennett (11:28).

Not far behind Valentine was Gilford teammate Mark Young, who was an impressive fifth place overall with a time of 11:43.

Gilford's Sander Valpey made it three Eagles in the top 20 on Saturday, when he crossed the line in 18th position with a time of 12:46.

Seth Valpey took

home 30th place overall on the day, posting a time of 13:06, to round out an outstanding effort from the Eagle quartet.

Gilford's lone entry in the girls' A race on Saturday was Abbie Fillion, who crossed the line in 65th place overall with a time of 18:02.

Not to be outdone, the Gilford contingent was also dominant in the middle school races on Saturday. The squad swept the top spots in the boys and girls races, with Catherine Stow ruling supreme in the girls' race with a winning time of 15:57 – 21 seconds clear of runner-up Charlotte Whitcomb of Holderness Central School. Teammate Vanessa Genakos also skied well, finishing eighth overall in 18:26.

Gilford's Mitchell Townsend was the runaway winner in the boys' race, as he took the top spot by nearly a full minute with a time of 14:32.

Lakes Region Lacrosse taking registrations

GILFORD — Registration for Lakes Region Lacrosse is open now through March 1, for all interested athletes. Girls and boys teams for grades seven/eighth, fifth/sixth, third/fourth and first/second are planned, offering a fast-paced spring sport. New players are welcomed and encouraged to sign up. Last year, more than 150 youth athletes began or continued the development of their skills, sports-

manship and knowledge of the culture and tactics of lacrosse. Registration can be completed at lrlacrosse.org or join in for an information event tonight, Thursday Feb. 9, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Gilford Town Hall, where the league representatives and coaches will be able to answer any of your questions.

The Lakes Region Lacrosse Club is open to girls and boys of all abilities who reside in the

Gilford School District and surrounding towns that do not currently have a youth lacrosse program. Participants include residents of Alton, Center Harbor, Gilford, Gilmanton, Belmont, Meredith, Moultonborough, Northfield, Sanbornton and Tilton. The club is a member of the New Hampshire Youth Lacrosse Association (www.nhyla.org). The club's home field is the Meadows Complex in Gilford.

Practices typically begin in late March, with weather/field conditions being the primary factor. Practices are held two to three times per week. Seven regularly scheduled league games occur on Sundays and an occasional Saturday, beginning April 9 through mid-June. Approximately one half of the games are held locally and one half require travel to host towns in New Hampshire.



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Gilford junior Lauren Dean powers through a pair of Hopkinton defenders for a bucket during the Eagles' 56-15 victory on Jan. 31. Dean scored a career-high 16 points in the win.



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Senior Stevie Orton goes back up for a layup in the second quarter of host Gilford's 56-15 win over Hopkinton last week.

Dean's career night aids Eagles in dominant win

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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GILFORD – In a crucial stretch of the regular season where wins are badly needed, the Gilford High School girls' basketball team is looking for anyone to step up and contribute. Enter Lauren Dean. The junior guard returned to the lineup last week after missing several games due to illness. Her return not only bolstered a lockdown Eagle defensive effort, but she poured in a career-high 16 points to lead Gilford to a dominating 56-15 victory over visiting Hop-

kinton in an NHIAA Division III tilt on Jan. 31. "It was a really important win for our team," said Dean, one of three Eagles in double figures on the night. "It gives us a little bit of a boost, especially beating a team that was close in the standings to us." It was Gilford's most dominant effort of the season, and perhaps one of the best performances from a statistical standpoint in program history. The Eagles committed just nine turnovers on the night, shot 40 percent from the floor, forced 36 turnovers and

held Hopkinton to just five points in the second half. "On the defensive end we were aggressive enough to create some havoc," said Gilford head coach Rick Forge. "Without Lauren in the lineup the last few games, we can't play that 1-3-1 (zone) and tonight we were able to do that. It's been our most efficient defense all season." The game was decided during a ridiculous stretch of one-sidedness between the second and third quarters. Gilford led 20-10 after a Hopkinton hoop with 5:14 left in

the second quarter, but from there on, the Eagles absolutely dominated. The hosts took off on what amounted to a 26-0 run, and Dean was the catalyst. She scored the team's final eight points of the half, showcasing a variety of offensive weapons. Dean scored from the foul line, hit a three-pointer and made a tough layup in traffic to put Gilford up 32-10 at intermission. "Having (Dean) back after a few games away gave us another dimension," said Forge. "She runs the court well, does a bunch of different things for us. She hit just about everything there tonight; played extremely well."

Gilford's run was just getting started however. To open the third, Kaitlyn Van Bennekum, Stevie Orton and Olivia Harris all scored, leading to a dominant third quarter that saw the Eagles outscore Hopkinton by a 14-0 margin. It wasn't until 2:40 into the fourth that the Hawks finally got on the board again, stopping a scoreless span of 15:54 – nearly two full quarters of play. By that point, Gilford held a commanding 50-11 lead, and the fourth quarter minutes were largely occupied by the Eagle bench en route to the 56-15 win. "I thought our teamwork was really good – everyone was doing what they were sup-



JEFF LAJOIE

Olivia Harris of Gilford scored 12 points as one of three Eagles in double figures in a 56-15 win over Hopkinton.

posed to be doing," Dean said. "And for me, I made a point of thinking less and playing with more passion out there and I think that made the difference for me." Orton played a strong all-around game with 14 points, nine rebounds, five assists and three steals, while Harris

made it three players in double figures with 12 points, five assists and three steals. Van Bennekum added five points, while freshman Shelby Cole dished out six assists and grabbed three steals on the night. "It's a big win because it gets us back on track," Forge said.



JEFF LAJOIE

Gilford's Kellie Ryan, shown here celebrating after scoring the game-winning goal in the state finals last fall, was one of several Golden Eagles honored for their performances this season.

Honors pour in for GHS field hockey state champions

GILFORD – After a season in which the Gilford High School field hockey team captured the program's third-ever NHIAA Division III state championship, the accolades continue to roll in for the Golden Eagles. Several Gilford players were named National Academic All-Americans, earning a GPA of at least 3.5. Shannon Anderson, Cloe Boucher, Jillian Lachapelle, Callie McGreevy, Kellie Ryan, and Hannah Sullivan were all tabbed as Academic All-Americans. Anderson, Sullivan and Lachapelle

were also recognized as Scholar All-Americans for their GPA of 3.9 or higher. Ryan, who scored the game-winning goal in double overtime of the state title game, was selected as a New England Regional Player by Max Field Hockey. Six New Hampshire players were selected to the 25 player team from a group of 400. Ryan, a junior, was also selected to the Northern New England Regional Team by the NFHCA and Harrow Sports. The entire program celebrated the state championship at a ban-

quet in their honor on Jan. 29 at the Beane Conference Center in Laco-

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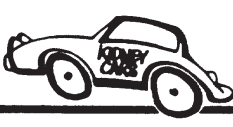


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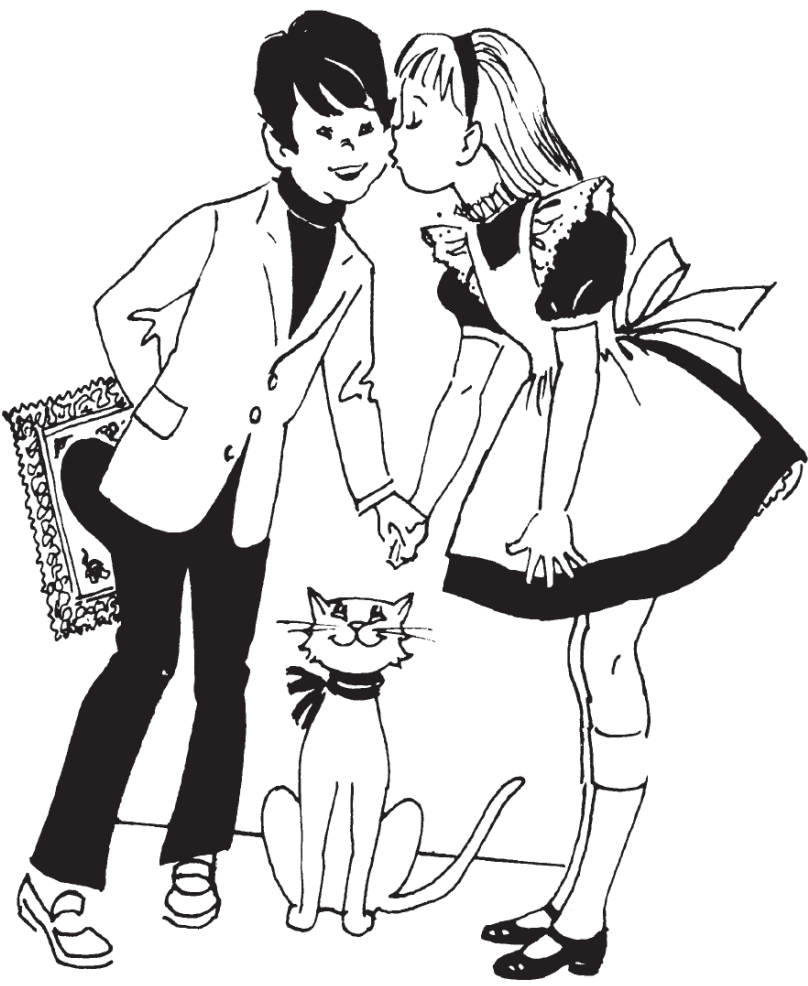
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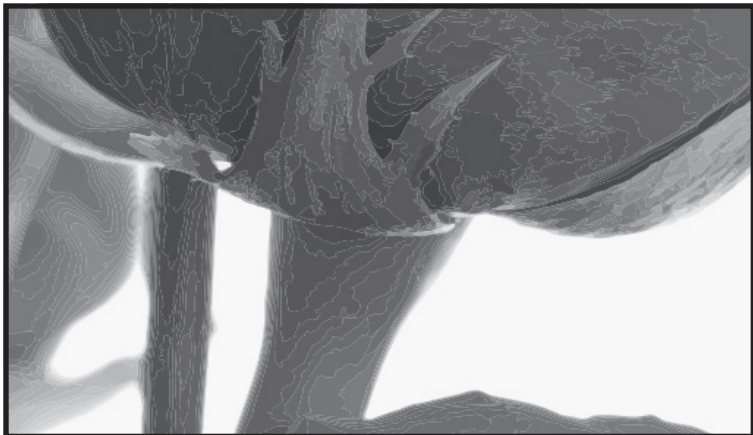
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