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COMPLIMENTARY

## Voters increase Newfound district's budget

BY THOMAS P. CALDWELL  
Contributing Writer

BRISTOL — Voters attending the Newfound Area School District's deliberative session on Feb. 4 increased the proposed operating budget by \$800,000, giving the school board the money it says it needs to replace the roof on Newfound Regional High School.

Some worried that boosting the budget above the amount in the default budget would result in its defeat and, perhaps, spill over to other warrant articles, eliminating the money to fund the teachers' contract that has been ratified by both the Newfound Area School Board and the Newfound Teachers Union.

In proposing the budget amendment that would increase spending to \$23,552,584, Bristol resident Archie Auger said, "We can't sit around and let a \$30 million build-

ing have leaks; it doesn't make sense."

He said that, by increasing the budget, it also would ensure that all voters in the school district would have a say in what to do about the roof.

"If we don't pass this article, there's about 4,000 people or maybe 5,000, who will have nothing to say about it. I think it's important for them to be able to say whether they want to repair the roof or not," Auger added.

Vincent Paul Migliore, the school board member from Bridgewater, said repairing the roof would be possible with the budget as proposed because of funds that have been set aside for building maintenance.

"One of the things we discussed as an option for the roof was bonding," he said.

He continued, "The

reason I oppose this amendment is it will hurt the children. ... It's

my opinion, and I hope I'm wrong, but if this article goes any higher

than proposed, coupled with what's proposed (in other warrant articles),

all the other articles, including the teachers' contract, will be defeated and we'd end up with the default budget."

The default budget would provide \$200,000 more than the proposed budget, which is constrained by the district's tax cap. Migliore said the school board would "be at risk" if it chose to fund the teachers' contract with that \$200,000 after voters have defeated the teachers' contract article.

Referring to a petitioned article to rescind the tax cap, Migliore said that article would never pass.

"There are 7500 voters in the towns, and 2,000 show up to vote, and you'll need somewhere in the vicinity of 1,400 votes to rescind the tax cap," he explained. "More voters want to definitely not rescind it."

Auger responded, SEE BUDGET, PAGE A11



The sun rises over Newfound

Following a recent snowstorm, sunrise on Newfound Lake was a breathtaking site to behold.

COURTESY

## Police Chief refutes news story labeling Bristol an unsafe community

BY THOMAS P. CALDWELL  
Contributing Writer

BRISTOL — Police Chief Michael Lewis says a news story that labeled Bristol the 11th most dangerous place to live in New Hampshire deliberately presented local crime statistics out of context to offer a picture that had nothing to do with reality.

"Under no circumstances should you take the information in the way it was taken," he said, referring to the report circulated by NH1.

It was based, he continued, on information gathered and compiled by Safewise, a home security company, using statistics from the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Safewise took the number of reported violent crimes, including aggravated assault, murder, rape, and robbery, along with property crimes — burglary, arson, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft — and calculated the likelihood of such crimes occurring per 1,000 people in each city or town.

Speaking to the Bristol Board of Selectmen on Feb. 2, Lewis said

it was more important to look at the police de-

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## Hebron Fire Department to host first ever Snowmobile Poker Run

HEBRON — Gas up your sled, hope for a sunny day and lots of snow, and head to the Hebron Fire Department on Sunday, Feb. 19 for the HFD first ever Snowmobile Poker Run.

The day begins at HFD with breakfast from 8-10 a.m., and registration beginning at 10 a.m. Registration deadline is noon. There is a \$5 charge for breakfast and a registration fee of \$20.

According to Chairperson Lynn Comeau, the course will have stops in Rumney, Wentworth, Dorchester and back to Hebron, covering nearly 50 miles of trails. All trails will be clearly marked, and all stops can also be reached by vehicle for those who

might also like to participate. The Poker Run will begin and end at the Hebron Fire Department. Parking is available at HFD, with overflow parking at Wellington State Park.

There will be cash prizes for the top three poker hands, and one must be 18 years of age or older to participate and play poker. An additional poker card may be purchased for \$5 after the Poker Run. All prizes will be awarded at the Bridgewater Inn at 6 p.m. Winners do not need to be present to receive their prizes.

For additional information, contact the Hebron Fire Department at 744-9468 and leave a message.



Mid-State Health shows support for PACC

Mid-State Health Center recently presented a check from its staff to Margaret Bickford, Plymouth Area Community Closet (PACC) President, for their support of the organization's work. Pictured, from left to right, are Mid-State staff members Peggy Amsden, Jean Baker (front), Ann Barry (rear), Bonnie Roberts, Wendy Emerson, Carolann Duval, Brenda Bishop-Holgate, Pacc President Margaret Bickford, Lindsay Woodward, and Steve Kominski, PACC Treasurer.

COURTESY

## Bristol selectmen bring fire department back to full strength

BY THOMAS P. CALDWELL  
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BRISTOL — Prior to setting the warrant for the March Town Meet-

ing, selectmen brought the Bristol Fire Department back to full staffing on Feb. 2 with the hiring of firefighter AEMT Gordon Ellinwood, chosen from 18 applicants for the position.

Fire Chief Ben LaRoche also provided a draft of a memorandum of understanding with Volunteer NH and Central New Hampshire Public Health regarding the storage and use of a trailer owned by those agencies and utilized by the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). The trailer, currently stored at the Bristol Fire Department, is registered by Volunteer NH, with Bristol providing the insurance. LaRoche said it is the most heavily used of four such trailers in the state.

Selectmen also signed an extension to the assessing contract with

Commerford Nieder & Perkins to continue handling questions about the recent update and processing "pickups" when properties change hands.

The board approved a liability release form for people building on Class VI and private roads, which would be recorded at the Grafton County Registry of Deeds, as well as a revised health ordinance, giving the health officer authority to take action when a property poses a health threat.

Two residents of Nyberg Road, which is a Class VI roadway, asked the selectmen to declare it an emergency lane and have the town take over maintenance because there are seven disabled residents living there. RSA 231:59 allows selectmen to make a determination of the need

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Fire strikes Hill home for second time in recent memory

For the second time in the past few years, fire ripped through a residence located at 672 Borough Rd. in Hill, this time leaving behind only charred remnants of the structure following the two-alarm blaze that was toned out at approximately 10:30 p.m. on Feb. 2. The two-story house, which resident Troy Bernasconi said was owned by his father, had undergone several renovations from an earlier fire and he had only recently moved into the home. "Smoke detectors luckily went off in the hallway but when I came out of my bedroom the whole front of the house was already gone," Bernasconi said. "I was lucky just to get out." While he was able to escape and make his way to a nearby neighbor's home, everything inside the residence was a loss.

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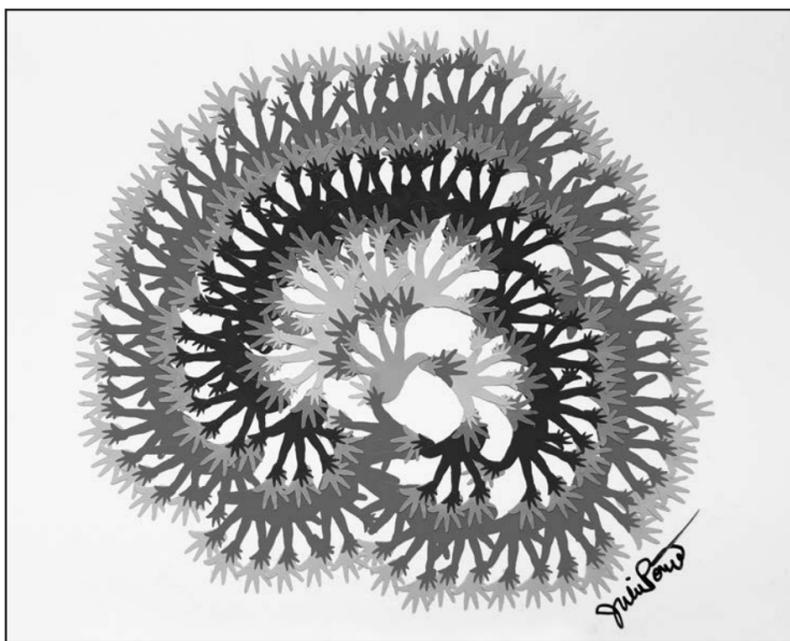
# "Behold the Shell of 72,000 Corridors": New installation art debuts at New Hampton School

NEW HAMPTON — "Behold the Shell of 72,000 Corridors," an exhibition of new installation art by Julie Periera, will premiere at New Hampton School's Galletly Gallery from Feb. 10 – March 10. The public is cordially invited to a reception for the artist on Friday, Feb. 10, from 5:30 – 7 p.m.

"In this new installation, I have been working with 'Mudras,' Indian hand gestures, and thinking about the gallery space as a metaphor for the physical body," says Julie Periera in her artist statement. "According to ancient esoteric Buddhist thought, our bodies contain 72,000 nadis, spinning tubes of energy, which I've attempted to express through a variety of markers and structures in the space. For example, I use pins to create the feeling of a presence of energy, mapping pathways throughout the gallery. On the walls, I've focused on a set of prayer mudras for the heart, which are used in meditation to 'seal' a particular energy. Here, I use the silhouette of each specific mudra in various scales

of digitally cut colored adhesive vinyl repeated and adhered directly to the gallery walls, working with a different singular form on each wall to build larger energetic compositions, allowing the viewer the chance to wonder about the delicate power of their own hands and beings.

"By looking closely at how materials and colors behave and their expressive potential, I cultivate non-verbal approaches to communication. I am drawn to ordinary, unassuming materials, and through my process revealing their extraordinary expressive potentials by paying close attention to their properties and listening to what they might have to say. This attention to material expression in my practice comes both from my experience studying textiles and sculpture as well as from the eight plus years I spent creating work while immersed in Japanese culture. Through my work, I've created a language in color and material qualities that carry cultural sensibilities which are both intuitive and conceptual."



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Periera is currently a studio art teacher at New Hampton School in New Hampton, NH. She lived and studied in Kyoto

to Japan from 2006-2014, starting as a Research Student at Kyoto Seika University in the fall of 2006, continuing on to

complete her MFA in 2010 and her PhD in Fine arts in 2013. Periera completed her BFA at the Rhode Island School of

Design in 2005, graduating with honors, majoring in Textiles.

The exhibit is free and open to the public. The Galletly Gallery is located on the second floor of New Hampton School's Moore Center. For directions and more information, please call 603-677-3513 or visit [www.newhampton.org](http://www.newhampton.org).

Founded in 1821, New Hampton School is an independent, co-educational, college preparatory secondary school of 315 students who come from more than 25 states and 25 countries. An International Baccalaureate school, New Hampton School cultivates lifelong learners who will serve as active global citizens. Students benefit from an average class size of 11 and a student-faculty ratio of five to one. For more information, please visit [www.newhampton.org](http://www.newhampton.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.

- Jacob Holton of Alexandria earned Honors
- Mackenzie Welch of Ashland earned Honors
- Allison Blais of Bristol earned High Honors
- Andrew LaBelle of Bristol earned High Honors
- Evan Collins of Bristol earned High Honors
- Logan Frye of Bristol

earned Highest Honors

- Macallan Camara of Bristol earned High Honors
- Kira Kenny of Bristol earned High Honors
- Alexander Sparks of Campton earned High Honors
- Christopher Mignanelli of Campton earned High Honors
- Sarah Lachapelle of Campton earned Honors
- Elizabeth Buford of Campton earned Honors
- Shelby White of Campton earned Honors

est Honors

- Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

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forms lives in our state, nation and world. More than 16,000 students from all 50 states and 71 countries engage with an award-winning faculty in top ranked programs in business, engineering, law, liberal arts and the sciences across more than 200 programs of study. UNH's research portfolio includes partnerships with NASA, NOAA, NSF and NIH, receiving more than \$100 million in competitive external funding every year to further explore and define the frontiers of land, sea and space.

To learn more about the opportunities at the University of New Hampshire visit: [www.unh.edu](http://www.unh.edu).

## Correction

BRISTOL — In an article re-capping a recent budget committee meeting that appeared in our Feb. 2 edition, one of the residents who came forward to speak was misidentified.

It was Wayne Anderson who described the unauthorized circulation of a committee member's notes by a town employee as an attempt at intimidation.

The Newfound Landing deeply regrets any confusion that may have resulted from this unintentional error.

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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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## Mike McKinley presents 'Wild Times' at Library

BRISTOL — Well-known Bristol presenter Mike McKinley will bring his program "Wild Times: A Social History of the Klondike/Alaska Gold Rush" to the Minot-Sleeper Library on Thursday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m.

McKinley will share stories of the men and women who joined the stampede to the Canadian Yukon's Klondike region and Alaska during the last great gold rush in North America in the late 1890s and early 20th Century. It is the

tale of prospectors, miners, mushers, Mounties, madams, floozies, as well as assorted adventurers, confidence men, winners, and losers. These individuals made up the colorful and rollicking social fabric of the gold fields and boom towns of the Yukon and Alaska.

The Friends of the Minot-Sleeper Library are sponsoring the event and will provide refreshments. All are welcome. The event is free of charge. For more information, call the library at 744-3352.

## Newfound Area Churches announce Lenten services

REGION — Newfound Area Churches (NAC) will be holding their annual Lenten services beginning March 1. These services are held every Wednesday at noon, with a light lunch afterward.

The church rotation is as follows: March 1st - Our Lady Of Grace,

March 8 - Bristol United Church of Christ, March 15 - Bristol Baptist Church, March 22 - New Hampton Community Church, March 29 - Alexandria United Methodist Church, and April 5 - Union Congregational Church of Hebron.

For more information, please call 744-3885.

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# Art, math, science, and technology collide!

*Award-winning mathematician-artists Martin and Erik Demaine present a hands-on workshop and artist talk at the Museum of the White Mountains*

PLYMOUTH — The father-son team of mathematician artists Erik Demaine and Martin Demaine will give a talk and hands-on presentation about their work at the Museum of the White Mountains at Plymouth State University from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16, in conjunction with the current exhibition Forecasting: Climate Change and Water Impact at the Museum of the White Mountains through April 21.

The Demaines are interdisciplinary thinkers who create math-inspired artwork. Some of their pioneering work in curved mathematical origami is included in the museum exhibition. They work together in paper, glass, and other material. They use their exploration in sculpture to help visualize and understand unsolved problems in science, and

their scientific abilities to inspire new art forms.

Martin Demaine is currently an artist-in-residence at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His son, Erik, is a professor in computer science at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a 2013 recipient of a McArthur Fellowship—known as a “genius grant.”

Forecasting: Climate Change and Water Impact, curated by artists Kimberly Ritchie and Shandra McLane, and MWM associate director Cynthia Robinson, explores climate change by overlapping the lens of scientific information with artistic imagery and expression, inviting the viewer to engage in the material via contemporary art installations and scientific data concerning oceans of the world, waterways, atmosphere, and drought. This inter-



Mathematical origami sculptures by Erik Demaine and Martin Demaine address endangered frog species in Forecasting: Climate Change and Water Impact, on view at the Museum of the White Mountains in Plymouth through April 21.

disciplinary experience highlights the power of combining different critical thinking pathways

to deepen understanding of climate change's relevance to the individual.

In addition to the Demaines, the exhibit features work by Ritchie, McLane, Fawn Atencio, Martin and Erik Demaine, Eric Kelsey and his research team, as well as research and commentary by Plymouth State faculty members Brian Eisenhauer, Eric P. Kelsey, Lourdes B. Avilés, Mary Ann McGarry, Steve Whitman, Kerry L Yurewicz, and Lisa Doner.

McLane said, “The project brings together the disciplines of me-

teology, technology, and visual art to explore a topic on the forefront of today's news: climate change and its impact on water.”

The exhibition serves as a model for describing and presenting information that originates in New Hampshire but has wider impacts. Using cutting edge technologies from both arts and science disciplines, the exhibit will be a launching location for multiple educational experiences for PSU students, area public schools, and New Hampshire educators.

## NHTI announces Fall 2016 graduates

CONCORD — The following local students graduated from NHTI, Concord's Community College, during the Fall 2016 term.

### Alexandria

Robyn Boisvert (Associate in Science with a major in Early Childhood Education)

### Ashland

Sarah Matthews (Associate in Science with

a major in Human Services), Jenna Tosi (Associate in Science with a major in Criminal Justice)

### Bristol

Shawn Stephenson (Associate in Science with a major in Criminal Justice)

### Campton

Megan Wigley (Associate in Science with a major in General Stud-

ies)

### Rumney

Ryan Carroll (Associate in Science with a major in General Studies)

### Thornton

Katie Juniper (Associate in Science with a major in Health Science Nutrition)

NHTI is a dynamic public institution of higher learning provid-

ing accessible, rigorous education, serving students, businesses and the community by creating pathways for lifelong learning, career advancement and civic engagement. With 95 full-time faculty and more than 300 adjunct faculty, NHTI, Concord's Community College, offers more than 80 academic programs to more than 7,000 students annually. NHTI is a member of the Community College System of New Hampshire, and has been accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., a nongovernmental, nationally recognized accrediting agency, since 1969.

## Open House at Heart Centered Multi-Age Independent School: Where children connect with Nature and Community

BRISTOL — Heart Centered Multi-Age Independent School (HCMA), now in its seventh year, will hold an open house on Saturday, Feb. 18 and March 18 from 10 a.m.-noon at 12 Central Square, Bristol.

HCMA offers three distinct programs: Nature Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. Our curriculum is entirely differentiated to meet all of our learners where they are developmentally. While we all may be studying the same topic, the depth and breadth of study completely depends on the learner and their current level of learning. Calm and compassionate learners are the ideal for which we strive. Through a school day tailored around the rhythms of childhood, with time for concentration and time for gross motor play, children are given the tools to regulate their bodies and minds and become engaged learners and citizens.

Our Nature Preschool, heading into its second year, is a unique place-based learning environment where children combine both classical early learning opportunities with extended periods of exploration and engagement in the natural world



Heart Centered Multi-Age Independent School (HCMA), now in its seventh year, will hold an open house on Saturday, Feb. 18 and March 18 from 10 a.m.-noon at 12 Central Square, Bristol.

surrounding the Slim Baker Foundation for Outdoor Education set on the hillside of Little Round Top Mountain in Bristol. Nature Preschool is part of a growing movement to get children out-

doors. In recent years emerging research has shown a critical connection between ex-

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### Public Notice

You are hereby notified that the Select Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at the Bristol Town Office starting at 6:00 PM at 230 Lake Street in Bristol to solicit public input on the petitioned warrant article to adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town on the second Tuesday of March. Snow date is Thursday, February 23, at the Bristol Town Office at 6:00 PM.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**PROPOSED 2017 ISSUANCE OF BONDS**

In accordance with RSA 33:8-a, you are hereby notified that there will be a Public Bond Hearing on the following items:

1. The long term lease/purchase agreement for a new backhoe.
2. The proposed renovations to the Hebron Academy Building and addition to the building. The amount of each of the proposed bonds exceeds \$100,000 and, therefore, requires a public hearing.

To be held on Thursday, February 23, 2017 in the Community Hall in the basement of the Union Congregational Church located at 16 Church Lane commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Copies of the proposed warrant articles may be picked up at the Hebron Selectmen's Office.

Per Hebron Select Board,  
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John W. Dunklee, Vice-Chair  
Eleanor D. Lonske, Member

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*Together we are building possibilities, potential, and promise of our youth!*

BY DEB NARO  
Contributor

Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-Free Youth would like to thank citizens of the towns in the Pemi-Baker, Newfound, and Lincoln-Woodstock regions for your support over the past year—together, we are building possibilities, potential, and promise for our youth!

Addiction is one of the most complex issues facing New Hampshire today—the consequences of this epidemic are severe with overdose deaths stealing the lives of so many of our young people. The most responsible and humane strategy is to stop these tragic situations from occurring in the first place. Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy recently stated, “Addiction doesn’t start with prescription drug abuse or heroin use. It starts with alcohol, tobacco and marijuana. If we want to end the epidemic our country is experiencing, then we must put resources on the ground for prevention.” As I write this year’s annual report, I am excited to share information about the progress we have made, together with our community partners, over the past year.

Our non-profit organization exists because our programs work. At CADY, we see growth every day in the inspiring faces of our youth as they learn, grow, and thrive—we can only do this vital work with your involvement and support—thank you!

When you invest in CADY, you provide the opportunity for local teens to build resiliency through asset-building, high-impact pre-

vention programming such as the Launch Youth Entrepreneurship Program and the Youth Advisory and Advocacy Council as well as through school-based initiatives. And you reclaim futures by giving vulnerable youth a second chance to overcome challenges, to grow and to turn their lives around through Restorative Justice, our region’s only juvenile court diversion program. Many high-risk youth in Restorative Justice are already struggling with substance use disorders—we know that when we intervene early, we can prevent entry into the addiction pipeline and save lives.

Our outreach work included an ongoing media campaign designed to raise awareness on substance misuse and solutions with submissions to the Hometown Voice, school newsletters, the PennySaver, and the Record Enterprise as well as social networking sites of Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. We also launched a new website ([www.cady-inc.org](http://www.cady-inc.org)) in September with a video library and other outstanding resources for parents and community members. We collaborated with Speare Memorial Hospital on an Opiate and Heroin Media and Outreach Campaign to raise perception of risk and prevent addiction as well as connect those struggling with addiction to regional and statewide resources. We launched a new initiative: TEACH OUR CHILDREN WELL: The Truth About Drugs in collaboration with Plymouth Rotary and other key partners to provide a high-impact, powerful learning opportunity for parents

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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 so-



cial 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 lux-

uriance, 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.nhhu-mane.org](http://www.nhhu-mane.org) for more details.

## Letters to the Editor

### Asking for your vote

To the Editor:

Hi, I’m John Sellers and I am running for Bristol Select Board. This Saturday, Feb. 11, I will hold a meet and greet at the Purple Pit Coffee Café in Bristol between 8 and 10 a.m. Please stop in for some great coffee, say hello and support a locally owned business.

Married to Donna Sellers, and between us, we have nine children and eight grandchildren. Donna works as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) for Bristol and Bridgewater. I work for SAS Institute as a Senior Business Analyst, currently on the Budget Committee, was a past business owner, and am a veteran of the USAF. We moved to Bristol in 2010 from Whitefield.

I am going to work for the taxpayers. I believe government should not be a burden on it’s people.

Government should be transparent and reasonable in size that the people can afford. I believe by consolidating services, regionalizing where it makes sense, and making group/bulk purchases, will help lower our taxes. These few steps, along with closely managing and watching revenues and expenditures, will reduce taxes. I believe in better working conditions for the people who protect, serve and help us on a daily basis.

I am sure that by asking questions and listening to the people of Bristol we can make a difference. With your help, we can win and solve issues that Bristol faces. I ask for your vote on Tuesday, March 14. Also, remember to come to the town meeting at the High School on March 18, where your voice is heard and your vote counts.

John Sellers  
Bristol

### Bristol Budget Committee does an end run around process

To the Editor:

At the most recent budget committee meeting, in the final moments of the meeting, the committee voted to disregard all of the previous work and deliberations done by the committee during this year’s deliberation process. After going deliberately through each department in previous meetings, the committee voted to just go with a straight 2.5 percent increase over last year’s budget.

This sounds reasonable on its face until you consider that each department has specific needs and requirements, its own changes in staffing and benefits, etc. This is also an attempt by certain members of the committee to negate the salary pay study that was implemented in the fall of 2016, as directed by the town meeting last spring, the implementation of which has helped us to retain our town’s quality employees.

The biggest red flag regarding this action is that the committee took advantage of the fact that a couple of members were absent, which enables them to change the outcome of this vote, which was not successful during previous attempts at

earlier meetings.

Also, the selectmen’s representative to the committee broke with the select board’s unanimous support of its budget and voted for the cut at last night’s budget committee meeting. While he has that right, in my opinion, it is against the spirit of his representation on the committee which is supposed to be reflecting the intention of the select board.

At an earlier meeting, two committee members made statements referring to my asking residents of the public to come see what the committee is up to as an act of intimidation. It saddens me that they would think public involvement in the process should be considered intimidation. I would call it participation.

Please consider these facts when we debate the budget at town meeting in March. Also please consider these last minute maneuverings when voting at the upcoming town elections.

Thank you.

Shaun Lagueux  
Bristol

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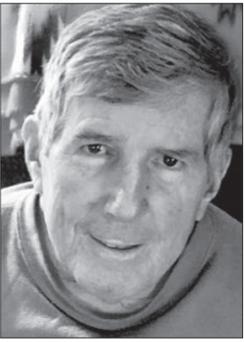
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North Country Notebook

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



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 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 people 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



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

JOHN HARRIGAN



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.

the wildlife management establishment 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 in 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 persecu-

tion 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 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 observe and testify.

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I sometimes ask acquaintances if they've ever been to the State House, and am amazed at how many have not. A few remember going there on a grade-school trip, but have never been back.

Completed in 1819 out of New Hampshire granite and fine marble from all over the world, the State House contains, among other handsome chambers, the cavernous Legislative Hall, which accommodates the state's 400 House members and substantial balcony room for spectators.

It is an awesome and handsomely appointed chamber, as are the Senate rooms. Together, they make the State House the oldest in the nation in which both original legislative bodies still meet in their original chambers.

*(This column runs in papers covering two-thirds of New Hampshire and parts of Maine and Vermont. Letters should include town and telephone numbers in case of questions. Write to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or Box 39, Colebrook, NH 03576.)*

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# Towns

## Alexandria

Judy Kraemer 744-3532  
judy7@metrocast.net

### First Deliberative Session

When: Saturday, Feb. 11 at 10 a.m.

Where: Town Hall, 45 Washburn Rd., Alexandria

### Town voting day (second deliberative session)

When: Tuesday, March 14 polls open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: Town Hall, 45 Washburn Rd., Alexandria

Copies of the 2017 Town Warrant & Budget are available online at [www.alexandrianh.com](http://www.alexandrianh.com) and at the Municipal Building. Copies of the 2016 Annual Report will be available by March 7.

### From the town

Meeting minutes from Jan. 17 were approved.

### Items Reviewed and Signed

PA-29 Application for Disabled Exemption Map 418 Lot 83

Abatement Reply: Map 202 Lot 23

Abatement Reply: Map 418 Lot 59-MH

Compliance Audit Requirements: FEMA Grant for Fowler River Rd Culvert

Notice of Intent to Excavate: Morrison Map 418 Lot 224

Gravel Tax: Morrison Map 418 Lot 224

Business: The Selectmen reviewed the letter received from the NH Department of Revenue Administration regarding the equalization rate of assessed property values. New Hampshire DRA has determined that the overall equalization assessment – sales ratio for the land, buildings and manufactured housing in Alexandria for Tax Year 2016 to be 97.9 percent.

Jeff Cantara, Road Agent, discussed the FEMA Hazard Mitigation grants and how they work. Mr. Cantara also provided information on the NH Bridge Aid program and explained that Alexandria does not currently participate in this program.

## Danbury

Donna Sprague  
[huntoonfarm@myfairpoint.net](mailto:huntoonfarm@myfairpoint.net)

### South Danbury Church

On Thursday, Feb. 9, there will be a meeting for everyone who would like to help plan the next steps of the fundraising effort for the LCHIP-assisted Church Preservation Project. Come to the Danbury Community Center Friends of the Food Pantry Dinner at 6 p.m. (\$5 for a home-cooked meal, and \$1 extra for dessert); then meet there afterward. A great two-fer!

The South Danbury Speaker Series returns on Friday, Feb. 10, when Master Builder Jim Heavey will explain and explore the South Danbury Church Preservation Project, and his discoveries while learning what our church building needs and wants from its human care-

takers. Please invite your family, friends, and neighbors to be with us for a memorable and enlightening evening!

On Sunday, Feb. 12, Rev. Gray Fitzgerald of Concord will return to lead the 11 a.m. worship service. Afterward there will be time for conversation and refreshments. All are welcome!

### Danbury Winter Market

The February market celebrated National Eat Ice Cream for Breakfast day. Patrons showed up to take advantage of this great holiday trying out the homemade yeast waffles with ice cream. Local toppings were bacon donated by Huntoon Farm, Maple syrup donate by Elmwood Farm, Clayton Nowell and Autumn Harvest Farm, Strawberry jam donated by Autumn Harvest Farm and Field Acres Farm and chocolate hearts donated by Nancy's Chocolates. Danbury Grows provided a display of ways to make your own ice cream along with recipes.

The next market will be Maple Madness day on March 4. Due to popular demand, the waffle sundaes will be on the menu again so if you missed them at the last market, you have a second chance in March.

### Cooking Matters Farmer's Market Tour

Through a cooperative effort of the New Hampshire Food Bank and the SNAP program, a 90 minute program will be offered on March 4 at the Danbury Winter Market. Held from 10-11:30 a.m., the program is free. The purpose is to learn how to purchase healthy local foods for you and your family, get practice on buying local and shopping at a farmers market as well and learning how to read food labels and understanding the pros and cons of fresh, frozen and canned foods. Participants must be at least 18 years old and will receive a free booklet of recipes, a Cooking Matters reusable grocery bag and a \$10 voucher to use at the market.

### Meet your Neighbor Nite

Blazing Star Grange will hold a community program night on Thursday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. at the grange hall at 15 North Rd. The annual cabin fever relief night is the time to partake in some mid-winter fun and gain appreciation of living a rural life. The program will end by 8pm with socializing and refreshments following. It's an opportunity to meet new people or connect with those that you don't see often.

While the grange is based in Danbury, many

of its members are from surrounding towns so know that this meeting is not just for Danbury residents. Blazing Star Grange is proud to be one of the most active granges in the state and the only grange in our local area. Blazing Star Grange has a business meeting on the first Thursday of the month with a program night scheduled near the third Thursday of the month. Next month, on March 18, our annual silent film showing brought to us by Jeff will be sort of a take on Halloween in March with a spooky film being shown in the creaky grange hall. And coming in April, on Saturday the 22nd, Rebecca Rule will speak.

The nearest grange to us is Wicwas Lake Grange in Meredith. They are also very active and have one of the largest numbers of members of any grange in the state.

### Turkey Raffle

The Danbury Community Center will hold their annual turkey raffle on Feb. 25, with a chili cook off in advance. Put this fun evening on your schedule and plan to be a part of one of the centers yearly fundraisers.

### Winter Fun

Looking for something fun to do in our local area. New London Rec Committee will host fireworks at 6pm on the evening of Saturday, Feb. 18. This is a part of their winter carnival which has many events running from the 15th through the 18th. The only events I know about for sure is the farmers market inside Whipple Hall from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. When Huntoon Farm is at the market, we get to watch all the fun from our window in the hall. The people are happy and having fun. I know they have a page on facebook for the New London Recreation Department.

## Groton

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[rem1752nh@gmail.com](mailto:rem1752nh@gmail.com)

### From the New Hampshire

**Department of Safety**  
Division of Motor Vehicles is pleased to announce that a new computer system (VISION) will be implemented in the month of February. As a result, there will be an interruption of motor vehicle registration processing statewide. Town Clerk's offices, along with the DMV offices, will be unable to process new or renewal registrations over the President's Day holiday weekend, beginning Friday, Feb. 17 and will be resuming transactions on Wednesday, Feb. 22. Throughout this pro-

cess, the Town Clerk's office will be open for other transactions not related to vehicle registrations during normal hours of operation.

If you have a new registration, a temporary plate or your registration renewal is due during the month of February, please make sure you are aware of the processing interruption. Please feel free to visit the DMV Web site at [www.nh.gov/dmv](http://www.nh.gov/dmv) for updates concerning this implementation.

Town Elections will be held on March 14.

## Churches

### Family Worship Center Ply. Assembly of God

If you do not have a church home, we want you to know that you will be welcomed to join our warm and friendly family at The Family Worship Center. You can always contact our Pastor Glen Yunghans at 726-0254 or 536-1966.

### Thursday, Feb. 9

Thursday, Feb. 9, 6:30-7:30 p.m., you are invited to join us for our Family Night at the Church. We offer Godly ministry for children, youth, and adults with programs for people of all ages: Royal Rangers Club for boys, elementary through high school; Mpaact Club for girls, preschool through high school; Youth 4 Truth High School Bible Study. Adult Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall. Do come for this great time of fellowship and learning.

### Sunday, Feb. 12

Sunday, Feb. 12, please join us at 8:30 a.m. for bagels, coffee and juice;

9 a.m.: Bible Education for all age groups pre-school through Adult Bible Studies. 10 a.m.: Sunday morning service. Children's church during the morning service for ages 3-K, and grades 1-4. Gospel Musician Scott Brunt will give a Gospel concert in

Polls at the Town House, 754 North Groton Rd., will open at 11 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. Town Meeting will be held at the Town House on March 18, beginning at 9 a.m.

### Upcoming meetings

Select Board Meetings meets every other week. Upcoming Select Board Meetings will be held Feb. 21, March 7, and March 21 at 7 p.m. at the Town House.

Select Board Work Sessions are scheduled Tuesday, Feb. 14, Feb. 21, and Feb. 28 all at 5 p.m. at the Town House.

the 10:00 a.m. service. This will be followed by the monthly fellowship luncheon (please bring food to share). This will then be followed by the Church annual meeting. Any one may attend but only members may vote. 5 p.m: Prayer meeting in the Fellowship Hall. "You do not need any experience in order to pray, only faith and trust in Jesus our Lord." You may put prayer requests in the green box marked "Prayer Requests" on the hall table.

### Looking Ahead Saturday, Feb. 18

Saturday, Feb. 18, 10 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall led by Mrs. Sharon Yunghans. All ladies are invited.

### Saturday, Feb. 25

Saturday, Feb. 25, 10 a.m. Men's brunch at the Church. Please contact Pastor Glen at 726-0254, or Willy Gusha for information or for reservations.

### Other announcements

Pastor Glen has asked that during this winter, that everyone please use the East door/handicap entrance.

Michelle Thayer has a ministry to the residents at Forestview Manor in Meredith. Keep her ministry in prayer.

### Our mission statement

Our Mission Statement is "Transforming

All Town Offices will be closed on Feb 20th in honor of President's Day.

The Conservation Commission has a scheduled meeting on Feb. 9th 7 p.m. at the Town House. The Planning Board has meeting scheduled for Feb. 15 (work session), and Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. at the Town House.

Here's an early reminder that dog licenses for 2017 are now available in the Town Clerk's office. All dogs in the Town should be licensed before April 31.

lives through God's Word."

Please give announcements for the Sunday bulletin to the Church office by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays by e-mailing [fwcag@hotmail.com](mailto:fwcag@hotmail.com) or Pastor Yunghans at [gyunghans@hotmail.com](mailto:gyunghans@hotmail.com), or phone the church at 536-1966 or Pastor Glen at 726-0254. Everyone is welcome at all of our services. The Church is handicapped accessible, east entrance. Note the Church's new Web site: [www.assemblyofgodplymouthnh.org](http://www.assemblyofgodplymouthnh.org).

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## Churches

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Trinity Parish.

### Stuebenville East

It's time to register for Steubenville East, a most incredible experience of finding Jesus for teens. Come and be amongst thousands of your peers at the Tsongas Arena in Lowell on July 14-16. This year, the theme is "Elevate!" This conference is open to teens entering high school in the fall through to seniors in high school. For more information, contact Maureen Ebner in Plymouth at 536-4964 or Christine Hemeon in Bristol at 671-8063. This is an experience you will never forget!

### Day Away program

Are you caring for a loved one diagnosed with Alzheimer's or Dementia? The Day Away program has openings available and offers a wonderful chance for family members with dementia to experience a day away from home with various activities to do with caring staff and volunteers (with meal included), while also giving the caregiver some much needed time off. We are also looking for volunteers. Volunteers need only work a morning or afternoon shift and will be fully trained by our staff. Please contact Fran Olson for more information at 744-6828, or come by and visit between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. every Thursday in Simard Hall underneath Our Lady of Grace Chapel.

Are you interested in becoming part of a

life changing ministry? Haven Pregnancy Center needs an ultrasound nurse and volunteers

Haven Pregnancy Center is in need of a part-time, paid RN or RDMS that we can train to perform limited OB ultrasounds in the pregnancy center environment. We are willing to work within a qualified applicant's time constraints. Volunteers: positions for client mentors & board members. An interview and application is required. Client mentors must attend a three day training on Mondays, Feb. 20, 27 & March 6, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Call Beth now to schedule your interview! If you are ready to serve the Lord in a new way by helping women in unexpected pregnancies, and helping families learn and grow, we would love to have you join us! Call or email Beth for more information at 536-2111 or havenps@myfairpoint.net.

### Parish Newsletter and Parable Magazine

Registered parishioners are offered the parish newsletter and Parable magazine. If you are registered and are not receiving one of these, it is possible we do not have your current mailing address (Parable), or email address (parish newsletter). To rectify this, simply send along your email address and/or mailing address to Chris at the Bristol office at holytrinitybristol@gmail.com. You will receive the next issue of both for the first time!

Campus ministry welcome back for the Spring Semester! And welcome to students joining us for We hope your break was restful and productive, and you enjoyed any Winterim classes you took or taught. We're glad to have you with us!

Weekly student meetings take place on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Reflection & Spiritual Care Center, across from Lamson Library, up the street from the shuttle bus stop. Refreshments are served, and all students are always welcome. Come by and check it out!

First Sunday Rosary resumes: Join Campus Ministry students in praying the Rosary on this Sunday, Feb. 5, before the 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew church. Prayer starts at 11:15 a.m.

Monthly prayer service & supper for students, hosted by Fr. Leo, will be on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 6 p.m. at the rectory. Students interested in attending should contact Kathy Tardif at kmtardif@plymouth.edu so we have enough food. Parishioners interested in providing a dish for these monthly suppers should contact Sandy Abbott at 254-3431 or sandyabbott6@gmail.com.that we have enough food. Parishioners interested in providing a dish for these monthly suppers should contact Sandy Abbott at 254-3431 or sandyabbott6@gmail.com.

### Marian Center Use of the Hall

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### Weekly Meetings

**Thursday, Feb. 9**  
Day Away, Simard Hall, 9 a.m.

Cub Scout Meeting, St. Matthew Hall, 6 - 7 p.m. Bear Meeting,

St. Matthew Meeting Room, 5 - 6 p.m. Finance Council Meeting, St. Matthew Rectory, 6 p.m.

### Sunday, Feb. 12

Faith Formation: Ashland/Plymouth: 9:15 - 10:45 a.m., St. Agnes Hall Bristol: 10:30 a.m. - noon. Simard Hall

Confirmation: No Bristol Confirmation Plymouth: 10:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - (including Mass) - SMMR

Boy Scout Meeting, St. Matthew Hall, 5 - 7:30 p.m.

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

### Star King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

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

"I need to listen well so that I hear what is not said." ~ Thuli Madosela

### Sunday, Feb. 12, 9:30 a.m. Through Love's Eyes: You Are

Join us as we gather to explore how we might let our special people know just what it is about them that is so endearing that we can't help but love them. This service is for all ages.

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. Linda Barnes

Visitors are invited to attend the service as well as all programs at the church. Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers. The children's program is usually held downstairs concurrently with the service but today they will stay with their families upstairs. Join us for coffee and conversation following the service.

### Children and Youth Religious Education, Meredith Flynn, DRE

The children will be upstairs for the entire service on Sunday the 12th. There are no children's classes down-

stairs. Please join us a for a family friendly worship for all ages.

Youth Group- The Youth Group meets the second and fourth Sundays of the month from 6-7:30 p.m. in the upstairs Youth Room.

### Social Justice Community Outreach for February: Pemi Baker Literacy

Pemi-Baker Literacy provides opportunities for adults in the Plymouth/Bristol/Lincoln area to improve their literacy skills and meet their goals - from learning to read, to obtaining a driver's license, to going to college. There is no other program less than a forty-five minute drive away.

The organization provides free tutoring and small classes to adults in reading, writing, math, HiSet/ GED preparation (alternative routes to a high school diploma), English as another language and basic computer skills. The program utilizes volunteer tutors to provide instruction to its students. Each student's learning is tailored to meet their unique goals. Students and tutors meet in quiet, public places at times that are mutually convenient. This is the fifteenth year of the program's operation; more than fifty students are regularly served.

Canned or dry packaged food items may be placed in the box in the foyer for our local Community Closet collection. Also, items such as small jars of peanut butter, jelly, and canned tuna or chicken can be deposited in the box for the "GOT LUNCH! PLYMOUTH" program.

### Ongoing activities

Choir meets on most Thursday evenings, 7-8:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Lay Pastoral Care Under the guidance of the Rev. Linda Barnes, the Lay Pastoral Care Associates are here for you. When you have a pastoral care need or know of a need in our Starr King family, please contact Rev. Linda.

See Activities com-

mittee on the Web site at [www.starrkingfellowship.org](http://www.starrkingfellowship.org) where you can access the up to date calendar of events.

1st Friday morning Breakfast Group will meet at the PSU dining hall at 8:30 a.m. for a casual gathering of SKUUF members and friends for good food and discussion followed by an occasional discovery outing. Parking has been arranged through PSU security in Commuter Lot #301. Contact Deedie at [cdkriebel@gmail.com](mailto:cdkriebel@gmail.com) for more info and, if needed, a parking permit to place in the front window of your car during these mornings only.

Second Sunday Hike Depart SKUUF rear lot at 11:30 a.m. Refreshments and dinner following the hike if interested. Contact Mitch at [mitch@newfoundfarm.org](mailto:mitch@newfoundfarm.org) to register and receive updates. Rain cancels.

Wise Women in Training is a women's group to discuss issues related to women. Each meeting will have a theme that will be facilitated by a volunteer member of the group. Check the SKUUF activity calendar for topics of an upcoming session or email Betty Ann to be placed on mailing list. Contact Betty Ann Trought at [batrought@gmail.com](mailto:batrought@gmail.com) or just come and meet with this welcoming group. Wise Women regularly meets every second and fourth Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Starr King Men's Group will meet 6-8 p.m., on the first and third Sundays in classroom #3 downstairs. This is not a closed group so any interested male can attend. Feel free to drop in.

Gentle Yoga meets in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays from 5-6 p.m., and Saturdays from 8:30-9:30 a.m. For information, contact Darlene Nadeau at 493-1478.

Bridge players meet on Thursdays in the Fellowship Room from 12:30-3:30 p.m., except between the holidays.

Starr King UU Fellowship is located at 101 Fairgrounds Rd., Plymouth. The phone number is 536-8908. The Web site is [www.starrkingfellowship.org](http://www.starrkingfellowship.org), where you can access "Newsletters" to read, or print out, any of several past issues; "Podcast" to enjoy listening to sermons you have missed, or just want to hear again; "Events Calendar" to find out what is going on in our Fellowship.



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In accordance with RSA 33:8-a, you are hereby notified that the Bristol Select Board will hold be a public hearing on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at the Bristol Town Office starting at 6:00 PM at 230 Lake Street in Bristol to discuss the issuance of a bond or note in the amount of \$375,000 for the purpose of purchasing and installing replacement dewatering equipment at the Waste Water Treatment Facility. Snow date is Thursday, February 23, at the Bristol Town Office at 6:00 PM.

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# Gender-bending comedy "The Clinging Vine" at Flying Monkey on Thursday, Feb. 16

*Uproarious silent film farce about gender stereotypes to be shown with live musical score*

PLYMOUTH — Tired of Valentine's Day? The Flying Monkey has just the antidote.

It's "The Clinging Vine" (1926), a silent film comedy that turns traditional gender roles completely upside down.

The movie, starring Leatrice Joy, will be screened on Thursday, Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the Flying Monkey Moviehouse and Performance Center, 39 South Main St., Plymouth.

Admission is \$10 per person.

The program will feature live music for the movie by silent film accompanist Jeff Rapsis. The film is appropriate for all ages, making for a unique evening of family entertainment.

Produced by Cecil B. DeMille, "The Clinging Vine" tells the story of a successful hard-driving

female business executive who yearns for romance.

But she's frustrated in love because all men she encounters are intimidated by her ability and intelligence.

After confiding in her wise grandmother, the two set about transforming her into a woman who men will find attractive.

Considered daring for its time, "The Clinging Vine" continues to earn comments from critics for its story and subject matter.

In a recent online review, author Kevin M. Wentink wrote that "what, on the surface, appears to be a slight romantic comedy that playfully addresses the changing role of women in the postwar jazz age, 'The Clinging Vine' actually flat out states that all



COURTESY

Leatrice Joy and Toby Claude star in the gender-bending comedy "The Clinging Vine" (1926), to be screened with live music on Thursday, Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the Flying Monkey Moviehouse and Performance Center, 39 South Main St., Plymouth. Admission is \$10 per person. For more info, call 536-2551 or visit [www.flyingmonkeynh.com](http://www.flyingmonkeynh.com).

men are stupid, really really stupid, in every way imaginable.

"And...even though women are by far superior to men in intellect and business acumen," Wentink wrote, "a woman would be far happier pretending to be dumber,

and thus attractive to the Neanderthal, then she would be a wise and successful spinster.

"An equal opportunity offender of both sexes, 'The Clinging Vine' is one of the most daringly trivial programers to come out of Hollywood in the

silent era."

How's that as antidote for Valentine's Day?

Making her film debut as an extra in 1917, actress Leatrice Joy soon graduated to playing opposite comics Billy West and Oliver Hardy. Director Cecil B. DeMille took her under his wing and starred her in several of his films, including "The Clinging Vine."

Often playing career girls dressed in mannish suits, or sophisticated society girls, Joy is generally credited with starting the bobbed-hair craze in the 1920s.

In an early celebrity wedding, she married superstar John Gilbert in the 1920s.

She retired shortly after the advent of sound, but made occasional appearances in small supporting roles over the years. She died in 1985 at age 91.

Accompanist Jeff Rapsis specializes in creating live musical scores for films made prior to the introduction of recorded sound. Based in New Hampshire, Rapsis specializes in improvising music for silent film screenings at venues ranging from Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass. to the Niles Essanay Silent Film Museum in San Francisco, Calif.

Rapsis creates film scores in real time, as a movie is running, using a digital synthesizer to reproduce the texture of a full orchestra. He averages about 100 perfor-

mances per year, and has created music for more than 250 different silent feature films.

"Improvising a movie score is a bit of a high wire act, but it can result in music that fits a film's mood and action better than anything that can be written down in advance," Rapsis said. "It also lends a sense of excitement and adventure to the screening, as no two performances are exactly alike."

"The Clinging Vine" is the latest in a monthly series of silent films presented with live music at the Flying Monkey. The series provides local audiences the opportunity to experience silent film as it was intended to be shown: on the big screen, in good-looking prints, with live music, and with an audience.

Rapsis said it's currently a new golden age for silent film because so many titles have been restored, and are now available to watch at home or via online streaming.

However, the Flying Monkey series enables film fans to really understand the power of early cinema, which was intended to be shown on a big screen, with live music, and with an audience.

"Put those elements together like we do at the Flying Monkey, and films from the silent era spring right back to life in a way that helps you understand why people first fell in love with the movies," Rapsis said.

# Tickets now available for Plant Extra for Hunger benefit concert

NEW HAMPTON — Support efforts to get food to seniors and families through an upcoming Benefit Concert. Tickets are now available for the Plant Extra for Hunger Concert on Saturday, March 11, at 7 p.m. Peter O'Halloran and the Hired Men will perform at the New Hampton School's McEnvoy Theater for this cause. The New Hampton School address is 70 Main St. in New Hampton (Theater and parking GPS address: 34 Dr. Childs Rd.).

The concert supports NH Gleans-Belknap County, a program run by the Belknap



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County Conservation District (BCCD). NH Gleans-Belknap County is part of a larger network operated by The Sustainability Institute at the University of New Hampshire. The program coordinates harvest of surplus vegetables and fruit from farms and home gardeners and distributes it to senior centers,

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## Jonathan Edwards & Little Feat members bring a Classic '70's Retrospective to Plymouth

PLYMOUTH — The Flying Monkey Performance Center presents A Classic '70s Retrospective featuring Jonathan Edwards, along with Paul Barrere and Fred Tackett of Little Feat, on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for this concert start at \$35.

A '70's folk rock summit arrives in Plymouth as singer-songwriter Jonathan Edwards joins forces with Paul Barrere and Fred Tackett, multi instrumentalists and vocalists of the legendary rock band Little Feat for a night of jangly acoustic

guitars and beloved FM classics.

Veteran folk-rock-er Jonathan Edwards burst on the music scene 40 years ago with the mega-hit "Sunshine," and has since forged a healthy troubadour career based around his undeniable melodic gifts and a generously vibrant performance style. Four decades into a stellar career of uncompromising musical integrity, the man simply delivers night after night — songs of passion, songs of insight, songs of humor, all rendered in that pure and

powerful tenor which, like fine wine, has grown sweeter with age. Jonathan remains a vital and relevant artist in today's folk and Americana scenes.

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RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Alexandria	1755 Fowler River Rd.	Multi-Family Residential	\$127,933	Huguette R. Clark 2002 Trust and Roch M. Rousseau	William R. Bleiler and Stephen P. Bleiler
Alexandria	21 Village West Drive, Unit 3	Condominium	\$128,866	Kack RT and Francis L. Kach	Dawn Monahan
Ashland	Leavitt Hill Road (Lot)	Residential Developed Land	\$400,000	EHFAR LLC	WGGE LLC
Ashland	104 Main St.	Single-Family Residential	\$52,533	Ronald L. Boynton	Donald and Christina Colette
Ashland	Squam Lane	Residential Developed Land	\$130,000	Aida M. Demello	James A. and Susan Degrace
Bristol	33 W. Shore Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$74,933	Kelly C. O'Neil	Kon Voda LLC
Bristol	33 W. Shore Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$74,933	Kenneth O'Neil	Kon Voda LLC
Campton	3 Campton Mountain Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$131,933	Nicholas P. Avallone	Jon Klein and Irina Penttinen-Klein
Campton	Ellsworth Hill Road (Lot)	Residential Open Land	\$19,933	Joseph Calabro	Ronald Smith
Campton	Ellsworth Hill Road (Lot)	Residential Open Land	\$16,533	Eugene M. Emerson	David W. and Keith D. Belcourt
Campton	Pemigewasset River	N/A	\$24,533	Daniel M. Keniston and Elizabeth K. Carter	Kevin M. Coburn and Heidi Yarish-Coburn
Campton	40 Red Sleigh Rd., Unit 26	Condominium	\$54,000	Vahah Sahakian	Norm Hebert
Campton	1346 US Route 3	Single-Family Residential	\$54,000	Arlene M. Noseworthy	Denise Siraco
Holderness	53 Asquam Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$415,000	William Sharp	Jennifer and Ernest Hanowell
Holderness	325 Smith Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$260,000	Stephen R. and Karen Payne	John J. Killion and Donna G. Gillion
Holderness	86 White Ash Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$394,533	Robert F. and Deborah A. Roy	Heather Marquis
New Hampton	16 Brae Lane	Single-Family Residential	\$480,000	Bruce R. Hamel RET and Bruce R. Hamel	Erin and Robert E. Thebodo
New Hampton	Sinclair Hill Road	N/A	\$39,000	Ann E. Gotta and Charles A. Corell	Steven D. Baker
Plymouth	11 Binks Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$20,000	Neil and Dale A. Macdonald	Kristen Riendeau
Plymouth	116 Highland St.	Single-Family Residential	\$287,933	Hazel E. Whitesell 1989 Trust and Sally M. Lenentine	Zachary and Sara Tirrell
Plymouth	60 Pleasant St.	Single-Family Residential	\$149,933	Robert F. and Deborah A. Roy	Robert W. and Jennifer A. Trask
Rumney	104 Stinson Lake Rd.	Mobile Home	\$75,000	Bertha L. Dunklee	David J. Hatzenbuehler and Marianne E. Larchar
Waterville Valley	8 Fletchers Way, Unit 1	Condominium	\$269,933	Lori A. and Robert K. Yard	Justin D. and Natalie M. Wright

## ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

Here are recent real estate transactions in Alton and the surrounding areas. These sales summaries are informational only, not a legal record. Names shown are

usually the first listed in the deed. Sales might involve additional parties or locations. Prices are usually based on tax stamps and might be inaccurate for public agency sales. Refer to actual public documents before forming opinions or relying on this information. Additional publicly recorded information on these sales, prior sales and

data from Department of Revenue Administration forms is available at [www.real-data.com](http://www.real-data.com) or 669-3822. Copyright 2011. Real Data Corp. In the column "Type": land= land only; L/B= land and building; MH= mobile home; and COND=condominium.

## Sara Shattuck named Caregiver of the Month at Live Free Home Health Care

NEW HAMPTON — Sara Shattuck, of Bristol, a four-year Personal Care Provider at Live Free Home Health Care, has been named Caregiver of the Month for January 2017.

As a Personal Care Provider, Shattuck is prepared to assist in the care of her clients in their own homes through non-medical services. Many of these include: Meal preparation, transportation, companionship, light housekeeping and family respite.

Although her schedule includes three overnight shifts per week as well as some day clients, Shattuck feels strongly that her schedule contributes to her being available during the day for her husband and two children.

"I can't complain at all about my schedule, which is certainly one of

the strong points of working at Live Free," she commented.

"I love them all" is Shattuck's description of her relationship with her clients.

She speaks of enjoying their wide range of personalities and experiences.

"I have my regulars, but have kept in touch with many of my past clients," she relates. "I think of all of them as my grandparents, and see myself rather as a friend and companion as I go about my duties," she concludes.

"Sara exemplifies the values and mission of Live Free. Sara has never called to say she can't make it to work. She's someone you can count on," Said Live Free Executive Director Tammy Niles. "Not just to show up but to show up and really make a difference



COURTESY Sara Shattuck (left) and Tammy Niles, Executive Director at Live Free Home Health Care.

in someone's day... someone's life! We count on Sara because we know we can."

### About Live Free Home Health Care

Serving the Lakes Region and Central New Hampshire, Live Free Home Health Care, LLC is dedicated to providing top quality care in the comfort of home, wherever home may be. Live Free Home Health Care

offers a wide range of services, from companion care and assistance with activities of daily living to skilled nursing. All care is supervised and updated by a registered nurse, who is specially trained to watch for new or changing health issues. Whether the need

is for short or long term care, Live Free Home Health Care works with each client's physician to provide a continuum of care unparalleled with other agencies, and the compassionate staff promises to treat each client respectfully and like a cherished family

member. Live Free Home Health Care also offers medical alert systems to provide extra peace of mind should an emergency care need arise. For further information, contact 217-0149 or visit [www.LiveFreeHomeHealthCare.com](http://www.LiveFreeHomeHealthCare.com) and follow us on Facebook.

## NH Electric Co-op Nominating Committee sets deadline for candidates seeking nomination to the Board of Directors

PLYMOUTH — Members of the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Co-op) interested in being considered for nomination to the Board of Directors should submit their material to the Nominating Committee by 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 15. More information is available on NHEC's Web site at [www.nhec.com](http://www.nhec.com).

"The Co-op seeks highly qualified members with diverse personal, professional and geographical backgrounds, as well as broad education and experience," says Steve Came-

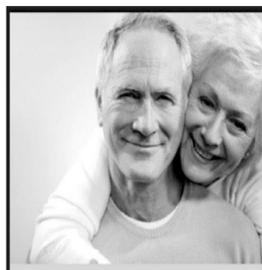
mino, President/CEO at the Co-op. "As a member-owned, non-profit organization, serving on the Board of Directors is one of the ways members have a direct impact on how this democratically controlled organization is run. It is an important and rewarding job."

Board members are elected to three-year terms. Three of the 11 seats are up for election this year. Election ballots will be sent to all members in May, with members also having the opportunity to vote electronically. Those elected will be seated at the An-

nual Meeting of Members, Tuesday, June 13.

The Nominating Committee meets numerous times to review the applications and interview candidates for the Board of Directors. After completing the process, they nominate a slate of candidates to be included on the ballot. The candidates selected will be identified on the ballot as having been nominated by the Nominating Committee.

If you are interested in applying, contact Sharon Yeaton at 536-8801 or [yeaton@nhec.com](mailto:yeaton@nhec.com) for a candidate packet.



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From left to right Patti Thompson, Pam Baker and Patty Stewart

### Debunking The Broker Myth by Patty Stewart

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## Budget

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“Vinnie, I love you like a brother, but I’d say to you that you’re mixing a whole bunch of issues up when you bring in the tax cap. The voters will decide what they wish to do.”

Paul Manganiello of Bristol joined the discussion, saying, “Archie, I love you like a father, but if that number shows up and the default budget is lower, they’re going to vote for the default budget and put the other articles aside.”

In presenting his amendment, Auger anticipated questions about its effect on area tax rates. The \$800,000 increase would boost Alexandria’s school assessment by \$155,000, he said. Bridgewater’s assessment would increase \$66,000; Bristol’s by \$255,000; Danbury’s by \$90,000; Groton’s by \$34,000; Hebron’s by \$29,000; and New Hampton’s by \$169,000.

Sue Cheney, the school board representative from Alexandria, addressed the option of bonding the high school roof replacement, saying the interest payments would have to fall within the tax cap, forcing the board to cut areas of the budget.

Board Chair Jeff Levesque explained that, because of decreases in revenues, the proposed budget already reduced or eliminated spending for some existing programs, as well as preventing the board from

addressing some other priorities.

Before the vote, Susan Duncan of Bristol asked the school board for assurance that, if voters increased the budget by \$800,000, the board would use it for the roof. Levesque gave that assurance and Cheney followed up with “We’ve had this question come up before, and if the money is voted with the intention of using it for a specific item, we as a board have always followed that desire of the voters.”

In earlier discussion on the petitioned article to rescind the tax cap, Bristol resident Lucille Keegan said, “I felt our elected officials’ hands are being tied in trying to develop a budget that addresses what is needed for the school district and truly reflects the needs of our buildings, teachers, and children.”

Steve “Slim” Spofford of Groton said, “There was a reason this tax cap was put in years ago, because [spending had] run away. My pension is nothing, and what’s ahead for us in this country? Are we going to have Social Security continue for us? I cannot afford to get rid of the tax cap.”

Discussing another petitioned article, that would establish a school resource officer for the district, sponsor Brian Richardson gave an impassioned justification, stating “There’s very little being brought to our students regarding the dangers of the drug issue we’re seeing. I lost a

son to an overdose death several years ago. We used to have DARE program, but that’s not the case anymore. ... We’ve come up with this petitioned article to bring an officer into this school district to do that, have a relationship with our students.”

He continued, “We have a great number of elementary school and junior high school kids in particular who are being raised by 20-some-things who are in a precarious situation. Many of the deaths have occurred in that age group, and many of the kids and adults are raised in risky things.”

Duncan agreed with the need for a police officer to help address the drug crisis, commenting that “We can’t just do treatment, we have to do prevention if we’re going to attack this problem. If you’ve read about the DCYF problems, it’s about domestic violence, mental illness, and drug and alcohol abuse. I think we really need to step back and not just deal with the issue, but address prevention.”

Apart from the amended budget figure, voters made no changes to the proposed warrant during the two-hour meeting, so it now will go onto the March 14 ballot.

After the deliberative session, the school board had a brief meeting to make its recommendations on the articles. The board voted 6-1, with Migliore opposed, to recommend the revised budget figure.

## Lewis

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partment’s success rate in prosecuting crimes.

“We have a 100 percent arrest and conviction rate on the top five incidents last year,” he said, citing two armed robberies, two burglaries of federal firearms dealers, and one aggravated felonious sexual assault.

While residents’ letters to the editor implied that there was a huge spike in crime in recent years, a review of the records over an 11-year period showed a pretty consistent crime rate, the chief said. Looking at a single year or a pair of years could give a very different impression.

Lewis gave the example of a year when there was one fatality followed by a year with four deaths. While that could easily give one the impression that there had been a dramatic increase in the number of unnatural fatalities from one year to the next, he said, there might well be a mundane explanation, such as a motor vehicle accident that happened to claim the lives of three victims at once.

Lewis said Bristol’s statistics are considerably lower when viewed over a period of time.

“The Bristol Police Department prides itself on providing the best service and the safest environment,” he said.

Lewis discussed what the department is do-

ing on many fronts, including working with the New Hampshire Drug Task Force to address the opioid crisis and working with the schools on safety.

He said each school building in Bristol is wirelessly connected to his phone and the officers’ cruisers, allowing them to access school cameras, blueprints, and other information.

“We can get in and assess the situation,” Lewis said of school incidents. “We’re working with the superintendent and principals, and have eight-person teams in each school that can respond to other schools as well.”

He said the monthly sessions utilizing FBI and Homeland Security training paid off when a recent incident resulted in a response mode.

“It worked flawlessly,” he said.

The training includes replacing the simple lockdown model still used by many schools with the ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evaluate) program, developed in response to recent shooting incidents around the country. The goal of the program, as explained by Superintendent Stacy Buckley at an August school board meeting, is to have higher survival rates in such situations by acting, rather than sitting and waiting. If there is an opportunity to evacuate the building, that is best, she said, but if not, securing classroom doors, dis-

tracting the attacker, or even overpowering the person is recommended.

Questioned about the petitioned article on the Newfound Area School District warrant to hire a school resource officer, Lewis said he thinks such a position is long overdue. He pointed out that district schools are located in three counties and, apart from Bristol and New Hampton, the member towns do not have 24-hour police and fire coverage. He said things that happen at students’ homes during the night might spill over into school incidents the next day.

“By law, the schools are required to report incidents, and if it’s in one of the Bristol schools, the Bristol Police Department responds,” Lewis said. “As it unfolds, we may determine that it started elsewhere, but we have no statutory authority to go into another town to investigate a crime in that town. And it happens every single day in one of those three buildings.”

He continued, “If we had an SRO, we would work on a memorandum of understanding to allow Bristol to work in each of those towns.”

Lewis also noted that the BPD currently does not have access to the Newfound schools outside of Bristol, but he said if the Bridgewater-Hebron Village School activates an alarm, Bristol would arrive there first.

Addressing what the school resource officer would do during the summer, Lewis said there would be annual training, and the officer also would support the Tapply-Thompson Community Center which, like the schools, draws upon a population from neighboring towns.

The school district would fund the position, but it would be a Bristol officer, reporting to the Bristol Board of Selectmen, so the town and school district would have to work out details of the agreement, he said.

Finally, Lewis reported on grants and donations to the Bristol Police Department. One grant places Bristol among three communities in a pilot program by the NH Highway Safety Agency to track state funding and statistical data. Plymouth General Dentistry funded training and trauma kits for officers, and another police department provided a bulletproof canine vest for the department. There also were grants for sobriety checkpoints and other projects.

A \$5,400 grant from the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency would set up an e-ticketing system for Bristol officers, enhancing officer safety. Lewis said the system would allow the officer to wirelessly verify licenses and registrations, getting the driving history and status of the driver without having to return to his cruiser. Lewis said statistics show that a violator can move 21 feet in one second, catching an officer off-guard during that time, so the new system would improve officer safety.

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to maintain such a lane “to render such way passable by firefighting equipment and rescue or other emergency vehicles” when there is “an identified public welfare or safety interest which surpasses or differs from any private benefits to landowners abutting such lane.”

Generally, residents are responsible for maintaining Class VI roads unless the roadways are brought up to town specifications and voters agree

to have the town accept them as town-maintained roads. The exception in RSA 231:59 allows the selectmen to accept responsibility for maintenance following a public hearing, and it allows them to reverse the decision at any time.

Selectmen asked Town Administrator Nik Coates to consult with the town attorney before taking any action on the request.

Turning to the town warrant, Coates explained changes to the articles that resulted from recommendations by the

town attorney and the NH Department of Revenue Administration.

There will be public hearings at the selectmen’s Feb. 16 meeting on articles that require financing. Article 2 would involve spending \$375,000 for the purchase of dewatering equipment at the wastewater treatment plant to reduce the volume of sludge and save on its transportation to a disposal site. Article 3 seeks \$765,000 for highway, water, and sewer improvements on Central Street. In both cases, the first payment on the

bonds would not occur until 2018.

Selectmen have expressed reservations about seeking funds for the Central Street project the same year they are looking to develop plans for a new town hall and renovations to the police department, but they agreed to put the article on the warrant.

In making the motion, Selectman Paul Manganiello said, “It’s a pretty hefty amount, but we owe it to the [legislative] body to put it out there.”

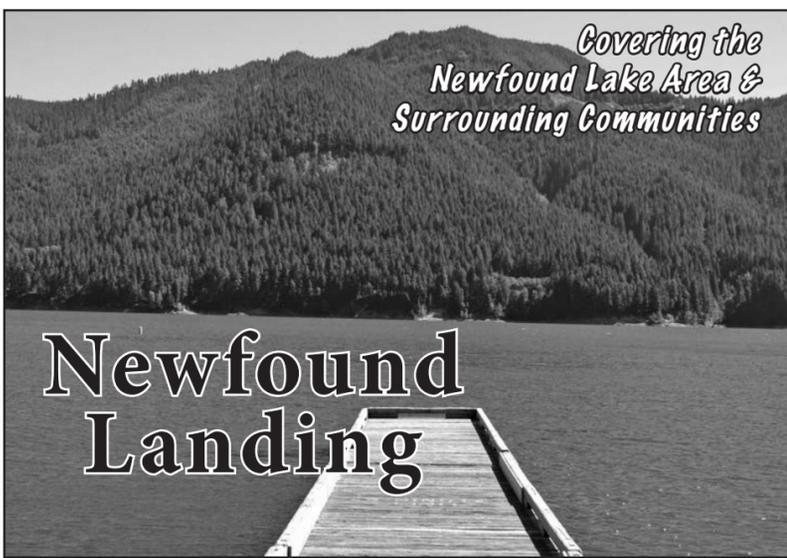
Article 4 calls for spending \$153,000 for the Pemigewasset River Pathway project, contingent upon receiving a grant to cover the cost.

Article 5 is a petitioned article calling for the town to adopt RSA 40:13, the Official Ballot Act, which would split town meeting into two parts, a deliberative ses-

sion when voters would have an opportunity to make amendments to the articles, and a second session when they would decide by ballot vote whether to approve them. The Official Ballot Act, also known as SB2 from the senate bill that created it, is designed to increase voter participation by allowing people to decide on the warrant at the same time they vote for town officials, without having to sit through a long town meeting. Opponents argue that it decreases participation in the deliberative portion and results in uninformed decisions at the ballot box.

Article 6 expands the veteran’s exemption on property taxes. The amount of the tax credit remains at \$500, but more veterans would qualify for it.

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Article 7 is a comprehensive solid waste ordinance that sets fees for various types of material disposed of at the transfer station.

Article 8 is the budget, which will be determined once the Bristol Budget Committee holds a hearing on its proposal. The budget committee is continuing its review of the selectmen's budget proposal and will finalize its own recommendation after the Feb. 13 hearing. The budget committee's number will be the one presented to voters at town meeting.

Article 9 sets aside money in a contingency fund.

Article 10 called for taking \$10,000 from the year-end unreserved fund balance to demolish the buildings on the so-called Smith property adjacent to the Bristol Municipal Building; and 11 would take another \$95,000 from the unreserved fund balance to de-

velop architectural plans for future town buildings.

During the selectmen's discussion, J.P. Morrison questioned whether \$10,000 would be enough to cover the demolition. As a result, the selectmen increased the request to \$12,000 to accommodate an additional waste container.

Article 12 would establish a capital reserve fund for a new police cruiser. The article originally called for an appropriation of \$45,000 to establish the account, but Police Chief Michael Lewis asked for the amount to be increased to \$48,300. The Capital Improvement Program Committee, which had pushed for the capital reserve fund, had recommended appropriating \$50,000 to establish it, and Manganiello amended the article to that amount.

Town finance officials had argued against using a capital reserve fund for an annual expenditure, saying it created layers of additional work for the staff. Traditionally, capi-

tal reserve funds are used to set aside money for future large-ticket purchases. The town purchases a new police cruiser every year.

Selectmen say a capital reserve fund would give them greater flexibility. They are hoping to find used vehicles at a lower price, and any money left over would remain in the account to be used in future years. Under an annual appropriation, if the town were to purchase a discounted vehicle, the unused funds would remain unspent.

Asked to verify whether a capital reserve fund would require extra work for administrators, Coates deferred to Chair Shaun Lagueux who replied in an email, "I can't believe that one additional fund would mean all that much in terms of time spent."

The board voted to recommend the article, with Morrison casting the sole dissenting vote, saying, "Something bugs me about this one."

Although she voted in

support of the article, Les Dion commented, "My concern is, if we need to purchase a vehicle this year and this is defeated, would we be able to purchase a vehicle?"

The only other article that generated discussion was Article 15, seeking \$20,000 for fireworks and ancillary costs for Fourth of July. Saying he thought the ancillary expenditures should come out of the operating budget, Manganiello amended the figure to \$10,000, which covers the fireworks only.

Coates expressed a concern about that, saying, "I think if it gets voted down, no means no, so we wouldn't be able to spend anything for it. All would have to be from volunteer donations."

Dion suggested increasing the amount to \$12,000 to cover some of the additional costs, and Manganiello rescinded his original motion to change it to that amount. As amended, it passed unanimously.

## Open House

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posure to nature and early childhood development. With benefits that include improved mood, focus, and impulse control as well as the development of problem solving skills, it is becoming clear that nature is a key part of children's education. Around the country, programs are popping up to connect young children with the nature they need.

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## CADY

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and other caregivers in our region.

Beyond our primary prevention mission, our work with the Substance Use Disorders Continuum of Care statewide system included four Naloxone Kit Distribution events; ongoing promotion of the NH Statewide Addiction Crisis Line (1-844-711-HELP); providing resources to families of children struggling with addiction through vital information, referrals, and empowering tools to access treatment and recovery and save their children's lives; roundtables with our federal delegation to communicate local needs to help inform federal legislative ac-

tivity; and hosting of inspiring keynote speakers at our Annual Regional Prevention Summit in May to bring awareness to our community and partners that prevention works, treatment is effective, and recovery is possible.

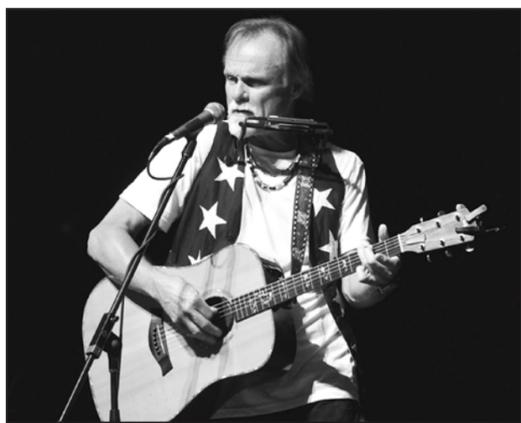
While we are grateful for our many successes, we have a long way to go. We know that many worthwhile causes turn to you for support and we want you to know that we are grateful and honored for your ongoing commitment to preventing substance abuse and addiction—thank you.

For more information on CADY programs and initiatives, visit our Web site at [www.cadyinc.org](http://www.cadyinc.org) or follow us on Facebook.

## Retro

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rock band Little Feat, guitarists Paul Barrere and Fred Tackett left a permanent imprint on '70s music. Ever since the first time they played together on the iconic 70's record Dixie Chicken over 35 years ago, Barrere and Tackett have forged an uncanny musical kinship and chemistry. With Little Feat (currently on hiatus), Barrere plays slide guitar and sings lead and background vocals, while Tackett plays guitar, mandolin and trumpet. Of late, these two guitar virtuosos have been playing together in a stripped down, more intimate acoustic duo format, providing an opportunity for audiences to savor songs from the Little Feat catalogue and much more, all with a distinctly different artistic stamp.



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(Left) The Flying Monkey Performance Center presents A Classic '70s Retrospective featuring Jonathan Edwards, along with Paul Barrere and Fred Tackett of Little Feat, on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

These artists left an indelible mark on the soundtrack and culture of that era. Expect an evening of familiar song that will have the audience singing along, peppered with stories from their storied careers that will have the audience laughing and cheering. Who knows, perhaps some onstage magic will happen and these three will sing "Dixie Chicken" or "Shanty" together. Tickets for A Classic '70s Retrospective are \$35, and \$45 for premier seating. For more information on upcoming shows or to purchase tickets call the box office at 536-2551 or go online at [www.flyingmonkeyNH.com](http://www.flyingmonkeyNH.com).



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## Hunger

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food pantries and soup kitchens.

In 2016, Belknap County farmers and gardeners donated over 5,800 pounds of fresh vegetables and fruit worth \$23,200 which were collected and distributed by New Hampshire Gleans-Belknap County volunteers. The income from this concert will help NH Gleans-Belknap County continue and expand these efforts in 2017. More information about the gleaning program will be available at the concert.

The Hired Men are a ragtag band of musicians brought together by Peter O'Halloran (from Boston music staple the Dogmatics) and usually includes O'Halloran brothers Jimmy and Dan, as well as friends Johnny Coe, Marie Kettenring and J. Young. They like to say they play an incongruous mishmash of musical styles including Irish, Folk, Cowboy Jug Band, '50's, Rockabilly, 3 Chord Rock and original material. They love to jam and mix it up and are clearly having a good time as they play. Expect to be treated to lots of great vocals, dancing, good energy and fun.

Band member and

fiddler, Marie Kettenring grew up in New Hampton and invited the band north to support this cause. She collaborated with her father, Ken Kettenring, a BCCD Board member to organize this benefit concert. Marie has been playing the violin/fiddle since she was 4 and has been performing since she was eight.

Concert tickets are \$15 before March 6 and \$20 at the door. For ticket information contact Lisa Morin at 603-527-5880 or email: [lisa.morin@nh.nacdn.net](mailto:lisa.morin@nh.nacdn.net). You can download a ticket order form from the BCCD Web site: [www.belknapccd.org](http://www.belknapccd.org).

For more information on NH Gleans-Belknap County, contact Russ Bailey at [belknapgleans11@gmail.com](mailto:belknapgleans11@gmail.com). To sign-up to be a volunteer gleaner or to list your farm or garden as a donor please visit [www.nhgleans.com](http://www.nhgleans.com).

"Our thanks to the farmers, gardeners and volunteers that contributed their produce and time last year to help feed people in need. We are proud of Russ Bailey's efforts to build our program and are pleased that efforts like this concert will help us sustain and expand gleaning efforts in Belknap County in 2017," said Donna Hepp, BCCD Board Chair.

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# Newfound Landing Sports

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

Reid Wilkins led Newfound in the Winnepesaukee Alpine Race on Friday.



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Shanley Camara skis for Newfound in the giant slalom at Gunstock on Friday.

## Bears do battle with other Lakes Region teams

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

GILFORD — For the second week in a row, the Newfound alpine team raced at Gunstock, this time taking part in the annual Winnepesaukee Alpine Race, featuring all the teams from around the lake.

This year, the competition also included outliers St. Thomas and Kearsarge, with the latter team taking top honors across the board.

For the Newfound boys in the morning giant slalom, they finished in ninth place overall.

The top Bear boy in the giant slalom was Reid Wilkins, who skied to 35th place overall in 1:09.42.

Trevor Robie was second for the Bears and

44th overall in 1:12.59 and Aaron Nguyen skied to 47th in a time of 1:13.28 to finish third among the Newfound contingent.

Cian Connor was the final scorer in the giant slalom, finishing in 51st place on 1:16.18.

Ethan Pruett was 55th in 1:17.85, Charles Gould was 57th in 1:18.46 and Brandon Marcoux was 60th in 1:22.22.

The Bears jumped all the way up to sixth place in the afternoon slalom, giving them an eighth place finish overall.

Wilkins led the way in the slalom with a time of 1:06.06 for 31st place overall.

Nguyen was second for Newfound with a time of 1:16.52 for 41st place and Connor finished in 49th place in 1:25.55.

Pruett rounded out the scoring with a time of 1:26.94 for 50th place overall.

Marcoux finished in 1:28.52 for 51st place and Gould was 66th in a time of 1:41.95.

The Bears had only three girls skiing on Friday so they finished ninth overall in both races and ninth for the day.

Victoria Roman led Newfound in the morning giant slalom, finish-



JOSHUA SPAULDING

(Above) Stephanie Norton takes a giant slalom gate in action at Gunstock.

ing in 1:16.15 for 37th place overall.

Shanley Camara was second for Newfound and 40th overall with a time of 1:16.61 and Stephanie Norton finished in 1:28.89 for 49th overall to round out the Bear girls.

In the afternoon slalom, the order was the same, with Roman finishing in 36th place overall to lead the Bears in 1:22.03.

Camara was next with a time of 1:22.73 for 38th place and Norton was 48th overall in 1:30.49 to finish out the field.

Newfound will continue a run of Gunstock meets with a meet on Friday, Feb. 10, before heading back to the Gilford mountain for the Division III State Meet on Monday, Feb. 13, at 9:30 a.m.



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Cian Connor cruises through a giant slalom gate in action on Friday in Gilford.

### What's On Tap

The local alpine ski teams head into the State Meets in the coming week as the rest of the local teams continue regular season action.

Newfound will compete in the Division III alpine State Meet at Gunstock on Monday, Feb. 13, at 10 a.m.

Plymouth will compete in the Division II alpine State Meets, with girls at Cranmore on Tuesday, Feb. 14, and boys at Crooked Mountain on Wednesday, Feb. 15, both at 9:30 a.m.

The Newfound alpine team will wrap up the regular season on Friday, Feb. 10, at Gunstock at 10 a.m.

The Newfound girls' basketball team will be at Franklin for a 7 p.m. game on Tuesday, Feb. 14, and will be hosting Somersworth at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16.

The Bear hoop boys will be at Inter-Lakes on Friday, Feb. 10, at 6 p.m. and will be hosting Franklin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 14.

The Plymouth alpine team will wrap up the regular season on Friday, Feb. 10, at Cannon at 10 a.m.

The Plymouth hoop girls will be hosting Hanover at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 10.

The Bobcat boys' basketball team will be at Hanover for a 7 p.m. start on Friday, Feb. 10.

The Plymouth hockey team will be at Sanborn on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 7:30 p.m., will be hosting Lebanon at 8 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 13, and will be hosting John Stark-Hopkinton on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m., both at Proctor Academy.

The Plymouth wrestling team will be competing at Salem on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 10 a.m.

The unified Bobcats will be at Belmont at 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 14.



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The Newfound cheerleaders finished third at a competition in Nashua this past weekend.

## Bears place third at first competition

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Newfound cheerleading team competed in its first competition of the season on Saturday, Feb. 5, traveling to Nashua to compete against a number of other Division III teams.

Overall, Newfound finished in third place in that first competition. "We had some tough competition and are pushing through injury," said Newfound coach Katie Linkkila.

Overall, the Bears have 16 athletes on the team, including two

boys and they will be continuing to compete in numerous competitions in addition to performing and cheering at the high school basketball games.

The Bears will be competing next at Astro Blast at Pinkerton Academy on Feb. 18. That

meet will feature live scoring like the national competition.

From there, the team will move on to the preliminary NHIAA tournament, also at Pinkerton Academy on March 5. There, the Bears will be competing for a spot in the championship,

which this year will feature only five teams from each division. The championship round of the competition will be held on March 12, also at Pinkerton Academy.

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**Registration open**

The Laconia Lacrosse Club is gearing up now with registration for its spring season. If you are a resident of Laconia, Belmont, Meredith, Canterbury, Tilton, Sanbornton, Franklin, New Hampton, or Bristol you are welcome to join one of their teams. All new players are eligible for a 50 percent discount on registration fees. LLC is part of the New Hampshire Youth Lacrosse Association (NHLYA), which is the local governing body of US Lacrosse. Coaches are all trained and certified by US Lacrosse. LLC fields teams for both boys and girls from grades one through eight. Practices begin in mid-March, the season starts April 9, and runs through the annual Festival Weekend June 10 and 11 in Londonderry. Google "Laconia Lacrosse Club" or e-mail [laconialacrosseclub@gmail.com](mailto:laconialacrosseclub@gmail.com) to register or for more information.

# Bears fall to top Division III contenders

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Newfound hoop boys dropped a pair of games last week, closing out a stretch where they played three consecutive games against top five teams.

The Bears dropped a 71-32 decision on the road at Kearsarge on Tuesday, Jan. 31, and then fell to Hopkinton at home on Friday, Feb. 3, by a 74-34 score.

"Tough stretch for us," coach Tom Bourdeau said.

At Kearsarge to start the week, the Bears found themselves behind 17-7 after one quarter but it was the second quarter that opened

things up, as the Cougars outscored Prospect 28-8 in the second quarter for a 45-15 lead at the break. The Cougars outscored Newfound 24-12 in the third quarter and the Bears outscored the Cougars 5-2 in the final quarter for the 71-32 final.

Mason Dalphonse led the way for the Newfound boys, finishing with 11 points while Colby Miles added 10 points. Jarrod Fairbank led the way on the boards with six rebounds. The Bears shot just nine of 48 from the field.

With the undefeated Hawks in town on Friday night, Newfound was able to win the second quarter, outscoring

the Hawks 11-8 in that frame to make it 32-21 at the halftime break. However, Hopkinton came out in the second half and outscored Newfound 42-13 the rest of the way for the 74-34 win.

The game was actually 10-8 late in the first quarter but Hopkinton hit several three-pointers and closed out the first on a 14-2 run for the lead. They also finished the third quarter on a 12-0 run.

Bourdeau noted that his team earned the praise of the Hopkinton coach.

"Many compliments from the Hopkinton head coach on the play of my team," Bourdeau



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AJ Muse goes to the basket during his team's game with Hopkinton on Friday night.

## Free throw championship Feb. 19 in Franklin

FRANKLIN — All local boys and girls ages nine to 14 are invited to participate in the 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The competition will be held Sunday, Feb. 19, at 12:30 p.m. at the St. Gabriel's Parish Center on Elkins Street in Franklin. Registration will begin at 12 p.m.

There is no cost associated with this event. Each contestant will be given a chance to shoot 15 free throws, with the winner of each divi-

sion determined by who sinks the most shots. There will be six separate divisions for boys and girls, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14-years-old. The age of the contestant as of Jan. 1 will determine the division he or she competes in.

Trophies will be awarded to the first place winners while all contestants will be recognized for their participation. Division winners will also be eligible to go on and compete at the state of New Hampshire Free

Throw Championship on March 5 in Bedford.

This year's sponsors are the Knights of Columbus Council 11868 in Tilton, Council 12147 in Franklin and Coun-

cil 10943 in Belmont. In the event of bad weather, the makeup date for this event is Feb. 26. For more information, please call Mark Messier at 528-0585.

reported. "He was impressed with how hard my kids played and commented that we caught his team a little by surprise."

AJ Muse led the way for the Bears with 13 points and also pulled down nine rebounds.

The Bears will be at

Inter-Lakes for a 6 p.m. game on Friday, Feb. 10, and will host Franklin on Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 6:30 p.m.

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## Solid skiing makes for a good winter to date

**SPORTING CHANCE**



By JOSHUA SPAULDING

jump start on the season. Last year, it just wasn't happening.

Also last year, the Nordic season was a mess, with races cancelled all over the place and competitions moved to places that could make snow (like Great Glen). That prompted a change in the schedule this year for the local Nordic teams. The first meets didn't come until after the start of the new year and the State Meet, instead of falling the same week as the alpine racers (this coming week), it was bumped up until early March. The idea was that this would mean more snow and better conditions for

the teams throughout the season.

While this season has been better for the Nordic teams, there have been a few changes in venues in the first month or so of the season. However, Abenaki, Great Glen, Whitaker Woods, Plymouth Regional High School and Gunstock have all hosted races and all done so successfully. This has given the Nordic kids a good chance to be out on skis on actual snow.

This year has also been good for me on the skiing side of things, with the exception of one week.

The first meet of the season before Christmas at King Pine was absolutely gorgeous and the skiing was fantastic. At the end of January I returned to King Pine for another race and it was no surprise to me that the snow was once again fantastic and the conditions for racing were great.

I've also had two meets at Gunstock this year and I've been relatively pleased with the skiing there as well. The first meet, which happened right at the beginning of the year, saw great snow conditions early on that turned icy later in the day as I made some afternoon runs. However, the second meet, which happened last week, brought fantastic morn-

ing conditions and they lasted into the afternoon, as I got in some more afternoon runs on some great snow.

The one tough week was the first week I had a meet at Cranmore. A warm night and cold early morning made for some grooming trouble and the mountain was essentially covered in ice balls. It was not a good day for skiing (though the race course was not in horrible shape). However, the next week, Cranmore had beautiful conditions for skiing, so it all evened out in the end.

As we head to State Meet week for the alpine teams, all in all it's been a good winter of skiing on my end.

And yes, they'll be a few words on that football game next week.

Finally, have a great day Chris Ruel.

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# Bears head to final three games still undefeated

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Newfound hoop girls took their undefeated record on the road last week and emerged with two more wins to move to 15-0 on the season.

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, the Bears played a varsity doubleheader with the boys at Kearsarge.

"It was a great game in a great atmosphere," said coach Karri Peterson. "With the support of the boys behind (us) we were able to come away with a win."

The Bears pulled away in the second half, erasing a Kearsarge half-time lead and got the 52-38 win.

The hosts got out to a 6-0 lead as Newfound missed the first three shots of the game. However, Amanda Johnston scored the next six points to tie the game. Savanna Bony added two more and the teams were tied at eight after one quarter.

Johnston and Ashlee Dukette led the way offensively in the second quarter, as Dukette put in six and Johnston added four. However, the Bears trailed 20-18 heading to halftime.

Dukette came out on fire in the third quarter as the Bears outscored the Cougars 16-11, with Dukette putting in 11 of those points.

"She was hitting three-point shots, getting offensive rebounds and penetrating to the rim," Peterson noted. Johnston and Bony added the remaining five points in the frame for a 36-29 lead heading to the fourth.

The Bears won the fourth quarter by an 18-7 score, doing a lot of damage from the free throw line. Bony, Johnston, Alexis Vantil and Molly Schilling all scored in the fourth quarter.

Johnston led the way with 18 points, while Dukette finished with 17 points and 11 rebounds and also shot 100 percent from the field. Bony added 11 points and five assists, while Vantil was strong with six rebounds, three assists and two steals to go with four points. Schilling chipped in with good defense for the Bears.

On Friday, Feb. 3, the Bears traveled to Hopkinton and came home with a 56-36 win over the Hawks.

"(We) had control from the beginning of the game," Peterson said.

The Bears got out to a 21-6 lead after the first quarter and Peterson was able to sub a lot and try different combinations on the court in the second quarter. The Bears took a 29-9 lead to halftime.

The rotation of players continued in the second half and Newfound outscored the hosts 12-5 in the third for a 41-14 lead heading to the final frame.

Bony finished the game with 18 points, four assists and four steals to lead the way, while Dukette added 16 points, 15 rebounds and seven steals, giving her a double-double in 10 games in a row. Johnston pulled down 14 rebounds and had eight steals to go with her eight points, while Vantil had seven points, five rebounds and six steals.

"We were able to practice our new press and Hopkinton changed their defenses up so we were able to work on different offensive sets with different combinations," Peterson said. "They also threw a press at us at the beginning and I was happy to see us execute our press breaker, which led to three layups in a row."

The Bears will be finishing up their season with two games in the coming week. They travel to Franklin for a 7 p.m. game on Tuesday, Feb. 14, and will host Somersworth on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 6:30 p.m.

Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 569-3126 or sportsgsn@salmonpress.com.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Savanna Bony had strong offensive games in a pair of contests last week.

# Macomber honored as state's top football player

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
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PLYMOUTH — Garrett Macomber was a huge piece of the Plymouth Regional High School football team's run to the Division II championship.

But the junior running back views himself as just that, a piece of the puzzle that was the Bobcats this year.

However, his work on the field and in the classroom was recognized by the Gatorade Company as the New Hampshire Player of the Year and the trophy and banner were presented to him last week by coach Chris Sanborn.

"I couldn't have done anything near as well as I've done without the guys in front of me," Macomber said. "When they have a off day, I had an off day."

"It's says how hard working and well-prepared my teammates were," Macomber continued.

The Bobcat junior appreciated the work of his offensive line and purchased them a steak

dinner at the Common Man after the conclusion of the season and said the banner with his name on it was more of a testament to them than to his work.

"I really wish it didn't scream my name all over it," he said as he looked at the banner.

Macomber also pointed out that he may not have even gotten the honor if the team hadn't won the championship, which he notes is a team effort all the way. And if he had won it and not won the championship?

"I wouldn't feel as good because I would feel I let the team down," Macomber said. "If I get this award and no championship, that's a smack in the face."

Coach Chris Sanborn pointed out that Macomber was a true cog in the team, not just in his rushing, which totaled more than 2,300 yards on the season, a new school record.

"You need those guys' help to make these things happen," Sanborn said, pointing to a couple of Macomber's

iconic moments in the season, the blocked field goal in the semifinal game at Windham and the touchdown catch in the championship game that clinched the win for the Bobcats.

That catch, which Macomber notes was the first one he's ever had at any level of football, came in the final seconds under the lights at UNH. He had been battling an injury since early in the game but when the play was called with his number, he was ready, despite the fact of having never caught a pass before.

"That's was the play directed toward me," he said. "We were so into the game we didn't second guess."

Sanborn noted that although the play wasn't run a lot, it was a practice staple, so the kids knew it.

"They've worked on that play every week in practice for two years," the Bobcat coach said with a smile. "People didn't realize how hurt he was."

Early in the championship game, Macomber suffered a hip injury and had to come to the sidelines and watch as his teammates handled his duties.

"He was struggling to get through," Sanborn said.

Macomber praised Dr. Dan O'Neill from the Alpine Clinic, the team's doctor during the regular season who

made the trip to UNH and helped trainer John Brule work on him as the game wore on to get ready for the big moment.

"I was freaking out," Macomber stated, noting the doctor calmed him down.

"He didn't have to be at the game," Sanborn said of O'Neill. "But the calmness of knowing what the injury was, he stepped in."

Macomber, the son of Tony and Janet Macomber, is looking at the US Naval Academy as a possibility for sec-

ondary education and Sanborn noted that the Gatorade Player of the Year Award looks at some of the same things that a college or service academy would. The award is presented on three criteria, athletic achievement, academic excellence, and exemplary character, all of which have to be proven after an athlete is nominated for the award.

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### Yeaton Oil & Pemi River Fuels is Now Hiring a Full Time Year -Round Propane Technician

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**MACOMBER**

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Coach Chris Sanborn presented Garrett Macomber with the trophy and banner naming him the Gatorade New Hampshire Player of the Year.

be there.  
 "That's what makes us so proud of Garrett," Sanborn continued.  
 The Bobcat coach noted that Plymouth players have received the award two other times, back in 1988 when kicker Jeff Beckley received the honor and in 2003 when Mike Boyle, now a Plymouth assistant coach, was honored.

Beckley went on to Boston College and Boyle went on to play at UNH.  
 "Three kids from a school is pretty special," Sanborn said. "He had an amazing run this year.  
 "I can't think of a kid in the state who's any more deserving of this award," Sanborn continued.  
 Macomber set the

school record for rushing yards, eclipsing Kyle McAuliffe's record of more than 1,700 yards, getting more than 2,300 on the season. He also broke Boyle's record for touchdowns in a season. He also won a championship with his brother, Harrison, who was a starting tight end on the team. Sanborn noted that is always a special

thing, particularly as kids get older.  
 The Plymouth back praised the Bobcat community for its support throughout the season, noting the large contingent that turned out for the semifinal game in Windham and the finals in Durham as examples of the support the team receives.  
 "Garrett's a great

teammate," Sanborn said. "Sometimes you don't want to stand out. He's done a great job of recognizing and including his teammates in this award."  
 Macomber noted that the banner would hang in his elementary school in Holderness for the year since the high school only has team banners hanging in the

gym.  
 And next year, the junior will return to the field for Plymouth as the Bobcats look to defend their championship. Because that's the banner that really matters to Macomber.  
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