

Visiting artist helps students piece together a tribute to Belmont

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BELMONT — Over the past few weeks, Belmont Elementary School has had the privilege of hosting resident artist Lizz Van Saun, who helped them literally piece together the history and all their most beloved locations on Belmont in a mosaic that was revealed to the public last Thursday evening.

Van Saun, owner of Kast Hill Studio in Hopkinton, is a member of the Society of American Mosaic Artists who came to the school through a grant received by BES art teacher Kate Cotnoir.

On her first visit to the school Van Saun explained some of the history of mosaics and the process involved in creating that type of art.

The project itself then began with simple pencil drawings from fourth graders who have been studying the history of both the town and state. The students were challenged to provide Van Saun with sketches of Belmont through all four seasons of the year.

“This was all about things that were important to the students; things they wanted to see representing their town,” said Van Saun.

From there, she transferred the elements of those sketches to a mosaic substrate that the entire school community became involved in completing.

Among the places and activities depicted by the class were all three of the town’s school buildings.

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Riley, a third grader at Belmont Elementary School, was proud to point out the portion of a four-season mosaic he worked on for a school wide art project that portrayed important places and activities in Belmont that students appreciate and enjoy.



Following his official swearing in ceremony at the Sanbornton Town Offices last Wednesday, Police Officer Shane Morton posed for a photo with his family and coworkers. From left to right are Morton's father Frank Morton, Chief Stephen Hankard, Sgt. Justin Howe and Officer Andrew Phillips.

Sanbornton PD welcomes new officer

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SANBORNTON — The Town of Sanbornton was pleased to welcome their newest police officer, Shane Morton, as he was sworn in for duty last Wednesday evening at the start of the weekly selectmen’s meeting.

Morton comes to Sanbornton from the Franklin Police Department where he has worked as a dispatcher since last September, finally realizing his lifelong goal to be a police officer.

“This is something

I’ve wanted to do since probably fifth grade,” he said.

After initially applying for a part time job with the Sanbornton police last July, it was in late fall of 2016 when he heard back from them that there was a fulltime opening with the department.

“We were fortunate to have found Shane,” said Chief Stephen Hankard. “He underwent rigorous testing with the oral boards and background checks and definitely came out on top. He’s

ready to start a real career here in Sanbornton.”

Before being sworn in, John Olmstead, chair of the Board of Selectmen, took a moment to ask Morton, “Why here?”

Morton said he really appreciated both the small town atmosphere of Sanbornton and the aspect of community policing Hankard has instilled in the department. As one of seven children, he said his family has always fo-

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Pemi Youth Center board hopes to open facility in Tilton

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TILTON — Members of the newly formed Tilton chapter of the Pemi Youth Center are working hard to find a suitable location for the facility, which will offer many rewarding benefits to young teens in the Winnisquam School District, and they hope to have things up and running in the very near future.

“We’re coming very close now to bringing this great opportunity to children in the area,” said board member and newly elected Selectman Ashlee Saint John.

Tilton Police Chief Robert Cormier is a member of the board of directors for Plymouth’s Pemi Youth Center, and explained it’s not a place for kids to just hang out and play video games. It’s a place that provides mentoring, support and love.

“The Plymouth center has really made a difference in kids’ lives,” he said.

Pemi Youth Center was founded several years ago and operates with the motto of “Love Grows Here.” The mis-

sion of the organization is to help at-risk youth find empowerment in their lives; teaching them respect for themselves, one another and their surroundings. Working directly with those from 10 to 18 years of age, they offer assistance with homework, guidance with social issues, some fun and educational activities, and much more. Through Pemi Youth Center the participants also have the opportunity to learn new skills and to work closely with student interns and professors from Plymouth State University. They enjoy new friendships, meals, holiday celebrations and most, if not all, have found their youth center to be a real “home away from home.”

“I don’t know where I would be today if it weren’t for everyone here,” one girl said about Pemi Youth Center. “My life hasn’t been very good at home, but these people are my family now.”

That, said Saint John and other board members in Tilton, is all a part of what they look forward to offering

youth in the Winnisquam Region- a place they can call home and feel safe as they face all that life sends their way.

Tilton is one of a few towns, like Andover and Danbury, that are developing satellite branches of the Plymouth center. Like Plymouth, Tilton will also incorporate the involvement of PSU students and faculty, along with local teachers and community groups like Tilton-Northfield Rotary.

“We just need to find a place now that’s on a bus route or preferably within walking distance of the high school and middle school,” said board member Jae-ann Rock.

One site had recently been targeted as a possible location but due to “unforeseen circumstances” she said they are still searching for the right place.

The requirements for the center would be a building that is at least 800 to 1,000 square feet. It should also offer a small kitchen area, a community room for group gatherings, a couple of small private meeting rooms, and preferably two bathrooms.

“Initially we’d be looking to rent space but

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Local bed & breakfasts team up to host annual Muffin and Scone Tour

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REGION — The Lakes Region Bed and Breakfast Association will be hosting their second annual Muffin and Scone Tour over the weekend of April 22-23, and participating inns in Central New Hampshire welcome all to experience the comfortable and unique accommodations found at each of their quaint overnight and vacation getaways.

“This is something

we’re trying to do every year now. It’s a great way to take a ride, enjoy some food and see what each of these bed and breakfast inns have to offer their guests,” said Heidi Milbrand, secretary of the association.

Maps to locate all seven of the membership inns will take everyone on a great springtime drive through the Lakes Region. While people can begin their journey anywhere along the route, they have the

opportunity to drive from Milbrand’s beautiful Pleasant View Bed and Breakfast near the beaches of Newfound Lake in Bristol, and then head south on Route 3A to the elegance of the Marie Atwood Inn, located just north of Franklin. From there tour-takers can drive to the nearly 200-year-old Lake House at Ferry Point on Lake Winnisquam in Sanbornton, then travel to Meredith for a few other special stops. First up



Seven of central New Hampshire’s beautiful and often historic bed and breakfast inns are inviting the public to join them for their second annual Muffin and Scone tour at the end of April.

in that area is the Nutmeg Inn, built in 1763, followed by the sprawl-

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Spring into color at the Belmont Public Library

BELMONT — The Belmont Public Library hopes that spring will actually come in April! Our story time kids have been keeping track of “lion and lamb” days in March and the lion days definitely dominated.

We are excited to be able to offer new extended hours starting April 1. Mondays and Wednesdays the library will be open 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Fridays 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Looking to sharpen your craft skills? Come at a new day and time! Expert or novice, all skill levels are welcome to experiment with various crafting and artistic interests on Wednesdays

at 5 p.m. Supplies are provided. Check out the attempt to “yarnbomb” the library in March. April 5—bookmarks, April 12—jewelry, April 19—scrapbooking, April 26—watercolor collage.

Connect with friends old and new. On Friday, April 7, and again on April 25 at 10:30 a.m., gather at the library for coffee and conversation. The librarian will be on hand with book and movie recommendations from the library’s collection, but we will make time to just talk, too. Let us know where you are in the Belmont Library’s 2017 reading challenge. Hot drinks and snacks provided.

The book group meets to discuss “The Time

Traveler’s Wife” by Audrey Niffenegger on Friday, April 21 at 10:30 a.m. A dazzling novel in the most untraditional fashion, this is the remarkable story of Henry DeTamble, a dashing, adventuresome librarian who travels involuntarily through time, and Clare Abshire, an artist whose life takes a natural sequential course. Henry and Clare’s passionate love affair endures across a sea of time and captures the two lovers in an impossibly romantic trap, and it is Audrey Niffenegger’s cinematic storytelling that makes the novel’s unconventional chronology so vibrantly triumphant. Copies available at the desk.

LEGO Build is a family drop in event on Saturday, April 1 from 10 a.m.-noon. Come enjoy building with your friends. Also, join us Wednesdays for family story time at 10:30 a.m. We will be trying some open ended art activities. Make time in your school vacation week for Game Time on Thursday, April 27 and a kids’ movie Friday, April 28.

April brings National Library Week, this year celebrated April 9-15. National Library Week is a time to celebrate our nation’s libraries and library workers for transforming lives through free access to technology, information literacy, diverse collections and opportunities



COURTESY

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HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Tilton/Northfield
Heads Up for our Annual Spring Book Sale – Monday, May 1 through Saturday, May 6

Stop in for great deals on books and DVDs at our Spring Sale! With hardcovers going for \$1.00, paperbacks at 25 cents and DVDs going for \$2 each, you can stock up on your summer reading and watching. There’s a bit of something for everyone here so be ready to shop.

Monday, April 10
Monday Morning Makers, 11 a.m.

Craft time for homeschool children - (recommended for ages eight and up)

Chess Club, 3-6 p.m.
Math Tutor, 4 p.m.
Trustees Meeting, 5 p.m.
Scrabble, 6 p.m.
Adults Only
Grow a Small Business Workshop, 6 p.m.

Starting a Small Business? ... Need advice? - Then attend this talk sponsored by the US Small Business Administration. Economic Development Specialist, Miguel Moralez, will be here with information, tips and resources for starting and/or growing a small business in New Hampshire! This is a free workshop and there is no need to sign up in advance. Call 225-1601 for more information

Tuesday, April 11
Spanish Club, 10 a.m.
Tech Tuesday, 2-4 p.m.
Teen Time, 3 p.m.
Qixels

Wednesday, April 12
National Drop Everything and Read Day (D.E.A.R.), All Day
D.E.A.R. is a celebration of reading in honor of Beverly Cleary’s birthday designed to

remind folks of all ages to make reading a priority activity in their lives. Check out a book on this D.E.A.R. day and receive a special treat!

Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Mud
Scrabble, 1 p.m.
Play scrabble... the game for all seasons.
BookCraft – Children’s Book and Craft Time, 3:30 p.m.
Explore BookCraft worlds with us and online at Stacy Plays. Stacy has created worlds in Minecraft that reflect the worlds we read about in great books! Our first book is “The Twenty-One Balloons” by William Pene du Bois... pick up a copy at the circulation desk and get ready for crafts and other book related activities including healthy snacks and viewing the Minecraft videos created by Stacy. Let’s talk books!

Magic the Gathering, 4 p.m.

This group is going strong... join in for a free evening out of the house.

Friday, April 14
Sit and Knit, 2-5 p.m.

Saturday, April 15
Let’s Go Lego
New Items
“The Inkblots: Hermann Rorschach, his iconic test, and the power of seeing” by Damion Searls
“As Good As Dead: the daring escape of American POWs from a Japanese death camp” by Stephen L. Moore
“Against all Odds: my story” by Chuck Norris
“If Not For You” by Debbie Macomber
“The Women in the Castle: a novel” by Jessica Shattuck
“The Twelve Lives of Samuel Hawley: a novel” by Hannah Tinti.

TILTON POLICE LOG

TILTON — The Tilton Police Department responded to 419 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of March 20-26. Please note that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protective custody but not formally charged, have been withheld.

Arrested during this time period were Karl Coleman (in connection with an outstanding warrant), Jonathan Stankatis (for Driving Under the Influence), Dakota Hann (for Possession of Drugs), Karen Du-rocher (in connection with an outstanding warrant), Jason Al-

leyne (in connection with an outstanding warrant), Jessica Pat-ten (in connection with an outstanding war-rant), Daniel Perrino (in connection with an outstanding war-rant), Bryttany Hart (in connection with an outstanding warrant), Stephanie Pierce (in connection with an

outstanding warrant), Eric Collins (for Pos-session of Drugs and Breach of Bail Condi-tions), Daniel Bain (in connection with an outstanding warrant), Brittany Kearney (for Driving After Suspension), and Erica Dear-born (in connection with an outstanding warrant).

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Local town clerks issue reminder to license dogs

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REGION — According to state law, April is the month when all dogs in New Hampshire must

be licensed and show proof of a current rabies vaccination, and town clerks throughout the state are urging pet own-

ers to be timely in their annual legal obligation to do so. Licensing is required by April 30 for all dogs

four-months-old or older and can be done at town hall offices in each community. Male dogs have a \$9 licensing fee,

although the cost is only \$6.50 if they have been neutered. Females are \$9, \$6.50 if spayed, and puppies up to the age of seven-months are \$6.50. Many towns also offer senior discounts of just \$2 for the first dog being licensed, and there are special “kennel rates” for those with multiple dogs.

Under New Hampshire RSA 466:13, anyone who fails to license their dog by June 1 may be charged with a fine of \$25, while additional late fees of \$1 per month can also be incurred.

“The really important thing is to remember to bring proof of a rabies vaccination when you stop in to license your dog. We can’t license them without one,” said Alexandria Town Clerk Fran Skiffington.

To help pet owners comply with the public safety factor of rabies vaccinations, special clinics are being held in the coming weeks with affordable rates.

The Tilton-Northfield Pet Expo, which offered annual vaccination clinics in the past, has been canceled this year, but both the Town of Danbury and the Hebron Fire Department will host a clinic for cats and dogs in their communities from 1-2 p.m. on

April 8. Micro-chipping will also be available in Hebron for an additional \$45 per pet. Then, on Tuesday, April 18, the Alexandria Fire Department has another clinic scheduled from 6-7 p.m.. Each of these clinics are open to the public with vaccination fees varying from \$10-15.

Finally, the New Hampshire Humane Society will hold a Spring rabies clinic at their shelter, on Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to noon. Cats will be seen from 9-10 a.m., and dogs from 10 a.m. until noon. Vaccines will be \$15 each (cash only) and micro-chipping services will also be available for an additional \$25. The Humane Society is located at 1305 Meredith Center Road in Laconia.

With proof of a prior rabies vaccination on hand at the time of the clinic, pets will receive a three-year vaccine at each of the locations listed. Without that certificate of proof, they will be offered a one-year booster vaccine.

Those who have lost or re-homed their canine companion in the past year are asked to contact their local town clerk as soon as possible to have their name removed from the list of current pet owners.

Sailing School announces partnership with local communities

REGION — It is an unfortunate fact that, in an area called “the Lakes Region,” many youngsters have little to no opportunity to enjoy our Lakes. The Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association, which has run a popular sailing camp since 1988, is working hard to address that reality by making it possible for local parks and recreation programs to add sailing to their after-school offerings.

Through this new partnership, students in Belmont, Gilford, Laconia, and Meredith may enroll through their local park and recreation departments in after-school classes that will

be taught by the sailing school’s certified instructors at their Sailing Center on Smith Cove in Gilford. Amy Tripp, the school’s executive director says “This will allow kids who would otherwise not have the opportunity, to experience the joy and challenge of sailing. In that spirit, we will work with the communities to provide financial assistance where needed.”

This program is open to students age 11 and older. It will run for five afternoons, from 4 to 7 p.m. on May 22, 24, 29, 31 and June 5. At the Dave Adams Memorial Sailing Center, 25 Davis Rd., in Gilford. Tuition will be

\$99 per student.

Al Posnack, a long-time volunteer with the program, emphasizes that this program is about a lot more than learning to operate sailboats.

“It’s about developing self-confidence, teamwork, problem-solving, concentration, and more,” Posnack says. “Sailing helps youngsters develop skills that will last them a lifetime.”

The Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association (LWSA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to promote and support participation in the sport of sailing. Scholarships are available to those who need financial assis-

tance, and inquiries may be directed in confidence your local recreation department. The school has a staff of nationally certified instructors, and a fleet of 38 sailboats. The LWSA receives community support in the form of monetary donations, donations of sailboats and motorboats, volunteer services and generous help from many local merchants.

Questions about this program may be directed to your town’s recreation department.

Laconia: www.cityoflaconia.nh.org, 524-5046

Gilford: www.gilford.nh.org, 527-4700

Belmont – www.belmont.nh.org, 267-1865

Sheriff Mike Moyer to address Belknap County Republicans

BELMONT — The Belknap County Republican Committee (BCRC) has announced that their next monthly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Top of the Town Restaurant, 88 Ladd Hill Rd. in Belmont.

This month’s guest speaker will be newly elected (November 2016) Belknap County Sheriff Mike Moyer. Sheriff Moyer will talk about his impressions of run-

ning the county Sheriff’s Department and his plans for the Department. Also, with the opioid crisis at the forefront of the news for the past year, Sheriff Moyer will provide an update on the steps being taken to stem this problem in Belknap County.

The Committee will also provide an update about this year’s Belknap County Cruise on the M/S Mount Washington on Lake Winnepesaukee scheduled for

Friday, June 2. And, as is usually done, the Belknap County House Delegation, State Senators, and County Commissioners will be asked to provide an update about the status of many bills and issues that are being addressed this term.

Belknap County GOP meetings are open to all Republicans and like-minded Independents. Per their usual meeting format, if you’re interested in having dinner (at your option) and/

or wish to socialize before the meeting, plan to arrive as early as 5 p.m.

The Committee thanks its members for their past food pantry donations and wishes to remind them to continue to bring non-perishable food items to the meeting.

For more information, please check the Committee’s Web site at www.BelknapCountyGOP.org or send an email to alan.glassman@gmail.com.

Nominations for Good Citizen Awards due Friday

BELMONT — Each spring, the Old Home Day Committee invites the public to nominate a graduating senior at Belmont High School as this year’s Belmont Good Citizen. The nominee must be a resident of the Town of Belmont and someone that displays good citizenship qualities through academic, civic, volunteer, and personal achievement.

Nominations must be received by Friday, April 7, and may be emailed to [\[mont.nh.org\]\(mailto:mont.nh.org\). The public is also invited to share in the successes of the nominated seniors at the Good Citizen Award Reception scheduled for Thursday, April 20 at 7 p.m., at the Corner Meeting House on Sargent Street in Belmont. If you have any questions, please call Greta Olson-Wilder at 998-3525 or use the enclosed email address. Thank you for taking the time to acknowledge the youth of our community.](mailto:events@bel-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

Road work resumes on Route 106 Project includes rehabilitation of three bridges

BELMONT — The New Hampshire Department of Transportation announces work is resuming on the rehabilitation of New Hampshire Route 106 in Belmont and Laconia, and a section of the Laconia Bypass.

Initial work will focus on the rehabilitation of two bridges, the NH 106 bridge over the Laconia Bypass and Laconia

Bypass bridge over NH Route 107.

Two-way traffic will be maintained by using lane shifts. Motorists will encounter travel lanes shifted with re-aligned striping, temporary concrete barrier, and traffic control barrels or cones. Message boards, flaggers, and uniformed officers will also be used periodically to assist motorists

through the work areas.


Due to the required shifting of lanes on the Laconia Bypass, the on-ramp traffic will now encounter a stop sign at the end of the ramp. This will provide ramp traffic the opportunity to more safely enter the Laconia Bypass within the shifted lane configuration.

This project includes pavement rehabilitation on five miles of NH

Route 106 in Belmont and Laconia, as well as 8/10’s of a mile on the Laconia Bypass, and the rehabilitation of three bridges.

Busby Construction, of Atkinson is the contractor for the \$7.2 million project, which has a final completion date of Oct. 27.

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WINNISQUAM ECHO

STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

BY LARRY SCOTT

Dr. Dell Tackett, in a DVD prepared for Focus on the Family, and lecturing on The American Dream, quoted much of what follows and made this observation:

“I am convinced that the people who founded this country ... the pilgrims, the puritans ... came with a comprehensive Biblical world view ... When we examine the American Experiment we are going to try to separate as best we can the principles they were trying to achieve, and I am convinced they tried to lay down Biblical principles in the formation of the country.”

Recorded in 2008, Dr. Tackett’s point of view has never been more true. In the 240 years of our history, much has changed. What began as a God-fearing, Bible-centered, Christian perspective that profoundly influenced our educational system and the writing of those great documents that made us a nation, we have now come to the point where God is no longer welcome in the classroom, the Bible is no longer read in public, and the moral deterioration of our national life is evident to anyone willing to look honestly at the evidence.

But it was not meant to be. I commend the National Education Association for taking a strong stand. “If the study of the Bible is to be excluded from all state schools; if the inculcation of the principles of Christ is to have no place in the daily program; if the worship of God is to form no part of the general exercises of these public elementary schools; then the good of the state would be better served by restoring all schools to church control.” That, of course, was 1892. How things have changed!

Charles Carroll, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, wrote a letter on Nov. 4, 1800 to James McHenry: “Without morals, a republic cannot subsist any length of time; they therefore who are decrying the Christian religion ... are undermining the solid foundation of morals, the best security for the duration of free governments.”

John Adams, the second President of the United States, wrote in June 21, 1776, as quoted in The Wall Builder Report, Summer 1993, “Statesmen, my dear Sir, may plan and speculate for liberty, but it is Religion and Morality alone, which can establish the Principles upon which Freedom can securely stand.”

And then there is this, from Patrick Henry, in a letter to Archibald Blair, dated Jan. 8, 1799: “The great pillars of all government and of social life [are] virtue, morality, and religion. This is the armor ... and this alone, that renders us invincible.”

The Christian community has been roundly criticized for calling America back to God but the absence, in almost every level of our society, of those Biblical principles that helped make us the great nation we have become indicate that we are in deep trouble. I love this country and I am proud to be an American, but I am not blind. I am convinced that we cannot continue to ignore God and the principles of sound moral living He has given us and survive as a nation. Sooner or later, we will have to pay the piper! America, it is time to wake up!

You want to talk about it? Hit me up at rlarryscott@gmail.com.

PET OF THE WEEK



It isn’t often that we actually know when a creature was born, but in the case of Frosty, we absolutely do. One of seven kittens born at the shelter to a little stray cat scooped off the

FROSTY

streets back in March of 2014. That winter was particularly brutal!

She flourished in foster care and was quickly adopted as a naughty rambunctious kitten.

She was returned in September 2016 now a rather portly, but stately adult in her prime.

Frosty is outgoing and very interested in what humans are doing. Opinionated, requiring many toys to keep her occupied, this gorgeous white and grey cat is unconcerned with the comings and goings at NH Humane Society. Promoted to Project Manager for our Catio installation, she has been regularly observed overseeing our builder, as walls, windows and doors were installed. Power equipment, sawing, and stonemasons wearing large boots worried her not one bit.

To help her slim down, she has a special area in the shelter dedicated just to her. A cat that craves companionship and the best seat in the house, that’s Frosty! Pop in and visit with her, we are quite sure her beauty and sparkling personality will surely win you over.

Check www.nhhumane.org for more details.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Time to move forward together

To the Editor:

As a community of Belknap County residents and taxpayers, the time has arrived, like spring, to begin the process of moving forward together with the conclusion of the Belknap County budget deliberations. The March 31 statutory deadline has come and gone. The sun continues to rise in the east and set in the west. Our beautiful sky has not fallen, and soon the spring buds on trees and other wonders of nature will shower us all with beauty. Democracy has clearly spoken.

As observers from a distance, the difference of opinions expressed between our fine State Representatives and the three Commissioners has reached a conclusion. From our understanding on media reporting, the spending for the 2017 approved delegation budget will be approximately \$ 1.4 million dollars higher than what was necessary and spent last year.

The three Commissioners have been given additional flexibility to be responsible stewards by increased management authority to transfer funds within cost centers. In addition, the three Commissioners continue to enjoy the added opportunity to petition the County Executive Committee for additional budget transfers for special cases . Seems like a win-win for all.

On the other hand, we are very saddened when we hear the following: “What we have here is a mess on our hands,” said Commissioner Hunter Taylor.

In addition, we hear, “This is a reckless budget,” said Commissioner Glen Waring. “We’ll reach judg-

ment day. One day that month of December, we’ll be in a crisis,” says Commission Chair Devoy.

How sad to have such a pessimistic and critical view going forward.

You have been elected to show leadership. Please take a deep breath and begin that process! For the Chairman to suggest that we may go ahead and do what we will do and cause a crisis in December is simply childish. As optimistic people, we do believe, you three commissioners can manage the budget going forward successfully. Further, we would hope, you will begin listening to the taxpayer, and start the long over due process of cooperating with the county delegation.

Recently, we can across an interesting publication written by Mr. Michael Knowles, who holds a B.A. degree from Yale University. This publication is advertised as a comprehensive guide entitled “Reasons To Vote For Democrats.” Commissioners please considering reading this novel to see how it mirrors your present leadership styles.

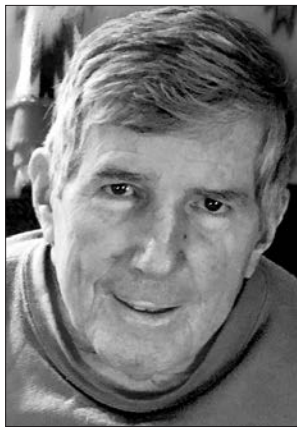
Finally, thank you, to all the fine State Representatives who have donated many hours of time to do what is right for the Belknap County as a whole. Ladies and gentlemen hats off to you.

God bless you all for your generous efforts!

*Brian Gallagher
Sanbornton
George Hurt
Gilford*

North Country Notebook

Water is slowly losing its grip, but just doesn’t want to let go



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Water has a long journey to make when it falls on my hill as either rain or snow. In

the warm months, when the ground is often saturated and there is no more room, it seems as though every new drop can’t wait to begin the journey to Long Island Sound, 400 miles or so by main river stem but much longer than that, upwards of 500 miles (but who knows, really?) when taking in widely diverging and meandering tributaries.

Winter’s water seems reluctant to leave when the first little signs of snowmelt appear in early spring. There is a magnetic quality to wa-



JOHN HARRIGAN

The frozen drops of rain locked in the porch roof’s mini-glacier make a stubborn downward turn to the rear. resisting their trip to the sea.


ter anyway, each little drop somehow attracted to another, the sort of bonding that can make a mini-glacier on a roof hang on like an upside down nutnatch.

Metal roofs are nice because the snow eventually just slides off, but flatter roofs sometimes accumulate mini-snowfields that await warmer days for a little subsurface lubrication, like glaciers. For days now I’ve been watching one of these snowfields that has begun its creep down the front porch roof, each afternoon’s sunlight urging it southward toward

the sea, its bonding holding it together.

So there it clings, creeping and sliding down a bit every afternoon and then freezing again only to repeat the move the next day, gravity tugging away and the sun adding its muscle to the job, but winter’s water holding on, the struggle between gravity and tenacity evinced by the growing curl over and under the eve.

Eventually it will crash down, my only concern then being that the dog isn’t somehow, just then, exactly right SEE **NOTEBOOK**, PAGE A5



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Home value today ain't cheap!



BY RANDY HILMAN

It's now happening in the Lakes Region. Finding quality homes under \$300,000 is getting harder and harder as more buyers seek fewer homes coming to market.

As a result, agents are counseling their sellers

to inch prices up and hold on firmly. While it's difficult to know precisely where prices are headed, there is little doubt today that the Lakes Region real estate market is moving toward higher prices.

So, what's a buyer to do? Today they must base their home investments on wants, needs and budgets, not discounts. FYI: The market bottom is behind us. Momentum has shifted. Indecision keeps home shoppers in the loss column for now.

Committed buyers have begun to feel the urgency that accompanies a market shift and

it's motivating them. Let's face it; if you're still trying to grind on sellers to beat market prices, it's likely you're no longer a player in our local housing market.

So remember: If the house fits; if you can afford it; if needed repairs are modest; and, if your REALTOR® agent suggests its priced right, pull the trigger. The only perfect home is the one to which you failed to commit. It will get worse before it gets better.

Employment and wages are up in New Hampshire, fuel prices remain relatively low and interest rates on mortgage loans contin-

ue to be quoted in the 4 percent range for qualified borrowers. Coupled with these economic conditions is the fact that new listings to market are not keeping pace with demand. When too many buyers chase too few homes, prices rise. It's "the economy, stupid."

So, let's return to the fundamentals. If you've made the decision to purchase a home and taken steps to learn how you will pay for it, focus on your wants and needs. What's the best fit for you and your family?

Remember, I said the perfect home is the one you didn't get. Today, affordability, acceptable features, location and condition define good buys. Decide on homes that best meet your requirements overall. The closer you get to a home that mostly meets the criteria offered here, the more "perfect" your good buy will be.

Price – Price is key in any market but today it means finding not the lowest price, but the price you can comfortably afford for the home you want. Once you determine with a loan originator's help what your financing level is, your home search will become a littler easier. Hopefully, one will stand out among the rest.

Features – You want home features that

will accommodate the size of your current or planned household and be of benefit to your life activities.

Think of daily living from morning to bedtime and how your next home can make all activities more pleasant or convenient. Create "must-have" and "would-like" lists. Be decisive. It's unlikely you will find everything you want but lists will help you look at homes more objectively.

Location – From an investment perspective, it's better to buy a lesser house in a high demand location than the other way around. In all scenarios, home purchases reflect a mix of price, features, location, condition, amenities and conveniences.

Look to "B" neighborhoods when "A" neighborhoods cannot meet your needs affordably. Older homes are not necessarily inferior. They can offer "more bang for the buck", especially if they've been well maintained. Strive to buy "up," never "down," when you can afford better.

Condition – Condition refers to state of repair. Do compromise but don't buy junk unless you relish "fixer-uppers" and have certain access to funds.

Unanticipated capital replacements such as roofs, windows,

sewage systems and wells can hurt you financially. Assess as part of your due diligence the condition of these big ticket items and the impact of replacement on your financial position.

Each situation is different, of course, but I generally recommend opting for "curb appeal," reasonably acceptable updates and obvious good maintenance, which typically extends the useful life of older equipment and appliances.

Call me to help you buy smart. I can put you in touch with qualified loan originators and guide you through the home buying process. If your planning to sell, you can hire a full-service REALTOR® pro for as little as 1.5 percent. Ask me how.

Meanwhile, thank you for reading The Winnepesaukee Talkie.

The Winnepesaukee Talkie is a real estate feature column produced by Randy Hilman, an award-winning former business journalist for The Tennessean, a Gannett daily newspaper located in Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Hilman today is an associate broker at Keller Williams Lakes & Mountains Realty, Wolfeboro. He can be reached at 569-4663 or by email at rhilman@randyhilman-homes.com.

MARK ON THE MARKETS

Have enough?



BY MARK PATTERSON

Almost 100 percent of new clients that walk into my office to discuss their retirement plan have two beliefs that are consistent. First they believe that they do not have enough money to retire and second is that they believe the amount of money that would allow for a comfortable retirement is predetermined by the "experts" on the radio, TV or magazines, and that number is more than have accumulated. Another common perception is that the tax rate will be lower once the client reaches retirement age. This may be true or it may not be true. There is no way to know tax policy and rates in the future.

Some clients want to work well beyond traditional retirement years however some clients want to retire early by today's standards.

Instead of focusing on total assets needed to retire let's back in to what income you will need to sustain the lifestyle that you want. We must also account for the fact that the money that you are saving for retirement now will not be included in your retirement budget. The key is to convert your retirement assets into income producing vehicles that are sustainable, steady but have the potential to grow.

It sounds like a tall order and it is. This plan depends on the amount of income that we have to derive from the client's assets. We must also look at Social Security benefits that typically play a big part in the client's retirement income. Congress has done away with some previous filing strategies but it still makes sense to look at varying scenarios regarding when you the client starts receiving benefits.

The content of many 401(k), 403B, IRA or really any other qualified plans typically consist of mutual funds that have been used for accumulation of assets. These funds, in my opinion are not efficient means of deriving income once retired.

A common yet dated strategy has been to take

4 percent of your assets for income. Many years ago when you could get a CD with a 5 percent return, that might have been viable. In today's world, CD rates are substantially lower, so to get your 4 percent, you must place your assets at market or credit risk.

There are ways to mitigate these risks using investment-grade quality corporate bonds and possibly an "A" rated fixed indexed annuity with good income riders to provide a sustainable, steady income. Once you have met your income goals, we are able to invest the rest of the assets for growth. Because we have the income portion set, we are not overly concerned with market or sequence of returns risk that would put your income in danger.

It can be very beneficial to plan sooner than later. The first step in this process is to figure out a realistic budget and income needs come retirement. A good financial planner that has expertise in planning for retirement income and asset management is a great place to start.

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there, at that particular moment in time, as dogs so often seem to be.

The snow is then back on the ground, becoming water again as it finds a way to join one of the Connecticut River's tens of thousands of tiny, almost miniscule tributaries. Several of those tiny tentacles are at work in the back barnyard and the swamp beyond, doing their little part to contribute to the river's eventual mighty roar.

As the early weeks of spring slip by, the bond of water indulges in a few half-hearted goodbyes and then dissipates with a rush, and suddenly built-up snow and ice are all too ready to part company as warmth and the tug of gravity rend all bonds asunder.


No longer does water cling to its tenuous perches high above the level of the sea. It is in a hurry to get free and

be gone, without even a wave or a goodbye or a "See you next year," which it inevitably will.

(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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FRANKLIN — Mrs. Gilberte “Jill” M.J. Pouliot, 97, of Franklin, died at Mtn. Ridge Healthcare on March 26, 2017.

She was born in Shawinigan, PQ on July 17, 1919, the daughter of William and Ida (Prince) Beaupre. Jill moved with her family



to Franklin as a young child where she attended

local schools. She formerly worked at Tilton Dress Shop and with the school lunch program at Hancock School, and later St. Mary School.

For several years, she was Supervisor of the Checklist for Ward 2, a Brownie and Cub Scout Leader, and member of the former Court An-

nie Nesmith of Catholic Daughter s of America.

She was a member of St. Gabriel Parish and active at the T.R.I.P. Center where she was Exercise Leader.

Jill was an avid knitter, quilter, and seamstress. She enjoyed many crafts including knitting hats for infants

at Dartmouth Hospital.

Jill was predeceased by her husband of 63 years, Leopold “Paul” C. Pouliot, who died in 2005.

Family members include her children, Pauline LaPlante of Franklin, Richard Pouliot of Virginia Beach, Va., Linda Daniels of Tilton, Brenda Froton of Alenstown, and Gerard Pouliot of Chichester; 10 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours were held on Thursday, March 30, 2018 at Thi-

bault-Neun Funeral Home, 143 Franklin St., Franklin, from 4-7 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday, March 31, 2017 at 11 a.m. in St. Paul Church. Spring burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Donations in memory of Mrs. Pouliot may be made to St. Gabriel Parish, PO Box 490, Franklin, NH 03235, or the TRIP Center, PO Box 182, Franklin, NH 03235.

For directions and an online guestbook, please visit www.neunfuneral-homes.com.

NORTHFIELD — Linda Ann Boucher, 61, of Northfield, formerly of Hillsborough, died at Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen on April 1, 2017.

She was born in Nashua on April 12, 1955, the daughter of Edward and Simonne (Dube)

Boucher. Linda was raised in Nashua and resided in Hillsborough for several years; she moved to Northfield in 2011.

Linda attended Mt. Hope School in Nashua. She was employed by Monadnock Developmental

Services, and worked at Criscenti’s in Hillsbor-

Linda Ann Boucher, 61



ough and the Monadnock Paper Mill, among other places. She volunteered at the Peterborough Food Pantry and competed in the Special Olympics.

Linda enjoyed miniature golf, crafting, and music; she loved to sing and dance. Linda loved

celebrations, especially dressing up in seasonal sweaters with bright jewelry. One of her favorite hobbies was cutting out dessert recipes and gifting them to family members along with brightly finished coloring book pages.

Her father, Edward, died in 2007, and her mother, Simonne died last year. Family members include her brothers and their wives (James and Darlene Boucher of Northfield, and Peter and Stephanie Boucher of Kingfield, Maine) and several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will

be held Sunday, April 9 from 2-4 p.m. at Paquette-Neun Funeral Home, 104 Park St., Northfield. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, April 10 at 10 a.m. in St. Mary of The Assumption Church, Chestnut St., Tilton. Burial will be in St. Patrick Cemetery in Hudson on Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Donations in memory of Linda may be made to New Hampshire Special Olympics, 650 Elm St., #200, Manchester, NH 03101.

For directions and an online guestbook, please visit www.neunfuneral-homes.com.

Belmont PD searching for missing construction equipment

BELMONT — The Belmont Police Department is looking for an \$89,000 piece of construction equipment that went missing from an address on State Route 140 in Belmont.

The owner of the equipment reported the theft to police after a mechanic sent to conduct an onsite maintenance on it could not locate the equipment at the Belmont worksite.

It is a common practice for contractors to preposition heavy equipment in advance of the start of the next project to limit transportation costs associated with getting equipment from site to site.

The stolen piece of equipment is a Volvo Excavator Model #EC 140 CL, color black and yellow. The key was not with the unit. (Picture attached)

This Volvo is a thirty five thousand pound piece of equipment and



COURTESY

The Belmont Police Department is looking for an \$89,000 piece of construction equipment that went missing from an address on State Route 140 in Belmont.

not something that was just driven away. The theft of this item would have required a heavy duty truck with a large trailer bed. This activity would have attracted attention as the truck and trailer would have taken

up a large portion of the travel lane.

We are asking that anyone who may have been on the section of Route 140 in Belmont, near the Belmont Elementary School and who saw an excavator being

loaded sometime in the last 48 hours to please call Officer Evan Boulanger at the Belmont Police at 267-8350.

Any information you have may help us recover this valuable piece of equipment.

Belknap House benefit dinner at Fratello’s a success

LACONIA — Belknap House, the seasonal homeless shelter for families in Belknap County, participated in Fratello’s “50/50 Dinner” program this month. Supporters who dined, had 50 percent of their meal generously donated to Belknap House.

Fratello’s not only hosted one such benefit dinner for Belknap House on Feb. 12, but

General Manager Brett Marquis graciously extended the fundraiser to include the following Sunday, Feb. 19, due to the heavy snow storm that prevented some supporters from participating on the first night.

The 50/50 Dinner was one of the most successful “Dining for Dollars” events that Belknap House has organized, raising a grand total of \$1,146.67 over the course

of the two evenings. Belknap House wishes to sincerely thank all our supporters who participated in this event and came out (many in the snow) to support Belknap House.

A huge thank you also to Fratello’s Italian Grille in Laconia, GM Brett Marquis, Kitchen Manager Mike Portigue, and manager Dale Rivillas for making this benefit dinner

so successful.

Located on Court Street in Laconia, Belknap House will serve as the cold-weather shelter in Belknap County for homeless families with children. The facility has a capacity for 19 individuals and will function as a hostel during the summer months. A 2017 opening is planned. Please visit our Web page at www.belknap-house.org.

Praise Assembly of God to host Passover Seder

TILTON — Praise Assembly of God in Tilton is holding a Passover Seder Supper on Thursday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m.

A Christian Seder Supper teaches the his-

tory and symbolism of the Passover and how it compares to the Lord’s Last Supper. Everyone is invited but are strongly encouraged to RSVP to the church office at 286-

3007. The church must have an accurate head count in order to prepare the proper amount of food. The supper is free and will have lamb and vegetables plus all

the foods that represent the Passover.

The church is located at 180 School St., Tilton. Please call the church office for any questions.

Wags, Whiskers & Wine benefit for the NH Humane Society

LACONIA — Join the New Hampshire Humane Society on Saturday, April 15 from 5-8 p.m. on the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee at the Margate Resort for Wags, Whiskers & Wine

– a new food and beverage sampling event featuring some of our favorite local restaurants, wineries, breweries and distillers. Attendees will also enjoy the stylings of the Tom Robinson Trio,

and a chance to bid at our bountiful silent auction, including: a trip for two to New York City to catch the debut of a new rock musical; tickets to Four Voices at Meadowbrook on June 16, with

VIP parking; a beautiful Denny Wong dolphin pendant donated by Sawyer’s Jewelry, and; a selection of NH adventures and getaways, and once-in-a-lifetime experience SEE HUMANE, PAGE A15

Get outdoors with Prescott Farm this spring!

LACONIA — Spring is here and Prescott Farm has lots to offer those looking to get outdoors and enjoy the natural beauty around us!

Unplug, relax, and connect with nature!

Prescott Farm is designated as an official NH Wildlife Viewing area with 160 acres of conservation lands open to the public year-round. Visitors can play in our Natural Playscape, learn about native plant and wildlife species, and explore at their own pace in our heritage gardens and along more than three miles of woodland, pond and field trails with views of Lake Winnepesaukee and the Belknap Mountains.

Our Education Center has binoculars and some great “Explorer” Backpacks that can be borrowed and taken out on the property. The three we have currently have to use are for Farm & Garden, Pond and Birds & Animals exploration. Each bag includes games, guides and other materials that go along with that particular themed pack. These are great for families with little ones that want to come to the Farm and make a day of it. We also encourage those visiting to pack a lunch, as we have many beautiful spots along the property with views of the Belknap Mountains and Lake Winnepesaukee to enjoy a nice meal with family and friends.

Escape outside with a naturalist-led program at Prescott Farm today!

Prescott Farm is committed to creating opportunities to connect with the natural world. “Every month Prescott Farm offers programs that encourage people of all ages to get outdoors and connect with nature”, stated Kimberly Drouin, Marketing Director at Prescott Farm. Here are just a few of our upcoming naturalist-led

programs you can look forward to at Prescott Farm:

We Can Do It: Starting Seeds (April 8) – these programs are designed specifically for kids ages 7+ and a parent or grandparent to participate in together

Barn Preservation Workshop Series 1 of 3: Assessing Old Barns: Setting a Game Plan for Repairs (April 15) – in partnership with New Hampshire Preservation Alliance

Wild Foods of Spring (April 22) – for Adults and older children

The Magnificent Big Trees of Prescott Farm (April 22) – for Adults and older children

WildQuest Spring Camp (April 24-28) – for children ages 6-12

WildQuest Summer Camp (June 26 – Aug. 25) – for children 4-15 *Early Bird rates end April 30.*

Polliwog Pre-K Programs (Wednesdays, May 3-June 7) – for children ages 3-5

Herbal Pathfinder Series: 6 classes/once a month (Saturdays, May 13-Oct. 7) – for Adults and older children

Prescott Farm is a nonprofit organization dedicated to environmental education and preservation. We provide year-round environmental education programs for all ages and a place in the Lakes Region community that encourages curiosity, discovery, fun and connection to the natural world.

Give yourself the opportunity to be part of nature and all it has to offer by visiting our property or participating in one of our upcoming programs! For more information please visit our website at www.prescottfarm.org. Pre-registration is available for all our programs and can be made online via our website or by calling us at 366-5695. Also, you can find us on Facebook.

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Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious! Streetcar brings “Mary Poppins” to the stage!

MEREDITH — “Mary Poppins, The Musical” will be presented by The Streetcar Company at the Meredith Inter-Lakes Auditorium April 28 through the 30th.

The immensely popular story by P.L Travers of the practically perfect nanny has delighted audiences for decades.

Starting as a series of children’s books, first published in 1934, the story then evolved into the beloved Disney film musical starring Julie Andrews and Dick Van Dyke in 1964 and eventually into a Broadway musical in 2006, where it ran for seven years.

It’s quite the undertaking for Streetcar,

involving more than 30 members in the cast and crew, challenging sets, and iconic costumes not to mention hiring the “most prolific and widely-respected theatrical flying service in the world,” Flying by Foy who will come in during tech week to instruct and enable the tech crew to handle the intricacies

of flying Mary and a few others in the cast across the Meredith stage.

After its release to community theaters over a year ago, director J Alward and the board of directors decided they would apply for the rights and look forward to presenting the musical.

“We want to present a

high caliber musical presentation to the audiences” said Alward. “The musical is more character driven than the film so beside Mary and Bert, you get to know who Mr.& Mrs. Banks really are and why they behave as they do, you get to see Jane and Michael grow up and evolve.”

Flying high as Mary will be Kelli Powers. A flight attendant for American Airlines, Powers says she is “over the moon excited” to be portraying this classic character. She has been involved with theatre and dance since high school, and has been seen in several St. Car shows, including as Fantine in Les Miz a few years ago, but this one is special as her nephew is playing Michael and her niece is in the chorus making it a real “family affair.”

Chris Fernadez, as Bert, is “beyond excited.” He says it’s a daunting challenge to be taking on the Dick Van Dyke role, but he hopes to make his Bert someone people will enjoy. The physically challenging role includes a lot of tap dancing, something Chris says he’s learning and enjoying more and more. A landscaper from Laconia, Chris has enjoyed theatre since middle school but took a long break from acting before joining Street Car and appearing in several plays and musicals over the last few years.

Isabella Cottrell, of Gilmanton, is a fifth grader who is homeschooled. She is playing Jane Banks. With numerous plays and musicals under her belt. She is happy that all the hard work she put into preparing for her audition as Jane worked out. She

is looking forward most to the singing and dancing in the show. Jesse Powers, of Gilford, is a sixth grader at Gilford Middle School. He is playing Michael Banks. Jesse says he also looks forward to the singing and dancing plus acting bratty. He has been dancing for 8 years and enjoys playing the piano as well.

Other cast members include Rodney Martell and Meredith Imbimbo as Mr. & Mrs. Banks, Mark Lambert, Scott Alward, Lena Luongo, Frank Stetson. Also Riley Alward, Hillary Ayers, Willow Farley, Peter Ayer, David Nelson, Karen Jordan, Patte Sarausky, Erin Lovett Sherman, Kathryn Osburn, Riley Powers, Emily Getchell-Lacey. As well as Carter Fredette, Grace Southworth, Carlee Farwell, Emma Tierno, Olivia Mills, Rhonda Perry, Jacqueline Nash, Gabby Leclerc, Kimmi Adjutant, Mike Manning, Stella Bamford, Maia Heller, Myles Belove, and Lillian Tierno.

With the added expense required to produce the show, the company has plans to launch a go-fund-me page and anyone wishing to donate toward the project is invited to go the company website at www.streetcarcompany.com or follow them at The Streetcar Company on Facebook.

Technical and backstage help is still needed and anyone interested is asked to contact the producer, Raelyn Cottrell at angels1@metrocast.net.

The Streetcar Company is a 501c3 not for profit group celebrating its 45th year of providing community theatre to patrons of the Lakes Region.

Big screen treatment of “Our Town” is this weekend’s After Dark feature on LRPA

LACONIA — Join Lakes Region Public Access Television at 10:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday night (April 7 & 8) for our “LRPA After Dark” presentation of 1940’s film adaptation of Thornton Wilder’s beloved play “Our Town,” starring William Holden, Martha Scott and Frank Craven.

Set in the fictional town of Grover’s Corners, New Hampshire, “Our Town” uses a narrator (Mr. Morgan, played by Frank Craven) to introduce us to the people living in this small New England town. Life has not changed much here throughout the years: people are born and grow up, fall in love, marry, raise families and die. In that way, Grover’s Corners is like any other place in the world. We meet Dr. and Mrs. Gibbs (Thomas Mitchell and Fay Bainter), who live next door to their friends Mr. and Mrs. Webb (Guy Kibbee and Beulah Bondi). Their oldest children, George Gibbs (Holden) and Emily Webb (Scott), fall in love and marry. Through the magic of the narrator, the viewer is able to examine the characters’ most intimate thoughts, fears, hopes and regrets. Will George and Emily live happily ever after?

Thornton Wilder was awarded the 1938 Pulitzer Prize in Drama for “Our Town,” and often called it the favorite of his works. The play debuted to rave reviews on Broadway that same year, featuring both Craven and Scott debuting the very roles that they would play in this film two years later. Both critics and moviegoers had much praise for the movie “Our Town,” which went on to receive

six Academy Award nominations: Best Picture, Best Actress (Scott). Best B&W Art Direction, Best Original Score (written by Aaron Copeland) and Best Sound Recording. Bosley Crowther of the New York Times lavished the film with praise -- something he rarely did -- stating “We hesitate to employ superlatives, but of ‘Our Town’ the least we can say is that it captures on film the simple beauties and truths of humble folks as very few pictures ever do: it is rich and ennobling in its plain philosophy -- and it gives one a passionate desire to enjoy the fullness of life even in these good old days of today.” What else do you need to know? Grab your popcorn and meet us after dark for this simple, dramatic and stunning film adaptation of this most beautiful and tender story.

Camerata New England Piano Trio in April 9 Taylor Community concert

LACONIA — The 2017 Taylor Concert Series continues with Camerata New England Piano Trio, featuring Violinist Omar Chen Güey, Cellist Linda Galvan and Pianist Evelyn Zukerman. Music will include selections by Mozart and Rachmaninoff. The event is Sunday, April 9 at 3 p.m. in Taylor Community’s Woodside Building and is free and open to the public.

Güey, a native Brazilian, has performed internationally as a soloist with orchestras, in recitals and chamber music concerts throughout the world. He holds a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Stony Brook University, a master’s degree from Julliard and a bachelor’s degree from

the Manhattan School of Music.

Galvan holds a Bachelor Musical Performance degree and Performer’s Certificate from the Eastman School of Music and was a two-time Fulbright Scholar, studying with Maurice Gendron in Germany. She’s been on the faculty of the University of Victoria (British Columbia); performed with the St. Louis Symphony and is well-known as a private cello teacher.

Zukerman began her piano studies at the age of 3 and by 6 was giving public performances in New York City. A graduate of the Julliard School with bachelor’s and master’s degrees in piano. She has taught at Tuft’s University and the New

England Conservatory of Music. Currently she is teaching piano, coaching chamber music and performing regularly in the Upper Valley.

Camerata New England performs in chamber groups of different sizes to offer communities in and around New England access to professional, live musical experiences of the highest quality.

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Taylor Community to host musical performance by Dr. Kevin Ayesh, April 19

LACONIA — Pianist Kevin Ayesh has performed concerts and presented master classes throughout the U.S.

as well as Canada, Germany and Hong Kong. He brings his talents to Taylor Community’s Woodside Building Wednesday, April 19 at 6 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Dr. Ayesh has been the head of the Music Department at Blue Ridge Community College – an all-Steinway School – in Flat Rock, N.C., since 1992. As a North Carolina Vis-

iting Artist for four years, he appeared before thousands across that state, performing as many as 50 recitals in a season.

Doctor Ayesh is the recipient of several accolades, including the Naftzger Piano Award; Baltimore Music Club Award; and winner of both the JCC Baltimore Piano Competition and Maryland State Music Teacher’s Elizabeth R.

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Luther “Guitar Junior” Johnson is one of the premier blues artists to emerge from Chicago’s music scene. Hail-

ing from Itta Bena, Miss., Johnson arrived in Chicago in the mid-fifties a young man. At around the same time, the West Side guitar style, a way of playing alternating stinging single-note leads with powerful distorted chords, was being created mostly by Magic Sam and Otis Rush. This style grew into an important contribution to modern blues and rock, influencing such notables as Eric Clapton and Mark Knopfler. Johnson



Luther “Guitar Junior” Johnson


served a long sideman apprenticeship with both Magic Sam and Muddy Waters, while develop-



Ryan Ordway and his band

ing into a strong performer in his own right. Today, Luther is widely considered the foremost proponent of the West Side guitar style and the heir apparent to the late Magic Sam’s West Side

throne. Doors open at 7pm and we are a BYO Venue. For reservations, call 527-0043. Saturday, April 8, 8 p.m., \$15: Ryan Ordway SEE PITMANS, PAGE A15



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Our ultimate goal in implementing this new system is to make your experience with LRGHealthcare even better. We appreciate your support and willingness to partner with us as we get ready, set and go-live with this new innovative computer system.

If you have any questions, please talk with your healthcare provider or any member of your healthcare team.

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Genesis Behavioral Health to move to downtown Laconia Location

LACONIA – Genesis Behavioral Health recently closed a deal with LRGHealthcare to purchase the HealthLink building located at 575 Main St. in Laconia. With the purchase of the property, the new building will allow Genesis Behavioral Health to combine four of their Laconia campus sites which include the two clinical offices currently located at 111 Church St. and 771 North Main St. All LRGHealthcare employees who occupied the HealthLink building have moved to other LRGHealthcare properties. “We are pleased to be part of Genesis Behavioral Health’s solution

to finding a new home in Laconia,” states Kevin W. Donovan, LRGHealthcare President and CEO. “It is nice to know that not only will this historical building be revitalized, but it will continue to house an important community service.” Genesis Behavioral Health and LRGHealthcare are partners in meeting the specialty care needs of mental health patients in the communities they serve. New Hampshire is challenged by limited availability of resources for people with mental illness and this is another example of how Genesis Behavioral Health and

LRGHealthcare continue to explore opportunities that improve access to care. “This building gives us an opportunity to demonstrate to our staff, our patients and the community the significance that mental health treatment has in all our lives,” said Maggie Pritchard, Executive Director of Genesis Behavioral Health. “We have been fortunate to work with LRGHealthcare, Conneston Construction, and Samyn-D’Elia Architects to support us and help us see this dream become a reality.” Genesis Behavioral Health is working with



COURTESY
Leaders of Genesis Behavioral Health and LRGHealthcare together at the closing of the HealthLink building sale. Pictured left to right: Sunshine Fisk, Genesis Behavioral Health CFO; Maggie Pritchard, Genesis Behavioral Health CEO; Regina A. Nadeau, Esq., Attorney at Normandin, Cheney & O’Neil, PLLC; Kevin W. Donovan, LRGHealthcare President and CEO; Mitchell Jean, Esq., LRGHealthcare General Counsel.

Genesis, Navigating Recovery team up for Veterans Law Clinic

LACONIA — Genesis Behavioral Health and Navigating Recovery of the Lakes Region will be sponsoring a Veterans Law Clinic on Friday, April 14. The clinic will be held in the offices of Navigating Recovery of the Lakes Region, located at 635 Main St., Suite 303 (Third Floor via elevator), Laconia. The Clinic will run from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. The clinic will feature assistance from both the Division of Child Support Services and Attorney Larry Vogelmann. These services are provided at no cost to the veteran or their family. Representatives from the Division of Child Support Services (DCSS) will be present to answer

questions and assist veterans with their child support needs. DCSS has recently established the Child Support Outreach to Military Families task force in an effort to strengthen and rebuild military members’ and veterans’ relationships with their families. Services offered by DCSS include: locating individuals, establishing paternity, obtaining and enforcing support orders, and reviewing and adjusting support orders, if at least three years have passed since the date of the most recent order or last review, or there has been a substantial change in circumstances. The DCSS team looks forward to meeting with veterans at this event on

April 14. Larry Vogelmann is a partner with Nixon, Vogelmann, Barry, Slawsky, Simoneau and a founder of the Veterans Law Project-Legal Boots on the Ground. He can provide consultation in the areas of criminal law, civil rights, personal injury and employment. Vogelmann’s main focus will be to support the veterans who are coming in to see the Division of Child Support Services. Appointments are preferred for this event and DCSS will set up meetings every 30 minutes starting at 11 a.m., with the last appointment starting at 4 p.m. Attorney Vogelmann will be available for consultation if necessary. We are already soliciting referrals from the VA’s Veterans Justice Outreach program and from Easterseals NH. Other veterans who are interested in attending this program should contact Ed Drury, the Military Liaison at Genesis, PAGE A15

Samyn-D’Elia Architects, P.A. of Ashland, REI Service Corporation of Manchester and Conneston Construction, Inc. of Laconia. The renovation of the facility will provide for a much more energy-efficient operation with improved access to clinical services. The reconstruction of the building’s interior is scheduled to begin in May, and Genesis hopes to be occupying the building as early as December.

“Patients should feel respected and well cared for with our evidence based services and well trained staff,” said Pritchard. “The building will be transformed to reflect those sentiments.”

Affordable health screenings coming to Meredith

MEREDITH — Residents living in and around the Meredith can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Church Landing at Mill Falls will host this community event on May 1. The site is located at 281 Daniel Webster Highway in Meredith. Screenings can check for: The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health. HDL and LDL Cholesterol levels

Diabetes risk Bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis Kidney and thyroid function, and more Screenings are affordable, convenient and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Free parking is also available.

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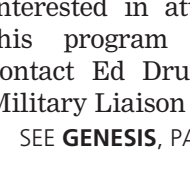


Peabody Home says goodbye to long time employee Jean Burley after 44 years of service

Pictured, left to right, are Peabody Home’s Activity Director, Angela Mundy, Retiree Jean Burley, and Executive Director of Peabody Home, Meg Miller. Jean Burley retires from Peabody Home this month, at the young age of 82! Burley, a longtime resident of Franklin, graduated from Franklin High School class of 1952, and then attended Margaret’s New Hampshire School of Beauty in Concord. She began her employment at Peabody Home in 1973 as a Laundress and Hairdresser. After 44 years of service, the staff and residents were sad to see her go. She does plan on coming back as a volunteer this spring.



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Gracie Cilley named Chair of the Board for the BelknapEDC

LACONIA — Gracie Cilley, Vice President, Commercial Loan Officer for Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVSb) was recently elected Chair of the Board of Directors for the BelknapEDC in March. In this role, Cilley will lead BelknapEDC in the revitalization efforts of the Colonial Theatre in downtown Laconia, and oversee its continued progress in local economic development, job creation, small business lending and opportunities for career development and student internships within the Lakes Region.

Cilley has served on the BelknapEDC Board since 2015, and was elected Board Secretary in March 2016. Prior to

her involvement on the Board, she had long partnered with BelknapEDC to provide financing for several of MVSb’s commercial customers, many of whom have taken advantage of the organization’s supportive services for small business. She also worked with the BelknapEDC in 1996 as a Revolving Fund Manager.

“I continue to champion on the need for economic development in our community and enjoy the lending partnership I’ve shared with BelknapEDC over the years,” said Cilley. “It has also been hugely rewarding to work with them on revitalizing the Colonial Theatre. It’s exciting to imagine what’s in store for Laconia and sur-

rounding towns, once the project is completed. I look forward to seeing all the progress unfold as the new Board Chair.”

MVSb announced its commitment to a \$350,000 donation to BelknapEDC for the Colonial Theater Redevelopment Project last fall. The Bank’s investment is a significant contribution to the renovation of the Colonial Theatre and its transformation into a civic auditorium, which represents a major investment in both the theater’s and Laconia’s revitalization.

“It’s been my privilege to have known and worked alongside Gracie and MVSb for the last 3 years, and it’s exciting to have her as the first woman Chair to lead

our organization,” said Justin Slattery, Executive Director for BelknapEDC. “The Bank has provided us with endless support, and several of its employees have served as incorporators, loan review committee members, board members and officers for the 25 years since we began. I continue to be grateful for Gracie and the incredible generosity of MVSb.”

BelknapEDC was founded in 1992 with the mission of promoting economic vitality in Belknap County and the Greater Lakes Region. One of ten non-profit regional development corporations in New Hampshire, BelknapEDC aims to attract and retain young talent, support



Gracie Cilley, MVSb Vice President and Commercial Loan Officer Elected Chair of the Board for BelknapEDC.

Bank of New Hampshire presents Lakes Region Art Association’s 2017 Art Shows

LACONIA — Do you have an appreciation for art? Join the Lakes Region Art Association at their new location in the Tanger Outlets for the 2017 art show series presented by Bank of New Hampshire. Each show will have a different theme to be enjoyed by all.

“Because of the generous support from Bank of New Hampshire, the Association is able to present five art show in 2017 which highlight original works of art by Lakes Region artists,” stated BJ Eckardt, Co-chair of the 2017 LRAA Show Committee. “These funds help cover the expenses associated with putting on an art show and keeping artists entry fees at a reasonable rate.”

The next show, “Eye of the Beholder,” can be enjoyed Friday, April 14 through Monday, May 15. The Lakes Region Art Association is teaming up with the Lakes Region Camera Club to present this show. Photographers from the Camera Club offer up a limited number of photos from which the artists from the Art Association will use as inspiration to create works of art. At the show, the photographs and the newly created works of art will be displayed side-by-side.



Left to right: Vynnie Hale, Art Shows Co-Chair for LRAA; Jean Kennedy, President of LRAA; BJ Eckardt, Art Shows Co-Chair for LRAA; Dona Murray, VP – Investment Officer for Bank of New Hampshire.

played side-by-side. “The Lakes Region Art Association is a vehicle to enhance ability and to further the appreciation of art in the Lakes Region,” stated Donna Murray, Vice President – Investment Officer for Bank of New Hampshire. “Bank of New Hampshire is a proud supporter of the Lakes Region Art Association and the entire

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For more information on the Lakes Region Art Association, visit www.lraanh.org.

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Things to consider before choosing a summer camp

Though February does not often elicit images of youngsters building campfires or playing games in the pool, the month more synonymous with the Super Bowl and Valentine's Day is a great time for parents to start thinking about summer camps for their kids.

Summer camp is often something kids look forward to, and something they will fondly recall long after they reach adulthood. For many kids, summer camp provides a first taste of independence, as youngsters spend significant time away from home without their parents for the first time in their lives. But as great an experience as summer camp can be for youngsters, it can be just as difficult an experience if parents don't find the right fit for their children. That's why it behooves

parents to start thinking about summer camps for their kids in winter, before camps start filling out their rosters, which tends to happen in early spring. The following are a few things parents should take into consideration when seeking a summer camp for their kids.

Staff
The right summer camp staff can make all the difference. Many children are understandably shy when arriving at a summer camp, as their friends from back home might not be joining them. That can make kids hesitant to participate in activities or less enthusiastic about those activities. But a good staff will know how to make kids feel welcome, which should help them come out of their shells and make the most of their summer camp ex-



periences. The quality of staffs can vary significantly depending on the camp, so it's important that parents ask camp representatives about their staffs before making any commitments. Ask how long the staff has been together and the types of training new and even veteran staff members undergo before the start of camp season? Does the training include first aid and emergency medical training and certification?
It's also good to ask about the vetting process the camp employs before hiring new staff, including the extent of its background checks. Are criminal background checks conducted? How many references must potential staff

members supply to be considered for employment? A good camp will be forthcoming with answers to all of your questions, so eliminate those that appear hesitant to share information about their staffs.

A day in the life
When vetting camps for kids, parents should ask what a typical day is like once the season hits full swing. Many parents want their youngsters to have a well-rounded experience, while others might want their kids to attend a more specialized camp, whether it's a sports camp focusing on a particular sport or a music camp devoted to helping kids become better musicians. Regardless of the type of

camp parents are considering for their kids, they should ask about what daily life at the camp is like. Ask to see schedules and how strictly camps adhere to those schedules. When considering specialized camps, ask the staff representative if kids will have the chance to simply have a little fun and which types of recreational activities are planned to give kids a break from what are often rigorous schedules.

Camp goals
Another thing parents must consider before choosing a summer camp for their kids is the goals of each individual camp. A camp should be dedicated to ensuring kids have fun, even when kids are attend-

ing more specialized camps that tend to be more strict. In addition, parents should look for a camp that wants its attendees to foster relationships with their fellow campers. Camp can be lonely for some youngsters, especially those attending summer camp for the first time, but a summer camp that strives to promote friendship among its campers can reduce, if not eliminate, any feelings of homesickness.
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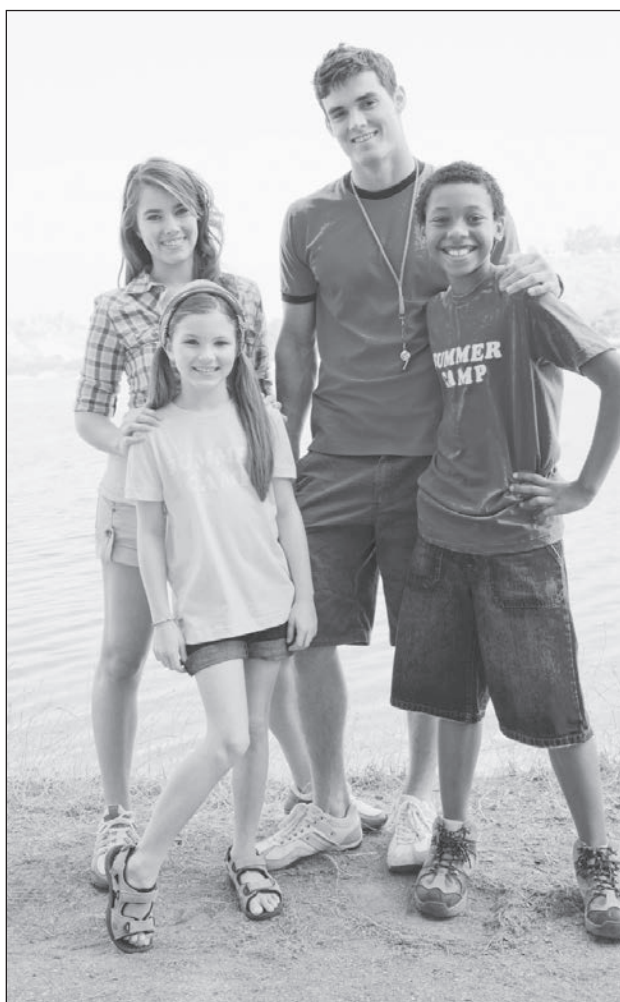
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LRCC celebrating Golden Anniversary

LACONIA — From May 2017 to May 2018, Lakes Region Community College will be celebrating the past, present and future of the College in honor of our 50th Anniversary. We invite the community to join

us for a variety of special events which will be scheduled during the year to commemorate and celebrate this milestone in our history. LRCC began as New Hampshire Vocational Technical College – La-

conia with one building in 1967. Today our name has changed and our campus has expanded to include five buildings—the Turner building, the Health and Science building, the Center for Arts and Technology,

the Automotive Technology building, and the new Apple Ridge Student Apartments. The change from vocational technical college to community college reflects an expansion of our mission and our

academic offerings. Today, LRCC celebrates its technical history with such programs, Automotive Technology and Advanced Manufacturing and concurrently offers affordable pathways for students interested in completing the first two years of a four-year degree.

Although Lakes Region Community College has grown beyond the image of “the Tech” or “the College on the Hill,” we are proud of, and honor, that rich history. We invite everyone who has been part of LRCC’s first 50 years, as well as those who will become our future alumni and friends to help us celebrate. We

call on all alumni, family and friends to visit our webpage www.lrcc.edu/celebrate50 to provide or update your contact information and to share your memories and photos of LRCC. We will use your contact information to keep you informed about our upcoming calendar of events. Please visit the webpage often, follow us on Facebook and Instagram (@LakesRegionCC) to learn how you can get involved, to stay up to date and to provide your input on LRCC’s 50th Anniversary!

For more information contact the College at 524-3207 or lrccinfo@ccsnh.edu.

Final nominees announced and AutoServ Presenting Sponsor for Chamber’s 2017 Community Hero Award April 11

LACONIA — The Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce AutoServ is the presenting sponsors for the Community Hero Awards to Tuesday, April 11 at the Franklin Opera House in Franklin. This Lakes Region Chamber event recognizes the individuals in our community that make significant impacts on economic development, in civic engagement and are true role models behind the business community.

All nominations are received from the local community. The 2017 Community Hero Nominees are:

The James R. Irwin, Sr. Award Nominees portraying pioneer service and attitude to the Lakes Region, economic visionaries and a spirit of progress in the community are: Randy Eifert, Al Mitchell, Todd Workman and Rusty McLearn.

J Bart Connors Award Nominees for individuals who best exemplify an outstanding dedication and commitment to the mission of the Lakes Region Chamber are: Ted Fodero, Penny Raby, Donna Keeley and Maureen Wilkins.

The Hurst Award Nominees represent citizens of the Greater Franklin area demonstrating a volunteer passion for the betterment of the community are: Michael Mullavey, Fred Caruso, Melissa Lee and Ken Merrifield.

The Young Professional Award Nominees are individuals with a strong community engagement, demonstrating leadership development, inspiring role models include: Kara LaSalle, Jaimie Sousa, Brie Stephens and Katelyn Nash.

The Public Service Awards Nominees demonstrate a commitment to leadership and charity and in public service include: Bob Cormier, Clare Persson, Tony Felch and Allison Ambrose.

The Student Leader Award Nominees are currently enrolled in school whose studies and extracurricular activities show entrepreneurial spirit and peer leadership include: Kyle Minery, Brittany Petell, Jackson Williams and Ryan Kelly.

Great appreciate goes out to local business sponsors including Ever-source, Franklin Savings



COURTESY

Andrew Hosmer representing AutoServ of Tilton will be the master of ceremonies for the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce 2017 Community Hero Awards event April 11.

Bank, Beck & Bellucci, Bank of New Hampshire, LRGHealthcare and Meredith Village Savings Bank.

The event will take place Tuesday, April 11th at the Franklin Opera House. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Program begins promptly at 6 p.m. featuring Master of Ceremonies, Andrew Hosmer. The celebration is open to the public with presentations to the winners in each award category. Tickets are \$10 per person. Light refreshments will be provided by the Local Eatery. Register on line at www.LakesRegionChamber.org or call the Lakes Region Cham-

ber at 524-5531.

The Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit, 501c-6 organization made up of members who make a financial commitment to the Chamber and to the business community supporting 22 towns/cities. Chamber members work together to improve business in the Lakes Region and the quality of life for residents. For more information about the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce, on-line business directory or a list of community events, visit LakesRegionChamber.org, Facebook, Twitter, or call 524-5531.

New Beginnings celebrates 25 years with The Silver Swing

LACONIA — For 25 years, New Beginnings has worked closely with victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence by providing free services to empower their journey to overcome violence and abuse. To celebrate this milestone, we invite the community to our celebratory gala, The Silver Swing, on April 8. The Silver Swing will be a wonderful event of dancing the night away while raising funds for the critical support New Beginnings provides to the Lakes Region.

Themed after the glamour and big band style of the 1940s, The Silver Swing features live music by the Lakes Region Big Band, complimentary dinner and refreshments by Curt’s Caterers and a silent

auction filled with a variety of locally sourced packages. Hosted by The Margate in their beautiful Ballroom, we encourage all attendees to dress up in their best 1940s outfits and bring their dancing shoes! Tickets are on sale now, \$75 per person. Please visit the following website to purchase your seat today: <http://www.ticketbase.com/events/the-silver-swing>.

By recognizing how far we’ve come, we also recognize how much further we need to go. Help us continue our work with the men, women and children who have experienced violence and abuse. Samantha Fifield, Chairwoman of New Beginnings’ Board of Directors, stated that “The night will be one to remember! Swing music playing in the background and compassionate people who care about the safety and well-being of others coming together for a truly worthy cause.”

Thank you to the following businesses for sponsoring our event: The Margate, Meredith Village Savings Bank, Proforma Piper Printing, and Watts Water Technologies. And to our generous volunteers and community partners: We couldn’t have done it without your support and community leadership!

We’ll see all you cookies and dreamboats on the dance floor!

Daniels Electric Corporation is Presenting Sponsor for 2017 WOW Sweepstakes Ball

GILFORD — Daniels Electric Corporation is the Presenting Sponsor for the 2017 WOW Sweepstakes Ball, which will be held at Gunstock Mountain Resort on Saturday, May 20.

“We are really excited about the WOW Trail project and its continued development,” said Tom Milligan, Daniels Electric Corporation Vice President. “The

opportunity to support the Trail and help throw a party with a sweepstakes jackpot at the end of the night is something that we couldn’t pass up. We’re looking forward to a great event.”

“We’re thrilled to welcome Daniels Electric Corporation as a new community partner,” added WOW Trail Board President Allan Beetle. “The Milligans



COURTESY

WOW Trail Board President Allan Beetle and Executive Director Gretchen Gandini thank Daniels Electric Corporation’s Tom, Barbara & Jerry Milligan for their \$5,000 Presenting Sponsorship of the WOW Sweepstakes Ball. Tickets for WOW Ball are \$100 (admits two) and will be for sale at Patrick’s Pub & Eatery and online at www.banknhpavilion.com starting on April 10.

are a generous, community-minded family who have created a very successful New Hampshire based business. We couldn’t be more excited to welcome them as Presenting Sponsors of this event.”

The WOW Sweepstakes Ball is a key annual fundraiser for the WOW Trail and has helped raise nearly \$400,000 for construction and maintenance of the WOW Trail. This year’s attendees will enjoy dinner, dancing, a silent and live auction with auctioneer extraordinaire Jesse Thompson, and the chance to win one of 10 cash prizes, including a \$10,000 Grand Prize! Each \$100 ticket in-

cludes admission for two and one sweepstakes entry. Tickets go on sale on April 10th and will be available for purchase at Patrick’s Pub & Eatery or online at www.banknhpavilion.com. Ticketholders do not need to be present to win. For more information, please contact WOW Trail at 520-8952 or email: info@wowtrail.org.


Currently 4.25 miles in length, the WOW Trail and Belmont’s Winnisquam Scenic Trail are a part of a growing regional rail trail effort in the Lakes Region that will one day connect Meredith, Weirs Beach, Downtown Laconia, Belmont, Tilton

and Franklin to New Hampshire’s Northern Rail Trail. Named for the three lakes it will one day showcase (Winnisquam, Opechee, Winnepesaukee) the WOW Trail will transform the underutilized State of New Hampshire-owned railroad corridor in the Lakes Region into a vibrant, year round public recreation space for all residents and visitors to enjoy.

Daniels Electric Corporation was founded by Jerry & Barbara Milligan in 1995. Based in Gilford, NH, Daniels Electric performs electrical installations for commercial and residential projects throughout New England.

About New Beginnings-Without Violence and Abuse

Nearly one in four women have been sexually assaulted in New Hampshire and at least a third of New Hampshire women have been physically assaulted by an intimate partner. New Beginnings-Without Violence and Abuse is a nonprofit organization committed to ending domestic, sexual, and stalking violence through service provision to victims, community education, and prevention work focused on breaking the generational cycle of violence. For more information about New Beginnings, its programs or questions about The Silver Swing, please contact the office, 528-6511.



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Busting the myths of advanced care planning and hospice

REGION — Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice has partnered with Dr. Marianne Jackson to present a series of events about Advanced Care Planning. The events coincide with Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospices' Centennial Year Celebration and showcase Dr. Marianne Jackson's research regarding the changes in medicine of the last 100 years, common myths and misconceptions, and why it is more important than ever before to plan for your future. Dr. Marianne Jackson, who served the North Country for 30 years as a local physician, is now dedicating her time to helping us avoid unnecessary suffering at the end of life.

A presentation titled, "Busting the Myths of Advanced Care Planning and Hospice," will be held on Tuesday, May 2 from 3-4 p.m. at Meredith Bay Colony Club in the Community Room. Come celebrate our Centennial, enjoy Dr. Jackson's presentation, and discover new ways to bring families together around the topics of death and dying. Start the Conversation. Learn how Advanced Care Planning can relieve conflicts and provide measures of security for family members. Free Advanced Directive forms will be provided.

To reserve your spot contact Diane Ruggiero the Activities Director at Meredith Bay Colony Club at 279-1530, or reserve your spot in Event Brite.

For more information about the presentation or to schedule one near you, visit www.centralvna.org or contact Angela Smith at 524-8444.

About Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice

The Mission of Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice is "Promoting dignity, independence, and well-being through the delivery of quality home health, hospice and community-based care services." Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice has served Lakes Region communities since 1918 and provides Home Care (nursing and rehabilitation services in the home); Pediatric Care (direct health care, education and support services for children and families); and a comprehensive, team-based Hospice program.

Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice is a not-for-profit, Medicare-certified provider of home care and hospice services, licensed by the State of New Hampshire. The agency is governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees and supported by private and corporate donations.

HUMANE

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es. Or get a ticket for the Wall of Wine Raffle - \$20 for a chance to win 75 bottles of assorted wines, and a unique hand-crafted wine rack (you need not be present to win the raffle).

Tickets are \$50 per person, which includes all of the food and beverage sampling, and an event tasting glass, available online at www.nhhumane.org. You must be over 21 to sample the alcohol or to win the wine raffle.

One hundred percent of proceeds will benefit the New Hampshire Humane Society. Sponsors of the event include Eastern Propane, Melcher & Prescott, WLNH, WEMJ and 93.3 The Wolf. Local restaurants and vendors generously donating to the event include: Patrick's Pub & Eatery; Magic Foods Catering; the Broken Spoke Saloon; Looney Bin Bar & Grille; Faro Italian Grille; Annie's Café & Catering; Tavern 27, and; the Culinary Program at Huot Technical and Career Center; Hermit Woods Winery; Tamworth Distilling; Black Cove Beverages; 603 Brewery; Coffin Cellars; Amoskeag Beverages; Big Water Brewery, and; New Hampshire Distributors.

Tickets are limited, so get yours today at www.nhhumane.org - you can also buy your Wall of Wine raffle tickets online, or purchase them in person at the NH Humane Society shelter on Meredith Center Road, Laconia; the Margate Resort, or; Hart's Turkey Farm Restaurant.

The New Hampshire Humane Society serves 17 communities in the Lakes Region, providing essential services to animals and pet owners alike. NHHS is dedicated to finding responsible and caring forever homes and providing shelter for lost, abandoned and unwanted animals - 1,023 in 2016 alone! The New Hampshire Humane Society advocates for animals and speak for those who cannot speak for themselves, as well as implementing educational programs and services to promote responsible pet ownership and the human-animal bond. And finally, the shelter and its tireless staff and cadre of dedicated volunteers work to prevent cruelty to animals.

Please join us on April 15 for Wags, Whiskers & Wine to help us sustain our mission.

FACILITY

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we eventually want to buy a 'forever home,' for the center," said Rock.

While they are reaching out to the community in their search for a location, board member Lisa Drew said they are also looking for ideas and suggestions about opportunities people would like to see the center provide for youth who are recommended to the program.

Those who would like to assist on the board of the Tilton Pemi Youth Center, have thoughts or ideas to share, or can offer a potential site location are encouraged to contact them by email at pyctilton@gmail.com.

TOUR

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ing grounds and woodlands that surround the elegant Ballard House on Pease Road. The charm of Tuckernuck Inn, overlooking Lake Winnepesaukee in downtown Meredith, is just a few miles further up the road.

The final stop for the tour is the Inn on Golden Pond in Holderness, a short, scenic ride up Route 3 from downtown Meredith. The inn is situated across the road from the shores of Squam Lake where the iconic movie "On Golden Pond" first introduced the world to the beauty of New Hampshire's lakes.

"They're all so different and each place has its own, individual personality," said Rebecca Daniels of Lake House at Ferry Point.

Besides tours of the accommodations, innkeepers at each stop will also serve refreshments to their guests that weekend.

"There's nothing better than muffins and scones from a bed and breakfast," said Milbrand.

While other offerings may vary from place to place, beverages such as coffee, tea and lemonade will also be available.

Besides the fun of the tour, all that have their ticket marked at each of the seven locations by Sunday afternoon will be entered in a special drawing for the chance to win a \$150 discount toward a stay at any of the participating bed and breakfast inns.

The tours will be held from 1-6 p.m. on Saturday, April 22, and 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, April 23.

Tickets for the Muffin and Scone Tour are \$10 per person and may be purchased in advance by contacting either Heidi at 744-5547 or Annmarie at 279-5521. They will also be available on both days from any of the locations where people choose to start their adventure.

Those who wish to enjoy a full bed and breakfast experience with a stay at any one of the participating inns that weekend will find discounted rates, too, which include free tickets for the tour.

his brothers in Florida, his father and a few of his many siblings looked on with pride as Morton raised his right hand and was sworn into his new career.

"This is something he's been determined to do all his life and this is a great community for him. We're very happy. I just wish his mom could have been here, too," said his father Frank.

Morton will be attending the police academy in just a few months but in the meantime, he will be driving along with his fellow officers, familiarizing himself with the community and its residents.

"I'm really excited to be here and look forward to serving the community," he said.

PITMANS

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CD Release Show

A blend of Amerikinda, with undertones of '60's rock is the style of singer/songwriter/producer, Ryan Ordway. Like sitting around a warm campfire among friends, to steering your longboard through a busy intersection, Ordway's songs are sure to take the listener on a musical journey. His music has been featured on NBC's hit TV show "The Office" ABC's "Happy Endings," ESPN, NESN, FOX's "Raising Hope," SYFY's "Eureka" and Warner Brothers "Felicity." In 2014 Ordway was selected to spend a week recording in Nashville with legendary producer Ken Scott (The Beatles, Elton John, David Bowie) at the world renowned Blackbird Studio's owned and operated by John and Martina McBride.

Doors open at 7 p.m., and we are a BYO Venue. For reservations, call 527-0043.

GENESIS

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esis Behavioral Health to pre-register. Ed can be contacted at 524-1100, ext. 157 or via email at eddrury@genesisbh.org.

Genesis Behavioral Health is designated by the State of New Hampshire as the community mental health center serving Belknap and southern Grafton Counties. A private, non-profit corporation, Genesis serves nearly 4,000 children, families, adults and older adults each year. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 524-1100 or visit the website at www.genesisbh.org. Find Genesis Behavioral Health on Facebook and follow us on Twitter for updates and information.

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Donna Rhodes

Last Wednesday evening, Sanbornton Police Chief Stephen Hankard had the privilege of swearing in his newest officer, Shane Morton, before town officials, family and local residents.



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TRIBUTE

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ings, the historic mill, bandstand and library, Province Road Meeting House, St. Joseph’s Church, ball fields, houses, and even Jordan’s Ice Cream. Children playing sports, flags, snowmen, horses, birds, flowers and ponds also graced the scenery.

“I never thought they could put so many details into this project but they did it,” Cotnoir proudly proclaimed.

Using recycled glass, each of the students from kindergarten through fourth grade then helped piece the artwork together until the four-paneled, four-season mosaic of Belmont was complete.

Fourth grade student Jaxon displayed some of the tools used to create the art from the sketches he and his classmates drew and added that



Belmont Elementary School Art Teacher Kate Cotnoir (left) and Artist-in-Residence Lizz Van Saun unveiled a second mosaic created by members of the faculty during a special celebration of the arts last week.

said it was interesting to learn the entire process involved in mosaic art work.

Even the younger students were pleased with their role in the project.

“I worked on the mill building,” said third

grader Riley. “The hardest part of the whole thing was protecting myself while cutting the pieces.”

Second grader Jordan was also proud of his involvement in the project. He got to place green

fragments of glass in one of the scenes that made up the grass around the high school.

“It was a little hard to find the right pieces but it was fun when you could find where one fit,” he said.



The year-round wonders of life in Belmont, as seen through the eyes of fourth graders at Belmont Elementary, were revealed last Thursday evening following a two-week visit from renowned mosaic artist Lizz Van Saun of Kast Hill Studio in Henniker.

PATRICKS

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a dining coupon good for double that amount on a future visit. This offer is available at Patrick’s during the entire month of April.

Another WOW Trail fundraiser, the WOW Sweepstakes Ball, is coming up on May 20 and will be held for the first time at Gunstock. Tickets go on sale April 10 at www.banknhpavilion.com.

For more information, go to www.wowtrail.org or www.patrickspub.com.



A family walks behind Gouin Plumbing & Heating on the newly completed Phase 2 section of the WOW Trail last November. The WOW Trail, connecting to the Winnisquam Scenic Trail, now offers four and a half miles of trail for the community to enjoy.

CONTEST

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the photograph; and adherence to the purpose of the contest, which is a celebration of New Hampshire year round.

New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp, a mutual holding company, was formed in 2013 when two New Hampshire-based community banks, Meredith Village Savings Bank and Merrimack County Savings Bank, formally affiliated – the first relationship of its kind in New Hampshire. This strategic partnership has positioned the Banks to leverage each other’s strengths as they work together to advance a shared vision of maintaining and enhancing their community banking standards and values. MillRiver Wealth Management joined as a third subsidiary of NHMB in 2015, combining the financial advisory divisions of MVSb and the Merrimack. NHMB combined assets total nearly \$1.6 billion.

Merrimack County Savings Bank is celebrating its 150 year anniversary of serving the people, businesses, non-profits and municipalities of the greater Concord and Nashua regions since 1867. The Merrimack and its employees are guided and inspired by Merrimack style: living up to the values of accountability, mutuality, excellence, respect, integrity, teamwork and stewardship. To learn more, visit any of the local offices in Concord, Nashua, Bow, Contoocook or Hooksett, call 800-541-0006 or visit themerrimack.com.

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Nick Randos runs around Belmont High School during practice for track and field.



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Coach John Goegel works with javelin throwers outside of Belmont High School during the first week of practice.

BHS track and field shoots for strong season

BY BOB MARTIN
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BELMONT — Red Raiders track and field coach Scott Clark has had his athletes training in a variety of ways, in a variety of places, due to the soggy and then snowy weather of this early spring. Despite not being able to get onto a track, he is happy with the way the athletes have shown up at the beginning of this season.

“The Belmont High School track and field program is going strong with 65 athletes, all showing determination and fitness,” Clark said.

“The team has a number of very accomplished athletes, as well as a lot of newbies, which contributes to a robust, excellent group helping all to reach their potential.”

For the girls, Clark is looking forward to see how the 4X800-meter relay team shapes up this season after winning the Division 3 state title last year. All four girls are returning, which include Alexus Day, Emma Chase, Jessica Hutchinson and Jasmine Syed.

Another highlight of the girls’ team, Clark said, is Alice Riley who is a Division 3 cross

country state champion and a state medalist in the 3,000 meter indoors. He said she can rightly clam to be one of the top Division 3 distance runners.

Kaitlynn Delisle and Sana Syed are a strong sprinting and jumping contingent, Clark said, and he added that there are many newcomers and improved athletes who will contribute.

Clark also expects the boys’ team to have a strong season, with a number of accomplished athletes leading the way. Some highlights include Eli Allman, who was a

New England qualifier in the 110-meter hurdles and was first in Division 3. He was also a member of the 4X100 relay team.

Ian Remenar was last year’s second place finisher in the Division 3 3000meter hurdles and a member of the second place 4X400 relay team.

Clark also said the sprint/jumping group is very strong this year, and is led by River Mathieu. Mathieu is a Division 3 qualifier in the 4X100-meter relay, 100 meters, 200 meters and long jump.

“Combined with any of eight individuals, he

will lead a very strong, short relay,” Clark said.

Adam Sojika is a top returning triple jumper, Clark said, and added that Brendon Scheffer returns in the shot put. Scheffer was last year’s eighth place finisher in Division 3.

Junior Nick Randos has been rising to the top of the division with the distance runners, according to Clark. Clark said that Randos placed 5th in the 1,500 meter indoors, as well as qualifying for the Meet of Champions in cross country.

Senior Isaiah Knowlton was described as

“the workhorse of the distance group,” with many notable accomplishments in cross country and indoor/outdoor track.

Clark is happy with the current team, saying that they are a hard working bunch. He added that last year there were 12 athletes from Belmont who made the Meet of Champions, which he said is a “big deal.”

“As with most teams, we look for many individuals to improve and add to the mix of a great team,” said Clark.

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The Belmont Red Raiders girls' lacrosse team has been practicing in the BHS gymnasium in preparation for the spring season.



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The Belmont girls' lacrosse team hopes to continue learning and progressing as a team this season.

Belmont girls' lacrosse works to grow as team

BY BOB MARTIN
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BELMONT — Red Raiders girls' lacrosse head coach Marie Lander recognizes that her team is still getting to know the game and learning along the way, and she is hoping that experience could translate to a few wins for the upcoming season.

Lander said the girls have been working on conditioning and going over the rules, as well as other fundamentals. Lander said they always hope for wins, but at this point they are looking for areas of improvement outside of winning. She said their win over Campbell last year was a huge confidence boost for the girls in the program.

Lander explained that the team is in its third year, and the first year the Belmont girls had zero wins followed by the one win last year.

"It's a great group of girls as far as drive and the willingness to play," Lander said. "We have a long way to go with skill, but the heart is definitely there."

Lander is experienced in playing lacrosse, as she played in high school and then at Plymouth State University all four years. This is her third year coaching for Belmont High School.

Lander explained that this is the third year the program has been at varsity status after being a club team.

She said one of the most daunting tasks of coaching an inexperienced team is making sure the girls remain interested and progress through learning. Lander loves to play the game and loves teaching the girls about lacrosse, and she hopes that interest will continue to rise in Belmont.

Lander said there was a good group of freshmen who came out to try this year. She said a handful of them played in practice last year, but overall they are new to the sport. Lander said there are two seniors this year who are fairly inexperienced, but there is a strong core of junior athletes.



BOB MARTIN

The Belmont girls' lacrosse team hopes to continue learning and progressing as a team this season.

"I think this will be another good learning season for us," Lander said. "We are once again trying to build up this program, get the word out and get girls interested in lacrosse."

Community stands with Ryan Goggin

Hockey tournament raises funds for family of Kingswood graduate

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — For a rink that was supposed to close the previous week, the Pop Whalen Arena was buzzing with activity on Saturday morning.

Hockey players from around the region and beyond descended on the Wolfeboro rink for a little fun in honor, and as it turned out, in memory of, someone they were all proud to call a friend.

Former Wolfeboro resident Ben Lord organized the first Reinforcements for Ryan 3v3 hockey tournament to support Ryan Goggin and his family. The idea was to raise money for Goggin's family to help pay his medical bills and to raise awareness of Goggin's situation, which had drawn attention from around the United States.

Sadly, the leukemia Goggin had been battling claimed his life on the first day of the two-day tournament, but that didn't stop people from remembering him



JOSHUA SPAULDING

DAVID SYKES (left) of Alton Bay Bandits and Mark Fitzpatrick of Green Mountain for Goggs play in 3v3 action on Saturday.

with smiles and laughter as they took to the ice.

The tournament was organized relatively quickly and Lord praised everyone who chipped in to help get things up and running. All told there were 24 teams who registered,

with 17 adult teams and seven youth teams.

"We just hit the ground and went," Lord said. "Before we opened the doors, we'd already raised \$5,000."

Lord noted that donations and team registration fees had helped to raise that money and an anonymous donor made every dollar raised even more important.

"He called and said he'd match two-for-one up to \$5,000," Lord said. "So if we raised \$5,000, he'd give us \$10,000."

"It's been absolutely amazing," Lord said. "In the first night (Friday), we had about \$1,000 in donations."

The Goggin family announced on Friday that Ryan has passed away, ending his battle with leukemia, but Lord said it was even more

important for the tournament to go on.

"Brittney and Shawn (Ryan's siblings) said it couldn't have been a more perfect weekend to honor him," Lord said. "They said it's something he'd want to do and have these people come together."

Ryan Goggin was serving his country when an IED exploded near a tank he was riding in and left him unable to continue serving in the Army due to a traumatic brain injury. Then, last year he was diagnosed with leukemia, which led to a battle with the Veterans Administration over his care during his illness.

And his story brought not only hockey players to the rink, but brought plenty of donations from many businesses and

groups around the area to help support the Goggin family.

Operation Hat Trick and '47 Brand donated 12 dozen hats that were sold at the tournament, with all proceeds benefiting the Goggin family. Kingswood Regional High School donated more than \$1,000 raised during dress down day. The Wolfeboro Inn donated a portion of its proceeds from dinners sold after the tournament ended. There were tables full of raffle prizes that were available for attendees to win. Additionally, there was a couple of tables of baked goods for sale, donated by local residents and businesses, with all proceeds going to the Goggin family. The Maine Pond Hockey Classic

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Sophomore Aubrey St. Onge is on the track and field team for the first time. She spent one of her practices working on her shot put form.



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Junior Jesse Fredette heaves a discus during practice at Winnisquam Regional High School.



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Some of the Winnisquam Regional High School sprinters take a lap around the track during practice last week.



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McKayla Toupin, Calista Betar and Douglas Jones (l to r) will be throwers for Winnisquam Regional High School this spring.

Bears track and field makes the most of the weather

BY BOB MARTIN

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TILTON — The Winnisquam Regional High School track and field teams managed to get out on the track for one day before the snowstorm at the beginning of April, and coach Jody

Fredette said that while the weather has made things difficult, there is an overall positive vibe with the team this spring. “We’ve been in the gym, hallways and pretty much anywhere we

can practice,” said Fredette. “But we are looking good.” The team was scattered around the track and field, some who were working with coaches on form and others who were running around

the track for conditioning purposes. This year there are some experienced athletes who are coming back looking to have a great season, as well as some newcomers who have not participated in track and field at

all in the past. Fredette said for the boys’ team, there were a good amount of seniors graduated last year. However, senior Scott Hines will be coming back strong after placing second in the 400

meter and also did well in pole vault at the state championship meet. Hines also went to the Meet of Champions. Jesse Fredette, a junior, will be throwing discus and also take part in the triple jump and long jump. Kyle Mann was a strong runner as a freshman and is expected to do well this season.

HOCKEY

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donated the use of the special pond hockey goals for the game. The Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation Department donated the use of the rink for the tournament. And Lord was quick to point out that businesses and organizations were happy to step up and help and he couldn’t be more appreciative.

“People have been so awesome,” Lord said. Unlike many tournaments, this tournament didn’t have a winner, with teams playing simply for fun and for a good cause. In fact, Lord noted there was no scorekeeper, just a clock that kept track of time.

“What I was hoping to get them to do is to give \$150 to play 3v3 hockey in a two-day tourney,” Lord said. “No one’s keeping score out there.”

He also praised the work of Karen Desaulniers Moore, who helped to organize all the details to make the event go.

“Karen has been amazing,” Lord said. “I’m not a details guy. She organized all the volunteers and got all the people together.”

He also noted that he was happy to see so many of Ryan’s friends out playing hockey in his honor.

“He was a guy you knew from around town, he was a good dude,” Lord said of his former lifeguarding partner with the Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation Department. “I need to do something for him.”

The registration fees and all other money raised went to Goggin’s family and Lord said that if someone was unable to make it to the tournament, they could send a donation to Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation, noting it was for



JOSHUA SPAULDING

BIG DAVE’S and the Rink Rats faced off early on Saturday morning at Pop Whalen Arena.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

THE YOUNGSTERS were the first on the ice on Saturday at the Reinforcements for Ryan hockey tournament.

the Reinforcements for Ryan tournament. And with the success of the tournament Lord is hopeful that with a little more lead time next year, the tournament can return even better. That being said, he was thrilled with how things went, particularly given how quickly the tournament was put together and the fact that Mother Nature delivered a major snowstorm the two days of the tournament. A couple of teams were unable to make the games on Saturday morning and a few players also could not make it, but players from other teams filled in all around the schedule, allowing the games

to go on as planned. Teams included the Wolfepack, Mighty Wolves, Back Bay Bulldogs, Predators, Predators 2, Ryan’s Marauders, Kingswood All-Stars, New England Wolves, Alton Bay Bandits, Big Dave’s, Wild Women, Moore or Less, Rink Rats, Plymouth State girls’ hockey, Wolfeboro Whalers, Headwall, She-Wolves Jr., Green Mountain for Goggs, Friendly

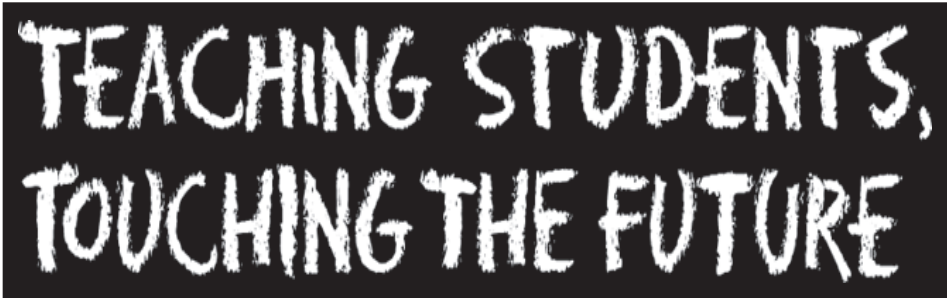


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JIM DEARBORN (left) of Friendly Fire pushes the puck away from Rob Davis of the Zambonis in action Saturday.

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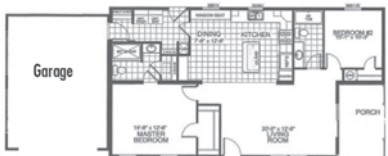
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Seasonal Employment Opportunities

Waterfront Director
Lifeguards
Day Camp Counselors
Camp Program Supervisors

Current certifications required for waterfront positions. Minimum age for lifeguards and counselors is 16. Waterfront Director and Program Supervisors minimum age is 20 with a minimum of 2 years experience. Positions open until filled

Submit application letter and appropriate application form (use forms entitled Recreation Applications) available at www.moultonboroughnh.gov – Mail to: PO Box 411 Moultonborough 03254; dropped off at 10 Holland St. Moultonborough or contact MRD at 476-8868.



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The Moultonborough Police Department is actively seeking candidates to fill present and future vacancies for full time patrol officer position(s). Join the team of dedicated professionals in this community oriented, law enforcement agency serving a varying population of 4,000 yr. round to 24,000 seasonal residents. Located in NH's Lakes Region, on Lake Winnepesaukee and Squam Lake, and a short drive from the White Mountain National Forest.

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If you understand what it means to be part of a caring community and look forward to policing in that role, submit your letter of interest, resume, and Town's application (available at www.moultonboroughnh.gov, Paid, Volunteer and Contract Opportunities) to Walter P. Johnson, Town Administrator, 6 Holland Street, PO Box 139, Moultonborough, NH 03254. Position(s) open until filled. Initial review process begins in April. Applicants not selected for the current position will remain on file for one year. EEO Employer.

Newfound Area School District

Employment Opportunities for the 2017-2018 School Year

Newfound Regional High School

- **Math Teacher** - Strong knowledge of CCSS, use of technology in the classroom, and a positive mathematical mindset. Geometry and Algebra II experience preferred.
- **Social Studies Teacher**
- **Student Assistant Program Coordinator** - MA in mental health field required. LADC certification preferred.

New Hampton Community School

- **Guidance Counselor** – 3 days a week

Elementary Schools

- **General Music** – Responsible for general music classes in four elementary schools

District Wide

- **Teacher of English Language Learners** – 2 days a week
- **Vision Specialist** – 1 day a week
- **Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant** Full Time

Interested qualified candidates should send a letter of interest, resume, transcripts, job application, and letters of recommendation to:
Stacy Buckley – Superintendent
Newfound Area School District
20 North Main Street, Bristol, NH 03222

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Please send resume and cover letter to: nfinorthhr@nafi.com
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2017-2018 School Year

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The WMRS D is comprised of 3 elementary/middle schools and one high school serving the towns of Carroll, Dalton, Jefferson, Lancaster, and Whitefield. This is a District-level, administrative position.

The Director shall have extensive experience in planning and supervising operations and maintenance functions including mechanical systems, exterior operations, compliance with all regulations and codes, custodial operations, and energy management. In addition the successful candidate shall demonstrate experience in creating, implementing, and maintaining a rotating capital improvement plan, a facilities plan, crafting bid specifications, and an annual district- wide maintenance budget.

The Director must possess effective presentation, and oral and written communication skills. He/she is expected to represent the District for building projects and must make presentations to the school board at public meetings.

Proficiency in computer skills including Excel, Word, Google Apps, and be able to access and maintain mechanical operational controls from home and work.

In order to accomplish these tasks, the Director of Buildings and Grounds must work closely with the school staff and with the building and central office administrators. He/she must demonstrate strong leadership and team development skills. The Director is a member of the School Board Facilities committee. Must be flexible with hours and days worked according to the immediate facilities needs.

All applicants must apply on Schoolspring.com
Paper applications will not be accepted.

For further information, contact:
Roxanne Hartlen, Adm. Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools
White Mountains Regional School District
SAU #36
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Whitefield, New Hampshire 03598
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 chparksandrec@metrocast.net

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NFI North Array of Services, Davenport School an all girls' Residential Treatment Facility located in Jefferson NH has the following positions:

Direct Care Counselor (Full Time & Relief): Ideal candidates will have prior experience working with adolescents and thrive in a team oriented environment. You must be flexible and available to work evenings and weekends. Bachelor's degree preferred however must have at least 12 credits in Human Service field and be actively working towards a bachelor's degree. Relief is an excellent opportunity for college students seeking internship hours or individuals interested in working some hours during the evenings, nights, weekends and occasionally days. Full time positions start at \$13/hr; relief positions \$12/hr.

Nurse: Responsible for performing nursing assessments, scheduling & transporting to medical appointments, dispensing meds, and ensuring all health needs of consumers are addressed in a team oriented collaborative approach. Flexible schedule with 4 day work week. Ideal candidate is an enthusiastic, team oriented individual with pediatric or adolescent nursing experience.

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Please send resume and cover letter to: Program Director, PO Box 209, Jefferson, NH 03583 or email nfinorthhr@nafn.com

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CONTINUUM OF CARE FACILITATOR

The North Country Health Consortium (NCHC) is seeking a dynamic individual to work in a supportive team-based environment in our Substance Misuse and Prevention Program.

The Continuum of Care Facilitator will promote the utilization of Resiliency and Recover-Oriented system of Care including assessment of substance use disorder services within Northern NH and develop a mechanism to coordinate efforts between key Prevention, Intervention, Treatment and Recovery stakeholders.

The position requires strong written and verbal communication skills. Candidate must be highly organized and comfortable working with the public. Reliable transportation is needed to travel within Coos and Grafton Counties.

Qualifications:

- MPH with focus on system development or,
- MSW with focus or experience in macro social work or,
- Master's Degree in Community Development/Organizing or,
- BA in any of the above with 2 – 3 years' experience in public health systems development, macro social work or community development/organization.

Please send resume and cover letter to BY APRIL 15th:

Karen Hoyt, Office Manager
 North Country Health Consortium
 262 Cottage Street, Suite 230, Littleton, NH 03561
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Author to speak at Trout Unlimited meeting

PLYMOUTH — David Van Wie will discuss his recently published book, *The Confluence - A Collection of Essays, Art and Tall Tales about Fly-fishing and Friendship* (www.confluence-book.com). Van Wie was the instigator and lead author, along with six close friends, of the book. Van Wie will share their fishing adventures in a remote cabin at the confluence of the Dead Diamond and Swift Di-

amond Rivers in northern New Hampshire. Van Wie lives in Maine and writes about outdoor adventures, environmental issues, and whatever quirky topics are on his mind and on his blog, WatchYourBackcast.com. After more than 30 years working as an environmental professional in government, business and consulting, Van Wie is now a writer, photographer and adjunct

faculty member at the University of New England in Biddeford, and teaches environmental studies. Come early to the Pemigewasset Chapter of Trout Unlimited, April 18, meeting at 7 p.m. at the Common Man Inn in Plymouth and meet Van Wie and fellow fishermen and share some of your experiences. There will be a raffle with the proceeds going toward sending a



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David Van Wie will speak at the April 18 Trout Unlimited meeting in Plymouth.

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Trout Unlimited is a non-profit organization with a mission dedicated

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