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Art Association exhibit pays tribute to local veterans

BY DONNA RHODES

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Region Art Association runs a year round gallery at the Tanger Outlet Center, but for the month of November, they have also hosted a special exhibit dedicated to veterans, which showcases the work of Laconia artist Elaine Morrison.

Gallery manager Pat Anderson, herself a retired Army nurse, said the association was pleased to bring Morrison's art to the forefront throughout November when veterans are especially being honored.

"She's just so good at capturing the emotional experience of the military, and we thought that was so important. It's the part that we want

people to understand about those who serve," Anderson said.

Morrison is a retired Special Education teacher from Laconia who has been a member of Lakes Region Art Association for several years.

Using oils, acrylics, mixed media and other forms of expression, presented Morrison an array of work that featured close-ups of a war-weary soldier's face, naval warships heading to port, historically important scenes along with tender moments that remind the viewer that soldiers are humans, too.

"Longings for Home" is a graphite piece that depicts a soldier burdened with his arma-

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Artist Elaine Morrison posed with Tom O'Brien (U.S. Army) and Walt Pierce (U.S. Air Force), two of the many visitors who have viewed her tribute to veterans now being showcased at the Lakes Region Art Association Art Gallery in the Tanger Outlet Center.

Belmont K9 plays a large part in solving local burglary

BY DONNA RHODES

drhodes@salmonpress.news BELMONT — Belmont Police Department's K9 "Vito" is certainly pulling his weight on the department, especially when it comes to tracking down suspects of crimes in the community, like the brazen daytime burglary he and his handler, Officer Evan Boulanger, assisted with last Friday morning.

A call came in at 11:20 a.m. on Nov. 18 from residents of High Street. The couple had been shopping at a local grocery store and when they returned home they found a door was open and the residence had been rummaged through, reported Lt. Richard Mann.

"The resident was able to quickly identify missing property, which aided police in the recovery of much of the property," he said.

Vito and Boulanger were quickly called to the scene where Vito picked up a scent track leading from the home.

As officers followed Vito's lead through neighborhood, a contractor working in downtown Belmont that day spotted the team. He informed them he had observed several minors walking away from the neighborhood with a guitar and a box of electronics.

Armed with that information, BPD was soon able to locate two juveniles approximately one mile from the scene. One of those two did admit to police that they had participated in the burglary, Mann said.

Police on Friday were busy gathering fingerprints and other evi-



COURTESY — BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Shown relaxing atop his cruiser, Belmont's new K9 "Vito" was instrumental in solving a crime in the community last week when he picked up the trail of suspects in a home burglary.

dence from the residence and the search was still on for a third juvenile

believed to have been involved in the crime.

"Use of the depart-

ment's K-9 team was instrumental in this inves-SEE K9, PAGE A15

Fatal accident prompts closure of Laconia Road

BY DONNA RHODES

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TILTON — Police and emergency rescue crews were called to the scene of an accident on Laconia Road last Saturday, Nov. 19, at approximately 6:15 p.m. where one person was killed and another was hospitalized with serious injuries.

Tilton Police Chief Robert Cormier reported that the accident occurred in the 300 block of Laconia Road (Route 3), in front of the Lochmere Country Club.

"When officers arrived, they found what appeared to be two vehicles involved in a head-on collision with serious injuries. The driver of one of the ve-

hicles had to be extricated from the vehicle by the fire department and had life threatening injuries," he said.

The drivers were each transported to area hospitals by Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS where one died of his injuries. He was later identified as 29-yearold Robert Arteaga of Northfield.

The second driver, 51-year-old Deborah Labrecque of Belmont, was heading west on the road when the collision with Arteaga's eastbound vehicle occured. She was listed in serious condition over the weekend with no further updates avail-

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Five Guys Burgers and Fries coming to Tanger Outlets

BY DONNA RHODES

drhodes@salmonpress.news TILTON — Burger lovers will have more than just good weather to look forward to next spring, when the new Five Guys Burgers and Fries is slated to open its doors at the Tanger Out-

let Center in Tilton. General Manager Eric Proulx said tenants already established at the outlet shopping center were very enthusiastic when they learned the news last month and look forward to welcoming another great business to their community.

"Thrilled is probably putting it lightly," said Proulx. "It will attract a lot more people to the center and our current vendors were really excited about the new business."

He noted that food establishments among their biggest requests his company re-



Construction is now underway at the Tanger Outlet Center to bring a Five Guys Burgers and Fries restaurant to the area next spring and add a new, expanded Starbucks location, which will offer driver-up service in the summer.

ceives from the public and Five Guys is definitely a popular destination for many people throughout the country.

"We take customer recommendations very seriously here at Tanger Outlet and were happy we could bring Five Guys to our outlet center," said Proulx. "It will be the first of its kind here in the Lakes Region."

Construction for the new business is now underway. It is being located across from the entrance to the Old Navy Store, and will offer easy access from Laconia Road for all of their customers.

"We think once someone pulls in to Five Guys, they'll also look around

at the other stores and take time to shop here as

well," Proulx said. In addition to Five Guys, a new Starbucks will be relocating adjacent to the location where customers will soon be able to have a drive-through window for their convenience.

"A drive through for Starbucks is also a part of this construction. What better way is there SEE **BURGERS**, PAGE A15

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Quick action by firefighters minimizes damage to Northfield home

BY DONNA RHODES

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NORTHFIELD Firefighters from Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS were assisted by Franklin Fire Department early last Friday morning, when a fire broke out inside the garage of a single-family ranch-style home in Northfield. Due to the possibility of flames extending into the residence, the first crews to arrive immediately requested a first alarm to bring additional manpower and equipment to the scene.

At the time of the 9-1-1 call, which was received at 1:31 a.m., TNFD was already handling a medical emergency involving cardiac arrest in Tilton. Their Ladder 1, along with Franklin's Engine 4, were able to race to 46 Forrest Drive in Northfield to battle the blaze. however.

The garage fire was

the crews arrived, but through the use of hand lines, Tilton-Northfield's Deputy Chief Tim Joubert said Franklin's engine was able to quickly extinguish the flames and save the home. Smoke and heat did make its way into the shared attic space

above the garage and

living quarters though,

causing additional dam-

age to some areas with-

in the residence. Tilton-Northfield Fire Chief Michael Sitar reported that residents of the home were working on a vehicle inside the garage when the flames broke out. They managed to escape the building safely and

quickly called 9-1-1. "The crew from Franklin did an outstanding job," said Sitar. "They were the first engine on scene due to our other call and saved the home with an aggressive fire attack."

There were no injuwell involved when ries reported and the



Flames inside a residential garage in Northfield caused extensive damage to a vehicle and the structure itself, but damage within the adjoining home was limited to smoke and heat thanks to the quick actions of local fire fighters.

fire was brought under termined to be acciden- the incident included control by 2 a.m.; the cause of the fire was de-

a crew from Belmont Others assisting in while Sanbornton and

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FROM THE CAPITAL STEPS

BY SEN. JEANIE FORRESTER

District 2

There were many issues that grabbed the headlines in this last election cycle, from the opioid crisis to jobs and the economy. One issue that didn't receive a lot of attention here in New Hampshire was the struggle to find qualified health care workers for our nursing homes.

This summer, as I traveled throughout the state, visiting private nursing homes, county nursing homes, and talking with professionals in the long-term care industry, I learned about serious staffing shortages. Our long-term care facilities cannot find a sufficient supply of Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) and Licensed Nursing Assistants (LNAs). The consequence of this situation threatens to negatively impact the critical services our seniors need and deserve.

In an effort to better understand what is happening, the New Hampshire Health Care Association (NHHCA) initiated a survey to determine the root causes of the growing shortage of LPNs1 and LNAs2.

As background, the NHHCA is the largest association of long-term care providers in New Hampshire. Their members include skilled nursing facilities, nursing homes, and assisted living facilities throughout the state of New Hampshire. Here is what they found:

Relative to the LPN shortage, 84% of respondents reported that they have LPN positions that can't be filled. The LPN shortage appears to be due to fewer LPN educational programs being offered at our higher education institutions, fewer candidates interested in LPN programs, and other healthcare providers hiring LPNs.

With regard to LNA shortages, licensing challenges appear to be a hindrance.

74 percent of respondents said that their LNA candidates have experienced delays and difficulties with obtaining licensure from the NH Board of Nursing.

58 percent of those responding to the survey say they

have at least one candidate who has passed the LNA exam and are awaiting their official license. 12 percent of the long-term health care facilities respond-

12 percent of the long-term health care facilities responding to the survey are awaiting licensure for three or more individuals who are ready to work.

78 percent of respondents have had candidates waiting two or more weeks for their official license.

18 percent have been waiting longer than one month.

The long-term care facilities attributed the delays to the different processes required (fingerprint, registry, criminal background check) and a few noted that there is a new computer system at the Board of Nursing which may be causing delays or a general backlog.

Other data collected by NHHCA looked at turnover, retention, and vacancy rates. Highlights of the data collected revealed that overall staff turnover averages 41 percent; overall staff vacancy rate averages 12.3%; and current nursing staff is aging out.

Another complicating factor is stagnant long-term care wages when compared to rising wages in retail, fast food, and other sectors—which result in long-term care facilities competing for candidates who can choose a more attractive position with less responsibility for more money.

In addition, lower wages and the 24/7 nature of long-term care makes this sector unattractive for current nurses and LNAs who can choose other health care sectors (hospitals, etc.).

Despite staffing challenges, New Hampshire's long-term care facilities continue to offer care ranked among the best in the nation. Non-profit organizations such as the New Hampshire Long Term Care Foundation actively work to recruit and educate this important workforce. In 2016 alone, they awarded over \$100k in scholarships to 45 caregivers in long-term care centers across New Hampshire who are pursuing growth in their professions. (The NH Long Term Care Foundation was established to promote the care and wellness of NH's elderly through the development of long-term care providers and individual care givers.)

However, unless we begin to aggressively address this issue, New Hampshire's most vulnerable and growing senior population will suffer. We must do more, and it begins with valuing our health care professionals--the LPNs and LNAs who are on the frontlines performing the challenging work of caring for our elderly population. These are the folks who will promote this career choice for others.

It includes working with our high school counselors to encourage young people to look at a career in long-term care. It means working with our higher educational institutions to make sure we have affordable accessible programs. It also means working with our state agencies such as the Board of Nursing to instill a sense of urgency, balanced with meeting the requirements, so that we don't have people waiting to get to work.

As always, I want to hear from you. If you have a concern you'd like to share, an event you'd like me to attend, or a problem you think I might be able to help with, please call or email (271-4980 [office] or jeanie@jeanieforrester.com).



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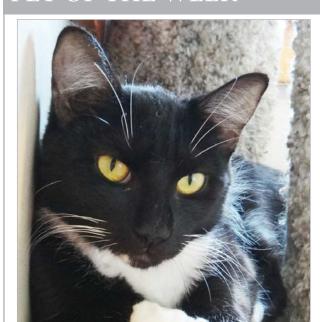
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justed pretty well; all

things considered.

Left behind after her people moved away, the rejection was palpable. Over time, Bangle has come out of her shell, although we humans have to prove we are worthy of her trust, and who could blame her for making those judgements! Mean-

while with some quiet and gentle introductions, she really is a lap cat. Bangle seems to get along with all the cats she meets and has taken shelter life in her stride, it just isn't home. Home would be a cozy warm spot by the woodstove, or lap time with kind people who will love her always. Home for the Holidays, it's what Bangle wishes for most in life. www. nhhumane.org 5 2 4 facebook. com/nhhumane

BANGLE

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

If every other taxing entity could reduce its budget this year, why couldn't Sanbornton?

To the Editor:

Just received our Sanbornton tax bill due Dec. 16, and was pleasantly surprised to discover that the Total Tax Rate had decreased by 38 cents. It seems that the School, State and County rates had decreased, but the municipal (town) rate remained unchanged! The good news is, as per my calculation, if your property has a \$200,000 assessed valuation, you should see about a \$76 reduction in your total tax bill.

So the question is, if the other taxing authorities were able to reduce their tax rates, why not the Town of Sanbornton?

Something for our Budget Committee to examine in the future, and perhaps to be discussed at the Town Meeting!

Bill Whalen Sanbornton

Thank you for helping Genesis celebrate a banner year

To the Editor:

'Tis the season of giving—and of giving thanks. We at Genesis Behavioral Health have much to be grateful for this year and would like to extend to you—our community—our heartfelt appreciation

2016 was a year of celebration and challenge. You helped us commemorate 50 years of service to the community with a fundraising dinner at the annual meeting and signature fundraising event, the online auction; both exceeding our expectations thanks to your support and participation. We celebrated our growth as a community mental health center, noting that prior to Genesis' existence, mental health care was provided by Concord professionals reaching only 15 percent of those in need, and today we are serving nearly 4,000 Lakes Region residents. We celebrated improved access to care with transportation grants, the integration of physical and mental health care, the augmentation of managed care with umbrella programs delivering a full range of services to support those with mental illness, and the future of mental health care as it blends with technological advances to shine for a bright future.

The past year was also one of challenge. We faced financial and workforce challenges; a tenuous political climate; and an increase in the number of people in need of help from Genesis Behavioral Health and many of our community partners. The community's response to these challenges was tremendous. You showed your support by giving your time, talents, and financial support. You acted as advocates for us when we needed a strong voice for mental health, a sector of health care that is so often silenced because of persistent stigma. You partnered and participated when asked as vital alleys. You supported our mission through in-kind donations and were most generous with donations to our auction.

These are uncertain times, and it was humbling and heartwarming to witness the community's generosity and support throughout the auction and celebration. You donated, you bid, you contributed to a successful event that raised much-needed funds to support essential behavioral health care services for nearly 4,000 of our neighbors in the Lakes Region.

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Sincerely, Maggie Pritchard Executive Director Genesis Behavioral Health **North Country Notebook**

A New Hampshire turkey story, just in time for Thanksgiving



By John Harrigan COLUMNIST

Wild turkeys have always been part of New Hampshire's wildlife scene. The big mystery is just how far north they ranged before subsistence hunting in settlement times wiped them out. By the Civil War, they were gone.

"About the northern end of Winnipesaukee has always been my guess," says Ted Walski, who not only knows his turkey history but has turned the state's restoration project into a wildlife success story known from coast to coast.

And it is truly a spectacular story---from the first failed release at Pawtuckaway in the early '70s, to the release of a hardier variety around Keene in 1975, to a point where today's popu-



Two turkeys in one shot: That's Ted Walski (top) with another turkey (bottom), sometime in the mid 1980s.

lation is an estimated 35,000 to 40,000. Today, the big black birds with the ironclad feathers and keen-eyed sentries are seen in every county and every town in the state.

And to think that it all started with a swap, fisher cats for turkeys.

(Caveat: My use of "fisher cat" will make

the years. You see I was

professional wildlife biologists cringe. A fisher is not a cat, of course, but has been called "fisher cat" ever since the first Europeans stepped ashore. The term is still very much in the smalltown-countryside vernacular, and so I happily

It was back around the winter of 1969-70, Ted



This was the historic moment when New Hampshire's reintroduction of wild turkeys began in 1975, a first attempt at Pawtuckaway that failed.

recalls, that West Virginia wanted to restore its fisher population, and let its northern neighbors know that it wanted some. New Hampshire, meanwhile, had plenty of fisher cats, and similar intentions on wild turkevs.

Wildlife biologists up and down the seaboard. and indeed across the nation, tend to know each other, and quite soon a swap was arranged: 31 cannon-netted wild West Virginia turkeys for 31 wild-trapped New Hampshire fisher (cats), courtesy of New Hampshire Trappers' Association members, who stepped up to the challenge and were paid a token fee.

Ted and coworkers let these first birds go around Pawtuckaway State Park, in the southeastern section of the state.

"And then we had the two worst back-to-back winters in history," Ted ruefully recalls.

The next release featured a more rugged Alleghenies variety, and when these birds found themselves in the hills and farmlands around Keene, they took.

And then Ted, by now official Turkey Project Leader (as well as carrying other important-sounding titles) began live-trapping and transplanting surplus turkeys each year, edging the circle outward and eventually hop-scotching all over the state's Southern

Tier.

By the 1990s, people were seeing turkeys everywhere, even in the far northern reaches of the state---Stewartstown, Clarksville, Errol, Pittsburg; Hall's Stream, Indian Stream, Perry Stream, Clear Stream and clear to the Quebec and Maine lines.

Hunting and fishing license dollars, and taxes on equipment, helped fund turkey restoration and law enforcement, and hunters have reaped just rewards in the form of successful spring and fall hunts.

Agriculture no doubt helped turkeys gain a purchase north of the mountains that they could not have obtained prior to European settlement, and farming and milder winters in recent times no doubt helped them further northward

For Ted, one remaining question is just how far north wild turkeys originally ranged. Perhaps an overlooked mention in a town history will surface.

In the meantime I asked Ted, who has been at this turkey thing just about as long as I've been writing, how much longer he's going to hang in. "Until they scape me off the floor," he said.

(This column runs in weekly newspapers covering two-thirds of New Hampshire from Concord to Lower Quebec and parts of western Maine and northeastern Vermont. Letters must include the writer's telephone numbers and town. Write to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or Box 39, Colebrook, NH 03576.)

PERSPECTIVES ON LIVING

BY LARRY SCOTT

The Thanksgiving season is a special time of the year for all of us, but when it comes to being grateful, I surely take the prize! It is still difficult for me to appreciate the amazing turn of events that has brought me to where I am today.

At the outset, I had a leg up on so many of those with whom I have had contact over

WOW Trail Phase 2 open for business!

BY ALLAN BEETLE

Thank you! WOW Trail Phase 2 is now substantially complete and open to the public. Construction of this 1.2 mile section, coupled with the recently completed Winnisquam Scenic Trial in Belmont, means that locals and visitors alike can now enjoy four and a quarter miles of paved, multi-use recreation trail, from Elm Street in Lakeport to Osborne's Agway in Belmont.

Getting to this point has not been easy. Funding, abutter concerns, easements and land transfers, parking, wetlands, historic structures, and the engineering, design and technical challenges related to building a pathway in the active, State of New Hampshire-owned railroad right-of-way were all reconciled in the pro-

As you can imagine, there are many people and organizations who've played a role and deserve our thanks. Let's start with the money to build this project, which is not a small amount. The WOW

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born into a Christian family and that gave me a break on life for which there is no substitute. Undoubtedly thousands of babies were conceived at the very same moment I was but the real me, the eternal part of me, was placed in the womb of a woman who walked with God and would personify a stable, God-honoring lifestyle that would have a major impact on my life. I sometimes shudder to think that I could well have been born in a foreign setting, to a family and circumstances the complete reverse of what I have experienced. God's choice? How can I say that when so many others were not so fortunate. All I can say is that I have been blessed, through no merit of my own, by the example and influence of Godly parents ... and I am grateful beyond words! Consistent with my

own upbringing, my wife and I have done

our best to pass it on. We had but one daughter but through her we have three grandsons and their outstanding and well-chosen wives and three great-grandchildren - all of whom are walking with God and living responsibly in every area of their lives. I have often said that "God is no man's debtor; He never takes more than He gives in return" and if evidence is needed, my family is proof.

And, finally, I am thankful for the privilege of living in America, truly "the land of opportunity." Twenty years ago I was dead broke, completely disoriented, living on the road driving a long-haul truck, and without a clue as to how my future was going to develop. Who could have predicted that within ten years I would have put my life back together, be retired and in superb health, own my own home and be totally debt-free! Who would have thought!

God's doing? Perhaps ... but if so, only because I am, like everyone else, a product of His love and someone that has been blessed beyond what I deserve.

Grateful? You'd better believe it! What I share in this column is the product of a life that has seen its highs and lows. I have been to hell and

back, and the life I now enjoy is one I will never take for granted. God, my family, and America have been good to me. To say I am thankful just doesn't cut it. What I feel is, indeed, beyond words!

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

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Put Thanksgiving Lessons to Work in Your Financial Plans

Over the years, this holiday through a 529 plan, which has taken on a variety of meanings, most of them centered on family, caring and sharing. You can carry these same values past Thanksgiving into your daily life - and vou can certainly incorporate them into your financial strategies for taking another child as the recipient. care of your loved ones.

So, here are a few suggestions: have to be a millionaire to

• Protect your family. If something were to happen to you, could your family pay the mortgage? Could your children still afford to go to college someday? To protect your family's current lifestyle and long-term goals, you may well need to maintain adequate life and disability insurance. Your employer may offer these types of protection as employee benefits, but the coverage might be insufficient for your needs. Consequently, you might need to supplement vour employer-paid insurance with additional policies.

• Invest in your children. If financial you have young children, Almost certainly, one of the and you'd like to see them go to college someday, you may want to start putting money away toward that goal. You can save and invest for Even if you save and invest college in a variety of ways, diligently throughout your but one popular method is working years, you could still

offers high contribution limits and potential tax advantages. Plus, a 529 plan gives you significant control and flexibility: - if you establish a plan for one child, but he or she decides not to go to college, you can name

• Be generous. You don't make meaningful financial gifts to your family. For example, if you have grown children, consider helping them fund their IRAs. You can't contribute directly to a child's IRA, but you can write checks to your children for that purpose - though, of course, they are then free to do whatever they want with the money. It's not always easy for a young person to "max out" on an IRA, which has an annual contribution limit of \$5,500 for workers under 50, so any help you can give your children in this area should be greatly appreciated.

Safeguard your own independence. most undesirable outcomes you can imagine is to become financially dependent on your grown children. be vulnerable to financial dependency if you need an extensive period of longterm care, such as a nursing home stay. These costs can be enormous, and Medicare typically pays only a small percentage, and usually for just a limited time. To protect your financial freedom, you should explore ways of addressing long-term care costs. A financial professional can explain those alternatives that may be appropriate for your situation.

• Communicate your wishes to your family. At some point in your life, you will need to draw up your estate plans, which could include a will, a living trust, a durable power of attorney, a health care directive and other documents. To be fair to your children and other family members, and to avoid hurt feelings, you should clearly communicate your plans and your wishes while you are still around.

Thanksgiving means more than turkey and football. And if you can successfully apply the lessons of this holiday to your financial plans, both you and your family will have reason to be thankful.

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Benjamin I. Evans, 81

FRANKLIN — Benjamin "Ben" I. Evans, 81, a resident of Franklin, died on Nov. 11, 2016 at the Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen after a short illness. Benjamin was born in Franklin on Nov. 5, 1935, the son of Benjamin and Stella (Messer) Evans. During the course of Ben's life, he was employed as an Auto Mechanic and worked in several machine shops. After retirement he worked for Evans' Tree Service, trimming and logging trees. He enjoyed hunting and fishing with his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

His family includes daughters, Janet Ellis of Northfield,



Marlene Clark of New Port Richey, Fla., and Stella Jurentkuff of Manchester; his son, Charles Evans of Sanbornton; 19 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

According to Ben-

jamin's wishes, there are no calling hours planned. A celebration of his life open house was held on Friday, Nov. 18, 2016 from 6-8 p.m. at his son's home, Charles and Leah Evans, 447 Stage Rd., Sanbornton, NH 03269.

Burial will be held at the convenience of the family in the Rhoades Cemetery in Alexandria.

The William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Those wishing, may

make memorial donation's in Ben's name to a charity of one's

For more information, go to www.smartfuneralhome.com.

Douglas Raymond Holmes, 44

NORTHFIELD Raymond — Douglas Holmes, 44, of Northfield, born April 11, 1972 in Burlington, Vt., passed on to Heaven on Nov. 14, 2016 from birth defects/heart related is-

His formal education started at age three at the Early Essential Education Center in Burlington. At the age of five, he moved with his family to Brattleboro, Vt., where he enrolled at the Austine School for the Deaf, graduating in 1991. He enrolled at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf and Rochester Technical Institute in Rochester. which led to his employment at NHDOT for the last 17 years as a Civil Engineer Tech IV.



Douglas enjoyed his family and friends. Among his many interests were bowling, his love to travel, and a keen interest in civil engineering. He delighted in history research and hiking. Doug knew the stats of every mountain in this area as well as many throughout the world. He memorized maps from all over the country.

Douglas is survived

by his parents, Raymond E. and Linda F. Holmes of Guilford, Vt.; brother Mark and wife JoAnne and their son Dylan of Brattleboro; brother Matthew and wife Lydia and their sons Kyle and Trevor of Ganesvoort, N.Y.; and several uncles, aunts, and cousins.

A Celebration Douglas's life will be held at the First Baptist Church, 190 Main St., Brattleboro, Vt. on Nov. 22, 2016 at 10 a.m. Burial will be held on Nov. 26, 2016 at 2 p.m. at Mountain View Cemetery in Essex Center, Vt.

Paquette-Neun Funeral Home in Northfield is assisting the Holmes family. For an online guestbook, please visit www.neunfuneralhomes.com.

Franklin Savings Bank CEO Jeffery B. Savage retires after 28 years of service

FRANKLIN — With a career spanning 40 years in the banking industry, Jeffery B. Savage, CEO of Franklin Savings Bank, announced his retirement, effective Dec. 1. He will remain an active member of the Board of Directors.

Savage joined FSB in 1988 as VP, CFO & Treasurer. He received a number of promotions during his tenure eventually leading to his appointment as President & CEO in 2001. His career in financial services began in 1976 as Branch Manager at Personal Finance Company based in Chicago Heights, Ill. In 1978, he moved to New Hampshire where he had spent summers during his childhood. Upon his arrival, Jeff joined Concord Savings Bank as a Loan Interviewer. which was followed by opportunities in several positions within lending, retail banking and finance during his ten years with them. Before joining FSB, Savage had achieved the position of VP, CFO & Treasurer for Concord Savings Bank.

During Savage's career at FSB, assets grew from \$167 million to \$435 million, and loans rose from \$126 million to \$372 million. The bank expanded its branch footprint with the addi-



JEFFREY SAVAGE

full-service branch offices in Tilton (1999), Boscawen (2003), Laconia (2006) and Gilford (2007). The bank also established a business lending office in Bedford in 2012.

Addressing a kev strategic initiative for Franklin Savings, Savage was instrumental in leading the bank's expanded focus into commercial lending in order to grow and diversify the bank's balance sheet. This was at a time when many large banks had shifted their focus away from the small business community. recognized the opportunity to greatly expand the bank's commercial lending services in order to effectively serve the many small businesses of Central New Hampshire. This is a

cus on serving the needs of the individuals, families and businesses of the bank's marketplace and it remains a core strength of FSB today.

As an early adopter of technology, Savage focused on the role technology played in banking. He understood and promoted the benefits of technology, allowing customers greater flexibility and control over when they chose to conduct their banking transactions. Savage also viewed it as a differentiator that could help position the bank well from a competitive standpoint. As an example, FSB was the first community bank in New Hampshire to offer online banking in August of 1999. Resignificant milestone, Savage said the decision to roll out this service was based largely on the bank's rural geography and physical branch network limitations. Internet banking was an opportunity to best serve the needs of customers by improving access to services any time, or day of the week. Over the years, the bank has invested in several technologies to include telephone banking, online loan approvals, online deposit account opening, mobile banking, remote deposit capture, instant issue debit cards and online appointments as examples.

"We have always been fortunate to have a Board that supported investments in technology," added Savage.

Working with the Board of Directors, Savage executed on an opportunity for FSB to expand beyond traditional bank products and services through the acquisition of Independence Trust Company (ITC) in September of 2002. Savage had the vision to understand the importance of offering investment management, brokerage and insurance products in order to solidify relationships with customers. ITC, which was a non-depository trust company, was later converted to the registered investment advisory company of Independence Financial

Advisors (IFA). "At the time, the atgreat sense for us as it integrated well into our mission to serve customers, as well as supported off balance sheet revenue derived from non-interest income for the bank," said Savage.

During his leadership, Savage believed strongly that preserving the bank's independence and mutuality was important for the long term success of the organization.

Ronald Magoon, successor to Savage, commented that "Jeff's commitment to our inensures dependence that Central New Hampshire has a financial institution that cares about its customers and communities and is not beholden to shareholders."

continued Magoon

that "we are proud to be community bankers and are grateful to work for an organization that does so much for so many."

Savage gave tirelessly of his time to be involved with and support a number of civic organizations in the Concord, Central Lakes Region and Sunapee area. He is past President of the Concord Kiwanis Club, past board member of Merrimack Valley Day Care Service, former Director and Finance Committee member for the New Hampshire Bar Foundation, and a former member of both the regional and state boards of Child and Family Services. In addition, he is a long tractiveness of the ac-serving member of the flecting back on this quisition of ITC made Board of Directors for Granite United Way where he also served on the Finance Committee, Community Impact Committee, and was a past Chair of the Audit Committee. In 2015, GUW honored Savage with the Merrimack County Region "Volunteer of the Year Award" for his years of service commitment to the organization. Further, Savage served on the Board of Directors for the Franklin Opera House and Belknap **Economic Development** Council where he also served as Vice Chair. He was also President of the Lake Sunapee Water Ski Team, where he enjoys spending summers with his family.

Throughout his years in the New Hampshire banking industry, Savage also served on boards and committees that provide support and advocate for the industry. He is past Board Chair and Director of New Hampshire Bankers Association, past Board Chair and Trustee of the New England Insurance Trust, past President and Director of the Community Bankers Association of New Hampshire, and is a past member of the Education Committee for the New England School for Financial Studies.

Savage is an honors graduate of the National School of Banking at Fairfield University. He holds an MBA from

Southern New Hampshire University and a B.A. degree from Valparaiso University.

In looking back over the last 28 years at FSB, Savage feels very fortunate to have worked for a great organization that serves its customers well and contributes meaningfully to the communities it serves. He hopes his legacy will inspire continued growth for the bank and his past coworkers, as well as exceptional service to its customers and communities.

"It is my hope that FSB continues to move forward with the same values and qualities that were in place since well before I came on board in 1988," commented Savage.

Established in 1869,

Franklin Savings Bank is an independent, mutually-owned community bank, offering a full array of commercial lending, retail bankand investment services throughout the Central Lakes Region and southern New Hampshire. Headquartered in Franklin, the Bank has offices in Bristol, Boscawen, Tilton, Laconia and Gilford, as well as an office in Bedford for business lending. Franklin Savings Bank also offers investment, insurance and financial planning services through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Independence Financial Advisors, from offices in Franklin, Bedford, Nashua and Rochester, New Hampshire. As a recognized leader in providing the latest in financial services technology, Franklin Savings Bank remains committed to serving the needs of businesses, families and the communities it serves, through a dedicated team of employees, a diverse line of financial products and services, and continued investment in emerging tech-

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Tilton Trailer Rental supports those in need

David and Barbara Barbuto, on behalf of Tilton Trailer Rental, recently presented a check for \$1,000 to Heather Thibodeau of the Department of Human Services, Town of Tilton, to help residents who need assistance during this holiday time.

Celebrate the holidays at The Pines' annual **Christmas Breakfast**

NORTHIELD — The Pines Community Center, 61 Summer St., Northfield, will hold its annual Christmas Breakfast Saturday, Dec. 3 from 7:30-10 a.m.

Enjoy an all-you-caneat country breakfast of pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, juice, and hot beverages. The Pines will donate \$1 from each adult breakfast to Ca\$hn-Can\$.

Fred Caruso from Mix 94.1 FM will be broadcasting live from this year's breakfast, and Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive for a visit at 8:30 a.m.

For more information and pricing, please call 286-8653 or visit www. pinescommunitycenter.

Annual Christmas pancake breakfast with Books, Baubles and Bake Sale

SANBORNTON The Sanbornton Con-Churchgregational UCC will hold its annual Christmas Pancake Breakfast from 8-10

a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, in the Undercroft of the church. The cost of the breakfast is \$5 per person, with no charge for children under five years of age.

In conjunction with the breakfast will be the annual "Books, Baubles and Bake Sale" from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. There will be homemade baked goods, a Christmas gift table that will include some "baubles", and a tables of gently used books. Free Trade coffee and other items will also be for sale.

Start your day off with a yummy breakfast and then do a little shopping while enjoying some great fellowship. The church is located at 21 Meetinghouse Hill Rd. at Sanbornton Square, right off of Route 132.

"Other Voices, Other Lives" at Taylor **Community**

LACONIA — Two her poet-friend Beth Fox decided to explore the possibility of reading poetry to assisted living residents. To their surprise, they found not only did the residents enjoy hearing the poems, but the poems themselves stirred memories inside each of them. As a result, new poetry was written to reflect their stories and

oral histories. The women these poems present at Taylor Community's Woodside Building Wednesday, Nov. 30 at 2 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Taylor Community is a not-for-profit Continuing Care Retirement Community whose mission is to provide the highest quality re-

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Albert Clark memorialized at NH Humane Society

LACONIA New Hampshire Hu-Society pleased to receive a generous donation from Albert Clark, Jr. after his passing in June.

Barbara Strohm, Mr. Clark's daughter, was on hand on at the New Hampshire Humane Society shelter on Meredith Center Road, Laconia, on Monday, Nov. 14 to memorialize her father with a plaque to commemorate his lifelong love for animals, philanthropy to New Hampshire Humane Society. The entire family has a genetic predisposition to animal care and stewardship, with Mr. Clark and his wife adopting two canine traveling companions from the shelter in their later years. Mrs. Strohm, her daughter Erika Strohm, and grandchildren Natalia and Gunner Gallentine attended a small ceremony to hang a commemorative plaque in the lobby of the New



Natalia Gallentine, Erika Strohm, Gunner Gallentine, Barbara Strohm, with the plaque for Albert Clark; Marylee Gorham, Executive Director of the NH Humane Society and NHHS Board Members Tim James and Kara LaSalle.

litters of puppies newly arrived just in time for the shelter's annual Adopt-a-Thon on Nov.

The NH Humane

Humane non-profit whose missociety, and enjoyed a sion is to find responsitour of the shelter; vis- ble and caring forever iting with several cats homes; provide shelter in the social rooms, and for the lost, abandoned shelter depends on the monetary donations onand unwanted animals; advocate and be the voice for the voiceless. The Society works hard to prevent cruelty to animals and offers ed-

programs, pet therapy, and many community initiatives to help people and their pets. The Humane Society accepts generosity of animal lovers and community members like Mr. Clark to continue to serve hundreds of animals in need, year after year,

services to the commu-The New Hampshire

line at www.nhhumane. org, or specific items, which can be found online at our "Wish List," can also be dropped off during shelter hours or by special arrangement.

Society is a 501(c)3 ucation and outreach and provide invaluable Tanger Outlets kick off holiday shopping season with Moonlight Madness

Tanger's special hours and holiday deals begin at 6 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day

— Tanger Outlets Tilton will open on Thanksgiving Day at 6 p.m., and will remain open through 10 p.m. on Friday evening. Moonlight Madness allows shoppers to take part in a new family tradition, providing them with access to incredible savings from their favorite brand names and

designer outlet stores via text. before the post-Thanksgiving rush. Visit www. tangeroutlet.com/Tilton for exact store hours and more information. Shoppers also have a chance to win a \$2,500 shopping spree by texting StyleYourLife to 55695. Entries accepted through Nov. 30. Winner will be notified on Dec. 1

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New Horizons Band to perform Christmas concerts throughout the region

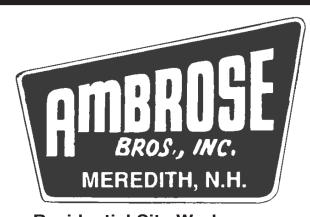
REGION — During the next three weeks, the New Horizons Band will offer five concerts for the Christmas Season. We will also mark the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

On Tuesday, Nov. 29, we will play for the residents of the Belknap County Nursing Home in Laconia, their relatives and staff. We will also entertain the residents of Sugar Hill Retirement Community in Wolfeboro on Saturday, Dec. 3 and the patients, family and staff of the New Hampshire Veterans' Home in Tilton on Tuesday, Dec. 13.

The Band will also play two concerts open to the public. The first will take place at 6:30 p.m. SEE BAND, PAGE A14



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Metrocast once again donated the turkeys for the Spaulding Youth Center's annual Thanksgiving Luncheon last week.



John Roy (Guild President), Shirley Mento, and Kathy Rice accept the Arthur H. Nighswander Community Partner Award on behalf of the Belknap Mill Quilters Guild.



David Moore accepts the You've Got a Friend Award.

Spaulding Youth Center hosts annual Thanksgiving Luncheon, recognizes community award recipients

NORTHFIELD — On friends and our holiday ed more than 50 quilts Mento, and Kathy Rice. Nov. 15, Spaulding Youth Center hosted our annual Thanksgiving luncheon on campus for all students, campus staff, supporters, community partners and friends. With turkeys once again generously donated by MetroCast, our Food Services department prepared a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings. This feast was then proudly served with a smile by Spaulding Youth Center students.

This annual Thanksgiving feast is a favorite tradition for those both on- and off-campus. Its popularity is demonstrated by the sheer number in attendance. This year, the Thanksgiving dinner accommodated 217 attendees over three separate seatings throughout the afternoon.

"The Thanksgiving season is one of the favorites here on campus for both our students and staff. Not only does it provide a special opportunity to be thankful for all the wonderful ways Spaulding Youth Center contributes to the lives of those on campus, but also reminds each and every one of us to not take a single blessing for granted," shares James Clements, CEO & President of Spaulding Youth Center. "Our team also enjoys taking the time to recognize so many community partners who provide ongoing support of our mission. Without their charitable support, we could not achieve the great heights of success we currently reach with our students. Our students look forward to celebrating this time-honored tradition with their

guests."

Community Awards

As part of this year's celebration, Spaulding Youth Center also recognized this year's community award recipients for their extensive and ongoing support:

The Ninth Annual Arthur H. Nighswander Community Partner Award recipient is the Belknap Mill Quilters Guild. In the past year, this 106-member organization has donat-

to our students. These custom comfort quilt donations are part of a larger initiative to provide one for each of our residential students, many of whom do not have anything of their very own much less something designed specifically with their interests in mind. Each quilt takes more than 100 hours to complete. Present at the luncheon to accept the award were John Roy (Guild

The 11th Annual You've Got a Friend Award recipient David Moore. When he was employed at Spaulding Youth Center in 1997, he developed our first real challenge course elements. Since then, he has returned regularly to help build and maintain close to 20 different challenge course elements, with each element tailored to fit the unique needs

campus, Mr. Moore has designed many ropes courses through his tenure with Project Adventure, both across the United States and internationally. Moore was excited to share a collection of framed pictures from his time here at Spaulding Youth Center with the other attendees of the luncheon.

About Spaulding

Youth Center Spaulding Youth Center is a leading provider of services for children and youth with neurological, emotional, behavioral, learning and/ or developmental challenges including Autism Spectrum Disorder. Services include academic, behavioral health, residential, foster care, health and wellness and family support. Spaulding Youth Center Foundation is a tax-exempt 501 (c)(3) nonprofit. For information about Spaulding Youth Center, visit www.spauldingyouthcenter.org.

Southwick School holds annual Fun Run/Walk

of our students. Beyond

his dedication to our

NORTHFIELD The Southwick School Wellness Committee organized and hosted the annual Fun Run/ Walk during each grade level recess period on Monday, Oct. 24. Students trained during their Physical Education classes in the weeks leading up to the race. The goals were to introduce students to the experience of participating in a cross-country race as well as to encourage an active lifestyle.

The Fun Run/Walk began on the playground, rounded the through the back field, onto the nature trail, and ended back on the playground. The top first, second, and third place overall boy and girl finishers from each grade received a pumpkin for their accomplishment. finishers by grade level were (in order from first to third):

Fifth grade: Zachary St. Onge and Logan Brown for the boys. Chloe McDonald, Al-

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Zachary St. Onge has won the boys' race all three years at

exa Snyder, and Savannah Lucero for the girls.

Fourth grade: Ethan Carter, Justin Tardiff, and Colby Blackburn for the boys. Beni Griffin, Anaya Mondesir, and Nevaeh Balch for the girls.

Third grade: Caid-Herbert, Xavier Amirault, and Taber

Caidyn Carter, Denessa Williams, and Zariah Moore for the girls.

Many staff members volunteered their time and talents to make the Fun Run/Walk a success by supervising the course, helping to organize the event, and even running or walking the race with students. A great active

Belmont High School participates in College Application Week

BELMONT — Apply- family to attend college, ing to college can be an overwhelming experience, but with the extra assistance and the chance of winning a \$500 scholarship, it seemed possible for many who participated in the "I Am College Bound/I Applied" campaign at Belmont High School this week.

On Monday, Nov. 14, seniors had the opportunity to submit at least one college admissions application with the assistance of representatives from admissions offices from various New Hampshire colleges and universities during the school day at Belmont High School.

The "I Am College Bound/I Applied" campaign provides assistance to students who may be the first in their low-income students and others who may be unfamiliar with the college application process. As part of the initiative, students receive information about the additional components of a college application, college financial aid process and filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. The program, part of a nationwide initiative through the American Council on Education, is sponsored in New Hampshire by the New Hampshire Department of Education, New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation, and colleges and universities of the NH College & University Council. Since 2014, nearly 800 high school seniors have over 1500 college applica-



Left to right: David Williams, Belmont HS Principal, Kelsey Scott, \$500 Scholarship Recipient, and Lisa Ransom, Director of School Counseling at Belmont High School.

tions and just this week, they are expecting to help 1,100 students with 2,700 - 3,100 college applications!

Kelsey Scott was the lucky winner of the \$500

scholarship at BHS, however, all the 48 students who participated walked away with something – the feeling of accomplishment and relief!

WRSD raises some dough

TILTON - Winnisquam Regional School District will be looking to "raise some dough" for the Parent Teacher Organizations in all five schools within the district on Dec. 14 and 15th through their partnership with Uno Pizzeria and Grill. From open until close on those two

days, 20-percent of all fundraiser designated food and drink receipts will go toward students and programs in all five schools within the dis-

Known as a "Dough Raiser," the event has been quite successful in the past by helping SEE WRSD, PAGE A14



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This past weekend, the employees of Lakes Region Airport Shuttle Service, LLC and Lakes Region Student Transport, LLC of Tilton gathered for the annual employee appreciation luncheon hosted by company owners Donald St. Gelais and his wife, Sandra Dame-St. Gelais. It is not only a time to give back to and thank the employees, who are the backbone of the company, but a way to give back to the community by making the event an annual food drive as well. Pictured: Employees collected non perishable food items as well as personal care items such as tooth brushes, shampoo and diapers to be donated to the local food pantry.

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got the MGM classic cartoons "Tom Turkey and His Harmonica Humdingers" from 1940 "Jerky Turkey" from 1945. We're airing the seldom-seen MCA/ Revue Studios "Calvin and the Colonel" car-"Thanksgiving Dinner" from 1961. We'll also serve up some extra helpings of funky educational filmstrips from the past. Too fun! Then, just when you're hungry for more, we'll serve up some vintage television

SEE TV, PAGE A14 Don't miss CHRISTMAS AT THE CASTLE Fri, Sat, sun, Nov. 25-27 10 AM TO 4 PM ENJOY MORE DECORATIONS THAN EVER BEFORE! LIVE MUSIC VISITS WITH SANTA AND CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR LUNCH IN THE CARRIAGE HOUSE RESTAURANT PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE AT WWW.CASTLEINTHECLOUDS.ORG \$20 FOR ADULTS, \$15 FOR MEMBERS, \$10 FOR YOUTH FREE FOR CHILDREN AGED FOUR AND UNDER USE OSSIPEE PARK ROAD ENTRANCE Sponsored by NFINGER INSURANCE Rt. 171, Moultonborough, NH www.castleintheclouds.org 603-476-5900



Holiday Craft Fair comes to the Belknap Mall

Don't miss the Lakes Region Holiday Craft Fair at the Belknap Mall, 96 Daniel Webster Highway, Belmont, on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 26-27, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This fair was formerly held at the Opechee Conference Center in Laconia. Many of the same exhibitors will be displaying their beautiful arts & crafts at the Belknap Mall. The above photo features beautiful lighted wine bottles with tissue collage by Joanne Cordero and Ellen Nunes who will be exhibiting in the fair. Some of the other exhibits will include holiday decor, soy candles, gorgeous quilts and table decor, goat milk soaps, delicious gourmet dips, gift baskets, American girl doll clothing, wood turned items, wood burned items and demonstration, Ben's NH maple syrups, alpaca clothing, knits and crocheted items, jewelry, wool sweater mittens, unique lights, gourmet coffees, and lots more Music of Tim Janis! Find unique and quality holiday gifts!!! See you there! For more information, contact Joyce at 528-4014 or www.joycescraftshows.com.

LRCC continues fundraising effort for student scholarships

LACONIA — Lakes Region Community College honored Alex Ray, founder of the Common Man Family of Restaurants, with the Community College System of New Hampshire Walter R. Peterson Education and Public Service Award at Mill Falls, Church Landing in Meredith on Oct. 24th, which also served as the kick of the fundraising efforts for student scholarships. Ray was chosen as the 2016 recipient for his commitment of service, advocacy of the New Hampshire Community Colleges, and his local activism.

Ray is a longtime friend of the college, serving on the College Advisory Board and actively participating in the development of a Hospitality Management Program at LRCC. Ray expressed how he came to appreciate the work of the Community Colleges, LRCC in particular, and the honor of being named the 2016 Walter R. Peterson Award Recipient. Alex shared that he was "less than a conscientious student" and appreciated the opportunity to go to Culinary School after being on the "five year plan in high school." He appreciates the opportunities a community college education can create for people.

2014 LRCC graduate, 2016 PSU graduate and

now PSU employee, Alex Boudreau and LRCC senior Ann Lajoie spoke on behalf of LRCC sharing how their experiences at the College changed their lives in many positive ways. Dr. Scott Kalicki,

LRCC President commented "the College is honored to have the opportunity to recognize Alex Ray for his tremendous service and commitment to the citizens of the Granite State and grateful to him for providing us with an opportunity to raise significant dollars for a new endowed student scholarship fund." Major sponsors of

the event included The Common Man Family, AutoServ, Anagnost Industries, Central Paper, Hampshire Hospitality Holdings, Inc., Holloway Automotive Group, Dyn, Bank of New Hampshire, Lovett-Woodsum, US Foods, and Meredith Village Savings Banks among many more.

Anyone interested wishing to honor this recognition of Alex Ray by making a donation to the student scholarship fund can do so by calling Julie Velie/LRCC at 366-5257.

About LRCC

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



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Town of Northfield Planning Board Northfield Town Hall Monday, December 5, 2016 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Public Hearing for the review of proposed zoning amendments:

Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) - to add article 6.3 Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU). (This would allow this use in R1, R2 and CONS as table #1 in Article 7 delineates, with special exception per RSA 674:71 to 73.)

2. Request to establish Institutional Zoning District.

Respectfully, Jason Durgin, Chairman November 15, 2016

This is a public meeting and citizens are invited to attend. Additional information is available for review at the Town Hall and at northfieldnh.org (go to "meetings", click on "agenda").

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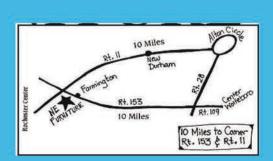


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Gilmanton School PTA hosting holiday craft fair Saturday

GILMANTON — The Gilmanton School PTA will be holding its annual holiday craft fair on Saturday, Nov. 26 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Gilmanton School on NH Route 140.

This annual craft fair is showcasing both local as well as non local crafters with the opportunity to share their talents with the general public and it's a wonderful opportunity to browse all the amazing, unique homemade items that make for great gift giving ideas for loved ones! Some of our returning vendors are: Heavenly Sent Herbs. Winnifred's Wares. Little Linda's

Embroidery and No Weare Else. Some of our new vendors are Lindon Garlic Farm, Angelic Impressions charm bracelets, American Patriot Woodworking, Soul Pine Pottery and 143 Chocolate.

A food court in the cafeteria will feature the following clubs and organizations selling yummy food and baked goods. Cub Scouts of Women's America Auxiliary, Destination Imagination, Gilmanton Year Round Library. Corner Slice and

The Gilmanton PTA will also be selling raffle tickets, and Santa will

be here from 10 a.m.noon. Bring your camera and get your photo taken with the jolly St.

The Gilmanton School PTA is responsible for raising money so that we may supplement our students' curriculum and enrich their educational experiences. The following are just a few of the events we support: field trips for all grades; the Naturalist in the Classroom: and the Artist-in-Residence program. These activities are partially covered by the school budget, but are extremely important to our children's educational enrichment.



Deanna Rondolet, age six, with Santa.

Bank of NH Pavilion, Eastern Propane partner to bring live music to the region for years to come

New Hampshire Pavilion and Eastern Propane & Oil are excited to announce the extension of their concert series naming rights partnership. Eastern Propane & Oil will continue as the proud sponsor of Bank of New Hampshire Pa-

GILFORD — Bank of vilion's concert series concert series sponsorfor an additional seven years. What started out in 2002 with an Inner Circle Membership purchased by Charles V. Clement III, President and Owner of local business Eastern Propane & Oil, quickly blossomed into the venue's annual

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ship, lasting over a decade, and counting. One of Bank of New

Hampshire Pavilion's original founders, Bob Harding, noticed, early on, the purchase history of Chuck Clement and his local business, Eastern Propane & Oil. Opening the conversation with a sincere thank you for Eastern's continued customer loyalty, these two business masterminds put their heads together and an amazing partnership was born. Clement remembers that meeting well.

"In 2002, after meeting Bob Harding, I knew we had stumbled upon a wonderful opportunity for our company and an asset for our customers and employees. The relationship with the entire Harding family has been a mutually rewarding one," says Clement. "We share a lot of the same values of family, community and charity. So, to be affiliated with something so positive has been very gratifying."

Explaining proud he is to have witnessed the incredible SEE MUSIC, PAGE A14 Courtesy

6 x 6 for \$66 Holiday Art Sale opens at LRAA Gallery

The Lakes Region Art Association Gallery will be opening a 6 x 6 for \$66 Holiday Art

www.LRAANH.org.

Local Weekly News The perfect stocking stuffer! Annalee Dolls opens new headquarters to the public

Sale located at the Tanger Outlets, Tilton. The sale begins during Tanger's Midnight Madness on Thursday, Nov. 24 beginning at 6 p.m. There will be more than 80 pieces to choose from, all priced at \$66 each. The original art is created on six-inch-by-six-inch gallery wrapped canvases. Oil,

Acrylic, watercolor and mixed media will be represented.

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, half of the Holiday Sale exhibit will move to VynnArt Gallery at 30 Main St. in Meredith. The

show will continue in both places until Jan. 1. Original art

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Save the date for Prescott Farm's Solstice **Lantern Festival on Saturday, Dec. 17!**

Farm is excited to announce they will be holding a Solstice Lantern Festival on Saturday, Dec. 17 from 4 – 7 p.m. Save the date and plan on joining us for this celebration of the return of the light!

Celebrate the upcoming Winter Solstice – the shortest day of the year – with fun activities to welcome back the light! Events will include a lantern parade, bonfire, and contests for lanterns. Participants may enter their own lanterns of any kind. and we will have a lantern-building workshop the Saturday before the event. In addition to the main event activities we also will have a lantern garden, guided lantern walks, bake sale and a lantern-lit StoryWalk™. Bake sale items are for purchase and proceeds will benefit Fledglings Preschool scholarship fund. You will also have

LACONIA — Prescott the opportunity to make and take home your own winter candle holder for \$5/person.

> Our Season of Light: DIY Lantern Workshop will take place Saturday, Dec. 10. In preparation for our upcoming Solstice Lantern Festival, join us to make your own lantern to enter in our parade and contests! Choose from tin can lanterns that mimic the look of a traditional punched tin lantern or something more colorful made from translucent tissue paper and other upcycled materials. The 1-2:30 p.m. session is full, but we have opened up a second session that same day from 10:30 a.m. - noon. The cost is \$15 (\$12 Members of Prescott Farm)/adult or adult-child pair, plus \$4/ additional child. Note: for an adult-child pair they each get to make a lantern in this work-



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may be entered in our Lantern Festival contest; homemade (including those not entered in the contest) and pur-Homemade lanterns chased lanterns may

participate in our lantern parade. The contest will have four age categories: newborn to five years, six to 12 years, 13-18 years and the winners. Winners of

adult. Each category will have a winner for 1) Biggest 2) Most Colorful 3) Most Creative. Ribbons will be placed on the contest will lead the parade at 6:00pm. If you are planning on making a lantern to enter in our Lantern Festival contest please visit our website at www.prescottfarm. org for Lantern Contest Guidelines.

Prescott Farm offers public programs designed to encourage environmental exploration for all ages; field trips; WildQuest Day Camps (during school vacation weeks – February, April & June-August); a Naturalist in the Classroom program which fosters long-term partnerships with local elementary schools; and Fledglings, a nature-based preschool. The 160 acre historic family farm features woodland and field trails, historic barns, an old-fashioned maple sugaring operation during the month of March, heritage gardens, and a forested pond. Prescott Farm is open year round, seven days a week from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.Hiking trails and our Natural Playscape are open to the public daily from dawn to dusk.

Admission to the Solstice Lantern Festival is \$3/person (Free for Members of Prescott Farm). Learn more at www.prescottfarm.org or find us on Facebook!

Delve into "The File on Thelma Jordan" this weekend on LRPA

LACONIA—Join Lakes Region Public Access Television at 10:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday night (November 25 & 26) for our "LRPA After Dark" presentation of 1950's filmnoir crime drama "The File on Thelma Jordan," starring Barbara Stanwyck and Wendell Co-

Assistant District Attorney Cleve Marshall (Corey) is having marriage problems, which aren't helped by the fact that he's gone on a drunken bender and missed his anniversary celebration with his

wife. Enter into his office the seductive and mysterious Thelma Jordan (Stanwyck), to whom Cleve feels an immediate attraction. She's there to report an attempted burglary at the house of her elderly Aunt Vera. Cleve can't get Thelma out of his mind, and the two begin an affair. Meanwhile, Thelma has also been seeing Tony Laredo, a thug and a thief. Of ship. Sometime later, Aunt Vera is shot by an intruder. Thelma calls Cleve to the house to help, all the while cast-

ing suspicion on Tony. Cleve gets assigned to the case. The evidence points to Thelma, and Cleve does everything he can to defend her, putting his reputation on the line. Although the odds are stacked against Thelma, Cleve chooses to believe her – but in the shadowy world of film noir, is anything ever the way it seems?

Barbara Stanwyck course, she lies to Cleve made her share of faabout their relation- mous films noir, including two infamous films -- "The Strange Love of Martha Ivers" and "Double Indemnity," – so it's an interesting footnote

that "The File on Thelma Jordan" is a relatively obscure film. It was generally well received by critics in its day, with Variety noting that it "...unfolds as an interesting, femme-slanted melodrama, told with a lot of restrained excitement." It features very strong performances from both Stanwyck and Corey, the latter of whom was often relegated to supporting character roles.

"The File on Thelma Jordan" deserves to be better known by film fans everywhere. So grab your popcorn and meet us after dark for this seldom-seen crime thriller from the past.

You can't find television like this it anywhere but LRPA TV, MetroCast Channel 25. Not a subscriber? Then log onto Live Stream through our website (www.lrpa.org) where you can catch all the fun. **About Lakes Region**

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The centerpiece of this year's New England Christmas production is Pontine's original stage adaptation of Frank Stockton's 1895 story, "Captain Eli's Best Ear." The performance is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 28 at 6:30 p.m. at Taylor Community's Woodside Building.

Pontine Theatre's New England Christmas production comes to Taylor Community

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Cap'n Eli Bunker, a retired sea captain, is in-

spired, after many lonely years as a widower, to try his hand at celebrating Christmas once again. After much cogitation, he conspires with his friend and neighbor, Cap'n Cephas Dyer, to mount a fitting holiday event. An orphan girl and Mrs. Trimmer, whose husband "sailed away in a schooner and never returned," fill out the cast of this charming tale. The characters are played by a cast of beautifully crafted bunr-

aku-style puppets. Taylor Community is a not-for-profit Continuing Care Retirement Community whose mission is to provide the highest quality retirement living options to support the independence, health and dignity of community residents. For more information, visit www. taylorcommunity.org.



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Lakes Region Tourism Association announces 2016 Tourism Award

Two scholarship awards announced at Annual Meeting

MEREDITH — The Annual Lakes Region Tourism Association Meeting was held on Nov. 1 at Hart's Turkey Farm Restaurant in Meredith. The meeting reviewed the marketing efforts for 2016 and the plans for how the Lakes Region Tourism Association will promote the region in state, out of state and internationally in 2017. The mission of the LRTA is to increase the number of visitors to the region in order to create a positive economic impact on busi-

Each year, the Lakes Region Tourism Association presents their Tourism Award to an individual or business that has made a difference in the past year, by bringing

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growth of the Pavilion

over the last 15 years,

Clement reflects back,

saying, "I know Bob

would be very proud of

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Andrew Button from Annalee Dolls accepts the Tourism Award from LRTA Executive Director Amy Landers and LRTA President Mark Borrin.

visitors into the Lakes Region and Central New Hampshire. This year, the Tourism Award was awarded to Andrew Button of Annalee Dolls.

The Mildred A. Beach Scholarship Award is given to a student attending a college, university or technical college in

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the Lakes Region to pursue a degree in tourism, hospitality, or culinary arts. This year, the Mildred A. Beach Scholarship Award was given to David Marston.

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this year. Together, we

look forward to continue

growing this concert se-

ries, which has become

such a staple within the



Jim Morash presents the Mildred A. Beach Hospitality Scholarship award to David Marston.



Mark Borrin presents the Mel Borrin Scholarship award to Zoey Alcantara.

Tourism Association is thankful to the following 2016 Annual Meeting Sponsors: New Hampshire Employers Insurance Company, The Lawson Group, Waste Management, Annalee, Catamount Color, Bank of New Hampshire, Irving, CTM Media Group, and LTD Company. The Lakes Region Tourism Association welcomes new members and invites all Lakes Region businesses to join in their cooperative marketing effort to keep tourism strong in New Hampshire.

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For more information or visitor's guides visit LakesRegion.org, facebook.com/NHLakesRegion or follow on Twitter. For more information about New Hampshire, go to www.visitnh.gov. The LRTA office is on Route 3 in Tilton, and it can be reached by calling (800) 60-LAKES.

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shows such as "The Dick Van Dyke Show," "The Andy Griffith Show," "What's My Line?," and much more. Top off your evening with two vintage MGM musicals: 1947's "Till The Clouds Roll By," and 1951's "Royal Wedding."

Mark your calendars for the annual CruCon Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction, Dec. 6-10. Join LRPA for minute-by-minute coverage all week long on Metro-Cast Channel 25 and also on LiveStream through our Web site: www.lrpa.

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on Tuesday evening, Dec. 6 at Good Shepherd Church, 2238 Parade Rd. Laconia and at 7 p.m. on Tuesday evening, Dec. 20 at the Taylor Home, 435

Union Ave., Laconia. "December 7, 1941" is a stirring composition evoking the events at Pearl Harbor that morning 75 years ago. The concert will also include the popular "Christmas Festival," arranged by Leroy Anderson of Boston Pops fame as well as his composition of the well-known "Sleigh Ride." You will also hear, among others, the "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers," "Ding Dong Merrily on High," "God Bless Us, Everyone," some Christmas Carols arranged by Vaughn Williams, and of course, a musical welcome to Santa Claus. We will feature a member of the band in his solo performance on clarinet of "Gabriel's Oboe." There will be many other pieces and most all of them will be familiar to boys and girls, ladies and gentlemen of all ages. So please join us at one or both of these free con-

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TRAIL

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Trail has received generous, long-term support from the local business community, families and civic organizations. We received a \$100,000 grant from the Community Development Finance Authority, the first ever CDFA grant for this type of project. The Downtown Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Advisory Board supported and the City Council approved the use of \$400,000 towards the project. Annual fundraising events including the WOW Sweepstakes Ball and the Runaway Pumpkin continue to be enthusiastically supported by the community.

The downtown business community and community at large overwhelmingly supported the elimination of 12 parking spaces on New Salem Street to make room for the trail. Stratham Tire donated a parcel of land so that the trail could get around 2 historic sheds located in the right-of-way. The Foster family (formerly the Citizen building) granted an easement

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to cross their property to avoid the RR trestle over the Winnipesaukee River. The Dupont family granted access to facilitate the building of boardwalks and a bridge over Durkee Brook.

Many abutters have been impacted during the construction and into the future. For some, the trail brings users very close to their homes and businesses. These abutters, facing genuine concerns about how this will impact their property, have shown restraint and respect in our conversations. We remind all trail users to respect private property and help maintain a clean and safe trail. If you see something amiss on the trail, we urge you to contact the police department.

The support of the city has been critical to this project, including the City Council and Mayor, City Manager, Planning, DPW, Parks & Rec and Police. The WOW Trail Board of Directors and volunteers continue to do the planning, outreach and maintenance



Jack Lyman of Lyman Construction, whose firm managed Phase 2 of the WOW Trail.

activities necessary to keep the trails safe and accessible. The on-going efforts of individuals and community groups to pick-up trash, paint murals, plant and maintain flowers, trim weeds and prune trees, etc all contribute to the success of this project. In particular, the Opechee Garden

Club continues to maintain a beautiful garden on the Lakeport end of the trail.

HEB Engineering did an excellent job with the design and construction support. With the stewardship of General Contractor Lyman Construction and the help of many local contractors, the construction portion of this project will come in on time and under budget. NH DOT and Bureau of Rail has worked with us to balance the needs of the RR operation with trail functionality and abutter concerns.

It's easy to imagine this project. In fact, this project has been discussed for decades. It's a bit more difficult to make it a reality. Completing this phase of the project is a demonstration of what can be achieved when a community rallies together.

Time will tell whether our predictions about the trail will come true. Will the trail bring more visitors to our city and our downtown, contributing to the resurgence of Laconia? Will property values be enhanced? Will the state-owned RR corridor transform from a precarious, cluttered and under-utilized

space to a safer, more attractive and active recreational place? Will Bartlett Beach see a resurgence in attendance and popularity?

With the continued support of this community, these benefits and more will be realized and the future of our community will be enriched for generations to come.

The WOW Trail is an essential part of the regional effort to connect downtown Franklin to downtown Meredith. Our efforts now turn to bringing the trail to Weirs Beach. We hope the community will continue to rally to make it happen. Are you ready?

Allan Beetle is a founding member and current President of the WOW Trail Board of Directors

A ribbon-cutting and a community celebration will be planned for the spring.

BURGERS

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than to build a Five Guys and put them both together? They actually liked to be paired in the same location so this worked out well," said Proulx.

The Tilton Planning Board approved designs for the project in late September, and the first shovels dug into the ground to begin site work earlier this month.

"We hope to have Five Guys open by spring and the Starbucks relocation will take place in early summer," said Proulx.

With the two popular food destinations to open in the upcoming months, Tanger Outlet Center will soon offer as many as 50 shopping destinations for name brand adult clothing, jewelry, children's wear, household goods, personal care, food services and much more.

The outlet center is located at 120 Laconia Rd. in Tilton.

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tigation," said Mann in a written press release. "Vito was able to lead officers in the right direction the suspects used to leave the area after the crime and, ultimately, to identify a key witness who gave a description of the suspects."

involved in the burglary will face a variety of charges through the Juvenile Justice System, the lieutenant added. Anyone with infor-

Each of the juveniles

Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact Belmont Police Department at 267-8350.



Navy veteran Al Seney pointed out his favorite painting, "Drew- No True Glory," one of many tributes to veterans from local artist Elaine Morrison, which are being showcased at the Lakes Region Art Association Art Gallery in Tilton throughout the month of Navember

ment who took a moment to crouch down and pat a stray kitten in

a battle zone.

"It shows the tenderness in a young soldier's heart while the kitten symbolizes home and brings forth his yearning for love and family," said Morrison.

Her appreciation for those who serve the nation began when she was just a young child. She said her earliest experience with war came when she was just a few years old. While she doesn't remember her father heading off during World War II, his homecoming is something that's still fresh in her mind.

"I remember my mother running out to greet him the day he finally came back," Morrison said. "I also have memories of my uncle rocking back and forth in a chair on the front porch. Today we call that PTSD, but back then they said he suffered from 'Shell Shock.' Those are images and thoughts that have stayed with me and a lot of why I wanted to honor and pay tribute to our veterans."

Some of her work

comes from photos she's seen while others come from stories and experiences that have touched

her over the years.

A sketch of the poppies in Flanders Field, which later became a painting, is especially touching to many who have viewed it.

"I first sketched it on Sept. 14, 2001, when we were studying World War II in my classroom. All I could think after 9-11 were those poppies and the crosses of fallen soldiers," she said. "The painting has already sold, but I still have prints of it available."

Other works are more personal.

Morrison's son Brendan is serving on the USS Peleieu in the Persian Gulf, and one of her paintings shows that same ship on its return to port in the United States. She also admits that his face has also unconsciously shown up in other works, such as "Longing for Home."

"When I'm done with some paintings people see his face in what I did even though I didn't consciously set out to paint him. I guess he's just always on my

mind," Morrison said.

Despite the many works of art she's already finished, she's not done with her tributes though. Her heart is set on doing a piece to honor her uncle who served in the Army's 10th Mountain Division along with other service men and women she has come to know.

Visiting her exhibit at the gallery have been several residents of New Hampshire Veterans Home in Tilton.

Al Seney is a Navy veteran of the Cold War who said he admired what Morrison has

done.

"I'm really impressed with many of her paintings but 'Drew- No True Glory,' showing the face of a soldier up close, impressed me the most. She got the real emotion of what it's like to be in a war in his face," Seney said.

Morrison's veterans' tribute will be on special display until the end of November.

The Lakes Region Art Association Art Gallery is located within the Tanger Outlet Center, just a few doors up from the main office on the west side of the plaza. Besides this month's exhibit there are numerous paintings from local artists for sale as originals or prints on a regular basis. The association also welcomes people to join them for classes, special events and demonstrations as well as their weekly

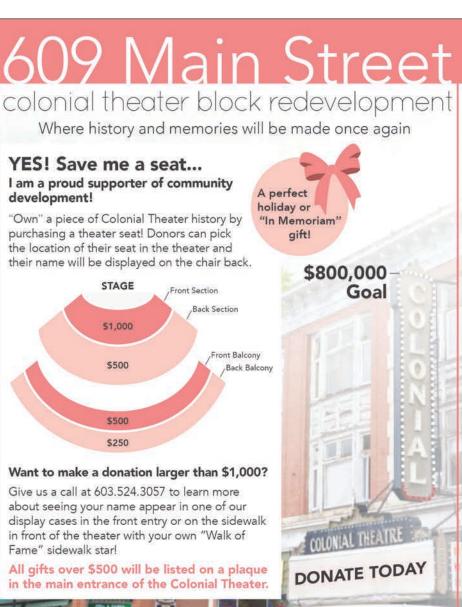
workshops.

Typical gallery hours are 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday but they are occasionally open on other days and times as their volunteer staffing allows.

For more information on their workshops and special events, visit them online at www. lraanh.org.









ACCIDENT

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Courtesy

A head-on collision on Laconia Road in Tilton left one local man dead and another in serious condition early last Saturday evening.



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able by press time.

There were no passengers in either of the two vehicles.

Laconia Road was shut down from Tanger Outlet Center to Lancaster Road in Lochmere Village District for several hours as Tilton Police and the Belknap County Traffic Accident Reconstruction Team examined the scene. Cormier said the accident remains under investigation as they work to determine the cause of the fatal collision.

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Winnisquam junior Makenzie Snow earned an NHIAA Division III All-State First Team selection for the second year in a row after guiding the Bears to back-to-back quarterfinal appearances.

Kaylee Tierney of Winnisquam (7) was one of two Bears tabbed as All-State Second Team selections, joining goalkeeper Riley Toupin.

Ninnisquam's Snow named to All-State First Team

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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REGION – It's been an impressive run of success for the local field hockey teams, as Gilford High School broke through to capture the NHIAA Division III state championship this fall, and Winnisquam Regional High School knocked off three-time defending champion Berlin to reach the D-III quar-

the NHIAA Diviterfinals for the second year in a row.

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Gilford's state title capped a string of four consecutive Final Four appearances and near-misses. In the state finals against Pelham, the Eagles clinched the championship in dramatic fashion with a double overtime goal to lift the trophy at Bedford High School.

Gilford had two players selected to the Division III All-State First Team, as chosen

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by the New Hampshire Field Hockey Coaches Association (NHF-HCA). Junior Kellie Ryan led the Eagles in scoring for the second year in a row, and she was honored with a First Team selection. Ryan scored 19 goals and added 13 assists in leading Gilford to a 15-1-1 overall record. Ryan notched two hat tricks on the season in wins against Mascoma and White Mountains, and she scored multi-

ple goals in six games.

Her biggest tally of the year came in the state finals, when she finished a breakaway opportunity to top Pelham in double OT. Fellow junior Jillian Lachapollo was

Fellow junior Jillian Lachapelle was also named to the All-State First Team after guiding the defense to a dominant season that featured 12 shutouts in 17 games. In addition to her work defensively, Lachapelle added two goals and eight assists on the season, with tallies coming against Laconia and Pelham.

Winnisquam (8-7-1) was led on the field once again by junior midfielder Makenzie Snow, who earned First Team All-State honors for the second year in a row. Snow scored the game-winning goal in last year's playoff win over Stevens, and she initiated the goal to beat Berlin in the postseason this time around. Snow's blast was tipped into the net by a teammate as the Bears blanked the defending champs, 1-0.

Other area players to earn First Team honors included Franklin's Hailey Haskins, Laconia's Cheyanne Zappala, and Newfound's Hayleigh Letourneau, Savanna Bony and Amanda Johnston.

Franklin's Deb Georgevits earned Division III Coach of the Year honors, while Monadnock's Madeline Ellnor was the D-III Player of the Year.

Gilford senior Kaitlyn Van Bennekum joined Ryan and Lachapelle as All-State players. The captain and key defender found her way onto the Second Team All-State squad, as she proved to be quite a cog in the heart of the back line in front of freshman goalkeeper Jenna Delucca.

Winnisquam junior goalkeeper Riley Toupin posted seven shutouts in net, and she was rewarded with an All-State Second Team selection. Teammate and classmate Kaylee Tierney was a top newcomer for the Bears, and she turned in an outstanding season to join Toupin as a Second Team pick.

Franklin's Lauren Pelletier and Lauren Marsh were also on the Second Team roster, as were Laconia's Devon Mello and Emily Gray.



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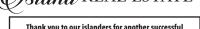
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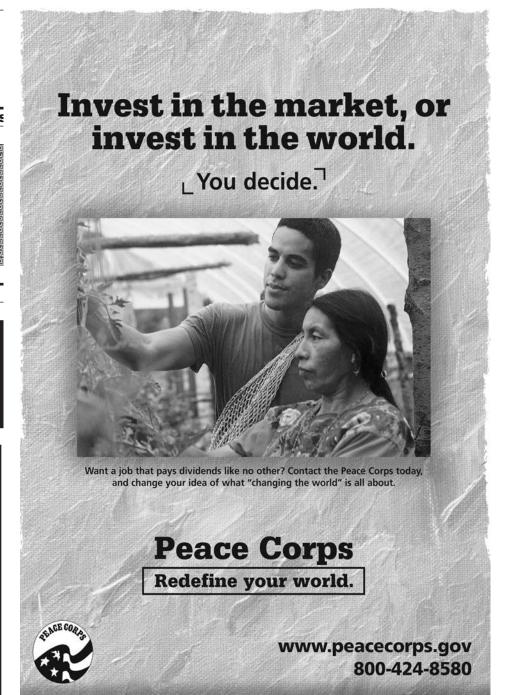
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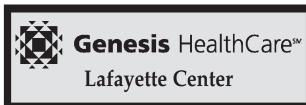


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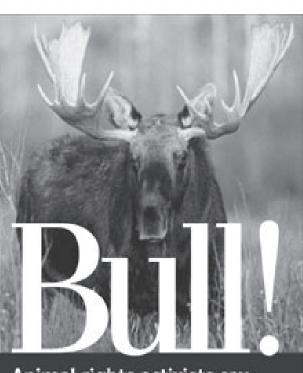
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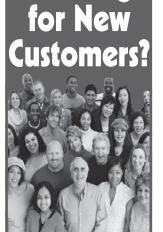
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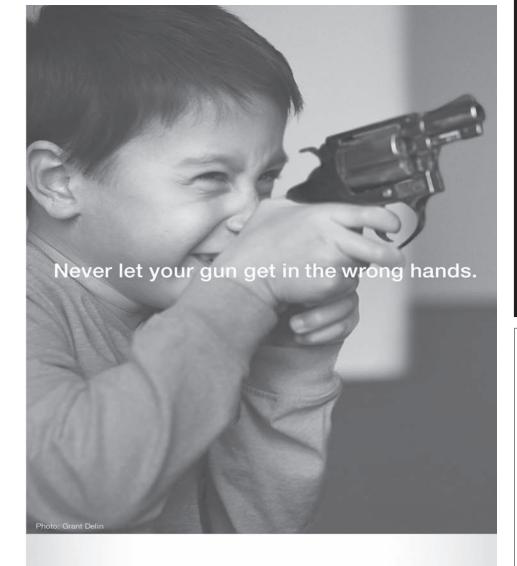
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