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Pennichuck officials talk directly to Locke Lake residents

BY KATHERINE LESNYK
Contributing Writer

BARNSTEAD — Locke Lake Colony resident Michael Ranaldi decided that after months of negative, nasty comments hurled directly toward primary water provider to the community, Pennichuck Water, appeared on Facebook groups, as someone who had met with, spoken with, and worked with the company before, he wanted to clear Pennichuck's name for the people who they work for in Locke Lake

Colony. Since 2012, the colony has had drought conditions, leaving residents not allowed to irrigate lawns and properly clean outdoor structures, and costs of maintaining this limited water service have been rising, to the dismay of many residents. Ranaldi was unable to get the meeting scheduled at the Prospect Mountain High School auditorium, which would have allowed more colony residents to attend, and he felt that waiting until the already-busy

annual Locke Lake Colony meeting would not work. It needed to happen as soon as possible. Therefore, it had to be held at the Locke Lake lodge, and unfortunately in that location, there had to be a maximum occupancy of 50 people. Before the July 17 meeting began, as attendees filed into the Locke Lake lodge, several discussed their thoughts on the issues they're facing. One woman said that she has asthma and therefore can hardly use her

deck due to particulate matter that results in respiratory difficulties. A couple who chose Locke Lake to retire in said that if these issues are not resolved, they will consider moving out of their dream community. Ranaldi began by explaining his connection with Pennichuck and his history on the Locke Lake board of directors. He went to discuss Pennichuck's history in Locke Lake, which began in 2005. They "have not made

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Baysider visits windmills

Pieter and Betty Jane Meulenbroek of Alton recent vacationed in Holland, where they visited Ed and Els Borst. Els was an exchange student who lived with the Meulenbroek family in New Hampshire back in the summer of 1988. After almost 30 years, they reported it's always fun to catch up on the news. If you have a photo of you and The Baysider in a unique location, send the photo and pertinent information to baysider@salmonpress.news.

Un-merge request comes before Alton board

BY DAVID ALLEN
Contributing Writer

ALTON — In 2011 the New Hampshire Legislature passed a law giving property owners the right to ask their town select board to "un-merge" lots that may have been merged, voluntarily or involuntarily, since the lots were smaller than newly-adopted zoning ordinances allowed. And they gave select boards the authority to do just that if they thought the property owners had good evidence that the lots had been merged without the consent of the property owner at the time.

Since 2011 the Alton Board of Selectmen has granted several "un-merger" requests. At the July 17 meeting the board was faced with the return of a new request. Only this one is a little more complex. It's not a simple case that in 1960-something the tax map showed six lots, and now it shows two lots, and there is no evidence that the owner asked for a merger.

In this case the surveyor who prepared the map for the land use change was perhaps a little incomplete in the way he drew the map and wrote the

deed. In the deed he references six "parcels" and does not state clearly that each "parcel" is a separate "lot." On the map, some "parcels" are delineated by solid lines and some by dashed lines. The property owner, Colchester LLC looks at the map and reads the deed and sees six clear lots. The town's assessor looks at the map and reads the deed and sees two clear lots.

The selectmen listened politely to the 30-40 minutes of arguments, and was not sure they saw any clarity at all. Their limited questions suggest they may also have had no clarity about how to find clarity. They agreed to hold the question "under advisement" until a future date.

Fortunately, the rest of the night's agenda was clear cut.

Almost. The police department boat is not working. The fire department boat is not working. Police Chief Ryan Heath has a plan: Cut into the sealed deck and remove the foam core. Find the leak and fix it. Then fix the hole in the floor of the hull they made when they cut into the sealed deck. The board agreed the department should get a bid for that approach.

The fire department boat has two 150hp engines. One doesn't start and the other runs at less than full power.

Not enough power to get the boat to "plane" and therefore not enough power to use with full confidence in an emergency. The town of Al-

ton has been relying on mutual aid boats from other towns. In an emergency the longer time to site could be life

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CATHY ALLYN

PETE J. ROBERTSON, a professional guitarist, vocalist, and bassist, has returned to New Durham to fulfill a dream of creating a non-profit music foundation to provide opportunities for people to learn instruments, record demos, and perform. Once back in town, he jumped right into things by giving free guitar lessons at the New Durham Public Library. Robertson will also be performing at a free concert of a variety of musical styles at the 1772 Meetinghouse on Old Bay Road this Saturday as part of Celebrate New Durham Day.

Robertson brings his gift of music back to New Durham

BY CATHY ALLYN
Contributing Writer

NEW DURHAM — Destiny. Fate. Just plain meant to be.

Whatever brought guitarist Pete Robertson back to New Durham from Nevada with his dream doesn't

really matter in the face of the dream itself; he is bringing the gift of hands-on feel the string vibrate take a big breath music.

It is an off chance that Robertson ended up here, in a small New Hampshire town, considering he started out in Australia, about as far away as you can get. Or, even that he is a guitar player at all, considering how late he came to the game.

As a young person, he had no remarkable musical interest. "I sang in the car and in the shower," he said. That was about it.

"My dad used to muck around on a guitar,

but I lived with my mom and didn't see him much."

Word did get around that he sang, though, and when he was almost 16 the life-changing event happened. "Some guys had a band at school and needed a vocalist. I had a high voice and they asked if I'd do it. I gave it a go."

Notice that he still didn't have a guitar in his hand at that point; that was yet to come.

"I borrowed a guitar to practice singing at home. It took over my life."

Robertson said he "fell in love" with the instrument, but what

he means is he was consumed by it. "I spent four or five hours a day practicing."

During his last year of high school, he attended a function with a band made up of school alumni. Robertson approached the guitar player about lessons.

"That was 1989," he said. "He was my first teacher and he hired me to play for him."

He ended up playing as lead guitar four nights a week.

Once finished with high school, Robertson had also made a name for himself as a surfer and motor cross racer. SEE MUSIC, PAGE A10

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Barnstead community raises money for CHaD with dinner

BY KATHERINE LESNYK
Contributing Writer

BARNSTEAD — On July 15, the Barnstead fire department's Captain Brian Cottrell hosted a dinner to benefit the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth. This was the first time the fire department has done a fundraiser like this for CHaD, but there are "many more to come," according to Cottrell.

Cottrell recently tried out for and got added to the roster of the New Hampshire fire personnel baseball team, which plays against police personnel from throughout



KATHERINE LESNYK

VISITORS spend an evening at the Barnstead Parade fire station in support of the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth.

the state at Manchester's Northeast Delta Dental Stadium in the

annual Battle of the Badges for CHaD. He is the first member of the

Barnstead fire team to join.

Cottrell has a strong connection to the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth because his daughter, Isabella, is a CHaD kid herself. "We just want to give back to the kids over there." There was no set

price for entrance to the dinner, but donations were welcomed at a table at the entrance to the fire station. While the goal was set at \$2,000, "whatever we get is fine, because it all goes back to the children," Cottrell said.

Where emergency vehicles would normally be parked inside the firehouse were tables in neat rows, filled with patrons supporting the cause and enjoying a summery dinner of hot dogs and plenty of side dishes.

The owners of Tiz a Miniature Horse farm on Garland Road in Barnstead offered some entertainment in the form of mini horses giving rides in carts around the Parade Road fire station.

The Children's Hospital at Dartmouth prides itself on not

turning away any child who needs care, regardless of the family's ability to pay. Over 40 percent of the patients at CHaD are recipients of Medicaid, which only covers half of their treatment on average. Donations accumulated through Battle of the Badges and other philanthropic ventures go toward various funds that specialize in specific programs at the hospital, which is the only level one children's trauma center in northern New England, meaning that they take care of the children of the region who are in the most critical conditions.

By the conclusion of the three-hour fundraiser, \$1,266 was raised for CHaD.

The 2017 Battle of the Badges is on Aug. 11 at 6 p.m.

New Durham farm donated for conservation

BY ELISSA PAQUETTE
Contributing Writer

NEW DURHAM — Landowners Victor Piekarski and wife Gloria Switalski are donating 115 acres of land to the non-profit Moose Mountains Regional Greenways (MMRG) for conservation. In doing so, they will continue to live on their 134-acre Widow-Maker Farm, with the agreement that they will not develop within the newly established conservation easement.

Piekarski says he is delighted to share the property into perpetuity to benefit the public. The farm, located in New Durham, is bounded by Alton and Farmington on two borders and comes to a point at Barnstead and Strafford town lines. This unusual five-corner parcel is also adjacent to the Blue Hills Foundation Lands, which extends into 900 conserved acres in the MMRG Trust.

Looking at a map on display during a gathering on July 18 at the Pinckney Boathouse at Brewster Academy to roll out the organization's conservation action plan, MMRG Executive Director Patti Connaughton-Burns explained that the undeveloped land will expand safe passage for wildlife and also offer recreation-



ELISSA PAQUETTE

LANDOWNERS Victor Piekarski (l) and wife Gloria Switalski are donating 115 acres of land to the non-profit Moose Mountains Regional Greenways (MMRG). Under the terms of their conservation agreement, they will continue to live on the property but will give up their rights to develop it. MMRG Executive Director Patti Connaughton-Burns points to the spot on the map where their Widow-Maker Farm is situated.

al opportunities.

The generosity of Piekarski and Switalski will guarantee public access for non-motorized recreation, hunting and fishing in an area classified as the highest tier by New Hampshire's Wildlife Action Plan. More than 150 different wildlife species live on the land, which features pristine streams, ponds, wetlands, vernal pools, and habitat for aquatic species. Its headwater streams and ponds protect the Suncook and Merrimack Rivers downstream.

This conservation easement project received state-wide recognition from New Hampshire's LCHIP Grant Program because of its

important conservation values. The grant, combined with donations from New Durham and many private donors, has brought MMRG 90 percent of the way towards its \$52,000 goal, the estimated cost of transaction and stewardship fees.

Donations are still needed to close the gap to protect this property and its border stones, orchards, stone walls and other historical treasures for years to come. For information, call Patti Connaughton-Burns at 473-2020 or e-mail info@mmrg.info. Online donations may be made from the mmrg.info home page at "Donate Now" or by mail to MMRG, PO Box 191 Union, NH, 03887.

Voting rights documentary being screened in Barnstead

BARNSTEAD — View a free special screening on Friday, Aug. 4, of the documentary "Selma: The Bridge to the Ballot," the true story of the 1965 Selma-to-Montgomery voting rights march.

The film will be screened at 7 p.m. at the Oscar Foss Memorial Library in Barnstead.

Narrated by Academy Award-winning actress Octavia Spencer, the documentary tells a story not touched on by the

Hollywood feature — the true story of the forgotten heroes of the fight for voting rights, the courageous students and teachers in Selma, Ala., who stood up against injustice despite facing intimidation, violence, and arrest.

By organizing and marching, these activists achieved one of the most significant victories of the civil rights era — passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Despite this victory,

only about six in 10 eligible citizens exercised their right to vote in the 2012 presidential election. That means approximately 90 million voters did not cast ballots. Voter turnout dropped to a 72-year low in 2014.

After the film will be a general, non-partisan discussion about current voting issues including questions of fraud, recent voting laws, voting rights, and voter turnout. An open exchange of ideas is encouraged.

Celebrate at the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead on Saturday

NEW DURHAM — The clanking of a hammer striking the wedge inside of stone, the sound of spellbound tales from a traveling story teller, and the uses of nature's bounty are just some of the sights and sounds visitors can experience during Zechariah Boodey Farmstead site celebration Saturday, July 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Traveling storyteller, "Papa Joe" will begin his 40-minute presentation at 11 a.m. All other activities will be ongoing.

Area artisans and

demonstrators who are keeping these traditional crafts alive would like to share their talents with visitors. Stone splitting, herbal uses, fiber artisans, and a traveling storyteller will provide a glimpse into the past of these old time traditional skills that visitors can experience. For added fun, the New Durham Historical Society will be hosting a "Guess what it is table," featuring gadgets from long ago. Stop by to see how many you can recognize, or maybe you have used.

The Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Committee is pleased to host this event.

Visitors will have a

chance to experience the vision and future uses for the farmstead. The farmstead project has had many significant developments since last year's event. There is a suggested donation to help with reaching a fundraising goal of \$20,000. The committee is working on a capital campaign titled "A Barn Raising for the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead," which seeks to bring an early 18th century English style barn to this project.

The Zechariah Boodey Farmstead site is located at the corner of Berry Road and Stockbridge Corner Road in New Durham. For more information, phone 859-4643.

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THERE were several activities at The Fox and Crow Farm to entertain everyone.



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RISING country artist April Renzella began her performance at noon.



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NEW addition to Tiz a Miniature Horse Farm, Cloud, rests in his stall with his mother close by.



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(Left) FARRIER Scott Button of Alton demonstrates his craft.



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SOME of the livestock at Lorren Joyce Farm.



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A tour through Barnstead's farms

Sixth annual event opens farms to the public

BY KATHERINE LESNYK
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BARNSTEAD — The Barnstead Farmers and Gardeners Network, with the help of sponsors KDL Mold Solutions, White Buffalo Trading Post and the Center Barnstead Christian Church, hosted their sixth annual Open Farm Day on July 22. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., patrons could come visit ten participating Barnstead farms and experience what they have to offer. First though, for those who wanted to fuel up before heading out to the farms, people could go to the Barnstead town hall from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for a pancake breakfast courtesy of the Center Barnstead Christian Church.

Available to visitors at every farm was a green pamphlet with short biographies of each homestead, as well as a section for receiving stamps from each one. At the 10th farm, the pamphlets filled with stamps were collected and put into a raffle. The prize will be a gift basket with an item from each featured farm.

The first stop on the route was Duane Family Farm on the Suncook Valley Highway. A staple of Barnstead for nearly two decades, it truly is a family operation. On Open Farm Day, mother Tamara Duane made cider donuts, daughter Amelia rang up orders, and a niece offered samples of homemade ice cream and locally-sourced salsa. The farm has collaborations with several other local farms and businesses including One More Cup Coffee of Seabrook Beach, who gave free hot and iced coffees to visitors to the Duane family establishment during the busy summer event.

The Duanes owned Applevue Orchard in Pittsfield for a number of years before deciding to sell and resettle in Barnstead in 2001. With the extra acreage and more potential on the property



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THE GRAVE of John Clark, founder of Clark Farm in 1797 and Revolutionary War soldier, is in the backyard at Clark Farm, along with several other members of his family. Most of the gravestones are too worn to read.

now home to Duane Family Farm, they are able to do different things than they were physically capable of doing at the orchard in Pittsfield.

Next was The Fox and Crow Farm on Province Road. Jared Hanselman and Erin Stone purchased the abandoned farm in 2015 and rehabilitated it. On Open Farm Day, the farm had a food stand, demonstrations of horseshoeing, a table of books for animal lovers, a rug braider and music from up and coming country singer April Renzella, filled the expansive greenspace with energy.

The Fox and Crow was selling some rabbits from their on-site rabbitry and showing off their two registered Belgian Hares. Hanselman also had a model chicken coop set up to exhibit his work in his carpentry business, Red Fox Carpentry.

Andrew Freeman of Gilmanton's Freeman Hill Farm, a friend of the owners of The Fox and Crow Farm, had some of his Nigerian Dwarf goats on the property. "We're two small farms that work together," he said of his farm and The Fox and Crow.

The Nigerian Dwarves "are primarily dairy goats... we sell a few, and we keep the rest," Freeman elaborated. "They handle weather better [than other breeds of goats] ... The males especially are very furry, have big beards, so they handle the winter really well."

Throughout the day,

farrier Scott Button of the Alton-based Scott Button Horseshoeing business demonstrated his craft with some apprentices. Button has been shoeing the horses at The Fox and Crow since its opening.

The third farm on the tour was Willow Brook Farm on Garland Road. A unique kind of farm, Willow Brook is a not-for-profit organization that teaches about sustainable living and offers fellowships for aspiring farmers. These pupils live on the farm and learn farming techniques through application. Organization president Atlanta McIlwraith that their maximum capacity of fellows is eight, but currently house two and desire to be able to have more. "They get access to land, tools and training, and the idea is to help them foster a successful farm business over two years so when they do get out, they're better poised to put a down payment on their own property. They already have clients and a niche they're filling, so that they can better plan for that property," she explained. "In New England, 93 percent of farmers over are 65 and over have no one to leave

their farms to."

Without young people with the proper training in agriculture, those properties get sold and may get developed on, leaving the area with less access to locally-grown food. "My husband and I feel that having access to locally-grown food is a key part of having strong and healthy communities."

Willow Brook Farm is run entirely on donations.

Across the street at Third Stone Christmas Tree Farm, founder and executive director of Willow Brook Farm Tim Gaudreau — McIlwraith's husband, overlooked holiday-themed crafts for kinds at a table facing the expanse of scattered trees. McIlwraith and Gaudreau own both Willow Brook and Third Stone, acquiring Third Stone not long after they established themselves at Willow Brook.

Gaudreau is an eco-artist, meaning that he conveys messages about how to better take care of the environment through his work. He spoke about one of his recent projects, which was creating murals with kids in a Portsmouth school and making them into recycling bins to put throughout the city. His next project is going to be a display about his per-

sonal carbon footprint that will be in the museum at the University of New Hampshire in late October.

"The arts are a really powerful tool for educating and interacting with the public about [the environment, permaculture and farming]," he said.

When Gaudreau is not exhibiting and making art, he is rehabilitating Third Stone Farm to make the trees healthier.

A little further down Garland Road sits Tiz a

Miniature Horse Farm, an establishment known most prominently for Einstein, who held the title of smallest horse in the world when he was born. The farm still houses 12 to 14 miniature horses, as explained by owner Wanda Follansbee. Her mother founded the farm out of Loudon in 1991, and now Follansbee has been passed the torch of taking care of the animals.

This is Tiz a Miniature Horse Farm's first SEE FARMS, PAGE A5

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Opinion

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THE BAYSIDER, THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2017

More than just food

Last week's front page contained a story by writer Cathy Allyn on the New Durham Food Pantry's quest to purchase the building in which the pantry currently operates.

We've said it on numerous occasions, but food pantries in the local communities are about as important a charity at the local level that you will find. While the word "food" is included in the title, these places offer more than just food, though yes, food is on the list of things one can get at the food pantry on a regular basis. From toothpaste to diapers and toilet paper to spaghetti, the list of items available is usually a long one.

Whether it's a struggle to find a job during a transition point in your life, a job that doesn't quite pay enough to cover all of the monthly bills, an unexpected medical bill that comes up or any other host of reasons, having to utilize your community's food pantry is usually not a first option for people. However, there are times when it becomes necessary for someone, be it a single person or a family, to take advantage of the generosity of others and when that time arrives, the local food pantry is often the first place that people look.

Thanks to generous donors throughout the local communities, including individuals and businesses, food pantries often have a wide variety of items that include not just the traditional canned and boxed goods, but also fresh vegetables and other nutritious foods that people can receive.

The volunteers that run the local food pantries work hard to make every dollar they are given go as far as possible and we've witnessed how far they can make those dollars go.

However, when it comes to buying a building, stretching that dollar is a bit tougher, since they aren't purchasing food from the normal sources, rather they're purchasing a place to continue to call home.

So, as the New Durham Food Pantry sets out on a course to purchase the building in which it operates, we encourage residents to help them out and offer what they can. Every little bit will surely help and if the day should come when you need the food pantry, you can bet it will be there for you. Of course, the New Durham Food Pantry might appeal more to residents of New Durham than other communities, but we urge everyone to look into the community in which they live to support the food pantry in some way. If you don't have money to give, maybe a few hours a week helping to sort food or take inventory or whatever else might need to be done is more up your aisle. Whatever the case may be, both work and donations would certainly be appreciated.

While the New Durham Food Pantry is our focus in last week's article, we will not overlook the great work done by those at Alton Community Services and the Barnstead Food Pantry. The resources are there for the community and we urge the community to support them in whatever way they can.



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Planting away

Clancy Mason plants the last of 224 clumps of daylilies at the entrance to Alton Centre, the latest addition to the collection of new businesses that now includes a Subway, a new restaurant, a full-service auto repair, a fitness center and laundromat. The daylilies were supplied by Merrymeeting Daylilies of New Durham.

Letters to the Editor

Alton deserves better

To the Editor:

For just the second time in my life, I am being prosecuted in criminal proceedings. My crime? I had the temerity to call out the Alton Board of Selectmen during public comment time for their bad behavior as selectmen.

This type of malicious prosecution by local governments is not only personally devastating to the victim (me) but undoubtedly has a chilling effect on others from ever daring to speak out publicly

against public official malfeasance, corruption, bad behavior. This type of abuse of power can never be tolerated.

I am calling for the immediate resignation of every member of the Alton Board of Selectmen. They have violated the public trust and abused their authority. Alton deserves much better.

Jeffrey Clay
Alton

Hannaford bag program helping Gilman Library

To the Editor:

The Gilman Library on 100 Main St., Alton, is excited to announce our Hannaford Cause Bag sales from July 1-16: Hannaford Helps bags sold was 24, which equals a \$24 donation to Gilman Library.

There is still plenty of time to get out and buy your bag. Don't forget to visit the Hannaford store at the 80 Wolfeboro Highway, Alton location and purchase the Hannaford Helps bag. Every bag purchased gen-

erates a \$1 donation to Gilman Library.

Thank you for your support and thank you, Hannaford.

For more information, visit <http://www.gilmanlibrary.org/> or Hannaford.bag4mycause.com.

Rozza Benoit
Assistant Director
Gilman Library
Alton

Respect

To the Editor:

Respect has to be earned. We all want it for ourselves and our nation. It seems we have lost the respect of the rest of the world.

Respect is defined as "being decent or correct in character or behavior." Are we displaying character by ignoring the healthcare needs of families, veterans, the elderly and others? Are we showing character or deserving respect by pulling out of the Paris Climate Agreement? If we don't respect our planet, why should we deserve respect as nation? It is obvious from recent events in Germany and elsewhere that the U.S.

has lost the respect of the world.

Our President, our government and their actions speak for all of us. The world is watching and listening.

Please, encourage our NH congressional delegation to show character and say, "We do care about the needs of our fellow citizens and our planet." Tell them that we, as citizens of the United States of America, will show character and that we still deserve the respect we used to have.

Sandra Burt
Barnstead

Great Waters performance a treat

To the Editor:

Kudos to the Great Waters Music Festival for the phenomenal presentation on Friday night, July 21, at Anderson Hall of Ms. Adrienne Danrich and her one-woman show, "This Little Light of Mine."

Using a multi-media approach, and narrating the stories of the struggles during the Jim Crow years of Marian Anderson and Leontyne Price, Ms. Danrich's own very powerful and moving voice conveyed to the most appreciative audi-

ence that the gifts of talent, compassion, and belief overcome any odds.

While Great Waters has been a mainstay in the Wolfeboro community for many years, always enriching local and visiting patrons, Ms. Danrich's program stands alone, memorable beyond compare. Thanks to those whose generosity allowed this performance to be presented for free. It was a night to remember.

Sharon Norby
Alton

Fairy house workshop at Oscar Foss on Aug. 5

BARNSTEAD — Children and tweens are invited to come make fairy houses at the Oscar Foss Memorial Library on Saturday, Aug. 5, at 11 a.m. Jerissa and Christy will show everyone how to build a fairy house using natural and found items. You can take your house home or leave it for the

library book fairies.

Playwrights & Performers

Playwrights and Performers is a teen/tween collaboration. The group meets every other Thursday at 6:30 p.m. The group will write, produce and perform their own original show. There will also be an opportunity

to design sets and costumes. On Saturday, Aug. 26, at 6 p.m., the production will be put on for the community along with dinner as the library's summer reading finale event.

Please call the library at 269-3900 or visitoscarfoss.org for more information about any of the library's programs or

events. There is always something happening at the Oscar Foss Memorial Library. Library hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays from 12 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The library is closed on Sunday and Monday.



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Bay history gazebo construction is complete

Second phase of project to include signage with historical photos

BY MARK FOYNES
Contributing Writer

ALTON — Just four months after voters approved a warrant article to fund the construction of a new gazebo on the bay, the structure is now completed.

The first phase of project's culmination was a result of the coordinated efforts between the town's highway department and the town historical society - and a lot of volunteer help.

The 18-foot-wide structure is now built and awaits the addition of interpretive storyboard-like panels that will feature historic photos and explanatory text.

Also to be added are several benches sponsored by local benefactors. The seating will bear signage indicating who each donor is; in some cases, memorial gifts were made to commemorate others passionate about Alton Bay history. Each donor contributed \$500 to offset the cost of a bench.

Back in March, the society asked town meeting voters for support on a pair of related measures - one for the gazebo itself, and a warrant seeking buy-in for nearby expanded parking.

According to the society's Facebook page, Article 20 represented "a plan to build a 18' 'Bay History' Gazebo on the original 1850s concrete supports used to support the railroad water tower that stood at the spot, on the west side of Route 11, until 1935 when the rail-

road ceased running."

The March social media post continued, "In the center of the Gazebo we will have storyboards featuring historic photos and tell the story of the Alton Bay area in its heyday."

The society summarized, "The Gazebo will be the place to sit a spell, enjoy the lake breeze and browse pictures of the Bay View Pavilion, the Steamship Mount Washington, Downing's Landing, the busy railroad depots, the Winnepesaukee House, W. P. Emerson's store, [the] Busy Corner store, the Alton Bay Campground and Victoria Pier, just to name a few."

The approved article granted \$20k for the cost of constructing the gazebo. This expense represented the cost of materials, many of which were prefabricated at a facility in Pennsylvania. Like a LEGO set or an IKEA package, the pre-fabbed elements nonetheless still needed to be fit into place - pretty much exclusively with donated labor and equipment.

While taxpayers funded the expense erecting the gazebo, the costs of the interpretive storyboards will be shouldered by the historical society - costs that will be funded through private philanthropy.

At last week's historical society meeting (see related story elsewhere in this issue), president Marty Cornelissen updated the membership on progress to date.

Cornelissen said that construction was completed in two days, where volunteers labored from morning into evening to get the job done. He praised the highway department's Ken Roberts for his on-site elbow grease, project management skills, and overall support for the project.

"I can't say enough good things about Ken - he really extended himself," Cornelissen said before a group of several dozen historical society meeting attendees.

Although Cornelissen was key in securing the selectmen's endorsement of the plan, he demurred when society members thanked him for his own efforts.

"No this was really a group effort, and the credit goes to the volunteers and the town," he said, giving special accolades to the highway chief, who coordinated efforts with the town.

"Oh, you're just being modest - come on, take a bow," joked society member Nelson Kennedy, who is rarely shy about making his thoughts known.

Kennedy's comment drew a round of applause from the audience.

While Cornelissen didn't blush, he might well have. He quickly pivoted to his recollection of Selectman Virgil Macdonald who helped build the gazebo roof. Cornelissen recalled the hot, muggy conditions that prevailed for much of the construction. At one point, the weather broke and it began to rain. Cor-

nelissen recalled that Macdonald continued to point roof shingles into place amidst the raindrops.

"I asked him, 'Don't you want to come down?' but his response was that the rain was refreshing and continued working on," Cornelissen recalled.

This was Roberts' recollection, too. We caught up with him on his cell phone early this week.

"[Virgil] was there to stay - he came with a job to get done and he just kept working," Roberts recalled. "He's incredibly dedicated and when he gets behind a project, he works and works until it's done."

Roberts also observed that some of his staff volunteered to help, noting that their time was freely given during off-the-clock hours.

"I'm fortunate to have such a good crew," he said, adding, "When they're one the clock they work hard and are dedicated; this is true also when they're on their own time - they were invested in getting this done for the town."

Roberts also expressed gratitude toward the N.H. Electric Co-op, which donated the use of a truck to hoist roofing frames into place. "That was huge - another expense we didn't have to pay for, for something that will benefit the community for generations to come," he added.

The Baysider told Roberts that Cornelissen felt that the highway department deserved the most

credit.

"Our guys worked hard, but he's being modest - this wouldn't have happened without Marty's leadership," Roberts said. "Let's just call it a group effort," he added, "and the results were phenomenal."

A long-time public servant, Roberts says he has an appreciation for the community's rich heritage - but that the gazebo project gave him special pause to consider how he can connect the past with the present.

"Alton is the entrance to the Lakes Region and always has been," he said.

"When the railroad was in operation, we had something like 10 to 20,000 people coming here each week," he said, noting that the presence of the Christian Conference Center was a major draw.

Roberts said publicity surrounding the gazebo has awakened a dormant sense of the area's past. He recalled being

recently approached by an elderly person who shared a photo of a relative who'd visited the Bay's conference center perhaps a century ago.

"With this kind of activity, it puts attention back on history, and all kinds of memories are stirred," noting that the project has the potential to bring a lot of old photos, documents, and artifacts in private hands back into public awareness.

While commemorating Bay history will be a long-term benefit of the project, Roberts is still in the glow of the recent short-term completion of the gazebo.

"Seeing and working with all the volunteers reminds me of what we value in Alton," Roberts said.

Readers interested in becoming involved in the project should visit altonhistoricalsociety.org, where officers' contact information is listed.

Democrats will meet Aug. 7 in Barnstead

BARNSTEAD — The theme of next month's meeting of the Tri-Town Democrats of Barnstead, Gilmanton, and Alton on Monday, Aug. 7, is Progressives and Young Democrats. The special guests will be Mo Baxley and a speaker from the New Hampshire Young Democrats.

Baxley is a former New Hampshire state representative, former union organizer and a longtime LGBT rights activist and leader. She is best known in New Hampshire for leading the efforts to pass New Hampshire's gay rights and marriage equality laws. She and has been a powerful progressive voice in New Hampshire politics. Baxley was a member of Bernie Sanders' NH Steering Committee and she is now the 2nd Vice-Chair of the New Hampshire Democratic Party.

The New Hampshire Young Democrats is a statewide organization with more than 500 active members. The mission of NYHD is to engage and

involve young people in New Hampshire's political community, help young Democrats seeking office, advocate for progressive issues, and train the next generation of progressive leaders.

The guest speakers will be followed by action items and community organizing.

The meeting will be held at the Barnstead Town Hall at 108 South Barnstead Road in Barnstead. Come for socializing and potluck any time between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m. The meeting runs from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The meeting is open to any and all residents of Barnstead, Alton and Gilmanton who consider themselves moderate, liberal or progressive Democrats or like-minded Independents. Refreshments to share are encouraged but not required. For more information, e-mail starryheather@hotmail.com or visit the "Barnstead, Alton, and Gilmanton Democrats" Facebook page.

FARM

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year with goats and donkeys, but not its first year in the Open Farm Day. With an exception for last year, they have participated in it each time.

The horse farm was recently featured at the Barnstead Fire Department's fundraiser for Children's Hospital at Dartmouth, where they gave rides on horse-driven carts to kids. The Tiz a Miniature Horse farm family is friends with Captain Brian Cottrell, who was the primary organizer of the event. It raised over \$1,200 for CHaD.

They are holding their annual open barn day with horse shows and activities on Sept. 16.

Moose Rock Farm, purchased in 2016 by Eric and Sabre Strout, was the sixth farm on the route. The Peacham Road property is home to horses, cows, sheep, goats, chickens and rabbits. Feed was available for visitors to interact with the animals. Some animals including chicks, older chickens and rabbits were for sale.

Various types of farm products, produce and antiques for the indoors and outdoors were displayed in the yard for sale.

On the other side of town is Sam Clark Road's Lorren Joyce Farm. Owners Amy and Brian Matarozzo began their business in Londonderry, New Hampshire in 2013, but as their ventures continued, they decided to make a move, and came

to Center Barnstead in 2014. "It was kind of like fate," Amy Matarozzo said while tending to the information table on the porch of the house, her newborn son sleeping close by.

The farm sells beef, cattle, raw milk, eggs, compost and manure. They sell their beef, eggs and milk by pickup at the farm and at Mike's Meat Shoppe in Pittsfield, Duane Family Farm in Barnstead and Johnson's Golden Harvest in Hooksett. Lorren Joyce currently has about 30 cows and 120 chickens.

The name of the farm is a tribute to Amy's uncle Lorren and her mother Joyce, both of whom have passed.

"It's a first-generation farm," Brian Matarozzo added, "It is what we make it."

A short drive down South Barnstead Road brought visitors to Clark Farm, home of the wildly popular goat milk soap that has been astounding customers locally, nationwide and

even around the world. Getting their milk from their friends and neighbors next door at Mountain View Farm (the next stop on the route), they make all of their products except for an African black soap themselves.

Kristen Gilbert and her son Cole wanted to start this business because soap made from goat's milk is known for being beneficial to people with skin sensitivities, which they both have. Clients with sensitivities came to them and found that the soap also worked wonders for them, and the base of buyers grew rapidly.

They sell their products, including soaps, lotions, beard oils, and lip balms with fewer additives and chemicals than some well-known brands, through clarkfarmnh.com, their Etsy store and local businesses such as Duggan's Depot in Alton.

Ten percent of all proceeds go to the Barnstead Elementary School PTO. Cole is the top donor to

the organization.

In addition to Kristen and Cole's soap-making business, John Gilbert, Kristen's husband, rehabilitates horses on the property and gives riding lessons to disabled or handicapped children. He loves giving kids the experience of being with these animals that he has enjoyed his whole life.

Lastly was Hoar Frost Farm on French Road, owned by Ally and Adam Hoar. Hoar Frost is what they describe as "beyond organic." For produce, they offered eggs, turkey, chicken, jellies, maple syrup and relish. For Open Farm Day, a bounce house and face painting were available for kids.

With so much to see, do and learn at each unique farm, it proved difficult for many to fit all 10 in within the allotted time frame. Despite this, several farm owners and visitors alike viewed it as a way to connect with the community in a different way than any other town-wide event of the year.



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Tore Down House up next in Barnstead concert series

BARNSTEAD — On Saturday, July 29, join Barnstead Parks and Recreation in welcoming Tore Down House to the concert stage. This is the band's fourth year appearing in the summer concert series. Mainly a trio, and sometimes a quartet, this show will be a more intimate performance of the original two members, Mark Huzar, vocalist and guitarist, and John Michaud, drummer. Huzar and Michaud have been performing all over New England for the last 11 years. The two met in 1994 in a music store while posting an ad seeking musicians. They soon started playing together and writing

songs. Both played in the Funk Band "Indelible Groove" in the late 90s. In 2000, they recorded a CD under the band name "Amid the Ruins." Then, in 2006 Tore Down House was conceived and became a "back to roots" project focused on playing classic deep cuts from some of the greatest bands of the past, including The Allman Brothers Band, the Grateful Dead, CCR and on and on. Tore Down House also became the vehicle for many original songs such as "American Farmer" and "Crescent City", as well as many others.

The show starts at 6 p.m. The Barnstead Historical Society will



(Left) TORE DOWN HOUSE is performing in Barnstead on Saturday. COURTESY PHOTO

be on hand offering concessions. Remember to bring a lawn chair or blanket and a friend or three. As always, smoking and al-

cohol are prohibited on the Parade Grounds. Come enjoy this free event and show your support for local music.

Auditions for The Music Man are Sunday and Monday

WOLFEBORO — Director Rosemary Lounsbury announces auditions for the Village Players fall musical, The Music Man. They will need lots of folks for this production, so please consider coming to auditions. For those 12 and under, auditions will be held on Sunday, July 30, 2

to 4 p.m. For those over 12, auditions will be held on Sunday, July 30, at 6:30 p.m. or Monday, July 31, at 7 p.m. All auditions are at the theater on Glendon Street. If you would like to audition, please go to www.villageplayers.com for more detailed information.

Production of this show will be Nov. 3, 4, 5 and 10, 11, 12 with evening performances on Friday and Saturday beginning at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

Meredith Willson's The Music Man is one of the most beloved of all the great older musical comedies, winning five

Tony Awards, including Best Musical, and running for 1,375 performances. The cast album won the first Grammy Award for Best Musical Theater Album and spent 245 weeks on the Billboard charts.

Charming "Professor" Harold Hill comes to town with his scam of creating a Boys' Band for the town, but he is caught by love for librarian Marian Paroo.

Marian cannot help but be taken with him after he helps her young brother, Winthrop, overcome his lisp.

Characters in this production are:

Harold Hill, a con man and travelling salesman;

Marian Paroo, the town librarian and parttime piano teacher;

Marcellus Washburn, Harold's old friend, no longer a con man, who now lives in River City;

Mayor George Shinn, A pompous local politician, suspicious of Hill;

Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn, the mayor's wife;

Mrs. Paroo, Marian's Irish mother;

Winthrop Paroo, Marian's shy, lisping brother;

The School Board (barbershop quartet), four bickering businessmen united by Hill;

Pickalittle Ladies, Eulalie's four gossipy friends;

Tommy, A young man "from the wrong side of town," secretly seeing Zaneeta Shinn; Zaneeta Shinn, the mayor's oldest daughter; secretly seeing Tommy;

Charlie Cowell, an anvil salesman who tries to expose Hill as a con man;

Constable Locke, the town sheriff;

Amaryllis, Marian's young piano student;

Various townspeople serve as the chorus. Boys and girls for the Boys' Band.

You can find out more about these characters at the following web sites: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Music_Man, <http://www.mtishows.com/themusicman> and <http://stageagent.com/shows/musical/839/themusiman/characters>.

Please consider auditioning or working on this outstanding show. If you cannot come to any of the auditions, please contact Lounsbury at lounsb84@myfairpoint.net.

Hannaford bag program will again benefit Gilman Library

ALTON — The Gilman Library once again, has been selected as a beneficiary of the Hannaford Cause Bag program for the month of July.

The Hannaford Cause Bag program launched in October 2015 and is designed to support local non-profits through the sale of the reusable Hannaford Helps bag. The Gilman Library was selected by Hannaford store leadership as the July beneficiary of the program

at the Alton Hannaford store. For every Hannaford Helps reusable bag with the good karma message purchased at the Alton Hannaford during July, the Gilman Library will receive a \$1 donation.

Gilman Library is proud to be a beneficiary recipient of the Hannaford Helps Reusable Bag Program. For more information about this program, visit <http://hannaford.bags4mycause.com> or [facebook.com/hhhagprogram](https://www.facebook.com/hhhagprogram).



ALTON POLICE LOG



ALTON — The Alton Police Department responded to 225 calls for service during the week of July 16-July 22, including two arrests.

One male subject was arrested for driving after revocation or suspension.

One female subject was arrested for driving after revocation or suspension and suspended registration.

There were eight motor vehicle accidents.

There were two thefts reported on Main Street and Suncook Valley Road.

There were six sus-

picious person/activity reports on Alton Shores Road, Stockbridge Corner Road, Hannaford supermarket, Suncook Valley Road, Frank C. Gilman Highway and Black Point Road.

Police made 42 motor vehicle stops and handled six motor vehicle complaint-incidents.

There were 161 other calls for services that consisted of the following: Three assist fire department, three fraudulent actions, two assist other agencies, one intoxicated subject, one pistol permit application, five animal complaints,

three juvenile incidents, one domestic complaint, five general assistance, six alarm activations, five noise complaints, five lost/found properties, six general information, one untimely/suicide, one trespass, three sex offender registrations, one civil standby, five business property checks, one civil matter, three wellness checks, one criminal mischief, one disabled motor vehicle, 68 directed patrols, two 911 hang-ups, one motor vehicle lockout, two medical assists, 19 property checks and six paperwork services.

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Selectmen choose firm to design new police station

BY DAVID ALLEN
Contributing Writer

BARNSTEAD — The Barnstead Board of Selectmen is close to signing an agreement with Groen Engineering and Construction of Portsmouth to design and build the new Barnstead Police Station. Preliminary sketches for the building were prepared at the beginning of this year by local architect, Karen Schacht.

Karen Montgomery, Executive Secretary for the Barnstead BOS reported at the July 18 meeting that she had received the draft agreement from Groen and had sent it on to Mark Puffer, Barnstead's Town Attorney. Puffer had made a few suggestions. The final wording should be agreed upon soon, and the contract can then be signed.

The board began the meeting by opening three bids for snowplowing assistance for the upcoming winter season. In last week's Baysider, this reporter made the statement that the board had backed away from the option of contracting for snow plowing services. That statement was based on the comments of one person on the board. Based on the discussion at the board meeting on July 18, it appears more accurate to say they are still trying to figure out the best way to plow this winter.

Two bidders offered to work on any town roads, using a combination of their own truck, some equipment of their own, and some town equipment. They would charge \$75 an hour for plowing and the same for five hours a week of "standby" to cover the work opportunity lost because of their commitment to the town. As board members plugged those numbers into their calculators they were not thrilled.

A third bidder offered to use his lighter equipment to make a single pass through the Locke Lake roads. This would be enough to make the roads passable for most drivers and would require the town to do a second round of plowing after finishing their other work.

The board agreed to hold the bids for future discussion.

Montgomery also in-

formed the board that Brian Locke will start work on Thursday, July 20, to finish the rebuilding of the Depot Street Bridge over the Suncook River. A first and major round of work was completed on the bridge a couple of years ago.

The remaining work will involve concrete replacement of brick masonry and other weak areas of the bridge at an estimated cost of \$22,400. A part of this funding was encumbered by the board at the end of 2016 from budgeted and unspent funds. The balance was approved in the 2017 budget.

During the public input session Bruce Grey reported on his attendance at the meeting between Pennichuck Water and members of the Locke Lake Colony (see the related story on page A1).

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services has told Pennichuck that as the unbuilt lots in Locke Lake are built out, Pennichuck will not have enough water from its existing wells to serve the increased demand. This could impact existing residents as well as new, and the point has been driven home by last summer's low rainfall, which reduced daily water production from 220,000 gallons per week to 136,000.

Montgomery told the board that the NHDES had made its calculations on the basis of 1,100 lots. She had asked the town's assessor to take a closer look at the town records. He reported a total of about 1,150 lots in the Colony. Fifty-seven lots belong to the Locke Lake Colony. Most of those are common land for recreation or other purposes (beach, golf course, highway storage, etc.) and presumably Locke Lake Colony is not planning to build on them or sell them for building. Twenty-two lots have failed perk testing and therefore are unbuildable. The town has acquired 55 because of non-payment of taxes, and the board of selectmen has decided it will sell those lots only to abutters who wish to expand their lots. They will not sell them as building lots.

So in fact there are closer to 1010 - 1015 lots

that can be built on, not 1,100, of which 850 are currently on the Pennichuck system. Montgomery has provided this information to Pennichuck and to NHDES in the hope that the latter will recalculate the amount of new water needed. She did not know if it would change the NHDES charge to Pennichuck or not, nor did she know how long before there might be a clear response from the department.

Some board members wondered if there was a way to stop all further construction in Locke Lake, but that would be ruled an illegal "taking" by the courts, i.e. taking away the right of the owner to build or to sell

the lot for income.

Concern was expressed that the size and location of the water withdrawal would affect not just Locke Lake aquifers but also water tables and aquifers in other parts of town. Ed Tasker argued that Pennichuck could get the water from other towns that have supported large water withdrawals for the tax benefit of water bottling companies owning the property.

Gordon Preston said the board of selectmen has an obligation to do what it can to help all residents of the town, and should do what it can to help find a solution that will protect Locke Lake residents from sky high increas-

es in their water bills. Rick Duane suggested offering Pennichuck the right to take water from a piece of town property could be beneficial all the way around if the town charged a couple pennies a gallon.

Tasker pointed out that the Barnstead Water Ordinance requires that any plan must have an ironclad guarantee that no water withdrawn from Barnstead can be used or sold outside of Barnstead.

Ultimately the board decided to invite officers of Pennichuck LLC to a public meeting for a general discussion with them about the options and possible directions. Montgomery will arrange a time that works

for both parties. Public notice of the time and date will be posted at Town Hall and both post offices.

Montgomery reported to the board that the town had received the results of the most recent regularly scheduled water quality testing by the state at the town beach and the level of e-coli bacteria was minimal and far below any level of concern.

She also noted that Walt Wallens had come forward as willing to help the town maintain its small cemeteries. This task was handled for decades by Stuart Merrill, who recently passed on. Wallens does the same work in some other nearby towns.

Heath earns Roy B. Carder Service Excellence Award

WOLFEBORO — Huggins Hospital Operating Room Clinical Coordinator Stacey Heath, RN, CNOR, is the 2017 recipient of the Huggins Hospital Board of Trustees' Roy B. Carder Service Excellence Award. The award is named in honor of the late Roy B. Carder, who dedicated his energy, time and talents as a member of Huggins Hospital's Board of Trustees. The award recognizes an employee who personifies the best of the best, every day.

The Huggins Hospital Board of Trustees chose Heath because of her extensive knowledge of daily operations, professional and personal credibility and consistent delivery of the highest quality of patient care. This is the third year the trustees have recognized an employee with this award.

"Stacey always takes initiative and accepts and carries out additional responsibilities," said Debbie Simone, education coordinator at Huggins Hospital and past recipient of the Roy B. Carder Award. "She always embraces an opportunity to improve both employee and patient satisfaction. She represents Huggins Hospital's values every day with quality of care for the individual patient being her highest priority."

Heath is respected for her clinical skills and thoughtful, thor-



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LEFT TO RIGHT, Huggins Hospital Board of Trustees Chair John J. Daigneault stands with the 2017 Roy B. Carder Award recipient Stacey Heath, RN, CNOR, along with Huggins' President and CEO Jeremy Roberge and Huggins' Board of Trustees member Kathy Barnard.

ough approach with her patients and colleagues. She is detail-oriented and always keeps the patient at the center of any decision she makes. Her steadfast commitment and leadership acumen has helped advance surgical services at the hospital. Heath began her healthcare career at Huggins as a dietary aide in 1986. In 1991 she became a member of the pharma-

cy, where she became one of the first certified pharmacy technicians in the state, and then started her career as a nurse in 2007.

"I am extremely humbled and honored at the notion of my peers thinking of me as a potential candidate and taking the time to officially nominate me for the award," Heath said. "I feel proud to be among the previous re-

ipients, Debbie Simone and Garry Simons, both who set the bar pretty high when it comes to excellence."

Carder was a Lieutenant Colonel in the British Army during World War II and eventually moved to the U.S. as an executive for Exxon. Carder had a love and dedication for Huggins Hospital that most people would describe as "contagious."

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BY MARK PATTERSON
Contributing Writer

The heyday of successful mutual fund managers started in the late 70s through the 80s. The great ones really earned the right to manage your money as opposed to using a low-cost index fund that is very popular now, those managers like Peter Lynch at Fidelity were well worth it. What about current times? Why is it that low-cost index funds have been very difficult to beat in recent times?

Regulation G was enacted March 28, 2003 as part of the Sarbanes-Oxley act. Other than a lot of accounting regulations that I am not knowledgeable enough to speak of, I will give you the layman's terms, and my opinion of how it affected managed mutual funds.

After the fall of Enron, WorldCom and a few other choice company failures, Reg G was enacted so that certain accounting standards and reporting of financial information had to be disseminated in a certain format simultaneously to all.

The hard-working, street-smart fund managers had forged working

relationships with many company CFOs and CEOs that their fund had invested money.

I imagine a scenario to go something like this; fund manager walks in to a Costco in the early 1980s when there were not a whole lot of Costcos around. The fund manager buys some freshly ground beef and some organic strawberries, and on his way out, he picks up some Kirkland brand vodka and tequila. He takes these items home, has a cookout with the neighbors and is showered with compliments on the tastiness of the burgers, the berries and the alcohol.

So, this fund manager makes an appointment with the home office and speaks to the CFO regarding investment into the company via a small-cap growth fund that he manages. During that meeting, fund manager finds out that the ground beef is sourced from local cattle farmers, the strawberries are sourced from privately owned strawberry farms, the vodka is bottled in the same distillery as Grey Goose and the tequila from the same distillery as Patron. Excellent quality, half the price. The CFO obviously is interested in a big investment in the company's stock from this mutual fund company, so he

supplies additional detail about Costco's pro forma numbers.

The fund manager likes what he sees and tastes, he begins to accumulate shares in Costco. The only thing that happened here is that the fund manager recognized the company that had potential, that he personally liked and proceeded with his due diligence on the company's financials. It was successful for the shareholders, the fund

manager and the employees of Costco.

As the years go by, this fund manager continues to purchase shares Costco in other funds that he manages, because now Costco is no longer a small-cap company. Now of course other fund managers are buying Costco because they realize it is a good holding for their mutual fund, however they do not get the personal attention that the original fund manager

who believed in them and invested in them continues to receive.

Reg G changed all that. The original fund manager received all information at the same time as all the other managers, investment banking firms, and the public. The competitive advantage that the fund managers had in the past because of their hard work and willingness to forge relationships with the company's that their funds

invested in, was gone. I'm sure there are situations in the small-cap arena or emerging markets where a good manager can disseminate information better than others, but in the large-cap arena, I do not believe a manager can consistently outperform an index.

Mark Patterson is an advisor with MHP Asset Management and can be reached at 447-1979 or Mark@MHP-asset.com

Watershed management plan to be discussed tonight in New Durham

NEW DURHAM — This evening, Thursday, July 27, there will be a guest speaker discussing watershed management plans with the public. As part of the Cyanobacteria Mitigation Steering Committee's monthly meeting, Pat Tarpey, Executive Director of the Lake Winnepesaukee Association, will discuss what a watershed management plan is, why it's necessary and how the community benefits from having one. As the two towns begin considering a Merrymeeting Lake/River watershed management plan they encourage residents to

participate in its development. For this reason, the CMSC urges all residents to attend this ses-

sion and ask questions for the speaker to address at the conclusion of the talk. The meeting

will be at 6:30 p.m. at the New Durham Elementary School, tonight, July 27.

Old Home Day parade set for Aug. 12

ALTON — The Alton Business Association (ABA) would like to invite everyone to the Old Home Day Parade on Saturday, Aug. 12, at 2 p.m. The ABA encourages any persons, families, neighborhoods and business

to be in the parade with a float or walking exhibit.

For float entries, there are three judging categories, Best Commercial/Business, Best Civic and Best Overall. Forms are available on the ABA Facebook page or contact

Chris Racine at 875-4100, ext. 104 or altonbusinessassociation1@gmail.com. The parade will begin in the center of Alton (from School Street) and end in Alton Bay. Judging results will take place at parade lineup.

Alton Home and Lumber honors manager for 10 years of service

BY TEE BERTHEL
Contributing Writer

ALTON — Reuben and Dorothy Wentworth, owners of Alton Home and Lumber Center made a reservation for their employees along with spouses at the Dockside in Alton Bay. On Thursday July 20, the group of co-workers gathered to celebrate the 10th anniversary of employment for Manager Alicia Hou-

sel. When she and Jack, who works for the town of Alton, arrived, at Reuben's suggestion, the work family all stood to greet them. At the head of the table, where they would sit, was an "intriguing" covered pail, plus a vase of lovely roses together with an assortment of yellow flowers.

Once the guest of honor and her husband were seated, the waitress proceeded to take beverage orders. She then brought out three platters with a variety of appetizers for each end of the table; and next took everyone's orders for their entrees. As one guest commented, it was obvious that the snacks were "yummy" because the group became relatively quiet as they ate; plus the platters were returned to the kitchen empty. Then once again, it was fairly quiet while the group enjoyed their dinners, which would be a testament to Dockside's food quality.

The party itself was not a surprise to Alicia,



TEE BERTHEL - COURTESY PHOTO

JACK AND ALICIA Houssel were the guests of honor at a dinner hosted by Alton Home and Lumber Center owners Reuben and Dorothy Wentworth.

but what was unexpected is that her fellow workers had also decided to make the gathering a mini baby shower. The pair, who married this past winter, are expecting their first child sometime in September. The co-workers had all chipped in to purchase a selection of some comical, cute and unique gift items; hence, the "fascinating" covered pail. After eating, Reuben moved up to the head of the table and gave some accolades to his manager. He then helped Alicia navigate her way through by describing the items in the baby shower receptacle. There was much fun and laughter as the individual gifts were unwrapped and the couple each occasionally

blushed. Once done, Alicia thanked the group for their attendance. Even more heartwarming was the deep appreciation she expressed to both Dottie and Reuben for their understanding through the years by adjusting her work schedule around her attendance in college. At this point, the server asked if anyone wanted dessert. There were a number of takers including the soon-to-be mom who was brought a piece of her favorite pie with a candle in it to make a wish. The boss then picked up the tab for the event and those in attendance bid Alicia and Jack much luck and happiness as the celebration ended about 8 p.m.

Vacation Bible School at Community Church of Alton

ALTON — The Community Church of Alton invites children age four through completed sixth grade to join in for "Operation Arctic." A snowy adventure awaits at Vacation Bible School Aug. 14 - 18, 9 a.m. to noon. Each day will be filled with games, crafts, snacks, Bible lesson and

music. They have some surprise "arctic" adventures planned that the kids won't want to miss. It will be "snow" much fun. For more information or to register, please contact Robin Hanson at 832-4383 or https://communitychurchofalton.myanswers.com.

OBITUARY

Kent A. "Dee" Woods Loved fishing and gardening

STARK — Kent A. "Dee" Woods, 53, of Stark passed away unexpectedly on Friday July 21. He was born and raised in Franklin, the son of Albert E. Woods, Sr. and Beverly F. (Cross) Ober. He raised his children in Northfield and moved to the North Country in 2004. Dee was employed by Mr. Neat Roofing. He loved wood working, fishing, gardening, sitting by the campfire, loved his cats, and living in the town of Stark.

Members of the family include his wife, Mandy (Lafleur) Woods of Stark; children, Amy Woods and



companion Kyler of Franklin, Abe Grover and companion Heidi of Hill and Ian Woods; his mother, Beverly Ober of Franklin; a sister, Shirley LaRoché and husband Mike of Franklin; brothers, George Woods of Franklin and Garth S. Woods Sr. and wife

Rhonda of Berlin; grandson Owen Woods; sister in law Jeannie Woods of Franklin; step-mother Joyce Woods of Barnstead; stepbrother Mark Mudgett of St. Albans, Vt.; step-sister Kimberly Perkins-Goble of Barnstead; father and mother-in-law Richard and Linda Lafleur of Berlin; sister-in-law Amy Carmody and husband Craig of Scottsdale, Ariz.; many nieces and nephews and his "partner in crime," Dave Middleton. Dee was predeceased by his father, Albert E. Woods, Sr., stepfather Richard Ober, brother Albert E. "Bugs" Woods, Jr., and stepsister Rhonda Mudgett.

Friends and relatives called on the Bryant Funeral Home, Berlin on Wednesday July 26, with a prayer service following. In lieu of flowers Dee's family asks that you perform an act of kindness in his memory as he was always willing to help others. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Bryant Funeral Homes, Berlin and Gorham. Messages of condolence may be left online at www.bryant-funeralhome.net.

Church Service SCHEDULE

Sundays: July 2, 2017 – September 3, 2017

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10am Worship Service Community Church of Alton-101 Main Street, Alton

<p>ABUNDANT HARVEST FAMILY CHURCH Sunday School for children up to age 12, service 10:30 a.m. Greater Wakefield Resource Center, 254 Main St., Union. Pastors Daniel and Sherrie Williams, 475-8914. For more information, please visit abundantharvest.org or e-mail alhgf@faith.com.</p> <p>ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH Sunday Worship Service 11:00 Am. All Are Welcome. Rev. Charles Wilton 998-4102. 96 Maple Street & Route 28, Barnstead</p> <p>ALTON BAY CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE CENTER Sundays throughout the summer 10am & 7pm; Tues-9am; Thurs, 875-6161.</p> <p>BEFREE COMMUNITY CHURCH, ALTON Alton-9:30 a.m. Sun. Meeting at Prospect Mountain High School. Pastor Sam Huggard, www.befreechurch.net.</p> <p>CENTER BARNSTEAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH Morning Service 10:00 am. Adult Sunday School 9:00 am. Sunday School for all ages 9:00 am. Rte. 126 next to Town Hall. Pastor Brian Gower. 269-8831.</p> <p>COMMUNITY CHURCH OF ALTON Worship Service 8:00 am; Alton Bay Bandstand, Worship Service 10:00 am, 101 Main Street, Rev. Dr. Samuel J. Hall, 875-5561.</p> <p>CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF NORTH BARNSTEAD UCC Sun. School and Worship Services, 10:00AM, 504 N. Barnstead Rd., Pastor Nancy Talbot; 776-1820, ccnorthbarnstead.com</p> <p>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UCC FARMINGTON Worship Services 10:00 AM</p>	<p>Sunday School 10:15 AM 400 Main Street Farmington, NH 02835 Pastor Kent Schneider 755-4816 www.farmingtonucc.org</p> <p>FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH Sun. School 9:45am. Church 11am. Evening Service 6pm; Wed. Prayer Meeting 7pm. Depot St., New Durham; Pastor James Nasson.</p> <p>PARADE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF BARNSTEAD, N.H. on the Parade in Barnstead Sunday Morning Worship Service for all ages begin at 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting - April through November at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday Evenings. Pastor Sandy Pierson - 483-2846</p> <p>ST. KATHARINE DREXEL 40 Hidden Springs Rd., Alton, 875-2548. Father Robert F. Gole, Pastor. Mass Saturday 4pm; Sunday 8:30 & 10:30am; Daily Mass Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., 8:00am.</p> <p>ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Sunday 9:30-10:30 Main St., Pittsfield Rev. Curtis Metzger; 435-7908 www.ststephenspittsfield.com</p> <p>UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF LACONIA Sunday services and religious education 10:00 a.m. All are welcome. 172 Pleasant St. Laconia • 524 6188 • usd.org</p> <p>MAPLE STREET CHURCH Sunday Service 11am 96 Maple Street Center Barnstead NH 02225</p>
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threatening. Chief Ryan Ridley said they think their best bet is a two-step process. Spend \$3,825 from the town wide emergency and unanticipated expense fund to replace the starter and do other work needed to get the first engine starting and running at full power. After that has been done, and the boat tested, reassess the effectiveness of the boat and come up with a repair plan for the second engine if needed. The board agreed.

The cemetery director requested \$17,000 to purchase a "utility scan system" for the cemetery, and \$1,600 to purchase a "thumb" for their excavator. The scan system will allow them to look below ground in a cemetery plot and see if there is a casket or body in the plot. They will use it in all six town cemeteries, thereby avoiding the problem of digging in a plot that incomplete records show as empty but in fact contains a casket and remains.

The "thumb" will make it easier to take out rocks that show up in the process of digging a gravesite. As the pile of stones on the south end of the cemetery make clear, there are a few big ones here and there.

The board approved both requests.

Chief Ridley reported that ambulance two has been out of service for a few weeks. It is a 2005 vehicle with 190,000 miles on it and they have already spent over \$7,000 on repair work this year alone. With only one functioning ambulance they have several times had to rely on mutual aid from other towns.

The town's ambulance vendor will provide a "loaner" ambulance for a limited, but as yet unspecified amount of time.

Another potential warrant article will probably be needed for installing a sprinkler system in the Town Hall second floor meeting room. The fire inspector determined the need for this several months ago. In her Town Administrator Report, Elizabeth Dionne said that potential vendors have been assessing the situation and rough estimates are coming in. It appears it will cost at least \$160,000 for the

meeting room alone. Dionne suggested using the Capital Improvement Plan process for planning annual set asides into a capital reserve fund. The town will meet legal requirements for implementing a fire inspection order by demonstrating a plan and making active progress toward that plan.

On a happier note, Dionne reported that the materials for the historical gazebo in Alton Bay had arrived and that volunteers had put it together in a couple of days without problems. The board agreed to send a letter of thanks to all those who had volunteered time for the assembly. The group working on the project will now start to prepare the story boards that will eventually display the transportation history of the bay.

The board approved a car wash fundraiser for the PMHS class of 2020, a special event permit for the Old Home Week Parade, another for the Old Home Week Block Party, the appointment of Wayne Gold to the Conservation Commission, posting of surplus equipment for sale on the town's web site, and awarding the Boston Post Cane to Charles Woollette.

Highway Director Ken Roberts recommended replacing the culvert that runs from the end of Echo Point Road to the lake. Al-

though the road is private, the town owns the lake front properties on either side of the culvert, and therefore most likely has responsibility for fixing the damaged and outdated culvert.

After fixing the culvert he recommends doing a wetlands plan for the town properties to see if it is possible to carve some parking spots for lake access by town residents.

The board also approved the bid of CN Brown for heating oil for the town and for recipients of fuel heating assistance. The CN Brown price is slightly higher but includes home delivery for fuel assistance. Eastern Propane won the bid for the town's propane business. Fuel heating assistance recipients will need to use their current fuel vendor because the various propane companies fill only their own company tanks.

The board turned down a suggestion for a single warrant article for town funds for various non-profit organizations that serve the town. Board members believe that many citizens have clearly stated their preference to vote separately on each non-profit even though it takes longer at the town deliberative session. Many people have different opinions on different non-profits and want the opportunity to vote those opinions.

NOTES FROM WINDY HOLLOW

Big Boy flourishes in the flower garden

BY VIVIAN LEE DION

Contributing Writer

This year during planting season I changed things up, a bit. With a chill in the air, and pussy willows peeking through their shelter encasements, I trudged down cellar and found the dried seeds from last year's marigold blossoms. They were safely stored inside a long, slender capped bottle. The harvested seeds were waiting for my return, and it seemed like yesterday when I plucked the dried marigold blossoms and spread them on newspaper. After they were completely dry, I stored them in plain sight down cellar. This was my first-time harvesting seeds, and I'm pleased to have gotten the knack of it the first time around. Later, with the threat of frost gone, and Miracle Grow helping boost growth, I had complete success germinating the little black and white seeds. Perhaps marigolds by nature are easy to grow, but I know one thing, my flower boxes are full of marigold plants. They are lush, leafy and have beautiful orange marigold blossoms. The growing season continues and other

flowers will appear.

My flower garden is a tiny plot of land near the front deck about four feet wide, by seven feet long. Pink begonias, white petunias, and marigolds fill the garden with color and variety. But, there's a companion plant among the colorful flowers. On a whim, I purchased one Big Boy tomato plant. It is now three feet tall, and a round wire cage supports the branches. Recently, I counted six blossoms and two little green tomatoes. I'll be satisfied with a harvest of four to six tomatoes, but will take all that nature gives me.

Retired horticulturist Gerald Klingaman describes Big Boy tomatoes: "Big Boy, with sweet, fragrant, red, smooth-skinned fruit that can weigh a pound or more, is one of the most popular tomatoes. Experts often list it amongst their top five all-time favorites. Big Boy tomatoes first appeared in the Burpee & Company catalogue in 1949."

Of course, a few marigolds planted near Big Boy doubles my garden delight. As the Garden Guides web site explains: Brilliant yel-

low and orange marigolds planted among tomatoes create a fresh, clean appearance that enhances the overall design of your garden. Used historically for both medicinal and ceremonial purposes, marigolds originated in South American when they were bred by the Aztecs to produce large, showy bloom. Introduced to North America in the late 1700s marigolds soon earned their place as a companion plant for tomatoes.

It is a marriage made in heaven and my little garden is thriving. It's fun to discover that I do have a green thumb and will soon enjoy the fruits of my labor by having home grown Big Boy tomatoes in a garden salad.

Next year I'll look for a Big Boy tomato plant at the garden store, and hope the marigold seeds that I harvested will be ready to awaken from their long winter's nap. I'll remember my juicy Big Boy tomatoes and know "It's difficult to think anything but pleasant thoughts while eating a homegrown tomato," Lewis McDonald Grizzard, Jr., writer.

Vivian Lee Dion of New Durham is a writer and speaker.

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er. "I did motor cross events and managed a team, but music kept taking over."

At the time, the Australian Institute of Music did not offer a Bachelor's degree, but Robertson enrolled to improve his playing and musicianship. He landed touring, studio and session work jobs.

"I just kept meeting guitar players who inspired me," he said. He wound up traveling back and forth from Sydney to take lessons.

One gig led to another and eventually Robertson found himself performing with a rock band in London, and moved there for a couple of years. The producer he worked for in England "brought me to the States."

He toured out of Nashville and again did studio and session work.

Robertson was continually driven to learn

more and get better, and, therefore, Berklee College of Music in Boston called to him. "I was on a journey to get closer to Berklee."

In that pursuit, he did wind up in Boston, where he met his future wife, Mara.

Shortly after their marriage, they bought a house in New Durham in 2003. "I've always liked a small-town feel," he said. "I'm not a city boy."

Robertson worked with New England bands, and from those contacts, became involved with the National Music Workshop LLC. That organization hired him to teach out of Daddy's Junky Music in Salem.

"I taught 40 kids a week," Robertson said, "from age seven to 80."

It was a perfect fit. "I love sharing the music and seeing the passion to learn of the person in front of me. I want to pass on what I've

learned, and they bring music to me so it keeps me alive and learning, as well."

Many of his students stayed with him the entire six years he was there. "I could see them progress. Some went on to Berklee or on to bands; it was good to see."

The lifestyle had its drawbacks, though. "I was traveling so much, teaching in Salem four days a week, and then performing Thursday through Sunday all around New England."

Robertson played clubs, ski resorts, and everything in between in every state in the region.

Throw in months of touring for Disney and going back and forth from Nashville and Orlando during that same time, and it's apparent why Las Vegas was a welcome change.

"Playing in casinos and doing corporate work meant I wouldn't have to travel so much."

So in 2009, he and his wife headed west, but in the back of his head was always the idea of starting something to bring music to others.

"A lot of kids have talent, but they don't have accessibility," Robertson explained.

"Maybe their parents don't have money for lessons or equipment."

The idea stayed firmly lodged out of reach until he experienced what can only be called a vision.

"The real inspiration to move back to New Durham was a neighbor and close friend who had passed away."

Before the Robertsons moved to Las Vegas, his friend had stopped him on the road. "He stared me in the eyes and then he looked at the sky and then back to me with a deeper look. He told me, 'You'll be back because you're meant to be here. We need you here.'"

Robertson said he didn't think about the encounter again, but after Christmas last year, following his friend's death, "it was like he was standing behind me, saying, 'We need you back here.' I fell off of my chair and started crying because it was just like he was there."

He said the idea in the back of his head crystalized for him at that moment. "I want to start a nonprofit music organization to provide music education for free. I want to pro-

vide a studio, a place to rehearse, and an area to perform all for free."

Several months later, he, his wife, and young son were in their home in New Durham and Robertson began active pursuit of his dream.

"Music is becoming extinct in schools," he said, "and technology has changed the way we experience music. I don't want people to lose the ability to be creative."

Practical matters weigh in, too. "If kids can't afford to record a demo, or if there's no place to host a show, where does that leave them?"

Robertson said, "I feel like if you're able to teach someone, it shouldn't be a burden to the person receiving the education. If they want to learn it, it should be free, and I should be grateful to pass on my knowledge to someone who wants to learn it."

He rephrased those words into the mission statement of the non-profit corporation he has formed, the Pete J Robertson Music Foundation: A person with knowledge that another seeks should be grateful for the opportunity of passing it on for the gain of the seeker, not their loss. Education is a gift, not a commodity for profit.

He's made good on his idea by offering his services at the New Durham Public Library; Robertson provides free guitar lessons to those with an instrument on Saturdays from 11 a.m.

to 1 p.m. in half hour blocks.

Active in the community, he also is giving a concert at the 1772 Meetinghouse as part of Celebrate New Durham Day on Saturday, July 29 at 11:30 a.m. He'll be doing what he calls a "mixture of everything," to include pop, country, and classic rock.

"I can play anything, but as a singer I get all of the hard songs to sing." He said that was due to his high tenor voice, which was his "forte in Vegas."

His first few months back in town were busy acquiring his real estate license "to pay the bills." His next few months promise to be even busier. "My goal is to put together a solid budget and solid business plan."

Robertson said he needs donations to start funding his project to get four teaching rooms and employ string and wind players as teachers.

"With solid goals, I can approach corporations and music companies with their own foundations for donations."

He envisions a building, either rented or to be built, in the area large enough to also house a recording studio and a stage with seating where bands can perform and recitals can be held.

At this point, he's also looking for donated instruments. Robertson's web site is petejrobertsonmusicfoundation.org.

"I'm trying to promote now," he said of his dream.

It's something he's waited quite a few years for and one he expects to attain because Robertson is dedicated to the art of music.

"I earn a living selling CDs and houses, and by performing. But not by giving mentorship or teaching."



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WATER

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 a dime off this place," he said, refuting the assumption of many residents that the company is greedy. When Central Water sold to Pennichuck in 2005, Pennichuck then went on to make a stipulation agreement with Pittsfield Aquaduct while doing \$2.7 million of work in Locke Lake. Rather than seeking a profit from this work, Pennichuck set up a 30-year, mortgage-like repayment plan in the form of a \$17 monthly surcharge to each household. A 2008 proposed 311 percent increase in rates including a 9.75 percent increase in equity for the company and a margin of profit, was ignored altogether for

the sake of the community. Instead, simply to account for the cost of construction and the rate of inflation, the amount residents had to pay did rise 170 percent. The \$2.7 million investment was meant for the community to have a consistent water supply that met all standards in the Safe Drinking Water Act, and even with that 170 percent increase, Pennichuck still is not making any extra profit from Locke Lake Colony residents. The company is breaking even right now to continue to pay for the costs of the construction that occurred.

Pennichuck CEO Larry Goodhue and COO Don Ware explained in great detail

the reasoning behind the cost of rates for water in the Locke Lake community, and to the dismay of the residents, said with certainty that rates will be increasing next year. Goodhue attributed this rate increase not to a desire to make a profit for the company, but to account for the cost of construction, inflation and other dilemmas. The increase will be between December 2017 and January 2018 at the earliest. When that time gets closer, a notice of intent will be sent out from Pennichuck to all customers to inform them of the change.

There will be private rate cases conducted in the near future, which will determine exact-

ly how much the rates will increase for residents. Pennichuck is waiting to hear back from the Barnstead Board of Selectmen to decide on a date for a meeting with them.

During public input, it was mentioned by multiple residents that when they called Pennichuck customer service, they received inconsistent and sometimes rude responses. Goodhue and Ware apologized and explained that within the company, people tend to wish to get to a higher position than customer service faster than they can learn the policies of the company. They encouraged residents to ask for management if they weren't getting an an-

swer they needed, all the way up to the CEO or COO themselves if necessary. "We have to treat everybody with the same rules," Goodhue said.

To determine how much to charge for water depending on average usage in a community, the company uses the standard unit, the CCF, which is 100 cubic feet, or about 748 gallons of water. About four CCFs are allotted per household per month in Locke Lake. Charging customers for four CCFs covers no more than costs to keep the water systems operational and to cover other basic expenditures.

The other major issue that was addressed is the continued drought in Locke Lake Colony that has remained since 2012. Residents are not allowed to use water outside for irrigation or cleaning, which causes a multitude of problems for individual residents. The same resident who discussed her asthma with a fellow community member reiterated her issues to Goodhue and Ware. She said that she had heard that if water is used to irrigate lawns or to do any similar tasks, one could receive a \$500 fine. The representatives from Pennichuck completely refuted this, saying that residents found to be using water outside are given a warning and a water shut-off after multiple offenses, and subsequently must pay \$25 to turn the water back on. No one would ever receive a \$500 fine.

As for this resident's asthma problem, Goodhue and Ware said that the company would allow an exception and allow them to clean off their deck and usable outdoor space to avoid asthma-related health problems. "We may not always prevail, but we

are going to try," Goodhue said. He and Ware also turned to the other attendees and said that if they face a similar problem related to the drought conditions and water accessibility, contact customer service and an exception can be granted or a solution can be made.

One member of the Barnstead Board of Selectmen has been vocal about the Pennichuck Water problems. At the most recent selectmen meeting, only one person had been to the meeting with Pennichuck, and this resident took the opportunity to bring up stopping more building in Locke Lake Colony as it relates to the water issues the community has been facing. At the meeting with Pennichuck on July 17, several residents agreed that the excess building would not solve the drought problem.

Pennichuck Water has been searching for new water sources so they would no longer have to truck it in from Pittsfield Aquaduct, but they have had no luck. The closest source they've found that meets all necessary standards is the Suncook River several miles away. Most potential water sources come from between rock beds underground, and Pennichuck has been working with geologists and hydrogeologists in order to evaluate every possible location in which water may be present.

"This is a good company," Ranaldi emphasized at the conclusion of the meeting.

As residents were leaving, there were still some skeptics and critics, but there were also good spirits and some humor. One resident said to another, with hints of sarcasm, "I love my water—I drink it every day."

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An old road and old ways stand fast, in the face of an international scheme

Route 145, which twists its way along the so-called "back way" from Colebrook to Pittsburg, is one of New Hampshire's more sought-after roads.

Motorcycle riders and sports car drivers seek it out for the very reasons that it makes highway designers groan. It takes a certain amount of skill with steering wheel, brakes, and gas pedal to drive Route 145, even at the posted speed limit of 40.

Some who have to drive the road every day might be less enthralled. Nonetheless, the road is a designated Scenic Byway, and so far is one of the few New Hampshire roads spared from the Goddess of Progress.

Route 145 reminds me of Route 113 around the north end of Winnepesaukee, and down into the relative sanity of the eastern shore. Sorry, west shore denizens, blame it on being in reach of 75 million people.

Roads like 145 and 113 exist because (a) they were laid out along Indian trails and cow paths, (b) the highway engineers and safety zealots haven't figured out what to do about them, (c) many people, locals and visitors alike, want them left alone, and (d) there's no money anyway.

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Last week I hosted a Yale PhD candidate

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

By JOHN HARRIGAN



whose pursuit is dating ancient rocks and soil sediments by the shells of mollusks lodged within.

Because I've been fascinated with the upper North Country's geology since boyhood, and because in my time nothing was taught about this in local schools, and because I had to learn from books and experience and just plain trying to figure things out, we had a lot to talk about.

The uncertainty about whether the most recent glacier occurred 14,000 or 15,000 years ago (a thousand years is about one-fourth of our recorded history) remains.

Scientists are still debating the date(s) of rock striations on the summit of Mount Washington, left by a mile-thick ice sheet (or sheets) long ago.

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Because the North Country's back way to Pittsburg, Route 145, is currently interrupted by a bridge replacement job, the Site Evaluation Committee stood to get an unusual look at the history and fragility of the landscape when members toured the proposed route for Northern Pass, which includes al-



JOHN HARRIGAN
(Left) THE REPLACEMENT of a bridge between Colebrook and Pittsburg means that state decision-makers are getting a look at a slice of North Country life they might otherwise have missed.



JOHN HARRIGAN
(left) ROD MCALLISTER interrupted his chores to be a gracious barnyard host to a New Republic reporter (center) and a visitor from Yale.

most 40 miles of entirely new right of way across the countryside.

We stopped to visit Rod McAllister, a Bear Rock dairy farmer who kissed off a few million

bucks from Hydro Quebec to stand fast, and deny Northern Pass an easy route to lucrative Hartford and New York City markets.

As a result, Rod will go on pressing his cheek against the flank of a cow for as long as he can. "This is where I want to be," he said.

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.

Sweezy heading to Clarkson University

POTSDAM, N.Y. — Chayton Sweezy of Alton, a graduate of Prospect Mountain High School, will attend Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y., as a member of the Class of 2021. Sweezy, who will be majoring in environmental engineering, will begin studying at Clarkson in the fall.

"We look forward to having Chayton join us on campus in August," said Vice President for Enrollment and Stu-

dent Advancement Brian T. Grant.

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household items, china, art, pottery, vintage children's toys, old books and small furniture are some of the items they are looking for. They will not be able to accept bulky furniture, new or recent items, any appliances pre-1950 or anything broken or heavily soiled.

The Society is pleased Johnson's Seafood and Steak Restaurant in New Durham, has agreed once again to host the New Durham Historical Society Summer Fair. The fair is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a rain date for Sunday, Aug. 13, same time and place.

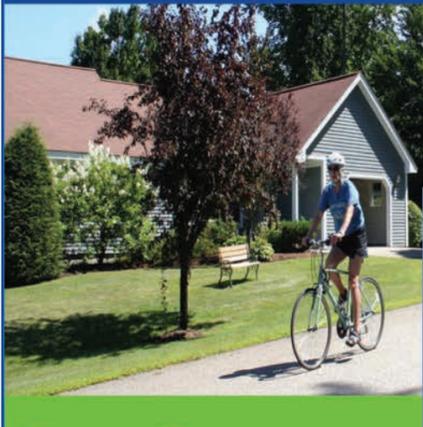
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Telling a story

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Preston to speak to Barnstead Historical Society

BARNSTEAD — The Barnstead Historical Society invites the public to spend an evening with Kati Preston, Holocaust survivor on Friday, July 28, at 7 p.m. at the Barnstead Town Hall. Bring your family and friends to hear Preston's inspirational story of hope, love and forgiveness growing up during World War II in eastern Europe and her travels throughout Europe as a young woman. For the past few years Preston

has been sharing her story at schools and churches and this is her first time speaking in her hometown of Barnstead. After her presentation, she will have her book

"Holocaust to Healing" available for purchase. The Barnstead Historical Society will serve light refreshments. All are welcome to attend.

ACYA planning dog show for Aug. 17

ALTON — The third annual Alton Community Youth Activities Dog Show will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 17, at Alton Bay in front of the bandstand. The show is open to all friendly dogs and people and there is a small entrance fee. Dogs must have either a town tag or proof of current rabies vaccine.

The show includes an obedience class followed by a costume parade and costume class. Both dogs and people are encouraged to dress up. There will be fun prizes, raffles,

giveaways, demonstrations and face painting followed by a free ice cream social. This is a family-friendly event for dogs and people of all ages. All proceeds go directly to the Alton Community Youth Activities, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to provide creative, constructive, healthy and safe activities for the youth and families of the Alton community. For more information, please call Karen at 387-9588 or look for Alton Community Youth Activities on Facebook.




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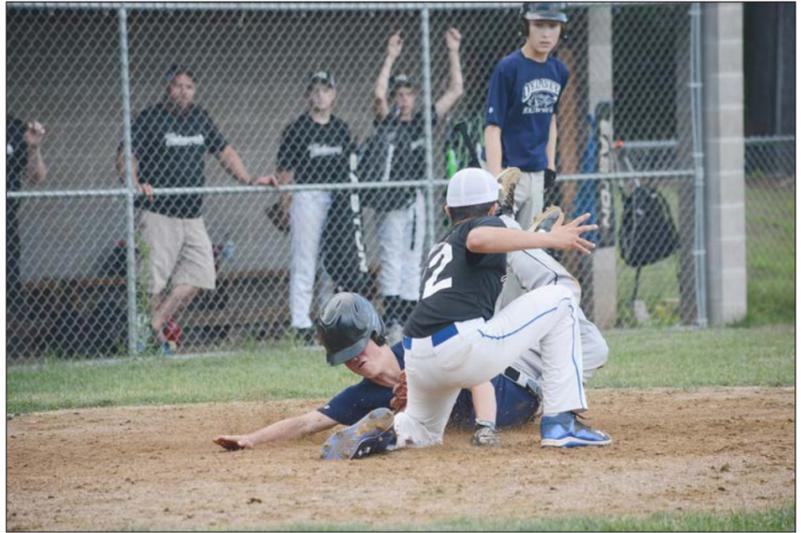
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SPORTS



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OLEG SHEAHAN dives back to first as Cole Eastman applies the tag in action on July 18.



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NATE HOLIDAY scores a run as Brand Capano tries to get a tag on in action July 18 in North Conway.

Big bats lead Delaney's over Tuckerman's

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

NORTH CONWAY — The second week of the Home Run Baseball League's season began on Tuesday, July 18, with Delaney's taking on Tuckerman's at Kennett High School in North Conway.

Both teams got runs in the first inning, but it was Delaney's that had the bigger first inning and that eventually led to a mercy rule-shortened 14-4 win.

Tyler Sprince got the start on the mound for Delaney's and in the top of the first inning, Tuckerman's was able to get on the board. Sprince struck out the side, but Cole Eastman reached on an error to open the inning and moved up to third when Brandon Capano followed with a base hit. A double steal allowed Eastman to score and Tuckerman's led 1-0 before Delaney's came to the plate.

Tristan Croteau got the start on the mound for Tuckerman's and Oleg Sheahan worked a walk to start the inning for Delaney's. He stole second and took third on a wild pitch. One out later, Tucker Paul worked a walk and stole second and a wild pitch allowed Sheahan to score the tying run. Robbie Rohrbaugh worked a walk and then a double from Cole Paro pushed across another run and a pair of wild pitches allowed two more runs to score and Delaney's was up 4-1. Sprince worked a walk and took second on an error before Hayden Robischeau delivered a base hit to plate another run. He moved up on a pair of wild pitches and scored on a wild pitch. Riley Smith worked a walk, but he was stranded and Delaney's took the 6-1 lead after one inning.

With one out in the top of the second, Tristan

Day beat out an infield hit for Tuckerman's but Sprince started a 1-6-3 double play to get out of the inning.

Capano took over on the hill in the bottom of the second inning for Tuckerman's and Sheahan worked another walk and stole second and third. Nate Holiday worked a walk and one out later, Rohrbaugh's fielder's choice plated Sheahan to make it 7-1. Eastman made a great play at the fence along the first base line, snaring a foul pop up for out number two, but a wild pitch made it 8-1 before Capano got a strike out to end the inning.

Tuckerman's got a couple of runs back in the top of the third inning. With one out, Nick Tauroney worked a walk and stole second. Kaleb Cox followed with a base hit to drive in the second run of the game and then Eastman's double plated another run for an 8-3



JOSHUA SPAULDING

ROBBIE ROHRBAUGH fires a throw from second base to complete a double play in action in North Conway.

score.

Capano was able to keep Delaney's off the board in the top of the third inning. Smith did reach on an error and Matt Perkins was hit by a pitch, but a pickoff by Capano at third base ended the threat.

Holiday took over on the mound for Delaney's

in the top of the fourth inning and Croteau greeted him with a double. Caleb Wilson was hit by a pitch and after a strikeout, a wild pitch and error plated another run to make it 8-4 before Holiday got a strikeout and bouncer to the mound to end the inning.

Sheahan worked yet another walk to open the bottom of the fourth inning and stole second and on a steal of third, the throw went to the

outfield and he scampered home. Holiday followed with a triple and scored on a wild pitch. Paul worked a walk and Rohrbaugh reached on an error before Paro had a base hit to load the bases. Robischeau drove in two runs with a base hit and another wild pitch plated the 13th run before a strikeout got Tuckerman's out of the inning.

James Wing worked
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KATHY SUTHERLAND

Pitching in

Garrett Smart throws a pitch for Alton Post 72 during the team's game with Jutras Post on Wednesday. Alton won by an 8-0 score and will be the fourth seed in the state tournament. The tournament kicks off today, July 27, at 5 p.m. as Alton takes on Newmarket at Gill Stadium in Manchester.

New Durham 5K set for Saturday

NEW DURHAM — New Durham Parks and Recreation's annual Fun, Games and Giving 5K is scheduled for Saturday, July 29. Registration starts at 7 a.m. with a race start time at 8 a.m. The race takes place on a closed course through New Durham starting and ending at Farmington Fish and Game Club with help from town police, safety and highway personnel to block off intersections for safety of all participants.

Participants will re-

ceive a registration discount for registering before race day. Additionally, a small registration fee will be credited for those who donate a non-perishable donation item for the New Durham Food Pantry. Donated items will be collected at registration on race day. The first 50 registered participants will receive a special race gift. Prizes for the top runners will be awarded.

Additionally, a Kids' Fun Run will immediately follow the 5K. Registration for the Fun Run is one non-perishable donation item for the food pantry. For the first time, race registration is available online at newdurham-rec.com. Offline registration is also available through the Recreation web site by completing the registration online and then printing and mailing in.

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BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — Going up the Mount Washington Auto Road without a vehicle is not an easy task.

Going up while pushing, pulling or otherwise generally assisting another person is even more difficult.

But when that person wouldn't be able to make the ascent without your help, it becomes a mission and gives everyone involved a reason to push even harder to reach the 6,288-foot summit.

The Sunrise Ascent on Mount Washington, a fundraiser for the Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country (ASPNC), will take place on Aug. 6 and there will be a local flair to the proceedings, as a number of Wolfefboro-area residents will be serving on teams helping their athletes to the summit of the 7.6-mile road.

Wolfefboro residents Robbie Ftorek and Peter Rizzo will be working with Team Bella, assisting teenager Bella Hibberd in her seventh ascent up Mount Washington. Bella is non-verbal and uses a wheelchair to move and her fundraising page notes that her opportunities are limited, but through ASPNC she has the chance to do some of the things she loves to do.

Fellow local residents Todd Shannon and John Lewis will also be making the ascent, supporting their longtime friend, Martin Wallem, as he makes his eighth ascent of the auto road. Martin was diagnosed with ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease, at age 31 and was given two to three years to live. That was 16 years ago. With the help of ASPNC, he has been able to continue to enjoy the outdoors and share his love of the outdoors with his son.

Shannon and Lewis became friends with Wallem when they were teenagers. Wallem's family had a summer home in Wolfefboro and his sister attended Brew-

ster Academy.

"We'd see him on weekends and when they were up," Shannon said. "He was just a regular average guy."

"They're just nice people, a very strong family," Shannon said of the Wallems.

It was Rizzo that got the ball rolling, at least locally among his friends. He was volunteering with Granite State Adaptive at King Pine Ski Area, helping disabled individuals enjoy the snow sports, so he'd seen the good organizations like that can do. One day he was skiing at Cannon Mountain and saw a ASPNC volunteer group working with a tandem ski and he was interested, so he met the director and became involved in their program as well.

"And one thing led to another," Rizzo said

Ftorek got involved last year but due to weather, his team was only able to make it to the tree line and he's hoping that this time he and Rizzo can help get Bella to the top. He marveled at the amount of work that went into the event and how hard people worked to make it happen.

"There's a lot of help, it's so well organized," Ftorek said. "Some start at 2 (a.m.), others start at 4 and after they get up there, they have to get them all down."

"It's really a nice day," Ftorek said. "It's just an incredible thing."

He noted that while the event obviously is meaningful to the athletes who get the chance to do something they may not otherwise do, it also holds a special spot for those who help them reach the summit.

"It does a lot of the people that help," Ftorek said. "You can see people just reflecting on it on the walk up and then the smile on their faces, it's just good stuff."

For Lewis and Shannon, the opportunity to help a longtime friend, was something they jumped at when Rizzo spoke to them about it.

Rizzo noted that Mar-



COURTESY PHOTO

TODD SHANNON (left in the grey shirt) helps his friend, Martin Wallen (in wheelchair) on a recent hike in the Kinsman Notch area. The team will be ascending the Mount Washington Auto Road on Aug. 6.

tin can now only communicate with his eyebrows and spells with a letter board, but he wanted to tell everyone that his friends John and Todd were helping up the mountain.

With his equipment, which includes oxygen tanks and batteries, Martin's team is transporting about 300 pounds. They did a practice hike in the Kinsmans recently, working through some tough terrain with the hopes that they'd be more ready when the

Auto Road hike comes around.

Rizzo also spoke of Wallen's wife, Cara, and her incredible strength as she's stood by her husband through his battle.

"People like that, that's some pure inspiration, to devote their life to someone," Rizzo said. "And then to see Todd and John with that team is going to be great."

Shannon laments that he hadn't necessarily spent enough time with his longtime friend in recent years, but it was not

easy to watch a formerly healthy guy get ravaged by such a cruel disease.

"It is difficult," Shannon said. "But he's a really strong-willed person, which is what's carried him as far as he's come. But I knew that before the ALS."

"It's going to be amazing," he continued. "I'm doing it for Martin, but I'm also doing it for myself. I'll be glad that I did this for Martin."

He lamented ALS but also spoke hopefully of work being done to find

a way to slow or halt the disease.

"I've seen how fast it can be, it just takes right over," Shannon said. "I can't imagine that. But hopefully in the years to come, you can do something about it."

Ftorek, Shannon and Rizzo all hoped that being involved and getting the word out about the Sunrise Ascent would help shed a light on the great work being done by ASPNC and other organizations of its kind. They all agreed that the day should be an exciting one and they are excited to see how things go.

The Sunrise Ascent takes place on Sunday, Aug. 6. Anyone looking for more information can visit sunriseascent.org, where they can make donations to teams or to individual "mules," the terms used to describe the jobs that Ftorek, Rizzo, Shannon and Lewis will be doing.

"It's a great event," Rizzo stated.

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Barnstead 5K set for Aug. 19

BARNSTEAD — The Barnstead Firefighters Association is pleased to announce its sixth annual 5K road race and fun walk to start at the Barnstead Parade grounds on Aug. 19 at 9 a.m.

The course is an "out and back" that follows the Suncook River from

the Parade to the intersection with Route 126 and then returns to the Parade along the same route for the finish. The race course is USATF certified for accuracy and is considered flat and fast. Refreshments will follow the race along with a fun race for the kids.

Part of the proceeds from this year's race are designated for the Jake Weber Scholarship Fund. This fund will be used to assist with education costs to those interested in a career in fire safety or emergency medical services.

Pre-registration (at

a discount) must be received by Aug. 15. Registration forms are available at www.bfr06.com; e-mail bfa5kroadrace@gmail.com or call 312-5648. Online registration is also available at www.running4free.com. Race day registration will also be available.

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season runs for eight Sunday evenings from mid-October to mid-December at Pop Whalen Ice Arena in Wolfefboro. There's no equipment to buy, and new members get an introduction to the basics of the game at a learn-to-curl session before the season begins.

Registration for the fall season begins now. For more information about curling and the Lakes Region Curling Association, as well as access to downloadable registration forms, check out the LRCA's web site at lakescurling-nh.org.

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St. Katharine Drexel 5K/10K scheduled for Sept. 16

ALTON — In the midst of summer, it might be difficult to think about the coming season of fall. Yet, a small group of dedicated committee members who organize the St. Katharine Drexel 5K/10K road race and 5K walk each year are doing just that.

As they plan for the seventh annual event, held this year on Saturday, Sept. 16 on the church grounds off Route 28, in Alton, they are encouraging runners of all ages and abilities to lace up those running shoes, practice, and sign up for the sanctioned race, which raises monies for three very worthy charities.

This year, as in the past several, monies raised will go to support the James Foley Scholarship, given to a graduating senior from Foley's alma mater, Kingswood Regional High School. Additionally, the Camp Fatima Special Needs campers program and the remaining Indian mission, founded by

St. Katharine Drexel in 1903, will also receive checks.

Of course, the race would not be successful without the continuing support of local businesses who, each year, are most generous to the causes. This year they have two title sponsors, Eastern Propane and Oil Co. and Integrity Earthworks. To date, they have also received support from All Earth, Weston Auto Body, Northeast Delta Dental, Bartlett Tree Services, Peaslee Funeral Home, Bon Venture Bulletin Services, Wolfeboro Eye Associates, Granite State Physical Fitness, Calico Graphics, Tut's Trophies and Awards, Hannaford of Alton, Harvest Market, Johnson's Steak and Seafood of New Durham, Granite State News, The Nordic Skier of Wolfeboro, River Run Deli of Alton and Dragonfly Gardens of Alton.

"Our goal has always been, and continues to be, to give to others in need," said Robin Allen-Burke,

race director. "All those who work behind the scenes, those who contribute financially, registering to run or walk, or who donate raffle prizes are part of this event, and we would not be successful without them."

For further information, contact Allen-Burke at 569-3996 or ironmom40@metrocast.net. See also the St. Katharine Drexel web site [stkdrexel.org] and click on the link.

Prospect planning alumni soccer games

ALTON — Prospect Mountain soccer will be bringing back the alumni game this year on Aug. 19. The girls will play at 2 p.m. and boys at 4 p.m. with a cookout planned as well. They are asking all alumni that are interested in playing to e-mail coach Cory Halvorsen at cory_halvorsen@icloud.com by Aug. 1 so they can send out details of the games.



KATHY SUTHERLAND

RICH NEAL runs in the Masonic Summer Cross Country Series at Abenaki.



KATHY SUTHERLAND

MITCH MERROW competes at Abenaki on Thursday evening.

PMHS searching for girls' track coach

ALTON — Prospect Mountain High School in Alton is accepting applications for a girls' track and field coach for the spring 2018 season. Anyone interested in the position can contact the SAU office at 875-8600 for more information.

Richardson and Wood win again in Masons race series

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — The second race in the

Wolfeboro Masonic Summer Cross Country Series took place on Thursday, July 20, at Abenaki Ski Area in Wolfeboro.

Once again, Seth Richardson of Wolfeboro was the top finisher overall, running to a time of 24:02.

Abbey Wood of Laconia was again the top finisher among women, as she finished in fifth place overall in a time of 29:55.

Mic Arsenault of Middleton was second overall in 24:39, with Sam Wood of Laconia in third in 26:00 and Cam Stinchfield of Wakefield in 27:16 for fourth place.

Mitch Merrow of Wolfeboro finished in 36:02 for sixth place, followed by Rich Neal of Wolfeboro in 36:08.

Alison Hayford of Ossipee was the second woman and eighth overall, finishing in 38:53, with Amanda Suprenant of Laconia next in a time of 40:08 and Kurt DeVlyder of Wolfeboro in 40:12. Abigail Rooney of Milton rounded out the finishers in the 5K with a time of 46:14.

Race organizers wanted to point out

that the initial information presented about the trails used in the race was not 100 percent accurate.

The trails at Abenaki Ski Area are maintained by the Wolfeboro Cross Country Ski Association. The WCCSA and volunteers have been responsible for all aspects of the trails from design, cutting, building bridges and year-round maintenance and winter grooming for cross-country skiing since the early 70s. The organizers will be sharing the \$2 donation from each race admission with both WCCSA and Lakes Region Conservation Trust. The Nordic Skier also will be donating prizes for the last race and organizers wanted to thank the local business for its support of the race series.

The final race in the series will take place today, July 27, at Abenaki Ski Area. There is a one-mile fun run at 6:05 p.m. and the 5K takes off at 6:30 p.m.

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Nick Golf Classic celebrates 10 years of success

NEW DURHAM — Golf Classic and Tournament of Champions

Tuftonboro 5K coming on Aug. 26

TUFTONBORO — Lace up those sneakers for the sixth annual Tuftonboro 5K Run/Walk scheduled for Saturday Aug. 26. Check-in/registration begins at 7 a.m., walk at 8 a.m. and run at 8:30 a.m. Award ceremony following conclusion of the race.

This is a professionally timed 5K, however the goal is to provide a fun fitness experience for all. Can't run? Walkers of all ages are encouraged to participate.

Entry fee for the run/walk for 12 years and under \$15, 13 and older \$20. Day of registration is \$20 for 12 and under, \$25 for 13 and older. Tee shirts will be given to the first 75 participants.

The Tuftonboro 5K is part of Tuftonboro Old Home Days (Aug. 25-27), a weekend full events including, music, an antique car show, author breakfast, cardboard boat race, chicken dinner, Wildlife Encounters shows, scavenger hunt and town picnic.

Old Home Days is generously sponsored by Curtis Quality Care, LLC, Pier 19 Grocer, Spider Web Gardens, Melvin Village Marina Inc., Loving Tree Care, Lamprey Real Estate Associates, JB and Son Sewer and Drain Plus, Lanes End Marina, Antonucci Insurance Services, Inc., CWA Lighting Group, LLC, DJ's Septic Pumping Services, Inc., Lakes and Mountains Keller Williams Realty, The Black Bear Micro Roastery, Eastern Propane, Wolfeboro Chiropractic Office, YMCA Camp Belknap, William Lawrence Camp, Camp Sentinel, AYF Merrowvista and North Woods, Pleasant Valley, Sandy Island and Laughing Loon YMCA Camps.

Proceeds from Old Home Days will help support the Tuftonboro Scholarship Fund. For more information on all the great events, including registration information for the 5K, cardboard boat race and antique car show, visit www.tuftonboro.org or e-mail parksandrec@tuftonboro.org.

To register for the 5K online, visit www.lightboxreg.com/tuftonboro_2017.

ons raised more than \$35,000 in support of The Nicholas J. Peronkas Recreation Park (The Nick). On Monday, July 17, more than 100 Nick supporters and friends gathered at the Lake Winnepesaukee Golf Club to enjoy a beautiful afternoon of golf. After the round, participants enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and an awards ceremony on the outdoor patio, overlooking Lake Wentworth and surrounding mountains. The Nick thanks all who participated, with a special thank you to tournament sponsors Pella Windows and Doors, Fluid Industrial Associates, Inc., Eastern Propane and Oil, Green Mountain Communications, Wolfeboro Oil, Inc. and Paul and Deb Zimmerman.

The first low net and tournament of champions winners were Tony Hutchins, John Hutchins, Rick Hutchins and Michael Hutchins, who were presented with cham-

ionship hats and proudly carry bragging rights for the next decade and the first low gross winners, Ben Ekstrom, John Buell, Adam Dow, and Bret Chaveree and the second low net winners, Meghan Anderson, Cider Berry, Matt Krause and Tucker Lovering.

The Nick is dedicated to providing for the needs of citizens and preserving the character of the town. The park serves hundreds of community members and tourist each year and is home field to more than 1,100 local athletes. The Nick is extremely grateful to the many supporters for their help in ensuring that this vital community resource remains accessible to all in the greater Wolfeboro area.

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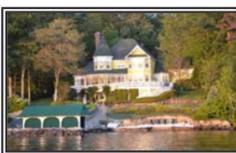
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- "No thanks. Drinking is not my thing."
- "No thanks. I need all the brain cells I've got."
- "No thanks. I've only got one brain. Why would I want to trash it?"
- "No thanks. Drinking before your brain is developed can dumb yourself down."

If there is alcohol at a party, LEAVE.

Keep your social environment alcohol-free.



Peers
Children often think that other people their age are drinking and smoking regularly, but most are not.

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The good things about the summer season

When it comes to my schedule, summer is the time when things slow down a bit. But there's still always a conflict or two looming, be it with different sports events or other events in life.

So far this summer, I've had the chance to cover a few Junior Legion games for the Alton team, the Cal Ripken District Eight tournament and a couple of state tournament games, the Granite Kid Triathlon and last

SPORTING CHANCE

By JOSHUA SPAULDING



week hit my first Home Run Baseball League game in North Conway.

Of course, I also missed out on the Plymouth 14U Babe Ruth team hosting the state tournament, since the 5 p.m. games conflicted with rehearsals and perfor-

mances for 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee, which has now wrapped production, freeing up a bit more of my time as we head into the final month before high school sports begin.

And I was unable to see the Plymouth Senior Legion team throughout the summer, but thankfully, Corey McKean, our reporter for the Littleton Courier, did a nice job covering the team during the summer and I was able to use his stories. I'm also hoping to see some of the Senior Legion tournament with the Rochester team, which is the top seed and features a couple of Kingswood and Prospect Mountain players.

Ahead, there is still the Alton Old Home Day 5K, the New Durham 5K and the Barnstead Firefighters Association 5K and the big event of the summer, the Granite Man Triathlon in Wolfeboro. And along the way there will be some interviews to conduct with people and before I know it, fall sports will be here and I'll be knee-deep in high school sports again.

The summer season does allow me the chance to relax a little bit, though performing on stage at the Village Players did take up some of that time. But for the most part, this time of year is when I can breathe. I take a few days off here and there, which is nice, but there's usually something that has to be done. Be it the grocery shopping, which now, much to my

chagrin, has to be done weekly, or the food preparation, or a Wednesday night band concert, there's always something on the schedule.

Summer also gives me a chance to actually watch a Red Sox game or two instead of just listening on the radio, though the absence of Jerry Remy makes me want to listen more than watch nowadays. Here's hoping that Jerry recovers soon and is back on television. One can only take so much Eckersley.

However, as this goes to press, summer is less than a month away from being over. Writing about it here makes me realize that it may be time to take a few more days off to relax before the busy season begins.

Finally, have a great day Beth Tobyne.

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BASEBALL

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a walk to open the top of the fifth inning and after a strikeout, Gabe Durgin was hit by a pitch and Kaleb Cox followed with a base hit. However, Smith was able to gun down Wing trying to score for the second out and then made a nice catch in center to end the inning.

With Wilson on the hill in the bottom of the fifth inning, Delaney's put the game away. Perkins led off with a base hit and stole second. He moved up on a ground-out by Sheahan and scored on a triple by Holiday, his second of the game, putting a bow on the 14-4 score.

Today, July 27, the two teams will meet again in Tamworth at 6 p.m. On Tuesday, Aug. 1, Delaney's will take on Coleman's at Kennett and Tuckerman's will take on Tamworth at KA Brett School.

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